

# Battalion Editorials

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Editor's Note: Calvin Moore, manager of student apartments, advises that a 3% chlordane solution is available to all occupants of student apartments and is located in the Student Apartments Warehouse in College View.

This solution may be obtained free by calling at the warehouse shortly after 8 a.m., just before noon and during the noon hour, and just before 5 p.m. It will not stain paper and clothes, but is harmful to tile, Moore said.

## Roaches Proven Carriers of Polio

A dime store paint brush and a few ounces of chlordane are the only tools you need to run off those pesky cockroaches, State Health Officer George W. Cox advises.

But he says keeping them off is a bigger job.

Roaches are disease carriers from way back, the health officer pointed out. They've been found naturally infected with polio virus. And that alone, is reason enough to declare war against the filth ridden pests. Here's the way to do it.

First, get 3% chlordane spray and a two-bit paint brush from the drug store. Then take all the pots, pans, and dishes from the kitchen cabinet and wash them in soapy water.

Now paint the chlordane into all the cracks where shelves join the walls, and around the drain and water pipes. That's all—don't paint the whole cabinet. While the spray is drying in the cabinets, paint in the corners of baseboards, behind the stove and the hot water heater where water and gas pipes enter the house.

Take off the motor panel of the refrigerator, and treat the floor and corners of the motor compartment. Paint the walls behind the refrigerator, because roaches will hide any place they can find protection. Be sure to paint around bathroom pipes, too.

In older houses it's possible that roaches will be hiding in cracks between the wall boards and door and window frames. So don't pass up a crack because it looks too small to harbor roaches. The young insects are mighty small.

After the spray in the cabinets has dried thoroughly, cover the shelves where dishes and food are stored with paper.

You can get a can of caulking compound for just a few cents, which makes filling cracks permanently an inexpensive process. But run some of the spray into cracks before sealing them up. This will kill ants, too.

All this will help you get rid of roaches, Dr. Cox emphasizes. But if you leave food exposed, they'll soon be back at the same old level.

It is believed that the majority of adults have at one time been infected by the virus of poliomyelitis, usually without manifestations, says Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer. In view of the above it is expected that most of the recognized cases will be among children.

Only a small proportion of infected persons are clinically recognizable. When symptoms are manifested, they usually comprise an acute illness with fever, headache, and almost always a characteristic stiffness of the neck and spine. Some degree of paralysis may or may not occur during the first few days of illness.

During the poliomyelitis season the following measures are recommended by Dr. Cox:

- Insist upon safe waste disposal so that human excreta is not exposed to disease transmitting vectors.
- Insist on elimination of fly breeding sources and do not depend upon community wide airplane spraying or fogging machines as a substitution for basic sanitation.
- Food supplies, including milk, must be protected against contamination.
- Always demand safe water for drinking or swimming pools.
- Insist that garbage be kept in covered containers and disposed of by incineration or sanitary fill.
- Eliminate all unsanitary conditions on your own premises.
- Practice good personal hygiene, with particular attention to personal cleanliness.
- Avoid excessive physical strain during poliomyelitis season.
- Isolation in bed of all children with fever pending diagnosis by physician.

## The Battalion

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"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

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## Some Say Yes, Some Say No

# Students Voice Opinions On 18 Year Old Voting

By BOB HENDRY  
Battalion Feature Editor

Most people at A&M can be classified into three groups—Republicans, Democrats, and Independents. But the group which participates in some of the college's most heated political debates cannot actually be classified into any of these. They are A&M's 18 year olds.

Many of these feel that they are being unjustly persecuted. On the other hand, a large percent feel just the opposite, with the result that the student body has been split into two rival groups.

"Under the country's modern educational system, I believe that any person 18 years of age should have enough education in political activities to judge who will be the best leader in a public office," argued Jimmy Smith from Rockdale. I am in favor of letting them vote for this reason."

"I do not think they should be able to vote," contradicted Otilio Limon from Laredo. "The average 18 year old is just finishing high school and is about to enter practically a new world. At his age I don't believe he knows enough about this new world to vote sensibly."

Louie Venincasa disagreed. "I believe, like most people do," he debated, "that if you are old enough to fight, you are old enough to vote."

