Compulsory Activity Fee Means Minimum Costs

possible cost . . . "

With this statement of purpose, Gov. Richard Coke formally installed A&M as through taxes we receive-to mention only A&M ten per cent of a trust fund Texas' first institution of higher learning in a few things-public school education for

As the school has passed through 77 years of growth and progress we have learned there are other things than classroom work necessary in obtaining this "thorough education" he spoke of.

Extracurricular activities have come to play a prominent part in practically every student's college life. Prospective employers review your list of extracurricular activities and gain a better understanding of how wellrounded your college life is from participation in these activities.

A&M students are availed many opportunities for activities outside the classroom. But to have these things means expense. State funds are not available for providing them. People of Texas will not buy you an annual or pay for the baseball you use in intramurals. They will not give you a ticket to athletic events and reimburse the atheltic department for that amount.

But if every student contributes a small amount to these things the volume of income can provide them at rock bottom prices. On the other hand if all students do not pay, the volume will be smaller and prices for individual items will be more than doubled in certain instances.

Until this semester all Aggies were required to pay a fee of ten dollars which was apportioned to the annual, The Battalion, intramural, athletics, the MSC, the atheltic department and the swimming pool.

A bill is now before the state legislature to make payment of this fee again compulsory. The House education committee sent it back for floor vote Tuesday. Monday the powerful Senate state affairs committee will hear arguments on the bill.

We encourage full support for this measure, not only because our publication receives a portion of the fees, but mainly because if it fails, the minority of students who refuse to pay will cause the majority who wish to receive these services to pay more

New Calendars

THE SOVIET 1953 calendar has a 15 million circulation and its contents are un-

Stalin's picture appears on 12 pages of the tear-off calendar, his virtues are eulogized in 20 poems, his name is printed 367

Besides the publicity campaign on the prime minister, the time sheet includes harsh and bitter articles about the "enemies of mankind," the "maneaters," "murderers"the United States, naturally.

Although the United States President is not given the calendar coverage enjoyed by Stalin, neither Eisenhower nor Stalin could make the news headlines in calendar form better than Marilyn Mornroe. And Miss Monroe does not need 12 pictures on a calendar to make it successful.

But the Russians would never understand. predetermined purpose.

"A THOROUGH education at the lowest than double the ten dollars to get the same fund.

Many people grumble about taxes. Yet children, police protection, a strong national government and the greatest of all defense machines for protecting American from an the will, McQuillen said, and there-invading force invading force.

We are able to have all these things because everyone contributes to make them possible. If you and a few others were excused from taxes it would be hard for the fire department to stop and check a list of taxpayers before answering a call to keep your home from burning.

Under our democratic form of government we are called upon to contribute a nominal amount in order to get certain renumerations. This is made possible because all people take part.

All students can take part in paying this fee to make the services it affords available to everyone at a minimum cost.

Hands Off Policy Needed in Congress

CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION of colleges and universities for subversive ward. It was originally designed influences was attacked recently by a woman as a navy training plane but was agriculture of the A&M Ssytem; E.

M. (Tex) Anderson, president, Namer of the A&M System; E.

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The woman, Mrs. Agnes E. Meyer of and developed by Fred Weick, dir Washington, D.C., declared "the time has ector of the Personal Aircraft Recome for a powerful counteroffensive" against Congress' investigations of colleges and universities. "It must be clearly established that only the boards of education and and safety for the pilot, the Ag-1 the administrators have the right to question a teacher's loyalty upon sufficient evidence."

Meyer: "It is interesting to note that in the Moscow Pravda . . . Mrs. Agnes is quoted: gine can be duplicated in an ordi-"... We feel profound admiration for the nary machine and sheet metal shop. people of the Soviet Union—it simply makes you sick at heart when you hear many radio fly to the end of a field only a few commentators speaking so unjustly and disdainfully of the Russians."

Mr. Velde's statement may be true, we do not know and care less. In 1947, many peo- nationally known as an aircraft enple felt charitable toward Russia. But Mrs. gineer and designer. While serv-Meyer's rebuttal of the congressional investigations is encouraging.

include some subversive elements, but no plane, that is, enclosing it in namore than either the national government celled, and in putting aircraft on nor the state and city governments. At a time when more encouragement should be given to youth for entering the teaching field, the national government is degrading the profession and making it undesirable.

The investigations, if carried through, will accomplish as much as the loyalty oaths. But then, junior Dick Tracy personnel Velde, McCarthy, Jenner have quite a few years. left in Congress. They have to spend their time, our money, in some manner, but if they want to help fight communism they would support their educational institutions Friday, Feb. 20, in the Baptist mise of future significant produc and make an effort to raise their standards. Student Center.

An investigation by Congress is fodder for future elections rarely accomplishes the

ESTATE FUNDS

Officials Undecided On Use

Officials are undecided on the use of A&M's part of a \$4 million dollar estate recently willed the college by Gladewater oil man, said E. E. McQuillen, director, development

tance is unknown, he said, since the terms of the will designated which is to be divided between ten

Until a copy is obtained, nothing concerning its use can be plan-

Trustee and independent executor of the will is to be the First National Bank of Dallas.

