

The Old Army Gripe . . .

U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT magazine has summarized the ten major gripes from reservists that have caused Congress to consider changing the entire program.

- Advance notice of recall is too short. Authorities lose or ignore deferment pleas until it is too late. Promises about length of service and point requirements are abandoned almost as soon as they are announced.

Our Education Can Go Far

THE STUDENT BODY selected a European country last night, from which a student will be brought to A&M.

As yet, we don't know which of the three countries—Germany, Austria, or Norway—was selected. We believe if we could educate a man from any of these three key continental nations that it would be well worth the money spent for the scholarship.

The Student Senate hopes this year to raise enough funds through the annual Campus Chest Drive to finance two scholarships—the Twelfth Man and the new foreign student scholarship.

When the Twelfth Man Scholarship was created last year, the idea was well received by the student body. Enough money was gathered to finance the award.

Now the Senate has a more ambitious program—two such scholarships. We feel sure that, when the Chest drive begins in the Spring, the student body will back its representatives as it did last year, and that a foreign student will enroll here next Fall.

This student should be able to study Americanism, good and bad, here at A&M. We hope he will appreciate the "good" portion, which should completely overbalance its opposite traits.

Perhaps through the training of foreign students, chances for a permanent peace may be enhanced. Certainly an American education should give any foreign student a taste of democracy. When he gets that taste, he may want to make it a complete seven-course dinner by returning to his native land ideas of freedom, equality of men, and governments designed to benefit the people.

Our scholarship will only be a small step in that direction, but the step is a definite and worthy one. The Student Senate has begun the action, the student body has selected the country to receive the scholarship, and we will all aid in financing it.

With such things as this being a part of Americanism, the other "isms" will have a hard time disintegrating our way of life.

Volunteers are ignored while others are called against their will. Individual Commands hoard "availables" refusing to let them participate in the world wide needs of the particular branch of service.

- Reservists get 80% of duty—20% of promotions. Unorganized (uncompensated) reservists are being called ahead of those who have been paid for weekly training. Veterans are drawing hazardous assignments again while non-veterans stay at home.

Bulging mailbags will cause changes to be made, but it is doubtful according to the accompanying article if these changes will improve the lot of any un-called reservists.

Time is of the essence, and 4-F's, married non-veterans, college students, non-veterans under 30, and youthful veterans of brief war service can expect more uncertainty of status in the near future. Some of the old sayings will be dusted off as the draft involves more men.

"Things are rough all over" is a good beginning.

It's Man vs. Man -- And We're Better

IT HAS long been our opinion that war is a dynamic thing, and revisions of old tactics and development of new tactics go hand in hand with development of new weapons.

Air support, which is now causing more casualties than the ground action, is being put on a round the clock basis. According to the 5th Air Force release, a new team has entered the fight.

When a ground unit requests close support at night, the liaison officer calls in a flare carrying C-47 (similar to the commercial DC-3) to illuminate the desired area. Two or three Douglas B-26's which accompany the C-47, then make individual bomb runs on the pin pointed areas of enemy activity.

The fact that the enemy has been forced to resort to night attacks, and night-time movements speaks well for the effectiveness of the daylight air campaign. We have only the fragmentary story, but it would seem that American guts and ingenuity have done the impossible in containing the Chinese Communist attack.

Until something better comes along we will put our "security money" on the kind of teamwork, judgment, courage, vision, and determination exhibited by the UN forces in Korea.

Atomic weapons are a good supplement, but they are not a substitute for this kind of security. If the test comes in Europe, we believe that this is where the difference will lie—in the qualities of the individual men.

The Battalion

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

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From the City Desk . . .

Service for Forty-one Years: A Fine Record

By Joel Austin



THIS WEEK OUR congratulations go to the Boy Scouts of the Brazos County area.

You seldom see such an earnest, enthusiastic, hard working group of boys as the members of the local scout units. Approximately half a dozen members of the College Station troops have reached scouting's highest rank—Eagle Scout.

Also in College Station is an Explorer Post for Senior Scouts who qualify at the age of 15. The most unique feat the boys have accomplished in addition to their regular scout activities is their excellence in participation in swimming meets in competition with other troops from towns larger than College Station.

Forty-one Years of Service

Forty-one years of continuous service is a record any organization may be proud of. But it is very seldom you find any of the local boys boasting about their achievements.

Following their motto "Be Prepared" these boys are always ready to do a good turn for any one in distress, or be of service in time of emergency.

Council To Be Busy

Monday night's city council meeting should keep members busy for quite a while if all business goes according to schedule. Top items on the agenda will include the passing of an ordinance to issue the first of the bonds voted for a \$200,000 utility expansion in the city early last month.

