such as corps parades, sports events, and

similar happenings. When students are

on vacation, Guion Hall is closed. Any

good businessman knows that fixed ex-

penses continue whether a business is op-

erating or not. Another item, often over-

looked, is Guion's readiness at all times

for use by authorized persons or groups.

It is always heated, always clean, and not

just for the theater, but for other uses

which can, and often do, incur expense

for the theater but bring no income. In

this sense, Guion Hall and its staff are

performing a service to the college which

could, while continuing to show the same

type of movies now obtained under iden-

tical terms, make more money with a ten

cent admission than it now does with a

thirty cent admission is false. We would

like to see any person—any person, that

is, with the true facts regarding the op-

erating record of Guion Hall-devise any

system whereby it could be done. If we

are wrong on this, we stand ready to be

spect the financial records of Guion Hall,

records which are prepared and audited

by the Fiscal Office of the college. There

is not the slightest doubt in our minds

that these records present a true and ac-

curate picture of the financial operations

of Guion Hall. And, from our inspection

of the profit and loss statements of Guion

Hall, we are convinced that the admission

price charged by Guion is as low as is con-

sistent with the type of pictures presented

if these pictures are to be shown within

a reasonable time from their original re-

service rendered by Guion Hall which

could be presented here. However, we be-

lieve such presentation to be unnecessary.

Let it suffice to say that from our pur-

sual of the operating records and reports

of Guion Hall, we are convinced that the

impression given in the open letter in yes-

of the open letter was not directed toward

obtaining a fair deal for the students of

A&M, but rather toward starting a move-

ment which would eventually cause the

motion picture service offered in Guion

generation would be, of course, the elim-

ination of Guion Hall theater as a com-

petitor in the local motion picture market.

We suspect that the true objective

terday's Battalion is completely false.

There are many other aspects of the

We have had an opportunity to in-

The claim that Guion Hall theater

is unequalled in this area.

Correcting a False Impression About Guion . . .

An open letter in the form of a paid advertisement in yesterday's Battalion announced to "students and others who are interested in the operation of Guion Hall as a movie theater" that Guion Hall should charge an admission price of ten cents. this same letter said that, with a ten cent admission price, Guion Hall threater could make more money every week that it now does under its present system of opera-

This letter also quoted a few random operating costs, made several false and misleading statements, and, intentionally or unintentionally, implied that there might be something rotten in Denmark with the operation of Guion Hall as a the-

We feel that it is our duty to set the record straight. To do this, we obtained all the facts and figures of Guion's opera-

The writer of the letter said "This theater (Guion) has a low operating cost, utilities, building, maintenance and etc., are furnished by the State of Texas—only the managers salary, operators salary and a few incidentals come out of the profit from the theatre operation and concession business."

This is a false statement. The \$tate of Texas does not pay any of these expenses. The light, water and heat expenses are paid from the profits of Guion as a theater. The expense of building upkeep is prorated among the different activities which make use of the building. The theater pays its share, and more. During the three month period of September, October and November, the theater was closed 11 times for Town Hall, commissioning exercises, a Singing Cadet concert and similar offerings. Only two of these activities paid for the use of Guion. The expenses for the others were paid by the theater which operates in Guion.

The letter was partially correct in its statement regarding salaries of the manager and the operators. There are other salaries paid by the Guion Hall theater but not mentioned in the open letter. They are those of three cashiers, one concession girl, five other operators in addition to one mentioned in the letter, and two ticket men. All these employees, with the exception of the manager, are either students at A&M or wives of students.

There are other things regarding the Hall to degenerate to such a degree that operation of Guion Hall as a movie house it would be of no value or pleasure to the which should be called to the attention of students. The ultimate object of this dethe writer of the open letter.

Attendance at the Guion theater fluctuates wildly because of student activities

In Passing . . .

