

Reynolds' Rap

by Mike Reynolds

Grade reports are in and although most people wouldn't believe it, the holidays are getting closer every day. The time is coming again when the Aggies hit the road for home and a Yuletide reunion with their cookie-pusher buddies.

And I will wager a dollar to a donut that more than one of them will confide with the high-school hurrys that they hate this place. Believe it or not, this is no way to get more students at A&M. I preached last year about trying to sell A&M to high-school students and it did no visible good since the freshman enrollment is still down. Army, it is time to sell A&M again.

It reminds me of the preacher who was new at his church and was preaching his first sermon. It was great and everyone was talking about it until the following Sunday when he preached the identical sermon.

The deacons decided that he was green and just forgot and they wouldn't say anything about it. They reached the breaking point the following Sunday though, when he preached the same sermon for the third time. They sat on their hands and fumed until after the service when a group of the elders confronted him.

"We are sorry, Brother Jones, but we must know why you preached on the same sermon for three weeks in a row."

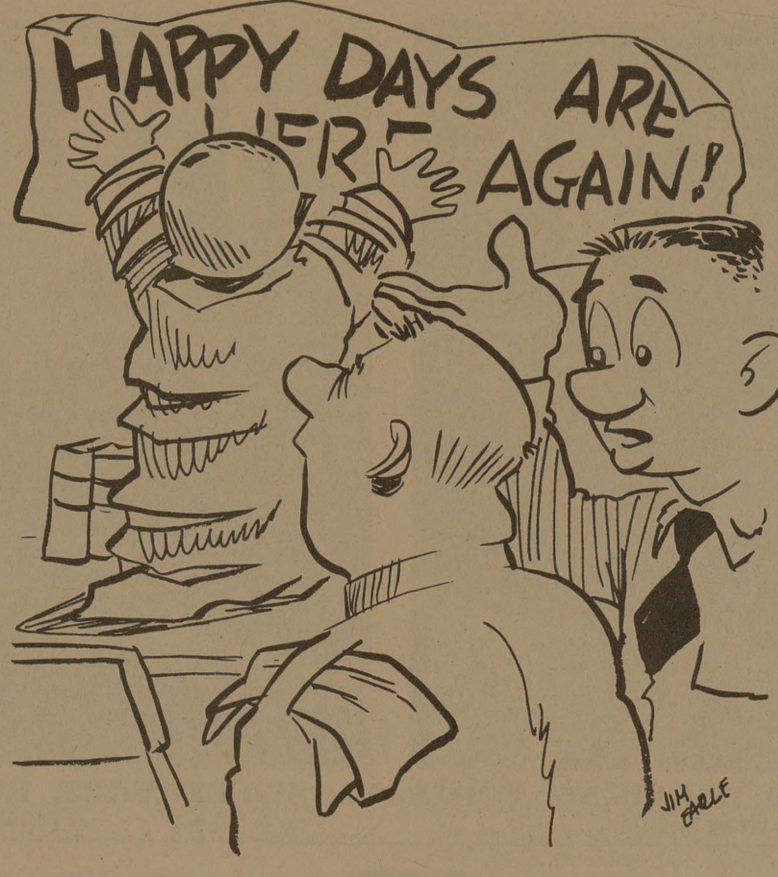
The pastor smiled and said, "When the congregation starts doing what I preached about in the first sermon, then I will go on to another subject." Talk up the school you love. The Corps you save may be your own.

NOTES AND QUOTES:

Old Army Lou told a group of reporters in Dallas that he would be very "shocked if any of the Aggies are responsible for drugging Peruna." By the way, if anybody got up in time to get a copy of the Sunday Dallas Morning News, they certainly can't say they were against the Aggies. For example: "After the hat stealing incident, the SMU band chanted, 'Beat the hell out of A&M!' They were in an ugly mood." I wonder if the character that stole the hat realizes that the Yell Leaders and the OD's were not trying to surround him to get the hat back. He is lucky that they were trying to save his life.

It looks like there is not a freshman on campus. The Trigon saw fit to give them sophomore privileges in the messhall on top of not having to carry fish matches. What DO they have to do? It might make somebody think that things are going to pot, but when were they ever not going to pot? The 1936 Longhorn, the forerunner of the Aggie-land, shows a picture of the Grove with the following words across the back: "Old Army has gone to hell."

Is it true that an English prof threatened to give any of his class members an F if they wrote a letter to The Battalion against co-education? Aw, come on now. Remember we still have some rights.



"... To him, one game's a winning streak!"

Middle-Aged Americans Forgotten By Government, Poets, Posterity

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP) — Curbstone comments of a Pavement Plato: Everybody gets a helping hand today from the government except middle-aged people.

Uncle Sam has laws to safeguard children. He has Social Security and welfare programs for the aged and needy. He protects the widow, the manufacturer, the cattle rancher and the farmer. He extends aid to college student, the veteran — even the Indian.

But America still has one orphan that no government — local, state or federal — is rushing to protect. That is the middle-aged person. He is the Forgotten Man to Congress, his state legislature, and to City Hall.

