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With this issue, we are starting a new feature written by various students from other countries. This week's "AS IT LOOKS FROM HERE" is written by John Chellew of Chile.

Most of the democratic ideas about society in the United States are similar to those that circulate in Chile, which accounts for the harmonious relations between both countries, and explains the traditional friendship which has existed throughout their history. The knowledge that the United States is striving for the preservation of democracy, peace, progress and inter-American friendship, makes the Chileans feel much respect and admiration towards the American people.

Besides this agreement in ideas, it is very important to emphasize the close relationship existing between the economies of Chile and the United States. It is known that Chile is essentially a mining country, especially in the field of copper, and the progress of this industry is due in a great deal to the investment of American capital. As an illustration, we will point out that the Anaconda Mining Company works the biggest open pit copper mine in the world, besides other rich deposits that had been discovered recently, which will start production in the near future. As a result of this extensive mining operation, 30% of the national budget comes from copper; in addition, this industry has over sixty thousand people working in the different mines in the country. All this has contributed to progress and a better standard of living among Chilean people. However, I must point out that, although we Chileans understand the benefits we get from American capital, we also expect Americans to notice the benefits the United States obtains from Chilean raw materials, such as copper. The highly favorable opinions towards the United States and its people, which during the past I obtained through books and personal contact with Americans in Chile, have remained the same since my arrival to this country.

NOTICE

There will be another student body assembly on Thursday, January 10.

Financial problems will constitute the main order of business. Let's everyone give this serious thought over the holidays and then attend this important meeting and express your ideas to the assembly.

THE INQUIRING REPORTER

by J. O. G.

The question: What improvements, if financially or otherwise possible, would you most like to see made here at MSM?

Allen Rowe: De-emphasis of memorization and more concentration on reasoning in the courses taught here. Of course, there are some things which must be memorized and after one leaves school, more memorized facts will be required, but more often than not, these will be developed through constant usage.

Newton Rose: I would like to see an extension of the library hours to at least eleven o'clock during the week. On weekends, the hours available for research and study should be greatly expanded.

Ken Evans: The improvement that would do the school the most good would be the erection of an adequate research center to compete with the other engineering schools because research is the backbone of a thorough engineering education.

John Hager: A revision in the curricula would result in better qualified engineers. Especially in mineral dressing, more emphasis on organic and colloidal chemistry and less on elements of mining and applied electricity would seem to be better. Also, it has been pointed out to me through conversation with former Mines' students that the mathematics department is very inadequate. Calculus is of insufficient content to allow transferring to any other engineering college; it is not up to par with their equivalent courses.

Walter Morton: A television set in the lounge of the dormitory would be an improvement in the morale of the students here. Many students, in their spare time, do not know now exactly what they want to do and end up down town drinking. A television set would save the students' time and money.



S P O R T S



Jim Donovan blocks Gene Lanier's shot as Al Trimble and Roger Markle wait for the rebound. The Squirts went on to defeat the Rhos 33-21.

Coach Olsen to Attend Football Coaches Meeting

January 9, 10, and 11, Coach Olsen will attend the 34th Annual Meeting of the American Football Coaches Association in St. Louis, Missouri. Top coaches and sport directors from all over the nation will be present.

The purpose of this convention is to add to the knowledge of the game. Each day programs will be presented and movies will be shown of the great games of the past season.

Different ideas will be brought out in the bull sessions which will take place on the outside. Rules, training, and equipment are presented by the various sport companies.

A luncheon is given and a famous person is usually a guest speaker. Last year Danny Thomas spoke to the group.



Jim Sisley moves to evade Dick Osterman's check as Pat Butler, Jim Wallace and Nordwick watch the game in main floor lounge.

THE KID IN THE CORRIDOR

Do you realize how fortunate you are to be living in the dorm? Probably not! Dorm life is full of little advantages which no other student has the opportunity to have available.

First of all, where else could you build lockers in your room and rent them out for cold storage? You must admit that this additional income comes in very handy to buy heavy clothes and extra blankets. Next is the advantage of eating in the dorm. True, some of the items on the menu are not quite what you like, but have you tried using the food for other purposes? The other day the Kid saw one of the students trying desparately to move his car on the ice. Finally, the student ran into the dorm and returned to work on his tires. You guessed it, he tied a couple of slabs of roast beef to the tires and zoomed right off of the ice. Incidentally, the Kid has heard that the students without cars can likewise profit by making a small application to the bottoms of the shoes.

