

Battalion Editorials

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What Causes Holdup On Books . . .

BOOK shortages cause a great deal of consternation every semester, but this apparently is due largely to the human equation. Every effort is made by the Exchange Store to integrate the large number of variables that effect the demand potential and arrive at the purchase estimate that will satisfy all students within the limits of reason and predictability.

Some of these variables are:
 ● The departmental estimate as to the probable number of students expected in each course.

- The number of second hand books that will be available from all sources to satisfy the expected demand.
- The changes in demand due to students who change majors.
- The actual enrollment as reported by the registrar.
- The number of students who wait till registration to sell their used books to the Exchange Store as they buy the one in current need.

A running account is kept of all trends, and re-orders are initiated as rapidly as the need becomes known. The responsibility for any inconvenience, however, cannot be specifically placed on any one individual.

The "lay away plan" is available to those who would like to avoid the uncertainty of a highly unpredictable situation. This appears to be the best solution for all concerned, and we heartily suggest that its advantages be weighed by those who plan to be around for one or more semesters. An advance order enables the Exchange Store to serve students more efficiently—not to mention the fact that having a book goes over big with the prof.

So-called white-collar jobs are not what the man in overalls sometimes thinks they are.

Take the Wraps Off the Marines

BILLS TO INCREASE the Marine Corps to a permanent strength of 400,000 have got off to a promising start in both the Senate and House of Representatives.

In the Senate, 41 members signed up as sponsors of a measure introduced by Sen. Paul Douglas (D., Ill.), and in the House 57 representatives joined in offering a bill for the proposed expansion.

The bills provide that the 400,000 minimum strength go into four full-sized combat divisions, four air wings and related service units. The Marine Corps now has only 166,000 men grouped mainly into two ground divisions—one in Korea and the other in the United States—one regimental combat and two air wings.

Present ceiling strength of the corps is 203,000, and Marines in recent years have been haunted by fears that some day they might be absorbed by other armed services.

We're strongly in favor of taking the wraps off the Marine Corps. The Leathernecks have always been a little something special in the way of an elite fighting force. When it comes to instilling an extraordinary spirit, vigor and morale in their men, the Marines, somehow, seem to outdo the Army and Navy. Scripps-Howard Staff Writer Jim Lucas, just back from Korea, has some interesting observations on this.

At first glance then, you might ask why limit the Marines even to 400,000? The corps itself answers that. It is supporting the expansion bill, but it would settle for 300,000 men. With typical pride, the Marines feel that anything over four divisions would destroy their effectiveness as a striking force and make them merely another army.

If that's what the Marines want, let's give it to them—and quickly. And, judging from reports on Korea, we could venture the suggestion that the Army might well take a leaf or two from Marine manuals on morale-building, field training and general pepping-up of recruits—The Houston Press.

From the City Desk . . .

Three Offices Open In April Elections

... By Joel Austin



IT'S TIME for politicians of College Station to dust off their campaign speeches and begin preparing for the city elections less than two months hence.

Terms expire for three city councilmen at the completion of the city's fiscal year in April. Whether the men now in office plan to announce for re-election or not, we don't know.

But it would be nice to see some of the people who voice so many objections on things about the city to list their names among those on the ballot for councilman positions. The question is constantly asked by many citizens, "How loud must we holler to get things done in this city?" The answer is not by just complaining to your councilmen, but contributing the ideas and efforts you have as a member of the council.

Election Date to Be Set Monday

At the Monday night meeting of the City Council, the election will be designated for the first Tuesday in April—April 3. Dates for filing for the three positions have not been announced yet, but residents of the three city wards will be given ample time to file if they wish.

City elections usually attract much attention in College Station when there are two or more candidates running for an office. But interest in the city government has been at a low ebb as shown by the few people who file for city offices at election time.

Interesting News Coming

People of College Station may be in store for some interesting news in the very near future. Whether the city council meeting Monday night will produce any further word on the development of the College Hills electricity problem, we don't know.

The 30 day waiting period necessary after a bond election is passed has just about expired and the first bonds for purchase of the Bryan-REA electric service in College Hills can be issued as soon as details are arranged with the Bryan City Commission.

Councilmen should be ready to take action on the question Monday night. We have no official word on that matter, however.

Firemen Are Busy These Days

College firemen were kept busy answering fires yesterday. Students and residents of College Station were startled by the alarm which sounded five times between noon and 6:30 p. m. The first call summoned firemen to a grass blaze which endangered homes and the Lincoln School on the South side of town. Little damage was reported by people in that area. Two alarms were sounded for that fire.

Again at 2:30 p. m. firemen were called back to the scene of the first blaze to quench a fire which had broken out in a barn. At dusk the firefighters rushed to the new incinerator to put out a small fire which got too big for anyone nearby to extinguish.

What fun to be a fireman?

