

# Battalion EDITORIALS

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## Visit from Amber and Henry ...

The mayors of College Station and Bryan ought to get together and pronounce this "Movie Week." Two films are coming to town, each of which has caused more talk than anything since "Gone With the Wind." At the Campus, The Theatre Guild of New York is presenting "Henry V." Laurence Olivier's spectacular production which has been called the greatest movie yet produced.

At the Queen, "Forever Amber" will flash its Restoration wench on the expectant screen, while the audience whispers "It CAN'T be like the book!"

Both pictures are showing at road-show prices, booked as super-duper specials.

The Batt news columns have treated of "Henry" at length. But we must pass along some of the comments made on Amber in other communities.

Says Columnist Jack Tarver of the Atlanta Constitution:

"Forever Amber" is a technicolor sex-travaganza which, according to those who have had the advanced prices to see it, follows the novel's heroine unfaithfully from pillow to perdition. It is, in short, the first acid test of the new flame-proof celluloid. "It boasts a number of outstanding attractions, including Linda Darnell, Cornel Wilde and the disapproval of several religious leaders.

"Nor has the producer assuaged its box-office appeal by warning movie operators not

**'Thought Control' at TU?** ... The old, old issue of "thought control" has popped up at Texas University again. This time it appears that a Communist leader was accidentally permitted to debate on the Forty Acres, and the administration feels embarrassed. Actually the Communist, James J. Green of Houston, was bested in the debate.

We think it is much better to allow a Communist on the campus, and show him up in discussion, than it is to prohibit Communist speakers and make it appear that they have some doctrine which, if heard, must sweep all hearers helplessly to the left.

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If university officials had known Green was the self-styled secretary of the Texas Communist party, he would not have been allowed to speak on the university campus. University President T. S. Painter declared last week.

Said Dr. Painter: "It was represented by an officer of common sense to the office of the Dean of Student Life to be a faculty forum discussion on the House Un-American Activities Committee and on this understanding permission was given for use of a room in the Geology building. Had it been known that an official of the Communist party was to appear on the program permission for his appearance would have been denied.

"Under our announced policy of long standing, free and open discussions of controversial issues are encouraged, as an essential phase of university life. This policy, however, does not permit either the university or any university group to be a sponsor of any political or sectarian gathering on our campus. Certainly, the University of Texas does not, indeed, under the state law can-

are the worst, the people are the poorest fed, the poorest clothed, the incomes are the lowest, illiteracy is the highest, and economic exploitation of the helpless is the most serious.

"Southern baptists... are beginning to realize they cannot retain the decent respect of mankind, when on the one hand they decry a Latin-American neglect of human rights by a dominant church, while on the other hand they themselves as a predominant church remain careless of conditions also grievous."

This column often joshes other papers about their ridiculous boners. But just read this:

Two headlines in the same column of the Texas A. & M. Battalion: "Ring Shipment Here" followed by "Give Back That Ring!"

Sacramento (AP)—A Senate approval bill by Sen. Harry L. Parkman changing the salaries of San Mateo County supervisors from \$175 to \$300 a month reached the Assembly today.

## The Battalion

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## : Letters to the Editor :

### WHAT! NO DOOR?

Editor, The Battalion:

Being an avid reader of The Battalion, I have of late become imbued with many of the ideas expounded, propounded, and confounded in said paper. In fact, I have been instilled with the "Charlie Murray Theory of the Aggie Way of Life" to such an extent that I am no longer the rugged individualist that I once was. I no longer believe in dashing off to football games and corps trips and turning over street cars and automobiles that threaten to break up yell practices.

I no longer advocate the rowdiness that characterized Aggies in the past, and believe that even though overenthusiastic fans from other schools smear a little paint around our campus, we shouldn't get excited. After all, they meant no harm. Boys will be boys, and we must remember that we are little gentlemen. I believe these things so much that I am now what might be termed the shrinking violet type, and as such can no longer endure the hardships of the old way of life.

So I wondered if the crusading editor of The Battalion would don his suit of shining armor, climb upon his trusty soap box and crusade for something really worth while. What I ask for is very simple: a door on the shower and latrine room and a radiator in same room in Legett Hall, basement. I am now a gentleman per the new Aggie way of living, and I abhor the old rough and tough existence. In fact, I can no longer stand it—I am not as young as I used to be and winter is coming on. Then, too, there is a really old man down the hall that I really worry about. I doubt that he can make a hard winter, particularly with no heat in the shower room.

Oh, yes. While you are crusading against these shameful, nasty old Aggie traditions, trying to make this a fit school for us gentlemen, see if you can fix it so we can sit down during the football games. I get soooooo tired standing up, and those nasty old boys shove you around so.

If you decide to print this and answer same, you can be as sarcastic as you like, and may call me any of your fancy names. I suspect that any words you might have in your vocabulary might be mild compared to things that I have been called. But don't forget that I have left the ranks of the two per-centers and joined the 98 percent with YOU.

Lovingly,  
WILLIAM A. SELLERS, '43  
(Ed. Note: A copy of your letter has been forwarded to the Building and College Utilities Department. We, too, believe that a door and a radiator should be installed on the shower and latrine room in the basement of Legett Hall.)

### AND NOW VICTORIA!

Editor, The Battalion:

When your correspondent Ivan Yantis gets back from England, you ought to make him take his toy 213-14 over again, if he ever took them at all.

Queen Victoria was most definitely NOT the daughter of William IV. She was the niece of William, and the daughter of Kent, I believe.

Yantis says in his article that "anyone interested can go back it up in the library." Why didn't he take his own advice?

### WICK VAN KOEUNHOVEN

(Ed. Note: We have wireless Yantis, and he says there is no library aboard the SS Albatross Victoria. All he has to read is some old copies of The Batt, a 1909 Longhorn, and the YMCA Handbook.)

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### PROBLEMS CLOSER HOME

Editor, The Battalion:

In the past few issues of The Batt, we have noticed that your columns have been cluttered with the Jewish-Arab question. Let us leave this question and discuss some of the problems which confront us a little closer to home.

We do not advocate a policy of isolationism, but after all, charity begins at home. The UNO must be fully capable of settling the question, and we feel that any material aid from Mr. Rosenthal would be more appropriate than his moral support via The Batt.

M. L. VIVRETT JR., '43 (5 Others)

### WHO WAS FIRST?

Editor, The Battalion: I read with interest your article on "showing a movie in a lighted room" and was quite proud that three Aggie professors perfected the new method of movie projection.

In the Houston Press I ran across a very similar article. Could it be that our three professors have been for a taxi ride in Nice, France? It should be interesting to note which group comes out "on top" as the first to perfect this improvement.

Yours for better Aggies,  
O. W. PAINE, JR., '34

Ed. Note: With his letter Mr. Paine enclosed a United Press story stating that a taxi driver in Nice, France had invented a movie screen with such a light intensity that it shows films in bright daylight. Such has been the case of

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### College Employees To Dine Thursday

The College Employees Dinner Club will hold their monthly social Thursday evening at 6:45 in Sbis Hall, it was announced Friday.

Tickets at \$1.25 per plate should be purchased at the Aggeland Inn before Wednesday noon.

### POLES EXPEL EX-LEADER

WARSAW, Nov. 17.—The Polish Parliament has formally expelled Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, calling him a traitor, and urging the government to strip him of citizenship.

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