The good must be taken with the bad and we do have one sad feature of dorm life. Shortly we will all be traveling home where we will not have these advantages. We will have to shed our extra clothes so we can sleep in heated rooms and we will find that the food is good for only one thing -- eating. The Kid realizes that no one wants to give up these advantages just for a short trip home, but the Kid urges you to keep your chin up and have a HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!

On Thursday morning, Nov. ?, the MSM debate team led by Prof. Albertson, departed for Pullman, Washington and the Columbia Valley Debate Tournament. Highlights of the trip included a struggle to find adequate accomodations due to the limited budget under which the debators operate. As is typical of debate trips, road conditions were terrible and chains were required on the passes.

However, still game and in good voice, they arrived in Pullman for two days of debate on the question, "Should the United States Discontinue Direct Economic Foreign Aid". A lot of valuable information was gained for forthcoming debates with other schools in Montana by these competing teams.

LOW CALORIE REDUCING DIET FOR BIOLOGISTS

Monday:

Breakfast - Weak tea
Lunch - 1 Bouillion cube in $\frac{1}{2}$ cup diluted water
Dinner 2 Jellyfish skins
1 glass dehydrated water

Tuesday:

Breakfast - Scraped crumbs from burned toast
Lunch 1 Doughnut hole (without sugar)
Dinner 1 Pigeon thigh
3 ounces prune juice (gargle only)

Wednesday:

Breakfast - Boiled-out stains from tablecloth
Lunch $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen poppy seeds
Dinner Bee's knees and mosquito knuckles saturated with vinegar

Thursday:

Breakfast - Shredded egg shell skins
Lunch Navel from navel orange
Dinner 2 eyes from Irish potato (diced)

Friday:

Breakfast - 2 Lobster antennae
Lunch 1 Guppy fin
Dinner Jellyfish vertebrae

Saturday:

Breakfast - 4 chopped banana seeds
Lunch Broiled butterfly liver
Dinner Fillet of soft shell crab claw

Sunday:

Breakfast - Pickled hummingbird tongue
Lunch Prime rib of tadpole
Aroma of empty custard pie plate
Dinner Tossed paprika and one (1) clover leaf salad

NOTE: All meals to be eaten under microscope to avoid extra portions.

GEOLOGY FIELD TRIP

While traveling down Park Street from the famous Montana School of Mines, to our right we see that now famous hill, Timber Butte. This hill is almost entirely composed of that rare and valuable ore, quartz monzonite. While returning up to this famous geologic hill, we look back with sad eyes for we are leaving the beautiful little tourist town of Butte behind us. There it lies nestled in the mountains just as we found it and just as it will undoubtedly be for years. We climb steadily until we reach the base of that insurmountable peak, Timber Butte. What great adventures lie ahead here we can only guess. I look around at my partners and see that their breath has quickened and their eyes are narrowed - they too, are thinking of the dangers lurking ahead of them, but no man will volunteer to turn back. For they all love excitement or they wouldn't be here.

Then comes the world from our party chief, Seemer, "Let's go, fellows", he said in a husky voice. We all hunched our shoulders and took off at a leisurely run for we knew we would have to conserve our strength for that few final feet. I looked around me. I knew we wouldn't make it; some of us would have to sacrifice the ultimate for the mission. I was hoping that it wouldn't be the kid behind me, for he had a lovely young wife and a cute little kid who were anxious to see him again. I felt maybe I should promise him that I would take care of his wife for him if anything happened to him, but now the pace quickened and I had no time for conversation. All minds were on the job ahead of us. Then we heard the voice of leader high-pitched with excitement - he had found a trace of that valuable ore, quartz monzonite. What a great geologist! Many others had sought, but he was the only one to find, for he had learned the seven aids in the search for truth while traveling through the Orient on a dangerous mission. I knew now that the mission would be a success. We would go home wealthy and with prestige. But my mind was not on the wealth, it was on that kid's wife. He had to go. The words of the famous geologist tore my mind from our material things as he outlined the rest of our journey into the great beyond. Suddenly, I realized that these treasures that we had found were nothing compared to the great unexplored mineral wealths that were lying by Whitehall, just waiting for our experienced eyeballs to discover. So we sent a runner down to the ACM telling them to send some persons down to exploit the great bed of quartz

monzonite we had discovered by our brilliant observations. I was sure ACM would be happy to hear the news because it had been rumored that they were going broke; they were supposed to be on their last mountain range.

We dashed back down the mountain oblivious to the dangerous terrain, for already our keen geologic minds were looking ahead to the great adventure we would find in the last frontier, Whitehall.

