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Well, Seniors?

WHAT'S THE MATTER with the graduating seniors?

That's a fair question. If a man didn't stop to pick up a \$5 bill because he was too lazy, you'd probably suggest that he change his brand of breakfast food.

It's a matter of being a winner or a loser—pure and simple. It's a take-your-choice proposition, too, and all it takes is a little effort.

The A. & M. Placement Bureau, a division of the Association of Former Students, asks the graduating seniors each year to turn in as early as possible their personal data for the personnel leaflets sent to employers throughout the nation.

Last year more than three-fourths of the graduating seniors obtained these personnel leaflets and last year was the Placement Bureau's first year of existence. Since that time, more than a hundred members of the class of '40 have commented on the fact that their personnel leaflets were valuable assets in obtaining jobs.

Thus far this year, however, only a few seniors have turned in the data necessary. Many seniors have advanced a reason for failing to turn in the necessary data. To wit: Current world conditions will cause all seniors who have advanced military science contracts to be called into the regular army immediately following graduation. This may or may not be true, but one thing is evident, and that is that following the termination of the present European conflict, seniors will still need jobs even if they are called for active duty now.

Seniors alone stand to benefit from turning in this data and from obtaining these personnel leaflets. Employers throughout the nation have commented on their value in outlining the job-qualifications of a prospective employee.

The Battalion urges every graduating senior to think ahead and to cooperate with himself by turning in this personal data.

You win - or you lose - according to what you do in this respect. Think it over, seniors, and remember that the time will come for most of you when you will need a job. It'll be a lot easier to turn to the Placement Bureau and say, "You have all of the information concerning me on my personal data leaflet."

It may amount to the difference of getting a job - or not getting a job!

Greece

CAN THE BATTLING GREEKS, seemingly repulsing the Fascist "invaders" at every point, possibly keep their standard aloft in the weeks to come? America's youth, as reflected in the collegiate press, is watching the Greek-Italian conflict closely. And undergraduate editorialists are voicing quiet hope and many words of caution in their discussions.

"The effect of the Greek resistance on the morale of both the democracies and the totalitarian countries will probably be inestimable," says the Wisconsin Daily Cardinal. "It will certainly hearten the British and the 'Free Frenchmen' as well as the subversive groups within the boundaries of Germany and Italy. It means a tremendous loss of prestige to Italy and to Mussolini, who apparently thought he could march down the Peloponnese with no more trouble than he encountered in Albania. To the German people it demonstrates that the might of the bully nations isn't invincible. The Achaeans of 1940—the lineal descendants of the defenders of Thermopylae, of Marathon, of Salamis, may once again save the West for civilizations."

At Syracuse, the Daily Orange declares that "with Britain's recent material administration of extended aid to struggling Greece, the world wonders no longer about the validity of John Bull's promise of assistance to the staunch Balkan country's resistance to the yet unproved legions of Mussolini. With the failure of the Fascist military machine to crush the comparatively weak Greek forces, it is no wonder that the latter country is being termed the 'Finland of the Balkans.' Eventually the Italians will probably subdue the Greeks, but the surprising opposition that they are encountered has amazed the world."

That the expected Greek collapse isn't likely to materialize, at least for the present is the belief of the Cornell Daily Sun. "Like the Finns, who last winter gave Russia a tussle, the Greeks are trading blow for blow with their Fascist invaders, and giving a good account of themselves," observes the Sun. "Still, we have learned not to expect too much from these little countries when pitted against the Axis blitzkrieg machine. Even allowing that the Greeks are fighting the weaker part of the 'World Wreckers, Inc.', still Adolph looms in the background, and if things get bad for his bully comrade, he will no doubt plunge in to make sure the fight is fair."

Readers of The Dartmouth are cautioned against

the "too rosy" outlook. "We're glad to hear from Athens," says the Dartmouth, "that the Italians appear to be driven back into Albania. We're glad to read of the exploits of the picturesque Greek evzones. But we don't like this talk about the 'Greeks driving the macaroni-men back into the sea with cold steel.' We don't like this talk about the 'Albanians rising in mass revolt, severing the Italian lines of communication.' We don't like this talk about the Italian soldiers turning their guns on their officers after they lose a few more divisions." We don't like it because we don't like wishful thinking. And we call this wishful thinking because it ignores the minuteness of Greece's army, the obsolence of her navy; because it ignores the enormous odds against Greece, including 70 German divisions ready to strike somewhere in the Balkans. —But we do hope the Greeks do the impossible."

—Associated Collegiate Press

Something To Read

BY DR. T. F. MAYO

THE EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMISSION states that an education should fit you for Self-Realization, Human Relationship, Economic Efficiency, and Civic Responsibility.

A few Aggies may like to ask themselves if their education is moving them satisfactorily toward the following which are only a few of those objectives listed by the commission in their report "The Purpose of Education in American Democracy".

The Objectives of Self-Realization

The Inquiring Mind: The educated person has an appetite for learning.

Speech: He can speak clearly.

Reading: He reads efficiently.

Writing: He writes efficiently.

The Objectives of Human Relationship

Respect for Humanity: The educated person puts human relationships first.

Friendships: He enjoys a rich, sincere, and varied social life.

Cooperation: He can work and play with others.

Courtesy: He observes the amenities of social behavior.

