

Battalion EDITORIALS

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"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

Battalion--'Free Voice' or 'Stooge'...

Should the Senior Class determine the editorial viewpoint of the Battalion corps editor? This question was raised Wednesday night at a meeting of the Senior Class, at which the corps editor and the class discussed their respective responsibilities.

Some of those present said that, since they are required to subscribe to the Batt, and one of the editors is elected by the corps, the Senior Class should have the right to set the editorial policy.

If these circumstances were to exist, the Battalion would not be a "free voice," but would be reduced to the status of a "stooge" or "mouthpiece" for the Senior Class. It would follow a policy based upon decisions reached in the turmoil of class meetings, an atmosphere that few will maintain is conducive to clear thinking. Under these conditions the Battalion would be censored in the fullest meaning of the term. Yet, most of these fifty-five seniors have at one time or another expressed their sentiments against censorship.

Considering the specific points discussed, however, it is felt that the fundamental cause of the queries brought forth last night was a dissatisfaction with the position taken by the Battalion on the present Cadet Corps dilemma.

In explanation of this position, a brief backward glimpse over the year's happening should prove beneficial. In September, Tyree Bell, former student of A&M and member of the present Board of Directors, visited the campus and addressed a meeting of some 150 or more senior cadet officers. At that time he stated that the Cadet Corps was

Test of Solidarity...

The Armed Forces Unification program is now receiving its first real test of solidarity. The president and his secretary are having a disagreement over the appropriations for the air force. Truman wants a small force while Symington is requesting a large standing fleet of modern planes.

There is a powerful anti-air power faction among the army generals, especially those in the Infantry. Battleship admirals have also belittled the role of air power in the last war, and the next, while trying to maintain an antiquated battle force. This group is evidently influencing President Truman in present policies. He is not a military man, and has never claimed to be. He follows the advice of those military leaders whom he chooses to have as advisors. And he does not have one close air force advisor to whom he listens!

This situation is evident from the present breach of policy which is receiving so much publicity. If there had been close cooperation

Business Week had someone delve deep enough into a recent Census Bureau report to find this explanation of why the birthrate went up while men were away at war: "Allotments to dependents, the Emergency Maternity Care Program, and occasional furloughs."

The constitution of the Dominion of India is patterned on ours. If subsequent patterns are followed, the Hindus will be more than 100 years in finding what their constitution means and then a court will come along and say it doesn't mean that at all.

Suffering from transposed lines, an item in the Springfield (Mass.) Union read: "Miss Margaret Trainor, principal of Haydenville Center School, fell on ice her wrist. She received treatment at her yard and fractured a bone in Dickinson Hospital and returned home."

Ten minutes after President Truman recommended the draft and UMT, a young man called the city desk of the Macon (Ga.) News and asked him how to spell "conscientious."

Americans who failed to file income tax returns will now discover that there is no such thing as the Forgotten Man.

The Battalion

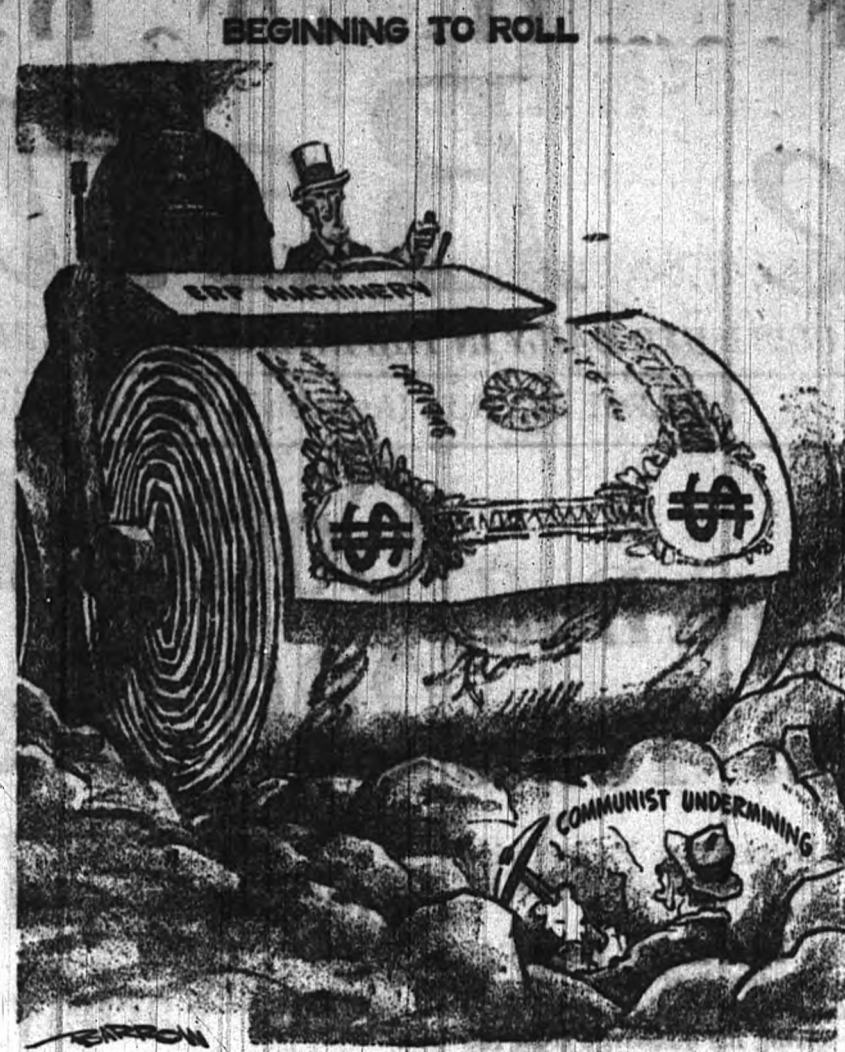
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'How to Recognize Propaganda' Will Be Great Issues Subject

