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Two Men, Truckload of Gravel, and One Hour . . .

Campus car owners who have brought their autos to the college car washing slab just east of the power plant's cooling towers are complaining over the condition of the slab.

It seems to have been built, and left end. alone these one or two years since its con-

Deep ruts have been cut alongside the slab and dirt washed from cars has piled up on the concrete slab to present thickness of about two inches.

What needs to be done is for a crew to drop by and shovel off the dirt on the slab. Then they could sprinkle gravel around the rutted edges of the slab.

Fortunately no cars have gotten stuck yet. That day, if the ruts get deeper, is not long off.

Built by the college as a service facil-

ity for the students, they car washing slab has been used by hundreds of students. From Thursday afternoon until noon Saturday the slab is especially busy with Aggies shining up their autos for the week-

But this facility is not being maintained as it should. Frequent use has made the surrounding area a quagmire because drainage has been stopped, or slowed by the accumulated dirt washed from cars brought there. Two men with a truck-full of gravel

could eliminate the bad rut situation. These same two men working another 30 minutes could clean the slab of its thick layer of mud.

This brief maintenance job could restore the car washing slab to 100 percent efficiency

More System To Be Present In Texas Education . . .

Last Saturday the University of Texas' Board of Regents decided to set up a chancellor type of over all administration for the University's educational empire similar to the type enjoyed by Texas A&M.

This change has been forced by the growth of all units of the University of Texas system, making administration under present organizational lines inefficient and difficult. Operating units in Austin, Galveston, Houston, Dallas and El Paso, the University system has been functioning under the President of Texas University in Austin's command. The new set up would place a chancellor over the whole

system of colleges and universities claiming University of Texas allegiance. Each of the units would have its own heads.

This action by the Board of Regents is not necessarily an adoption of what the A&M system has found a successful way to run an educational empire flung all over the state. Doubtlessly the Board of Regents studied the Texas A&M System noting its strength and its weaknesses.

We are pleased that the University of Texas has made this organizational change. If they have not followed A&M's foot steps, let us hope that A&M lit the way which they have chosen to follow.

Congressional Baby in 1800, Giant Today . . .

Typical of the United States-always the biggest and, consequently, the bestour national Library of Congress couldn't be anything other than the largest library in the world, Stuffed with 8,500,-000 books, 125,000 bound volumes of newspapers, 11,320,000 manuscripts, almost 2,000,000 maps and views, 80,000 reels of motion pictures, 2,000,000 volumes and pieces of music, 300,000 phonograph records and enough knicknacks to add up to 227,500,000 pieces. The Library reports a net gain of 1,500,000 pieces over last

its age, the Library of Congress is cele-

brating this year as its 150th. Back in 1800 congressmen decided that if there was anything they needed, it was a li-In this library they could look

Like many other projects we have begun in this country, what started out a modest-sized library, has since swelled into the most formidable collection of knowledge in the world.

things up.

After a few more years growth at the present rate, the Library will probably file a claim to the Pentagon Building to Without fanfare or wildly proclaiming house its storehouse of sundry informa-

This week's Time magazine gives three pictures of a new set of chessmen made in Russia. Comments Time: "Russia produces the world's best chess players and most dogged propagandists. The new chessmen symbolize the conflict between Communism and Capitalism. The Capitalists chess king is a skeleton wrapped in ermine and obsolete armor, while his anemic-looking queen stands with one breast lewdly exposed, holding a cornucopia (horn of plenty) from which pours

money-probably dollars. The capitalist pawns are cowering workers bound by triple strands of chains.

On the Communist side, a fine upstanding worker is king, the queen wears decorous Russian peasant dress, and the pawns happily swing the sickles. Obviously, before using the new set, the Russians would have to revise the ancient rules of chess, to make it impossible for the capitalist side to checkmate the Red king.

The Battalion

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Washington, March 29-(AP)-Texas' Attorney General Price Daniel told the Supreme Court yesterday Texas wants to present evidence showing it has asserted ownership over submerged lands in the Gulf since 1836.

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1—Texas would like to refute the federal government claim that the question of ownership of the submerged land had not arisen until recently; that Texas had not asserted its ownership.

2—Texas would like to present evidence to show that since 1836—the year it became an independent nation—Texas has owned the lands and used them for at least nine miles out.

In its brief Texas had asked either a hearing before a special master or a district court. Technically, the supreme court is hearing arguments on a Department of Justice motion asking the high court decide in the federal government's favor on the strength of briefs filed. cide in the federal government's favor on the strength of briefs filed.

At stake in the Texas case—and one involving Louisiana which the court heard argued yesterday—are oil beds under the Gulf of Mexico.

Several years ago the supreme court ruled in a case against Cali-

fornia that the government has paramount rights in and full domina-tion and power over such submerged lands. U. S. Solicitor General Phillip Perlman told the court the Texas case is not materially differ-

ent from that involving California.

He said the fact that Texas, while independent nation from 1836 to 1845, claimed its boundary at three leagues into the Gulf made no difference. When Texas joined the union whatever soverignity Texas had over the submerged land became vested in the United States, Perlman argued.

Perlman told the court it decided in the California case that Paramount rights over the submerged land was an incident of national

sovereignty.

He said the court decided "that whatever these Paramount rights are they were brought into being by the United States as an incident to national soverignty in the family of nations—they never belonged

to national soverighty in the family of nations—they never belonged to any state."

