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"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman" Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

#### Shall Bryan Rents Go Up?

Tonight at 7:30 there will be a public hearing in the Brazos County Court House, Bryan, to determine whether or not rent controls should be continued in this area. No one is more affected by this question than

salaries, but they form a large number in cial protest has been made at the hearing.

this community. Having seen food costs rise terrifically after controls were taken off, they are not eager to see rents skyrocket.

Almost 1,000 married veteran students are living in non-college owned buildings in veteran students living off the campus. How many will appear at the meeting?

Students are not the only people on fixed

Brazos County. Tonight is their chance to be heard. It will do litle good to protest later if rent controls are removed, unless an offi-

### How Professors Teach

One result of last week's guest editorial "Shall We Rate Prois" was the receipt by the Battalion of an envelope which contained discussions from the 1946 Teaching Seminar held by the A. & M. School of Engineering. These reports indicate that many teachers are well aware of teaching weaknesses and are anxious to correct them.

It is impossible to discuss intelligently the question "Shall We Rate Profs?" unless we have a clear idea of what our teachers are trying to do, and how they are trying to do it. Therefore The Battalion will publish, in several installments, some of the findings

(It should be horne in mind that these discussions took place in the Engineering School, and might not be applicable to the Schools of Agriculture or Liberal Arts.)

Teaching is a profession comparable to engineering or other professions.

When a man accepts a position as a teacher he assumes certain responsibilities. When the engineer accepts a position as a teacher he enters the profession of teach-

ing, and teaching becomes his major profession: He is no longer only an engineer, but TEACHER OF ENGINEERING SUB-

The profession of teaching requires cer- to learn. tain qualifications, abilities training, and objectives the same as other professions in their respective fields

The man who enters the profession of techniques of the profession the same as he learned those of his profession of engineer-

When something goes wrong in industry professional engineers start research studies to find the cause of waste, failures, loss of

time etc. When new or improved methods, processes, or products are desired, the re- On The Screen . . .

search engineer goes to work. In the field of college education there are also failures, wastes, and losses of time. Perhaps there are needed new methods, processes, and techniques in teaching in order to salvage, develop, or improve the product, the STUDENT. If this is true, then the teacher of engineering should apply a comparable procedure and do some research to find out WHY and HOW.

It was agreed that a college professor or instructor is selected from his specialty profession to become a TEACHER of certain filming of a mystery. "Double In- worth in beautiful scenery. Mountsubjects in that profesion; he is hired to demnity" was one such movie and ains and pictorial backgrounds Editor, The Battalion: TEACH students and he accepts his salary audiences ate it up. The film city are the stars of this film. The for doing a job of TE9CHING.

When an engineer accepts a job in industry he recognizes the investment of in- Louis De Rochemont encased in a dustry and applies his efforts accordingly, hair-raising "whodunit." As a teacher of students, he should recognize the investment of both the state and the student and apply his efforts accordingly.

The members of the group gave the fol- action touches on municipal polilowing definition of the term TEACH. To ties, police methods, and court teach is:

To organize material to be taught in a Lee J. Cobb. suitable form for learning. To stimulate interest in others in wanting

To convey information to others.

To train people to do something they could not do before. To add something to a student's know-

To cause the learners to think through Apley just as you imagined in the he sings; and Xavier Cougat, who

problems. To develop self-reliance on the part of the

(To Be Continued)

## American Ideal' Defined...

One of the more popular present-day catch phrases and subject of oration is the "American Ideal"! The expessive bantering of this high sounding, out so far unidentified, national creed leads one to wonder just what its composition is.

