

A Hearty 'Hello to 4-H's . . .

To you who have pledged your heads to clearer thinking, your hearts to greater loyalty, your heads to larger service, and your health to better living, for your community and your country, we say "welcome."

It is not every day that a college can open its doors to a select group of boys and girls as you are—a group who will soon take their places as leaders of their community and our state.

For many of you, this is your first visit to the campus. We hope it will not be your last. As women of the not-to-distant future, you may have occasion to visit the campus for a weekend of festivity, Aggie style. The boys, we hope, will be inspired by what they see here during their brief visit, and perhaps return later to more ably prepare themselves for the future awaiting them. 'Tis our only lament that this visit could not occur during a time when it could be possible to show

you A&M during the more activated fall and spring semesters.

You are attending the State 4-H Round-Up as representatives of your clubs, communities, and the families who are still at home awaiting your return. Anxiously waiting to hear what you heard, saw and did here. Therefore, it is your duty to fulfill your primary representative purpose here. It is your duty to tell those who you are representing what you learned so that they too, might increase their knowledge through your trip.

To those of you who were selected as winners of the various judging contests and demonstrations on yesterday's program, "congratulations." We are proud to have you as representatives of our state. To those who aspired to reach the higher position, we extend the hope that you will realize your mistakes, and improve them. That is what 4-H camps and A&M is for—to develop leaders, leaders who can be good losers as well as winners.

Time to Compose Differences . . .

The airing of differences between Land Commissioner Bascom Giles and Atty. Gen. Price Daniel over how and where to fight for Texas in the Tidelands dispute is unfortunate. It is even more distressing that such differences exist.

This is scarcely the time for bickering within our own ranks. It is especially deplorable that it crops out in the State Land Board itself. Too much is still at stake. There are not only the estimated future millions in royalties from oil in the submerged coastal lands; the millions of acres of Texas school lands and the vast sums already realized from them are also threatened by the strange new doctrines relied on by four of the justices of the Supreme Court.

Commissioner Giles reveals that he has not gone along "wholeheartedly" with the Attorney General's strategy of fighting the question out in the courts. He has felt all along that the best place to pitch battle is in the halls of Congress. Attorney General Daniel counters with the charge that Mr. Giles has favored a compromise and that he is too ready now to take the 4-to-3 decision of the court as final.

May we remind both gentlemen that

Captain Eddie Joins the Team . . .

Our thanks go out to Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker who said Sunday that he believes flying saucers are real. "Too many good men have seen them that don't have hallucinations," the president of Eastern Air Lines told reporters in Indianapolis. "And, if they exist," he continued, "you can bet they belong to the United States Air Force—they're not from Mars and not from Russia."

The hero of two world wars thus joined the team of millions of Americans who, despite Air Force announcements to the contrary, have firmly believed that such things as flying saucers do exist. We have been inclined as have many others to think as Rickenbacker does—just too many good men have seen flying saucers for there not to be some basis in fact for the reports.

the people of Texas will not look kindly on any "division of counsel within this three-man land board." They have the right to ask both—and Governor Shivers as ex-officio chairman—to compose what might be a fatal difference.

So far as the man in the street is concerned, the court fight to date has been as wise as it was inevitable. The chief attorney for the state had no choice. It was the Federal Government, egged on by the Truman administration through former Atty. Gen. Tom Clark, that opened fire on us, in the first place. To have supinely knuckled under to this attack would have proved the state's Attorney General recreant to his trust.

Commissioner Giles is right only to the extent that he favors pressing for our rights in Congress as well. Of course, the lawmakers can right this terrible wrong by the Supreme Court by "ceding" what has been Texas' own property since 1836. But neither field of battle should be abandoned at this stage. We have the example of the great leader in the Battle of Britain who said, "We shall fight them on the landing beaches, we shall fight them in the streets." That is the only spirit that can win. —The Dallas Morning News

Of course some of the wild stories which have been passed around are just a little too fantastic to swallow. But others are just too plausible and come from such normally reliable people that you have to put some stock in them.

We can see a new rash of saucer reports as a result of Rickenbacker's statements. Professional saucer observers will hitch up their belts for a new try. Observation stations probably will be established, and the Air Force will have to gird itself for a new series of investigations. Maybe, before it is all over, the Washington military men will break down and admit they've known what the saucers were all along. When that happens we'll be glad to be among the first to say, "I told you so."

The Battalion

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WHO KNOWS - IT MAY PAY OFF!



Letters To The Editor

(All letters to the editor which are signed by a student or employee of the college and which do not contain charges of libelous material will be published. Persons wishing to have their names withheld from publication may request such action and these names will not, without the consent of the writer, be divulged to any person other than the editors.)

POOR PICTURES

Editor, The Battalion: I want to register a gripe about the Senior Ring pictures. I looked forward to having this picture as a memory of how much my wife had helped me in getting my education. Even an average picture would have been worth a lot to us. What we actually received is hard to believe.

