

A Decision: Forced Loyalty Or Voluntary Spirit?

A freshman recently expressed an opinion which student committees should consider when evaluating student life at A&M.

In a written Basic Division survey to find out freshmen problems here, one student remarked:

"When A&M begins to stress school spir-

it instead of forced loyalty, there will be more cooperation, a friendlier campus and a more wonderful school to be proud of."

This freshman has hit the nail on the head. Much of A&M's so-called spirit is nothing but enforced enthusiasm.

People are impressed when they see freshmen yelling throughout a football game. But how many know that upperclassmen are making the freshmen yell? Although many students are sincere in supporting their school and teams, many others go through A&M cheering only out of habit. During their underclassmen years, they were forced to cheer.

They never had a chance to develop true school spirit.

Enthusiasm or love for anything can not be forced. A person has to develop these attitudes himself in order for them to be sincere.

Much of the student body's discontent might be eliminated if students were not forced to "love" the school. If they were allowed to develop their own affection for A&M, they might be more willing to cooperate with each other in solving the school's problems.

The evaluating committees should decide whether they want a better school through true school spirit or just a demonstration of loud yelling.

Crowded Highway Endangers Cadets

Once again the A&M student body will be involved in the nation's worst death trap—the highways.

Experts have warned that many of our roads have been outmoded by an increase in the nation's traffic. Two lane highways are no longer safe because of the many cars which use them.

This weekend they will be more crowded than usual. The Aggies are going to Fort Worth for the first corps trip of the year. People from all over the state will be driving to and from the Dallas fair.

Students should remember these dangers when driving to Fort Worth. A reckless move at the steering wheel could cause their parents to attend an unexpected funeral.

News Flashes

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- NEW YORK—Testimony on the reported removal of top-secret radar defense documents from the Ft. Monmouth, N.J., Signal Corps center has dovetailed with a charge that vital defense data from the base has been channeled to Russia for some time. Testimony in the case was disclosed by Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) after a closed hearing yesterday of his Senate permanent investigations subcommittee.
- PANMUNJOM—Balking Chinese war prisoners today rejected overwhelmingly the first Communist attempts to coax them home. Of 500 Chinese who met Red interviewers in an opening session, only seven requested repatriation to Red China, said the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission UNRRC.
- SYDNEY, Australia—U. S. Vice President Richard Nixon flew here today from Auckland, New Zealand, for a six-day Australian visit on his Far Eastern fact-finding tour.
- WASHINGTON—Dr. Samuel W. Brownwell, 53, brother of Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownwell, has been appointed federal commissioner of education.
- EAST ALTON, Ill.—An explosion at the isolated smokeless powder processing plant of Olin Industries killed two workmen and injured a third here last night. The blast was felt more than five miles away.
- SANTA MONICA, Calif.—The sister of Iran's Shah gave birth to a 6½-pound daughter last night, her second child. She is Mrs. Vincent Hillyer, 4, wife of an importer. Her doctor said she and the baby are doing well.
- LIMA, Ohio—A 14-year-old Lima boy fired a .22-caliber rifle from his bedroom window yesterday and killed his 9-year-old next door neighbor.
- Police Chief Kermit A. Westbay said Peter Ledwedge told him he didn't know the rifle was loaded when he shot Roman Schaefer. He was not held.
- BALDWIN PARK, Calif.—The Navy veteran who two years ago was brought back to life after being "temporarily dead" for 15 minutes is now in fair health, his mother says. He is Melvin Eugene Hewitt, 29, who was revived by heart massage at El Monte Medical Center. Hewitt remained in a coma for a month thereafter, and doctors agreed that his brain was damaged by being deprived of oxygen for the relatively long period of 15 minutes.

The Battalion

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

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Youths Face Eight Year Military Obligation-- Hannah

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON, — Asst. Secretary of Defense John A. Hannah has said every American youth faces an 8-year military obligation, whether he is drafted or enlisted.

Hannah also declared that the accumulated supply of eligible military manpower has been "pretty much depleted" since the outbreak of the Korean War in mid-1950.

He said it will be 1960 before there will be more than a million eligible youths available for service—either through the draft or enlistments—to fill out the nation's annual requirements.

combat effectiveness of the air force."

Hannah, who is on leave from his post as president of Michigan State college, disclosed these phases of long - range Pentagon planning in a copyrighted interview in U. S. News & World Report, independent weekly news magazine published here.

He still has a 4-year obligation in the reserves. And a draftee who serves two years still must serve an additional six years in the reserves.

Hannah explained that if the nation is to continue to keep as many as three million men in uniform, it requires more than a million men a year.

News Briefs

Free Dance Planned For Corps Trip

A FREE DANCE for A&M students will be given at the Pioneer Palace in Fort Worth by the Fort Worth A&M club. The TSCW Serenaders will play for the dance, which will be from 9 to 12 Saturday night.

THE JULIA BALL LEE Fellowships in Biology, worth more than \$4,000, are now being offered to any undergraduate student in biology with a high academic record and a sustained interest in biological sciences.

THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL technical committee on vegetable marketing is meeting here now. H. B. Sorensen, Agricultural Experiment station, is secretary of the committee and in charge of the meeting.

THE TEXAS NUTRITION conference will be held today and tomorrow in the Memorial Student Center. Outstanding authorities in the field of nutrition will speak at the meetings.

W. J. LEE, manager of the J. C. Penney store in Bryan, spoke to the meeting of the Marketing society Tuesday night. His topic was "Opportunities with J. C. Penney Co. and the retailing field in general."

A DEPARTMENT coffee and social to better acquaint students and faculty members of the petroleum and geology departments will be held from 5 to 6 p. m. today in the Memorial Student Center.

Foundry Group Plan Field Trip

The student chapter of the American Foundrymen's Society is planning an inspection trip Nov. 16 to the Lone Star Steel foundries in Danglefield.

During the inspection trip the AFS members will be guests of the Texas chapter, which is holding its annual convention there. The Texas chapter will furnish a bus for the AFS if enough men will go.

The club will not make final plans until they get 25 men who want to go.

Geologists to Hear Lecture on Diamonds

Mrs. Gladys Babson Hennaford, noted lecturer on diamonds, will speak to the Geology club Tuesday, Oct. 20, at 7:30 p. m. in the lecture room of the Geology building.

Mrs. Hennaford has presented her lectures on diamonds to some of the largest club groups in the nation. She has also spoken at many leading colleges and universities in the past few years.

Maintain Forces

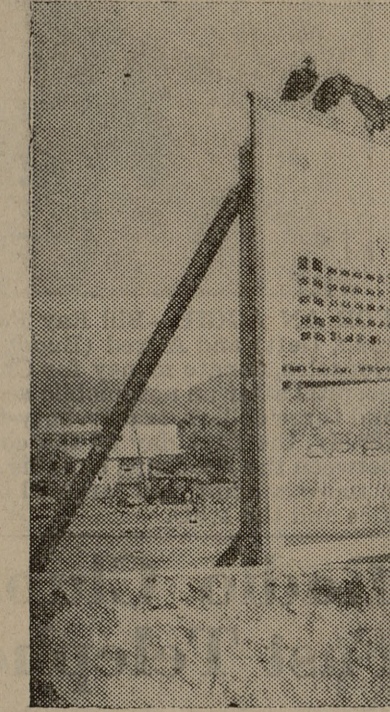
"As far as we can see, it is going to be necessary to maintain armed forces at approximately the present size for an indefinite period," Hannah said.

"The decision has been made that there shall be no reduction in combat effectiveness in any of the services for an indefinite period.

"And we are going to move in the direction of increasing the

"None whatsoever."

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JUST WAITING—Zopilotes, or Mexican buzzards, rest on a hotel billboard on the outskirts of Acapulco, the Pacific coast tourist resort. The buzzards usually wait in the hills, but they now come almost to the downtown area because there are so few people in the town. A slump in the tourist traffic has emptied the town.

Faces Youth

Speaking of military manpower, Hannah said most people in this country apparently are unaware of the 8 - year service obligation facing the nation's youth under a law which became effective only a few months ago.

Asked if there was any evidence of relief from that responsibility, Hannah replied flatly:

"None whatsoever."

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Draft Boards Are Calling

He noted that most draft boards are now calling 19-year-olds, after calling older men first, and that fatherhood is no longer a substitute for service.

"It is possible that when we get closer to the bottom of the manpower barrel, the administration will have to take another look at deferments for apprentices, students, agriculture workers and so forth," he said.

Aggie Players Pick 'Mr. Roberts' Cast

The cast has been chosen for the Aggie Players' production of "Mr. Roberts" to be presented Nov. 9 and 10.

Ricky Black plays the title role of Roberts, the executive officer of a navy transport ship.

In order of appearance, the rest of the cast is Harold Craig, Cart-hell Perdue, B. B. Smith, Harry Gooding, Raoul Roth, John Saravanja, Alan Seefje, Pat Crosland and Dennis Bishop.

Ted Castle, Tommy Devenport, Harry Espey, Dorothy Bell, Gayle Klipple and Jerry Neighbors.

Rudy Stanislav will be stage manager; Mrs. D. D. Buchard, property manager, and Mary Mackin, assistant director.

C. K. Esten, English department, is faculty sponsor and director of the group. "There is still one vacancy in the cast," Esten said.

Any cracks or loose-fitting doors and windows in your house? Then do some filling or tightening and you'll save yourself work by preventing dirt streaks on curtains, walls and windows.

Quarter Million Beers To Be Dumped in Gulf

TAMPA, Fla.—(AP)—A quarter million cans of beer will be dumped in the Gulf of Mexico because they are not stamped in conformance with Florida regulations.

An official of the Sunny South Distributing Co. in Orlando, said because of a machinery breakdown some of the cans had not been stamped with the word "Florida."

"It would be more trouble than it is worth to separate all stamped cans from the unstamped cans," he said. "It's easier to dump them

than go through all 11,000 cases." The beer was brought here from Orlando in four freight cars and was loaded on barges yesterday.

