

Ivory Tower . . .

Little Hero Loses In Fairy Tales

. . . By John Whitmore

Occasionally there are some facts in a story that just can't be backed up very well. When this happens a newspaper man has two choices. He can either print rumors or he can keep quiet. Since I had a story and the facts couldn't be backed up, I would like to tell you a little fairy tale. For all practical purposes it is all fiction.

Once upon a time—that's the way all fairy tales start out and it isn't well to pin one of them down to a definite date—there lived a little boy. This little boy was a good natured fellow—in a fairy tale the hero has to be a good little boy or girl. The only trouble with this little lad was that he did not belong to the right caste.

He was in the second from the bottom strata and was to be ignored by all of the other castes above him. But one day the grand ruler of the country decided to move some of the princes out of their places.

With these palaces without leaders there was a little discussion among the various members of the castes. They had a mild interest in who would take over as ruler of the castles.

The sub-grand ruler decided there must be some way of finding who would look after the little princess and take over as ruler of this castle.

But being a student of government he decided the best way to make the selection was to have an election.

Heralds were sent out all over the countryside announcing the coming election for prince of the castle. When the heralds made the announcement and our hero—the little fair haired lad—heard about it he decided he would make application for the job.

All of this was well and good—when the hero does something, it has to be good.

The Chancellor - Of-The-Castle-Taking-Over-Department looked at the hero's application; he said it was good.

After all the hero had killed the right number of dragons to become a candidate and he was not in the lowest caste.

When the last day finally arrived for the candidates to fill out an application for the job, our hero was the only person to enter the castle race.

He was overjoyed. Our lowly hero was going to become the ruler of the castle.

Out of formality the hero's name was put on a ballot and it was issued to the people living in the castle for final approval.

This is getting too tame, so lets put in a villain or so.

A group of top caste persons got together and decided it would not be right for a member of the next-to-the-bottom caste to take over the castle and become ruler. So they had a little meeting. Top caste persons who were eligible, got together and decided the only way to keep the hero from becoming ruler was to write in a top caste name on the ballot.

To find out who should get his name written in on the ballot and become the ruler of the castle, they flipped coins. The winner was selected by fate and the other caste men said they would support him in the election.

When the time came to vote for the ruler of the castle the top caste men got together and told members of the next to the lowest caste, second from the top caste and other interested parties they should vote for the man in the top caste. Now since the men in the top caste have a direct phone connection to heaven they could do no wrong.

The election was carried out—one of the members of the top caste checked the votes from the voters to see that they did not make the mistake and vote for the second from the bottom man.

Low and behold the voting was over and to the amazement of all, the top caste man won the election with 92 votes. The little fair haired hero only got 24 votes. The names of the top caste man and the second from the bottom caste man were the only names voted on by the people who lived in the castle.

The little hero walked slowly away.

MORAL: It isn't well for the men in the low caste to forget their position in life. Or: Don't believe in fairy tales . . . They don't always have a happy ending.

In Thursday's Battalion the student senate election results for Dorm 8 were left out. William Reichart, a write-in candidate, won the election by getting 92 votes to his opponents 24 votes.

Reichart is a senior Industrial Engineering major from San Antonio.

We understand, the deans team now has a varsity squad. Varsity Squadmen are granted special letters.

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Banquet Set To Honor Gilchrist

Masons of Sul Ross Lodge No. 1300 will honor A&M System Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist with a banquet Friday, March 14, at 7 p. m. in the ballroom of the MSC. Gilchrist was recently chosen Grand Master of all Masons in Texas. Twelve past Grand Masters have signified that they will attend the testimonial banquet.

Bennie Zinn, who is in charge of ticket sales, stated that tickets could be purchased from him or at the A. M. Waldrop stores, Madeley Pharmacy or at the main desk in the MSC.

Corps

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Agency 6.5; Chemical Corp 5.4; Corps of Engineers 9.6; Field Artillery 16.0; Infantry 11.9; Ordnance 7.7; Quartermaster Corps 9.6; Signal Corps 5.4; Transportation Corps 5.4.

World Prayer Day Observed

New York, Feb. 29 — (AP) — "Christ Is Our Hope."

That is the theme of today's "World Day of Prayer," being observed in 17,000 United States communities and in 104 other countries.

The event, in its 65th year, is sponsored by the Department of United Church Women of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. Most protestant denominations participate in the interfaith project.

In addition to prayers and special programs, offerings this year will be used to support ministry and aid migrant workers, sharecroppers, American Indians and interdenominational Christian colleges in the Orient.

