

To the Grove, By Jove, For Entertainment's Sake . . .

A Grove full of good summer entertainment has been lined up by the Student Activities Department and its affiliates.

For the agile and athletic there will be skating and dancing of all types, from the square variety to more formal ball room type on Saturday nights.

The less exuberant student may shut out the thoughts of an afternoon lab by attending one of the free movies.

People who feel an urge to break the bank at Monte Carlo can indulge their whim at an occasional Bingo party.

From time to time, special shows and exhibitions have been arranged featuring both off-the-campus and local live talent.

Charge for all this nightly entertainment will be simply the showing of a yellow-fee slip by the student. One fee slip will suffice for yourself and a date at the dances, but at movies it will only take one person in.

The keynote of the entire program, in keeping with the temperature, is informality. The summer Grove schedule represents an excellent opportunity for student who aspires to be a young business man to brush up on the social graces.

Overall, the summer Grove entertainment line-up looks good. But don't take our word for it. Go on out and see for yourself that you can pick up a lot in summer school besides six hours and a screaming sun tan.

More Dollar Hay for the Iron Horse . . .

This past week saw an approval by the Texas Railroad Commission of a railroad petition to lower passenger fares between Ft. Worth, Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio to the same rates charged by major bus companies between these cities.

Besides welcoming the reduction in rates, we feel two important observations can be drawn by this move on the part of the railroads. The first is that the railroads have finally realized that their transportation services are not so much better than those of the busses as to induce great numbers of people to pay the higher fares for rail tickets.

And second, the railroads have come to learn that bus transportation is popular to a tremendous number of people. These people who ride busses are often influenced to bus travel because of its lower rates.

Many of these people either do not own cars, or do not want to risk their old car for the long trip. They simply want to go from one place to another, and they do not care much about style or comfort.

Now the railroads are seeking to attract the marginal traveler who has heretofore depended on bus-provided transportation.

It is heartening to see the almost antiquated iron horse rise up and take note of the times and what he is to do if he is to exist. An element of competition is being introduced between industries which have long sang the "you take the high rate, I'll take the low rate" theme.

The iron horse is a mighty smooth riding critter, and he doesn't have to take so many ten minute rest stops.

A Bill For A More Secret Balloting Process . . .

Tuesday Governor Jester signed a bill which will give Texas voters a more secret ballot. He signed it in the presence of a group of interested citizens who had followed the bill closely during its transit through the legal maze to its passage.

Here's how the new law will work: Every ballot will be numbered. The same number will appear on a detachable stub on one corner of the ballot.

After marking his ballot, the voter will detach the stub, write his name across the back of it, and drop it into a sealed stub box. He will drop his ballot in a separate box.

The stub box—made secure before the election with the seal of the district court serving the county in which the election is held—will be the responsibility of the

district clerk. He will protect the box both before and after the election.

The seal can be broken only on court order in event of an election contest without 60 days after the votes are cast. Any one breaking the seal except on court order would be subject to contempt of court proceedings.

At the end of the 60-day period allowed for filing of an election contest, the district clerk would be required to destroy the stub box if no contest had developed.

We are pleased both with the bill's passage and the interest of the citizens lobbying for it. The bill will make more secure the secret ballot—one of our most cherished civil liberties.

The increasing interest of citizens in the legislature's actions—manifested by group trips to Austin—will do much to insure maintenance of our other liberties.

OWNERS' GROUP TO PRESS RENT SUIT New York World Telegram From a caterer's ad in the Charlotte (N. C.) News: "Here are two suggestive picnic menus. Phone 0-0000 for others."

The Hamlet (N.C.) News carried a top streamer: "Two Women Stab Husbands During Weekend; One Dead, One to Live." Another banner just below it read: "Hamlet Is a Beautiful Place to Live."

The Battalion

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Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

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JUST TO KEEP HIS FEET ON THE GROUND



Between the Bookends . . .

Founder of Time Pitied, Not Famed by Biographer

BY HERMAN C. GOLLOB Britton Hadden by Noel Busch (Farrar Straus, 1949, \$8)

This biography of the late Britton Hadden, co-founder of Time magazine, is a story of success—or is it?

When he died at the age of thirty one, Hadden had already seen his dream of making a million dollars before he was thirty realized. Hadden was born a prodigy. He was dictating verse to his mother before he could read and write.

His position as editor of the school paper made him top man on the totem pole. Along with Henry Luce, he conceived of the revolutionary (in style) Time magazine. He "quaffed the cup of Lady Luck, receiving a helping hand—a buck—until the seed he had sown, became a giant of its own."

