

National Parties Ready For Home Stretch Drive

NATIONAL POLITICS will move into high gear the latter part of this month when President Truman starts an 8,500 mile, 15 day, "give 'em hell" campaign in 24 states. The GOP is making plans, too.

Although he has received the blessing of the Democratic National Committee in making this tour, President Truman probably will write his own speeches and there's no telling what he might say.

At the present time, the Democratic Party has said Truman's main job will be "to champion his own and Franklin D. Roosevelt's record and fire away at the Republicans from coast to coast." Gov. Adlai

Simplify Registering

REGISTRATION complications are not new. But solutions are possible.

Saturday, registration was prolonged until about 7 p. m. because graduating seniors had to force their way into classes, already closed because of the set limit.

Why aren't graduating seniors allowed to register first?

If they did, registration could be simplified both for students and professors and making for more equal size classes, since non-graduates could substitute other courses.

For Better Service

THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER'S Food Department took another step forward yesterday.

In order to quicken its service to students and other customers in the Fountain Room, the food department made a switch in the position of the serving line entrance and the register.

This makes for quicker service on malts, milk shakes, and other fountain drinks, while also giving customers more hot coffee which now is at the end of the line.

Small changes like this help make the Fountain Room a much better eating place. It's good thinking by the food department and good business for the MSC, both in the right direction for the student whom they serve.

Former Students Truman Hits Ike In Philadelphia Talk

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sure would bring prestige to the college by having great men on this campus.

Other items considered and which are pending consideration in the future are as follows: 1) Money to build additional rooms to the MSC; 2) Money to install air conditioning in the college library; 3) Funds to make a film of A&M campus life.

Items Not Considered

Receiving no consideration by the development fund committee were funds to help pay operational and administrative costs of the MSC, and supplements for faculty salaries.

The Former Students Council held their first session Saturday night in the MSC Assembly Room. A breakfast Sunday morning closed the conference.

At the Sunday meeting speakers included Gibb Gilchrist, chancellor of the A&M System; Dr. M. T. Harrington, president of the college; Barlow (Bones) Irvin, athletic director; Col. Frank Anderson, track coach; and Ray George, head football coach. George introduced members of his coaching staff.

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Former Students Prove Interest In Student Body

By JOEL AUSTIN Battalion Co-Editor

DID YOU ever hear anyone call the former students a bunch of old "foggies" who drink beer and cut up like little boys?

Here's a warning if you believe this about the men who have joined one of the greatest ex-students associations in the United States.

They would probably classify as a group that acts like "little boys" at their meetings, but their sole purpose in gathering here and elsewhere isn't to form a drinking fellowship.

The executive council of the association was in action here Saturday and Sunday, and it was reassuring to see their fine work. Most encouraging was their devotion to A&M. They are concerned with everything which happens on this campus.

In the past our Former Students Association has been noted for its "interest" in football. It seemed the only real thing for the men to be organized for—to get football players to come to A&M. They still like football, but the clubs have grown up now. They have found objectives for their money in addition to providing football scholarships and buying up coach's contracts.

A Big Project Ahead

Most commendable is their present objective to build an All-Faith chapel on A&M's campus. Already \$74,000 has been set aside by the Former Students Association, and more will probably be appropriated next year.

You won't see anything tangible in the way of construction for several years because the former students want to take their time. They believe time is an important factor in building a sacred chapel for students to worship, meditate and commune with God.

The chapel would be located in a central place on our campus, so

Interested In What Goes On Here

To further illustrate the association's interest in what goes on around the campus, one member moved that the organization go on record as commending cadet officers for erasing the traditional football greeting "Beat the H..... out of"

He said use of profanity had no place on the campus, and as far as he could tell it did nothing to bolster the team's spirit on Saturday afternoon. The councilmen

Some Meetings Held

In some places the former students clubs have gone all out to hold parties and other meetings for getting acquainted with their boys attending A&M. This is a fine step on the part of the former students, for not only do they get a chance to help the boys who are attending A&M, but they also have an opportunity to find out what is happening on this campus.

