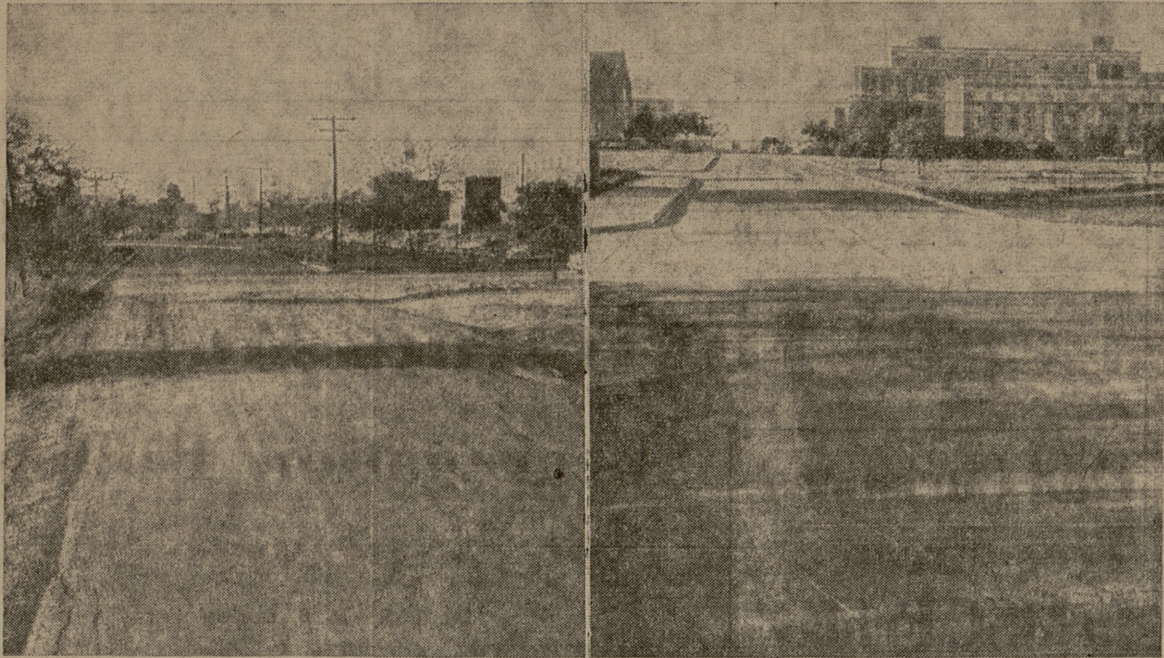


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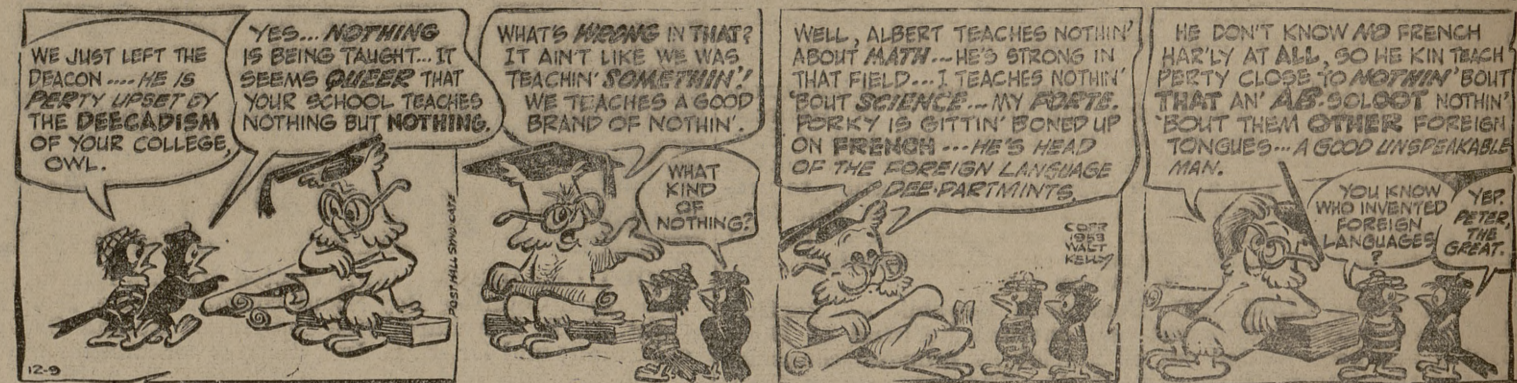


ONE DOWN, ONE TO GO—Last week, The Battalion ran pictures of these same two scenes. Apparently, some good was accomplished as the road on the right was paved soon afterward. However, the road on the left is still a hazard to traffic; especially during the 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. "rush" hours when many cars enter and leave the campus.

