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### Progress in the College Community . . .

College Station, like other up and coming cities, possesses an energetic Chamber of Commerce. Meeting last night to make appropriations for the fiscal year 1950, the Chamber appropriated nearly \$3,000 for various activities carried on by it.

"Most important appropriation of the evening was \$500 tagged for the College Recreation Committee. Citizens of this city are familiar with the great and inclusive recreational program for local youth that is directed by the Recreation Committee.

A significant \$300 was set aside for the construction of a concrete slab for the recreation of the city's children. The slab will be built by Lincoln High School. Ultimately the Chamber hopes that the slab will be used as a floor for a new gymnasium planned in the future.

Money for band uniforms was appropriated for the A&M Consolidated School

These appropriations as well as others important to the function of an aggressive Chamber of Commerce were made last

#### Lame Ducks Begin Bowing Out . . .

The Student Life Committee, for all practical purposes, Monday elected two new co-editors for The Battalion. It did this by approving a Student Senate recommendation which allows both co-editors to come from either the corps or non-military student group if either of the groups fails to produce a qualified candidate.

Since only two qualified candidates, both from the corps, have filed for election, the Life Committee's action assured their election.

Both the men are three year veterans on the paper. Starting on the first freshman Batt in 1946, which was then an 8 x 11 mimeographed sheet, they advanced to their present jobs as feature and managing editors.

Their material rewards have been few, but perhaps the satisfaction received from jobs well done plus some local recognition made up for the lack of cash.

evening during the City Hall meeting. Money was allotted to the printing of a pamphlet which would advertise the business advantages of College Sta-

The City of College Station, almost surrounding the campus of Texas A&M College has its fates and fortunes tied to those of the College. Without an ever expanding and improving college the community sprawled about it cannot grow and become prosperous.

The civic leadership of College Station shows recognition of the responsibilities of the community to the individual and the individual to the community. They provide educational facilities of the highest caliber, to operate the finest civic recreation program that will be found anywhere, to be ever on the alert to better serve and improve the community—these are virtues of the College Station Chamber of Commerce and the College Station City Council.

If you want to see as high degree of democracy as operates anywhere in this country, take a look about you - in College Station.

Certainly their grade point ratios didn't compensate for it.

Their job is ahead. Unlike we, the retiring editors, they can't look forward to relief from the midnight oil, clanging typewriters and teletypes, copy-starved linotype men, and deadly news deadlines. But they can look forward to an opportunity to write and publish without censorship of any kind the news and opinions that they believe are honest and just. That freedom of action is an education in itself. It more than makes up for the lower grades and lost sleep. We sincerely believe there is no other job on the campus, with but one exception, where a studnt can learn so much about the college and, more important, about people.

We, the lame-duck editors, wish them all the luck in the world. They've got a big job, but we know them well and are confident they can handle it.

#### Democrat, It's All In A Name . ..

In Mississippi names appearing in the Party. ballot column of the Democratic Party are assured election.

Too long have the people of that state held faith in Democratic candidates and the Democratic Party to ever cross over and vote Republican. It just isn't done.

Within the state there's a scrap between groups in the Democratic party whose ideas are further separated than those between Republican and Democrat. There are the Dixiecrats who persist in the states' rights philosophy of government and there are the Fair Dealers who stick by the national party and support its liberal measures.

Republicans in Mississippi offer no opposition, so the political struggle centers around issues presented by conflicting views within the party-The Democratic

A new Mississippi statute requires evry political party within the state to register with the Secretary of State, and only one party can claim one name. On a first come first served basis, the Dixiecrats grabbed the Democratic title by registering before the Fair Dealers.

Had Old Guard Republicans strolled into the Secretary of State's office first, they could have snatched the magic title "Democrat." In fact, Communists or Fascists, or any other group calling themselves Democrats could have gained the title that the Dixiecrats got first.

Mississippi's aim, and it has turned out that way, was to give the Dixiecrats the Democratic title. What would have been the result had some un-American group registered first as Democrats?

