

# Battalion Editorials

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## Athletic Program Develops; But What About "Shacks"?

A&M soon will boast a new \$1,100,000 gymnasium. The crowds will flow into the magnificently designed structure and watch basketball games. Physical education students will go to classes in the new building and marvel at the wonders of modern construction.

A&M has hired a \$15,000-per-year coach and expects an abrupt turn-about in the success of its football teams.

Kyle Field got a brand new press box and 2,500 extra seats. The athletic situation on the west side of the campus certainly is looking up.

But unless you have a strong stomach, don't look on the east side of the campus. There are a few items over that way called, by the students, the "shacks."

These "shacks" are some of the most miserable class rooms a student ever spent an hour in.

It is an understatement to say they are cold in the winter and hot in the summer. It is an understatement to say the lighting is poor. It is an understatement to say they are inconveniently located.

But who ever thinks about class rooms? A few of the old die-hards are still sticking with the idea that colleges were built to educate men, not entertain them on Saturday afternoon with football and during the week with basketball.

The physical education department is getting some excellent class rooms out of the new PE building. And these people truly deserved this long-delayed class-room set-up.

But what about the classes down in the "slums" of the school? Students have to wade through mud and water to reach them every time a shower hits College Station.

The replacement of the "shacks" and remodeling of some of the other class rooms of the campus is long past due. If only one of those die-hards who puts education first would get in a position where he could do something...

## Pedestrian Attitude At A&M Is Deadly

Some A&M students seem to have the idea that if they were struck by a car that the auto would be the only one to suffer.

Drivers here are constantly amazed at the thoughtlessness of student pedestrians. And they have a right to be.

Everyday many students show an apparent disregard for their own life by the way they cross streets. Some never look before they cross. Some look, see cars coming but cross anyway. Others even stroll to classes in the streets instead of using the sidewalks.

The street next to Sbis Hall is one area of extreme pedestrian carelessness. During the noon hour, it is one of the busiest in the community. Freshmen flock out of the dining hall to cross the street on their way to the dormitories.

Sometimes it's a wonder that they ever make it.

Even though more people walk than ride at A&M, the streets are still for the cars. This seems to have been forgotten.

However, someday a death is going to jolt a few memories.

# News Briefs

**NEXT MONDAY** is the last day to turn in pictures for the Vanity Fair and Senior Favorites section of the Aggie Yearbook, according to Allan (Bootsie) Holt. Pictures may be turned in at the student activities office, second floor, Goodwin hall.

**BEN COOK**, assistant to the dean of the School of Agriculture, and Dr. R. C. Potts of the agronomy department went to Canton today to make final plans for a pastures short course here March 8-12. Between 15 and 30 persons will be enrolled in the course.

**DR. DEWITT HUNT**, head of the School of Industrial Arts of Oklahoma A&M, will speak at 8 p. m. Tuesday to the faculty, staff and graduate students. The subject of his speech will be "The Need for Subject Matter Specialization in Graduate Study."

**DR. HENRY GILMAN** of Iowa State college will speak to the American Chemical Society at 8:15 p. m. Tuesday in the lecture room of the Chemistry building. Topic of his talk will be "The Pursuit of Free Radicals."

**DR. WALTER GORDY**, professor of physics and director of the microwave and radio frequency laboratory at Duke university, will speak Wednesday at 8 p. m. to the

faculty, staff and graduate students.

Topic of the speech, to be held in the lecture room of the Biological Sciences building, will be "Radio Messages from Atomic Nuclei."

**D. W. WILLIAMS**, vice chancellor for agriculture and F. C. Bolton, president emeritus, left for Pakistan yesterday to find out if an educational exchange program can be set up between that country and the U. S. The two officials will be gone for four weeks.

**MARCUS HOELSCHER** was elected president of the San Angelo club Thursday. Hoelscher will be assisted by vice - president, Jack Lander; secretary, James Johnson; and reporter, Harry Kalina.

## Fencing Team Sets Meet in Houston

The A&M fencing team will compete Saturday in an Amateur Fencing League of America meet in Houston.

Matches will be staged in junior epee and foil.

Last week the Cadets defeated the University of Miami, 19-15, at Coral Gables, Fla. A&M had a 7-2 edge in sabre to counter a 12-13 deficit in the foil matches. Gus Wulfman had a 3-0 record in the sabre competition.

## Soccer Team Will Play Practice Game

A&M's soccer team will play an intrasquad game Sunday instead of the originally scheduled game with Busy Bee of San Antonio. The practice contest will be played on the soccer field west of Law hall at 2:30 p. m.

