

You Too Can Become an Executive . . .

Last weekend in San Antonio the two Battalion co-editors sat in on one of the most enjoyable phases of an Aggie's life—a meeting of a group of ex-students.

In one sense we failed to enjoy the reunion as much as many of the others in attendance because we weren't old students renewing past acquaintances and memories associated with the school. In another sense, however, we enjoyed the meeting more than the others because in them we felt we might be seeing ourselves twenty years from now.

During a lull in the festivities we sat and listened to three members of classes of around 1920. One of them was a successful newspaper publisher, and the other two were presidents of construction companies and respected civic leaders in two of the largest cities in Texas.

But their after dinner conversation didn't concern bond issues or the steel problem. They were all thoroughly enjoying a hilarious discussion of their days as freshmen in the shacks and tents at A&M.

Then, as always, the campus was crowded. To house the extra students the college had erected temporary housing to make up a large tent city. Floating on a sea of mud, the city boasted, through the voices of its residents, of "running wood and water", which was hauled in by hand by the underclassmen.

The publisher and one corporation president were roaring with laughter over the damage done to their outfit when the other executive, then a fifteen-year-old freshman, had come in late one night and thrown sticks of stove wood through their Commanding Officer's tent.

Until that moment we had never been able to picture these super-successful business men as having gone through the student predicaments we frequently experience. Yet here they were, describing tales far worse than we ever experienced in our fish days.

If these men, who were in their freshmen days more nondescript and miserable nonentities than we are now, can rise to positions as corporation heads and civic leaders, who can say we in 30 years, will fail to do as well or better?

When these distinguished exes were underclassmen, experiencing the study and extra-curricular problems we are experiencing now, no one could have pictured them as they are today. But by plugging away and considering education as an opportunity rather than a drudge, they are on the top today.

Tonight, don't take those books too lightly. There will be some positions open on the A&M board of directors around 1980.

Two Worlds, Two Atom Bombs, But Peace . . .

We now have to live with the fact that Russia has an atom bomb, too.

There should be no consternation, no gnashing of teeth, no gloomy predictions over this important though not startling turn in world scientific discovery. Our scientists have been telling us ever since Hiroshima that it would be only a matter of time before nature's secret of atomic fission would be discovered by other scientific groups in countries whose friendship toward us is of questionable sincerity.

No longer can we sit back with a black-jack in our hands while we know our adversary has none. We got complacent thinking if Russia dared start a war; all we'd have to do would be to send a few B-36's over Moscow and other Russian cities and unload a few atom bombs.

We had a feeling very much like that which flourished in this country before, and just after Pearl Harbor. "It'd take us only three weeks to whip the Japs," people would say. But three weeks stretched into three years, then four before our victory was complete.

Now we must readjust our battle predictions against the Russians. No longer are we so sure that World War III will be fought in a matter of several days. It may be several years, and atom bombs may

mushroom over American cities before victory becomes ours.

But rather than regard the next war as inevitable, why not start thinking of ways that another world conflagration may be prevented? Let us more earnestly seek international agreements on the control and use of atomic energy. Let us build friendships among all nations upon the basis of the many things that the world family of nations has in common. Let us work, as diligently for peace, as we fought viciously in war.

We preach no passivism, no appeasement. We just want the world to settle down and forget about war. Ours is an admitted selfish interest. Another war would throw nearly every man at A&M into the fighting.

Our diplomats then would perhaps tell us, "we tried, but . . ."; our politicians, "we're proud of you boys"; and there would be training camps, and POE's, and blackouts, and crowded hospitals, and fields of white crosses.

War is not inevitable if men would really search for peace. If peace were the world's philosophy, our streets could be lined with atom bombs and our children could cut their teeth on empty grenades, and peace would still prevail!

In Little Rock, the Arkansas Vital Statistics Bureau was asked to file a birth certificate which listed the mother's occupation as "cotton and children," the father's occupation as "jest settin'."

Kennel & Couch. In Los Angeles, after Mrs. Frances McDermott's 180-lb. great Dane bit her, she ordered the dog destroyed, then relented when the animal shelter suggested that she have the beast psychoanalyzed.

He's probably just a bundle of nerves.