And yet, with all these testimonials to the success of Britton Hadden, it cannot help feeling that there was something lacking in this man. The salt is missing from the stew. Maybe it is warmth that isn't there. Our man is human, but is he humane?

Author Busch has done nothing to show such characteristic as being a part of Hadden's personality. Perhaps Busch can be likened to the dotting parent who cannot accurately describe the child. With pen too close to eye, he draws his portrait in a blurred perspective. Realizing

that Britton Hadden was and still is unknown to the vast majority of the American public, Busch has endeavored to reward Britton with posthumous fame. In doing so, Busch has unintentionally rewarded him with posthumous pity. Busch describes Hadden the idiosyncratic genius with a vibrant competitive spirit; Hadden the iconoclast, who committed countless literary taboos in Time; but never Hadden the guy with a heart and soul, who was capable of laughing and crying, rejoicing and suffering. Perhaps there was no such Hadden.

If that's the case, can we say that the lump of gold the hall of fame that Hadden did his best to reach and claim was worth more than a bit of the solace of spiritual happiness? I think not. Hanging on a wall of a friend's house is this anonymous saying: "Of times when Death her trust does keep, her eye a tear may sometimes yield for arrows fallen far afield." Hadden's peace of mind and the spiritual rest which he failed to attain were his arrows.

Whatever may be said of Busch's presentation of Hadden, the facility which Busch has for neat construction is unquestionable. This is a terse, jet-propelled biography, glowing with subtle wit and humor, tingling with the same vitality that was so much a part of Britton Hadden and the turbulent 20's during which he lived.

Letters To The Editor

Editor, The Battalion:

Yes, you're right, many people would "welcome . . . a federal river valley authority in Texas" as your May 24 editorial stated. On the other hand, some would prefer a "Pick-Sloan" type of development—thereby settling off an argument that would have a couple of government bureaus sniping at each other for years. By the time one of them won, Fort Worth people would have their houses built on stilts and the Trinity would be thick enough to plow. Then everyone would be content and we would not need a flood control project.

On the other hand, since most Texas rivers rise, drain (erode), and empty in Texas without passing through three or four other states, Texas gets all the benefits or damage from them, as well as having full jurisdiction over them. Let us keep it that way by not surrendering our rights or responsibilities to the federal government. Remember, these streams are our most promising future water supply the key to the continued growth of Texas. We must not think of giving away such a valuable natural resource—if it is sick, let Texas be the doctor.

Yes, many people would welcome a TVA, or anything else they can get from the federal pork barrel, not seeing that they must pay through the nose for all this "benevolence."

Incidentally, Ed, a flood-control dam does not make a good power

dam because it must be kept empty all year around in case of a flood. Ironic, No? J. F. Reynolds, '47

College Station To Have New Look

College Station is in for some dressing up in the near future. Workmen are now repairing the city's power mowers, painting six signs, and preparing six stop buttons, which will be placed in the center of streets.

According to City Manager Raymond Rogers, city employees will start cutting grass on all vacant lots in the next few days. A city ordinance requires that the grass be cut every year, with the property owner paying the cost. Signs pointing to College Park, College Hills, and North Side, as well as College Station subdivisions, will be placed along Highway 6 within the next few days.

The stop buttons will be placed at strategic points. Rogers said that there are already some in position, and the rest will be placed soon.

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California Offers Careers For Graduate Vet Students

The California State Division of Animal Industry is offering opportunities for careers in veterinary medicine under its civil service merit system to graduates of recognized veterinary colleges, according to a recent announcement by the division.

The entrance salary is \$358 and increases are made in steps of \$376, \$395, \$415 and \$436. The usual California residence requirement has been waived and the examination will be given nationwide. Minimum qualifications for the examination are graduation with a doctor's degree in veterinary medicine from an institution of recognized standing.

Registration in such an institution in the academic year in which the degree will be granted will admit applicants to the examination, but they must produce evidence of possession of the required degree before they can be considered eligible for certification from the employment list.

At this time, vacancies exist for veterinarians in three main types of work. In the animal disease field, special attention is given to maintenance of gains made in reduction of bovine tuberculosis. There is a large variety of animal and poultry disease problems in the state and opportunities to make observations and engage in control programs that permit obtaining desirable experience.

The state has four diagnostic laboratories and present plans include considerable expansion in this service. California's meat inspection system is recognized as the

outstanding state system in the nation. Work is conducted under regulations similar to those of Federal meat inspection, the division said.