By CHARLES WADE
"How to Think Straight and Recognize Propaganda" will be the subject of an address which Dr. A. Caswell Ellis will deliver Wednesday, April 21, at 8 p. m. in Room 301, Electrical Engineering Building. This is the fourth in a series of Great Issues lectures.

Dr. S. R. Gammon, chairman of the discussion group, said that the public is invited to hear Dr. Ellis at his night lecture.

Thursday morning at 11, Dr. Ellis will meet with the students of the Great Issues Class and will answer questions which his Wednesday night lecture may have raised in their minds.

Dr. T. D. Brooks, in speaking of Dr. Ellis' visit to the campus, said: "He is one of the most forward looking men that we have in the field of education. He is a stimulating speaker."

Dr. Ellis is now associated with the Extension Service of the University of Texas. His primary work is serving as a lecturer and consultant on adult education at the university. When Dr. Robert E. Vinson, former president of the University of Texas, was called to Western Reserve University as president, he took Dr. Ellis with him to serve as director of the downtown Cleveland College, a division of Western Reserve. When Dr. Ellis took over this work, it was an insignificant part of Western Reserve. Within a few years he had developed it into one of the largest divisions of Western Reserve.

Dr. Ellis received his doctor's degree at Clarke University. He studied at the University of Berlin in 1905-06. He was professor of pedagogy at the University of Texas from 1897 to 1903. At the age of 77 he is still active in mind and body, and travels and lectures over the entire Southwest.

His best known writings are in the field of textbooks on education, child psychology, and farm life. One of his best known general books is "Fundamentals of Farming and Farm Life." He is listed in "Who's Who" of education for the year 1922 and each succeeding year, being best noted for his work in adult education. Dr. Ellis is a member of Council of the American Association for Adult Education, American Association of University Professors, and the American Council of Education.

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In addition, several Southwest Conference schools will be represented, including Rice Institute, Texas University, Southern Methodist University, Texas A&M, Baylor University, and the University of Arkansas. The Texas State College for Women, John Tarleton, and Texas Lutheran College will also be represented.

Out-of-state entries include Arkansas A&M, Hardin College, Tulane University, Centenary College, Loyola, Southeastern Louisiana, and Northwestern State College.

Portugal's foreign minister, who wants Franco's country admitted to the European Recovery Conference, says Spain has made a great contribution to European culture. And to European totalitarianism.

Neither the Secretary of the Treasury nor the Treasurer of the United States may own a seagoing vessel. An ounce of prevention...

Quoting from Miami (Fla.) Herald: "They talked Jewish all the time. They didn't think I knew what they were saying, but I talk Jewish," she said. uq-J shrd etao shrdl etao eta shrd.

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Regional Director of NLRB To Speak On Forum April 23

Dr. Edwin A. Elliott, regional director of the National Labor Relations Board for the Texas-Oklahoma-New Mexico area, will address the College Forum in the YMCA Chapel, April 23, according to Mrs. Roy Griffin.

Dr. Elliott, who makes his home in Fort Worth, received his A. B. degree from TCU in 1922, and the following year was awarded a B. B. A. degree. In 1925 he received his M. A. degree at the University of California. Five years later he was awarded a Ph.D. degree from the University of Texas.

In 1928 Dr. Elliott was chosen for the Disciples' Roll of Honor as an outstanding layman. Another year he was selected as one of the Men of the Year in nationwide church brotherhood. In 1937 he was listed in "Texian Who's Who."

Shortly after receiving his doctor's degree, he was appointed supervisor of men at TCU, later becoming head of the economics department at that school.

Since 1935 Dr. Elliott has been director of the National Labor Relations Board for the Sixteenth Region.

In 1932 he served as editor of the Economics Section of the Southwestern Social Science Association, and was twice elected president of the Federal Business Men's Association.

Dr. Elliott was the first president and one of the founders of the Fort Worth Open Forum. Most of his writings have been in the fields of economics and religion. He frequently contributes to "World Call," "The Texas Out-

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TEACHERS COLLEGE DAY ALSO APRIL 21

AUSTIN, April 16 — (AP) — Gov. Beauford H. Jester, has proclaimed April 21 as "Teachers College Day" in Texas.

He said the day was of special significance because the act creating the first such institution—Sam Houston Normal Institute—was signed by Gov. O. M. Roberts April 21, 1873.

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