## EDITORIALS

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"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

### Investing in Brains...

An editorial in the Arkansas Gazette calls attention to a point with which A&M may well be concerned. Noting that the Stanolind Oil & Gas Company has just re-cently announced that it will give the University of Tulsa \$125,000 toward the construction of a \$750,000 Petroleum Science building at that school, the Gazette points out that "no industry in Arkansas has ever made a substantial effort to endow an appropriate department at the University of Arkansas."

Why did Stanolind offer the money for such a building? Evidently they recognize that the establishment or betterment of facilities of institutions of higher learning will benefit them directly. Particularly is that true of vocations or professions which demand advanced training for even a basic understanding of the subject.

It appears to us that many Texas industries are ignoring the benefits to be derived from such action. They are missing a bet in not recognizing what Stanolind did recognize. . . that our colleges and universities are the most logical places for training future

employees. Why must industry spend enormous sums undoing some of the work taught them in universities? Why doesn't industry save itself both money and time by working with and aiding in the financing of higher institutions of learning? It won't be simple, but surely a definite program based on just this one thought could prove invaluable to this state, to the employers, to students, and to the college concerned.

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A&M has made a step in this direction, although of a slightly different nature than the program mentioned above. Its Business and Industrial Advisory Service, offering Texas industries specific and detailed advice on pertinent problems arising within their organizations, will provide an actual laboratory for students who intend to deal with labor and management problems after graduations. The service will be financed by donations from industry, presumably from those who take advantage of its facilities.

Nevertheless, it is a wonder that some of the larger cotton firms, oil refineries, sulassure themselves of larger profits in the ciation, has announced. future by investing in brains now.

### Italy Looks Westward.

American eyes to the more practical aspects of world politics.

This nation, which heretofore insisted on complete "hands-off" in foreign elections, did an about-face. With all the means at hand it has shoveled aid, encouragement, threats, promises, and seductive offers to Italy to prompt a non-communist vote. Apparently Italy has decided to join our "Western sphere."

This policy of acting where our interests He bespeaks a new American awareness of world affairs.

To swing the Italian elections toward the West the United States renounced treaty rights to a share of Italy's navy, and persuaded Britain and Greece to do the same. Twenty-nine merchant ships were transfer-red outright to Italian colors. Food, clothing, machinery, and money have been shipped

The State Department urged Italian-Americans in this country to barrage their homefolks with letters. The Marshall Plan was set up to give aid to needy countries with the restriction that communist nations would not be eligible for assistance.

The warning was given out that no com-munist could enter the U.S., long the goal

Election time in Italy has opened the of thousands of Italians. We are shipping back the gold the Germans stole during the occupation. We probably had a hand in having France return some border land to Italy. We are paying for work done in this country by Italian war prisoners.

We are sending coal to aid Italy's gas industry. At every turn we have maneuvered Russia into positions where it would be impossible for her to swing a veto without marking Italy off as a total loss.

The shrewdest move was the announcement of a plan to return Trieste to Italy. Russia couldn't open her mouth after that without alienating either Italy or Yugoslavia, both of whom had hungry eyes for Trieste. Italy was overjoyed at the sugges-

This is a far cry from our past policies. It's an active policy with some meat on its bones. In the past we let the other nations call the turn, then we joined with the one most like unto our own beliefs. Today we call.

The disadvantage to the new system is plain. We have no one to blame but ourselves if we suddenly become weak of heart. But our successes will be our own.

There is light on America's diplomatic horizon after a long, dark night. Let's hope it isn't false dawn.

BEHIND THE FALSE FRONT



## Classes of '13 and '23 to Hold Reunions Here, April 24-25

Two groups of Aggie-exes, the Classes of '13 and of '23, will convene here Saturday and Sunday, April 24 and 25, for their 35th and 25th anniversary reunions respectively, fur companies, and related industries don't. J. B. "Dick" Hervey, secretary of the Former Students Asso-

> Members of both classes will register at 11 a. m. Saturday in Sbisa Hall. About 65 are

expected to register in the Class sary, the Class of 23 will meet at of '13 while the Class of '23 expects an attendance of about 160.
The Class of '13, which calls itself "The Firemen," will hold 1923 and still reside in this area. Oaks in Bryan at 6 p. m.

a class dinner and party at The At 7 p. m. the class will hold a dinner and party in Sbisa Hall. Celebrating its Silver Anniver- Sunday morning the class has

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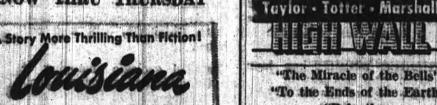
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What's Cooking?

planned to meet at 8:30 in Sbisa Hall for breakfast and a class meeting. Immediately after the

meeting, the reunion will be ad-

Plans for the Class of '23 meet

Two local members of the Class

of '13, T. R. Spence and Ernest Langford, were in charge of making plans for the reunion. L. D. "Dad" Royer of San An-

tonio is class agent, and J. A. "Beef" Scofield of Vernon is president of the Class of '18.