The barges will go 20 miles out in the gulf today and dump the beer.

Art Gallery Exhibits 21 Pictures in Bryan

An exhibit of 21 paintings and sketches done by members of the Memorial Student Center art gallery committee is being held at the First National Bank of Bryan.

The exhibit was opened Tuesday and will probably be continued until Monday, said Mrs. Emalita Newton Terry, advisor to the committee.

Many of the paintings and sketches were done by students. The rest were done by associate members of the committee.

Czech Club Elects Nedbalek Veep

Eddie Nedbalek of Bay City has been elected vice-president of the A&M Czech Club.

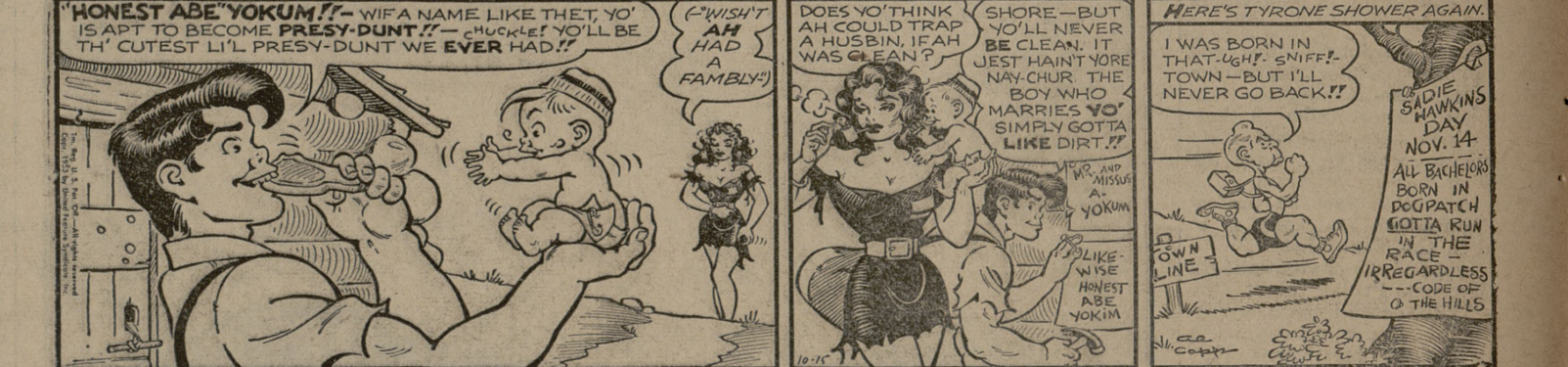
Other new officers are Willy Kopecy, secretary; Charles Hlavinka, treasurer; Johnny Bravenec, reporter; Josef Janacka, social chairman; Calvin Janak, sergeant-at-arms; and Johnny Petter, song-leader.

Mel Holubec was elected president last spring.

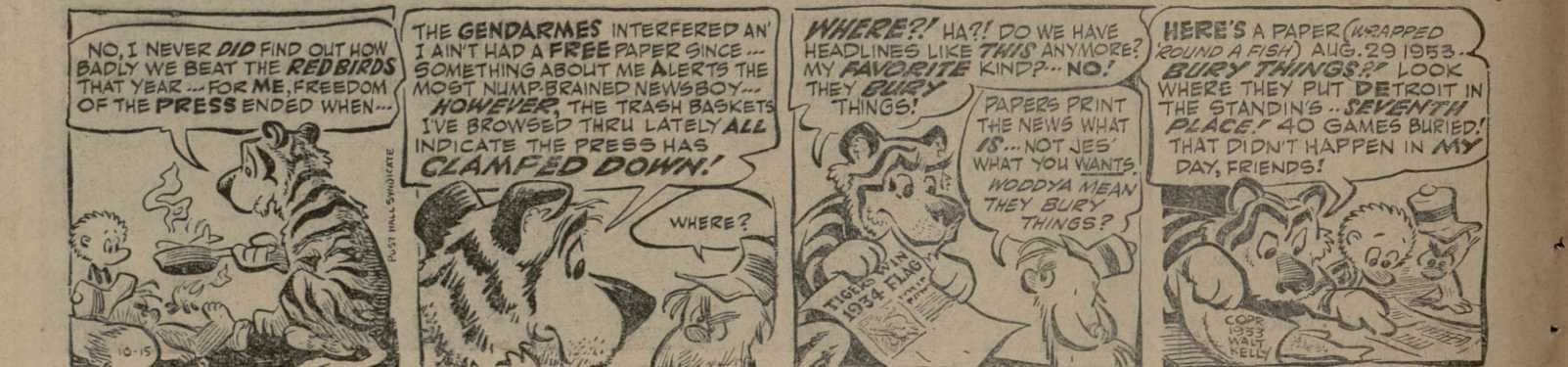
A committee was elected to nominate a sweetheart for the club. The sweetheart election is part of the club's membership drive.

Anyone interested in Czechoslovakian culture or language is invited to join the club, said Dr. J. M. Skrivaneck, sponsor.

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