

TO THE SENIORS IN HIGH SCHOOLS

This issue of The Battalion is dedicated to two groups—the seniors in Texas high schools and the parents of boys now attending A. & M.

To the seniors in high school we will state frankly why we dedicate this issue to them—we hope they'll come to A. & M.

We hope so for very good reasons, we believe. A. & M. is the only men's senior college in Texas.

It is the largest military college in the world. It has the largest Agriculture School in the world.

It has the second largest Veterinary School in the United States.

It has the second largest Engineering School in the United States—with 17 students less than the largest.

It has the reputation of being a school which builds men capable of doing their work well after graduation.

It has traditions which make life here interesting during school years and worth remembering forever.

It has a "school spirit" which is renowned. It has the most famous yelling section in the Southwest.

It is utterly democratic except for the distinction in classes which all colleges have.

It offers a list of student activities—run by students alone in most cases—which would be hard to equal anywhere.

It has an intramural sports department which is second to none.

It has athletic teams which the students are proud of whether they win or lose.

It will have by next year more dormitories than any other college in the Southwest, capable of handling every prospective student.

It has a mess hall system which is remarkable in its efficiency and economy.

We could extend the list for columns without stepping outside the bounds of truth.

For these reasons, we think the fact that we would like to have high school seniors come here next year is pretty soundly based.

We hope the 10,000 seniors who receive this issue will enjoy learning about what we consider Texas' greatest educational institution—Texas A. & M.

WELCOME, PARENTS

A. & M. extends a hearty and sincere welcome to the parents of her students for this weekend. Tomorrow Engineers' Day and Sunday a Parents' Day program will offer them excellent opportunities to see the educational side of the school which their sons are attending.

This special issue of The Battalion will, we hope, enable them to understand the traditions, the spirit, the history which surround A. & M.

Sunday will be observed everywhere else as Mothers' Day; here it is designated Parents' Day, not to detract from the debts we owe our mothers, but to observe at the same time, a period of honor for our fathers. It seems altogether fitting that in any large group of sons this procedure be followed.

You will find on the A. & M. campus the most democratic group of students in Texas, all of them glad to have you here and more than happy to be of any assistance they can.

We sincerely hope and believe that you, too, will get a touch of the "Aggie spirit" before you leave A. & M.

BRITAIN'S BONER

In an appeal for world peace as moving as any we have heard in many a day, the Duke of Windsor addressed an international radio audience from Verdun, one of France's bloodiest battlefields.

It was a memorable speech for more reasons than one. The former king spoke with that touching eloquence always so effective when the sentiment so obviously comes from the heart.

"I appeal to all political leaders," he said, "in the name of the living whose happiness is in their hands." Speaking as "a simple soldier," and for himself alone, he warned that in the next war "there will be no victory for the victor. Victory will lie only with the forces of evil."

He made no pretense at statesmanship. But as an observer, he said he was profoundly convinced "that there is no land whose people want war." And that is as true of Germany, he went on, as of Britain, America and France. Hence, he urged, a way to peace should be actively sought.

Yes, it was a memorable speech. And it was one of which doubtless more will be heard. For not the least remarkable, not to say astounding, thing about it was the fact that its broadcast was banned in Great Britain and Canada.

The London Daily Express explained that inasmuch as "the king is on his way to America," any word to the United States should be spoken by him. In "court circles" it was suggested that the duke had "pulled another boner."

That somebody "pulled a boner" there can be no doubt, but it was not the Duke of Windsor. Adept at diplomatic hair-splitting may see a slight infringement upon the royal prerogative, but if was so slight that even the most pronounced stickler for the protocol might well have passed it up with a privately expressed grumble. What amounts to an official muzzle on Windsor gives the controlled press of Germany, Italy and Soviet Russia an opportunity to jibe at one of the great democracies for refusing to allow its former ruler to broadcast a simple appeal for peace.

As usual, however, the ban only served to advertise the speech. Safe to say, many a Briton who might otherwise have missed it will make it a point at least to read what his former king said.

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On National Affairs

The Cockeyed World
BY DR. R. P. LUDLUM

The world always seems cockeyed in Spring. Upon this somnolent May afternoon, though, as a couple of fugitive thoughts chase each other through my mind, I wonder whether there isn't something deeper than mere Spring fever the matter with the world this time.

Listen to these comments by Walter Lippman: "It may, perhaps, help us to get our bearings if we fix our attention on the truly extraordinary fact that among the great nations of the world the United States is now the only one left which is not mobilized for war. As a result, the United States is the only great nation left which has a problem of unemployment. All the others have reached or are approaching the problems of a scarcity of labor. The United States is the only great nation left with the problem of how to dispose of surplus production. All the others are confronted with the problem of procuring indispensable supplies. The United States is the only great nation left which is wondering how to enable and how to induce the masses to increase consumption. All the others are taking measures to reduce the popular consumption of goods. The United States is the only great nation left which has more capital than it now knows how to use.

"In the rest of the world where the great nations are either at war or in a state of increasing mobilization for war, the production of illimitable armaments is the one and only national business. . . . This production employs . . . all available labor and plants and raw materials and liquid capital. It could employ much more. So the hours of work are lengthened, the tempo of work is accelerated, the luxury trades are discouraged, accumulated capital at home and abroad is borrowed or confiscated by the government."

It appears, then, that the world is cockeyed enough that nations must either suffer the problems that vex the United States, or solve them by preparations for war. A fine showing for "progress" since the days of the cave man!

