

Battalion Editorials

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Two More Weeks, Then . . .

ONLY TWO more weeks and two days left. Then finals. Unlike many a losing football squad in the season just past, the dean's team isn't lacking in reserves this year. As a matter of fact, there are far too many. Some of them will have to go.

Again, unlike football, the coach won't decide who goes and who stays, it will be up to the players, individually.

Of course, some will stay. But for those who go, there are only two exits. Satisfaction in a job well done and continued deferment from the gunfire and cold of Korea await those who leave the team through the

More to Look Forward to Than 1952 . . .

STUDENTS arriving on the campus Tuesday and Wednesday moved into the old grid of college in much the same way they always have. Little had changed since their departure—except the year.

And thus we, as a college, stepped into 1951. Even most of the nation started the new year in the generally accepted fashion. Horns tooted and whistles blew. The strains of "Auld Acquaintances" were heard in every corner and the words "Happy New Year" resounded across the nation.

Even the familiar visit of New Year's resolutions were drawn up by persons in every walk of life. Many of these have already been discarded just as they are every year.

You might say that there was nothing unusual about this passing into another year. A look at the international situation, though, would hardly leave room for such a statement. The coming 12 months will hold the answer to too many vital questions to be accepted as just another year.

But these few paragraphs are not intended to foresee the answers to those questions. Nor are they meant to record a list of resolutions to be broken.

Their purpose is to pass on to you as we enter the new year a statement that came to our attention recently. It is particularly appropriate in these initial days of 1951.

The statement was roughly this: Progress is the only real way by which we can measure the passage of time.

That statement got us to thinking. Perhaps we toot our horns and blow our whistles at the wrong time. And perhaps we spend too much time making resolutions that are seldom kept.

That's why, as we enter 1951, we want to look forward to something besides 1952. We want to look forward to a world at peace, to a truly prosperous and free nation and to an even greater and finer A&M College.

These are end results of progress. These are the true measures of the passage of time. And since they determine the passage

front door. For those who maintain their low-batting average there is only "Auld Lang Syne" and the top of the draft list as the pay-off.

For most, the choice will have to be made in these important two weeks remaining. There are few who win when there are nothing but finals from which to score the winning points.

Some busy evenings and a couple of well-spent weekends could put out of danger almost every man now on probation. We know. We've done it before.

Again, in contrast with the gridiron sport, one team doesn't have to lose. In this game, every man can win, if he plays hard enough before the final gun.

of time, they can not come about merely as a result of the passage of time.

These goals will require work by each of us as citizens of the world, our nation and our school. When and if they are reached, then we will have cause for the joy and celebration. Then the phrase "Happy New Year" will become a reality rather than a wish.

The parking problem is getting to be a real concern to the younger generation.

Comparison

THE inexorable tide of humanity that threatens to sweep the U. N. Forces off the Korean peninsula is worthy of closer study. It is composed of individuals, but there are some general statements that can be made about a so-called "average soldier". In other words, what is the man to man comparison?

Our mythical Chinese is about five feet, two inches tall, and with adequate nourishment he is his own transportation. Mechanically, he is about 40 years behind the times, but lack of education does not imply lack of intelligence. His training is mainly in the "schools of hard knocks," and his equipment is an odd mixture of Russian, Jap, German, Italian, and "local vintage" small arms.

As far as performance is concerned the sheer weight of numbers has nullified our best defensive tactics. The common cry from our infantry, artillerymen, and airmen is "where do they come from?" To the Occidental mind such as the Chinese have losses suffered would be demoralizing and utterly unimaginable.

We must face the fact that we are fighting an enemy quite capable of running us into the sea in spite of all the modern weapons at our disposal. The price has been, and will continue to be terrific for the advancing Reds, but they are apparently willing to pay at the exorbitant rate. Regardless of the outcome, the campaign will be a classic in military history.

The Battalion

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"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

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A double ring ceremony united in marriage Miss Irple Gibson and Ellis Scott Ruby at the St. Thomas Episcopal Chapel on Thursday. The service was performed by Rev. Orin G. Helvey.

The bride wore a white flannel dressmaker suit with navy blue accessories. Over her white prayer book she carried a corsage of red carnations with trailing green velvet leaves. The bride was given in marriage by Dr. H. V. Rankin.

As maid of honor, Miss Gussie Lee Perry wore a blue suit trimmed with a red and white carnation corsage.

Lynn Blaylock was best man. The soloist, Miss Sylvia Rankin, sang "O Perfect Love" and at the close of the ceremony she also sang "The Lord's Prayer." She was accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Orin G. Helvey.

The couple will make their home at 875 California Drive in Fayetteville, Ark. where the groom is connected with the University of Arkansas. He will receive his PhD from A&M in June.

Boy Scouts Annual Banquet Held in Duncan, Officers Named

A crowd of 435 Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, their parents and leaders were on hand Tuesday evening for the annual Brazos District Boy Scout Banquet in Duncan Hall.

The program, arranged by Guy Deaton, was completely conducted by the Scouts with Eagle Scout Julian Carsey of Troop 12, as master of ceremonies.

