

Battalion EDITORIALS

Page 2

MONDAY, MAY 3, 1948

"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

Don't Stop Now...

With the completion of the three very much talked about and anxiously awaited lounges in Dormitories 9 and 10 and in Hart Hall, a new era of campus living has opened. A series of meetings in crowded classrooms and living in the same "cubbyhole" day after day, Aggies greeted the proposed lounge construction program enthusiastically when it was announced last summer.

A place to relax when the day's troubles weighed heavily and perhaps read a magazine, play a friendly game of dominoes, or listen to a record player had never existed heretofore on the A&M campus. Neither had suitable arrangements ever been made to furnish a meeting place for Aggies and visiting girl friends and families.

One is led to vast speculations when attempting an estimate of the number of new spring wardrobes that have been ruined while the women folk waited outside in the Brazos Bottom dew for son Johnny to change his uniform, for the mess hall doors to open, and for all the other week-end waiting periods to pass.

Thus, residents of Dormitories 9 and 10 and Hart Hall awaited eagerly the formal opening of the lounges as construction setbacks and furnishing tie-ups delayed the opening date several months.

The arrival of each new furnishing, whether couch or footstool, created a scene of welcome. An almost paternal interest was developed for these individual articles, destined to provide Aggies with some of the "comforts of home."

What's In A Red Name? ...

Russians in Berlin want to change the name of the Communist Party to the Socialist People's Party. What's in a name, anyway? The party would be just as red under that title, and it wouldn't take long for the Germans to discover that the Socialist People's Party was as unsatisfactory as the old admittedly-Communist group.

It will take more than a change of name to make the Communist Party acceptable to those who are unfavorably impressed by the Russian activities in those countries immediately behind the iron curtain.

Taegliche Rundschau, the official Soviet newspaper, announced last week that the Communist party in the U.S., British and French zones would be renamed to Socialist People's Party.

A Communist party statement said: "The party today leads the fight not only for the interests of the German workers but for the interests of the German people."

An American military government official took issue with the statement and predicted the occupation authorities would bar it. To change its name in the American Zone, a party must receive AMG authorization.

"When the Communists apply to us for such sanction," he said, "we shall point out

"WANTED - Will lease 4 or 5 room house. Prefer place with room for cow. Write 426, News-Press-Gazette - Adv. in the St. Joseph (Mo.) Gazette." - One of the downstairs rooms would be your best bet.

Blondie and the all-star cast of characters in PUCK, THE COMIC WEEKLY are more than a source of entertainment. They are the most powerful social force at work in this country. (From an ad in Advertising Age)

Well, anyway, the day will never come when the Communists march in triumph through the streets of Venice.

President Truman is willing to meet Joe Stalin in Washington and he would probably come, too, if permitted to bring along the Soviet army.

The price of Bibles has gone up, too, but then most homes are already equipped with a practically unused copy.

What is one politician's pork is another's gravy.

There is no doubt that the lounges have been appreciated. One need only to drop by any evening to find that the maximum use is being made of the facilities furnished. A sharp-observer would also notice that there were no scratches on the furniture, that shoes were on the floor, and cigarettes in ash trays. To the surprise of erstwhile skeptics, "the house has been kept straight."

The Battalion feels that sufficient proof has been furnished that the lounges were worth the money, and that immediate action should be taken to begin the construction and furnishing of similar lounges in the other dormitories on the campus before next September.

There are several additions that could be made to each lounge before it can be termed complete. For one thing, a small piano, a spinnet perhaps, would add tremendously to the potential value of the lounge. So would throw rugs and magazines.

In the dormitories housing military units of the Cadet Corps, the lounges could serve as an orderly room. The dormitory telephone would be located here along with a complete file of students living in the dormitory.

The Battalion feels that this construction program should not be delayed an instant longer than necessary for the Board of Directors to approve appropriations and for the B&C.U. and the housing departments to plan their activities.

to them they are making an unwarranted and deceitful claim when they say they represent the interests of the entire German people.

"Apparently they are trying to hide under another cloak because Communism under its right name has not been able to make any progress in Western Germany. Why should we now let them get rid of a name they are ashamed of?"

The United States and Britain, have previously protested that in the Soviet Zone the Russians are permitting the Nazi party to reform under another name—the National Democratic party. This group has been licensed to operate in the Soviet Zone, an American official said, but has not been licensed by the four powers in Berlin.

In this country, the House Un-American Activities Committee might study this little maneuver. The Thomas Committee has been urging Congress to outlaw the Communist Party. That would be only an invitation for a new American Socialist People's Party to be formed here, just as pro-Russian as ever, with a perfectly legal constitution and platform.

Changing names and barring names doesn't do anyone any good. Only changes in ideas are of any value.

A men's fashion designer told a style conference that men going without hats can cause a general breakdown in the "appearance of the American male." We are not worried so much about the increasing number of men with nothing on their heads as we are the increasing number with nothing in them.

Radio executive says one day, with a pocket set, you will be able to tell the family that you'll be late for dinner. And hear what the "family" has got to say by way of reply and comment.

