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Acting Editor

Engineers Doing Research For Better Asphalt Paving

Several findings involving materials and the conditions of their application in construction have been made by the Texas Engineering Experiment Station in a recent phase of research aimed at providing information for better asphalt pavements.

"The experiments verified that the proper quantity of a given aggregate for a one-course surface treatment can be determined from the quantity required to cover a square yard one stone thick plus an allowance of 10 per cent for spreading inaccuracy," Fred J. Benson, research engineer and Bob M. Galloway, assistant research engineer, announced. The experiments also revealed the importance of uniform grading, dry conditions and lack of dust.

The work, conducted by Benson and Galloway and reported in a bulletin, "Retention of Cover Stone by Asphalt Surface Treatments,"

showed that "if two aggregates are much the same in price and quality, the aggregate having the closer grading is the better.

"Wet aggregate," the engineers report in the bulletin, "depends upon construction conditions. These control success or failure of its use. If the aggregate is rolled wet and the surface turned over to traffic while the aggregate is still wet, then excessive loss of aggregate due to whip off under traffic would be expected. On the other hand if wet aggregates are used during hot, breezy weather and are rolled after being thoroughly dry, then the retention should be nearly as good as if dry aggregates are used.

"Dusty aggregate causes poor retention," the report shows "even with the dust quantity small. Wetting the dusty aggregate aids retention provided that the aggregate is dried before rolling. When asphalt cements are used as binders for surface treatments, the stone must be placed as soon as possible after the asphalt is applied.

"The harder asphalt cements hold the cover stone more tightly, but it is more difficult to get initial retention of the stone. However, adhesion of stone to asphalt cements is improved by heating the stone to 150 degrees to 200 degrees Fahrenheit."

Board Authorizes Phone Rate Raise

The Chancellor was authorized to execute an amendment to the Southwestern States Telephone Company franchise to provide for a telephone rate increase at the February meeting of the Board of Directors at College Station Saturday.

The proposed new rates, which will increase costs at College Station by \$425.00 a month, will become effective only when similar increases are accepted by the City Commission of Bryan and the City Council of College Station.

The rate increase was accepted only for the effective period of the telephone franchise with the System, which expires January 1, 1955.

Two Agriculturists Head Committees

Two A&M staff members were elected to committee chairmanships at the recent Dallas meeting of the Association of Southern Agricultural Workers.

Dr. Guy W. Adriance, head of the horticulture department, was elected chairman of the Southern region of the American Society of Horticultural Science, and Dr. Robert L. Skrabanek of the agricultural economics and sociology department was named chairman of the association.

J. E. Vance Named As Assistant Editor

Recent appointment of James E. Vance to the new position of assistant editor in the Agricultural Information Center has been approved by the board of directors, Texas A. and M. College System.

Appointments in the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station confirmed include:

Lester J. McCullough, assistant voucher clerk in Administration Department; Bob Stone, junior economist in Agricultural Economics and Sociology; James W. Mann, instructor, and William S. Blair jr., research assistant, in Agricultural Engineering;

Doris Ann Brents, clerk; Edgar R. Lemon, associate professor, and Thelma F. Zak, stenographer, in Agronomy Department; Kathleen L. Burkett, technical assistant in office of State Chemist; Bernadette S. Urbanosky, clerk-typist in Animal Husbandry Department;

DeLois L. Bryant, technical, and James G. Hamilton, post-doctorate and research fellow in Biochemistry and Nutrition Department; Frederick G. Harland, research assistant in Dairy Husbandry; Billie Gene Hightower and James R. Brazzel, research assistants in Entomology Department;

Martha K. Woody, secretary in Extension Service; Minnie G. Villarreal, stenographer in Feed Control Department; Charley J. Kammerdiener, poultry supervisor; Ola J. Hander, technician; Mary E. Conklin and Catherine Hansen, technical assistants, and Ammon B. Medlen, assistant professor in Poultry Husbandry;

Jessie O. Whitacre, professor in Rural Home Research (two-third time modified service); Alta M. Vick, department secretary in Veterinary Medicine; James F. Landrum, junior parasitologist at Substation No. 3, Angleton; Dorothy A. Meyer, secretary-bookkeeper at Substation No. 6, Denton;

Cornelia F. Sowell, secretary-bookkeeper at Substation No. 8, Lubbock; Mattie Jean Crank, stenographer at Substation No. 11, Nacogdoches; Joe K. Foster, technical assistant, and Virginia T. Davis, secretary-bookkeeper, at Substation No. 17, Ysleta;

Marvin T. Goff, associate poultry pathologist in Poultry Disease Investigations Department; Edwin William Ehlers jr., agricultural aide in Blacklands Experimental Watershed Project.