In a rough and tumble football game the members of the team penalized that he wrathfully pushed his face against that staged by two teams composed of lads of the youthful official and said to him in between the ages of 8 and 12 years, a great no uncertain terms, "You Stink!" Wheremany penalties had been called by the upon the surprised and highly outraged sole official of the game, a lad not much official stepped off 15 more yards, turned older than the youngest player. One pararound to his accuser, and belligerently ticular 5-yard penalty so incensed one of

Man's New Year's resolutions live A brief and fleeting life.

inquired, "How do I smell from here?" The only ones he keeps for long

Are those made by his wife!

The Battalion

"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

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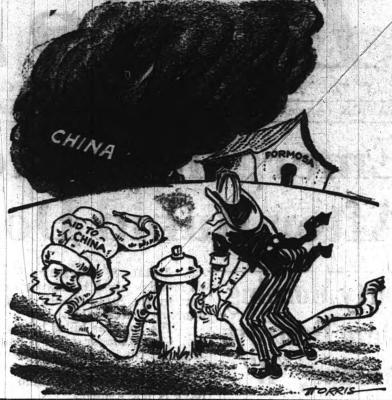
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MAYBE HE CAN STILL SAVE THE HOUSE NEXT DOOR

President's "Improved" Budget **Confusing More Than Before**

By JAMES MARLOW

Washington-(P)-I wanted to write something simple that went

'The President figures it will cost about \$42.4 billion to run the government another year. Of that amount, \$. . . will be paid in salaries to . . . people working

for the government."

That didn't seem like much work. All I had to do was turn a few pages in the budget and get the answers, I thought. The president's budget and bud-

get message—together they're as thick as a city telephone directory went to Congress yesterday. But I'd heard this was a big improvement-in organization and clarity-over any previous message by any president.

Previous Years

In other years, when I wanted to dip into the budget, I always approached on tiptoe with a magnifying glass and two detectives. But this year, after all the improvements I had heard about in the last budget, I just walked right up to it by myself.

All I had to do, I thought, was just open it and pretty soon I'd find what I was looking for. It was a bad move. I just wanted

to find out how many people worked regularly for the government and how much dough they Under the defense department I

read: "In the Army's estimate for 1951, 630,000 man-years are estimated for officers and enlisted

Quick, I put a call to a man I knew at the defense department and he said "630,000 man-years

Official Notice

ORDINANCE NO. 141

AN ORDINANCE MAKING IT UNLAWFUL TO ALLOW A DOG TO RUN AT
LARGE WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE
CITY: PROVIDING THAT A PERSON
RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CARE OF A
DOG WHO ALLOWS THE SAME TO
RUN AT LARGE SHALL BE FINED;
AND SPECIFYING THAT EACH INSTANCE A VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE OCCURS SHALL RE CONSIDERED A SEPARATE OFFENSE.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLLEGE
STATION, TEXAS;
Section 1. It shall be unlawful to allow
a dog To run at large within the limits of
the City.
Section 2. Any person responsible for
the care of a dog who allows the same
to run at large within the limits of
the City.
Section 3. The control of the City shall be guilty of a misdementor and
upon conviction shall be fined not less
than ten (\$10.00) dollars.
Section 3. Each instance that a violasidered a separate offense.
Section 4. This ordinance shall be effective from and after passage and publication.
Passed and approved the 9th day of

tion.

Passed and approved the 9th day of January, 1950.

APPROVED: APPROVED: s/Ernest Langford Mayor

a /N. M. McGinnis City Secretary

An examination for credit in C. E. 300S will be given in the C. E. Lecture Room at 1 P. M., Saturday, January 14, 1950. Only those students authorized by the Executive Committee may take the J. A. Orr. Professor Civil Engineering Dept.

