Reynolds' Rap

by Mike Reynolds

The latest announcements of television shows to be taken off the air at the end of the season includes an entry that causes some wonderment at the tastes of the average viewer in the U. S.

"Slattery's People" appears headed for the "Boob Tube" grave yard. Constantly, week after week, this program has brought a fresh breath of air to the otherwise stale atmosphere of viewing.

It has dared to be controversial. It has dared to deal with matters of government and everyday life that other programs wouldn't touch with a ten-foot pole.

Such an example program dealt with the teaching of sex education in high school; another week brought the question of party subsidy of young political talent to the fore. They have not been handled in the standard shoot-em-up or emotional dripped manner.

THEY MAKE THE VIEWER THINK.

Well, could it be the acting? This question would get somewhere if it wasn't for the splendid talents of Richard Crenna who plays Slattery with a curiously warm understanding.

It all boils down to the fact that the average Joe wants to come home and put his feet up on the coffee table, sip a cool one and forget his troubles. He likes his TV plots thin, his TV morals low, his TV actors flat, his TV quality lacking and his TV action fast.

It is really a wonder that a program such as "The Defenders" which is very much like "Slattery's People" has lasted as long as is has. Americans are ostriches.

RICE EDITOR THRESHER — the ousting of the editor of the Rice Thresher (see story on page 1) brings up the question of press freedom in American colleges again.

It is the opinion of this corner that the action taken by Dean S. W. Higginbotham should be reviewed by an impartial panel (if such can be found) of faculty and students. Then, if it is found that the action was justified, the panel should submit an opinion saying so. If not, Kelley should be returned to his job. What is to keep an official of any school from removing a student editor for a personal grudge? Careful review should be the case, no matter what the circumstances.

TEXAN EDITOR — Texan editorial policy has cried for months for an elected editor. Now they have it. However, one of the candidates has sought the support of a campus party. Now the Texan is crying that the editor should be free of politics.

How, pray tell, can you have an election free of politics? How can a person receive an majority of votes if he doesn't appeal for them. One is tempted to say that they made their bed and now they are going to have to sleep in it.

Textbook Rental Plan Saves Students $$$

By Intercollegiate Press

River Falls, Wis. — Renting instead of buying textbooks is saving students at the nine Wisconsin State Universities well over a million dollars this year, the Board of Regents office in Madison reports.

At the State University, students may either rent or buy textbooks assigned for their courses. Nearly all students rent their books at a cost of $6 or $8 a semester, rather than buy the assigned texts at an average cost new of $35 to $40. For the year, the average saving is about $60 per student.

Because of the rental system, there is no market in current used texts on State University campuses. Where there is a market in used textbooks, students seldom recover more than one-third of the cost of new books after completing their courses, bookstores report.

Assuming that all student bought texts and sold them for one-third, the rental system results in a saving of about $40 a year for each of the 30,000 students enrolled this year on the nine state campuses, or $1,200,000.

For several weeks during each semester, WSU students have an opportunity to buy any of the textbooks they are using at a discount. Very few purchase their texts, the State Universities report.

Bulletin Board

TUESDAY

Math Wives Club will meet at 8 p.m. in the cabinet room of the YMCA Building.

Agricultural Education Wives Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Bill Strick at 1010 Winding Road in College Station. The program will be presented by Mrs. Les Hawkins of Bryan.

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CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle

"I had it enlarged from the newspaper to hang over my desk!"

Reds Ban Demonstrations By Some Foreign Students

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Union, stung by demonstrations which got out of hand 11 days ago, has barred some foreign students from taking part in any future demonstrations, student sources said Monday.

The Soviet government drew sharp criticism from the United States for not doing enough to prevent trouble during the March 4 outbreak at the U. S. Embassy and from Red China for doing too much to put down the demonstration. The harsh Chinese accusations made the Chiense-Soviet split worse.

The student informants said some students at Moscow's Patrice Lumumba University were warned after the outbreak against taking part in further demonstrations. The university, named for the Congo's slain first premier, has no Chinese students but many of its students from underdeveloped nations frequently join in anti-American demonstrations in Moscow.

The Chinese claimed more than 30 Chinese students were injured, nine seriously, in the March 4 demonstration, which against U. S. air strikes in North Viet Nam. The Soviet Union claimed 30 Soviet police and soldiers were injured by Chinese students, four of them seriously. The soldiers had to be called out to put down the demonstrators.

Soviet authorities in the past have used demonstrations at foreign embassies to emphasize Soviet policy, but they now seem to be moving to prevent had as its pretext protests future demonstrations — or at least any they do not organize themselves.

Word of the student warnings accompanied still another Chinese attack on the Soviet government, one of the sharpest since former Premier Khrushchev was ousted last October.

Peking's official Peolpe's Daily accused the Russians of being "under the thumb of U. S. imperialism, the common enemy of the people of the world."

— Job Calls —

WEDNESDAY

Firestone Tire & Rubber Company — accounting, business administration, economics, industrial education.