Just to make certain nobody shall consider the world anything but cockeyed, consider the activities of our premiere strip danseuse, Miss Gypsy Rose Lee. Customarily, the talents of strip-tease dancers are not considered to be of particular service toward the solution of pressing world problems. Yet Miss Lee now appears as chairman of (ironically) the Clothing Division of the Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign.

Surely I should be the last to repel Miss Lee from joining the ranks of the progressives. But when a strip-tease artist develops a social conscience, I think no other proof is needed that this is a cockeyed world.



Goings On

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 12—Entomology Club Benefit Show, Assembly Hall, 7 p. m.

May 12—Senior Ring Dance, Mess Hall, 9 p. m. until 1 a. m.

May 13—Corps Dance, Mess Hall, 9 p. m. to midnight.

May 15—A. & M. vs. Texas University, Baseball, Kyle Field.

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May 19—Biology Club Educational picture show, Assembly Hall 6:45 p. m.

May 21—Reserve Officers' Association Senior Luncheon, 12 noon Mess Hall.

New Records

"Little Skipper" played by Tommy Dorsey gives a mellow recording of a pleasing melody and sentimental lyrics featuring Jack Leonard as the vocalist. "Got No Time", also played by Tommy Dorsey and his orchestra, gives medium swing with the get-off work from Tommy. Tdythe Wright vocalizes in this attractive rhythm tune.

"Y' Had It Comin' to You" enables Bunny Berigan and his orchestra to swing with a will. Bunny Berigan's great trumpet turns out a sweet rendition with Kathleen Kane singing the vocal refrain. The recording of "Deep Purple" with Artie Shaw and his Orchestra hardly needs no description as the number is known throughout the land.

"East Side of Heaven" and "That Sly Old Gentleman From Featherbed Lane" are brought in by Sammy Kaye's Swing and Sway at a medium sweet tempo and features Jimmy Brown as vocalist.

"I Never Knew Heaven Could be a bass clarinet.

DEFICIT

Yesterday while the House was railroading through the largest Navy appropriation in peacetime history (\$770,000,000), the Senate was approving items in the largest Agriculture Department appropriation of all time (\$1,216,000,000).

Both supply bills are in excess of the President's budget, which calls for an over-all deficit of \$3,300,000,000.

And in the words of Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau, a "\$3,300,000,000 deficit is plenty."

Meanwhile, Congress—many of whose members are criticizing the President for extravagance while voting to hike the ante—is doing nothing toward raising more revenue.

More than \$2,000,000,000 in sales and nuisance excises and corporation income taxes are due to expire this year. The passage of a tax bill by this Congress, therefore, is unavoidable. Yet no step has been taken. No tax hearings have been held. None has been scheduled. Congressional leaders apparently are waiting for the Administration to tell them what to do; the Administration appears to be waiting for Congress to take the initiative. And every day, of delay increases the likelihood that in the end Congress will merely re-enact the expiring taxes.

Over the last year there have been several nonpartisan, studies by independent tax experts. All of these studies have pointed to the same conclusion: that the present tax structure is holding back business enterprise and business recovery, and that a simplification of tax laws would stimulate a greater business volume, and thereby produce more revenue.

If Congress could take time off from voting larger appropriations, and examine these studies, we might get somewhere toward business recovery and fiscal solvency.

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SUMMER SESSION AT A. & M. IS DESIGNED TO CARE FOR ALL TYPES

The Summer Session of A. & M., under the direction of Dr. C. H. Winkler, offers work in practically all the different fields of learning included in the regular college year. The general purpose is to extend the activities of the resident teaching division of the College throughout the entire calendar year. Men and women are admitted to summer session courses.

The first term of summer school will begin on Tuesday, June 6, with registration from 8 until 12 noon. Classes start that afternoon at 1 p. m. Friday, June 9, is the last day for registration for credit during the first term. Final exams take place on July 14-15.

The second term begins with registration on Monday, July 17. Finals will be on Friday and Saturday, August 25-26.

In addition to the six and twelve weeks courses of the College division and the Graduate School, the summer session provides a number of short unit courses extending over a period of two or three weeks to meet the needs of adults who cannot leave their jobs for a longer period of time. Field and tour courses are available to advanced students in Agriculture, Geology and Engineering branches.

Besides the regular College Division of summer school, the administration offers a number of short courses, including the Summer Cotton School, the Texas School Administration Conference, the Conference of County and Rural School Supervisors, the Farmers' Short Course, the Firemen's Training School, the Short Course for Oil Mill Operators and the Annual Coaching School.

Courses will be offered subject to the same general admission requirements in the summer school session as in the regular session, but there are no specific academic requirements for admission to the general Short Courses and the Summer Cotton School.

Summer Session students are provided with the best room accommodations in the College dormitories. Walton Hall will be used by women students and married students. Fourteen two-story cottages designed especially for "project groups" will be available for the summer session students. These houses are of eight rooms with thirty-two beds and are very suitable for groups who may desire to live together on a cooperative plan.

As in previous summers the College will provide a variety of interesting lectures and entertainment at no extra cost to the students. In addition to these special lectures, students are invited to participate in the "forums," the sessions of the general short courses, and educational conferences. Speakers of national prominence in the fields of education, rural life, and farm economics appear on the programs of these special groups.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology sailors are this year sponsoring the annual intercollegiate dinghy regatta.

Social life on the Syracuse University campus has doubled in the last five years.

The new national defense program will result in a 50 per cent increase in B. O. T. C. enrollment, Harvard officials predict.

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