Graduate Record Examinations will be riven here February 3 and 4. Applications for permission to take the examination must be received at the Princeton office sefore January 21. Application blanks may be obtained directly from the Educational Festing Service, P. O. Box 592, Princeton, N. J., or from Dr. W. A. Varvel, Department of Education and Psychology, Room Professor of Psychology Walter A. Varvel,

means the Army will have an average of 630,000 men in uniform in

I looked some more for total figures on people regularly drawing government pay

Then I picked up the phone again. I phoned all over Washington: to the budget bureau itself, the House, the Senate, the Library of Congress, the Capitol Architect, the U. S. Courts.

Final Answer

I finally got the answer which may be a little off but is close enough. It will do. The total is 3,500,000 people, including mem bers of the armed forces.

The total breaks down like this: Armed Forces—1,507,000; ians in the executive branch-1,960,000; legislative branch, inluding senators and representatives-7,200; U. S. courts-4,300. And of the 42.4 billion the president figures government expenses will run next year, about \$11,000,000,000 if for paying those 3,500,000 people.

Germans Say West For 'Fodder Army'

Frankfurt, Germany (A)- The west German Press has accused the Western Powers of trying to revive German militarism with a "cannon fodder" army.

The newspapers claimed the West wants an army of German "mercenaries" as a bulwark against the Russians. Although Western Allied officials

have announced publicly there are no present plans for rebuilding a German army, persistent reports have circulated that western mili-Yesterday a spokesman for West

German Chancellor (premier) Konrad Adenauer said the Bonn government declared the west German Republic was not taking the initiative in proposing such a military move.

The spokesman said Adenauer was "fundamentally" against German rearmament because she needs her whole power for civilian re-construction. He added that if the western allies insisted, however, western Germany would be willing to raise an army-equipped by the United States-to service as part of a European army under a combined European command.

Bath May Cost Florida Resident 890 Smackers

Daytona Beach, Fla., (AP)—A hot bath may cost Fred Disselkoan \$890. He hid \$890 in an envelope in

the water heater at his home while he went fishing. Back from the fishing trip, he lit the heater to take a bath. A few minutes later, he recalled hiding the money. he opened the heater and found only charred remains of the currency.

A bank advised him yesterday to send the remains to the U. S. Treasury in Washington. Bank ofsaid government experts might rule in his favor and send him new bills to replace the charred fragments.

GUION HALL -Thurs.. Jan. 19-6:45 P.M. & 9:15 P.M 1950 EDITION PERSON DOODLES WEAVER, HELEN GRAYCO, THE CITY SLICKERS 14 - EXPLOSIVE VOD-VIL ACTS - 14 ! SEATS NOW!! .. Tickets on sale at Student Activities Office A. & M. COLLEGE. MAIL ORDERS ACCEPTED! Send check and self addres stamped envelope to Student Activities Office, A. and M. College of Texas, College Station. BE SURE TO INDICATE WHICH SHOW TIME IS DESIRED. Prices: \$2.50, \$1.80, and \$1.25 (Tax included) "For The Love of Mike - Don't Miss Spike"

1949 Resolutions Collapse As Hal Boyle Grows Fatter

BY HAL BOYLE

New York — (AP)—Frances shool me awake this morning and said: "All right, Rover, you don't have to try to hide from life to-day. I've got an idea for you to write about. It's a nice easy idea,

'What's your big idea, dear?" 'Isn't it about this time of year

that people like you write one of those so-called funny pieces about New Year resolutions?" she said. "Well, it's a week or two late for that," I said. "And besides I haven't any that line."

"I'll save you a trip to the pub-lic library," said Frances. "I think I have all the material you need." She was thumbing a small note book in which, from time to time she chronicles the hits, runs and errors (all mine) of our marital

"Take your head out blankets," she said, "Let's look at the record, Rover."

"On last Jan. 1st— it says here —you promised to get home for dinner on time every night in 1949. Do you know how many you've been late?" "Maybe 25 times?"