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By Walt Kelly

Letters to the Editors

Editors, The Battalion

I am an Aggie—an ex Aggie. I was surprised to find a mention of "Dear Darling Aggies" in a prominent magazine. I know very well how the girl feels because I quit your school last Dec. 31.

I regret that moment and since then I have visited my friends there as often as possible. The school spirit gives me a real thrill and in my opinion that's what makes A&M. And dear Aggie—Hazing has made Spirit.

I am and will be for 19 more months now in the Army—leaving for Europe in the morning. Before going overseas I got three days at home. Out of only three days I went down to my second love to see the school—feel the spirit—and see the bonfire.

I feel sorry for the author of that letter. A&M is a love for me and when I get out of the Army I plan to enroll in Aggieland as a sophomore. I just hope that the school spirit is still high and mighty as usual.

A Fellow Aggie and Friend,
Pvt. James W. Myers '55

Editors, The Battalion:
To Editor, The Daily Lass-O,
TSCW:

Having read the letter to the editors of The Battalion concerning my "warped reasoning" in declining an invitation to appear in a mock wedding at your institution, I cannot help but regret that such opinions as expressed in your letter are felt by the students at your institution. It is unfortunate that this entire incident could not have been treated in a different light. Just for the record, however, I would suggest that a few facts be straightened out. First, I believe it is my right as an individual to sign whatever I please and I intend to exercise that right when and where I choose. I will also respect the right of any of you to do the same and think none the less of you for it. Second and most important, Messrs. Reed, Holdsworth, Stasney and Burkard are privileged to do the same and were under no pressure from me or from anyone else

to do as I chose to do. I am certain that they analyzed the situation as I did and made their decisions accordingly. Their reasons may or may not have been the same as mine and I only regret the disgusting slur on their intelligence present in your letter. I am sure that anyone who knows these men will agree that they are fully capable of making up their own minds. Some afternoon when you have nothing better to do, why not drop me a line explaining exactly what a mock wedding has to do with a nutritional study?

While realizing that I am not the most popular man at A&M and about the least popular Aggie at TSCW, I hope that you will not condemn the entire senior class for the action of five of its members who chose to exercise their rights as free men.

Yours for better inter-school relations,
F. H. Mitchell '54

Editors, The Battalion:

Words cannot express my appreciation to my friends at A&M College for the nice cards and letters since I have had my accident. May God bless each of you.

Colin Neyland '57

Editors, The Battalion:

For twenty five years I wore my "dog tags"; I have slept in "Pup tents" and was always called with a whistle, but this is the first time I have been forced to eat with the dogs. Understand I'm not complaining. If they have paid their room, laundry and board they have the same right in the mess hall as I have. In that case I wonder if it would be possible for the management to set them a special table?

One in particular, a large collier, is a great help. All you have to do is speak to him and he will gently brush the crumbs off the table with his large brush. When it rains of course they don't want to stay wet so they rid themselves of the water by shaking, very comfortable for the dog, but not as sanitary as possible for the rest of us. May I

respectfully request that someone see the management about having someone dry them off before they come to the table.

If by this letter I am flouting any of the sacred traditions here I now offer my humblest apologies to Reveille.

Yours sincerely,
John B. Lucius '54

Editors, The Battalion:

Today I received a letter from home and enclosed was this clipping which concerns a guy who was told to leave A&M, John Clark from Odessa.

I cannot understand why a guy would try and reform a great school like Aggieland. I think that A&M without its numerous traditions and its yell practices would just be another school and I don't believe any guy who is any kind of a guy at all wants his school to be anything but the best.

As for the signs I always got a charge out of helping to make them and trying to beat the "Jocks." I sort of got a charge out of smearing lipstick all over a head or serge. -- the week before the T. U. game I sort of felt it was a privilege and not a pain.

