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Half Way ... Stay or Leave

Seven weeks of the current semester have been written down in class notebooks and major quizzes. One week is left before the mid-semester grade reports will be turned in by each professor and instructor. Although these grade reports determine whether or not a student stays in school for the remainder of the semester. Mid-semester grade reports can break a college career.

Whoever started the idea that spoon in the right hand to fit the you shouldn't cut your salad with a saled, using the fork, as a balanchange they sometimes consider the planning; they sometimes consider planning; they sometimes consider planning; they sometimes consider planning; they sometimes consider our efforts premature. But none a cast of others. In this picture, there is the usual love angle, and are not entered on a student's permanent record they do

on grade books so that the report may be favorable. One week in which to study for that quiz which may bring the leaf or anything in a salad that sils, however, with meat the servence of the student over the bond will be served with the same utensish, however, with meat the servence of the servence of

week in which to study for that quiz which may bring the leaf or anything in a salad that sils, however, with meat the serv-student over the borderline of failure or the next higher needs cutting; take care that you ing fork is used in the right hand this planning is.

grade letter.

It is not necessary to recount or enumerate the advantages of a flattering grade. Grades are not a true indication of knowledge and ability but they are the best yet devised by educators and until the time that some better method is discovered students will have to be content with the conventional way. As long as percentage grades are the measure of a student's success, then a college man should expend the effort necessary not only to make the best grade possible but to garner the information in the process in such a man-

ner as will best aid retention.

Mere passing is not enough. Not until each individual's conscience is satisfied as to the amount of work done can any evaluation be consumated. Education is an individual matter. It is not something that soaks in. It is something a large spoon or server. Take the matter of solutions and place on your plate any silver you have not needed to use. The solution one clearing the table will take a large spoon or server. Take the matter of solutions and place on your plate any silver their men at the battle scarred there have always been wars, we must continue to have them. Sceptics who uphold this pessimistic philosophy are handled rather effectively by Mr. Maclyer Yet here.

Beacon Light . . . Student Crusade

Universities and colleges have their ups and downs, their controversies, their problems, and their family quarrels.

Usually these are carried on completely or partially undersuched before

By W. L. Penberthy

On the Mondays following the good for us to have this kind of a Saturdays when our team plays change once in a while because lute sovereignty of nations. "A lute sovereignty of nations." cover and very seldom is it that the linen is washed before away from home a great many of it gives us a rest from our daily tremendous psychological readjust-

the public and the taxpayers.

Even though most of the educational squabbles of recent months in Texas have been in the state schools there is little doubt that other institutions of higher learning also have their internal differences. Texas is more vitally interested in the conduct and well being of her state institutions.

are receptive to new ideas. Along with this adventurous But if done in moderation, it is day. Try it some time. pioneering spirit there is a companion spirit of instant decision, quick tempers, and quicker action.

Students at a university or college represent the best of the young mental material of a nation. Their minds are alert. Minds are ready for action. Life in a university can be rather humdrum and especially so in these times of unrest and global conflict. Surrounded by a worldwide environment of unrest it is quite understandable that any group given the opportunity would sieze upon any crusade which presented itself. No one realizing the quantities of restricted, vibrant energy both physical and mental stored in college students can condemn them for releasing part of this energy in behalf of a cause which they think is justifiable.

The recent student clamor at Texas university was a release of pent up energy stimulated by actions of college authorities which the students resented because they felt that their president was being treated unfairly.

People of Texas do not know the underlying causes of the dispute at Texas university and perhaps they will never know but Texas is proud of one thing. They are glad that their young people had the moral courage of their convictions. Texas cheers those students who, although they may be wrong, have the fortitude to speak for their beliefs,

to act for their beliefs. Liberal education, here meaning freedom of thought, is the one beacon which can light the masses of the ignorant humanity to the better life of plenty.

Galveston Corporal, Former Student Now Class of '37, Stays Overseas 18 Months

AN 8TH AIR FORCE FIGHT-ER STATION, England—Corporal er planes.

overseas in May of the following Training Command, which is part glory they might have had. year. He was trained for his pre- of the AAF Training Command. sent army job at Lockheed and He was graduated as a first invent a portable perch for the Not too many of us are going other technical training schools in pilot. the States. Prior to entering the

School and was graduated in the the Sante Fe Railroad.

Flying Marauders son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Grant D. Gordon, 24, son of Mr. at New Mexico Military Institute, dorms late Sunday night or Mon-seems to change more frequently and Mrs. G. D. Gordon, 4706 Ave. Roswell, N. M., and Texas A. & M. day morning. Did all have a good during a semester than before a O, Galveston, Texas, is an air- College, was among scores of Ma- time? They looked it. craft mechanic at a fighter training station. He maintains and repairs the P-47 Thunderbolt fight—

College, was among scores of the rauder homber pilots who were graduated at the Dodge City Army Air Field, Kansas, after completing a 10-week flying training Cpl. Gordon enlisted in March course at this B-26 Marauder pilot of 1942 and was assigned to duty school of the AAF Central Flying collection. Sort of took away any really much their yelling and

armed forces, he was employed class of '37. He later entered Seeing those fellows shuffling on the Rice Owls. Don't forget tho as an assistant engineering aide Texas A. & M., at College Station, the wall trimming of the Adolphus we're planning on counting the by the U. S. Engineers, at Gal- Texas, and was a student there for at the "to win" practice was score, and A. & M. has it all. three years. Mr. G. D. Gordon, his panicky enough. However, the "we Beat the Stuffing out of the Cpl. Gordon attended Ball High father, is an engine foreman with won" session at Louanns Saturday Owls-

By Renyard

n common. Broke. Busted. Flat.

