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## The World Turns On

By Dr. R. W. Steen

The President in his fireside chat on Tuesday evening explained to the people his program for preventing further inflation. The consumer is quite happy to have prices frozen before the dollar loses all of its purchasing power, and the average citizen probably approves most of the points in the president's platform. In so far as taxation is concerned the President probably asked for more than he expects congress to grant.

His proposal to limit personal incomes to \$25,000 after taxes are paid has probably caused more comment than any other proposal. Congress will probably set the maximum at a higher figure, perhaps \$50,000. Newspapers and individuals have had much to say about the unfairness of such a policy. It should be admitted to begin with that a policy of this nature will cause several dozen families to greatly modify their standards of living. There are a few families who can not keep up their estates on \$50,000 per year. In almost every instance, however, these are very wealthy families who can afford to live on their capital for a few years if they wish to continue the old standards.

One thing which should be kept in mind is that during the next few years almost every man who has a large income will receive that income as a result of a war contract. Few persons in strictly private industry will make enormous incomes during the next few years. Nobody should become wealthy because of the war. It is certainly a hardship for a man who makes \$500,000 to learn that he has to pay 90% of it to the government. It is also a hardship for a merchant to learn that prices have been frozen, and that his opportunity for large war time profits is gone. There is one other point which all of the columnists who have been weeping over a few dozen wealthy families have overlooked. That it, will be something of a hardship for 4,000,000, or maybe 8,000,000 Americans to leave their peacetime pursuits and serve their country in uniform.

The average man is getting to be quite serious about the war. Polls conducted by a national magazine indicate that most Americans favor: drastic income taxes, drastic excess profits taxes, army or navy operation of defense plants which fail to give complete cooperation, and immediate military service for laborers who fail to meet their responsibilities. Victory is a long way in the future, but the will to win seems to be developing rapidly.

## This Collegiate World

Dormitory students at Newcomb college, New Orleans, have devised a type of "sweet-heart insurance" which, they believe, will eliminate rivals in affairs of the heart.

Should a student suddenly become unpopular and wait to no avail for phone calls from her "steady" she can consult the dormitory "date book."

There, in black and white, she may discover the trouble. For in that book are recorded all dates of dormitory girls, with the exact time of departure and return and the name of the escort.

Failure to sign out, or errors in signing, are taken up by the Campus Honor society and delinquents are confined to the campus for several days.

There is a way to beat the game, however. If one girl's boy friend takes a fancy to another of the students, the "chiselers" can have a strolling date on the large campus, in accordance with regulations, without recording the meeting.

CINCINNATI, Ohio—(ACP)—Lack of uniform practices among colleges and universities in Ohio in accepting students by transfer from other institutions serves to tempt transient students to "shop around like a Yankee horse trader" and go to the campus where they can drive the best advanced standing bargains.

Adding to this academic bargain hunter's paradise are differences among the state's institutions of higher learning in total amount of advanced standing by transfer, extension credit, semester load, methods of evaluation, examination fees, and sources or agencies considered acceptable for credit purposes, the report brings out.

AUSTIN, Texas — (ACP) — Unique among college drama departments is the University of Texas Modern Art Film society, which brings to students important motion pictures of the past and present contributing to development of the motion picture as an art and a social force.

In a series of five programs, the M. A. F. S. has shown the growth of the movies from 1895 to 1930, with all stars of a past era and all technical imperfections of the industry's infancy.

Beginning with the 1895 production of "The Execution of Mary Queen of Scots," the first program traced development of the narrative through "Wash Day Troubles," "A Trip to the Moon," "The Great Train Robbery," Pathe's "Faust," and the 1902 "Queen Elizabeth" with Sarah Bernhardt.

The federal government will need 67,000 men with engineering training by June 30, 1943, according to Dean W. R. Woolrich of the University of Texas college of engineering.

"First College Course in Photography," an illustrated 286-page text by Prof. Katherine Chamberlain of Wayne university's physics department, has been published by Edwards Brothers, Inc., Ann Arbor, Mich.



"Hey, Joe! Come here and hold your finger on this knot!"

## BACKWASH

By Jack Hood

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

### The Rock Aggies

The Corregidor Aggies gained more national recognition in the May 4th issue of Time Magazine. Under the WORLD BATTLE-FRONT section of the weekly

is a paragraph "Lone Star on the Rock." Quoting from it: "State - proud Texans in the garrison of Corregidor celebrated the 106th anniversary of the Battle of San Jacinto last week with Texas songs and "appropriate" entertainment. The Corregidor Chapter of the Alumni Association of Texas A. & M. (which had more commissioned graduates in World War I than West Point) held a meeting. Lieut. General Wainwright, no Texan but a man who loves a horse, duly notified Senator Tom Connally of these proceedings, and Texan Connally thereupon, duly notified the U. S. public that the Lone Star State was on the job—a conclusion already becoming obvious to war correspondents who heard the Texas drawl and saw the Texas swagger in uniforms everywhere from Belfast to Calcutta to Pearl Harbor."

Those words in parenthesis are music to our ears . . . we like to see our FIGHTERS recognized . . . and we would like to point out an omission—General George F. Moore is a Texan and a Texas Aggie . . . it's reputed he selected 35 or 40 officers from our 1940 graduating class to take to Corregidor with him . . . Time also states that in five months of pounding, Corregidor's guns still rule Manila Bay, and no sizable enemy ship has yet slipped past The Rock . . . General Moore and his Aggies are among the men behind those guns . . . the Aggies will bet their boots that "Texas drawl and Texas swagger" will still shine at the final setting of the Rising Sun.