Nelson Poynter, editor of the St. Peters-burg Times, offers what is at least one concise version. Addressing the annual meeting of the Florida Fress Association, Poynter told the newsmen that America is "irrevocably committed" to eight political and economic ideas. In other words, the ideas are that men can govern themselves, that we can have world-wide law and order with justice based on voluntary consent of the governed instead of government by force, we can resolve every political, economic and social problem through our courts and other government by the social problem through our courts and other government. ernment machinery which we create and control-through the ballot and that government is the servant, not the master of the individual. Further, free men can produce more than slaves, political and individual freedom are not incompatible with maximum production, human rights are more important than property rights, and freedom of expression, religion, assembly, petition, property, habeas corpus, trial by jury and others guaranteed under the Bill of Rights are not luxuries

The Florida editor concluded his listings with the declaration that two must prove that we can produce more printing, more shoes, more health more security, more homes—and more fun—thain the totalitar-

ians can offer". In several countries governments are forming which will assume the position of world powers in short order. It goes without saying that the world and the individual will be affected tremendously it the paths of government that these nations choose.

Our military rule must eventually be withdrawn from conquered countries and the type of regulation that follows will be chosen because it appears to be the most beneficial to the masses, whether it be Democracy, Monarchy, or one of the several "isms". If the American way of life proves the less attractive, the passing of several years will see us still a major power, but in a minority thought group.

While our statesmen speak of national policies, we will be judged by the fundamentals of life which we possess. The effect will be lost if, while our diplomats are describing our way of life, we fail to conform to it. Our future chances of a pleasant and peace-ful life will be indirectly a projection of today's self-imposed standard of conduct.

The members of the Park Women's Club held a lively meeting last night, discussing short skiets, flimsy bathing suits, sun tan, zombie cocktails, and what shall we do about Russia Baltimore Sun.

What shall we? - New Yorker.

Clipped from The San Antonio Light is this prize error of transposed letters:

"The action came after senate disclosure that Meyers, the "kiss-and-tell" general whom the justice department is trying to put behind prison bras..."

Quebec radio fans received quite a surprise when in looking over the Chronicle-Telegraph's radio log they found: "1:35 p. m. Immoral melodies.

Anti-Climax Department-Report by U. P. from Chicago: "The Friendship Train moved on to Sterling (Ill.), where a load of dignitaries and two cars of canned milk were

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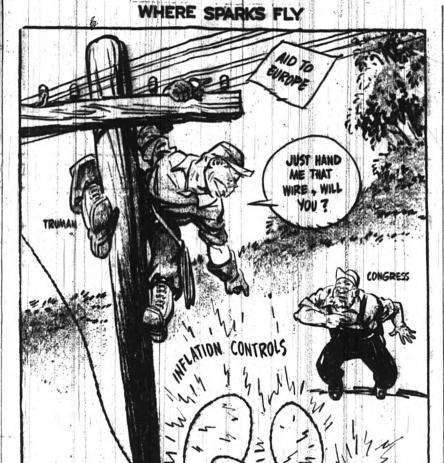
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## Innocent Prosecutor Against A Woman's Wrath-Boomerang'

By DAVID M. SELIGMAN

that notable style of Producer little benefit

Based on an incident in the life of Attorney General Homer Cummings, the screenplay is filled with suspense and action. Most of this labors. Starred in the picture are Dana Andrews, Jane Wyatt, and

THE LATE GEORGE APLEY (Queen ThFS). Seging the screen are excellent in their own mediums version of John P. Marquand's and need little support. There's perience for sophisticated audiences. Bringing back that memorable actor Ronald Coleman as the lead puts life in the character of

Satire is, seldom successfully produced on the screen, but this is one of the exceptions. The sublety of its action and the method rockets into extravagant settings of handling is such that the surface humor remains undisturbed, ly draggy in its 105 minutes. A brilliant script and excellent direction plus a strong supporting is radio and night clubber Johnje cast of Peggy Cummins, Vanessa Brown, and Richard Hayden make this film one to see.

Several days ago we said that ment.

Technicolor was an asset that could be relied on to replace a poor BOOMERANG (Guion, FS) Too screen play. Well here's where the infrequently Hollywood hits on a audience can like or dislike the startling new technique for the movie but still get its money's has had a repeat with "Boome- actors do well under the load they

Sordid and unpleasant as the movie is, you will have difficulty locating a sympathetic characterit's filled with nasty people going out of their way to be nasty to one another. For a plot the picture has a story with too many illogical incidents to stick together.

