

A&M Friendliness Praised In Alpine

(Editor's Note: This "unsolicited testimonial" first appeared in El Paso Times Regional Editor Buck Lanier's column, "Rambling 'Round The Region').

Four Alpine High seniors journeyed down to College Station the other day for Texas A&M's annual Career day...

They were Richard Hale, Charles Babcock, Kenneth Boyd and David Kokernot... accompanying them was R. M. Brown, head of the Vocational Agriculture Department... Babcock wrote his impressions and here they are (at the risk of shocking some non-Texas A&M fans):

"I have read and heard about A&M College for many years... I have dreamed about what it would be like there... Just a few days ago I got my chance to see for myself... I must say that anyone who has never been there cannot possibly visualize the impression that it made on me... The main points brought forward were its tremendous size, its beauty, its facilities and its friendly atmosphere..."

"When my friends and I arrived at the college were directed by friendly students to the place for registration. My friends and I were greeted by these men of A&M with a traditional 'howdy'... These were people whom we had never seen before in our lives; but despite this fact, they made us feel welcome and they seemed to truly enjoy this gesture of friendliness... They smiled as they did this; it was a warm smile seeming to say 'Welcome to our school, we are pleased to meet you...'"

"We were escorted to our dormitory by a student... When we arrived there we were received by handshakes from the students. We were assigned to room with a student. A military way of life is the A&M way of life. We were awakened in a rather spectacular way. It was a thrilling experience that we took part in that morning."

"We were guests of honor at a program the Aggies had set up for us. A tour of the college was presented to us on a film strip. Lectures, tours, and demonstrations came later in each respective phase of education... The next and most interesting event was chow in the mess hall... The most difficult thing was leaving..."

It seems that Texas A&M affects many of its students and prospective students this way as there is an old saying something like this: "Once an Aggie, always an Aggie."

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"... it doesn't seem right havin' a rodeo at A&M without rain!"

— Sound Off —

Editor, The Battalion:

This letter concerns Young Americans for Freedom. YAF is a national conservative youth organization for college and young professional people. It was formed Sept. 11, 1960, at a national conference of conservative student and youth leaders held in Sharon, Conn. This organization has 25,000 members on college campuses throughout the nation.

We feel that the need for an organization on this campus which is non-partisan, conservative and dedicated to the belief that Communism must be confronted with an opposing ideology based on the fundamentals of Americanism does exist. The college students, who are the future leaders of America, should begin now to gain the knowledge necessary to guide the nation through a time of peril. Young Americans for Freedom provides the answer!

At the national conference held at Sharon, Conn., the directors of YAF adopted the following statement which outlines the beliefs and purposes of Young Americans for Freedom.

The Sharon Statement
In this time of moral and political crisis, it is the responsibility of the youth of America to affirm certain eternal truths.

We, as young conservatives believe:

That foremost among the transcendent values is the individual's use of his God-given free will, whence derives his right to be from restrictions of arbitrary force;

That liberty is indivisible, and that political freedom cannot long exist without economic freedom;

That the purposes of government are to protect these freedoms through the preservation of internal order, the provision of national defense, and the administration of justice;

That when the government ventures beyond these rightful functions, it accumulates power which tends to diminish order and liberty;

That the Constitution of the United States is the best arrangement yet devised for empowering government to fulfill its proper role, while restraining it from concentration and abuse of power;

That the genius of the Constitution—the division of powers—is summed up in the clause which reserves primacy to the several states or to the people, in those spheres not specifically delegated to the Federal Government;

That the market economy, allocating resources by the free play of supply and demand, is the single economic system compatible with the requirements of personal freedom and constitutional government, and that it is at the same time the most productive supplier of human needs;

That when government interferes with the market economy, it ends to reduce the moral and physical strength of the nation;

Bulletin Board

The A&M Church of Christ will hold Bible school Sunday 9:45 a.m., morning worship at 10:55 a.m. and evening worship at 7:15 p.m.

The A&M Methodist Church will hold church school Sunday at 9:45 a.m., morning worship at 10:55 a.m. and evening worship at 7 p.m.

The Bethel Lutheran Church will celebrate Holy Communion Sunday at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

The A&M Presbyterian Church will hold an Aggie welcome coffee Sunday at 9:30 a.m., Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. and morning worship at 11 a.m.

St. Thomas Chapel will celebrate Holy Communion Sunday at 8, 9, and 11 a.m. Church school will be held at 9:45 a.m.

The Aggie Wives Council will meet Monday at 7 p.m. in the YMCA Building. Officers will be elected.

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Galveston's Open Beach Case Ending

GALVESTON (AP)—Texas' open beach case went to a district court jury Thursday after Atty. Gen. Will Wilson summed up his case by saying free access to the Gulf of Mexico is one of the last heritages of the frontier.

Wilson filed the case against Seaway Co. last year in an attempt to open Galveston's west beach to the public. The real estate development company put a barricade across the beach in 1959. Individuals are allowed to cross the barricade but cars are prohibited.

The state contended that the public had the right to travel along the beach front because the beaches have been open since Texas was a republic. The defense said it had the right to fence off the beach because it was private property.

Albert J. De Lange, attorney for the Seaway Co., said in his final statement to a jury of 10 men and two women, that the barricade across the beach was legal because use of the beach by the public does not mean the public owns it.

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