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Outlaw Hazing

Since ten members of the sophomore class were forced to leave school yesterday as a result of the penalty imposed upon them by the Executive Committee because of their having been found guilty of hazing, now is the best time for the entire student body to realize the necessity of the abolition of hazing from Texas A and M College.

The Executive Committee has been the target of much criticism since its decision was made known. Most of this criticism is very unjust because those who invoke it never consider the exact circumstances of the case nor the principle as well. Rather than criticize such a decision, we should take it as men and realize that we ourselves are the ones to be blamed for the dismissal of those ten men from the rolls of the college. We have been dealt with fairer than we can ever expect to be dealt with in life. The officials have been lenient with their penalties, trying to let us take the initiative in cutting out the thing that is the greatest thorn in the side of the college, but we have been the ones who have failed to take the responsibility offered us. And even yet we don't seem to realize that the same thing that happened yesterday will continue to happen unless we abolish hazing.

Many argue that hazing is a good thing, and that it is a good thing for the school. We will admit in certain cases that hazing is a good thing, but it is illegal and if Texas A and M is to go forward in the future, hazing must be removed entirely from the campus. This isn't only because of the college officials. The taxpayers of the State who make our education possible demand that it be curbed. The members of the Board of Directors, who realize more than anyone exactly how detrimental hazing is to the college also demand that it be stopped. We, as students, can see the individual benefits derived from the use of the board, but we aren't the ones who send sons to A and M, and neither are we the ones whose dollars pay for the instruction that we receive and the buildings in which we live and receive instruction.

It is hoped that this article will have as much meaning to the freshmen, sophomores, and juniors as well as the seniors, because it will take every bit of the cooperation of each class to build up the name that A and M should have by abolishing hazing. This year has shown the greatest improvement of any class in doing away with it, but one lone event of this kind tears down the work that the other twenty-five organizations have accomplished during the year. Are the students of those organizations who have tried to abolish hazing going to stand for one outfit to ruin the entire year's work of all of the rest? It is incredible that this be allowed.

Why can't we as students take the lead and extinguish the one thing that has caused student feeling to run so high, and the thing that has aroused the indignation of so many persons?

Send The Band To Temple

Students, former students, faculty members, and all other supporters of Texas A and M College are rejoicing that the athletic department has been successful in scheduling an inter-sectional football game with Temple University during the 1934 season. Temple boasts having a football team coached by one of the most famous mentors in the game, "Pop" Warner. That fact alone adds considerable prestige to the grid contest to be played in Philadelphia next fall.

It is the hope of everyone interested in A and M College that the Texas Aggie band will be able to accompany the football squad to Philadelphia. The expense of this undertaking will be enormous since railroad fare alone approaches one hundred dollars per person for the round-trip and the band is composed of one hundred pieces. However, such a project may be accomplished provided sufficient interest and cooperation is maintained.

In order to materially increase their prospects for the proposed Temple trip it would be highly desirable for the band members to scout around and find means of raising funds. Any picture show, minstrel, or other entertainment sponsored by the band will undoubtedly receive 100 percent support from the cadet corps and faculty members. Regardless of the comparative smallness of monetary proceeds derived from such enterprises, any such activity on the part of band members would offer conclusive evidence of their sincerity and helpfulness concerning the trip.

It goes without saying that the entire cadet corps favors taking the band to the Temple game. Such an opportunity to advertise Texas and its A and M College must not be overlooked. The value of inter-sectional games in establishing closer relations between widely separated institutions of the nation and in acquainting people in all sections

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"The Aggies", a play that presents life on the A and M College campus as it really is, has been so arranged that numerous vaudeville and novelty acts may be included. Each Sunday afternoon at three o'clock vaudeville practices are held in the Asbury room of the library. Already three accordians, five guitars, two banjos, six French harps, and a whistle have been worked into a novelty orchestra. T. F. Mayo, author and director of the play announced. Besides music instrumental entertainment, several tap dancers, a hula dancer, a torch singer, and a double quartette have been embodied in the production. Jack Roach and J. R. Alexander compose one comedy team and "Black Jack" Johnson and Jimmie Zellers are teamed together to furnish additional laughs to the show.

of the country with conditions as they exist in other parts of the country has been favorably demonstrated by other schools in this conference. A and M should enter wholeheartedly into this opportunity to put the College "on the map" so to speak.

Wallace Predicts Youth Movement As Result of Crisis

Washington, March 6.—America has never had a youth movement worthy of the name, but the depression will give rise to one, Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace predicted this week.

And while in the business of expressing pronounced opinions on things collegiate, Secretary Wallace branded college football as a racket and said that he doubted of "there is anything so extraordinary worthwhile in extracurricular activities."

"As a matter of fact," he added, "many of us are beginning to wonder if the colleges themselves are as vital as they should be in furnishing the leadership to enable the youth of today to grapple in an adventurous way with the realities of the coming day."

Rambo Passes Air Corps Examination

W. A. Rambo, Gonzales, captain on the Second Battalion Infantry Staff, recently received notice that he had passed the physical examination to enter the Flying Cadet training station, which is located at Randolph Field. Rambo took the examination at Fort Crockett February 8.

He expects to be appointed to a class that will begin in July, and which will last for eight and a half months. After successfully passing this training period, he will be transferred to Kelley Field for further service.

Any other students who can tap dance or shuffle are urged by Mr. Mayo to report to him or to come to the vaudeville practice at the library at three o'clock Sunday afternoon.

College Attendance A Great Racket, Says College President

Atlantic City, March 6.—College attendance has become a great racket!

This was the startling charge made before the November meeting of the New Jersey State Teachers' Association by President Ralph Cooper Hutchison of Washington and Jefferson College, who declared that for many years the primary motive for entering college has not been a desire to seek education but to profit socially and financially. Results, he said, are evident in "student organizations formed and carried on for graft" and in the number of "graduate racketeers" found in great numbers in criminal activities.

Outlining the development of American education, Dr. Hutchison said:

"The college degree assumed real market value as the trademark of integrity, scholarship and culture. The result was an unprecedented rush of enrollment and of building expansion, until some of our curricula looked like a department store inventory. Snap courses abounded and an insincere student could be graduated without absorbing education."

"The public was bent on sending all its sons through the sausage grinder and out with a packer's trademark. Anyone betraying a primary concern for academic achievement was contemptuously dubbed a 'grind' and the effect was devastating."

"Student duties were performed for expensive pay. Committees conducted college dances for inordinate profits. There were falsification of accounts, misappropriation of funds, theft of equipment and a widespread system of secret commissions. Dance orchestras still pay the committee selecting them. Agents for fraternity jewelry, programs, dance favors and class sweaters maintain that they cannot do business on most

campuses unless they offer graft to the student committees."

Much of this may be changed as the result of the depression, but Dr. Hutchison pointed out that "graduate racketeers" continue to be involved in corrupt professional practices, such as defalcations, concealment of corporation facts, stock watering, peddling of questionable securities, evasion of income taxes, distribution and acceptance of bribes, predatory exploitation of public resources and the widespread system of municipal graft.

He declared that there is a tremendous demand for able, honest men with training and that standards must be revised to make these the ideal of college students, rather than the "racketeers."

Raleigh, N. C.—When college authorities refused to grant their request that Lucy Johnson, chief dietitian, be restored to her position from which she had been dismissed, students at St. Augustine College, Negro higher education institution, went on strike last week.

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