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"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

Congratulations to Baylor...

Congratulations go to Baylor this week as that institution's ninth president, Dr. William Richardson White, takes over where Pat Neff left off.

Aggies will hear Dr. White at the end of this semester, when he gives the commencement address here.

As he was inaugurated this week, Dr. White announced plans for a "bigger and better Baylor" with an emphasis on religion in education.

What Dr. White said in his inaugural address applies with equal force to all American colleges:

"While we have a prior responsibility to our own constituency in presenting an intelligent witness of our faith to all mankind, we feel ourselves obligated to reinforce every religious truth and value wherever found. There is much common ground between us and others. Without the slightest compromise on our part or without the slightest insistence of compromise on the part of others, we shall seek to use that common ground, to present to the world a united im-

part of great, dynamic and spiritual values."

Baylor, he said, "is committed to the great principles of the American way of life. We want to see those principles preserved and given a larger application to every phase of life.

"We shall give fresh and new emphasis to inter-cultural projects and courses at Baylor. We shall seek to train those who will become diplomats, business and professional men with the right attitudes.

"We shall not be swept off our feet by some new fad or fancy in the intellectual world. We are anchored to eternal principles. We shall follow our course with whatever spiritual insight we may summon, with whatever intelligent investigation we may be able to make and with every possible appreciation of worthy points of view.

"We shall face the currents of modern thought, evaluate them and pass them on to our students in the light of those indestructible values that have proved to be of priceless worth in all ages."

Lesson in Bogata...

What happened in Bogata? Did "international communism" actually strike and wreck a city of the Western hemisphere? It is hard to believe, yet circumstances are suspicious. Secretary of State Marshall is apparently convinced that the conjunction of murder and revolution in the Columbian capital just as the Pan-American conference debated an anti-Communist resolution was no mere coincidence.

If true, the "cold war" is not only getting hotter but getting closer.

Marshall was the first Pan-American conference delegate, outside the Columbian government, publicly to attribute the revolution to world Communism and indirectly to Russia.

The Columbian government has severed diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union. Two Russians, described as Communist agents, were among persons arrested on charges of having stirred the riots.

In San Francisco, Antonio J. Gaitan, brother of Jorge Eliecer Gaitan, liberal leader, whose slaying Friday touched off the revolt, said the assassination was the opening move in a plot intended to "reach" Secretary of State Marshall.

"This situation, (the revolt)" Marshall

told newsmen, "must not be judged on a local basis, however tragic the immediate results to the Columbian people. The occurrence goes far beyond Colombia.

"It is the same definite pattern as occurrences which have provoked strikes in France and Italy and that is endeavoring to prejudice the situation in Italy where elections will be held on April 18. In actions we take here regarding the present situation, we must keep clearly in mind the fact that this is a world affair—not merely Columbian or Latin American."

He made it plain without saying so that he thought Communists deliberately planned the revolution to disrupt the conference, which was considering adoption of an anti-Communist resolution, to embarrass the western world and to influence next Sunday's Italian elections.

The lesson of Bogata can hardly be missed. This is no time for the United States to feel smug or "on top of the world." We should not dare not become hysterical. But we must face the fact that we are, willy-nilly, the leader of one world faction struggling with another faction of great power—not all of whose strength lies in armies.

Blatherskite, Suh!...

Relations between the North and South are definitely back on an even keel. They're not only speaking again but are back to the old level of calling each other names.

It all began when Lt. Governor Arthur W. Coolidge of Massachusetts leveled a general blast southward by referring to his political brothers below the Mason Dixon line as "Bilbo-belt banjo strummers."

Boss Ed Crump of Memphis—never a man to leave a vote unturned—a damsel in distress, or a slur unanswered—promptly called the Massachusetts second-in-command a "Blatherskite", which is a word of Icelandic origin meaning a nonsensical person, and which is designed to put the Icelandic deep freeze on even a snow-surrounded Lt. Governor.

Coolidge touched off the tempest when he told the Lawrence Chamber of Commerce that Southern politicians were kidnapping his state's textile industry. Coolidge added that "Dixie Clathorns" already have talked several mills into moving south, and if such goings-on don't stop the New England Textile industry will become a mere "hollow shell."

