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a student is doing even if it is just a question as to what he may be doing gives him a feeling his efforts are appreciated by others than himself which most assuredly go a long way.

What would give a student more encouragement than the fact that the dean of the school has enough interest to maybe just glance at his work for a second or more. A pat on the back will certainly go a long way for a student and wouldn't harm you even if it is just a student, Mr. Dean. G. W. Goetter, '40

Quotable Quotes

"We no longer speak a common language as we no longer have a common intellectual background. Putting it another way, our modern education suffers from intellectual malnutrition. The scientists have been the greatest specialists, and . . . there is probably no other group quite so narrow in its interests. Our system is out of balance, and if we would restore it to equilibrium we must give more attention to the social and the human problems which we face." President John W. Nason of Swarthmore college calls for corrective measures in the educational system.

FRANK LOVING PRESENTS:

I Heard the Preacher Say

AT THE RISK of repeating myself, I would like to rehash a few ideas which I have mentioned before in this column and which I believe will bear closer scrutiny on our part. There are a great many things which we can criticize in various phases through which our religions manifest themselves. One preacher said that the "church is the only conscience offering continuous constructive criticism of the affairs of men," but one thing I could never quite see was why the various branches of that church could never agree as to just what was wrong and what right. Truth is an absolute thing. Regardless of what church we go to (or stay away from) right and wrong are constant quantities. If it be wrong to do a thing, it is equally wrong whether one is Methodist, Baptist or what-not. Why then can our ministers and churches not agree on not only fundamentals but even big issues. One church condemns dancing and another gives dances; one church condemns drinking and the head of another gives bottles of wine to his friends at Christmas. It is no wonder that a lot of people throw up their hands in disgust over the whole thing.

In spite of these arguments and differences of opinion, however there are some things on which they do agree. They agree on the philosophies and teachings of an immortal man; they agree on fundamental rules of right living to guide the human race toward a more peaceful, happier lifetime together . . . and above all they agree on an attitude toward one's fellow man of love and fair dealing—a respect for his rights—sympathy and kindness for his troubles. These are the important things in the final analysis. To quibble and fight over other matters of little importance is to defeat one's own purpose, and we find ourselves thrashing around on the fringes of the thing and missing the heart of the whole matter. These other issues are sometimes of importance no doubt; they may even be urgent, but do not ignore or neglect things of lasting value by drowning them in a sea of details. Maintain your perspective and sense of values no matter how heated the argument around you wax.

As the World Turns...

By DR. AL B. NELSON

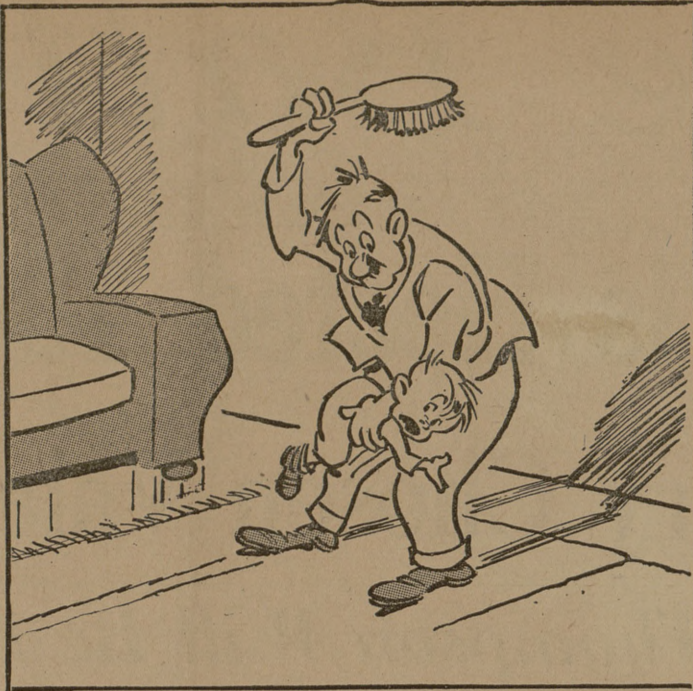
THE BRITISH BATTLESHIP MALAYA, one of the newest and most powerful in the world is being, or has just been repaired at the Brooklyn Navy Yard in New York harbor. A big hole had been blown in the side of the great warship by a torpedo while she was on convoy duty in the Atlantic. Some U. S. newspapers were given a severe reprimand by the President for publishing the account of the arrival of the Malaya on the ground that they were giving information to the Germans. This was extremely laughable since members of the German consulate were in the crown watching the arrival of the ship and knew all about it before the news account was published. If it is desired that military and naval secrets should be kept the German officials should be sent out of the country immediately.

The U. S. Battleship North Carolina was commissioned a few days ago. This is the first U. S. capital ship to be built in twenty years and is claimed to be the most powerful fighting unit afloat. A sister ship to the North Carolina is scheduled to be commissioned by mid-summer.