Hollywooder who testified at a divorce hearing that her actor husband traded her off for a car can at least be proud of her trade-in value.

Our favorite combination of the affirmative and the negative is the use of tax exemptions to increase the amount of tax. We don't have to pay.

The law gives the pedestrian the right of way. This is much the same sort of protection Uncle Sam gave Finland when she was invaded by Russia.

LOOK WHO'S ON SECOND!



Texas Contractors Form A&M Engineer, Architect Council

A committee from the Texas Chapters of the Associated General Contractors of America, Inc., has organized an advisory committee to work with the college in developing a program in construction engineering and architecture.

E. B. Cape, president of Gulf Bitulithic Company, Houston, was elected chairman of the advisory group at the organizational meeting held here.

Plans are to coordinate the construction engineering and architecture with the curriculum of the college and place students with the firms, giving them the actual experience. It will also place professors in the field with the workers, thus bringing together the field work and classroom work into a more integrated program. This would be done in the summertime.

The immediate plan of the organization is to place students who are majoring in construction engineering and architecture in summer employment with the contractors.

Officers of the committee are: Cape, chairman; and R. L. Peurifoy, professor of civil engineering, secretary-treasurer.

The following sub-committees were named by Cape: CURRICULUM: Ed Baugh, San Antonio, chairman; W. H. Smith of Waco, F. S. Old of Dallas, and R. B. Butler of Bryan, members. SUMMER EMPLOYMENT FOR STUDENTS: D. H. Cox, Houston, chairman; Jack Grant of Corpus Christi and O. W. Collins of Port Arthur, members.

EDUCATIONAL AIDS: Floyd A. Buckner, Dallas, chairman; R. B. Dunbar of Fort Worth and Ed Johnson of Waco, members.

RESEARCH: Neil Singleton, Amarillo, chairman; Leo Norton of Dallas, R. H. Folmer of Austin, members. Dr. A. A. Jankula of the A&M Research Foundation will work with this committee.

Saddle-Sirloiners To Hear Stockman

John Hendrix of Fort Worth, noted stockman and writer for the Cattleman magazine, will address the Saddle and Sirloin Club Tuesday night.

The meeting will be held at 7 p. m. in the AI Lecture Room.

Final business preparations will be made and extra help assigned for the Little Southwestern Livestock Show May 8.

For MODEL AIRPLANE SUPPLIES Jones Sporting Goods 803 S. Main — Bryan Ph. 2-2832

Precinct Favors Two-Thirds Rule Of National Meet

College Station residents attending the Precinct Convention Saturday voted in favor of a two-thirds rule in the National Democratic Convention.

They adopted and approved the State Democratic Executive Committee platform with one exception.

The group recommended that the presidential electors and delegates select the loyal and outstanding Democrats who will faithfully carry out the mandates of the party as voted in the convention assembled and will accord full support to every nominee of the party.

H. E. Burgess was precinct 3 Chairman. George McCullough was elected secretary.

Delegates chosen for the County Convention were H. E. Burgess, Otis Butler, Roland Bing, E. E. Brown, Bob Cherry, C. N. Sheppard and George McCullough.

Alternates selected were R. D. White, Charlie Murray, and Mack T. Nolen.

Veterans' Notice

Veterans' Advisor Taylor Wilkins urges that all veteran students whose subsistence checks were not correct to report to Room 104, Goodwin Hall, as soon as possible in order that the discrepancy might be corrected.

Cadets to Perform At Annex Tuesday

The Singing Cadets will give a repeat performance of their Town Hall program, Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. at the Annex Student Center. Admission will be free.

YMCA Cabinet To Hear A-M Chaplain

Rev. Sam Hill, college chaplain, will address the YMCA Cabinet tonight at 7:15.

FOR THOSE WHO DEMAND THE BEST... College Shoe Repair North Gate

PALACE Bryan 2-8879

NOW SHOWING "T-Men"

QUEEN

NOW SHOWING "Drums Along the Mohawk"

CAMPUS

Opens 1:00 P.M. Ph. 4-1181 NOW SHOWING thru WEDNESDAY - Features Begin - 1:40 - 4:25 - 7:10 - 10:00 FIRST RUN FEATURE

Danger... Hard Living, Warm Loving!

FORT APACHE JOHN WAYNE HENRY FONDA SHIRLEY TEMPLE JOHN AGAR PEDRO ARMENDARIZ WARD BOND GEORGE O'BRIEN NEWS - SHORT DONALD DUCK CARTOON THURS. - FRI. - SAT.

Wallace Beery Alias A Gentleman

"The Miracle of the Bells" "To the Ends of the Earth" "Scudda Hoo! Scudda Hay" "Setting Prety"

- YANTIS (Continued from page 1) chief in Tokyo. Because of recent editorials in the Batt, he has been named.

At the end of the thirty-seventh notch on the tree (we kept track of time this way, the captain having read Robinson Crusoe when a boy), we saw a ship on the distant horizon. O, Joy! O, rapture!

A short time later, the ship dropped anchor and a small boat came ashore.