Physics Students

To Plan A-E Show

Students interested in partici-

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ing have been made by a commit-tee composed of local members of the class with E. R. Alexander as CORYELL COUNTY CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Thursday, Room 307, Ben F. "Reveille" Brown of Waco is class agent and class

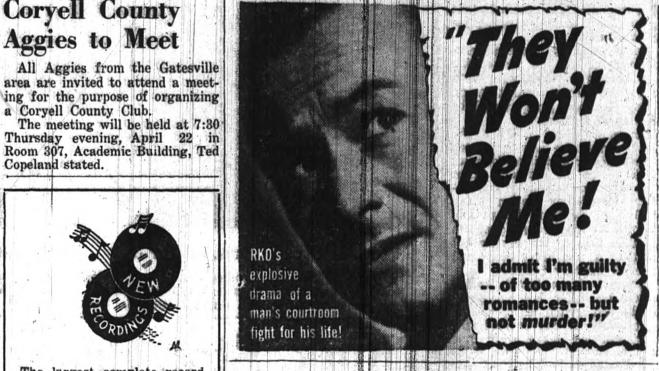
president.
The Class of '18 will also meet
Sunday morning at 8:30 for break
CATTLEMAN'S BALL, 9 m.
Friday, Sbisa Hall. (Missic by James and all the boys.) DEL RIO CLUB, 730 p. m., Thursday, April 22, YMCA Read-ing Room. fast and a class meeting. The re-union will adjourn after the meet-

FISH AND GAME CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Thursday, Talks by J. L. Baughman and Dr. Thomas Scott, LAMAR COUNTY CLUB, 7 p. m., Thursday, Room 126, Aca-

PANHANDLE OLUB, 7:80 p. m Thursday, Room 228, Academic.
PHYSICS STUDENTS, 7 p. m.,
Thursday, Room 39, Physics Building. Plans for A-E Day open house. RIO GRANDE VALLEY CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Thursday, YMCA Chapel.

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# : Letters to the Editor

BEWARE OF SWIS! Editor, The Battalion:

On February 20, 1948 I delivered my automobile to the Southan Air Base to have it painted and the body repaired. At that time all isfactory. After seeing this fellow's automobile which had been painted by the students at the Southwest Technical School, I had to admit that the paint job was good. Thereupon I decided to have my automobile painted and the

whom he needed an automobile. This same instructor also informed me that if I could leave the autor that afternoon, he would put this crew to work on it immediately after I had filled out the necessary releases at the office. The release was to the effect that the school was not responsible for loss by five and theft.

On the particular day I delivered my auto, the instructor who was to supervise the work on my ear was not the least bit hesitant about it. He said that he needed a vehicle that year afternoon is at the school a couple of weeks, I was not the particular day I delivered was notified by means of a postal to point out the true conditions as they exist at the school. My car was ready insofar as the body work and the painting was concerned. However, something else which hicle that very afternoon because the had a crew of students for whom he needed an automobile.

by fire and theft.

Upon going to the office, I had a short conversation with the man who handed me the release. During the conversation this man told had been done. Nothing had been me that the students did goed work done in the way of painting yet.

insofar as students are expected What surprised me was the attito do. I asked him if there was tude of the instructor. He comany danger of anything being tak-plained he could not keep the felen from my automobile, to which lows at work. Upon asking him he merely said that if there was what sort of discipline they had an Air Base to have it painted and anything lying around in my car and why he tolerated such conditions and it is a should take it out. He casually tions, he merely shrugged his mentioned that a few things had shoulders and said that if they I knew about the school was what I had heard from another fellow who had his automobile painted there. He told me that for students the work which they did was satisfactory. After seeing this fel-

After my automobile had been all due respect to the honest stuat the school a couple of weeks, I dents at the SWTS, I would like vital importance to anyone who is going to take his car there is what one might find when he goes out for his car which is ready accord-

ing to the school. Upon looking over my ear, I'll admit that the students painted it well and repaired the body. Some of the other things which had been done were the following:

Two of my hub caps were gone one door handle and two handles for rolling the windows up and down were gone; the glass in one of the doors was broken, and (See LETTERS on Page 4)

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