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Today's Issue



### Letters To The Editor

FACILITIES FOR NEGROES

Editor, The Battalion: "I'm not prejudiced, but-" a well worn phrase. I imagine that most of us have used it at one time or another. That we know we are prejudiced and make no effort to

correct our prejudice is the fact that is discouraging. True, some that voted against admitting negro colleges and uni-

#### Deadline Set For **ETSE Applications**

Applications for the Educational Testing Service Examination must be received in the Princeton, New Jersey, office by April 21, according to Dr. W. A. Varvel of the Education and Psychology Department from whom the applications may be obtained in room 102 of the Academic Building. The Graduate Record Examina-

tion will be given here May 5 Scores on the examinations are used by some of the larger graduate and professional schools to help in evaluating the fitness of candidates for graduate study. Scores are reported directly to

the candidate and to the one, two or three graduate schools listed on his application for the test. At present, A&M does not require this test for entrance to its own graduate school.

#### Official Notice

Thursday, April 20, is the deadline for payment of the final installment of fees for the Spring semester. The final installment including room rent, board and laundry is \$72.25. W. H. Holzmann,

The preliminary grades for the spring semester 1900 will be considered as the final grade in determining a student's el-igibility to order the A. and M. Ring for the Glass of 1951. Orders will not be taken until after May 1, 1950. Delivery of these rings will be made August 15th or anytime there-H. L. Heaton, Registrar





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versiies into the TISA during the senate meeting did so partly be-cause they were prejudiced. However, the logical opposition,-"state laws prohibiting negroes being housed at white institutions," may

we would have no facilities to of-fer negroes even if there were no such state law.
In spite of this sound opposition, I voted affirmative, perhaps blindly hoping that this problem will solve itself when the time comes. But it is a problem, among many others, and is not to be taken too

offer sound reason for the nega-

tive vote. Should the TISA convention be held at A&M next year,

Can the editor—or anyone for that matter—offer a sound solution? I'm sure the student senators would be glad to hear it!

Cordially,

William B. Smith

Senator, Dorm 15 (Editors' Note-In the event

negroes are admitted to the TISA and the annual convention should be held at A&M next year, segregated facilities for their board and lodging could be provided.

(Very probably the of the ramps in Walton would be reserved for any visiting negroes and special arrangements for eating would be provided by the

(At Prairie View the college officials maintain separate fac-ilities reserved for white visitors to the campus.) to the campus.)

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### **Bridge Finalists** Go to Chicago

R. C. Lyon and R. Q. Blake-ney will leave Thursday, April 20, by way of air for Chicago

20, by way of air for Chicago to participate in the National Intercollegiate Bridge finals, according to Prof. A. M. Platt of the CHE department and Bridge Tournament chairman.

Lyon and Blakeney rated 5th in the national ranking as a result of the regional tournament held in February. Another team of Dunkelburg and White of A&M ranked 6th in regional finals. Rice ranked 6th in regional finals. Rice placed a team in 8th place, but all other Southwest Conference teams were not ranked.

After an introduction dinner Fri-day evening in the Blackstone Ho-tel, the play for the finals will begin. The final playing will be concluded Saturday evening. The team will return to A&M Sunday. The Memorial Student Center sponsors the A&M bridge club and made all arrangements for the re-gional tournament play.

Blakeney is a senior Manage-ment Engineering major from Ok-lahoma City. Lyon is a senior Ag-ricultural Education major from College Station.

#### Bible Verse

Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works, show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my

### Past Presidents Elect

A luncheon was held Monday noon by the Past Presidents Club of the Brazos County A&M Mothers Club at the Oaks in Bryan.

Mrs. Ernest Langford and Mrs. F. L. Thomas were elected chairman and reporter respectively during a business session held at the meeting. luncheon was held Monday

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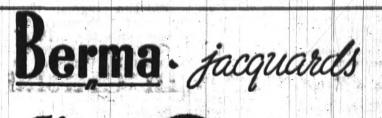
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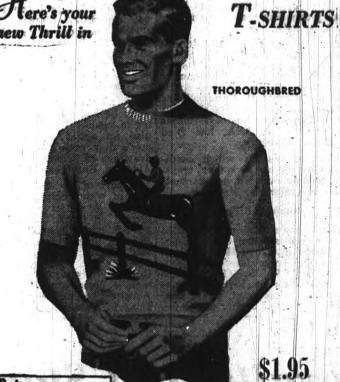
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