"No, 138 times."
The farther she got in her memory book the deeper I got in

State Board Gives Praise to Langford

Praise has been given Ernest Langford, head of the Architecture Department, by the State Board of

Architectural Examiners.
The board held its December examinations were Bartlett Cocke San Antonio, chairman, Langford that "the State Board of Architectural Examiners wishes to express to you its thanks for the facilities of the Department of Architecture which were made available to us for our December examinations. Likewise we thank you and the members of your very efficient staff for the help in connection with the examination.

'Your department is always mo hospitable and we feel very much at home and we always look forward to conducting board meetings and examinations at A&M.

Sutherland Arrives To Help Veterans

M. R. Sutherland, regional insurance officer and contact representative from the VA, arrived here today, Taylor Wilkins, Veterans Advisor, said today.
Sutherland will be in his office, 260 Bizzel Hall, from 9:30 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. Thursday, Jan-

Veterans with any VA problems tive, whether or not any previous action has been taken, Wilkins

uary 12, to be of assistance to any

Can Opener Divorce

Hollywood-(A)-"Divorce," says a Hollywood chef, "begins in the kitchen." Miss Lucich, a cook for 46 years, says "more marriages start heading for trouble when the wife reaches for a can opener than you would suspect. Home-making, especially cooking, is ultimately the most important part of marriage, Yet young girls are being trained for everything but that."

Thursday & Friday



"I won't even mention the fur coat you've been promising me every year since 1937."

"Didn't I go on the wagon six times?"

"Didn't you fall off seven times?"

"Didn't I go on a diet four times?"

"Yes. You lost a total of 35 pounds in four times—and gained said.

district will be discussed by Cl

line, Young said.

During his visit, Chapline

interview range and forestry grad-

uates interested in a career in range-forestry research. He will visit some of the range areas in

ng leaders in the U.S. in range

research and correlated phases, Young said. Many of his years of

service in range-forest research were spent in the southwest, par-

icularly in New Mexico. He was

to the field of range research prior to being appointed chief of the di-

Dr. A. W. Sampson, head of the

Range Department of the Univer-

sity of California, expects to visit the Range and Forestry Depart-

ment, January 13, according to Dr.

Dr. Sampson like Mr. Chapling

est Service. He was in charge of

range research at the Great Basin

Experiment Station in Utah for a

range management expect to visit

the Range and Forestry Depart-

ment following the annual meet-

Range Management to be held in San Antonio, January 10 and 12 in-

ing of the American Society

Other leaders in the field

one of the pioneer research men

Young.

number of years.

vision of forest-range research.

he vicinity of College Station. Chapline is one of the outstand

40. At that rate you'll weigh 296 pounds by the end of 1969."

She closed the book, and handed it to me and said:

She playfully pinched my cheek, taking out only a small hunk. Wives' aren't a profitable source of ideas on some days.

Range Research Head To Speak To R&F Club, Interview Grads

of Range Research of the U. S. Forest Service, will visit the Range and Forestry Department of A&M. January 13 and 14, according to

Certain policies that determine of range men in the Forest Service

ExperimentStation Gets 10-Acre Trace

A 10-acre tract of land to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, which will be used for research purposes.

The land was made available to the Yoakum plant disease laboratory by the Chamber of Commerce which R. J. Etlinger is president. "This land is needed," Dr. R. D

Lewis director of the TAES, said "The chamber has leased it from the owner and expects to do so for five year period."
"All the crops produced on the

land are to be the property of the Experiment Station and any proceeds from the sale of such crops be used for the benefit the plant disease laboratory Yoakum," Dr. Lewis said.

Vet's Wives Bridge Club Meets Jan. 12

The Veteran's Wives' Bridge Club will held their weekly meeting January 12 in the YMCA at 7:30 p. m., Mrs. Jackie Trolinger, reporter, said today.

Officers elected for the spring semester are Mrs. Gwenn Burns.

president; Mrs. Ann Wilson, vicepresident; Mrs. Jo Norris, secre-tary treasurer, Mrs. Jackie Tro-linger, reporter; Mrs. Billie Lips-comb, historian; and Mrs. Jan Ryman, parliamentarian.

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