This means, said Perlman, it makes no difference what boundary Texas claimed at the time it entered the United States; that the fact that Texas was allowed to keep her "vacant and unappropriated lands"—public lands—when she entered the union was immaterial.

He said Texas was allowed to keep such lands merely because Texas was in debt some 10 or 12 million dollars and the land was left with Texas to be sold to liquidate the debt.

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"Strange as it may seem now, in those days there was some belief congress that the Texas lands weren't worth \$10,000,000," Perlman

Lookin' Back

From the Battalion Files of 15 Years Ago

A call for cadets with the wan-derlust was issued in the Sept-ember 26, 1934 issue of The Battalion. The Former Students Association was sponsoring a "TEXAS AGGIE SPECIAL" train to carry cadets and exes to Philadel-

carry cadets and exes to Philadelphia where A&M was to play Temple University.

Fee for the trip was "less than \$100 a man", and stops were scheduled at Washington, D. C., Philadelphia for the game New York for a party at the Hotel New Yorker, and Chicago for a stop at the World's Fair.

With the exception of the one big story however, no other men-

big story, however, no other men tion of the trip was made in the paper and accounts of the game failed to mention any big Aggie representation. Incidentally, the cadets bowed to Temple 40 to 6 in a pouring rain that all but obscured the players from the

A&M was honored on the airways October 19, 1934, when an All-Aggie program was broadcast over WSM, a 50,000 watt radio station. Sponsored by the National Life and Accident Insurance Com-Life and Accident Insurance Company, the collegiate salute show was one of the largest of its day. Script for the show included a play picturing campus life. It was written by Dr. T. F. Mayo, then librarian of the college, Music on the broadcast featured three A&M songs—"The Aggie War Hymn," "The Spirit of Aggieland," and "There Shall Be No Regrets."

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COMING THURSDAY

- Hollywood Goes Western Again in 'The Nevadan'

It Seems to Me . .

vince, official dispatches said yesterday.

This sudden eruption of fighting of the long-quiet western front came as the Nationalists and Communists tested each other's defenses in sea raids.

The Nationalists assert 4,000 crack Communist troops were killed or captured in a big Red raid Monday on Hainan Island.

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own regulars a week ago made the second mainland raid in a month and were moving inland after seizing the coastal town of Cheing-tiao, 150 air miles South of Shan-

The Red success in Sikang Pro-vince presumably has overrun Sichang, major guerrilla base and site of the only air field left to the forces of Chiang Kai-Shek on the mainland.

(An official broadcast from Formosa said Sichang fell Monday "after fierce fighting.")

The Communist were said to have struck from the North and South with 130,000 men. They had left Sikang largely to turncoat Nationalist forces after breaking organized mainland resistance last

The dispatches said part of the 35,000 Nationalist troops in Sikang had been taken out by air to Hai-

The remainder were left behind to wage guerilla warfare, but it is unlikely they will be able to block the route to Tibet. Tibet is right next door to the west. The Commuunists have vowed to "lib-erate" this inaccessible country, which never was under effective



BROADWAY'S NO. 1 STAGE PLAY



The Nevadan (Columbia) starring Randolph Scott, Dorothy Malone, and Forrest Tucker.

"When in doubt make a Western." This seems to be the current attitude of motion picture studios. Columbia appears to be no exception. The currently released Nevadan showing at the Campus Theater is their latest attempt to

Chinese Reds

Nearing Tibet

Taipei, Wednesday, March 29 — (AP) — The Chinese Communists have cleared the approach route to Tibet by crumbling Nationalist resistance in far-western Skiang Province, official dispatches said yesterday.

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New don't go. away—it's good, Nr. Gollob). The hot sun and lack and farthes were plagerized (pardon, mr. Gollob). The hot sun and lack of water play an important part in one of the final scenes.

The plot for all of this equine melodrama is the recovery of sto-large of an educated horse. It is discussed to the most except in the movie which could have been more profitably spent with footage of an educated horse. It is disgusting to us to see a girl take part of a lady-like-cow-girl. For all of the raid followers of the profit of the producers, directors and has come out with a darn good movie.

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Man E Inspection Trip Scheduled

Junior management Engineering students will take an all-day in-spection trip to Lufkin on Thurs-day, April 8, E. C. Prival of the Management Engineering Depart-ment announced this morning.

"This field trip is designed to give junior students the opportun-ity to see first hand actual production processes and problems in the foundry industry," Prival said. The inspection trip group will tour the Texas Foundries and the Luf-kin Foundry and Machine Com-

All juniors are expected to sign up for the trip in the Management Department office, indicating whether they will drive their own cars or will ride with someone else, he said.



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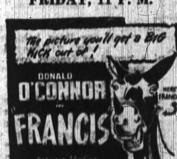
Cecil Ryan, professor of poultry husbandry, will take a team of four students to the annual Junior Poultry Judging Contest in Memphis, Tennessee early in April. Ryan has coached five students since early November, hoping to have trained four of them well enough by April to win the Poultry Judging Contest this year. Trying out for the team are Penix, Dick Taylor, Jack Elwell, Carl Meyer, and Warren Albrecht all poultry husbandry majors. all poultry husbandry majors. The four who make the team, along with Ryan, will go to the contest in a college car.



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