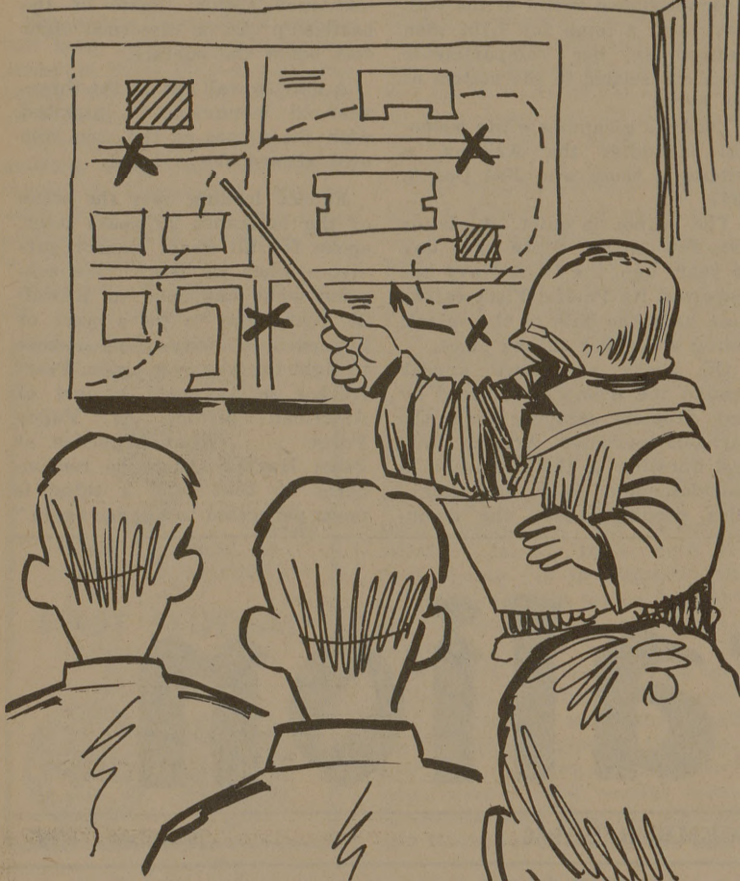


CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



Gentlemen, there's a barricade here, this street is closed, and this area is hazardous! Access to this building is limited due to construction modifications with access expected to be worse later today! I can't say this will be a routine mission, but perhaps you can find your way to class!

A&M Memorials Are Disgraced

Campusology: How are the 52 Aggies who lost their lives in World War I commemorated? The 52 Aggies are commemorated by 52 trees around the main drill field, which have 52 stone markers; 52 flags fly over Kyle Field at each football game. A granite memorial is situated at West Gate. Perhaps this answer would have been correct in the past, but no more. The flags still fly in Kyle Field, and the granite marker is still at West Gate. But the markers—each with the name and place of the death of an Aggie killed in the war—no longer number fifty-two. There are 30 markers left. Twenty-seven have nameplates. Three have been torn off the stones, and all of the remaining nameplates have been shamefully defaced, dented, and surrounded by a conglomeration of weeds. Today, as we recognize the 25th anniversary of the disaster that touched off an even greater loss of American lives, this apparent disregard for the upkeep of our World War I memorials is especially unfortunate. Texas A&M has always shown justifiable pride in its war record; its memorials have traditionally been points of interest to visitors on the campus. But those visitors might now reasonably ask, on seeing the thirty battered markers around the drill field, how well we are remembering our World War I dead.

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Tractor Discs Aid A&M's Alaminos

By MIKE PLAKE Texas A&M has successfully tested a new light weight anchor to be used on its research ship Alaminos.

Dr. W. E. Pequegnat, professor of biological oceanography, said said the anchor weighs about one third that of a conventional anchor.

"It's a new design incorporating the use of tractor discs. The discs are welded on two iron limbs attached to a main stem pipe," he added. "The whole thing doesn't weigh over 300 hundred pounds and it holds the ship secure, even in heavy seas."

How heavy? THE PROFESSOR said that on the last cruise they tested the stability of the ship in 25 m.p.h. winds and eight foot swells.

The ship dragged a little at first, but as more cable was let, it became stationary. The final test showed about 15,000 feet of cable used to secure the ship.

