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EDITORIAL

When you want to blind yourself to your own weaknesses, find somebody else's.

That, in short, seems to be the editorial philosophy of *The Daily Texan*, student newspaper of the University of Texas.

Twice this year *The Texan* has hit A. & M. below the belt. The first time it was about the alleged burning of a car by Aggies; this last time it was an attack on Coach Norton.

Let's take the last incident first. In its Jan. 6 issue, *The Texan* allowed its sports editor to run rampant with twaddle foolish on its face against Coach Norton.

Among other things, Sports Editor La Roche painted a picture of a total failure in the coaching profession who spent gobs of money getting football players and who couldn't do anything with them after he got them. Sports Editor La Roche should make a study of a coach before he lets loose his venom.

He says Joe Routt, Roy Young, John Kimbrough, and a host of others were bought for A. & M. The correct statement is that Joe Routt was already at A. & M. when Norton came here; Roy Young had never played a game of football in his life until he came to A. & M.; John Kimbrough came here because this is the Kimbrough family school.

Of course A. & M. has brought in other football players; so has every other Southwest school.

To get to point number two, though: What has Norton done with them after they got here? He made Joe Routt an All-American, and he has produced several All-Conference players, including John Whitfield, Virgil Jones, Roy Young, Charlie DeWare, Dick Todd, Johnny Morrow, Martin Lindsay, Joe Boyd, and Nick Willis.

And what have his teams done? Norton's all-time coaching record is 78 games won, 38 games lost and 14 games tied. This year his team won four, lost four and tied one. Last year it won eight, lost three and tied one. That record isn't exactly a slouch.

In Mr. LaRoche's opinion, A. & M. should have gotten Coach Norton's assistant at Centenary, Curtis Parker. But even Mr. LaRoche should have read newspapers enough to know that Parker's teams

haven't exactly kept up the standard set while Coach Norton was at Centenary.

The *Texan* writer tells how Norton could have helped Todd—by using him exclusively for end sweeps. We're sure Coaches Norton, Marty Karow, Bill James, Dough Rollins, Manning Smith et al would have been glad to have Mr. LaRoche as tactician here this year.

With regard to the seat Coach Norton used to occupy in the press box during games, "it ain't no more". He told us the other day that figuring out the game from that position had been his procedure for 12 years, but that he gave it up immediately when he thought sitting on the bench would keep the players from thinking he was trying to be "high hat." And the coaching tower he used to use on the football field after his serious illness will be dismantled this year.

This all adds up to something like this: Norton is likely to produce a team next year that will surpass any he has had here yet. And we sure enough believe Mr. LaRoche's Longhorns are going to get stamped, along with their \$15,000 a year coach, come next Thanksgiving. (Note to LaRoche: Compare Norton's first two years here with the two Dana X. Bible has just gone through at Texas; you'll get a surprise.)

And now for the other Texas incident. Following the Thanksgiving Day game, a column in *The Texan* written by Joe Neiser told a tale of Aggies cutting up the seats in a car, saturating them with gasoline and then burning it.

As soon as we saw that column we wrote two letters—one to Pat Daniels, Texas editor, and the other to the man whose car is said to have been burned. Neither was answered.

We also investigated in the office of President T. O. Walton, and nobody had ever heard a word about the incident.

Something smells, and the stink is coming from outside A. & M.

A note to Mr. Pat Daniels, Mr. Joe Neiser and Mr. Clarence LaRoche: Why in hell don't you play in your own backyard?

A. & M. Has Had Professorettes As Well As Woman Graduate --Not A Man's School After All

By GEORGE FUERMANN

Not only has A. & M. had women graduates, but, believe it or not, women professors also.

According to Dr. O. M. Ball, Curator of the A. & M. Museum and former head of the Biology Department, the first regularly employed woman instructor at A. & M. was Mrs. Wanda K. Farr of Bryan. Dr. Ball employed Mrs. Farr as instructor of "fish" botany during the 1917-18 semester. Mrs. Farr's husband was also a professor in the biology department, and thereby hands the tale. When the United States entered the war, Dr. Farr was one of the first to go and it was his wife who was appointed as acting instructor to fill his vacancy. Mrs. Farr left the A. & M. faculty in 1918 and later obtained her doctor's degree. She is now associated with Boyce-Compton Institute for Plant Research at Yonkers, New York.