He went so far as to accuse Dixie leaders, particularly those in Louisiana, of using federal tax money to offset tax exemptions used to lure industry southward. Rounding things off neatly, the man from Massachusetts called Southern labor a "raw mass, inexperienced and undisciplined."

This was too much for Crump to digest.

We try to be fair, even to Republicans, and we admit that all the GOP hopefuls have two of the qualifications for being president: (a) they are old enough and (b) they were born in this country.

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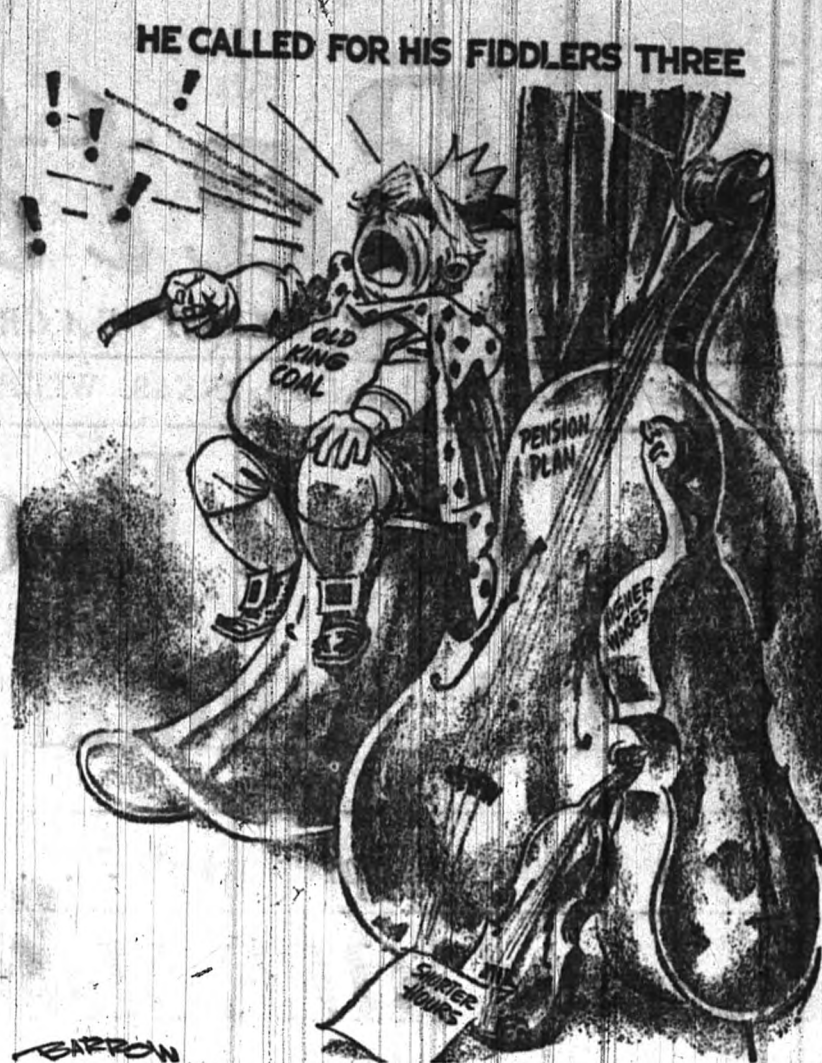
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Activities Point System Gets New Look; Want Student Ideas

The revised Student Activities Point System as was submitted to the Student Life Committee appears below. Students and faculty members are requested to submit their criticisms of the new list to The Battalion.

Position	Points
President, Student Senate	10
President, Senior Class	10
Cadet Colonel of Corps	10
Co-Editor, Battalion	10
Co-Editor, Longhorn	10
Editor, Agriculturist	10
Editor, Engineer	10
Editor, Commentator	10
Editor, Southwestern Veterinarian	10
Social Secretary	8
Advertising Manager, Battalion	8
Advertising Manager, Longhorn	8
Managing Editor, Battalion	8
President, Junior Class	6
President, Sophomore Class	6
President, Freshman Class	6
Town Hall Manager	6
Student Senators	6
Senior Yell Leader	6
Senior Intramural Managers	6
Presidents of Other Student Organizations	4
Junior Yell Leaders	4
Junior Intramural Managers	4
Vice-Presidents, Student Organizations	2
Secretary-Treasurers, Student Organizations	2

Forestry Leaders Visiting Campus

The A&M Texas Forest Service is host this week to G. M. Conzel and E. T. Brasher, US Forest Service inspectors from the Region 8 offices in Atlanta, Georgia.