Range & Forestry Club Changes Meeting Date

The regular meeting of the Range and Forestry Club, originally scheduled for Tuesday, March 4, has been postponed until Tuesday, March 11, announced Jim Moore, president.

The club will discuss selection of a duchess to the Cotton Pageant, and will also discuss an exhibit for the Mother's Day program.

Moore urged all freshman and sophomore Range and Forestry majors to attend the meeting. Refreshments will be served.



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Management Engineering Meet Concludes Sessions

"The first responsibility of a manager, whether he be foreman, research director, sales manager or else, is to know how to run his job and to make a profit for the enterprise for which he is responsible," the closing sessions of the fifth annual Management Engineering conference, meeting here was told.

The speaker was Howard M. Miller of E. I. DuPont de Nemours and Co. Another speaker Thursday morning was E. J. Harrington, Dallas, directing associate, Griffenhagen and Associates.

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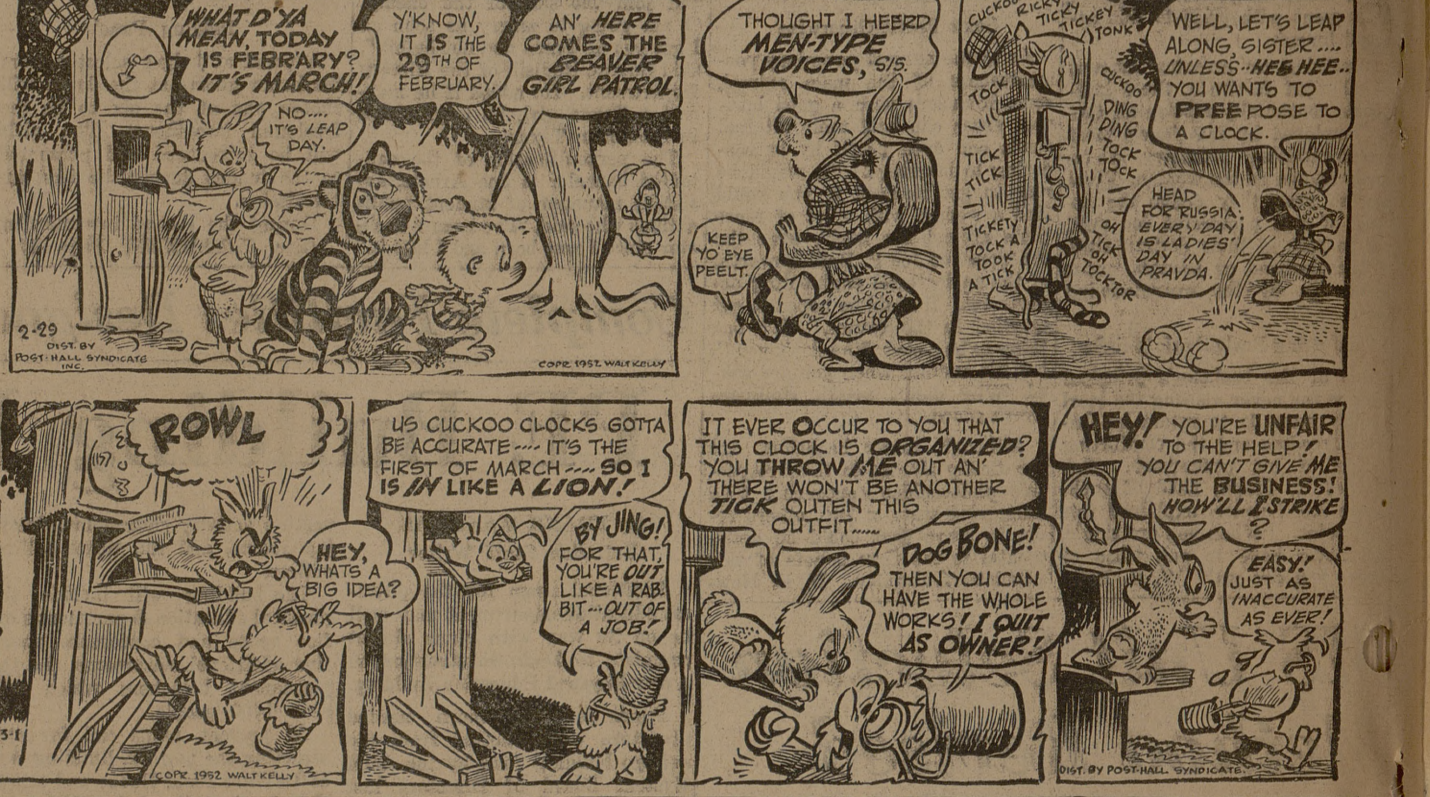
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