The Japanese and Russian non-aggression treaty which has just been concluded is expected to give the Japanese a free hand in the south Pacific and the Philippines, the Dutch East Indies, or the British base at Singapore may be attacked by the Japanese at any moment. When war does come the gasoline, oil, steel, and other essential supplies which we have been selling them will certainly be used against us. Also the money paid to the Japanese by the American women for silk stockings is one of the principal means of financing the Japanese military program.

The large firms in the steel industry which were forced by the government mediators to raise the pay of the C.I.O. strikers in order to get them back to work on defense orders are now being forbidden to raise their prices enough to pay the increased wages.

Yale university has set up a plan of group insurance for students which provides reimbursement of medical and hospital bills up to \$500 for any one accident each year.



"Look, Dad! Can't we settle this by arbitration?"

Examinations Announced For Civil Service Jobs

Civil service examinations for several positions were announced by the United States Civil Service Commission today. Applications will be accepted at the Commission's Washington office not later than the closing dates specified. The salaries are subject to a 3 1/2 percent retirement deduction. Expediter, marine propelling and outfitting equipment, \$3,200 a year, United States Maritime Commission. Four years of experience in a factory or shipyard manufacturing marine propelling or outfitting equipment are required. Appropriate college study or practical mechanical experience may be used to fill this requirement. The maximum age limit is sixty-five years. Applications will be rated until further notice.

Head soil scientist, \$6,500 a year, Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture. The minimum requirements include completion of a 4-year college course and 8 years of successful and progressive experience in soils research. The closing date is April 24, 1941.

Junior engineering draftsman, \$1,440 a year. Applicants may qualify in various branches of drafting. In addition to completing 14 units of high school study, applicants must have completed one year's experience or education in drafting. The closing date is April 24, 1941.

Bookbinder (hand), Government Printing Office, \$1.20 an hour and Bureau of Engraving and Printing, \$10.08 a day; bookbinder (Machine operations), Government Printing Office, \$1.26 an hour. Appointments will be made in Washington, D. C. only. Completion of an appropriate apprenticeship or equivalent experience and one year of experience as journeyman bookbinder are required. The closing date is April 24, 1941.

Full information as to the requirements for these examinations, and application forms, may be obtained from College Station, Texas and Bryan, Texas Secretary of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, at the post office or customhouse in those cities, or from the Secretary of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, at any first- or second-class post office.

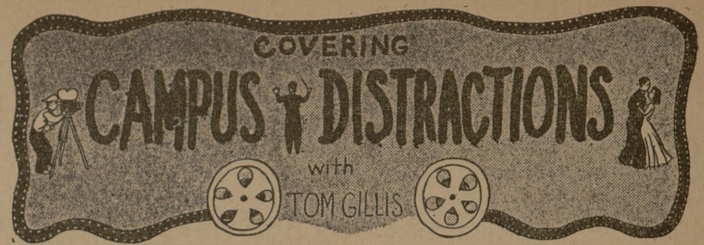
The United States Maritime Commission has announced an ex-

Gay Will Inspect Collegiate YMCA's

Gordon Gay, associate secretary of the local YMCA, left Friday, May 18, on a two-week tour of Texas and Oklahoma colleges to study plans and conditions of other YMCA chapters in this vicinity.

Gay stated that in the absence

of a traveling officer for this specific purpose, associate secretaries of YMCA organizations make similar tours in an endeavor to become better acquainted with, and instruct when possible, other chapters of this organization. Gay will attend the North Texas Cabinet Training Conference to be held at SMU beginning Friday and continuing through Sunday. Other colleges he expects to visit are: Austin college at Sherman, Southwestern State college at Durant, Oklahoma, Texas Wesleyan college at Fort Worth, Hardin Junior college at Wichita Falls, Daniel Baker college at Brownwood, Trinity University at Waxahachie and Stephen F. Austin college at Nacogdoches.



Two Academy Award winning picture shows are playing at the college this week-end and there's no going wrong seeing either of them. Both took top honors in this year's "KITTY FOYLE" and last year's "GONE WITH THE WIND."

"Kitty Foyle" is at the Assembly Hall Saturday night with Ginger Rogers and Dennis Morgan. It is the realistic and human story of a poor working girl in the big city of New York. She as secretary falls for her definitely upper-crust boss, Morgan, and they actually marry, but Morgan's family gives the "girl from the other side of the tracks" the cold shoulder. Ginger breaks the marriage because of their attitude and walks out of his life. She has a baby and meets a young doctor. The doc and Morgan return to propose at the same time, and by now Morgan has another wife that wont divorce him. This brings up a delicate moral decision.

James Craig, who is the young doctor, is a "dooop" of the first water. One of the best scenes of the show is when he comes to Ginger's apartment for their first date. The show contains pathos and down-to-earth humanness that is plenty good. And Dennis Morgan has a wicked grin that would interest any woman.

Almost everything has been said about "Gone With The Wind" that could possibly be said, and nothing added here would make a bit of difference to anybody. It is colorful and superb, but it leaves you wondering. It goes through

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Dancing on a Terrace



... It sounds too good to be true. Dance under the stars and be cool.