However, the list of A. & M. women faculty members does not end with Mrs. Farr. So many members of the Aggie faculty went to war that it became necessary to

employ several women instructors in the Department of Modern Languages. In 1918-19 Miss Yolande Renshaw was acting instructor in this department, and she was not without company. For a period of one year or less there were five others including Miss Daniels, Miss Compton, Miss Morrison, Miss Blackshear from Navasota and Miss Tiner Curtis from Henderson. The latter five mentioned women were employed at A. & M. for such a short time that their names did not appear in the college catalogue as did the names of Mrs. Farr and Miss Renshaw.

In all cases, however, the positions that these women held were refilled by men as soon as possible following the signing of the Armistice, which, incidentally, is one argument for war.

According to E. J. Howell, registrar, these are the only women who have acted as instructors at A. & M. and it is to Mrs. Farr that goes the distinction of being the first woman in the history of the college to be appointed to the A. & M. faculty.

Committee To Work On School Song Problem Appointed By Bob Adams

A committee to inspect songs submitted to Aggies for possible use by the Band was appointed recently by Senior President Bob Adams. The committee will meet with Bandmaster Richard Dunn soon to discuss songs already submitted.

To serve in the group are Adams, Cadet Colonel David Thrift, Battalion Advertising Manager Bill Smith, Battalion Editor-in-Chief R. L. Doss, Band Major Byron Wehner, Chief Yell Leader Hub Aston, J. Wayne Stark, and Senior Secretary-Treasurer Leonard Garrett.

Col. Dunn and many others have remarked on A. & M.'s need for more school songs. Most of the large collegiate institutions of the United States use a number of songs. The songs we now have, and have had for the past many years, are the "Aggie War Hymn", composed by an ex-Aggie, "Pinkie" Wilson, who wrote the words and

music while serving in the trenches of France during the World War; "The Spirit of Aggieland", composed by Bandmaster Dunn, which has been used every year since it was composed; and "There Shall Be No Regrets", also by Col. Dunn, which was used last year and the year before during football season.

In recent weeks the great amount of discussion of the Aggie school songs has awakened the interest of many song writers, who have been sending in an unprecedented number of songs suggested for our use. Included in this number, and to be considered by the committee, are the following: "Dear Old Texas"—By Dr. C. L. Stocks, D.D.S., of Gainesville, Texas, member of the House of Representatives of the Texas Legislature.

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ROTC CHECKS TO BE READY AROUND JAN. 15

Computation of pay for advanced military science students will be paid around the middle of the month, Col. Moore announced today. The checks have been sent to the co-area in Austin, Col. Moore said.

The pay for senior military science students will be \$23.00 if they have attended all classes and drills and \$27.00 for juniors if they have not missed any classes or drills. The total amount to be paid out to the advanced students will be approximately \$20,000. This amount covers a period from Sept. 15 until Dec. 31, 1938.

This year there were 485 contracts for junior students, the greatest number the military science department has ever had for students, and 365 seniors are taking advanced military science.

"Sarge" One Of Best-Liked Men At Aggieland

By A. J. ROBINSON

Most of the boys that know him call him just "Sarge", but the real name of the man in charge of the A. & M. gymnasium is James T. Carroll.

James Carroll was born in Salem, Mass., in 1877. He served in the army for thirty years from 1891 until April in 1921, when he retired as a master sergeant.

Besides having visited every state in the union, "Sarge" has had a life that was full of unusual happenings. He has made three trips to the Philippine Islands, and he has fought in five wars, the Cuban Occupation War, Mexican War, Spanish American War, Philippine Insurrection, and the World War. In 1909 he was honored by being presented with the medal of The Purple Heart for military merit in the Philippine Insurrection.

In 1923, after Sergeant Carroll had retired, Colonel Ike Ashburn, who was then commandant at A. & M., asked him to come to A. & M. to work. "Sarge" accepted and in 1923 he opened the first postoffice at A. & M. In 1924, '25, and '26 he was night sergeant on the A. & M. Campus.

Since 1927, he has been in charge of the college gym. When he is at work, you can usually find him behind the grated window in the uniform room at the gym.

