

Confidence Needed

THE STUDENT SENATE discussed some of the problems which have come up over the Demke case and the hospital at the meeting last night and nothing too definite came out of the meeting.

We hope the outcome of the study and investigation will be complete and satisfy the questions of the students.

A doctor, or a hospital, cannot expect to accomplish what they set out to do if they do not have the full confidence of their patients.

Greater Issues

THE GREAT ISSUES course will not be offered this year because of what the profs say is a lack of student interest.

A&M is a school which is turning out a vast number of officers for the army and Air Force... men who will be forced to take an interest in national affairs.

The only reason we can see that the course is not gaining, instead of losing, popularity is that the course is not giving the students what they feel they want or need.

At the University of Texas they offer a course similar to the one we used to offer only they do not give credit for taking the work.

Why can't the powers that be, revive the course and put some life into it? If they are puzzled about why the students are not interested in it, why don't they ask the students?

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Battalion received a letter, which was removed at press time because of a possibility of a libel charge. We are investigating the case, but out of fairness to all concerned, we are withholding this letter until the entire matter can be investigated.—The Editor.

Championship Rodeo Scheduled in Dallas

The championship performance of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association will be staged in Dallas, May 6-10.

Plans for this show were formulated at the annual convention of the association in Denver, Dec. 28-29, Bernard Sloan, Houston promoter, will produce the affair.

BAFB Radio Shows Listed

With the new year just a few days old, Bryan Air Force Base is promising radio listeners in the area varied fare ranging from straight newscasts through half hour musical programs.

Five minutes of news concerning the base and the people assigned there will be heard at 6:25 p. m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday over radio station KORA, with M/Sgt. Dean Hooper chronicling the events.

On Wednesday nights, at 8:15, KORA will present a special feature concerning some phases of activity at the base and the personnel who are a part of the only jet pilot training school in Texas.

The Battalion

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

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Production For Civilians Will Be Sharply Cut

New York, Jan. 11 — (AP) — You get the low-down today for the first time on what the government means when it says you're going to be pinched.

And the pinch for civilians after the military gets the metal it needs is going to be a lot sharper than many expected. It's going to be rough on a lot of production chiefs who will be trying to keep factories running and men employed.

Makers — and buyers — of autos and household gadgets get the first word as to how much can be produced and the word is "less than now."

But for the makers of such accessories to living as umbrellas, pianos and venetian blinds, the word is "you can have more metal than now, so you won't go out of business."

Builders — and would-be owners — of new homes get a shock. Fewer can be started after April than was first expected. The trouble here isn't in lumber, cement, plumbing fixtures or workmen.

Press Names

Successor To Stalin Is Malenkov

By WILLIAM L. RYAN AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Moscow's press left little doubt today the successor to Joseph Stalin has been chosen and he is the glowering sorcerer of the politburo, Georgi Maximilianovich Malenkov.

Extravagant praise was heaped on him on his 50th birthday. It is comparable only to the praise accorded Stalin himself. The greeting to him from the Communist party and the council of ministers hails him as "co-adviser of Stalin" — the highest possible praise in the USSR.

There have been persistent hints Stalin was relinquishing his active direction of Soviet affairs. He has just turned 72, and is reported in failing health.

November dispatches from Moscow, describing the 34th anniversary celebration of the Bolshevik revolution, gave the impression Malenkov was the reigning power in the USSR with support from Lavrenty Pavlovitch Beria, director of the all-present, all-powerful secret police.

Molotov was not present, a striking development in itself, since that ceremony is the year's most important in Moscow.

The pictures of that celebration were revealing. Dispatches from Moscow ranked Molotov first after Stalin among politburo members — in accordance with the long-established custom of the Soviet press. But the photographs told a different story.

At the Bolshevik revolution ceremony, pugnacious, pudgy Malenkov towered over the others in the manner of a dictator. The pictures showed him clearly as the most prominent figure present — flanked on the right by his twin in power, Beria.