... After the dances, the best place to grab a snack is where your friends are.

FRANKLIN'S 1 Mile West on Airport Rd.

A&M's Voting Situation—A Crying Shame!

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY votes cast from a combined class of 1500—300 votes cast from a class of over 1000. Does this sound like Texas A. & M.? Sadly enough, it sounds very much like Texas A. & M.

As a matter of fact those statistics came from the last two elections held on the campus, that of senior yell-leader and that of the junior class election of Town Hall manager, senior social secretary and Longhorn editor.

At T. S. C. W., a school of about 2000, campus elections regularly poll more votes than has ever been recorded on the books at A. & M. At the University of Texas over half of the student body turns out to vote in campus elections.

What is the matter with the students of A. & M.?

Are they so poorly versed in the principles of a democratic nation that they do not realize the importance of the individual voter to the management of the affairs of state. A. & M. is the illustration of the old question of "what would happen if everyone took the attitude of letting someone else vote. My vote doesn't count—just one in 7017."

This indifferent attitude on the part of the student body of A. & M.—this I don't care attitude—is not any new development brought on by war scare. It is a heritage. There has never been much interest exhibited in campus elections. It is a chronic ailment.

A. & M. can be held up as an example for all the schools of the nation NOT to follow.

Think of the man running for an office at A. & M. He cannot afford to miss reaching every man possible in the time allotted. Think how he feels when he contacts more men and get more votes promised than are cast in the entire election. It leaves quite a doubt in a man's mind to be elected by 94 men to represent 7000. There will be misgivings in his mind and doubts that will haunt him all through his term of office. It is not fair to the man nor to the school.

Every man on the campus eligible to vote in any election should go to the polls and cast his vote. It is his DUTY as a student of the college.

He should cast that vote as a record of his opinion that a true cross-section of campus opinion may be obtained. Whether or not he feels that perhaps the outcome is assured, he owes it to the man who is to serve his class or his school to vote. It is a vote of confidence. An officer can deal on surer ground and with firmer convictions if he knows someone is behind him and is interested in what he is doing.

There are more general campus elections to be held this year. A junior class run-off for senior social secretary and Town Hall's manager will be held Monday. Another is next Tuesday and every student on the campus is eligible to vote, from the freshmen to the seniors. The ballot box will be maintained in the rotunda of the Academic building. Next year's Battalion editor and the junior representative to the Student Publication board will be decided.

There should be 5000 votes cast!

OPEN FORUM

DON'T MISUNDERSTAND me gentlemen. I'm not trying to say that the deans of our various schools should visit with each and every student of his particular school. It would be nice could he do this, but the school is entirely too large for such.

But don't you think, should the dean ever have the occasion to visit a class room which does the work of which he is the dean, be it business or otherwise, would it be asking too much if he showed a little interest in the work the students are doing, especially if the work being done can and most likely will bring this institution public attention? Or would it be more encouraging to the students if the dean walked into the class room, glanced at the paper and debris on the floor and a few hieroglyphics that have been put on the walls, and then without showing any interest in the work the students are doing, pass the remark to the effect of the students marking on the walls and not being very encouraging indeed!

Very encouraging indeed!

There is nothing wrong with a room a broom won't clean or a little paint won't cover, such as it is.

Students like to be encouraged in their work and little attention shown towards the work which

WHAT'S SHOWING AT THE CAMPUS. Saturday—"GUNGA DIN," starring Cary Grant, Victor McLaglen, Douglas Fairbanks Jr. and Joan Fontaine. Saturday midnight—"WHO KILLED AUNT MAGGIE," with John Hubbard, Wendy Barrie, Edgar Kennedy and Elizabeth Patterson. Sunday, Monday, Tuesday—"GONE WITH THE WIND," starring Clark Gable, Leslie Howard, Olivia deHavilland and Vivien Leigh.

Assembly Hall

Kitty Foyle, Secretary—What Did She Have That You (?) Haven't Got? From typewriter to society marriage—and back to her lonesome room—by choice!... Amazing, daring confessions!

Ginger Rogers—As America's White-Collar Girl—Kitty Foyle—Dennis Morgan—James Craig—Eduardo Ciannelli, Ernest Cossart, Gladys Cooper. Directed by Sam Wood.

Campus 15¢ to 5 p.m. 20¢ After. LAST DAY: GUNGA DIN. PREVUE TONIGHT ONLY: WHO KILLED AUNT MAGGIE? 3 Stooges - Donald Duck Merrie Melody - News Shows at 1:52 - 4:36 - 7:06 and 9:36. Come at 9:00 and see Both Shows for 20¢

Sunday - Monday - Tuesday LIMITED ENGAGEMENT!!! FULL LENGTH!!! GONE WITH THE WIND NOTHING CUT BUT THE PRICE! TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE TWO SHOWS DAILY - 1:45 - 7:30

SPECIAL SHOWING AT 12:45 also 6:45 and 8:30 Selected Shorts — Also March of Time entitled— "AUSTRALIA AT WAR"