With sheer determination, we somehow got over all the dangers between Timber Butte and Whitehall without a single beer-stop. There we were, miles from civilization, men without women, but we didn't care for our lives were dedicated to Geology. Except for mine, I still thought about that kid's wife once in a while. We were walking light-footed through the wilds, ever looking for useful signs, when that master geologist, Mr. Ho spotted it. There uncovered by D-8 erosion, was a beautiful example of an asymmetrical syncline. What a beauty! We had discovered what many other geologists had risked their lives looking for. It was pointed out to us that the syncline was continued over across the valley. At this point, one of the less educated troops asked Mr. Ho if this was just guess work. What happened after that was one of the goriest samples of orientation ever heard. Starting from basic principles, Mr. Ho proceeded to explain that geology is not guess work, it is educated guess work. (There is a difference?) One half hour later, we left that cold isolated point with much of the sense of victory gone out of us, for we had left two of our best men behind. Victims of freezing while listening to Mr. Ho's spiel. What a way to die. But the guy who had the wife was still alive. Oh, well.

While on our way home to our loved ones, we spotted a fault but were too tired and cold to take advantage of it. Some day, we shall return.

An Observant Student



IMPORTANT NOTICE!!

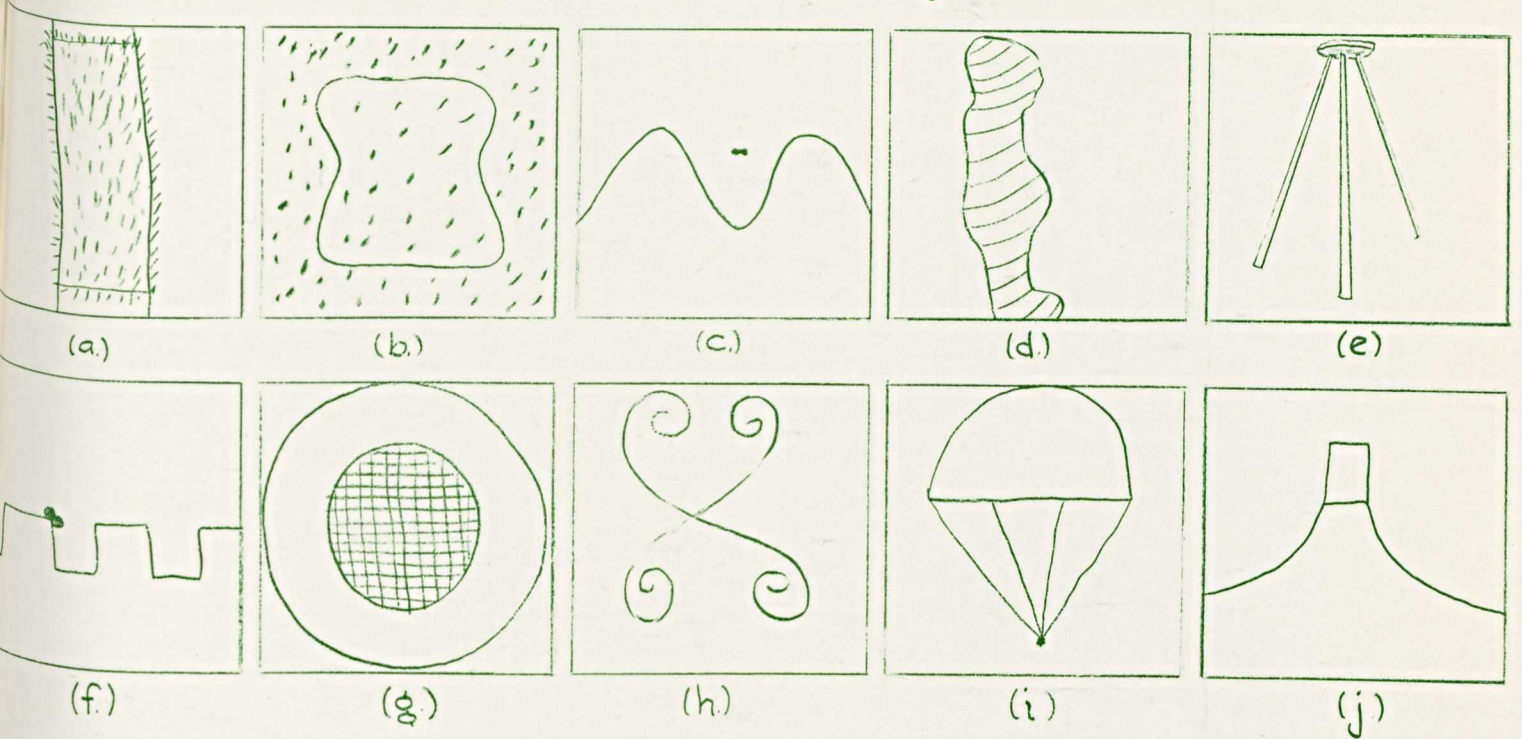
ALL VETERANS MUST SIGN FOR THEIR DECEMBER TRAINING ALLOTMENT ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 28th.