Malenkov, the nondrinking, non-smoking sphinx of the politburo, a calculating climber throughout all his political career, is little known to the Soviet people, but the chances are a campaign will be started to give them a picture of him as a great Soviet hero.

His family background is lost in the mists of party history, probably so that it could be re-made at will. The indication is that he came from a comfortable bourgeois background.

In 1917

Nostalgic Book Shows 'Ole Army'

Times have changed. Time was when a cadet at A&M was not allowed to desert a class, get off a moving train or enter a place where intoxicating liquors are sold.

During the good old days the cadets were required to salute all members of the board of directors, the presidents, members of the faculty and all members of the teaching staff — ah, those were the good old days.

In 1917, the little pocket-sized rule book said, the cadets were governed by a set of stringent rules. Take for instance the rules applying to a senior cadet.

The following are class privileges for seniors: a. They may visit class-mates or the YMCA building from after sentinel inspection until taps.

b. By signing departure and return in the guard room they may visit socially on the campus on Sunday night from after first sentinel inspection until taps.

c. By signing departure and return they may visit Bryan or socially on the campus Saturday nights from after retreat until midnight, and on any afternoon between noon and retreat.

d. By permit only, they may be absent from the campus or visit socially on the campus three nights in any one week from after retreat until midnight.

e. They may during each month be granted one furlough commencing noon Saturday to return not later than retreat Sunday.

Junior did not have it quite as good in those days. However, they could get a pass to go into Bryan one afternoon a week.

All classes had the privilege of going anywhere within a three mile limit from the Academic Building after release from quarters. But on holidays and the like they could wander as far as ten miles from the brass domed building.

LETTERS Valentine Present

Editor, The Battalion: This is not the usual type of letter to the editor but thought it the best means of accomplishing my purpose.

On Dec. 19, 1951, when I came out to lock Dorm 11 at 5:30, I found two beautifully wrapped Christmas packages on the ground under the light in the parking lot back of Dorm 11. All cars had gone and after waiting for someone to return for the packages, I took them home with me. One package was opened but no means of identification were found. The package opened contained a white sweater with Aggie emblem and a top Aggie mascot dog such as are sold at the MSC and Exchange Store.

Sincerely, E. V. Adams, '29 Lt. Colonel, TSG

For Aggieland

Editor, The Battalion: Just read in your last issue tonight about "you all" wanting to change the name of College Station to Aggieland.

I think it is a wonderful idea and I am going to bring it up before the Dallas A&M Club Friday.

I certainly wish you success in the project and will help in every way possible.

F. K. McGinnis, 1900

Thanks

Editor, The Battalion: Congratulations on your editorial entitled, "Forgotten Oath." It was the best that has appeared in The Battalion this semester, and one that has been needed for some time.

Numerous cases, of similar importance as that of Dr. Donald D. Demke had happened in the past, and many persons are acquainted with such student cases.

It is time something was done to improve the policies of the college hospital to prevent such cases as Demke's among many others, from happening again.

Bill Dickens, '52

Senate Goes-Over Hospital

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Zinn took Demke to the VA Hospital in Marlin Dec. 27. From the description over the phone to Dr. Marsh, Demke had no paralysis to his face, hand, or right side; therefore, no emergency existed.

Zinn made the motion that the hospital be closed as soon as practicable during Christmas holidays with no new patients admitted after the holidays begin until the day before school begins. Motion was seconded and carried.

Dr. Marsh said Dr. Andres, who examined Demke at the VA Hospital in Marlin, said that the lack of attention at the college hospital did not affect Demke's case.

Red Letter

After the reading of the minutes of the special meeting of the hospital, Grady Smallwood, president of the senate, read the letter written by an A&M student. Much discussion by members of the senate as to what might and might not be done concerning this case was aroused by this letter and the reading of the minutes.

Monty Montgomery, senate member, said he thought the college doctor should keep up with the modern techniques of the medical profession. He further commended that we should take up a collection to send Dr. Marsh to school.

The nurses over at the hospital feel that Dr. Marsh is behind the times as far as modern medicine is concerned," said Bob Laydon, dorm 8 senator.