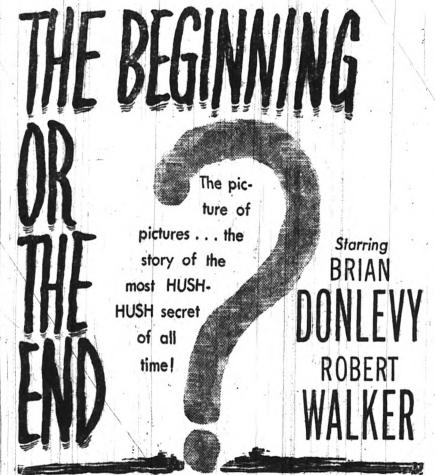
THIS TIME FOR KEERS (Palace, WThFS). One good thing about this movie is that the stars Jimmy Durante, who can put over the laughs; Esther Williams, who just has to appear in a bathing suit to make a hit; Lauritz Melchoir, who is excellent as long as is tops in Latin Americana.

Being a musical comedy the pic ture has a superficial plot but skyfor its technicolor filming-slight-Playing Romeo to Miss Williams

Johnston and included in the cast is one true actress, Dame May Whitty. In all, the movie can be DESERT FURY (Campus, FS), used for an evening's entertain-

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BRYAN - COLLEGE STATION A&M CLUB, Thursday, Dec. 4, Room 305 Academic Building, Plan for New Year dance.

COLORADO AND FAYETTE COUNTY A&M CLUB, 7:30 Thurs-day, South Lounge of the YMCA.

THE COOKE COUNTY A&M CLUB will hold a special meeting Thursday night at 7 in Room 207 of the Academic Building.

EAST TEXAS CLUB, 7:30 p.m.,

Thursday, YMCA Reading Room. FALLS COUNTY A&M CLUB Thursday night in Academic Bldg. Room 128 at 7:30 to plan Christmas Dance. HEART OF TEXAS CLUB, 7:30

m. Thursday, M. E. Lecture MARSHALL A&M CLUB, 7:30 m. Thursday, Room 207, Aca-

NAVARRO COUNTY CLUB, 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 4, Room 224 Academic Building.
PALESTINE and ANDERSON
COUNTY CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Thursday, Room 307, Academic. PANHANDLE CLUB, Thursday night, 7:30 p.m., Room 228 Academic Bldg Plans for Christmas

party.
VETERANS WIVES BRIDGE
CLUB, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, YMCA.

### Letters

NO FOOTBALL!

'I watched newspaper reports of many football games over the narang." Here is a documentary in bear but the theater-goer derives tion. After some of the things that went on this fall, I think it about time that football be discontinued as an intercollegiate sport at all our institutions of higher learning. Today there is too much commercialism, too much professional ism, too much rowdyism, and too much dishonesty for it to be con-

> After all it interferes with the primary purpose in going to college-the securing of an educa-GROVER STEWART





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7:15 Rotary Club 7:30 News of Aggieland 7:45 Tik Tok Time 8:00 Breakfast Club 9:45 Dorothy Kilgallen 10:30 Galen Drake

10:45 Ted Malone 11:00 Welcome Travelers

Opens 1:00 p.m.

11 55 Bryan News
12 50 Bauklage Talking
12 15 Varner News
12 30 Music for Thursday
1 100 Walter Kiernan
1 1 15 Ethel and Albert
1 30 Bride and Groom
2 50 Ladies Be Seated
2 30 Paul Whiteman Club
3 30 Treasury Show
4 00 Afternoon Music
4 30 Rev. McDaniels
4 45 Milt Herth Trio
5 30 Sportsman 5 00 Sportsman 5 15 Terry and The Pirates 5 30 Sign Off

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