Our picture is so blurred that the only thing we can recognize is my wife's multi-colored dress

and the cadet standing in back of the ring.

The amateur from T. Mack Reynolds Studio of San Antonio snapped our picture when we were looking to the front waiting for him to get through with his little "show-off" acts.

I waited several seconds for him to snap our picture when my wife placed the ring on my finger; however, he was too busy entertaining the couples in the line to click the camera at the right time.

I have seen a few of the pictures that were taken in line "A" and they were very good. On the other hand, I have seen several of the pictures that were taken in the "B" line (blue card line of the left) and NONE of them were any good. They were all blurred too much.

Vet Auxiliary Holds Meeting

The Women's Auxiliary to the Texas State Veterinary Medical Association were guests Thursday and Friday of the wives of the faculty members of A&M's School of Veterinary Medicine. The Auxiliaries were having their annual College Station conference.

Registration for the wives of the visiting veterinarians was held Thursday morning at the YMCA and 73 guests were entertained at a noon luncheon at the Oaks. Mrs. L. G. Cloud of Ft. Worth was appointed delegate to the national convention at Miami during the business meeting Friday morning. Mrs. U. E. Marney of San Antonio was appointed alternate delegate. The national convention in Miami is scheduled for April 23-24. After the business meeting the entertainment ended with a brunch at ten o'clock.

The Auxiliaries adopted their yearly resolution to contribute \$50 to the A&M Veterinary Medicine Library Fund. They also adopted a resolution stating: "It is resolved that the members of the Women's Auxiliary to the Texas State Veterinary Medical Association wholeheartedly thank the chairman of the local committee for arrangement, Mrs. Homer Barron, and her committee members, Mrs. L. W. Gibbs, Mrs. E. Dale, Mrs. John Milliff, Mrs. P. P. Jaggi, Mrs. R. D. Turk, and Mrs. P. W. Burns, for the splendid hospitality which they extended to us."

"We deeply appreciate the expenditure of their time and energy in making preparations for our semi-annual meeting at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas on June 8 and 9, 1950."

Each June the faculty wives makes the local arrangements for this convention and we want to thank them for continuing this courtesy to us, said Mrs. R. C. Bass of Houston, state publicity chairman.

Nurserymen Will Hold Short Course

A Nurserymen's Short Course will be held on the campus June 21 through 23, according to F. R. Bryson, head of the Horticulture Department and chairman of the short course.

The short course will be sponsored by the department of Horticulture, Entomology, Floriculture and Landscape Architecture, Plant Physiology and Pathology, and the College.

Opening address to the nurserymen will be given by C. N. Sheppardson, Dean of the School of Agriculture at 1 p. m. June 21.

Estimated attendance for the short course is 90 with all meetings to be held in the Agricultural Engineering lecture room, Bryson said.

Official Notice

The physics department has a vacancy for a student laboratory assistant. Send your resume, and Friday to 3 p.m. at 60 cents an hour. Please apply at departmental office. J. C. Potter, Physics Department.

Bible Verse

He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city. —Proverbs 16: 32.

Musing With Amusements . . .

Mysteries Comprise Local Screen Situation Tonight

By FRED WALKER

("The Black Hand", Palace—last day; "Shadow on the Wall"—Campus—last day.)

Two detective stories of a different color, "The Black Hand", and "Shadow on the Wall", seem to be the biggest screen attractions for the first part of the week.

Gene Kelly fans may be somewhat surprised to see the usual hooper turn bar aspirant and amateur sleuth. It seems that the Italian district of New York City is being terrorized by a "protec-

tion" organization, "The Black Hand".

Kelly's father, an honest lawyer who refuses to be intimidated, is exterminated by the gang, thus turning his son from his law training onto the vengeance trail.

There follows a series of bombings and general ruthlessness which prompts the ranking police officer on the case (J. Carol Naish) to return to Italy, hoping to find some, or any, of the local "citizens" listed in the police files there. The information is acquired and eventually mailed, but the officer's life is forfeited in the act.

It is here that good photography and music parallel to make a tense chase, amid Italian villas, very convincing. Law and order prevail as Kelly, after rescuing the kidnapped brother of his sweetheart, outwits the villains.

Comment: J. Carroll Naish has yet to make a poor picture.

W. A. Messer, Joan Burton Married

Miss Joan Burton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Burton became the bride of W. A. Messer, Jr., son of County Judge and Mrs. W. A. Messer, in the Taylor Valley Baptist Church.

Miss Patsy Danke was bridesmaid, and Linda Crow and Mary Alice Hill were junior bridesmaids. Frederick Lewis served as best man, and ushers were John Louis Burton, Jr. and Melvin Akers.

The couple left after the reception at the home of the bride's parents, for Louisiana and Arkansas.

