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Pioneer Moves In . . .

PIONEER AIRLINES opened air passenger service to College Station today with the first of four daily flights landing at 7:01 this morning.

Not new to residents of this area, the airline, which offers service between Houston, Waco, Dallas, and many other points including cities in other states, now operates from the college-owned Easterwood Field.

With the inauguration of this service, College Station and A&M College will greatly benefit by the proximity for getting to and from the airport.

Formerly located at Bryan Air Force Base, Pioneer Airlines asked college officials for permission to move to the local field when the Bryan base was reactivated for advanced jet pilot training.

It's new location, however, will be of more convenience to Bryan residents, because a rough measure from the court house in Bryan proves that Easterwood Field is the

same distance from Bryan as Bryan AFB. Since the majority of the population which utilizes the air service is on this side of the Bryan Court House, Easterwood Field is the logical and nearest place to base operations for the Pioneer operations.

The Civil Aeronautics Administration has moved its weather and radio equipment to the college airport and already is broadcasting regular weather information to flyers in this area.

Pioneer will designate the College Station stop as "A&M College" and will identify the local field as being on the A&M campus at College Station.

Since the majority of Pioneer's passengers probably come from the college staff and College Station, moving the airlines to this city will save many miles traveled by local people between College Station and Bryan Field—some six miles west of Bryan.

Although forced to move from their Bryan AFB location, we believe the Pioneer Airlines will be greatly benefited by having their facilities here at A&M.

And with the coming of the airlines to College Station we see just another mark of progress in the city's and college's history scroll.

Never forget that your real income is what you can buy with the money you make.

The man who never loaf is not always the man who does the most work.

Europe Defense Still Lagging

A SENATE Subcommittee quoted Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower recently as saying the free world's strength is so overwhelming "it is almost ridiculous for us to be talking in terms of fright and hysteria."

Eisenhower's assertion came despite a finding by a foreign relations subcommittee that Western Europe is lagging in building up its ground defense. However that report went on to say that Eisenhower had been promised a 75 per cent increase in Western Europe's North Atlantic Pact army divisions by next year.

Eisenhower's complete statement: "The material, intellectual, spiritual, technical and professional resources available to the free world are so overwhelming as compared to what the Iron Curtain and satellite countries have, that it is almost ridiculous for us to be talking in terms of fright and hysteria, which we often do."

This should not be misconstrued to mean that we can assume we have such a degree of preparedness that we no longer need worry about Russia.

But a statement such as this, coming from one so well respected and admired as Gen. Eisenhower—surely is easily digested by the war weary stomachs of the American people.

If you want to gain the good opinion of an individual, give him an order for what he has to sell.

Laws and commandments, in the minds of a great many people, were made to guide other people.

Character Training From the Alumni

"TEACHIN' character wouldn't be such a bad job if it twarn't for the alumani."

This statement can be applied to colleges and universities across the nation. Especially so today, where almost every position, office, department, and organization has the typical "rotten apple in the barrel." The rotten apples also went to college.

What can be done about it? That's hard to say, but the real start must come from the home.

It's in the home, it has often been said, that character is molded. In the homes can be found the "alumani" who must tell their off-springs what is expected of them when they take their places in the world of today.

Only through this can cheating, lying, bribery, be eliminated from colleges and from offices of public importance. This can also very easily be applied to college athletics and government bureaus which have been in the public spotlight as "rotten apples" in the recent past.

So look around you "alumani", are you doing your share?

The man who is waiting for something to turn up might do well to start with his shirt sleeves.

War or peace for the United States, unfortunately, is not left to this nation.

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Missing U.S. Soldiers May Be in POW Camps

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 14—(AP)

—Unofficial estimates indicated yesterday that of the 10,624 Americans officially listed as missing in action in Korea, as many as 4,500 probably are being held in Communist war prisoner camps.

This figure comes from allied military sources which cannot be named but which are in as good position as anyone on the allied side to know the score on this hush-hush matter.

The prisoners are said to be confined near Kanggye, deep inside North Korea about 20 miles from the Manchurian frontier.

Won't Transfer Prisoners

Reliable information reaching allied authorities said Chinese Red leaders do not want allied prisoners transferred to Chinese soil. To do so would destroy the Communist contention that only Chinese "volunteers" are fighting in Korea.

The number of American and other U. N. prisoners never has been announced allied sources estimate the total number at approximately 10,000.

No Prisoner Broadcasts

Since the Kaesong military armistice conference opened July 10,

and the question of troop withdrawals was deferred until a later conference at a higher level, the Red radio has made no further broadcasts of prisoner messages.

Allied authorities have said little

about the treatment of prisoners

or for fear that a chance remark might anger the Reds and make life harder for the prisoners.

Even men who have escaped from the Reds, or been liberated have been cautioned not to say anything that might react against their comrades.

However, a group of 18 Marines who escaped last April on the central front confirmed that prisoners were fed the same food as Communist troops and were given medical attention.

Before releasing a group of men, the Communists require them to attend "school" eight hours a day for indoctrination courses on Communism.

All prisoners attend school. Every third day they are given written tests on their studies.

Allied sources are reticent on

the effectiveness of these courses.

The technique of releasing indoctrinated prisoners is not new to the Chinese Red Army. During World War II it was tried against the Japanese and again during the civil war against the Nationalists.

Policy Paid Off

The Communists felt the policy paid off. One "indoctrinated" Nationalist soldier was thought capable of weakening the fighting spirit of 100 loyal Nationalists after he returned to Nationalist lines.

Use of the same tactics in the Korean war indicated the Reds now have added it to their list of standard battle tricks.

The fate of the prisoners is due for discussion at the Korean cease-fire talks—if negotiators can first reach agreement on where to draw a buffer zone.

The allies have announced they hold 164,766 counted prisoners of war. Most of them are North Koreans.

Whether prisoners will be exchanged on a man-for-man basis or by lot will have to be decided by the negotiators.

Men Well Cared For

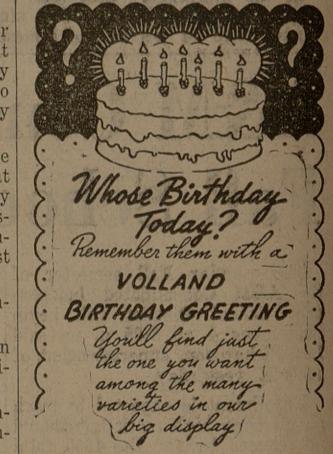
Marine Maj. Andrew Gear of San Francisco, who conducted the freed Marines back to the U. S. from Korea, said in an interview that the men reported they were well cared for by Chinese standards.

The apparent purpose for this good care was to weaken the resistance of hard-fighting allied troops and make them surrender more easily. If it becomes known that the Communists were "easy" on their captives, the Reds reasoned that the enemy would not fight so hard to avoid capture.

Six members of the A&M-Veterinary Medicine School will attend the American Veterinary Medical Association meeting in Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 20-23.

The faculty members will take part in the general meeting and in specialized conferences.

Attending the meeting will be the following: Dr. I. B. Boughton, dean of the school; Dr. J. P. Delaplane, head, veterinary bacteriology and hygiene; Dr. R. D. Turk, head, veterinary parasitology; Dr. H. E. Redmond, associate professor, veterinary bacteriology and hygiene; and Dr. A. A. Price, instructor, veterinary anatomy.



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