IF YOU ARE LEAVING BUTTE THIS WEEK, YOU'LL HAVE TO SIGN BEFORE YOU LEAVE.

MANY MEN HAVE NOT SIGNED, AS WE GO TO PRESS, AND THEY'RE GOING TO BE AWFUL BROKE - SANTA'S COME JAN. 20th



"VAS IST..?"



ANSWERS:

- (a) Worm wearing an angora sweater.
- (b) Slice raisin bread as seen by a man with spots before his eyes.
- (c) Ant on shower-room floor as seen by Dagmar.
- (d) Mummy with a tummy.
- (e) Stool for milking giraffes.
- (f) Bug walking on a waffle.
- (g) Mended doughnut or - a plate of spaghetti served by a neat waiter.
- (h) Signature of an illiterate with good penmanship.
- (i) Cowardly fly making a landing.
- (j) Volcano with a filter tip.

Faculty News:

Professor John Doe left campus on Dec. 15 to visit relatives in Mississippi. He was delayed a week early due to the adverse travel conditions in Mississippi. Said Professor Doe, "If the backwaters of the lowlands continue to recede at their present rate, John-Doe* travel will be brought to a virtual standstill by January 1st, 1957."

Whilst in Mississippi, Professor Doe hopes to make a thorough study of the Cenozoic stratigraphy of the ancient burial grounds of "Crappy Mud Flats", Miss. The ages of the sedimentary beds of this area are readily identified by the characteristic fossils imbedded in the aforementioned beds. Briefly, the fossil-age correlation is thus:

PERIOD	OUTSTANDING FOSSIL	CHARACTERISTICS
Paleocene	explorers (phyllum) (exploroadus)	(usually found in a prone position associated with pith helmets.)
Eocene	pirates phyllum (?)	(unorthodox positions, in contact with wooden legs and beautiful high-breasted maidens.)
Oligocene	slave-traders phillum (?)	(striking southward and dipping downward accompanied by John Boats* cluttered with chains, clubs, whips and steel-toed shoes.)
Miocene	rum-runners Phyllum Hickodus	(recumbent position and usually saturated.)
Pliocene	revenoors	(in ambulatory position with various and sundry hound dogs, shotguns, warrants and black hats.)
Pleistocene	K. K. K. (Klu Klux Klan) Phyllum (Burn-that-candle-exodus)	(upright aggressive position in a conglomerate of skulls, cross bones burning crosses, torches and bloody hob-nailed boots. NOTE: - the skulls were previously thought to be geodes by the local geologist. This theory, however, was later disproved by a Butte stope miner.)
Recent	geologist Phyllum Rockadus	(slightly odiferous in a matrix of geology picks, orange bottomed canoes, goatees, toilet paper and bare feet. Seldom associated with normal life types.)

With the above information, Professor Doe says he will be able to make a complete, concise report of the area to be geologized. However, he regrets to report that due to transportation difficulties he will not be able to bring back more than 9 cubic yards of fossil samples for the student geologist to examine.

John-Boat; a small flat bottomed boat inovated by slave traders later developed, improved and much greater utilized by bootleggers: Is now the primary mode of transportation of present day Mississippi.

MY NAME

Since I came to this country, the spelling of my name, AU-NGOC-HO, which looks like a chemical formula (Au=gold, Ho=Holmium, Ngoc=unknown element, of course!), adopted various forms. Here are some samples:

- Au Ho (by the acting president)
- Au gnoc Ho (by a prof. of geology)
- Au ngoc Hoe (by another prof. of geology)
- Au ngoe Ho (by a book firm in New York)
- Au nog Ho (by the Butte postoffice)
- Ag Nogc Ho (by a close friend of mine - he pronounced it somewhat like "egg nog"!))
- Au-Agunac-Ho (by a friend of mine in the USAF)
- Hi Ho (by a great number of friends)

In spite of these fancy spellings, I believe you cannot find any name other than mine which, being the shortest in the world (Ho), yet impossible in English (see samples above), when Americanized will introduce a song!

Hi Ho

YOUR PROBLEMS

Dear Hardrock,

Could you please give me some information on the whereabouts of the Petroleum Building? I am a freshman enrolled in a class that meets there every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:00 o'clock. As yet, I haven't been able to attend a class and I am afraid of getting behind in some of the work.