The bride was a spring graduate of Mary Hardin-Baylor College. Messer, who will be a senior at A&M this fall, is majoring in animal husbandry. Mr. and Mrs. Messer will make their home in College Station in September.

Dealy-Buchek Wedding Held

Miss Peggy Buchek and Marvin Edward Dealy Jr. were married Saturday evening in the Lovers Lane Methodist Church in Dallas. The Rev. Thomas Shipp officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex W. Buchek, 6339 Kenwood, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Edward Dealy of Houston.

Mrs. Gordon Alexander, sister of the bridegroom, was matron of honor. Miss Virginia Springer was maid of honor. Lou Wood of Houston served as best man and Ace Jordan as groomsman. Ushers were Bobby Sykes of Ballinger, Bland McReynolds and Jack Standard, both of Houston, and Ben Templeton.

I guess I have left off enough steam. All that remains is disgust. Maybe the next Senior class will not be so unfortunate.

For better senior pictures, H. M. Moore



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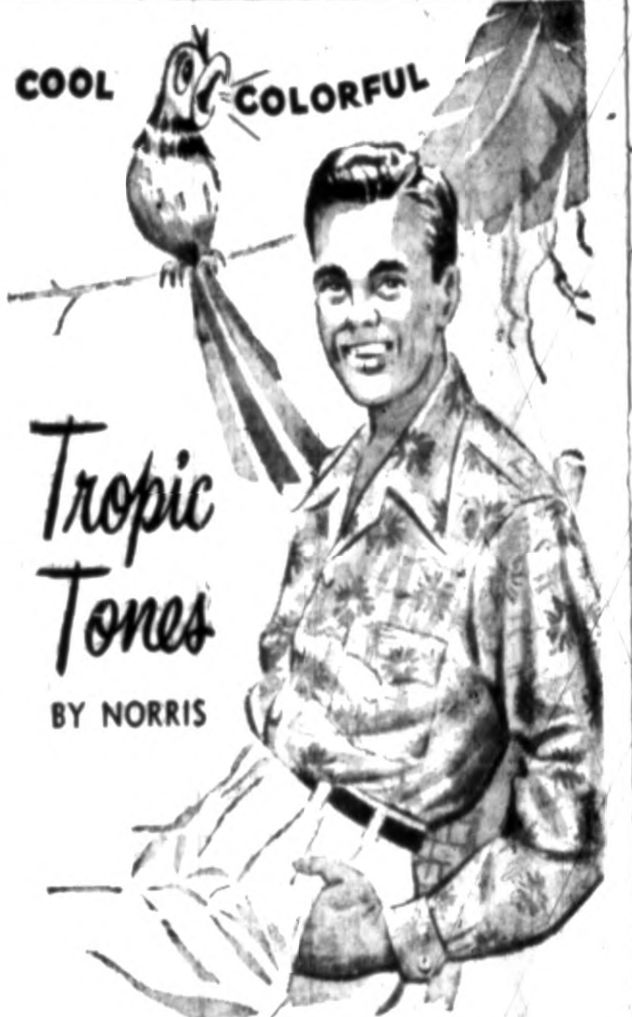
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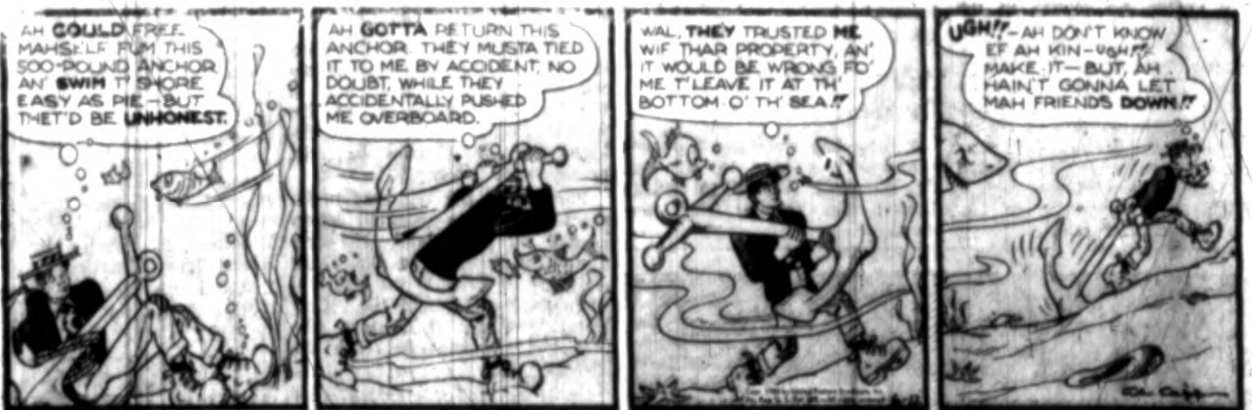


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