

NO COERCION

This year, we are very happy to report, there can be no coercion of any individual in the general election. There is no possible way for anybody to know how any other person votes in the election system which has been worked out.

It will not be necessary to sign your ballot this year. A new system, worked out by The Battalion and the Manager of Student Publications and affirmed by the Student Election Committee requires only that you bring you FISCAL OFFICE RECEIPT FOR THE SECOND SEMESTER REGISTRATION to the polls.

After presenting it, you will be given a ballot and it will not ask for your name as they have in past years.

Vote for whom you want! And, on the subject of elections, remember that you are electing two highly active officials and two who serve on an important policy-forming body.

Qualifications should be the primary concern of every voter who has the interest of the school at heart.

In order to prevent any possible stuffing of boxes, The Battalion has arranged to have the ballots numbered; the ballots will be dealt out from the top. This gives an accurate check on the number of votes and the validity of all votes, for no ballots will be given to students, before they present their fiscal receipts.

It's your election, and it's your officials who are to be elected. KNOW WHAT YOU'RE VOTING FOR AND THEN VOTE.

DESIRABLE CHANGES

The decision of the Student Publications Board yesterday to publish The Battalion three times a week and to appoint all Battalion and Scientific Review managing editors itself—along with advice from the manager of publications and the incoming and outgoing editor—and to separate The Battalion newspaper from the magazine work, we believe, highly desirable changes in the organization of publications here.

For years the political wolf has yapped at The Battalion door-step and often appointments to positions have been made for political reasons rather than for reasons of ability. The appointment of these staff members by the Board will, we believe, stop most, if not all, of the political jockeying which sometimes goes on.

And as to the separation of the newspaper and the magazine we must say that in our opinion the two should never have been conducted by the same staff and the same editor. Certainly they should not be handled together now because of the lack of making effective staff organization with both publications in mind.

With The Battalion issued three times a week next year—Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday—we feel that more news, hotter news, and more timely features will be used in the paper.

We would like to express the opinion that there are few faculty members here or anywhere else who are as interested in development in any student activities field as are the faculty members of the Student Publication Board in developing publications—Dean F. C. Bolton, Col. Ike Asburn, Prof. George Wilcox, and the Manager of Student Publications, E. L. Angell.

A NEW DEAL

As we get ourselves educated, we take the full measure of the swing to new ideas.

Recent trends in education have pointed to specialization . . . we have a tendency to slip past that, however, and go on to over-specialization.

At Harvard University, some of the professors got their heads together and brought out a scheme to balance the educational diet of the collegians . . . sans goldfish.

The Harvard scheme included a wider selection of subjects in an allied field and the establishment of new fields in natural science, social science and humanities.

Several years ago, a method of departmental concentration was introduced to off-set the evils of a free-elective system. Now the problem the Harvard gentlemen seek to solve is: How to off-set the evils of departmental concentration which tend toward over-specialization.

They do not propose to return to free-elective system. They suggest a system of study patterns

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- 1. humanities,
2. expression and the arts,
3. classical tradition,
4. ethical values and the western culture and
5. European thought as reflected in literature.

While Harvard seeks to break down the departmental barriers, the University of Virginia has started a movement to stimulate the use of the library. They maintain that supplementary reading is the gateway to culture.

The University of Washington has started a Reader's Advisory Service . . . with a greater number of books being used for the library.

Looks like a new deal in the offing for Joe College.

-BAYLOR LARIAT

At the next class meeting he announced there would be no further cause for complaint—and then proceeded to take up a collection to pay for an alarm clock.

At the following class session he appeared with the clock, and this announcement: "It cost me \$1.29, which was 15 cents more than I took in. But it'll be worth it if there are no more complaints."

THE STUDENT FORUM

TO THE BATTALION:

Numerous articles have appeared in The Battalion regarding traffic rules and regulations. Many people do not realize the hazard caused by automobiles. Each year, according to statistics, thousands of people are run over, many killed and others permanently injured.

One of the worst hazards around the college is the narrow road from the campus to College Park. About noon each day people drive their cars recklessly, causing Aggies to walk in the ditch or risk their lives by walking on the edge of the road. It is true the AAA workers are very busy; however, their limit of time is not enough to risk the life of an Aggie for.

