

Time and Thought

The Civilian Student Council's fight for the rights of civilian students this year has been admirable, but at times they have acted hastily and made a mistake. Last night was one of those times.

The meeting was orderly, and the thought was good. But members of the council stepped out of line. They made a protest against an action of the Student Life committee, a protest that was based on some legitimate grievances and a few emotional reactions, and was a little childish.

Because the Student Life committee rejected a request of their council, they spitefully said that if the SLC's alternative to their request went into effect, they wouldn't

let civilian Student Life committee members be on their council. In other words, "either I pitch or I'll take my ball and go home."

And the action was premature — the SLC's recommendation, the one in dispute, has not yet been approved by the Academic council, and doesn't go into effect until September of 1956 anyway.

Also, the entire student life organization is liable to be completely revised this summer, with the arrival of the new dean of student personnel services.

If the Civilian Student Council is going to become the champion and guide of the civilian students that it should, it will have to consider things a little more carefully.

Natural and Inevitable

At first glance, it looks like someone is trying to make it difficult for students to come to A&M.

First the Legislature talks about doubling the tuition, then a compulsory activity fee comes up, and now the room and board gets raised 21 cents a day.

But this room and board raise is a natural one: the cost of living has gone up, and there is a need for improved conditions. After all, the students themselves first suggested the extra bottle of milk, and milks costs

5 1/4 cents a bottle.

A&M was overdue for a raise in these fees; the room rent hasn't been increased since 1946, and the board fee was decreased some several years ago. While costs have been spiraling, these fees have remained the same.

Just as there's no sense in worrying about the tuition increase until the Legislature gets around to it, there's no sense in complaining about these inevitable increases in room and board.

Two Good Men

A&M seems to have drawn itself a winning hand with its pair of new deans.

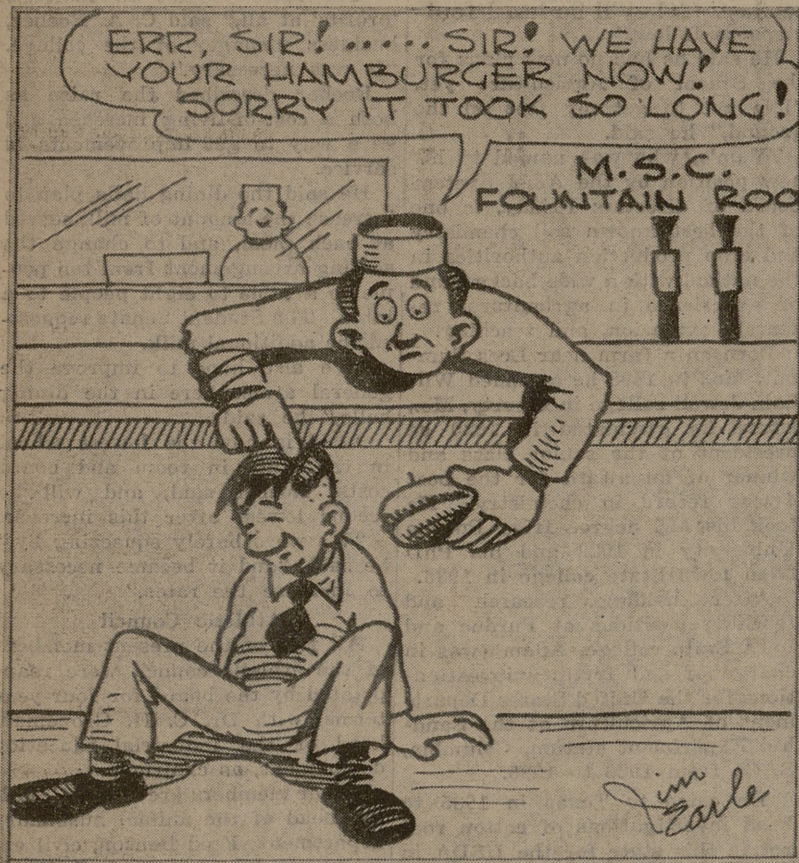
Dr. J. E. Adams, of course, is well known on the campus and over the nation for his contribution to agriculture. To fill a position that is about 60 per cent dealing with the people of the state and winning friends for A&M, he's the man.