Test Doctor

Bruce Miller suggested that the college physician take a test given by the State Board of Medical Examiners to see if he actually is

competent. Carroll Jones, however, reminded the senate Dr. Marsh has probably saved many Aggies lives in the past through his skilled surgery and that it should not overlook all the good things a man has done in a lifetime of service to the students of A&M College just because of one unfortunate case.

Bennie A. Zinn, advisor for the student senate and member of the hospital committee, was called upon by Grady Smallwood to give his opinions upon the case. Zinn said that the best of doctors make mistakes as well as the best of nurses. "Dr. Marsh," he said "is paid less than \$1,000 a month and very few doctors will work for that whether they are good doctors or not." Very few of the doctors in Brazos county will make calls after office hours, he said, yet Dr. Marsh is on call at all times.

Leave Hospital

Discussion was finally closed concerning the hospital and the senate moved into the business of the agenda.

Idle Trotter, sophomore student senator, began the discussion with this statement, "we would like to know who is responsible for not

opening up the "Fish" area? Trotter made a motion that the student senate, as expressing the opinion of the student body, recommend that the fish area be opened up to sophomores, immediately". This motion was unanimously approved by members of the student senate.

Much interest was shown by the senators in electing the delegates to the annual conference of the TISA (Texas Intercollegiate Student Association) to be held March 6, 7, and 8 in El Paso.

Originally, five delegates were to be elected; however, after much discussion, the senators voted to send ten delegates.

Mascot There

Spud Mergle, chairman of the mascot committee, not only gave a report on his work, but brought a puppy to the senate meeting for the senators to consider as a possible mascot for Texas A&M College.

No definite action was taken to adopt the puppy which peacefully slept through the entire two hour and a half meeting. It was decided that Mergle should report back at the next senate meeting any new findings that he might have.

Monty Montgomery reported a rubber mat will be tested outside the showers in one of the college dormitories to find out if it is satisfactory. If they do prove satisfactory, they will be placed outside the showers in every college dorm, he said.

Ted Stephens reported telephones have been installed in dorms 1, 5, 6, and 9.

The Campus Beautification committee of the student senate, headed by Hobie Mathere, reported little progress.

There were 18 senate members absent at roll-call.

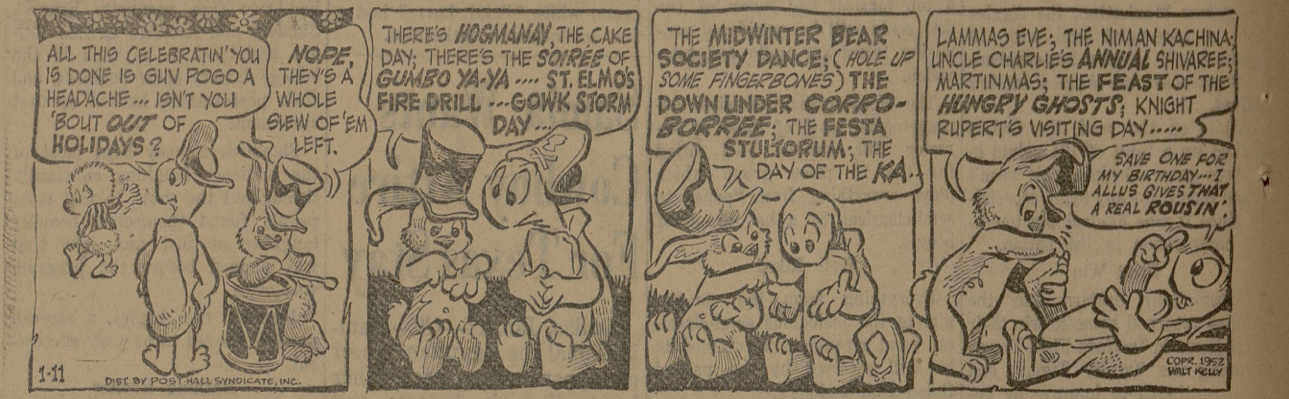
Houston Economist To Conduct School

Miss Rita Holdridge, home economist from Houston, will conduct a cooking school for Bryan and College Station Tuesday, at 7:30 p. m. in the Consolidated home-making department, according to Mrs. Charles Byrd, consolidated homemaking teacher.