Avowed Purpose

e race depends largely upon

was badly bent last week but the will be in Houston strong to a complish that task quickly and effectively. But War to those of using at the Palace in Bryan, is the light romance. This picture is not a completely in an to support the Fighting Agbreak it. Everyone knows what is gies in a defeat of Rice and their on the home front (as opposed to our fighting men on the battle going to Houston with one thing traditionally wise but they have fronts of the world) is a comparative fronts of the world). shown a bit of bad judgement in tively remote thing. We buy Bonds, about the rise of Hitler into pow-

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Man, Your Manners

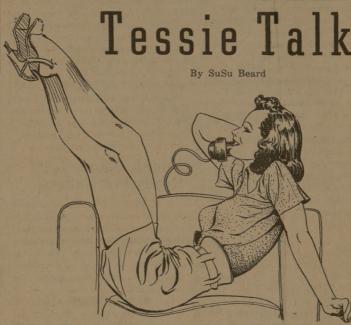
By I. Sherwood

PENNY'S SERENADE



us are in no condition to put in a where we err is that we feel that dition to put in a where we err is that we feel that is perhaps the chief obstacle in the land get tangled up with a blonde and consequently with their wives good day's work. we should come home and rest up path of the new warless order." and consequently with their wives. This is due in a from our little vacation. Vacations The new international order which is little doubt that other institutions of higher learning also have their internal differences. Texas is more vitally interested in the conduct and well being of her state institutions because in a sense, Texas fathers the state institutions. Although state colleges do not get their total financial support from tax sources, they do derive most of their income from public taxes and that which does not come from the student source or other governmental subsidies, such as grants of land, makes up but a small fraction of the operating revenues. Because people of Texas are so vitally interested in their state schools it is usual for any serious controversy to be widely and publicly aired. More often than not these differences that concern the colleges are remote from the student body but American young manhood and womanhood, being what they are, are quick to take the side of the underdog. It is an American habit, an American tradition to defend whatever or whomever they love and more frequently than not they defend that which is being beaten.

Americans, although they consider themselves conservative, must be designated as liberal because they are quick to accept new things or new ways of doing old things. They are receptive to new ideas. Along with this adventurous because in moderation, Vacations large part to the fact that we have in from our little vacation. Vacations are for the purpose of refreshing are then where the water of the defined and have not had a pretty from our little vacation. Vacations are for the purpose of refreshing are the whave the wate of the underdog of the water on the student our rest us from one just completed. A vacation should recharge our fest us from our job water to the fact that whe have in rest us from one just completed. A vacation should recharge our fest us from our job water



Whether because of the team's who paraded on the roof-top, I Capt. Thomas A. Reiner Jr., 24, game and pattern for future ones. true and full reason for the mix-Reiner, 243 Arcadia Place, San An- wide awake, bouyant looks of the scarcity of properly worn diatonio, Texas, and former student girls as they straggled in the monds, circles and such. Rank

Thought: Someday someone will and to themselves. yell leaders. No need to mention to get to go to Houston this weeknames, you know who they are. end to watch the Aggies re-nest night was far worse. To the two

determination or black cheeks, the only hoped that somehow those SMU Mustang was properly locked boots could have had rubber soles. in his stall last Saturday. A swell Although few of us know the Wouldn't try to describe the up at A. & M., many noticed the

Again speaking of last Saturday's game, it was too bad that the SMU "spot of blue" band had to march after the A&M sizeable to only grow larger. No foolin' fellows it's hard to realize how the stop now to say a short thankful prayer for those grand Aggie-exes. The spirt seems to only grow larger. No foolin' fellows it's hard to realize how Would like to stop now to say backing means to the team, to you,

MURPHY-JOAN DAVIS - NANCY KELLY - CONSTANCE MOORE

SOMETHING TO READ

By Edna B. Woods

Nobody questions the fact that our biggest job is to win the war! Who the Aggles beat and who No person of common decency neglects his part in helping to ac-Avowed Purpose

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Toully Realizing the powerful Aggise. Afford the Blood Bank, give our time to the USO, help with Real Cross work, and write letters to the men in service. Yet, participation in all of these activities doesn't sap our energy. If the New the party got its beginning from the last war and the slow uprising principles by which it took over Germany and tried to conquer Europe. This is the picture that it is supposed to show all the we have a spark of intelligence or facts of the Nazi set-up, true to a feeble concern about the future, life and just as startling as it we'll direct at least part of our can be. thinking toward understanding the possibilities for the world of tomorrow, in order to achieve for vealing one if you are not afraid ourselves and for those who will to face the facts. It's playing live generations hence the best of through Saturday. those possibilities. Men who con- Playing at the Saturday night centrate their undivided powers on prevue and through Tuesday at

It is not necessary to pick up wars between nations is a natural Russian women who fight with fectively by Mr. MacIver. Yet, he ritory. is the first to emphasize that "peace, like war, demands its but nothing out of the ordinary. price." Being an internationalist,

Carl Becker doesn't think that the world-to-be will be much newer than the carl the see it. than the pre-war world. He denies Showing at Guion Friday and the idea that our nation can return to a state of "normalcy," high Spring mysical with not to

"Nationalism will remain the strongest political power in the modern world and its force will be exerted in the form of many sov ereign independent states. But every nation should take into con sideration the rights and interest of other nations." Mr. Becker thinks it illogical to urge great empires to make full use of their powers for the purpose of ending the war and of establishing a durable peace, only to give up these powers after war is over.

The author points out that there were many things wrong with the pre-war world. To eliminate something like mass unemployment, the essential causes of economic confusion must be understood, and there must be united action on the (See BOOKS, Page 4)

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