And Dr. R. B. Kamm, who will fill the

newly-created and long-needed post of dean of student personnel services, has an eagerness and earnestness that is catching. He likes A&M already, and is bursting with good ideas.

Congratulations to these men and the committees that picked them. Now, has anybody seen a stray dean for engineering or the Basic Division?

Cadet Slouch . . . by James Earle



The Battalion

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Mosquito Control Discussed by City

The College Station city council discussed the problems and methods of mosquito control at their regular meeting last night. Visitors to the meeting produced samples of several specimens of mosquitos caught in the College Hills area, and asked the council's help in combating this city-wide problem.

Mayor Ernest Langford reported that the city sanitation inspector, L. E. Winder, had cleaned out several tanks and other possible breeding places for mosquitos in the area, and had reported several more places free of danger.

"However, we are not able to find all of the old tires, tin cans, and similar water-catchers," Langford said, asking the help of all citizens in eliminating these spots.

It was suggested that the Boy Scouts be contacted to find out if they would undertake a full-scale

investigation as a service project. Langford volunteered to contact scout officials.

In other business, the council voted a retaining fee to Carl Cox, consulting electrical engineer from Amarillo, who is presently working on a survey of the college power system.

City Councilman M. C. Pugh introduced an ordinance requiring all itinerate vendors who wish to do business in the city limits to obtain a license, pay a fee of \$50, and obtain an office in the city. The ordinance was referred to City Attorney J. W. Barger.

What's Cooking

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

7:10—Physics club, lecture room, Physics building, discuss Mother's Day plans.

5:15—Permain Basin club, front of new Administration building, retake Aggieland picture, wear class A uniform.

7:30—Pre-Law society, room 3D MSC, speaker: W. S. Barron, coffee.

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LETTERS

Editors, The Battalion Gentlemen:

As a friend of Texas A&M and a regular visitor for the purpose of recruiting engineers, I would like to express my concern over a matter of real significance.

During my initial visit to your campus about three years ago, I was struck by the genuine friendly atmosphere which prevailed and the "Howdy" which could be heard every few feet on the campus. Unfortunately, my observation during more recent visits to A&M indicate that this proud custom has diminished.

It is not the purpose of this letter to take issue with any segment of the student body. Rather, this is a plea that we not allow this tradition to die; for it has helped make Texas A&M one of the finest universities in the land.

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News Briefs

ACCOUNTING SOCIETY steak fry will be held Tuesday, at 6 p.m. at Hensel park, honoring the accounting professors. Tickets are \$1, and may be purchased at the business administration departments.

POSITIONS FOR A graduate student on the Student Publications board is open for application. The term is for one year.

TEAMS REPRESENTING the University of Texas and Whitman college won the 1955 National Inter-collegiate Contract Bridge championship, announced J. Wayne Stark, director of the Memorial Student Center and chairman of the National Inter-collegiate Bridge tournament committee.

Math Contest Set Tonight At 7:30

The starting time for the mathematics contest tonight is 7:30 instead of the 7 p.m. time previously announced in The Battalion. The contest will end at 9:30.

Two divisions make up the competition, with three prizes being awarded in each. The freshman division, which is for math 104, will be held in room 223 of the Academic building.

For sophomores enrolled in calculus 210, competition will be held in room 225.