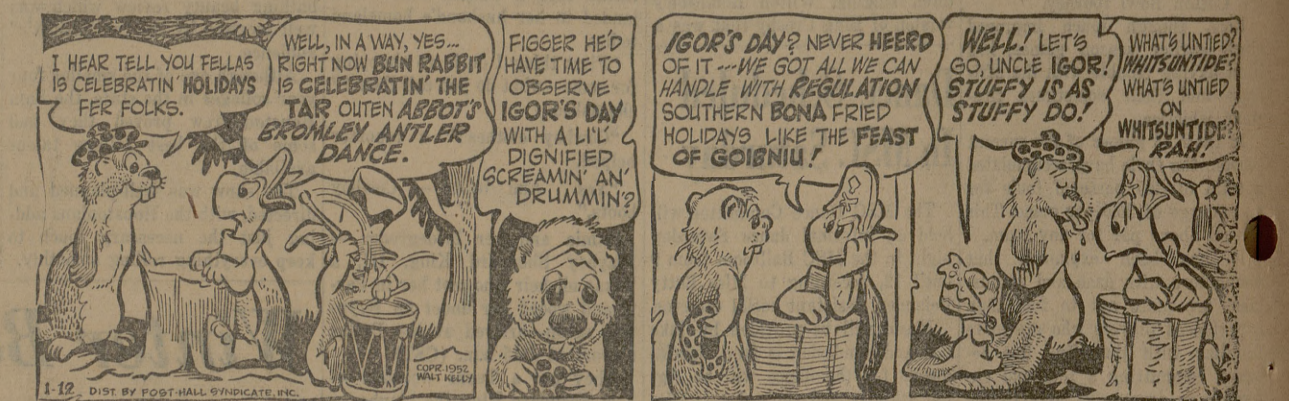
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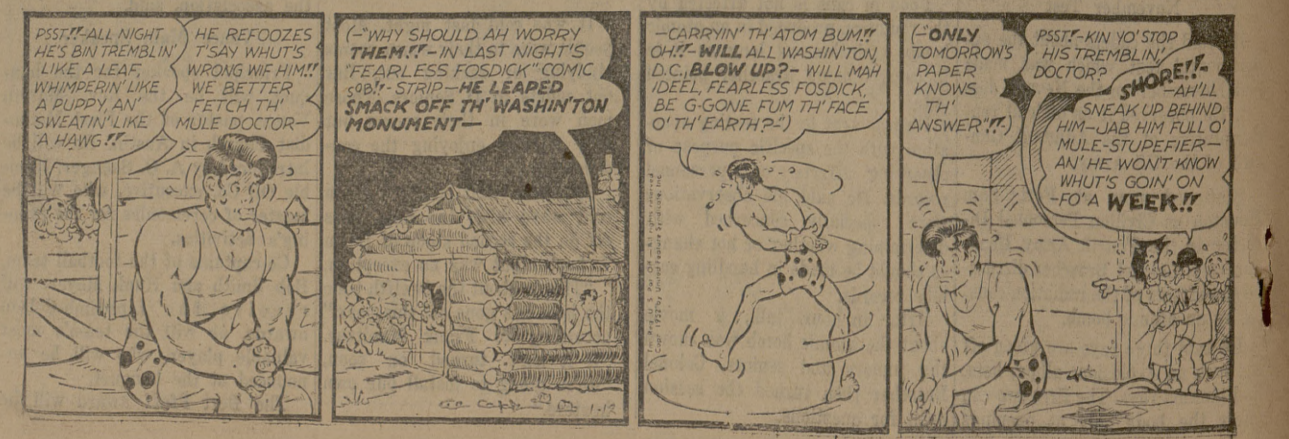
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