Something should be and has been done about the situation. Not long ago Sergeant Mac directed all AAA traffic to go the old highway to Bryan. This seems to be effective and is one of the most beneficial traffic laws enforced on the campus.

It is the wish of the students that it be continued and that other traffic laws be observed more closely by drivers while on the A. & M. campus.

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If you are a student of Springfield College, Springfield, Mass., and want to get married, you must prove your financial ability to provide for your new family and pay your college bills.

At least that is the result of the edict just passed by Springfield's dean, Albert Z. Mann. The notice reads: "Any undergraduate student contemplating marriage during his residence study at Springfield College must file in writing with the Dean a statement of such intentions before the date of his marriage and with it a financial statement, giving assurance of solvency with respect to all of his College and residential expenses for the current College year. "In case of violation of this regulation, the student will be asked to show cause immediately to the Discipline Committee why he should not be dismissed from College."

On National Affairs

BY DR. R. P. LUDLUM

At a time when the Wagner Act is under discussion, with a view of amending it, it is good to consider whether it is loaded in favor of labor, as it is often said to be. The Act protects labor only in two rights: the right to organize, and the right to bargain collectively. It favors labor in that it considers the employer's powers to be overwhelmingly greater than labor's, and the Act tries to even the balance by assuring labor these two rights. And consider this statement by the chairman of the National Labor Relations Board, telling how the employee would be treated, if the treatment given him were actually the same as that given the employer.

"If Picket, a union man on strike, violated the law, the employer would file a charge in our regional office, perhaps some hundred miles away. Our office would write a letter or telephone politely to Picket and ask him for his side of the story. An investigator would go out as soon as convenient and attempt to ascertain the true facts. If the investigation indicated that the employer's charge against picket was apparently well founded and if Picket indicated that he was unwilling to bring himself into compliance with the law, a formal complaint would be issued against Picket, giving him not less than five days' notice that a hearing would be held before a Trial Examiner to be sent from Washington. The hearing would proceed and in due time the Trial Examiner would make an intermediate report. If he thought Picket had violated the law, he would recommend that Picket 'cease and desist' from further violations, and post a notice that he would sin no more. If Picket followed this recommendation, that would be the end of the proceeding. If, however, Picket was recalcitrant; the entire record of the hearing would be forwarded to the Board in Washington, which, after studying it, might make an order similar to the Trial Examiner's recommendation. This order would be served upon Picket with a request that he inform the Board within a specified reasonable time what steps he had taken to comply with the Board's order. If Picket, expressly or by silence gave the Board to understand that he didn't intend to comply with the Board's order at all, then the Board would file a petition in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, and have the record printed, and file briefs and make oral arguments when the Picket case had its turn on the docket. The three judges of that court would deliberate, and if they concluded that the Board's order was supported by evidence and well founded in law, they would enter a decree that Picket should comply with the Board's order. Then, after all these months, Picket would for the first time face the alternative of obeying the law or going to jail."

COLLEGIATE REVIEW

Verlin Evans, Baylor University freshman from Van, Texas, considers himself a very lucky chap these days. But his good fortune came only after a great scare.

Evans was having financial difficulty, and at the end of the winter term left school hoping to find better fortune at home. Being in such straits he started hitch-hiking.

For some unexplainable reason he refused to ride in the first automobile that stopped for him. Another stopped after a few minutes and he got in. The driver was friendly and soon the conversation drifted around to the student's financial troubles.

They traveled on for several miles, and the driver stopped the car. Evans was frightened and thought of robbery. Instead however, the driver reached into his own pocket, pulled out three \$20 bills, slipped them into Evans' hand and told him to return to school.

This helped a lot, but it paid for tuition only. He needed more to pay for his room and board. Another friendly driver picked him up on his return to Waco and Evans delightedly told him of his previous good fortune.

Now, back at Baylor, Verlin Evans has enough work, promised him by the second driver, to pay his room and board.

