

# Battalion Editorials

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THE BATTALION

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## Not Until Later

About this time of the year—seven weeks to graduation—seniors get tired and lazy and begin to wonder if their four years here has been worth anything.

Learning is not a spectacular process, and often there are no visible signs of it. Everyone can remember a few classes or professors, and some of the good and bad times he's had in college, but few people can say, "I have learned this and this, and that."

On today's front page, there is an article written by an A&M graduate and a former Battalion staff member, telling how his A&M education has helped him during the last year, when he has been working.

It's not easy to realize while you're in school, but the courses, the extra-curricular activities, and most of all the learning to think for yourself all amount to an invaluable education.

It won't show up until you're out working, but it will then.

## Best Chance

The civilian students are never hesitant to say that they are not given their fair share of the representation here, but they are now passing up their best chance to have a say-so.

In the general elections coming up, the only non-corps position that has been filed for by a civilian student is the post of civilian yell leader.

Others open to civilian students are the civilian Student Senate positions, Student Publications board representative, and Student Life committee representatives.

The civilians can't have much grounds for complaining if they don't take advantage of the chances offered them.

## National Guard Alert Will Test Local Unit

Residents of College Station need not think the infidels have landed on the Brazos banks if they see the local National Guard unit fall out in full battle dress some time this spring.

College Station's National Guard unit will participate in the nationwide "Operation Minuteman," an alert designed to test the speed and efficiency of National Guard units in mobilizing for a disaster or other emergency.

College Station's unit is the headquarters and headquarters company, first battalion, 143rd in-

fantry of the Texas National Guard, with Captain Barney Welch commanding the headquarters company.

The exact date and time of the alert will be kept a secret until just a few hours before it is sounded, although it will be sometime this spring.

The go-ahead order will be issued by the Texas adjutant general and transmitted to all Texas army and air Guard units.

Meanwhile, nearly 400,000 Guardsmen in more than 2,200 other communities all over the country will be alerted by their own governors and adjutants general.

"Please remember that this is just a test alert," Welch said; "however, another important purpose is to give our fellow citizens an opportunity to see the local unit in training and to learn more about the important mission assigned to our Guardsmen in peace and war."

## What's Cooking

WEDNESDAY

5:30—Houston hometown club, front of new administration building, re-take Aggeland picture, members and non-members from Houston urged to attend.

THURSDAY

7:15—Runnels county hometown club, 228 Academic. T association, room 3D, MSC, discuss spring banquet.

## Mail Schedule

In case you've ever wondered about the exact time to post your letters so they get to that certain spot on time, here is the College Station post office's schedule of mail departures and arrivals.

To make sure your letter leaves on time, the post office asks that it be in the post office at least one hour before the time shown as closing time.

Carrier	Closing Time	Leaving Time	Destination	Arrival Time
Pioneer Air Lines Flight 171 (b)	6:48 a.m.	7:05 a.m.	Dallas	8:42 a.m.
Trans Texas Airways Flight 70 (j)	9:45 a.m.	10:03 a.m.	Shreveport	11:57 a.m.
Pioneer Air Lines Flight 180 (b)	9:45 a.m.	10:51 a.m.	Houston	11:33 a.m.
Star Route: Trip 4 (b)	10:50 a.m.	11:10 a.m.	Dallas	6:30 p.m.
Pioneer Air Lines Flight 131 (a)	1:28 p.m.	1:45 p.m.	Dallas	3:22 p.m.
Star Route: Trip 3 (b)	3:40 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	Houston	7:30 p.m.
Trans Texas Airways Flight 73 (j)	6:42 p.m.	6:29 p.m.	Corpus Christi	9:10 p.m.
Pioneer Air Lines Flight 130 (a)	8:27 p.m.	8:36 p.m.	Houston	9:18 p.m.
Missouri Pacific (j) via Bus to Hearne	9:00 p.m.	9:25 p.m.	San Antonio Longview	*6:55 a.m. *8:10 a.m.
Trans Texas Airways Flight 72 (h)	9:42 p.m.	9:58 p.m.	Shreveport, La.	11:54 p.m.
Trans Texas Airways Flight 71 (t)	9:42 p.m.	10:14 p.m.	San Antonio	11:24 p.m.
Southern Pacific Train 17 (a)	10:00 p.m.	*1:06 a.m.	Dallas	*6:00 a.m.
Southern Pacific Train 18 (a)	10:00 p.m.	*4:09 a.m.	Houston	*6:30 a.m.