Dum Bo

Dear Dum,

If you are the MSM student that is a swamper at the U & I from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 a.m., you may find that this is the source of your trouble. I advise that you drop this class immediately so that it doesn't interfere with the more important and finer things of life.

Dear Hardrock,

Ever since I have attended MSM, I have been having hallucinations. A luscious brunette haunts my dreams every night. I can't understand this because I have never had such hallucinations

before. But this isn't my problem. My problem is this - the flying saucers that bring her to me make so much noise that I have trouble studying.

Bewitched, Bothered and
Bewildered

Dear BBB,

Would you happen to be a sophomore and taking Dr. Nile's Physics course?

Dear Hardrock,

I have been engaged for nine years and my girl is beginning to wonder when I am going to marry her. Could you give me some suggestions on how to stall her off for a little while longer?

AJS

Dear AJS,

You know more about stalling her off than I would.

Dear Hardrock,

I am a fairly average boy, but I have a terrific problem. Girls by the hundreds are constantly bothering me. They call me on the phone, give me presents, and throw themselves in front of my Rolls Royce. Could you please help me?

Van De Bilt

Dear Van,

This is a problem??

P.S. How many miles to the gallon do you get from your Rolls Royce?

Dear Rock,

My girl has a corn and she can't dance. What shall I do?

Miserable

Dear Miserable,

Pour fuming nitric acid on her corn. This will remove the corn and she will suddenly be a frantic dancer.

REMEMBER: MSM students, if you have any problems that are bothering you and need my professional advice, put them in the Hardrock box in Main Hall so that they will appear in the next issue of the AMPLIFIER.

RISQUE BUSINESS

What is worse than being a bachelor?
Being a bachelor's son!

Nice night said he,
Nice moon, said she;
Some dew on the ground, said he
Not me! said she.

Hotel Manager: "Did you find any of our
towels in that man's suitcase?"

Hotel Detective: "No, but I found a chamber-
maid in his grip."

SM Student: "What would I have to give you
for just one kiss?"

Girl Date: "Chloroform"

Scotsman was leaving on a business trip and
called back as he was leaving, "Goodby all,
and don't forget to take little Donalds
classes off when he isn't looking at anything."

The student's wife trailed him to his favorite
avern. Standing at the bar next to him she
ordered a slug of bourbon. Tasting it, she
made a wry face. Contempt covered her every
feature. "How can you drink that awful
stuff?"

"See, honey," he said gleefully. "And all
these years you thought I was having' a good
time."

Judge: "I'm sorry, but I can't issue a mar-
riage license until you have properly filled
out your form."

A circle has no corners
An oval has no corners
But not so many no cotners as a circle has.

Banagherd: "Let's get married or something."
Nurse: "Let's get married or nothing."

Definition:
Good Nurse: Can make the bed without
disturbing the patient.
Bad Nurse: Doesn't make beds.

A bargain is a good buy.
A goodby is a farewell.
A farewell is to part.
To part is to leave.
My girlfriend left without saying goodbye.
There was no bargain anyway

"Are you still engaged to that girl with the
wooden leg?"

"No, I got mad at her and broke it off."

They told him it couldn't be done.
With a smile he went right to it.
He tackled the thing that couldn't be done.
And found that he couldn't do it.

General Student: "I got a splinter in my
finger."

Engineer Student: "Been scratching your
head?"

Famous last words from "Rabbit Gulch".
"Guess what, dear, I sold the baby buggy."

The man didn't say a word when they ran over
his cat with a steam roller. He just stood
there with a long puss.

A skinny little old man took his wife to
the seashore for the day. All she did was
sit on the sand and admire the men who had
beautiful figures and muscles, and partic-
ularly the lifeguard who walked back and
forth all the time.

The little old guy took it as long as he
could and then told her, "Don't be so im-
pressed. After all, our next door neighbor
has a three-car garage but all he keeps in
it is a bicycle."

Speaking of spaghetti, I saw where one of
those buxom Italian screen stars said all she
had she got by eating spaghetti. What I want
to know is how she got it to go where it
went.

Dentist: "I'm sorry, miss, but I'm out of
gas."

Coed (leaping from chair): "Ye gods! Do
dentists use that line, too."

One sheep met another and said, "Baaaa."
The second replied, "Moo, Moo."
"What in heck is wrong with you," asked the
first sheep, "have you lost your marbles?"
"Indeed no," haughtily replied the second
sheep, "It just so happens that I'm major-
ing in foreign languages."

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

If at first you don't succeed!
-----forget her.

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PORTRAIT of the week



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Guess who ?

Hint:
Geologic "facies" change



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