Also on the agenda will be the approval of an ordinance calling for a municipal election the first Tuesday in April.

City Election Coming

The municipal election will be held to elect three city councilmen to fill terms which expire this Spring. Finishing their two year terms are W. H. Badgett, W. D. Fitch, and G. W. Black.

Plans for running again have not been announced by any of the councilmen, but filing dates have not been made public by city officials.

Mayor Ernest Langford said yesterday anyone wishing to file for the three ward council positions should contact immediately the city manager or some other official at the City Hall to determine when filing is in order.

News Novelties

Oklahoma Legislator Flails Texas

Based on AP Reports

OKLAHOMA'S House of Representatives took Texas over the coals this week. It started when the Ford Times referred to Lake Texoma as an "ocean in Texas."

"Texas brags about being under six flags," an Oklahoma legislator said. "She doesn't mention the regime when she was under a flour sack."

"(Much applause.) 'Texas,' he added, 'is the state where men are men and the women are governors.'"

(More applause and laughter.) The Oklahoma House resolved officially to ensure the Ford Publication. A copy of the resolution will also be sent the Texas secretary of state.

BRITISH housewives, peeved over the nation's meat shortage, have put their complaints in poetry. When they petitioned their Parliament member for "better handling" of food problems, they displayed a banner which read: "Mary had a little lamb, 'Her sister came to grief—' 'She lived in 1951' 'And only got corned beef.'"

NEW ZEALAND'S Ministry of Justice intends to appoint a new public hangman. The first applicant for the job: a woman.

LETTER to the Buffalo (N. Y.) Courier-Express editor: "Please stop misspelling names of horses in the race entries . . . my husband has the insane idea that every horse with a misspelled name will win. He is losing his wages every week."

Ag Experimenters Receive \$200 Gift

The Pittsburgh Agricultural Chemical Company of New York, has made available \$200 to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Dr. R. D. Lewis, director, said today.

The money will be used at Substation No. 15, Weslaco, "in research with some of the newer organic phosphates in determining the insecticidal efficiency of such new compounds as Metacide, Systox and Potasan," Lewis says.

Direct Phone For Telegrams In MSC Lobby

A self-service coin box telephone for sending telegrams has just been installed in the Memorial Student Center lobby.

No longer will it be necessary for frequenters of the MSC to go to the telegraph office in order to send a telegram.

The customer merely writes his telegram, then lifts the hook on the telephone and dictates his message to the Western Union operator and deposits coins in payment.

The equipment consists of a phone line directly connected with the Western Union main office over the Exchange Store and a coin collecting device for paying for the message.

Hours of service are the same as observed by the local main Western Union office—7:30 a. m. until 8:00 p. m. on week days, with Sunday service limited to 9 to 11 in the morning and 4 to 6 in the afternoon.

After hour service is still available at the College Housing Office, Room 100 Goodwin Hall, but the new direct self service equipment is only connected to the main office.

Boy Scout Week Climaxes With Church Day Services

Boy Scout Week will be climaxed Sunday by local observance of Church Day. On that day, scouts and scouters will attend church, some for special sermons, in uniform.

The A&M Presbyterian Church will have a special sermon by the Reverend Norman Anderson for Cub Pack 102, a group of 120 boys.

Bill Manning's Troop 102 will attend the South Oakwood Episcopal Church, while Troop 411 will attend the A&M Methodist Church.

Previous programs of these local organizations included, during National Scout Week, a skit at the Kiwanis Club meeting last Tuesday.

Representatives from the two troops and the pack told of their accomplishments in the past year in the crusade to strengthen the arm of liberty.

Pack 102, in the latter part of next week, will spread window displays around College Station depicting Cub Skills. Further plans include a demonstration of skills Friday at Consolidated Grade School.

The Memorial Student Center will house Troop 411's display of trophies and ribbons.

Saturday, bringing its scout week activities to a close, Troop 102 will hold its traditional camp at North Gate. Between 4 and 6 p. m. beef stew will be served in its tent headquarters. Sunday morning, after breaking camp, they will attend church in a body.

Dairy Conference Slated Feb. 14-15

Problems confronting the manufacturer of dairy products will be discussed by ranking authorities in the industry at the dairy manufacturers' conference Feb. 14 and 15.

At the opening session Wednesday, Feb. 14, discussions will cover such problems as proposed changes in testing milk, antibiotics and milk fermentations, cottage cheese storage problems and product quality for the restaurateur.

Thursday's sessions will feature talks on industrial safety, care of plant equipment, making good nut ice cream, use of whey solids in sherbets, ice cream plant refrigeration, ice cream flavor concentrates and high solids ice cream.

Speakers of the conference will be dairy manufacturers from all over the nation. The conference is sponsored by the Dairy Husbandry Department.

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