Typical of the former students reputation for stressing football and an interest in athletic teams is a gesture made by A. F. (Smiley) Mitchell, president of the FSA.

He had called on Penrose Metcalfe of San Angelo to serve as parliamentarian at the morning session of the council. After breakfast was finished and it came time to hear talks by the dignitaries present, President Mitchell had to consult parliamentarian Metcalfe to see which men should be intro-

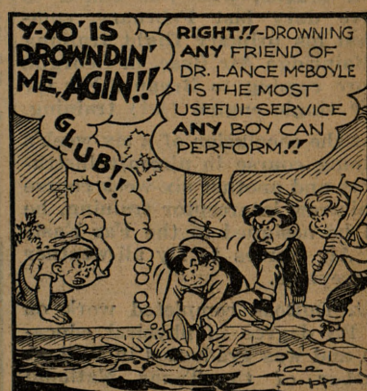
Thirteen Korean War Vets Have Enrolled

Thirteen veterans of the Korean War have been approved for enrollment at A&M, announced Benjie Zinn, assistant dean of men.

One hundred veterans have contacted his office in regard to entering school, Zinn added.

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Space Cadets To The Rescue



By Al Capp

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Music To His Ears



By Al Capp

'Where's Charlie?' New Type Musical From Stage Show

By JERRY BENNETT Battalion News Editor

"Where's Charlie?" starring Ray Bolger, Allyn McLerie and Robert Shackleton. Warner Bros.—Campus Theatre.)

"Where's Charlie?" is a technicolor musical placing more stress on song than sociology, which usually plagues the average run of syncopated soap operas.

Excluding MGM who usually manages to turn out musical comedies worthy of the name, most producers get off key with a scenario which drowns out melody with the marital problems of its characters.

Adapted from the Broadway production of the same name, Warner Bros.' "Where's Charlie?" combines music, dancing, and comedy to provide some of the best entertainment filmed this year. Using the original New York cast

which includes Ray Bolger, Allyn McLerie, and Robert Shackleton, director David Butler has used both cinema and stage techniques in filming the movie.

"Where's Charlie?" conveys the effect of seeing a stage show carefully transposed on film, the only difference, being movie sets are used instead of a stage therefore giving the players a wider range of action.

Definite Clue

For instance all songs and dance numbers are performed at a definite cue with no apparent reason for their appearance. Due to Hollywood's mastery of motion picture techniques which can make the ridiculous seem natural, the use of stage principles on film seems out of place at first. This effect only lasts a short time, the audience finally becoming enveloped in the delightful rhythm and comedy of the whole affair.

Ray Bolger manipulates his body with the grace of a born dancer, demonstrating all top dancers can hold contracts with MGM. The cast's vocals and dance routines are accented by Frank Loesser's unforgettable musical score.

One song in particular, "Amy", should send "Jambalaya" back down the bayou.

Publications Staffs To Meet This Week

The Aggie staff will hold its first meeting of the school year at 7:15 p. m. Wednesday in room 2A of the MSC, announced Guy Delaney and Harvey Miller, co-editors.

All new and returning students interested in joining the staff are invited to attend the meeting, Delaney said.

The Battalion staff will have an organizational meeting Wednesday night immediately after the evening meal. Refreshments will be served to all students interested in working on the publication, announced co-editors Joel Austin and Frank Manitzas.

Students will be dismissed from The Battalion meeting in time to attend church meetings.

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Teacher Reception At Consolidated

The annual reception for the teachers of A&M Consolidated school, sponsored by the school's Mothers' and Dads' Club, will be at 7:30 tonight in Consolidated's gymnasium.

Mrs. Joe E. Davis is general chairman of the reception.

Turkey Agents Receive Completion Certificates

Thirty-one turkey selecting and blood collecting agents received certificates of completion, certifying them as qualified under the National Turkey Improvement Plan at A&M Friday.

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