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## Polio Vaccine

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lowed by a booster shot seven months later, the Associated Press reported.

### Foundation to Switch

Plans have been made already to switch the activities of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to some other field of public health, officials here disclosed yesterday.

"Plans are underway in the Texas branch of the foundation for such a move," Mrs. Perry said. However, she added that present polio patients would still receive care from the foundation.

A usually reliable source said here yesterday the foundation would probably give its backing to raising funds to fight another child-crippling disease.

### History-Making

The Salk vaccine tests were the first time in history that laymen, research workers and medical doctors have worked together in such a way to study a disease. When their research work began, they estimated they would have it completed about 1970.

"It's terrific," said Mrs. Perry. "We of the foundation are just tickled to death."

## Disease Report

Strep throat was the leading disease in the College Station-Bryan area last week, according to the weekly report of the Bryan-Brazos county health unit. Influenza was second on the list with 22 cases reported.

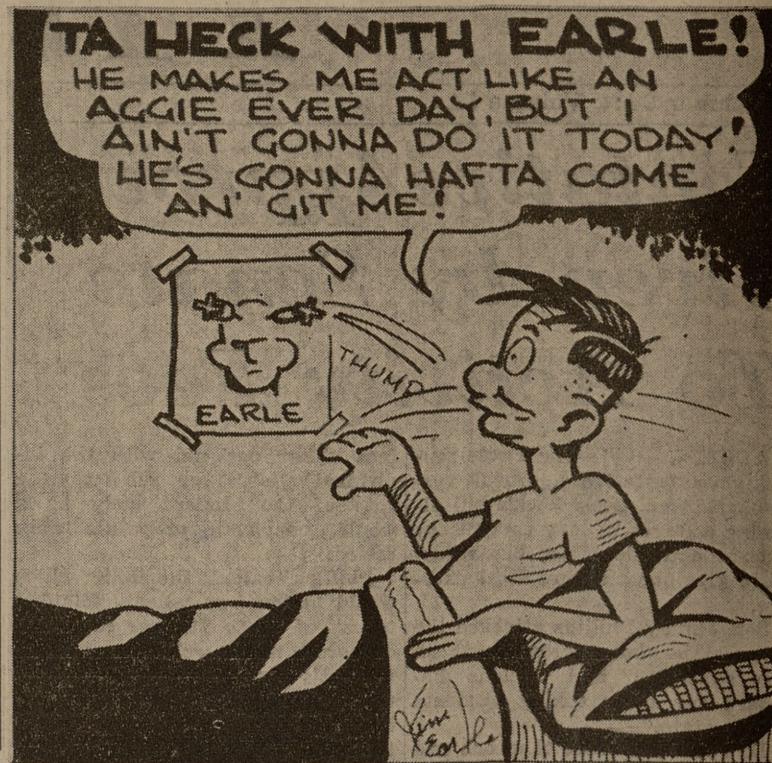
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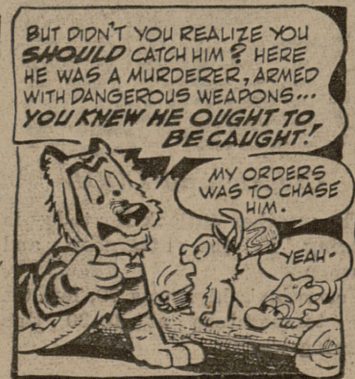
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