The visit of Conzel and Brasher is an annual occasion in connection with the cooperative fire protection program between the US Forest Service and the Texas Forest Service. While in Texas they will inspect state fire protection activities both at the College Station headquarters, and at the protection headquarters in Lufkin.

S. L. Frost, acting director of the Texas Forest Service, and J. O. Burnside, protection chief, are assisting Conzel and Brasher with their inspection.

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SKYWAY DRIVE-IN THEATRE TODAY AND THURS. MELVYN DOUGLAS ROSALIND RUSSELL "GUILT OF JANET AMES" Features—7:15 - 9:00

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Summer Positions Available Through Placement Office

The Placement Office is now receiving calls for summer employment of undergraduate students, according to Director W. R. Horsley.

"Such jobs offer the student an opportunity to add to his experience, thus helping him later on in applying for permanent professional employment," he said.

Students are requested to submit to the Placement Office the number of job contacts made and to file a report at the end of the summer for their permanent records. The report should include the name of the company worked for, type of job held, and the wages earned.

Interested students can obtain a registration record form from their respective department heads or from the Placement Office, Room 230, Administration Building. The forms should then be filed with the Placement Office before May 1.

Notices of job opportunities will be posted on departmental bulletin boards as soon as they are received, Horsley stated.

Campus OPENS 1:00 P.M. PH. 4-1181 —LAST DAY— Features Begin 1:30 - 3:40 - 5:45 - 7:50 - 10:00

BIG IN EXCITEMENT IN SUSPENSE! IN THRILLS! RAY MILLAND CHARLES LAUGHTON **The Big Clock** MAUREN O'SULLIVAN RITA JOHNSON ELSA LANCHESTER GEORGE MACREADY Also SHORT - NEWS - CARTOON THURS. - FRI. - SAT. Features Begin Thurs. & Fri. 1:44 - 3:48 - 5:52 - 7:56 - 10:00

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GUNON NOW PLAYING! TOUGHEST TOWN IN FRONTIER KANSAS! Mighty saga of "Bat" Masterson, U.S. Marshal... whose six-guns helped build a state! **TRAIL STREET** starring Randolph SCOTT - Robert RYAN Anne JEFFREYS - George "Gabby" HAYES with MADGE MEREDITH - STEVE BRODIE BILLY HOUSE - Produced by NAT. HOLY Directed by RAY ENRIGHT - Screen Play by Norman Houston and Gene Lewis

Starting **FRIDAY!** **BIG DOUBLE FEATURE**

HE WANTED THE BLONDE... HER WEAPON WASN'T SO SECRET! **THREE ON A TICKET** with MICHAEL SHAWNE, DETECTIVE with HIGH BEAUMONT (As Michael Sherman) GUYEIL WALKER Produced by SIGMUND NEUFELD Directed by SAM NEWFIELD

M-G-M's BIG TECHNICOLOR MUSICAL! Thrills by day! Romance by night! Spectacular dance cavalcade! Magic Latin music! It's got everything! **FIESTA** ESTHER WILLIAMS AKIM TAMIROFF CYD CHARISSE JOHN CARROLL MARY ASTOR FORTUNIO BONANOVA and introducing RICARDO MONTALBAN

COMING! SHE'S A SWEETHEART... The line will form to the right for LILL PALMER! **AND THE PICTURE'S A PIPI!** LILL PALMER SAM WANAMAKER MEET SAM WANAMAKER THE STAG'S NEW EVAN WASHINGTON IN HIS FIRST PICTURE! **WARNER BROS. My Girl Toot** starring MCK CARSON and SOTHERN ROBERT ADA S. Z. SKALL

PALACE THEATRE NOW BRYAN THRU SAT. HE WAS CONSIDERABLY OLDER... SHE WAS ROMANTICALLY WISER! Spencer TRACY Lana TURNER Zachary SCOTT **Cass Timberlane** TOM DRAKE - MARY ASTOR

QUEEN THEATRE NOW BRYAN THRU WED. Days of the Song and Dance Man! COMEDY HEADLINERS! AGE OF VAUDEVILLE! **April Showers** starring MCK CARSON and SOTHERN ROBERT ADA S. Z. SKALL