New positions were filled by Stone, Lemon, Medlen, Whitacre and Ehlers. All others were replacements.

CHS Seniors Score Hit In Comedy Play

By JERRY HOLMES
A&M Consolidated Correspondent

The opening performance of the comedy, "For Beauty's Sake," was a gigantic success. The play was produced by ten girls of the senior class of A&M Consolidated high school.

Another performance will be given this evening at 7:30 p.m. in the school gym. It has been held over by popular demand. Admission is 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for students.

Carolyn Landiss played the part of Rosebud, a jovial maid, with the precision and forcefulness of a veteran actress. Equally well portrayed by Jane Daniels was the part of Patricia Parker, the exotic Hollywood actress.

Sandra Couch and Marian Gaddis played the parts of Coraline and Honorine Davis, co-owners of a beauty ranch. Other parts were as follows: Bess, a reporter, played by Penny Laverty; Mrs. Chrysler, an eccentric old lady, played by Janice Latimer; Alice, Mrs. Chrysler's nervous daughter, played by Pat Owen; Mabel Chip, the sole owner of a marvelous new beauty clay, played by Mary L. Lloyd.

Wanda, a beautiful psycho, played by Marilyn Flock; Ann, Wanda's twin sister, played by Dorothy Huff.

The story is a fast moving comical production in three acts.

Armor To Receive Three New Tanks

A&M's armor section will get three new tanks for instruction purposes soon.

The tanks, the M 47 type, will replace the three M4A3 and one M4A8 tanks now being used.

The M 47 has a 90 mm gun and an air-cooled, 810 horsepower V-12 gasoline engine. It weighs 47½ tons and has a cruising speed of 53 mph.

Senior, junior and sophomore armor students will receive instruction in the tanks, according to Maj. Charles H. Brown of the armor section.

Kappa Alpha Mu Holds Convention

Kappa Alpha Mu, national photo-journalism fraternity, will hold a national convention at the University of Houston April 15-17. A&M students interested in photography can attend.

Photographers who wish to enter KAM's annual photography contest should enter their prints before April 1. Categories for competition include news, sports, features, picture stories or sequence.

Individuals may enter as many as ten prints, but not more than five in any one category.

McCombs Appointed New Field Instructor

The appointment of Don W. McCombs to the new position of field instructor of supervisor training in the Texas Engineering Extension Service was confirmed by the board of directors.

Appointment of A. L. Cartwright, a replacement, as field instructor of firemen's training also was confirmed.

What's Cooking

TUESDAY
5:30 p. m.—El Paso A&M club meeting, front of MSC (main entrance). Picture for Aggeland to be taken. Number 1 uniform.
7:15 p. m.—Society of American Military Engineers meeting, lecture room, C. E. building. Lt. Col. Sory will be the special speaker and will give an illustrative lecture of the work and functions of the Ft. Worth District.

Physical Education meeting, gym. Plan barbecue, delegates for New York trip, representative for Cotton Ball.
American Chemical Society (student affiliation), room 106, Chemistry building.
Agronomy society meeting, room 107, Agronomy building. Important business, election of boys for Cotton Court.

state representative from the 44th district, will be guest speaker.
Texas A&M Czech club meeting, room 3D, MSC. Speaker, Dr. J. A. Dabbs and refreshments will be served.
Pre-Med, Pre-Den Society meeting, room 107, Biological Science building.
8 p. m.—Table Tennis club meeting, ping pong room, MSC. All members are urged to attend to discuss trip to San Antonio and tournament to be held this month.

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

Short Course For Managers in MSC

About 50 managers of agricultural cooperatives in Texas will meet at Texas A&M College March 22-25 for the Cooperative Managers' Short Course to be held in the Memorial Student Center on the campus.

M. C. Jaynes, organization and cooperative marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will serve as chairman of the course.

