

BATTALION EDITORIALS

**'Thanks, Folks'**

This weekend Texas A&M will host a delegation of the most important people in the world—our parents. From every corner of the state parents and friends will descend on Texas A&M to take part in the annual Parents Day observance. This weekend is the one time of the year the A&M student body as a whole can show its appreciation for all our parents have done for us. A lot of hard work has gone into planning the activity-filled weekend. The schedule of events lists two performances of the Aggie Follies, the annual meeting of the State Federation of A&M mothers' Clubs, the impressive flower pinning ceremonies and unit awards program held by each Corps outfit and various programs sponsored by the Memorial Student Center.

A review of the Corps of Cadets and precision drill demonstrations by the freshmen drill team and the Ross Volunteers has also been scheduled.

And of course, dormitory rooms will be open for that once-a-year "Mothers Inspection."

But all of the preparation and work, all of the color and ceremony are for naught if we do not realize the true purpose of the weekend. And that is to say, "Thanks, folks, for all you've done for me."

Few of us realize the personal and financial sacrifices our parents have made in order that we get the education available to us at Texas A&M.

Perhaps this is because they make these sacrifices without complaint and without thought of retribution. All they ask is that we take advantage of what is offered us and continue to make them proud of us throughout our lives.

It would be impossible to physically show our parents how much we think of them. All we can do is earnestly strive to attain to the goals they have set for us and never cease showing our appreciation for all they have done.

This weekend we can begin by saying, "Thanks, folks!"

**A Representative**

Mrs. Hilma S. Huitt represents thousands of mothers of Texas A&M students who have sacrificed so much to send their sons to school.

When her husband was killed in an accident in 1946, Mrs. Huitt enrolled in college in order to get the education she believed was necessary to best support her four sons.

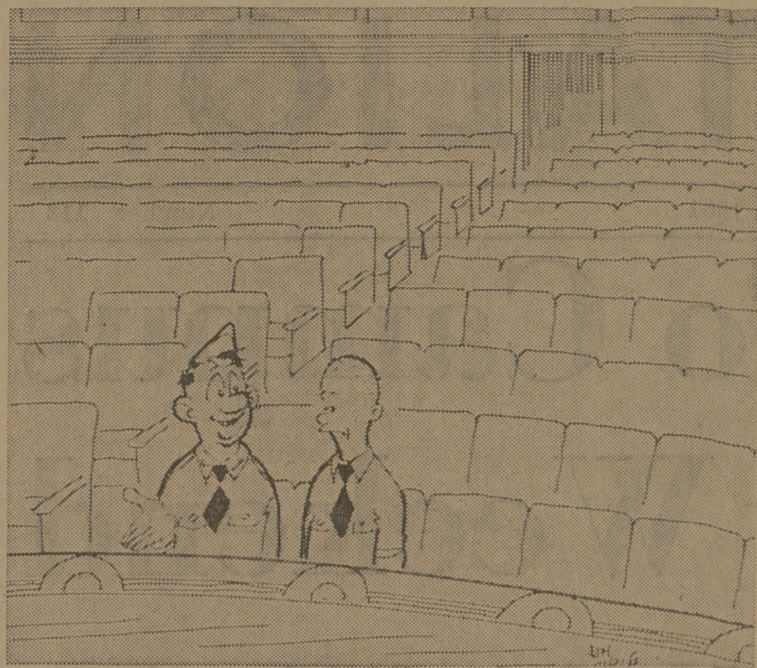
Since that time she has never ceased to be a hard worker or a devoted mother. Presently she is county clerk of Matagorda County, a job which she attributes to the work of her sons. She has provided more than half of the money needed to send all of her boys to college.

This will be Mrs. Huitt's ninth Mother's Day at Texas A&M—and a very special one.

The Battalion salutes Mrs. Hilma Huitt—Aggie Mother of the year.

**CADET SLOUCH**

by Jim Earle



"... I didn't like cuttin' class either, but you have to get here early to get seats like these for the 'Aggie Follies!'"

**Past Pays Tribute To Motherhood**

History and literature contain many tributes and memorials to motherhood.

King Solomon probably paid history's first great tribute to mother love when he judged between two women claiming the same child. He threatened to put the child to death, knowing that the child's real mother would deny the child rather than see this happen.

Joaquin Miller paid a well deserved compliment to all mothers in his poem, "The Bravest Battle."

The bravest battle that ever was fought

Shall I tell you where and when?

On the maps of the world you will find it not;

It was fought by the mothers of men.

Earlier, Emerson noted that "Men are what their mothers made them."

When he became President, Abraham Lincoln said of his mother: "All I am or ever hope to be, I owe to my angel mother." At the age of nine he had stood by her deathbed as she voiced her last request: "Be something, Abe."

Another great American, George Washington, was greatly influenced by his mother, but in a rather unusual way. Seeing the tears in his mother's eyes as he was about to leave on a British Man-of-War as a midshipman, Washington said: "Mother I cannot go and cause you so much grief."

William Ross Wallace's expression "the hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world," was very true in this instance, for at that moment, an important leader of the then un-

suspected American Revolution was promised, as a result of Mary Washington's tears.

Oddly enough, another famous mother in American history is a state—Virginia. This state is known as the "Mother of Presidents," having given this country eight Chief Executives, and also the "Mother of States," having been the oldest of the original 13 and directly responsible for the establishment of eight other states.

Man-made memorials to motherhood include the Taj Mahal in India, called the world's most beautiful building, and the American statue "The Pioneer Woman," which honors the valiant mothers who carried civilization westward through hostile Indian country.

**Bulletin Board**

CHURCH NEWS

A&M Church of Christ: Bible school, 9:45 a.m. Sunday; morning worship, 10:45 a.m.; Aggie class, 6:30 p.m.; evening worship, 7:15 p.m.

A&M Presbyterian Church: Aggie welcome coffee, 9:30 a.m. Sunday; Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; morning worship, 11 a.m.

Bethel Lutheran Church: Sunday worship, 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.; Sunday school and Bible class, 9:30 a.m.

St. Thomas Chapel: Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; morning prayer, 9:15 and 11 a.m.; church school, 9:45 a.m.; evening prayer, 7 p.m.

The Unitarian Fellowship will meet in the home of Mr. and

Mrs. Jack Engles at 8 p.m. Sunday.

WOMEN'S CLUBS

The Industrial Education Wives Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the home of Mrs. Sue Wallace, 2010 Miller, Bryan. Officers for next year will be elected.

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TODAY & SATURDAY

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In **"GIDGET"**

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with Peter Cushing  
Plus

**"CURSE OF THE DEMON"**  
with Dana Andrews

LATE SHOW SATURDAY NITE  
**"A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE"**  
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and  
Marlon Brando

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