Dr. C. C. French, dean of the college, was the speaker of the evening. He was introduced by Albin Zak of Troop 81. Featured on the program for the evening was a movie taken at the recent Boy Scout Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pa. Lamar Carroll of Troop 81 was narrator for the film.

Spencer Buchanan of Troop 411 directed the opening ceremony while Jack Burchard of Troop 102 gave the invocation after which Jack Spell of Troop 12 introduced the special guests.

William C. Bolmanski, of Troop 81, was in charge of the Cub program presentation, while Philip Buchanan, of Troop 411 was in charge of the Explorer unit part of the program. Walter Parsons of Troop 102 directed the closing ceremony.

Abandon Seoul Order Surprise To UN Troops

An Airbase in Southern Japan, Jan. 4—(AP)—The order to abandon the South Korean capital of Seoul and defenses north of the city came as a complete surprise to allied front line units who had just been told to hold their positions at any cost.

The order was issued at 4 p.m. Wednesday (2 a.m. EST). Then the carefully blueprinted pullback began. While other United Nations units along the front began to move southward through the virtually deserted city, troops of a British brigade fought a successful delaying action.

The rearguard defense then was taken over by a famous regiment of an American division. The regiment had fought many heroic battles around the old Pusan-Taegu perimeter.

While the Americans held the line the British troops passed through to the rear.

At about midnight the British were ambushed by an enemy force of undetermined size just north of Seoul. The tommyes fought their way out of the trap but suffered some casualties. Helicopters were sent to bring out the British wounded.

After the others had cleared the smoke covered city, the American regiment moved through the deserted streets on its way to the pontoon bridge over the Han River. Fires burned unopposed throughout Seoul.

The withdrawing Americans occasionally saw little children, separated from their parents, wandering aimlessly down the empty streets.

The plan called for the narrow floating bridge to be blown after the last U. N. troops were on the south bank. Royal engineers from the British brigade handled the demolition job.

Engineers from American units had broken up much of the ice across the Han. Assault boats were busy plying back and forth removing supplies and the last troops.

By midmorning the last American elements had passed over the bridge to positions south of the river. There it was hoped the rolling waves of Communist forces might be halted or at least delayed. For the second time in six months of war Seoul was again in the hands of Red invaders from the north.

Credit Record OK For A&M Students

The credit record for A&M students for the past four years has been remarkably good. B. G. Oliver, manager for the Bryan District, General Motors Acceptance Corporation, said Wednesday night.

Speaking to the Credits and Collections classes of the Business Administration Department, Oliver said the loss experience has proved to be less than one-tenth of one per cent.

"This figure is unbelievably low, in view of the average loss of one per cent for all other business," he said.

Neither Oliver or the G. M. A. C. could account for the excellent record, except to say that Aggies just hustle to pay their debts in full and on time.

The speaker also told the group that credit curbs have cut the car business in half.

The war-time credit curb, called Regulation W, requires down payment of one-third, and no more than 15 months to pay on automobiles.

Elms--

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named principal of the Consolidated school. He held that post until 1941 when he was named superintendent.

Elms graduated from Baylor with a double major in Education and History and received his Masters Degree in Education from A&M in 1941.

"I deeply regret leaving the College and the community," Elms said, "but I feel that the new post is too attractive to turn down." C. G. "Spike" White, manager of student activities said "Elms was active both in College and in community affairs. The college and the community will both suffer a loss in his leaving. We wish him every success in his new position."

Tony, 6, the Elms' son will accompany them to Arlington.

Bible Verse

When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

What's Cooking

BASTROP-LEE CLUB: Thursday, 7:15 p. m., Room 3, MSC.
DAMES CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., YMCA Cabinet Room. Joe Geppert to speak on "The Pre-School Child."
LAVACA CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Room 2A MSC.
LIBERTY COUNTY CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Room 2B, MSC.

PASADENA CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Room 2C MSC.
TRANS PECOS CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Room 2D, MSC.

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OUTSIDE THE WALL

co-starring
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Marilyn MAXWELL
Signe HASSO
Dorothy HART

Wayne Named Top Box-Office Draw

John Wayne, scheduled as one of the top guests of the 1951 Military Ball, is named in the current issue of Look Magazine as the top money-making star in Hollywood.

He was voted the top box-office position in a poll conducted by the Motion Picture Herald, a trade magazine of the industry. He was number four in the poll last year.

Wayne climbed to the top-grossing position on the strength of his performances in "Sands of Iwo Jima" and "She Wore a Yellow Ribbon."

Also here for the Military Ball, scheduled to be held March 10, will be John Ford, producer-director of Wayne's latest picture, "Rio Grande," and Maureen O'Hara, his co-star in the picture.

Ford is credited with having discovered John Wayne and having led him to stardom.

The difference between safety and accidents is often common sense.

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QUART TEA GARDEN Grape Juice 41c	10 POUND BAG—NO. 1 IDAHO Russett Potatoes 39c
NO. 2 1/2 CANS LIBBY'S Fruit Cocktail . 2 cans 69c	CALIFORNIA Carrots 2 bunches 15c
NO. 2 1/2 CANS DELMONTE Apricot Halves . 2 cans 69c	FIRM CRISP Lettuce 2 heads 17c
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