Feb. 28 the Aggies will meet the University of Houston here. Co-captain Guillermo Cardenas announced a team meeting for 7:15 tonight in the YMCA.

**COOK THAT PORK!**  
NEW HAVEN, Conn. —(AP) A superior court judge has ruled that a butcher can't be held responsible if a customer gets trichinosis from improperly cooked pork.

## Military Housing Has 166 Vacancies

Military housing units have 166 empty rooms, with dormitories 6 and 8 uncounted.

Non-military housing units have six empty beds. These are not empty rooms, but six rooms with only one occupant, said Harry Boyer, chief of housing.

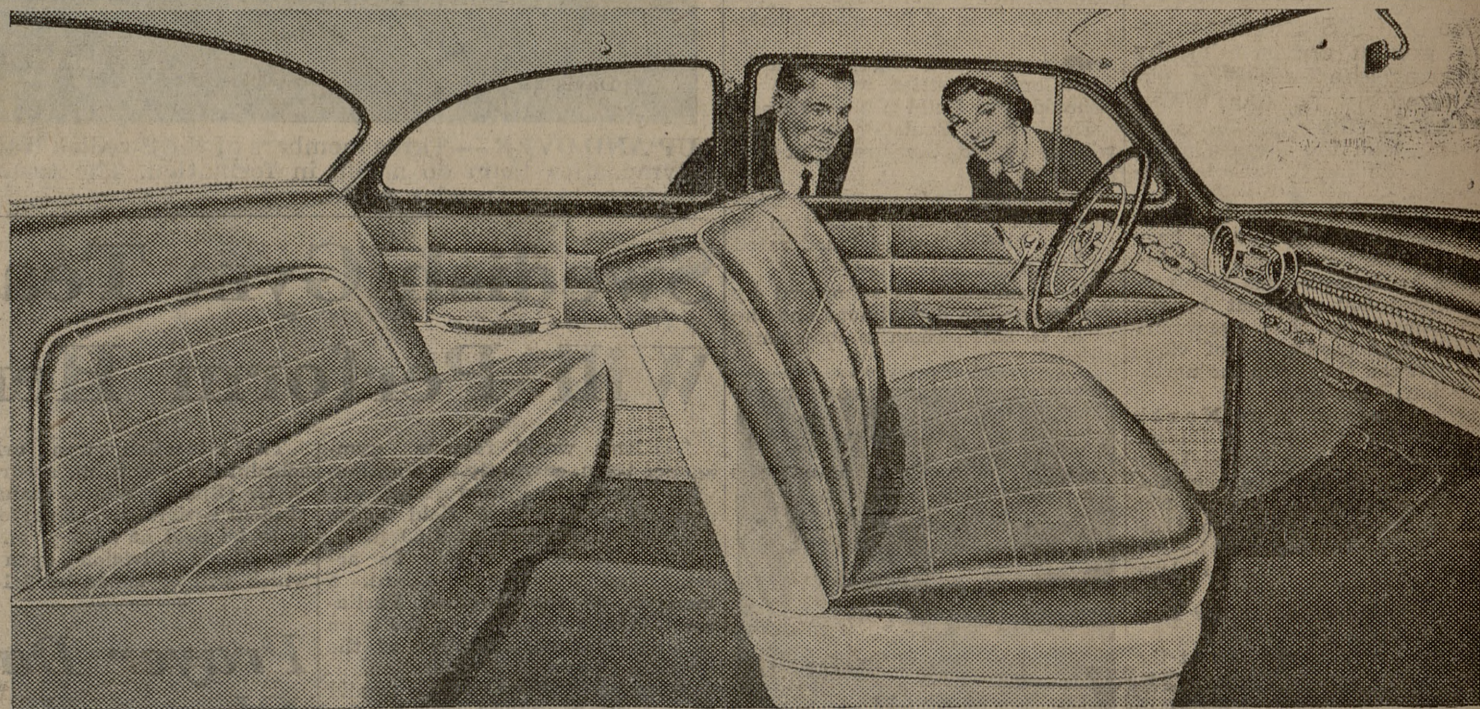
Of the military units, there are 80 completely empty rooms in the freshmen area, and 86 in the new area. The military dormitories have 526 rooms with only one occupant.

Non-military students are housed in Leggett, Mitchell, dormitories two, four and the first two floors of dormitory five.