Since when does a guy feel some one else should pay his tuition because he isn't man enough to stick it out and make his grades at the school he chose?

I am—proud to be an Aggie even though I only went one year I feel that A&M is the best and it sort of gives me the Red — — —, to read or hear some punk knock it.

In the Marine corps we would call him a bird but I guess there is one in every crowd.

Reds Shorten Matches

HONG KONG (AP) — Shorter matches and smaller matchboxes are in store for the people of China under the Communist regime's new economy drive. The Red newspaper Ta Kung Pao estimated that two million dollars would be saved by shortening match sticks by one-fifth of their regular size.

I know the old corps of before the war is dead but for gosh sake let's don't ruin a great school because of a few spoiled kids.

David DeGraff, '54
South Camp Fuji, Japan

Editors, The Battalion:

Things have surely changed at Aggieland, and for the better, no doubt!

I have followed the Clark case both in local papers and in The Battalion, and I must admit the seniors handled the situation beautifully. Evidently, the Administration thinks you behaved well enough under the circumstances, I'm proud of them, too.

For those of you who don't have the facts, Mr. Clark is not the first man to leave A&M; probably the first to leave at such a polite request.

Aggies of other years took such action as "drowning them out", "freezing them out" (that is not speaking to them until life is so miserable, they leave).

There are dozens of cases where treatment of this type broke the boy down, and made a real guy of him.

I was disappointed in Mr. Harrington's remarks. He speaks of "mobs" and "unauthorized persons" as if to disgrace the Senior class, as if to disgrace the Senior class.

It is fortunate that he didn't speak of such "unauthorized persons" in other days.

I would say that he just doesn't appreciate the improvement as does the Administration.

I hope that A&M will never change to the extent that the Senior class will not have the authority, official or unofficial, to control a character-building system of discipline among Underclassmen. It does worlds of good, and little harm to anyone.

Bring on the improvements, Men; knock out old traditions, bring in new ones to take their place, but for the sake of old Aggie hearts, continue to teach humility, respect for others, and instill in your hearts that Spirit of Aggieland.

William Garrett '47

What's Cooking

Wednesday
7:10 p. m. — A&M Wesley Foundation building. Decorating party—come non-reg.

7:30 p. m.—Knights of Columbus, basement of St. Mary's chapel.

Thursday
7:00 p. m.—Beaumont A&M club meeting, room 104, Academic building. Discuss Christmas dance.

Abilene club meeting, rotunda, Academic building. Discuss Christmas dance and party.

7:15 p. m. — Robertson County club meeting, room 303 Goodwin hall.

San Antonio Club meeting, room 301, Goodwin hall. Plans for Christmas party. Refreshments.

Panhandle club meeting, room 3C, MSC. To discuss Christmas function.

Guadalupe Valley hometown club meeting, room 3B, MSC.

Land of the Lakes club meeting, room 106, Academic building. Discuss Christmas party plans.

Waco — McLennan County club meeting, room 306, Goodwin hall. Discuss Christmas party.

Pernian Basin club meeting, MSC. Distribute Christmas dance tickets—roll call.

Whispering Pines club meeting, room 228, Academic building. Christmas party.

El Paso hometown club meeting, Academic building. Collect dues for Christmas party.

Robertson county club meeting, room 302, Goodwin hall.

7:15—Pasadena Hometown Club, Goodwin Hall, room 305. Very important. Everyone try to attend. Refreshments will be served and business discussed.

It is estimated that U. S. farmers have about 750,000 horsepower available to them in various types of machines on their farm.

News Briefs

TORNADOES in this area recently will be discussed at a meeting of the College Station chapter of the American Meteorological society at 7:45 p. m. in room 107 of the Biological Sciences building. The discussion will be led by Dr. Walter J. Saucier. The meeting is open to the public.

EIGHTY-THREE juniors will be initiated Thursday into the Ross Volunteers. The initiation banquet will be held in the Memorial Student Center. The juniors will bring the total membership to 125 students.

INFLUENZA cases are on the increase in Brazos county. For the week ending Dec. 5, the Brazos county health unit reported 42 cases of influenza in College Station and Bryan. Sixteen of the 42 cases of "flu" are in College Station.

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