

Battalion EDITORIALS

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"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

Who Determines Our Editorial Policy? . . .

Several times in the past we have received queries as to who determines the editorial policy of the Battalion.

We would like to settle this question now as briefly and conclusively as we can. All editorial policy is discussed and determined by the students who make up the editorial staff. We are in no way influenced or under any form of pressure from outside interests or persons.

Our editorials are not seen by any member of the faculty or College staff until they appear in the paper as you see them.

The manager of all student publications, the closest person to the Battalion staff, is available for advice, but he does not attempt to determine policy nor proof

read editorials.

Daily editorials are written by staff members, who are all students, and pass under only the pencils of the desk editor, another student, who must proof read all copy before he makes up.

In any newspaper the editor is responsible for everything that appears in his paper. He alone is liable to suit for anything that appears in his paper. If he is to be responsible, he alone must determine editorial policy.

For that reason, we the student editors of the Battalion, determine its editorial opinions.

As long as we hold our positions we will continue to determine them.

Safety on The Highway . . .

The Texas Department of Public Safety released its monthly report on traffic accidents this week.

Last month 187 persons were killed in traffic accidents as compared with 202 killed during the same month in 1947.

Fatalities on streets and highways of Texas totaled 1,276 through August, against 1,277 for the first eight months of 1947. However, the department's statistician estimated that when final reports are received for the August period, the 1948 death figure will be 5 per cent above the figure for 1947.

The number of accidents this year was estimated at 107,061 compared with 107,826 a year ago.

These latest figures are new. The story isn't. Every year the tale of highway deaths is repeated but with the Hollywood touch of being bigger and more colossal.

To those of us here on the campus their release is timely. This week we are entering our yearly period of increased traf-

fic accidents. Several times each year, as a result of the increased travel and speed of the football season, we hear silver taps for some of our fellow students.

This year, particularly, our chances of quick death on the highway will increase. More students own and drive cars from the campus. A broader away-from-home football schedule will draw us onto the roads to Dallas, Austin, San Antonio and Waco.

The type weekends that only Aggies away from school can have will be contributing factors. Fatigue and alcohol is the one-two punch that can end your week end quickly and completely.

Every year we read warnings on traffic accidents. Every year we shrug them off as applying to the other fellow. Every year some of the other fellows have died. This year the order could change.

Let's ALL be careful on the highways beginning tomorrow when we go to San Antonio.

An International Cart-Before-Horse . . .

Secretary of State Marshall in his speech to the United Nations Assembly today gave these proposals:

Palestine: Admission to the U. N. of Israel and Trans-Jordan; early demobilization of troops in Palestine; repatriation of refugees; economic aid to both Jews and Arabs.

Korea: Independence for Korea, with membership in the United Nations.

Greece: The Greek nation must be made secure from aggression and unlawful interference from without."

Indonesia: A negotiated settlement between the Dutch and the Indonesian Republic without further bloodshed.

Japan and Germany: Early peace settlements so these countries may exist as "democratic and peaceful nations" who will in the future qualify for U. N. membership.

Austria: Restoration of political and economic freedom within Austria's 1937 frontiers and admission of Austria to the U. N.

UNDOUBTEDLY a news story, if so is the event headlined by the *Edinburg (Tex.) Daily Review*:

"Oswalt Announces Egg-Laying Contest For Poultrymen"

U. N.

Armaments: Adoption of an international system of atomic energy control; progressive reduction of armaments with a guarantee against violation.

When these proposals are studied they reveal how closely our objectives can be blocked by Russian counter moves. For example, our ultimate wish is to bring Korea, Japan, Germany and Austria into the United Nations group as integral self-sustaining political units.

Russia can easily block this through her veto power before they have a chance to begin a new political existence. We also wish to make Greece secure from aggression and interference from without. Today all interference from without has been Russian sponsored and they have given no indication that they will cease to create disturbance when given the opportunity.