"I believe," charged Fred Burkett of Lamesa, "that up until a person is 18, he has never thought seriously about voting. Then one day he wakes up and finds that he is eligible for the draft, and all of a sudden he immediately wants vote—it takes on meaning. By waiting until he is 21 and by using these three years in following politics, he will be capable of voting sensibly."

"I'm 21 years old," shot back David MaKar from San Antonio, "and I believe if a person is old enough to fight for our country's freedom, he should have the privilege of voting for their leaders."

Rothe Davis of Paris seconded MaKar. "I believe any service man 18 years of age should be able to vote. If a fellow is going to be sent to Korea to be shot, I think he ought to have the right to pick the person who is going to send him."

San Antonian Pat Mount said, "I think any 18 year old should know enough about what is going on in the world to be able to vote sensibly. This is especially true with college students who are familiar with world crisis. If any 18 year olds are not interested, they should be."

A. R. Mancuso from Houston remained unpersuaded. "No, I do not believe 18 year olds understand politics as well as persons who are older and have taken an interest in world affairs."

"I don't think they should be able to vote," confirmed George Knox from Mineola, "because an 18 year old does not pay any attention to world affairs."

In numbers, however, those who favor voting at 18 reign supreme. In logic it is up to the reader to decide. But the majority of the students seemed to back Stantonian B. G. Louis. "I think," he iterated, "an 18 year old should be able to vote. The majority of the 18 year olds have as much political ability as older people."

## Cadets At George AB Living Like Officers

By WELDON D. KRUGER  
AFROTC Camp Correspondent  
George Air Force Base, Calif. (Delayed)—George Air Force Base is located 7 miles from Victorville on the edge of the Mojave Desert. There is nothing for miles but sand, wind, Joshua trees, Sagebrush, and sunshine. To the Southwest can be

seen part of the San Bernardino Mountains, with "Old Baldy," a snow-capped peak, a prominent landmark.

Cadets from 17 colleges from nine states are enjoying the comforts of Bachelor Officers Quarters, special cadet mess, and all the facilities of George AFB.

The cadets are organized in one squadron composed of five flights. Positions of leadership are alternated frequently so that each man has a chance to exhibit his talents. Squadron CO for the past week was Weldon Kruger. Flight CO's have been Ralph Cox, Billy Folley, August Schumbera, and J. C. Stewart.

The first few days were spent in processing, drawing uniforms, cleaning of barracks, and taking physicals. Since then we have been having close order drill, athletic programs, calisthenics, lectures, and movies on the Air Force officer.

One day was spent on a one thousand inch carbine firing range. All the Aggies qualified with Owen Hill and J. C. Stewart firing expert scores. Friday evening the cadets held a retreat formation and Saturday morning a parade plus a personal and stand-by inspection.

Each day we have been having room inspections and getting rams for any discrepancies. A day here starts at 5 a.m. and ends at 4:30 p.m.

The week ended at noon Saturday and almost everyone headed for Los Angeles, Long Beach, San Bernardino, or the San Bernardino Mountain Resorts.

## Work Progressing On New Buildings

Work on the new engineering building is now two months ahead of schedule.

The building is now about 70% complete. Glazing should be completed within two weeks. The greater part of the remaining work will be inside, so weather conditions will have little effect on the progress made toward completion.

Work on the building has been delayed because of a one-month strike by the plasterers' union. This strike was recently settled and progress should now continue.

Both the Engineering Building and the Engineering Library are expected to be completed by early fall.

## Ag Conference Set In MSC July 22-25

A Vocational Agricultural State Staff Conference will be held in the MSC July 22-25, according to E. R. Alexander, head of the department of agricultural education.

In a letter from Robert A. Manire, Chief of the Agricultural Education Service, it was stated that the conference will hear from two panels headed by E. R. Alexander.

Composing the first panel will be Dr. R. D. Lewis, V. C. Marshall, Lewis P. Merrill, Paul Walsler, and B. F. Vance. Their topic of discussion is "The Needs of Texas Agriculture Today."

The second panel will discuss "Assisting Texas Agricultural Producers to Meet Changing and Increasing Demands." Included in this panel is Frank Briggs, M. A. Browning, G. G. Gibson, C. G. Scruggs, and C. N. Shephardson.

Attending this conference will be Teachers Trainer Staff Members, Area Supervisors, and one teacher from each area selected by the other teachers of that area.