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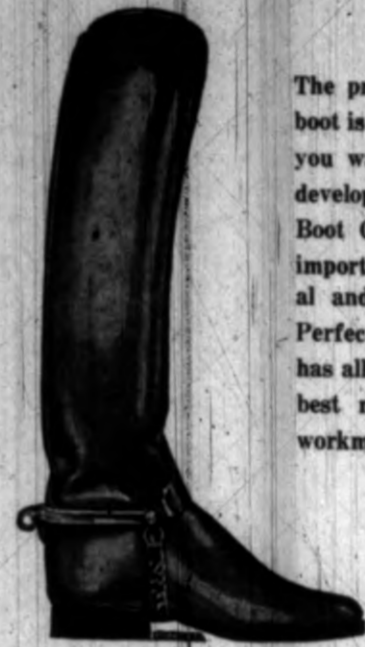
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New Records

Johnny Mercer wrote the lyrics to the Walter Donaldson tune "Cuckoo in the Clock." This may explain to a certain extent, the most attractive presentation he effects while singing with the Goodman band. However, the Mercer

voice and the Mercer singing technique need no explanations for their unusual brand of charm. Benny and Johnny "sell" this number in a manner that can not fail to make a hit with the record buying public. "Cuckoo in the Clock" has every earmark of an outstanding popular number. Coupled with "A Home in the Clouds," it makes 26175 a record on which to bank.

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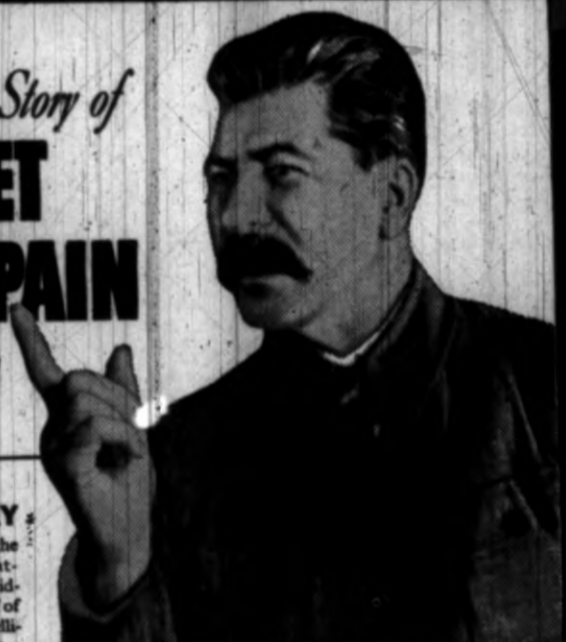
FOR THE FIRST TIME! The Amazing Story of STALIN'S SECRET OPERATIONS IN SPAIN

A revealing document by the only general to escape the Red Army purge

Russia was in Spain—deeper than anyone knew. Why did Stalin intervene? How? Who were his secret agents? What did Stalin get out of it? In the Post this week, General W. G. Krivitsky, former head of Stalin's secret service in Europe, unmasks the major mystery of the Spanish war, reveals a reign of terror never before suspected. First of several articles.

Stalin's Hand in Spain

The Author W. G. KRIVITSKY. This former general in the Red Army, after two attempts on his life, is now hiding in the U. S. As Chief of the Soviet Military Intelligence in Western Europe, he was on the inside of every major international step taken by the Kremlin. He is the only man now alive and free to tell this story.



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Mr. Burroughs was trapped. How could he match the colorful war record of the man next door, a hero to all the boys in the neighborhood? In an off-guard moment, Mr. B admitted a few little war experiences himself. He didn't realize he was lighting a fuse he couldn't let go of!... An amusing story for all well-meaning prevaricators.

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He's baseball's most successful manager—and he never played in a big-league game! This week's Post tells you about the man who keeps the Yankees on top; how he won pennants in both leagues, three world series in a row—one of them with an "invalid" pitcher; and why they think he hatches his craftiest ideas when he's asleep!

Busher Joe McCarthy by JOE WILLIAMS



Mr Whalen whips up a World's Fair

Here's the story of how Grover Whalen sold businessmen and statesmen on his Flushing Meadows empire. Turn to Money Makes the Fair Go.

by FORREST DAVIS

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