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Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

The Word on The Date Ticket Situation.

With the approach of the TCU game and the first big sale of football date tickets, there has been a how of protest over current prices on these tickets.

Rather than selling for \$1.20 as they have in the past, date tickets this year are costing students \$3.60. Adding to the clamor is the fact that married veterans can purchase tickets for their wives at the old rate of \$1.20.

In an effort to determine the reason behind the change, we contacted Athletic Director Bill Carmichael to get the full story. This is, in effect, what he told us.

The decision to raise the prices was made in the annual meeting of the Southwest Conference Faculty Representatives. They decided by a majority vote, in which A&M, incidentally, dissented that the price would have to be advanced to meet current price levels.

Reason for the veteran's wives getting tickets at the old price is the fact that the Federal Government, through the Veterans Administration, allows them a coupon book in the same manner as students. and their tickets are purchased with this book, not individually as date tickets.

The school could possibly take it on themselves to keep the tickets at the old

level but since they must split fifty-fifty on each ticket sold with the opposing team's school, they would have to give up a dollar extra for each \$1.20 ticket sold. This would leave them with very little margin of profit on one hand and a complete dollar loss to counterbalance it.

From where we sit, it appears that the student is gradually being forced out of his own stadium by high prices which he can't afford.

The full reasoning behind the conference group's action isn't yet clear to us. In the future we will make moves to hear and print the rest of the story.

We wish to emphasize here that we are not advocating a raise in the price of the wives' tickets. However, we do believe that the price charged for date tickets is unreasonable.

Since this is an all male school, each student must go off this Campus to get a date. He is forced to pay the \$3.60 rather than the \$1,20 paid for a date ticket in a co-ed school.

Secondly, we wish to point out that A&M has the reputation of being the 'poor boy's school." This extra charge of \$2.40 will be felt more here than at other conference schools.

A Third Strike From Spain . . .

The puzzle's pieces are beginning to other than Henry Wallace. fit themselves together, and again the truism "crisis makes strange bedfellows" is asserting its validity.

Little items are coming in on the press wire that seem to indicate Franco Spain will soon be whitewashed to such pleasant appearances that she will be seen in the company of the Western Powers.

For the first time in twelve years municiple elections will be held. Suddenly Spain is breaking out with at least the outward appearances of democracy.

This past week Franco was visited by two important American gentlemen (Eric Johnson of the movie industry and James Farley). Both of these men told the press that they thought soon we would be doing business with Spain again, Foreign relations experts are suggesting that the Spanish government receive our full recognition.

No one has recommended Spain yet to the United Nations, but give them time.

After a few weeks of softening up in the American newspapers and over the radio the American people will not be so antipathetic toward Spain. Then it will be possible to receive her into our Western Power circles.

Nobody's going to raise any objection,

Nobody's going to charge that we are supporting a non-democratic country, other than the German people where we are already having a hard time selling an American brand of democracy.

Nobody's going to remember that Franco's armies were blessed to victory with Hitler's tanks and planes and equipment-other than the Communists who have already gained the ear of millions of Europeans, both Eastern and Western.

Franco's a good boy now gone democratic. His Pyrenees Mountains are a great natural barrier in the event of a Russian tide sweeping across Europe.

He wants to play ball with us. And maybe he will take a few hundred million in Marshall Plan aid. Maybe he will buy Mr. Johnson's films, and whatever Mr. Farley has to sell.

One of these days we may have to quit calling ourselves the free, democratic nations of the world. We already have two strikes against us—the monarchial Greek government and the corruption ridden government of Nationalist China.

With millions of the worlds peoples who don't know what to believe, three strikes and you are out.

We'd better stop and consider, "Is Spain our third strike?'

The Passing Parade.

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"He always brings his roommate to the games, he can't afford the price of a date ticket!"

Think of This

How many times have you been asked to do a certain thing and refused? What kind of an answer did you give? Did you just make an excuse, or did you really have a reason? There is a great difference between the two. So the next time you have an opportunity to be of service or to witness for the Lord, think it through. Be sure that you give Him a real answer, and not an excuse. (Read Luke 14:15-24).

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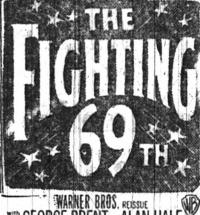
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