C. I. A. Gals Say Davey Most Popular 1938 Gridiron Hero

Texas State College for Women, C. I. A., 2700 girls voted 152 pound Davey O'Brien, T. C. U. quarterback, the most popular football player in the Southwest Conference for the past season. O'Brien was closely seconded by the Aggies' Dick Todd.

Sammy Baugh was the first conference player to be voted in by the girls in 1936. The next year found the lasses in favor of the Aggies' twice All-America Joe Routt.

Enrollment Committee Makes Program For '39

45 Recommendations Made at Meeting For Increasing Enrollment

A program on the ways and means of increasing the student enrollment at A. & M. in order to fill the new dormitories which will be ready for the fall term was the principal topic discussed at the meeting of the Student Enrollment Committee last Friday. There were 45 recommendations drawn up by the committee, the outstanding ones being mentioned below.

The practice of sending representatives to various high schools in the state to present the advantages of A. & M. is to be continued. In this respect a special effort is to be made to get the most desirable students to contact their local high school, and send representatives to junior colleges in the state to urge them to finish their work in this college.

Stories will be run in local high school papers and home town papers about boys who are now in A. & M. and short courses of interest to the high school students. A many regular editions of *The Battalion* as possible will be sent to the libraries of high schools to create an interest in the boy of A. & M.

The committee promises to make a determined effort to keep in school all those who register and are capable of doing a college grade of work. It will also encourage more students to come here to take their pre-law and pre-med work, and prepare themselves to teach in high schools particularly such subjects as science and mathematics. The practice of sending out personal letters to the 15,000 male high school graduates in the State of Texas will be continued.

The committee recommended the Former Students Association be asked to take the lead in the making of motion picture films of activities at A. & M.; such films to be shown free of charge to local groups. Ex-students would be urged to make commencement addresses to Texas high school graduating classes, and to grant fellowships and scholarships to students.

VANITY FAIR PICTURES DUE

Editor W. D. Barton of the Longhorn has requested that all seniors turn in their candid photos for VANITY FAIR to Paul W. Anderson at 73 Law as soon as possible. The deadline for vanity fair pictures has been set as Jan. 15.

Anderson will answer any questions related to the pictures for the vanity fair section. Earl Carroll, Hollywood's beauty "picker", will choose the eight girls' pictures to be entered in this section.

BUDGETING WILL BE TAUGHT NEXT SEMESTER

As an aid to working out the answer to the question of "What is in the future?", the Accounting and Statistics Department will offer a two hour course in personal budgeting to be known as A. & S. 310 next semester which will emphasize the technique in estimating future incomes and expenses, keeping a record of actual expenditures and incomes over the given period, and then working out an analysis of the net result obtained by comparing the two records.

H. A. Dulan, who will teach the course, stated that it will not be necessary to have any previous accounting courses to take this course and work already taken in accounting will not be duplicated.

The course will through classroom explain the budget and also will acquaint the student with outside sources which he may or may not read for his further enlightenment on the subject. It also will show the students how courses offered in other departments will be beneficial to him as well as be a great aid when he graduates.

Shepardson Honored With Anniversary Day Banquet In Mess Hall Saturday

A. & M. PROF IS HONORED BY AGRONOMY SOCIETY

The staff of A. & M. and agricultural workers of the entire state have been signally honored by election of one of their number to the honorary position of "Fellow" in the American Society of Agronomy. The recipient is Dr. Ide Peebles Trotter, head of the department of Agronomy. At the annual meeting of the American Society of Agronomy in Washington, D. C., three agronomists of the United States were so honored. Others were Dr. W. Henry Pierre, professor and head of the department of agronomy, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa; Dr. Charles Julius Willard, professor of agronomy, Ohio State College, and associate in agronomy, Ohio State Agricultural Experiment Station, Columbus, Ohio.

It is believed that this is the first time that a member of the staff of a Texas institution has been thus honored by this national agronomic organization. The State of Texas has 47 members in the American Society of Agronomy, which places it among the top three or four states in point of membership and participation in the organization.