The Objectives of Economic Efficiency

Work: The educated producer knows the satisfaction of good workmanship.

Occupational Choice: He has selected his occupation.

Occupational Efficiency: He succeeds in his chosen vocation.

The Objectives of Civic Responsibility

Social Justice: The educated citizen is sensitive to the disparities of human circumstance.

Social Activity: He acts to correct unsatisfactory conditions.

As the World Turns...

BY "COUNT" V. K. SUGAREFF

THE LOGAN-WATER Bill, which aims to curb the extensive powers of the various Federal administrative boards and commissions, has passed both houses and now awaits the president's signature to become a law. President Roosevelt has announced that he will veto the bill. This bill requires that: (1) the various boards make known the rules under which they operate; (2) each have an appeal board of its own to review the decisions of the administrators; and (3) the federal courts be allowed to review the rules of procedure and the decisions rendered. That these Federal administrative agencies are exercising some judicial, executive, and administrative powers admits of no argument. Since Congress allows these agencies a good deal of leeway, it is natural to suppose that under special circumstances they would render their decisions according to the spirit of the law rather than the letter. The Bill was backed by the American Bar Association. It indicates that American lawyers are not yet willing to admit that an administrative code of law is growing in the U. S., which we would do well to recognize and create administrative courts like those in continental Europe.

The United States is again assuming the role of a world banker. So far our government has loaned one hundred eighty million dollars to China. The last loan of a hundred million dollars is to be spent on the half and half basis — half for military supplies and half to keep the Chinese currency stabilized. An Argentine commission in Washington wants a million dollars. Half this amount has already been allotted to Argentina for the stabilization of her currency. Twenty million dollars was advanced to Brazil recently to build steel mills, with the aid of the United States Steel Corporation. Spain is knocking at our door for a hundred million dollar loan to buy food. If this loan should be advanced to Spain, it would surely be with the understanding that she remain neutral in the present European war. The last and probably the most important country to seek a loan from us is England. There is strong opposition in this country, both in and out of congress, to our lending money to England. The administration may find it a hard task to repeal the Neutrality Act and the Johnson Act, which bars loans to countries that have defaulted on previous loans. Still, there is equally strong sentiment in favor of making loans to England. Many are saying, "A defeat for England means defeat for us." Moreover, a defeat for England would involve many more billions for preparedness than we now plan. If it should become an urgent necessity, we can make loans to England through the Export-Import Bank or indirectly through Canada.

National Defense Progress. Reports are filtering out from Washington that President Roosevelt is considering the reorganization of the national defense commission with a chairman as its head. The president hopes, however, to keep the responsibility of important decisions at the White House. The national defense commission is being urged to work out a plan for compulsory arbitration of labor disputes. Strikes in the defense industries would meet with public disapproval.

Irony, But True
History books have occasionally

BACKWASH

By George Fuermann

"Backwash: An agitation resulting from some action or occurrence."—Webster.



Fuermann

Touch and Go . . . Tilford Morgan and Lamont Mill are telling about the near-philanthropist in Denton who wants to start a travel bureau—Denton to College Station only—and charge cadets \$2.25 for the trip if as many as two are available . . . Unique in the news: A fact revealed by the officials of the Registrar's Office which shows that many A. & M. enrollees, who were born during or shortly after World War I, have given names of Woodrow Wilson . . . Ben S. Ferguson, owner of the Campus Theater, is hooked with an alligator. "Any cadet wanting the thing can have him by merely asking. I'm anxious to get rid of the animal," Ben said. It's no ordinary 'gator, either. The animal recently appeared on a broadcast from Shreveport's station KWKH . . . One A. & M. organization which is tremendously unpublicized in proportion to the great work it is doing is the glee club, the self-styled Singing Cadets. Presided by Charles W. Zahn and expertly directed by Professor Joe Woolket, the outstanding choral organization has appeared in nine important performances thus far this year. The excellent work of this organization, which is improving each year, can hardly be exaggerated. The corps will have another opportunity to hear the Singing Cadets the night that the annual Christmas banquet is served in the mess halls at which time they will sing carols via the public address system . . . One of the movies showing recently at a local theater panicked the audience when the heroine explained that she made a Texas-to-New York trip by going from Abilene to Waco and thence to New York.

been dull—but no longer. All of the old alliances we have read about have almost been dull to a high degree (i. e., Holy, Holy Roman, Triple and Quadruple, not to mention the Dionne Quintuplets, etc.). But, proving that even the dirtiest old shoe has its good side (A. Hitler is the exception), there is at least one good thing coming from the current European conflict.

By the time this thing is all over there'll be some neat alliances made, the same which will be a lot more colorful than the old stand-bys. Your grandson will read about such ententes as the Greece-Siam Pact, the Uruguay-Danish Alliance, the Alaska-Tahiti Treaty, and the Little America-Belgian Congo Disarmament Pact. More than that, history majors a few years hence will be able to write term theses on such subjects as "The Influence of the Siberians on the Democratic Principles of Germany and the Gold Coast." Alack—born a hundred years too soon!

THE OCTOBER ISSUE OF

"The Horse", a national magazine for horse breeders, featured an article by R. M. Denhardt, assistant professor in the Agricultural Economics department. The article which was entitled "California Caballeros" described some social affairs in California in which horses were featured.

Eugene O'Neill flunked English when he attended Princeton.

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