Battalion EDITORIALS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1948

"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman" Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

Well Fired, Woodmen . . .

This year's bonfire, judging from the hot time in Memorial Stadium last Thursday, generated quite a bit of heat.

Whether the steak fry in Austin was a direct result of the local bonfire, we can't say. We do say that on its own merit, alone, this years blaze was a success. It did what all good bonfires should doburned with a bright, well behaved flame and served as a focal point for a kindling of school spirit.

This year's bonfire was sort of a Dick Whittington conflagration. It grew in the face of adversity. Built in a shorter-thannormal period, it had to go up fast to meet a deadline.

A Study of the Austin Attitude . . .

We have returned from another Corps trip and have settled down with pleasant memories-most of us at least.

Some were not so lucky as to get through the weekend unscapred. It seems that a few hoodlums were out to spoil the Aggies' weekend, or at least try to spoil it.

From several different sources, most of them reliable, have come tales of Aggies being beaten up, stomped on, and clubbed, at points and in such a way that they were defenseless against the attacks.

One notable story, well confirmed. states that two Aggies were walking along the street by themselves. Suddenly a car pulled up alongside them; three boys jumped out and attempted to get their garrison caps. In so doing, the boys beat one of the Aggies in the face and then retreated to their car.

The two Aggies got the license number of the car and turned it over to proper authorities. It was Perry Samuels' car. Whether he was driving the car has vet to be determined, but one of the editors was almost run down by Samuels' car that same night.

Another tale which comes from the people involved says that a group of TU students formed a blockade across a sidewalk in Austin and tried to make the Aggies walk in the street. This group did not meet with much success.

Another Aggies was walking past a dark alley. He, apparently, put too much faith in Austin people being civilized and as a result was clobbered like the rest.

All who attended yell practice Wednes-

The Passing Parade . . .

From Belfast, Ireland and the Associated Press comes this little item.

Frisk, a bull terrier joined the staff of the Ulster Food office today, to sniff out black market practices

Authorities suspect many birds are sent to England illegally labelled as auto accessories. Frisk will work an eight hour day at the docks, smelling parcels await-

After announcing that the city governments collected more money last year than ever before, the Census Bureau adds what is no doubt perfectly in order for a statistical statement but is actually wholly unnecessary - that cities also spent more.

There were even suggestions that we ot have a bonfire at all this year. Every year the wood problem seems more hopeless, but somehow it is always recruited.

All these extra problems had to be offset by extra effort. This effort was put forth by a great many individuals and groups. They were so numerous that space and knowledge prohibits our mentioning them all here.

To all of them however, we would like to deliver a group message of appreciation. Your efforts were appreciated from other quarters too. The last objective that received such flattering aerial attention was Ploesti.

day night are familiar with what happened there. Several university students tried to make trouble by giving cheers and making unprintable comments, particul-

arly offensive to Aggies with dates. One very large TU student, identified by several Aggies, made himself particularly obnoxious. It is hoped that he is not a representative of the typical TU student.

When we hear of these things, we are puzzled. It is difficult to understand why over one hundred Aggies can atten a TU pep rally and act like college students, and yet Texas University students cannot attend our yell practice and act the same

Sportsmanship has gone a long way this year in the Southwest Conference with most of the schools and student bodles doing their part. However, a weekend like the past one could easily have undone all the good that has been accomplished.

It is hard to tell just what the opinion of the TU student is regarding sportsmanship. We like to think that the people guilty of such foul play are not typical university students. However, the attempted bombing of our bonfire was condoned and paid for by some of the frats on the TU campus.

We hope that these people were of the minority, and that by next year the majority can mend their own fences. This same group of people is coming down here next year and if we conduct ourselves like normal, intelligent college studetns perhaps they will see the folly of their ways.

Then maybe we'll get a better reception there in '50.

ing shipment. Any that interest Frisk will be opened.

We are wondering if, after a hitch in the food office, we couldn't borrow Frisk for the sovereign state of Texas.

As smelly as some of our state activity peromes, the pooch could be on semi-reirement most of the time.