The final analysis of these particular problems then lies in the solving of the Russian problem first. The others by necessity must wait their turn.

NO COMMENT on this classified, appearing in the *Anderson (Ind.) Daily Bulletin*:

"**LOST**—Lady's red jersey skirt with white dots between 22nd and Fairview and 23rd and Brown last Wednesday."

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Sneak Preview . . .

Super Comedy Offers Lend-Lease in New Marital Angle

By ANDY DAVIS

Lost Honeymoon (Eagle-Lion) starring Franchot Tone, Ann Richards, and Tom Conway. (Guion)

Lend-lease is carried too far when an Ex. G. I. is confronted with an unknown British wife and two children.

Franchot Tone, as the Ex. G. I., receives a cablegram from England, on the eve of his wedding, stating that his wife and children are on their way to America by boat. This hits the old boy pretty hard, since he wasn't under the impression that he had a wife, much less children. Then he recalls that he was a victim of amnesia for six weeks while in London, and any incidents that might have occurred during that period, he was totally unaware. (That's the easy way out.)

To complicate matters, Ann Richards, who is supposed to be his wife, really isn't his wife, but takes it upon herself to see that the children are united with their rightful father, since their mother is deceased. She had to pose as his Mrs. to get into the country.

Tone gets himself well "plastered," and tries to regain his memory by bating his head against a lamp-post, which only results in a trip to the County hospital. When his so-called wife appears, the newspapers get wind of the story, and play it up big. That's the end of Tone's fiancée and his job.

The Red Cross detect Miss Richards illegal entry into the country, and order her to be deported, but by this time Tone has fallen in love with his "wife" and children, and comes to her rescue.

This film is a lot better than expected, so if you are in the mood for lots of laughing, I recommend you see it.

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Trampling Out The Vintage . . .

Now Picketing on Higher Plane As Strikers Break Traditions

By FRANK CUSHING

At last the lowly job of picketing has reached a higher plane. No longer need strikers wearily plod in front of an establishment while carrying their signs of protest. Now they can effectively let their employer and the public know their feelings the modern way.

The new technique was initiated over New York City's International Airport Tuesday. At ten thousand feet an airborne striker spelled out "Scab" with his sky writing equipment.

The snort and terse message was directed at his former employer's and the new hired flyers who were resuming company operations in spite of the strike.

The men are tentatively planning to fly over the main airport in Washington DC in shifts. By a constant stream of planes, night and day, they say that all air transportation would be blocked from the use of the field.

Things are definitely looking brighter for strikers with these innovations. Perhaps next they will just procure a fully equipped dive bomber and give the sweat-shop proprietor a quick strafe.

Members of the Battalion staff were startled out of their sleep the other afternoon by the appearance of a fast moving freshman who was busy gathering up coke bottles. While retrieving coke bottles from the sundry places that they usually end up

in when empty, he roared instructions about keeping the empties in one place.

Sensing a show of disrespect and perhaps some news, several staff members extending their weighted down third finger, left hand, and asked just who was the bottle collector.

Fish Garmany, identified himself as the new Vice-President in Charge of Discarded Empty and Parvaquy Empty Coke Containers. The Student Labor Office selected him from a field of many applicants because of his unusual qualifications for the position. Fish Garmany is attending A&M on a sports scholarship as an 880 Dash man.

The presumption is that Fish Garmany can spot a bottle in the air upon it's way to destruction and summon his track ability to save the day.

As most reader's know, the majority of material for this column is gathered from the hard working AP Machine. Periodically the machine gets itself balled up and the results are amazing.

This item of many potentialities came out of the chattering machine today.

Mrs. Robert Paine and Mrs. Mike Ruvolo, two sisters who were married in a double ceremony, have given birth to youngsters on the same day and in the same hospital. The one difference in the chain of similarities is that the raynes got a boy and the Ruvolo's a Kavaldfog.

Personally, I'd say that's a lot of difference.

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