### Senior Banquet - Mess Hall Achievement . . .

After a weekend as successful as the last there are many people and groups who deserve the thanks of those of us who were conspicuous on the sidelines. We can't name them all, there were too many. However, there is one group which should be singled out.

entire Senior Class in extending a heartfelt "Thanks" to the staff of Duncan Mess Hall and to any others who prepared and served the Senior Banquet. Not only was the food of excellent quality, it was served hot-something which can't be said of many banquets off the campus. An absolute minimum of time elapsed between

courses. The waiters moved quickly, efficiently, and politely about their duties in serving the 1,000 plus people who attended the banquet. Their work made it possible for all of us to enjoy the well pre-

The tables were attractive, too, with We'll presume in speaking for the new silver, candles, and neat arrange-

> It has been our privilege to attend many of the banquets served by the staff of the college mess halls. They have, without exception, all been good. Saturday night's was another success.

Again we extend our appreciation for

### New Plans for Texas Colleges . . .

very appropriate editorial comment on a proposed study that could have a far reaching affect on Texas colleges. The proposal, which was voiced by Dr. Sam Barton, president of the College Classroom Teachers Association, would, if approved by the legislature, be a form of Gilmer Aikin plan for state colleges. (See news report of Barton's plan on this page.)

The Texan editor's comments are well worth consideration. He said, after an introductory paragraph, "Dr. Sam Barton asked for a study to remedy these major college faults:

"1. Packed classrooms and overloaded

"3. Adequate library and research fa-

These are faults that can be found to yarving extent in almost all colleges and universities. Problem No. 1 is the most applicable to the University. New classroom buildings are on the way to partially alleviate this growing pain.

"The Gilmer-Aikin program, however, holds a key to an inadequacy not listed by Dr. Barton, but prevalent to a great degree in the State's smaller schools and to a lesser extent in the University and her Southwest Conference rivals.

"That shortcoming has recently been described by the Texan as 'easy hours' -those vacuum courses usually labeled

The Daily Texan last week made a 'crips' by students. The University has some of these courses. East Bindertwine Junior College has others. Sometimes the courses coincide.

> "Dr. Barton's Classroom Teachers would be doing education a great service if they could formulate a standard of values aimed at eradicating 'easy hours.

This might be done through a survey of the courses which the various schools have succeeded in making interesting and constructive without becoming drudgery. An exchange of ideas and techniques built around the findings of this survey could result in all the schools having complete curriculums of desirable—but not easy hours'-courses.

"The survey would also indicate the limits to which the curriculums of smaller schools should be extended. That is, it would eliminate the teaching of certain courses in schools whose finances and physical plant would make those courses

"A proposal for a study similar to the one suggested by Dr. Barton was never acted on in the recent special session of the Legislature.

'With 'economy talk' impending in the next session, a look into the Barton proposals, plus an investigation of 'easy hours,' would be worth the effort. Efficiency has always meant economy - in education as well as government.

### In Less Than A Week, Mountains to Move . . .

finding little time remaining this semester to either passing or failing. for practice of this philosophy

With the days remaining fewer than fingers on either hand, heaps of work piled on our desks assume more the dimensions of mountains than mere stacks of paper.

Such expressions as, "Come now, old boy, there's really no cause for alarm. You've been in this situation in semesters past and have always pulled through", offer little consolation. Neither will the at- can I get all my work done by Saturday?

Exponents of the philosophy "Never titude "To Hell with it" gain much supdo today what you can do tomorrow" are port when the choice has resolved itself

> During this last week of the semeste late hours will be kept by most of the student body doing now what should have been done weeks ago.

> We can resolve that next semester our attitudes will be different, but this time next semester we'll be as far behind as

> But we can't think of next semester, or next week even. Our question is "How

## The Battalion

"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman" Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

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### Letters To The Editor

ACTION APPRECIATED

We just wanted to tell you how very much we appreciated your

eautiful thoughtfulness in sending

flowers in honor of those students

of Baylor who were killed in the

Words are not adequate to ex-

press to you our deep sincetity, but

we do thank you for your complete

unselfishness from the bottom of

Very Sincerely, Baylor Student Council

London, May 22 AP A Tor-

nado- one of this country's rar-

brough three valleys northwest

belts lancing through the storm

took at least two lives

Tremendous jagged lightning

Torrential rains of three inches

ooze) from its banks in

an hour burst the River Ouse (pro-

Bedfordshire. In one place a road

was flooded with 15 feet of water

Hallstones nearly as big as chick-

times in its 23-mile course between

off a power house at the Halton

its path were unrooted, trees were

disrooted and power lines torn

unroofing more houses.