Sidney M. Brooks' service first as resident and then as secretary of the Little Rock Rotary Club covers 35 years. t would be interesting to know the exact weight of the English peas he has consumed during that time.

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Amplification Department

By BUDDY LUCE

Dear Know-it-all: Maybe you and all your booklarnin can tell me something that I've been wondering about ever since I came to A&M as a fresh-man in the "dark years." What do teasippers sip? Expectantly,

Fletch Dear Fletch: Obviously, Fletch, you two-percented on the troops last Turkey Day. Has you been in Austin you would have learned as I did that teasippers sip soup. All the sippers must have been hungry after the game, because they all went around answering questions with one word —"Campbell." Now you know.

A. Amplifier Dear Amplifier: How come? Sincerely, Bolivar Shagnasty

Dear Bolivar: Because, my dear Shagnasty, the editor says so! If it weren't for the editor's say-so, where would I be? Such a stupid question! You

sound, Bolivar, as if you just fell out of a well on your head! If you don't think I'm right, ask swimmer Art Howard.
Assidiously,

A. Amplifier

Dear Feller:

Who are you?
Annabella Pumphandle Skunk Hollow, Kentucky (Writ by hand) Dear Annabella:

I'm sure, Miss Pumphandle, that you can't read, since you obviousengaged your old dominecker hen to write your letter to me. For your information, I am A. Amos Amplifier III, the sagest sage this side of Sadie's Switch. Sidewinder County, and Smokehouse Junction.

Although your question interests me, I dare not climb further on the limbs of my family tree for fear of winding up in the blasphemy of my colorful but conniving cohorts in Room 202. Your unscrupulous

prognosticator, A. Amos Amplifier

It involves no fundamental

changes of European society's

complexion, other than the revi-

val of the "brotherhood of man"

and other Christian principles.

The West at Bay is the first

book published in America by Miss

Ward. Throughout it her reason-

ing is excellent, her clarity su-

perb. She is at her best when de-

scribing what the U.S. and Eu-

rope must do in order to make the

ERP a success. But her primary

assumption that Europe and its

Fat chance!!

Between the Bookends . . .

European Integration Urged In Ward's 'The West at Bay'

By ALLEN SELF

The West at Bay, by Barbara Ward. Norton & Co., New York,

Europe has been the focal point of two great wars-running sores of chronic depression, for the past Shortage of Yankee dollars, and

with it, paralysis of international trade is the chief symptom of Europe's present crisis. How to place Europe on a

stable economic footing is the problem Barbara Ward, young (34) and brilliant foreign affairs editor of the London Economist, presents and resolves in The West at Bay. America's role in the reconstruc-

tion is known to all as the Mar-Plan, or ERP. Under this program, the 16 non-Communist nations of Europe have joined to estimate their economic needs, to balance their budget at a level high enough to insure political sta-

Miss Ward sees in this cooperation the seeds of something greater—a Western Association similar to the United States of Europe popularized by Winston Churchill. Without such a union, the end of Western civilization is foreseen by Barbara Ward .

What cooperation she proposes -with all the excellent statistics, plans and programs stripped aside -is cooperation between the capi-

Letters

LOST A BAG?

On Sunday, November 28, 1948, I picked up a hitch-hiker in Denton Texas and brought him to Dallas.

When I let him out he left a black

zipper bag in my automobile. The outside of the bag has the name "Mitchell" painted on it with no

During our conversation he sta-

ted that he was a student at Texas A&M in conservation work dealing with wild life, game and fish. His home is either in Gainesville,

Texas or some place in Florida.

If there is any way that I could find this boy's address, I would be glad to mail him the bag. Any ef-

fort on your part to help me locate this student would be greatly ap-

Dallas, Texas

NO MORE NICKEL RIDES

DAYTON, O., Dec. 1 — (P) Day-ton, believed to be one of the last

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Editor, The Battalion:

initials.

cents.

present social order is basically good can be questioned seriously.