When the man who was leading the party stepped from the boat to the shore, he came straight to me and said, "Mr. Yantis, I presume?"

"Yes," "Mr. Yantis, I have been instructed to give you this note. I took the note and read, 'Your fees are one at the fiscal office, unless you get an amount specified, you will be dropped from the rolls of this college.'"

"I was flabbergasted, I looked at the man and said, 'Aren't you the fellow that found me in Africa?'" "Yes," "Didn't I pay you then in perfectly good African currency?" "Well, that's just it, Mr. Yantis, it wasn't perfectly good African currency, just before you came to the African government officials its money. As a result, you still owe twelve cents." "Egad!"

Newmans to Hold Forum Tonight

Dr. E. M. Hildebrand will conduct an open forum on the world situation at the Newman Club meeting tonight at 7:15 in the Newman Club Hall of St. Mary's Chapel.

Dr. Hildebrand, professor of Biology, has been faculty sponsor of the Newman Club for the past three years. In connection with the open forum, Dr. Hildebrand urged Newman Club members to think of questions concerning world affairs before coming to the meeting and to feel free to add to the discussion.

Two important amendments concerning an increase in dues and a new time of electing officers will be voted on, stated Bill Miller, club reporter.

Drama School! HOLLYWOOD BOWL Academy Theater Arts

Summer Classes Start June 23 • Superb Faculty • Stage Rehearsals • Plus Technique

For full particulars, write HOLLYWOOD BOWL THEATER ASSN. - Producers of the Pilgrimage 1143 28th & Highland Ave. Hollywood Calif.

LAST DAY SKYWAY DRIVE-IN THEATRE

Danny Kaye Golden Girls Boris Karloff in Technicolor "Secret Life of Walter Mitty"

TUESDAY ONLY No Feature CARTOON CARNIVAL 8 Color Cartoons - 4 Featurettes

CAMPUS

NOW!

THEY'RE BACK! UNIVERSAL INTERNATIONAL presents BUD ABBOTT LOU COSTELLO BUCK PRIVATES COME HOME with TOM BROWN JOAN FULTON - NAT PENDLETON DONALD MACBRIDE and BEVERLY SIMMONS

OPENING Tomorrow! Next Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday

M-G-M's THRILLER WITH A NEW KIND OF KILLER! A NEW MICKEY ROONEY BRIAN DONLEY ANN BLYTHE KILLER MOJO JAMES DUNN TOM TOLLY - JOHN LUGONE Story and Screen Play by Thomas James, George Bruce and George Cooper. Directed by ROY ROYAL. Music by MAX STEINBAUM. Artistic Conception by JAMES HAYES.

The Battalion

The Battalion, official newspaper of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas and the City of College Station, Texas, is published five times a week and circulated every Monday through Friday afternoon, except during holidays and examination periods. During the summer The Battalion is published semi-weekly. Subscription rate \$4.30 per school year. Advertising rates furnished on request.

News contributions may be made by telephone (4-8444) or at the editorial office, Room 201, Goodwin Hall. Classified ads may be placed by telephone (4-5324) or at the Student Activities Office, Room 209, Goodwin Hall.

The Associated Press is entitled exclusively to the use for republication of all news dispatches credited to it or not otherwise credited in the paper and local news of spontaneous origin published herein. Rights of republication of all other matter herein are also reserved.

Entered as second-class matter at Post Office at College Station, Texas, under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

Member of The Associated Press Represented nationally by National Advertising Service Inc., at New York City, Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Francisco.

CHARLIE MURRAY, JIMMIE NELSON Co-Editors

Wick Lindley, Vice Editor
J. T. Miller, Kenneth Bond, Louis Morgan, Managing Editors
Nick E. Nolen, Feature Editor
E. L. Billingsley, Harvey Childs, Editors
Tom E. Carter, C. G. Monroe, C. C. Teal, James E. Neath, Otto E. Kuntz, C. F. Hills, John Sturtevant, Editors
Tom Wenzel, Larry Goodwyn, Reporters
Maurice Howell, Advertising Manager

Bob Kennelley, Circulation Manager
Joe Trevino, Hardy E. Ross, Photo Engravers
Art Howard, Sports Editor
James DeLanda, Andy Menzies, Zero Hammond, James DeLanda, Andy Menzies, Zero Hammond, Don Empling, Bob Speck, Bill Evans, Sports Writers
Gladys Griffin, Photographer
Sam Lauford, K. J. Marak, Cartoonist

ICE CREAM IS NUTRITION AT THE TIP OF YOUR TONGUE

Eat it often and you'll get...

- VITAMIN A ... keeps the eyes in condition and body tissues in good repair; also promotes growth.
- RIBOFLAVIN ... Nourishes the body cells and generates vitality.
- THIAMIN ... Increases the appetite by helping to burn the food we eat and keeps our nerves healthy.
- CALCIUM ... Strengthens teeth and bones.

EAT ICE CREAM OFTEN FOR GOOD HEALTH SHEER PLEASURE

Lilly ICE CREAM