Letters

Casualties High In Guion Cold

Editor, The Battalion:

The casualty rate is high! It may even be worse than in Korea. The victims of whom I am speaking are the ones who have suffered from frostbite, exposure, and pneumonia at the expense of braving only one movie at Guion Hall theater. Purple Hearts for all who attend Guion Hall!

I think that the power plant must have got their pipes crossed and are piping refrigerant instead of heat, or if heat is coming in it must all be going to the projection room.

Seriously, how can our own campus theater be expected to function in competition with others when the patrons must sit with overcoats, overshoes, mufflers, and hats on, and still shiver while watching the movie?

Could it be possible that since this is a state school it does not have enough money to pay for heating the theater? Do we need more taxes, or just need to awaken someone?

John Lewie, '50

Extension Service Hires New Trainer

The Texas Engineering Extension Service has employed L. Kirkman Jonas as a supervisor trainer. Jonas received his bachelor of business science from Trinity University, San Antonio. He also attended the University of Texas and San Marcos State Teachers College.

Prior to joining the Texas Engineering Extension Service, Mr. Jonas was a vocational instructor at Harlandale high school, San Antonio.

In addition to his teaching experience, he has worked in the electrical trade field for 22 years. He served as field engineer for the Western Electric Company, in New York, New York, and as chief instructor for the Normoyle Ordnance Depot in San Antonio, Texas.

Bryan Legislator Enters Game Bill

Austin, Feb. 7.—(AP)—State Senator William Moore of Bryan yesterday introduced a bill proposing changes in the State Game, Fish and Oyster Commission.

Under Moore's bill, the commission would be enlarged from six to nine members and put on a regional basis.

The state would be divided into nine districts.

WHEN DOES HE START DANCING?



Educated Have Most Headaches

New York, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Married people have fewer headaches—the hurting kind in the head—than the single ones.

This is one finding in a survey, reported today, of who gets headaches and why.

Educated people get more headaches than the less educated, it shows. Women have more headaches than men. Young people get them oftener than older persons. Housewives suffer more than salesmen. Farmers get the fewest. Medical students are about the worst off, and lawyers rate high, too.

The headache survey, one of the first thorough studies of its kind, was made by Dr. Henry D. Ogden, clinical assistant professor of medicine at Louisiana State University School of Medicine.

His survey covered 6,000 persons, by questionnaires and interviews. They included hospital employees, salesmen, manual laborers, housewives, executives, physicians and other professional workers, medical students, Catholic priests and sisters.

Dr. Ogden said 64.8 per cent said they suffered from headaches, from severe to minor ones. The pain occurred most often (72.6 per cent of the time) in the forehead. Few had headaches more than once a week. But one per cent had them every day. The migraine type, perhaps the severest kind of headache, was not very common (3.2 per cent).

One significant thing was that people with headaches had more respiratory troubles, including colds and sore throats and allergies such as hay fever and asthma, than people free of headaches with forehead pain and these respiratory troubles.

He suspects, he said, that many cases of forehead pain aches are due to swelling of blood vessels.

Interpreting the News

Eisenhower Ends Rearmament Talk

By J. M. ROBERTS, JR., AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Since General Eisenhower spoke last week, argument over German rearmament has been so quiet that you could hear the fluttering of diplomatic hearts.

Up to that time the United States had been pressing Britain and France into an agreement after another, a series of stepping stones toward fielding a German army to help meet any Russian "Korea" in Germany or any other move toward the conquest of Western Europe. Germany was bucking, but the pressure was on there, too. Speed was the keynote.

Then Eisenhower said that, for one commander, he didn't want any unwilling forces in his army. That he wasn't even going to talk about German mobilization until the diplomats had arranged the political basis for an "earned equality" of participation.

From one angle it looked like pulling the rug out from under Secretary Acheson and high Commissioner McCloy. It looked like the general had changed American policy on his own.

But Eisenhower doesn't work that way. His record is strictly one of doing his own job.

The Eisenhower statement merely recognized a fact of life. The military situation is unchanged. The Atlantic Pact allies can absorb all the material that can be produced on both sides the ocean for some time.

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College Station

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 Harold L. Bass, Singer
 D. Byron Richardson, Pastor

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LOOK!—THE OCTOPUS GOT ONE SET OF TEETH CLAMPED AROUND THE LOUSE'S NOSE—AN' THE OTHER SET AROUND HIS ANKLE!

EKK!—LITTLE RONALD'S HAIR HAS TURNED SNOW-WHITE!!

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN! THE WORD HAS JUST COME THAT THIS LITTLE BOB CAN NO LONGER BE TELEVISED! THE STATE DEPARTMENT CLAIMS IT SHOWS OUR CIVILIZATION IN A BAD LIGHT!

By Al Capp

The Battalion

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions
 "Soldier, Statesman, Knighly Gentleman"

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