General Motors Corporation — electrical engineering, industrial engineering, mechanical engineering, industrial distribution.

LTV Aeronautics & Astronautics Division, Military Electronics Division — aerospace engineering, civil engineering, electrical engineering, industrial engineering, mechanical engineering, mathematics, physics.

San Antonio Air Material Area — aerospace engineering, electrical engineering, industrial engineering, mechanical engineering.

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— Sound Off —

Editor,
The Battalion:

My name is Jack Odgee and I am an accounting major from San Benito, Texas. I would like to enter my name as a candidate for the office of president of the Sophomore Class for the school term 1965-66.

I am well aware of the duties of this office and I feel that I have the qualifications and experience to fullfill these duties. In high school I was active in school extracurricular functions and I had the honor of serving as president of the Freshman Class, president of the Sophomore Class, vice president and president of the Student Council.

This year I have had the privilege of serving our class as a member of the Fish Drill Team.

I want to serve as your class president and I am ready to work my hardest for our class. I make only one promise to you, the Class of '68, if I am elected. I promise nothing but fairness to all.

Jack Ogdee, '68

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Editor,
The Battalion:

If the sun comes up in the morning no one will think that unusual, will they? If Texas University is not swallowed up by an earthquake tonight, no one will worry about it, will they? If somebody that is not necessarily qualified is elected to office Thursday by getting a couple of dozen votes, no one will complain will they?

Will anyone ever take an interest in anything that happens and is just "taken for granted to be right and natural?"

A total of one or two dozen votes does not constitute a representative majority. Yet almost yearly in class elections someone is elected by this bare minimum of votes.

For this handful of people that vote maybe the person they elected had a "good sounding name" or perhaps it was just that his name was first on the list. At least he was "democratically elected." That's what matters, doesn't it? After all, who cares if he knows anything about student government?

Maybe it is not important, but it is something to think a little bit about.

Maybe another something to "think a little bit about" is that among the 36 candidates for next year's Senior Class officers there are several men who have held or are holding a class office. Norris Cano, Harris Papas, Tom Hargrove, Mike Beck and Joe Bush are in this category.

Maybe it would be a good thing to think about Thursday's election.

Oh yes, Mike Nabor's name will be found on the list of ambitious candidates because he finally found a position in which he can do a little more for our class if someone will recognize his qualifications and potential.

John Prewitt, '66

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Editor,
The Battalion:

In reference to a letter by Dick Carey placing his name as a candidate for Yell Leader of the Junior Class, he mentioned being a member of the Sky Divers Club. We would like to place his name in nomination for a Purple Heart for being wounded in the lines of duty as a member of this club.

On his first jump he landed on the runway, fell on his tu and was given a military for a week because he couldn't sit down. We recommend him most hardily for Yell Leader for as long as he is in the Sky Divers Club.

Battlin' B-1 fish

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Editor,
The Battalion:

John "Doc" Holladay is my name and I'm one of the candidates for Junior Yell Leader. I'm from Ft. Hood, majoring in accounting, and am a member of the Semper Fidelis Society, the Judo Club, and a section head on The Aggieland staff, as well as a squad leader in A-2.

I have been asked by many why I decided to run for yell leader, and since this is an important element in making a choice on election day, I'll try and explain. Since I've been here I have come to consider A&M as my home; I'll admit that I had different feelings at first, but now I want to do all I can for the school and all that it stands for.

This means working for and supporting all of our teams, building up the spirit of the 12th Man, and all of the other things which can help to make A&M the very best. The best way to do this is as yell leader. That sums it up real quick, but I don't thing that I really have to explain how I feel, for most of you feel the same.

The best I can say for my campaigning is to ask those who know me to make your choice. On the 18th, I'd appreciate your votes, but most important make sure you vote and make sure you buddies vote — let's have a full turn-out from the Class of '67.

John "Doc" Holladay, '67

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Editor,
The Battalion:

Don't you think Pete Bush, Tiff Simmons or Norris Cano know what the qualifications are for class officials.

If you are not sure what it takes to qualify a man for such a position, why don't you ask one of them — I'm sure they'll be objective enough to tell you the truth. If not them, ask someone else whose opinion you value. No one else is going to need to know the qualifications except you.

Thursday my name along with many other qualified candidates will be listed under the position of secretary-treaurer and the position of MSC representative for the Class of '66. One of us will represent your desires next year, but only you can represent your desire Thursday.

Why vote? Maybe it is because our class has got so much "class" it can't afford not to. Maybe it is because we've always been a responsible group. Or maybe there are a lot more maybes that are more apparent but in the end it is those who stand in line that will know.

And it will be these self same people that return Norris Cano and other class officials to their positions if they vote qualifications instead of "good sounding names," or "dorm buddies."

If it takes 30 minutes to vote and we select men of quality possibly the inconvenience will be made up for by 36 weeks of dynammic class leadership. Pretty much a bargain, I think.

Mike Beck, '66

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