Dr. Trotter has worked in this organization for some years and during the past year served as chairman of the Crops Section of the American Society of Agronomy, responsible for organizing the program recently held in Washington. He was one of a group interested in having the organization hold some of its meetings in the South and closer to a large number of southern agronomists. This meeting culminated in the action of the Society which schedules the next meeting in New Orleans, La., in November, 1939. That will be the first time that Society has held its annual meeting in the South.

21 OUTFITS GET THEIR TELEPHONES

Twenty-one telephones have been recently installed in the dormitories, and ten more that have been ordered will be put in within the next two weeks, which will make a total of thirty-one. There are now three phones in Mitchell Hall, one in Ross, three in Milner, three in Leggett, four in Puryear, four in Law, two in Hart, and one in Foster.

Those soon to be installed include one in Bizzell, one in Walton, one in Hart, two in Mitchell, three in Law, and two in Foster. All the dormitory telephones installed up to January 3 will be listed in the new Bryan-College directory to come out next week. At least three phones will be put in this week.

These are the statistics given by M. C. Atkins, district manager of the Southwest Telephone Company, with offices in Bryan, serving that city, College Station, and this part of the state. "As far as the company is concerned," declares Mr. Atkins, "we are very

Un-American Groups Steer Clear Of Colleges, Students Report In Survey

By Student Opinion Surveys of America

AUSTIN, Jan. 10.—Communist, socialist, and fascist propaganda among college students is being felt mainly in the East Central and Middle Atlantic states. This is shown by a nation-wide poll taken by the Student Opinion Surveys of America just as the Dies committee ended its investigation of un-American activities and is making preparations for another.

The committee questioned professors of a New York college and other witnesses when it directed its

Department Head's 10 Years of Service Occasion for Dinner

Professor Charles N. Shepardson, Head of the Dairy Husbandry Department, was honored by a commemorative banquet given in the banquet room of the Mess Hall last Saturday night, on the occasion of the anniversary of his ten years of service as head of the Department.

Over 100 guests, including about seventy members and visitors of the Kream and Kow Klub holding the banquet, and more than thirty officials of A. & M. and ex-students of the college from all parts of the state, were present to pay homage to Mr. Shepardson on this occasion. In addition, telegrams congratulating and praising his highly poured in from his friends and former students scattered throughout the country.

Following the supper, notables of the college and prominent "Exes" took part in reviewing Professor Shepardson's achievements and the work of the Dairy Husbandry Department, recognized as one of the outstanding departments of this field in the United States. G. G. "Hoot" Gibson, '29, assistant dairyman on the Agricultural Extension Service staff at A. & M., presided as toastmaster, introducing the speakers.

First the numerous Exes present introduced themselves informally to the entire group, giving their name, year of graduation, and present occupation. Then Roy Davis, a graduate of the A. & M. Dairy Husbandry Department and a member of the College Board of Directors, spoke for the Dairy Husbandry students who had graduated, like himself, "B. S." (Before Shepardson). He reviewed "the good old days" when products of the College Creamery were distributed on the campus by means of an old wagon drawn by an old horse; when milk was served in the mess hall in pitchers instead of half-pint bottles; when Aggies were so tough that one, who was struck full-strength on the head with an old-fashioned meat cleaver, was not a whit disconcerted, but returned the onslaught by giving his assailant a terrific beating.

Next, James N. McPatrick, '35, now a County Agent in West Texas, gave a humorous talk as representative of the graduates of A. & M. who were students since Mr. Shepardson became head of the Department in 1929. He praised Mr. Shepardson for the great love for his work and interest in his students that he has always shown, and declared that Mr. Shepardson had never recommended for a position any student that

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WHETHER OR NOT THE PROJECT house Aggies will grow pig-tails is yet to be seen, but that their dinner pails will have a generous portion of rice is an easy estimate. For E. W. Boyett, a large Texas rice grower and a loyal supporter of A. & M. has donated a truck full of rice to the boys in the cooperative houses. The occupants of the project houses were able to obtain the rice Saturday for only the cost of hauling.

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search for propaganda to the college and university ranks of the nation. What these people have seen and heard went into the record—but what about the views of the students themselves who are now supposedly being besieged with a multitude of "isms"?

The Student Opinion Surveys of America for the first time point out what the collegians have to say in all sections of the country. Although when the results are taken nationally one student in every

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