Two other instruments were tested on cruise No. 16. A tripod, built to hold a current measuring device 10,500 feet below the surface of the Gulf, was tested successfully. Fifteen feet tall, it was lowered to the bottom and adjusted. A current meter hangs from its apex and measures the flow of current between the tripod legs.

THE NEXT TEST was conducted on a housing for the current meter. Because most current meters are pressurized for distances of up to about 5500 feet, the electronic recording apparatus in the meter was in danger of being water damaged.

The technicians of the A&M oceanography department put their heads together, and invented a casing sufficient to withstand the pressure.

In addition to testing equipment, the cruise was used to exploit an old theory about the water currents of the Gulf.

UNTIL NOW, it has been presupposed that there was little or no current movement on the bottom of the Gulf. However, in recent tests and on this cruise, evidence indicated differently. Instead of an ooze-type bottom, consisting of decomposed plant and animal life from the higher water levels, the scientists found a hard, clean material, later analyzed to be "ironstone" because of its density content of that element.

Added to this was the discovery of sea anemonies small animals normally found at different depths who subsist by attach-

ing themselves to smooth surfaces and feeding on different types of water algae. The anemonies were found to have grains of sand on their body walls when they were attached to the ironstone.

THE DISCOVERY of the ironstone, instead of ooze, at that depth, and sand grains, which normally go no farther than a few miles offshore, indicate that there may be some sort of current at the 10,500 foot depth.

"We believe a current would be needed to clean the rocks and enable the sea anemonies to live on their surfaces. Also, the sand had to be brought from somewhere near the shoreline. We were 325 miles due south of Panama City, so there was hardly any nearby shore."

Pequegnat came here in 1963, from Washington, D.C., where he was a program director for the National Science Foundation.

Senate Shorts

By BARNEY FUDGE

Basketball season is underway, and the Aggies have their work cut out for them. The team is young and should gain much valuable experience this year.

Things are looking pretty bleak as far as the revival of the 12th Man Bowl is concerned. Construction on the new and improved Kyle Field has begun, making it impossible to hold the contest on campus. Also, the game would have to be held this semester because the equipment can't be used during the spring semester. All in all, we might have to "wait 'til next year" for the return of the bowl game.

At the last Senate meeting the Welfare fund was the main point of discussion. This fund was established with the slogan, "a Dollar from an Aggie, for an Aggie." The money is to be used in cases of true need. If you know someone who has a severe financial problem, tell him to contact Don Allen, the Student Welfare Chairman.

Arrangements have been made for the annual Pinkie Downs fruit collection. Fruit from the Christmas Dinner is donated to the veteran's hospital in Temple.

Remember Scott Blessing is in St. Luke's Hospital in Houston and any Aggie living in that area should make it a point to visit Scott during the Christmas holidays.

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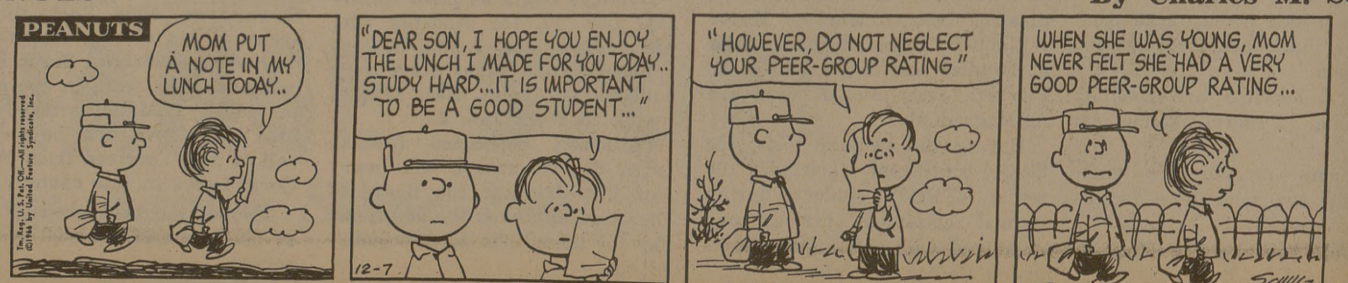
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