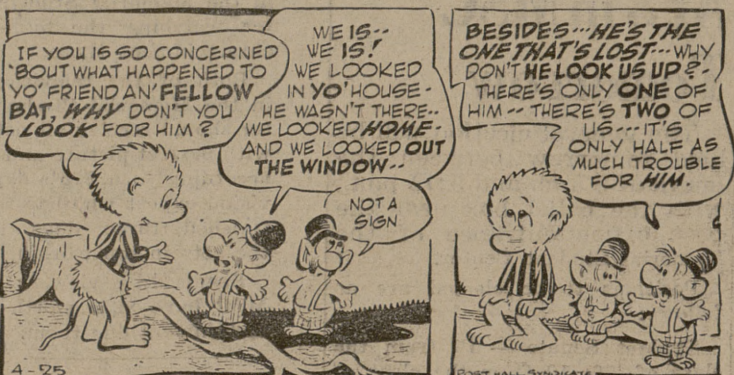
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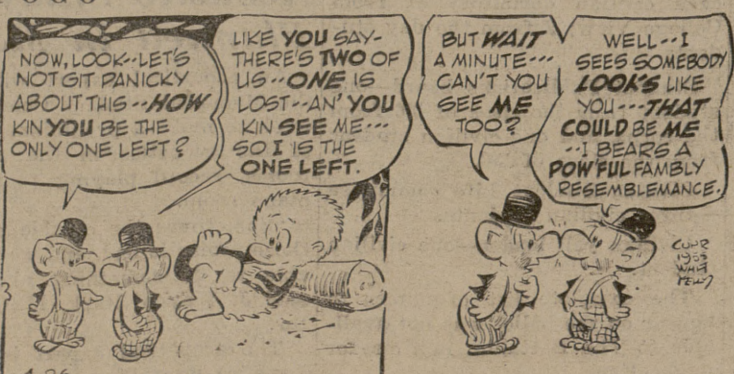
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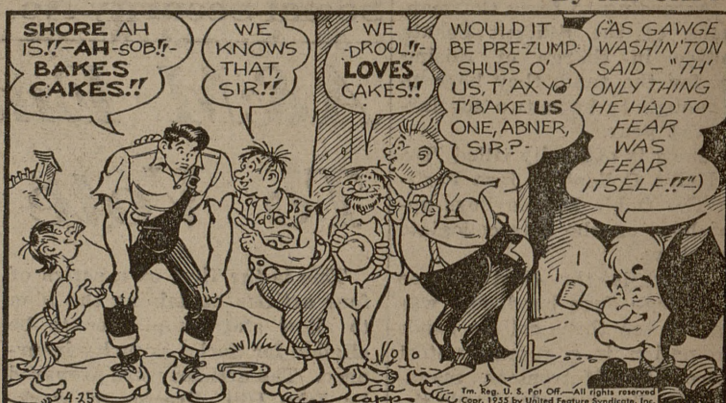
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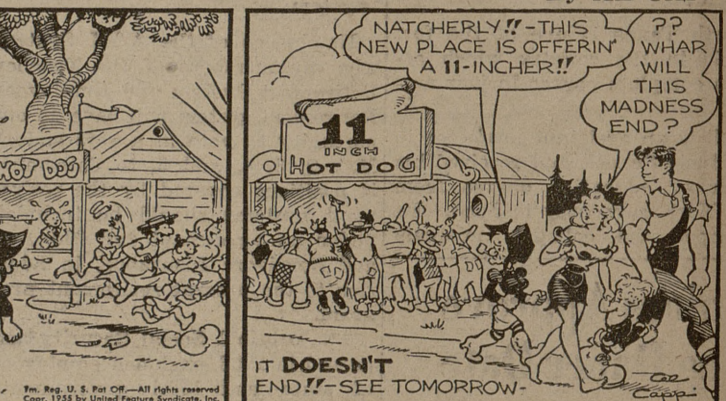
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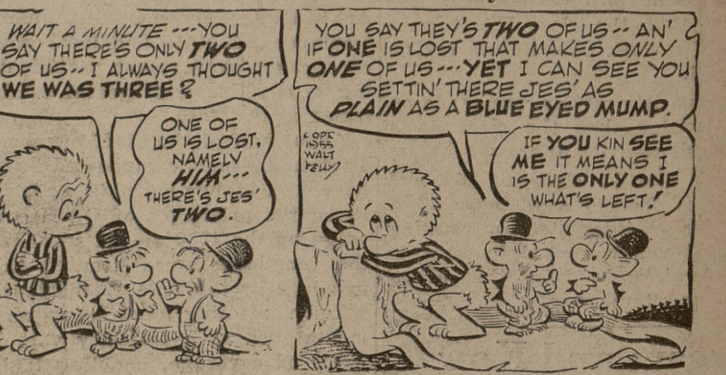
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