An automobile for field work is provided by the state. The field work consists of conducting tests and making inspections and investigations in connection with livestock and poultry disease control. It also includes instituting control and eradication procedures in connection with diseases including the making of post-mortem examinations, the issuance of quarantines and the determination of the most economical and practical methods to be used.

Another phase of the field work, the announcement said, consists of inspecting livestock at stockyards and ports of entry for evidence of disease. The inspectors must also maintain cooperative relations with the industry and employees of other governmental jurisdictions, keep records and prepare reports.

The meat inspection work comprises the supervising of the slaughtering of animals at meat-packing establishments, the curing, packing, processing, branding, labeling and transportation of meat and meat products.

This work also includes making inspections in regard to the sanitary condition of plants and its employees, and conducting arterio-gram and post-mortem inspection of animals to determine their fitness for food. Inspectors will be in charge of the destruction of condemned meats and products thereof and will also maintain cooperative relations with those interested in the course of the work. Their final job will be to keep records and prepare reports.

Veterinarians in the laboratory will assist with the technical work involved in the determination of cause and nature of livestock and poultry diseases. They will make laboratory diagnosis including examination of live and dead animals, and will make gross examinations of tissues and organs.

Their work will be to isolate, cultivate and identify the causative agents and prepare and examine pathological specimens. They will be expected to inoculate and examine test animals, conduct serological tests and keep records and prepare reports. Under civil service, salary in-

creases are granted each year until the maximum is reached, provided the employee has a satisfactory service record. Sick leave with pay is granted at the rate of twelve days per year and may accumulate. Fifteen days per year vacation leave is given permanent employees.

Retirement benefits are generous; the division reported, being financed jointly by contributions from the employee and the state. At the age of 60, an employee may be retired at a liberal allowance.

Final filing date is June 25 for the mid-July examination. Those interested should secure application forms from the State Personnel Board, 4015 L Street, Sacramento, California.

COLLEGE INN BRYAN advertisement with a chef illustration.

Quion Hall advertisement for a New Summer Schedule.

Pirates of Monterey advertisement featuring a movie poster.

SUTTER'S GOLD advertisement featuring a movie poster.

LADY IN ERMINE advertisement featuring a movie poster.

PREVIEW advertisement for Saturday and Sunday.

He Walked by Night advertisement featuring a movie poster.

Vet's Appraisal Service Open

The Veterinarian Appraisal Service, in room 254 Eizzel, will be open and offer all its customary guidance services, during the summer term, director of the service R. H. Hughes said yesterday afternoon.

Although the service is sponsored by the VA, it is available both to veteran and non-veteran students, Hughes said. There is no charge for any of the tests, he added.

The service includes a variety of aptitude and interest tests over all courses of college study. Some of the tests included are mechanical aptitude, manual dexterity, general interest and specific interest tests.

Students who are having difficulty with their course of study, are thinking of changing courses, who for any other reason believe they may not be well suited for their current major are urged to come in for tests, Hughes added. When the tests are completed, the servicewill evaluate them and offer their opinion of what the student is best suited for.

The tests are in no way binding or compulsory to the students taking them, Hughes emphasized, and may be taken at the student's convenience.

Louisiana Gas Operators Irked

Baton Rouge, La., June 8 — (AP)—Black crape spouted on many filling stations on "Black Tuesday" yesterday, as a reminder that Louisiana has the highest gasoline tax in the nation.

The day marked by operators for one of wailing and moaning on the anniversary of the state's two-cent gas tax boost. Gov. Earl K. Long, whose taxing policies are the target of "Black Tuesday", told newsmen yesterday that service station operators had more reason to celebrate good business than to mourn.

Meanwhile, State Rep. Charles F. Duchene called for a cutback from the current nine-cent levy to the old seven-cent rate.

PALACE Bryan 2-8879 advertisement.

ADVENTURE in BALTIMORE advertisement.

QUEEN advertisement for a movie.

Campus advertisement.

TODAY & SAT. advertisement for movie screenings.

THREE FACES WEST advertisement.

JOHN WAYNE SIGRID GURIE advertisement.

"CONGO BILL" advertisement.

PREVIEW TONIGHT advertisement.

A WOMAN'S SECRET advertisement.

SAT. PREVIEW advertisement.

WALLACE BERRY'S LATEST AND LAST PICTURE advertisement.

BIG JACK advertisement.