Instructors for the short course will be J. K. Stern, president of the American Institute of Cooperation, Washington, D. C.; J. H. Heckman, Farmers Cooperative Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.; M. A. Abrahamsen, Farmers Cooperative Service;

W. N. Stokes, president, Houston Bank for Cooperatives, Houston;

And J. D. Hines, analyst for the Houston Bank for Cooperatives.

The short course is sponsored by the Texas A&M College System, the Houston Bank for Cooperatives and the Texas Federation of Cooperatives.

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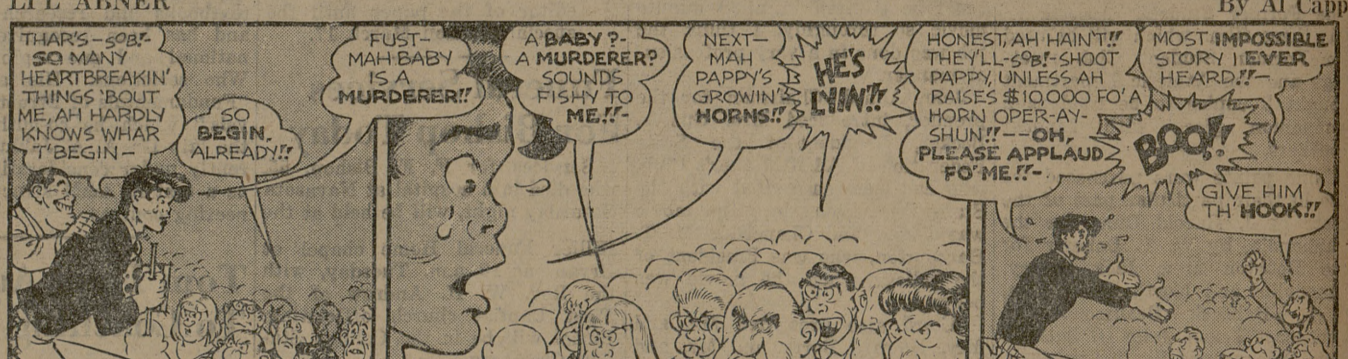
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L'L ABNER
By Al Capp



THAT'S SOB!
SO MANY HEARTBREAKIN' THINGS 'BOUT ME, AH HARDLY KNOWS WHAR 'T BEGIN—

SO BEGIN, ALREADY!

FUST—MAH BABY IS A MURDERER!

A BABY?—A MURDERER? SOUNDS FISHY TO ME!!

NEXT—MAH PAPPY'S IS GROWIN' HORNSS!

HE'S LWIN'!

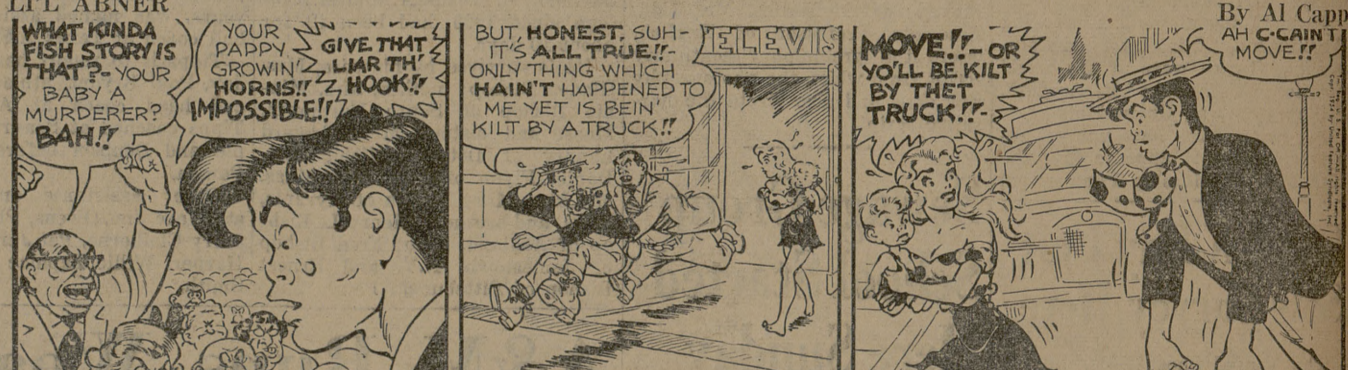
HONEST, AH HAIN'T!! THEY'LL SHOOT PAPPY, UNLESS AH RAISES \$10,000 FO' A HORN OPER-AY-SHUN!!—OH, PLEASE APPLAUD FO' ME!!