Oldest and Newest

Airplanes To Be Displayed **During Pest Control Course**

KEY TO THE KINGDOM

iation will be demonstrated during spinning." the Second Annual Texas Agricul-

'Puffer", began service as a crop- sociation.

ng is the Ag-1 airplane, designed search Center, Engineering Experi-

Performance and Safety

was designed exclusively for such operations as seeding, fertilizing, eacher's loyalty upon sufficient evidence." dusting and spraying crops. It can Sen. Velde had said earlier about Mrs. take off from a rough unprepared runway under work load and any part of the plane except the en-

such obstacles as trees or power lines while loaded.

Weick, the plane's designer, is

Gained Fame Quickly

Rising from junior aeronautics engineer, Weick became assistant factual interpretations of water, chief of the aerodynamics division earth, grass and boats. His sumineering and Research Corporation, where his research resulted in from the realistic to the interpreacceptance of the Ercoupe by Civil tive. Aeronautics Administration offic-

Baptist Vespers Plan Laymen Panel Friday

Weick will serve as chairman of tural Aviation Conference and the conference, which is sponsored A. Young, head department of Short Course on Pest Control here by the A & M College System, range and forestry; Dr. R. D. Leweb. 23. the Texas Aeronautics Commission is, director, Texas Agricultural Ex-The old model, a Huff Daland and the Texas Flying Farmers As- periment Station; Dr. J. C. Gaines,

Latest development in farm fly- tional Flying Farmers Association

Gonzalez

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But in his broken English, Gonzalez displays a sincere belief in what he says and keeps his audience following him with his informal yet challenging delivery. He cannot keep his hands still,

but instead of distracting from his words, the artist's motions add to his diversely selected words.

Painting-Geometry

About painting, Gonzalez has cessary, and it was designed to been quoted most often as having "Painting is the geometry feet of the ground, then zoom over of feeling. I have to approach painting indirectly, slowly, cause a painting like a flower can die of too much handling. The overstatement of truth kills

Gonzalez feels he should try to act natural rather than copy or imitate it. He paints with a semi-The educational institutions undoubtedly ommendations which restricts in abstraction, drawing from the bringing the engine inside the ible reality, yet wending it to his

own needs. He is a known master of the summer watercolors which he uses extensively with color, space, movement, and textures by his his serious winter paintings vary

A critic said recently: "The crestructures on every count of conception and realization. They attain the plastique of painting. A panel of laymen will speak at They are well within the Grand e Vesper service, 7:30 p. m. Tradition. They are rich in pro-

Certificates. Awarded To Flight Seniors

Thirty-three senior Air Force ROTC cadets who have applied for flight school and completed physicals, received certificates this afternoon authorizing wear of the new "half-wing" insignia of the ROTC flight cadet.

Col. John A. Way, PAS&T formally presented the scrolls at a ceremony during leadership lab. Next Thursday, the remainder of the 66 seniors will receive certi-

Of the senior group, 45 cadets are in the flight operations options and 21 are in others.

Junior Air Force cadets will receive certificates soon after signing a letter of intent obligating them to attend flight school following graduation.

The gold and silver wings, which may be worn over the cadet's left shirt or blouse pocket, may not be purchased without a certificate. The first shipment has not as yet been received by the Exchange

Burchard Heads Affairs Committee

D. D. Burchard, head of the journalism department has been appointed chairman of the Inter-Association of Affairs Committee of the American Society of Journalism School Administrators.

A. E. Austin, president of One of the oldest and one of the ials as the first plane licensed as Cliffe B. Green, director, Texas ASJSA made the appointment, newest airplanes in agricultural av- "characteristically incapable of Aeronautics Commission; Fred Austin is head of the journalism department of the University of North Dakota.

Burchard's committee is the coordinator between the ASJSA and other coordinate members of the Association for Education in jour nalism, over all teaching groups

"Oxford" Man Reveals Weakness of Opposite Sex!

Triplett, president, Texas Flying

Farmers Association; Dr. Vernon

ead, department of entomology.



NCE upon a time, there was a wealthy young college man Who spent a million dollars a year on his wardrobe. But the gals all thought he looked "square as an ice cube."

One day, while cruising around the campus in his solid gold convertible with leopard-skin tires, he noticed a young freshman surrounded by a bevy of beautiful dolls. Slamming his foot down upon the sterling silver brake pedal, he smoothed out the wrinkles in his custom-tailored suit and strolled over to this popular fellow.

"Tell me," he asked, "to what do you owe your great success with the fair sex?"

"Naturally," the young Casanova replied, "it's the shirts I wear." He pointed to the pale gray Oxford button-down he had on. "Everyone's bashing ears about Oxford shirts this year . . . and I have Oxfords in light blue, gray, yellow, pink, lavender . . . and of course, white. Roll collars, button-downs and those new short collars, too!"

The rich young man felt the luxurious Oxford fabric. "Your shirtmaker must charge a lot for shirts like these.'

"Shirtmaker nothing," grinned the young fellow. "I get all my shirts from the friendly Van Heusen dealer right down the street. And the ante is only \$3.95 apiece!"

The wealthy young man made a bee-line for the Van Heusen store. Since he was loaded (with money), he also bought a dozen deluxe Van Heusen Oxfords, made of high-count, tightly-twisted yarn, for \$4.50 apiece.

His seven wives are suing for bigamy this month,







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LI'L ABNER

HER MIND







By Walt Kelly

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

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