Reds to Harness

Manchurian River

San Francisco - P - Chinese

Communists say 250,000 peasants and soldiers have been put to work on a giant project to harness the

floods of the Liao River in Man-

The Liao drains the western

plain of Manchuria, possibly the

richest agricultural region in that sprawling area. The river always

has been cantankerous because of heavy rains on its watershed.

A broadcast from Peiping heard here said more than 310 miles of

new dikes are being built on the west bank. About 600 miles of old

dikes on the main stream and its tributaries are being repaired. Report Card Ban Asked

Los Angeles Al-Miss Helen

Hefferman is one educator who doesn't believe in report cards.

It would be better for both par-

ents and children if the "old

fashioned" cards were eliminated, she told a conference of educators

of the division of instruction, Cal-

ifornia Department of Education, suggested that parent-teacher dis-cussions would be a better way to letermine what is best for child-

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DRIVE-IN Meade

WHITE HEAT"

LI'L ABNER

Miss Hefferman, assistant chief

field. Half the homes in

the Thames and Ouse valleys.

en eggs pelted four counties.

Tornado Strikes

Near London

of London today

Editor, The Battalion:

WHAT PRICE PROGRESS

Editor, The Battalion: I have checked through many the pahphlets and building blished by the college and as yet have found no word about my ittle problem. Since we came here o learn, I believe that we should given a fair chance to do so. All of you who have had to take a juiz in the Textile Building this past week to appreciate this done

quizes are being given upstairs and downstairs and yet, workmen and anything else that they can lay their hands on that is loud and

Why is it that a student should he placed in a situation such as this through lack of planning of some paid employee on the college staff. I don't know who made the formion to hold classes and do construction in this building at the same time, but I wash that he would try to read, study, or take a quiznder those conditions in that building.
Dick Marks '50

Texas Hiway Dept. Short Course Set

Tom H. Taylor, supervisor of and Charles Hell, manager of the Travel Information Bureau, Texas Highway Department, Texarkana, Texas, will be here Wednesday to conduct first aid courses and an mentation program for the

all start at 2:00 p in on Wolf-nesday and will continue until 10 m of the same day.

The course will commist of both re standard and the advance first aid courses and an one tion of duties connecte. Summer jobs. A general discussion the various attractions in Tothe station assignments of the summer imployees

The following Texas A&M men who have been employed for Sum-mer work with the Texas Highway Department will attend the mee John W Thomas, Milton H Park er, Edward M Beghaud M C Garren, Bilb T Rand, Bill R Wil-hite, and Gark M Christian

### Official Notice

Vernon A Young Chairman

hir Donald W. Hood dandidate for the degree of Lefetor of Plideophia will specient his dissertation entitled. Modes of the Biological Systhesia of Assira Aridi, at 130 F.M. Wednesday Mov. 24, in Boom 182. Animal Industry Building Interested members of the graduate faculty are invited to attend.

Carl M. Liman. Chairman of the Committee.

SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE

Reniops and ofaff members of the School of Agricultude are cardially invited to attend the Texas. Première showing of Waves of Green' in Guiden Hall at S. an. Wednesday: May 24, 1950. This is a chinicagor picture produced by the Dearson Majons of Deleviti presenting a demandization of the contribution of our Land-Grand Conleges to American agriculture.

Chai. N. Shepardman.

Decan of Agriculture



## Study of State College Needs Urged to Show Inadequacies

to the needs of state colleges similar to that which led to the Gilmer-Aikin program for the public school system was proposed in

Dr. Sam Barton of Denton, president of the College Classroom Teachers Association, called for the study to bring attention to what he termed "inadequacies of our present college system."

The recent special session of the legislature falled to act on a pro-

needs of colleges: 1. Standardization of student-

teacher ratios to prevent over-crowding of classes and over-

loading of instructors and pro-fessors with classes.

2. Equalizing of salaries with similar institutions in other states to prevent Texas losing many of its most able teachers.

3. Increasing the library fac-ilities and laboratory equipment and expenditures for research.

He said Texas students-per-He said Texas students-per-teacher ratios vary from 9.7 to 23.2 students per teacher, compared to the recommended ratio of 20 students per teacher for freshmen and sophomores, 13 for juniors and seniors and 10 for the graduate states is \$3,000."

from 6 to 15 hours, compared, to nine named states.

those in state-supported institu-tions in California, Connecticut, Illinois, Arizona, Colorado, Massachusetts, Indiana, Michigan, and New Jersey, most of which are teacher training institutions, shows Texas badly lagging, he tors in Texas is \$1,915, whereas the minimum in those other nine

Ratios in recitation hours vary Texas minimum of \$3,700 com-in Texas from 12 to 18 hours and pares to a \$4,780 minimum in the

Success Story . . .