MOST IMPOSSIBLE STORY I EVER HEARD!!

BOO!!

GIVE HIM TH' HOOKS!!

L'L ABNER
By Al Capp



WHAT KINDA FISH STORY IS THAT?—YOUR BABY A MURDERER? BAH!!

YOUR PAPPY GROWIN' HORNSS!! Z' HOOKS!!

GIVE THAT LIAR TH' HOOKS!!

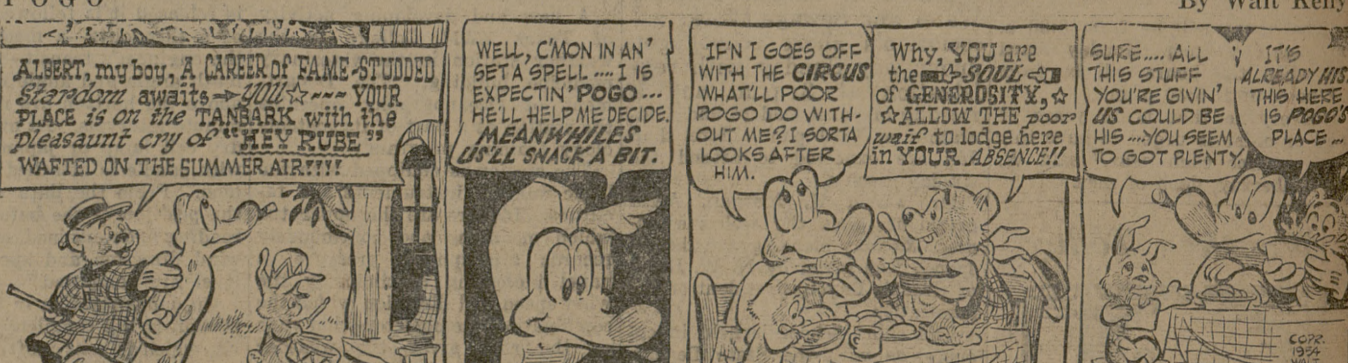
BUT, HONEST, SUH—IT'S ALL TRUE!!—ONLY THING WHICH HAIN'T HAPPENED TO ME YET IS BEIN' KILT BY A TRUCK!!

TELEVIS

MOVE!!—OR YOU'LL BE KILT BY THET TRUCK!!

By Al Capp
AH C-CANT MOVE!!

POGO
By Walt Kelly



ALBERT, my boy, A CAREER OF FAME—STUDDED Stardom awaits—YOUR PLACE is on the TANGARK with the pleasant cry of "HEY RUBE" WAFTED ON THE SUMMER AIR!!!!

WELL, CMON IN AN' GET A SPELL— I IS EXPECTIN' POGO... HE'LL HELP ME DECIDE MEANWHILES US'LL SNACK A BIT.


IFN I GOES OFF WITH THE CIRCUS... WHAT'LL POOR POGO DO WITH-OUT ME? I SORTA LOOKS AFTER HIM.

Why YOU are the SOUL OF GENEROSITY, ALLOW THE poor wail to lodge here in YOUR ABSENCE!!

SURE... ALL THIS STUFF YOU'RE GIVIN' US COULD BE HIS—YOU SEEM TO GOT PLENTY

IT'S ALREADY HIS THIS HERE IS POGO'S PLACE...

POGO
By Walt Kelly



OOOP, SCUSE ME... DINT MEAN TO BLUNDER INTO NO RESTAURANT.

CMON IN, POGO, YOU IS WELCOME. HAPPEN THIS IS YOUR PLACE.

SON, US IS CELEBRATIN' A BIG OPPORTUNITY! FAME AND FORTUNE! THE NAME IN LIGHTS... TALENT IN FULL FLOWER!

Gay CIRCUS LIFE BECKONS!! The APPLAUSE of Thousands! LAUGHTER! Song! Cheers on every hand—!! DOES THAT SOUND Acceptable, SIR?

GOSH, I DUNNO, I'M OVERCOME— I-UH—WELL, YES.

FINE! THAT'S ALL, POGO! I ACCEPTS, P.T., GET OUT THE CONTRACK AN' POGO PUT ON MORE COFFEE AN' SEE KIN YOU BAKE UP A CAKE.