"Finally brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might." Eph. 6:10

Think of This

The soul of the Christian is a continuing battleground. The power of Satan is in unceasing opposition against the will of Jesus Christ in the heart of the believer. Not one of us can by our own strength prevail against the great adversary. Only as we connect our lives with the power offered to us through Jesus Christ can we endure the temptations that are ever before us. We acquire power to overcome temptation and to do the work of a Christian as by faith we close the gap between our weakness and the strength of God. (Read Eph, 6:10-16)

ROSARY AND BENEDICTION St. Mary's Chapel TONIGHT—WED. DEC. 1ST 7:30P.M.



Bob's Got That Gleam ROBERT cities where you can ride anywhere for a nickel, is giving in.

The city commission Monday gave the City Railway Co. per-mission to raise its fare to 7 1/7

An Eagle Lion Films Release

Trampling Out The Vintage

Stogie Fan Finds New Rule, 'If You Smoke, Don't Drive'

If your roommate is one of those whose greatest pleasure in life is laying a smoke-screen of El Ropo number 6 fog around your room, why not try and get him to take his smoldering hemp out to one of the local parking lots for a machine age cure?

A certain patriot, John Kainersky by name, of New York was a chewer of the politicians trademark, and as he was driving happily along puffing on his cigar misfortune stepped in to put an end to his smokescreen.

His car became entangled with that of another driver, and while the gallent John was out investigating the damage a third car gently nudged the Kainersky jalopy. The jalopy in turn nudged John, and the upshot of the whole affair was that John swallowed the stogie.

No comment was forthcoming from the struggling Yankee, but a doctor who thrust his lights into John's throat commented that he had never before been called in to attend a case of singed tonsils.

Rattling windows have, in the past, always been a source of trouble, but after hearing of a recent escapade in Germany it would pay us all to investigate before covering our heads with pillows to drown out (excuse me) shut off the noise.

It seems that the male shortage is getting the German femmes a bit perturbed and they decided to do something about it. So, late one cold Bayarian evening as the moon rose over the cold Bavarian hills, three figures in men's clothing were seen approaching the window of a farmhouse. On the inner side of the window, so the account went, was the room of the farmer's son. The three figures approached the window, banged on it, and when the farmer himself appeared they lifted their cleaks and ran. Not fast enough though, for when the farmer caught the intruders he found that they were not men, but the daughters of three nearby farmers.

The girls, or so they claimed, were so desperate for men that they figured the still of the night would be a good time to go after them. The farmer could say nothing, the women only explained, and the farmer's sons

All of which goes to show that it never pays to lock your window. You cant' tell what will be coming in next or can you?

The Daughters of the American Revolution won't like it, but three percent of the English people believe that America is still a British colony. This fact was brought out by a recent poll (they're back again) taken by the colonial office.

We wonder how many people in this country are under the same impression? "I say, old bean, pawse the tea, will you?"

In keeping with the policy of complete coverage of all news events we bring you this flash from Georgia upon the current

Two more justy grasshoppers have joined the ranks of those who have given their

school student for the reward of \$20.00. (For sans catsup and mustard myself,)

The real old American spirit was demonstrated by a second individual in Georgia who had a non-rust, galvanized stomach. He accepted a mere \$1.50 for bolting the tidbit.

worthy reason.

Set for Thursday

'he annual freshman slide rule centest will be held simultaneously in the auditorium of Building T-180 and in Room 303 of the ME Building at 1 p. m. Thursday, J. H. Caddess, chairman for the contest has announced.

A first and second prize for the

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highest score made in the contest department, Caddless said, and a first and second prize in The award ceremony has been each department of the engineers tentatively set for Thursday, Deing school from which students cember 16, in the Annex Gymna. Slide Rule Contest and a first and second prize in compete will be awarded.
Each contestant will be awards

ed a small plaque bearing a commendation from the head of his

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"Three Darling Daughters"

LATEST NEWS STARTS TOMORROW



remarks were not printed.

grasshopper chomping fad.

lives for the furthering of education.
One was consumed by a mercenary high

twenty dollars I'd be tempted to eat two.

He explained his cut rate price by the statement," I wanted to flight the inflation among the grasshopper catars." Indeed a

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