## Legion Sponsors Watermelon Feed

A&M College American Legion Post 541, will sponsor a watermelon feed and candidate speaking at the Brazos County A&M Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday. All candidates or their representatives are invited and urged to be present and state their views and opinions, Flop Colson, Post Commander said today.

Ice cold watermelon will be served promptly at 7:30, cold drinks will also be available. Speaking will begin immediately after the watermelon is eaten.

Everyone interested in the political situation is urged to come out and hear the candidates express their opinions Colson said.

## A&M Poultry Men to Speak At Ft. Worth Poultry Meeting

Three members of the A & M poultry department staff will be featured speakers at the 79th annual convention of the American Poultry Association which is being held in Fort Worth, July 14-17.

Dr. J. H. Quisenberry, department head, will speak on "Contributions of the APA to the Poultry Industry," as a feature of the educational program on July 17. Professor D. H. Reid, former department head and now retired, will speak on "Fifty Years of Poultry Progress—A Personal Observation."

Parnell to Speak  
Professor E. D. Parnell will discuss "Importance of the American Standard of Perfection to the Junior Poultry Program," on July 16, a day designated as Junior Poultry Day by APA officials. Parnell will also assist with the

Junior Judging Contest that's also held July 16. Both Reid and Parnell are life members of the APA and Parnell is an official licensed APA judge.

Other featured speakers at the convention include Dr. Louis H. Ritzhaupt, APA president; Dr. George Godfrey, Oklahoma A & M College geneticist; O. B. Kent, director, Feed Research, Quaker Oats Co., Chicago; and George McCarthy, vice-president, Universal Mills, Fort Worth.

A&M Graduate Plans Meet  
This is the first time the annual APA convention will have been held in Texas.

Alex G. Warren, A&M graduate and now extension poultryman for Oklahoma, has been active in bringing the convention to Texas and in making plans for it.

## Ags Enjoy Camp Life At March Air Base

By GUS BECKER, JR.  
AFROTC Camp Correspondent  
March Air Force Base, Riverside, Calif. (Delayed)—Greetings from all the Aggies here at MAFB, to all you unfortunate cadets who couldn't be with us here in this summer resort called March Air Force Base AFROTC Summer Camp.

Although we have been pretty rushed for time since we arrived, the Aggies have still found time to have "bull sessions" about the trip out here, Los Angeles, etc.

A&M got a good jump when five Aggies, Ted Dinnerstein, Larry Minns, Dick Tanner, Jack Halsell and yours truly, appeared on a television show which was broadcast coast to coast to help raise funds to send the U. S. Olympic team to Helsinki, Finland this summer. The cadets dressed in full senior uniform, senior boots and all, talked to Bob Hope and Bing Crosby who emceed the 14-hour show called a telethon.

Cadet officers for the first week of camp were selected the second day of camp and Gene Steed, A&M Who's Who cadet, was chosen commander of the two squadrons. Claude Holmes and John Merrill were made flight commanders of two of the six flights.

Second Lts. from Aggie land are Davis Bottom, Bruce Gibson, Bob McDowell, Charlie Bragassa, Raymond Haas, and Dick Tanner.

Major Westbrook, of the A&M military department, who is PIO officer for the summer camp, has arranged a dance for the AFROTC cadets here at March AFB to be held in the Beverly-Wilshire Hotel, one of the most exclusive hotels in Los Angeles, this Saturday night.

### Beautiful Girls

The Beverly-Wilshire is furnishing 300 beautiful girls to act as hostesses at the dance. Most of the Aggies are planning to attend, among them, Pete Arguindgui, W. G. Blair, Fred Burns, Edward Bane, Davis Bottom, and Joe Bryant.

At the officer's club here on the base, Col. Curtis, the camp commander, gave a reception for all the AFROTC cadets, and with Chuck Cargill leading the group, the Farmers spelled out Aggies, to show their appreciation for the fine party. On the front row with that good ole Aggie Spirit were Jim Uptmore, Ronald Wade, Rudy Stanislav, Ted Skeans, Doug Shunkles, and Charlie Saxe.

Right across the street from our barracks is the cadet day room which has been fixed up for the cadets here when we don't feel like walking the two blocks to the officers club.

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