Aggies Everett Glazener, George Mason, R. C. Atkins and Max Hunter scolded Morris Frank, Houston sports scribe, for his mistake in a feature on the Aggie-Rice baseball game. According to Frank: "Everyone scored but Reville, the mascot, and he wasn't there . . . Reville, crowding thirteen years, is indifferent to such mistakes and only cocked an eye, but the Aggies felt it should be righted. From Frank's letter: "I very much appreciated your card and am indeed sorry I erred . . . Knowing that A. & M. was NOT a co-ed institution, I didn't know if even any female canines were allowed . . . You have a school to be proud of, and I know that you are."

Sweepings  
Sugar Blues: Aggies who intend missing over twelve meals in the mess halls will have to borrow their War Ration Books from Chef Hotard to take with them (after June 1) . . . Novelette (Stolen and adulterated): Forty German soldiers stood at attention . . . chests out heads up . . . modest grins on their faces . . . a general was about to award them the Iron Cross for meritorious service to "der faderland." . . . The next day 40 German soldiers (and a general) were horizontally at attention . . . another general stood

straight and stern as he pinned Iron Crosses on wooden crosses . . . For the day before, just as the first award was to be presented, a group of Russian guerillas slipped into the back door of the assembly hall, planted enough dynamite to blow the democratic party out of office, and proceeded to award the 40 German soldiers the Wooden Cross for meritorious cannon fodder . . . the double cross, no doubt . . . Billy Fred Walker, Private in the Marine Corps at Pearl Harbor, T. H. (class of '42), writes in and says "Hello" to all the Aggies, especially Warren Ringo and John Hefley, his former roommates in the Field Artillery.

Austin, Texas.—Commenting today on the wide spread interest and cooperation shown by Texans in the observance of Texas Children's Week, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, said that America has no better safeguard for her future than the promotion of good health in the youth of today.

"Americans have done a great deal in the past to make the United States a better and safer place in which to live the all-important years of childhood," Dr. Cox said, "but in spite of all of this, American childhood has not yet been made as safe as it can be."

Dr. Cox pointed out that the national emergency naturally adds to the health hazards that already exist and urged parents of every child in Texas to make sure that their children have been immunized against such preventable diseases as diphtheria and smallpox.

Dr. Cox stressed the fact that although most babies are born physically sound, the foundation for future health is laid in the first six years of life. All parents must realize that raising child health standards is a job for them especially, Dr. Cox said, and added that it is better to keep them from getting sick than to try to save their lives when they are ill.

Kiefer B. Sauls, treasurer of Brigham Young university, received a letter containing 35 cents. An accompanying unsigned note explained the money was in payment for fruit taken from the university's orchard.

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## COVERING campus distractions

By Jack Keith

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WHEN IN DOUBT ABOUT YOUR EYES OR YOUR GLASSES CONSULT DR. J. W. PAYNE OPTOMETRIST 109 S. Main Bryan

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## Blood for America

President Roosevelt has stated that for the successful winning of the war there will be sorrow, bloodshed and losses. The head of our government is in accord with the attitude which the British Prime Minister took soon after the conflict started. That the United States is resolved to do their part and best we have no doubt, and by all means Aggies are willing to cooperate in anyway they can in the prosecution of the war.

Another suggestion has been made whereby Aggies will be able to help in a more materialistic way. This new plan is the organization of a Blood Donor Committee. With the new methods of medical science blood can be preserved for an indefinite period of time by proper treatment. There is no question that blood is needed for America.

Through the Red Cross a system of blood "banks" has been organized, and different committees of local service groups have contributed large supplies of blood to be used by the army medical corps. Such committees can be found on many college campuses.

Since Aggeland has some 5000 able bodies, it seems that such a plan could be adopted whereby Aggies could donate their blood to be used in the treatment of the wounded. One never knows but some ex-Aggie soldier may be saved by a speedy transfusion of blood.

## Quotable Quotes

"Every high school, junior college and college should provide selected courses designated as National Service courses and should require every student to select a series of such courses that would prepare him to meet the nation's needs. Rigid standards should be maintained and provision should be made for refresher courses. Much of what would be needed for such a program already is available in our schools.

After the war camps, equipment and technically trained men could be added to such a program, and such a Civilian National Service program might be the answer to federal aid. The values of such a program to the nation would be millions of children and youth moving steadily through the schools, trained and ready on call to meet any national emergency our part in the post-war world may require.

If our schools rise to the challenge, democracy never again will be branded as inefficient nor will the children of our children know the humiliation of those tragic words—"too little and too late." Dr. Frank W. Hart, professor of education at the University of California, believes armed might will be necessary to prevent a recurrence of the present world war, and armies must have a trained civilian population behind them.

"It is a paradox that, although military defense has been a perennial problem of the American people, there has been until recently no conscious, integrated and continuous study of military security as a fundamental problem of government and society. It is another paradox that, although we live in a warlike world, there has been almost no systematic consideration by American scholars of the role of war in human affairs.

As democracy is based upon belief in the power of public opinion and other moral sanctions, we have understandably given great weight to the problem of collective security. It is now necessary, without decreasing our interest in post-war problems of political and economic reorganization, to restore a balance as between such studies and studies of national power.

Indeed, there can be no permanent security unless statemanship understands the role which controlled and socially directed military forces must play in maintenance of order and stability."—Edward Mead Earle of the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, N. J., says de-emphasis on military study has resulted in a missing link in American security.

MOVIE

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