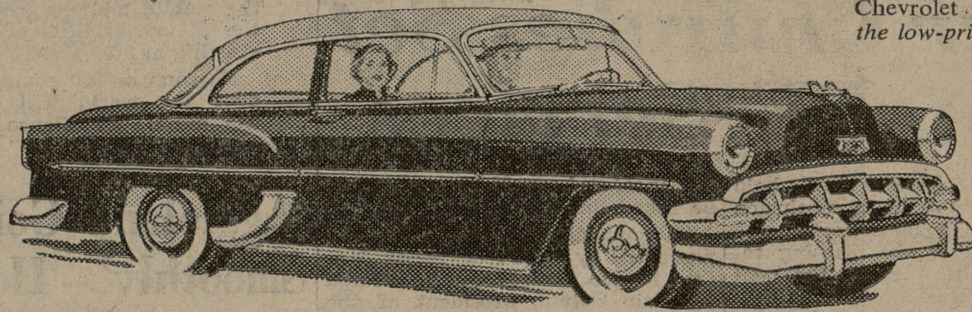
# LEGAL HOLIDAY

Monday, February 22, 1954, being a Legal Holiday, in observance of Washington's Birthday, the undersigned will observe that date as a Legal Holiday and not be open for business.

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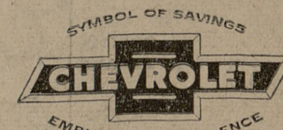
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# Job Interviews

● Feb. 22 - 23—The Naval Research Laboratories of Pasadena, California, will have a representative here to talk to interested seniors and graduate students majoring in mechanical, electrical, industrial, aeronautical and civil engineering, physics and mathematics.

● Feb. 22 - 23—General Motors Corporation will interview prospective June and summer graduates at all degree levels in mechanical, electrical, industrial, chemical and aeronautical engineering.

## Commentator Sets March Publication

The second issue of the Commentator magazine will be out sometime during the first part of March, said R. G. Hendry, editor.

Articles in this issue include a feature on James Earle, cartoonist from The Battalion, by George Manitzas; a feature about Dean E. J. Kyle, for whom Kyle Field was named, by Harri Baker; and a story which asks the question, "Are Athletics Doomed at A&M?" by Jerry Wizig. All of these authors are members of The Battalion staff.

There will be two more publications of the Commentator after this issue, Hendry said.

neering, chemistry, physics, mathematics, accounting and business administration.

● Feb. 23-24—The Atlantic Refining Company will interview June and summer graduates at all degree levels as follows: Geological electrical, mechanical and chemical engineering and physics graduates for work in research and development, and petroleum, chemical and mechanical engineering graduates who are interested in their chemical engineering laboratory, reservoir engineering section, production engineering groups, field production groups, etc.

● Feb. 24—The National Supply Company representative will be here to talk to men in all fields of engineering who are interested in entering the oil field machinery business in jobs dealing with design or production engineering in one of their plants or sales engineering in their field organization.

● Feb. 24 - 25—The Baton Rouge Refinery of Esso Standard Oil Company will interview graduates at all degree levels in chemical,

mechanical, civil, electrical, industrial and petroleum refining engineering, and chemistry. They will also interview a limited number of men with high technical and personal qualifications who, by June 1954, will lack no more than one year for completion of their educational program. This includes graduating seniors who plan to work toward advanced degrees.

● Feb. 24 - Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation will have representatives here to interview students in liberal arts, business administration or marketing who are interested in the Sales Training Program for their Mill Sales and Supply Divisions. They will also talk to any engineering graduate who may be interested in this Program.

● Feb. 25-26—The Bell System, which includes the Sandia Corporation, Southwestern Bell, Western Electric Company, A. T. & T. Company, and Bell Laboratories, will interview seniors and graduate students in electrical, mechanical, industrial, civil and chemical engineering, physics and business administration who have some technical background and experience.

● Feb. 25-26—Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Company will interview candidates who will receive either B. S. or M. S. degrees in chemical and mechanical engineering, or chemistry. Positions available are in maintenance, process development, utilities, works engineering, production, sales, technical service and control and development.

## Squadron 20 Wins Loupot's Contest

Squadron 20 and B infantry won Loupot's unit symbol drawing contest.

Squadron 20 had the best drawn sign, and B infantry won for having its symbol up first. Both prizes are \$5 each.

The Army Security Agency was disqualified by the judges for violating contest rules. The unit's painters rushed to the store's side as the contest opened, and painted the letters ASA.

Although finishing first, they painted another sign which made them ineligible for a prize. Mrs. Loupot said she would give them \$2 as a consolation award, however.

Winners may receive their awards at the store.

## What's Cooking

FRIDAY  
7:30 p. m. — United Nations club meeting, YMCA.

MONDAY  
5 p. m. — A&M handball club meeting, physical education office, DeWare Field house. Plans for coming matches and a tournament between members will be discussed.

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