When you get right down to it, the middle-aged man is pretty well forgotten by everyone else, too.

No national day, week, or month has been declared in his honor. No statues to him have been erected in the parks, and no boulevards — or one-way streets — have been named for him. Nobody even bothers to write love songs for him any more.

The only ones who bother to pay any attention to middle-aged people are doctors, dentists, tax collectors, used car salesmen, and other pocket pluckers.

Editor, The Battalion:

"Those who aren't in the Corps aren't Aggies; You can't be an Aggie without being a fish in the Corps; A&M is the Corps;" Blanderdash! This seems to be all you read in Sound Off these days, and I would like to voice a few opinions on the matter.

I am a Civilian and have been for all of my four years, and I'll match myself being an Aggie with any of the so-called "men" in the Corps. I came to A&M to be an Aggie, and that didn't entail playing Boy Scout on Saturday morning. I've been to yell practice and midnight yell practice; I yell my guts out at football, basketball and baseball games; I've sweated with the bonfires; I get chills in my spine when I sing the "Spirit"; I've fought with Aggies and cried with Aggies too, and I say "Howdy" because I want to and not because I have to. I've put more into my school and gotten more out of it than 95 per cent of the guys in the Corps. But still according to some people I'm a deadweight and not an Aggie. Let's see what you've got on your record son.

If being an Aggie is playing big-shot in the Corps, then I guess I'm not one by choice. I used to think that the old adage of all Aggies being gentlemen, etc., was true until I started look-

ing at the kakai uniforms around me. How can a guy be as rude to young ladies as I've noticed with our co-eds and still be a gentleman? Notice who makes the crude comments at Guion or on campus. And take a look at football games at the boys in the riding boots that stand up shouting and waving, trying to impress a certain somebody. Put a flashlight in his hand and he'd look perfect out in the lot directing traffic. If you need a uniform to impress people, then the person inside must not be much himself.

I'm proud to be an Aggie and I'll wear my Texas A&M University ring from now till dooms day with pride, and I'll be willing to match the education I've gotten here against anyone.

What would A&M be without the Corps? It would remain Texas A&M, a great educational institution, because there are still enough of us around that realize the real purpose here is education and preparation for a

success in life, and not in a Boy Scout Troop.
Tom Matthews, '65

Editor, The Battalion:
In our opinion there should be an appropriate show of congratulations from A&M toward Randy Matson for the tremendous accomplishment he has made at the Olympics. There should also be an appropriate show of appreciation for the national and world attention he has focused on A&M and the clean spirit in which he did this.

We feel this "show" should be made by having an officially declared Randy Matson Day on the A&M campus.

It would be fitting for the Batt staff with their influence of the press to get behind a move like this.

B. Bell, Jr., '62
H. P. Boy, '64

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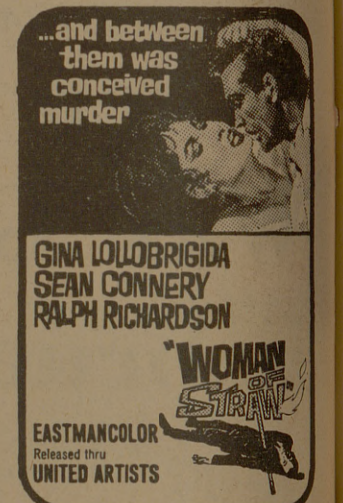
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Home Economist Calls For 'Total' Poverty War

By G. K. HODENFIELD
(AP) Education Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unless the war on poverty is fought simultaneously on many fronts there can be no real hope of success, a North Carolina educator said Monday.

Minnie Brown, assistant state home economics agent, said an estimated 40 million Americans are handicapped by poor physical or emotional health, low levels of basic education, and have working skills that either limit them to poorly paid, precarious, employment or skills made obsolete by technology.

Mrs. Brown told the Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges that there is another major factor which tends to make poverty self-per-

petuating.

Many of those who live in poverty for a long time, she said, tend to become part of the "culture of poverty."

Those who accept this culture, she said, no longer make the strenuous effort required to overcome poverty, and their children learn to accept it as a normal way of life.

The culture of poverty, Mrs. Brown said, "is characterized by a sense of despair and hopelessness, by low levels of aspiration, by suspicion of others, and by a set of values that emphasize taking advantage of whatever immediate gratifications are possible with little regard for a future that is assumed to be as bleak and hopeless as the present."

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College Station Chapter of the American Meteorological Society will meet at 7:45 p.m. in Room 306 of Goodwin Hall.

Geological Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 105 of the Geology Building.

American Institute of Chemistry will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 107 of the Biological Sciences Building.

Soil and Crops Science Student Wives Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 105 of the Agronomy Building.

Oceanography and Meteorology Wives Club will play bridge at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Carolyn Pickett at 404 Cooner Street.

Texas Student Education Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 402 of the Academic Building.

Pre-Med and Pre-Dent Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room

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By Charles M. Schulz

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"THE TACTICS OF EXTREMISM"

THIS IS THE SEASON, I GUESS...

THIS IS THE SEASON WHEN ALL THE BIRDS FLY...

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...SOUTH!