# Traveled Far, Saved Many

issued today.

F-12 has traveled from coast to coast and from the northern bors

The old lung has tried to save piece of metal and glass, with a hellows, its personal bookkeeping has not been well kept. How many it saved is not in the written records, except in the last

In that period three have com-

## Chemicals Protect

Washington-AP-Three Belgian plane was flying low and started scientists report that use of a poisonous chemical sodium cyanide-has afforded high protection to mice against deadly doses of radiation. They used Xrays in their tests, but anything that would be true of X-rays would hold true of X-rays would hold for "rays" from an atomic bomb.

offer possibilities for humans but a Washington scientist said he believed it would be out of the ques-

It raced on then 10 miles before lowering its 75-yard path of devas-Lughton Buzzard and Linslade. on there it thundered 13 miles sorthward to Houghton conquest,

for the 1950 rice fertilization studies at Substation, No. 4, Beau-mont, has been announced by Dr. R. D. Lewis, director, Texas Agri-cultural Experiment Station, Texas

Cox. agriculturist, agricultural chemical division, American Cyna mid Company of New York.





LATEST NEWS

By HOWARD W. BEAKESLEE getting his breath with F-12 aid throat eventually got well too. To since last November. ince last November. day, the National Foundation re In a week he expects to go home ports, Carlos is completely recov

> to go with him ,to remain on call as ong as needed. Without F-12 six-year-old Carlos Cotten, of San Angelo, Tex as might not be alive today. Carlos had the form of polio that paralyzes throat muscles, so that

secretions gathered and literally breatened to drown him. At San Angelo two surgeons and a nurse put Carlos in F-12, with

just his head and neck outside. They operated so that the izon lung could draw air in from a point below the paralyzed throat. His

### Dallas Pair Rents Plane, Crashes

Dallas, May 22-AP-A Dallas couple who had rented a plane for a ride to Greenville crashed into a garden today shortly after

taking off.
Arthur J. Perry, 35, and his wife, Lela Mac, 30, were in serious condition in Baylor Hospital last Bert Justice, a witness, said the

to make a turn when it crashed. "I was standing on my back was the manufacturer's serial num-porch, about 2,000 feet away from the plane," said Justice. "It was the plane," said Justice. coming across Oates Drive and was losing altitude. At about 100

and spun in to the left.' Justice reached the plane about two minutes after the crash and nelped remove the injured pair.

### Ex-Hubby, Papa No Cheapskate

Houston-AP- District Judge Roy Campbell said it had never happened before in his courtroom A Houston man seeking a divorce suggested he pay between \$70 and

after deciding on \$70 a month.





TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY



instructors and six to nine hours from professors, he said.

On the professor level, he said.

Life Saving Respirator Has

(Associated Press Science Writer) New York—425—F-12, a wheezy, old iron lung for polic, is a hero in the annual report of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis,

der of the United States to the Gulf of Mexico helping men, wom-en and children to breathe.

two years.

pletely recovered, and two others re nearly well.

Today F-12 is nearing the finish

another expected success story. In it, at Ranchos Los Amigos hospital, Los Angeles, is Walter ng, a married man. He has been

## Mice, Not Humans

The Belgians offered no state-

tion for human use. He declined to be quoted He declined to be quoted by name. He said the Belgian work added another block to the structure of knowledge that is slowly being built up towards understanding the true nature of how radiation affects the living body.

### **Experiment Station** Receives Aid Grant thought \$50 would be sufficient. Campbell granted the divorce

A&M Colleke System.

The money is from Thomas R.



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DONALD BUCK CARTOON

name of a clumsey, inanimate object which the National Foundation purchased in 1944 at a cost of \$15,000. Some people call it an iron lung, which is dyscriptive but inaccurate. technical designation is respira-

"F-12 isn't very pretty. It weighs about 750 pounds, and looks like an up-ended boiler with win-

This lung started in the children's hospital, Boston, in 1944. Next year the foundation shipped it to Nashville, Tenn. Thence went to Minnesota for what the Foundation calls the tragic c of 1946. There it worked a 24our day for a year,

Afterward came Jackson, Miss. in 1947 and Edinburgh, Texas in 1948. Late that year it went to Los Angeles. An airplane carried it that trip. In June last year it was back in Texas, at San 'Angelo. And in September to Los Angeles again.

haul by its manufacturers. This particular iron lung got its



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