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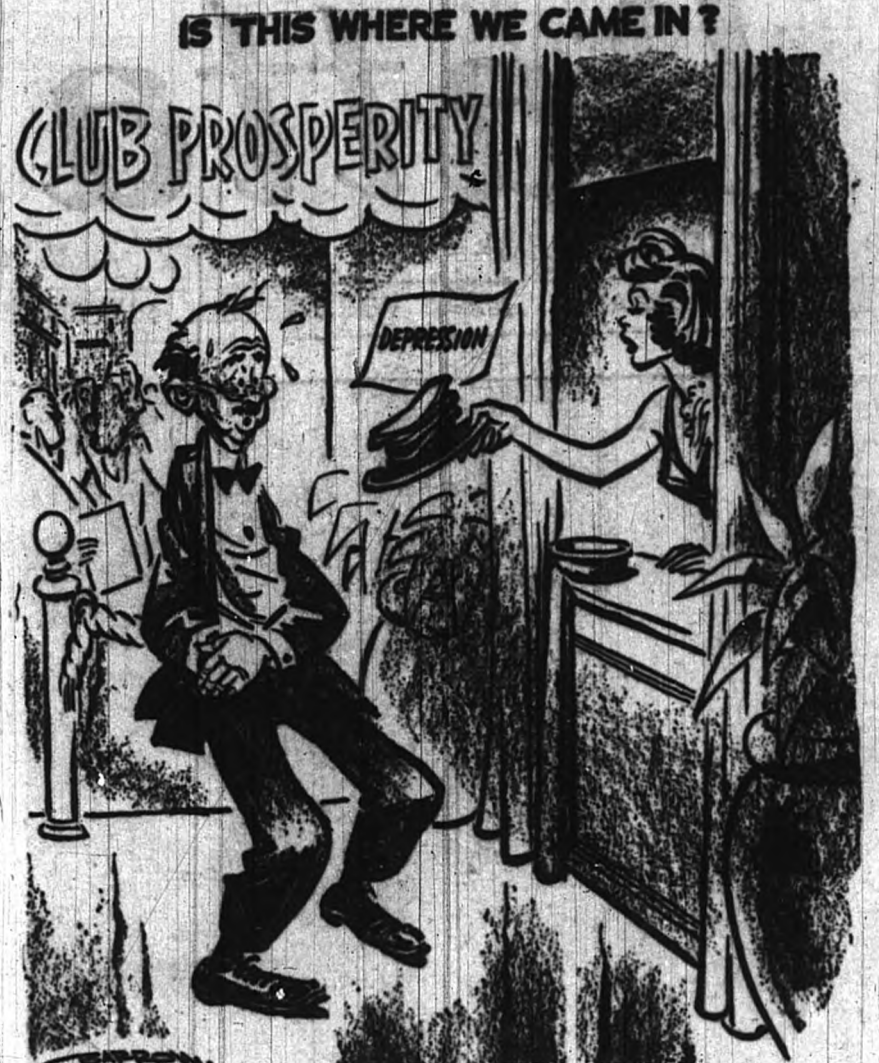
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Truman Declares Denouncers Of 'Fair Deal' Behind Times

Washington, Sept. 29 —(AP)—President Truman declared today that those who denounce his "fair deal" program as "alien or dangerous" are "just about 160 years behind the times."

The chief executive sought new women recruits for the Democratic party with a campaign-like promise to press forward with housing, educational aid, expanded social security and labor objectives of the 1948 platform.

He asked the women of the country to "look beneath the labels to see the facts" and not to be "misled by political slogans."

He said women's interest in government "goes far beyond job holding or partisanship."

He spoke via radio from the White House on "Democratic Women's Day" on a broadcast with Mrs. India Edwards, director of the women's division of the Democratic National Committee.

Also on the program were Mrs. Elsie West, Lothian, Md., Mrs. Albert C. Hulihan of Slippery Rock, Pa., and Mrs. George London of Raleigh, N. C., introduced as typical American women representing farm, labor and business respectively.

The president, whose national health program has stirred up a controversy with the American Medical Association, said "our medical program will mean happier homes, healthier children and greater opportunity for useful lives for all our people."

And he predicted the 81st Congress will improve and expand the social security system and that it will pass "very shortly" a bill raising the minimum wage for industrial workers from 40 to 75 cents an hour.

Tables Ousted By Dauntless Dale In Raid

Houston, Tex., Sept. 28 —(AP)—Constable Dale Richardson says there is nothing left of Houston's pinball machine racket except "small fry."

"I've run the one-ball machines out of Houston," he said. "Only the small fry is left."

He indicated it will be up to Sheriff C. V. (Buster) Kern and Police Chief B. W. Payne to mop up the remains.

"That's up to the other law enforcement agencies," he said.

The LaPorte constable considered his appearance yesterday before the Harris county grand jury a great victory.

He gave the jury his evidence on alleged gambling connected with the 83-one-ball marble machines he has seized in several raids since Sept. 1.

Dale is confident the grand jury will hear a large number of pinball witnesses.

These, he said, will be the owners of the restaurants and beer taverns where he found the 83 machines.

"The grand jury is going to cooperate with all law enforcement agencies," he said. "Not just me but all of them. I'm not even mad at the gangsters; I'm just enforcing the law."

Navy Reports Cold Remedy

NEW YORK, Sept. 28 —(AP)—A common cold cure which worked 90 per cent of the time, if you caught the cold within the first hour, is reported by Captain John M. Brewster, U. S. Navy Medical Corps.

The cure is not one drug, but at least five, all antihistaminics, they are the drugs you take for allergic sneezings.

Capt. Brewster reported his experiments in the U. S. Naval Medical bulletins of last January-February. The drugs he used are pyribenzamine, themylene, neoantergan, his tadyl and benadryl.

For every hour's delay in taking the allergy drugs there was a drop in cures. Waiting six hours gave only 74 per cent.

Capt. Brewster declared that it is possible to catch colds early enough. He said that cold sufferers know when one is beginning. "These new drugs," he writes, "eliminate sneezing, coughing and the profuse discharge from the nose which now is left invisible on door knobs, faucet handles, hand rails, in the air we breathe, and on other places of contact. If properly and universally used, the antihistaminics could reduce the incidence of colds near to the vanishing point."

The five drugs named are not all the new antihistaminics. Capt. Brewster's report was confined to results of those five. In earlier reports it was stated erroneously that a new antihistaminic drug codein had been named in Capt. Brewster's report.

Soviets Have Large Atomic Stock Pile

New Bedford, Mass., Sept. 28 —(AP)—The New Bedford Standard-Times said today it had confidential information that Russia held its first successful test of the atom bomb Aug. 15, 1946.

At that time, the newspaper said, Russian scientists said the Soviets expected to have a stockpile of 100 atom bombs by July 1947.

The Standard-Times said its information came from an undercover agent for a far eastern government who at one time was a special correspondent for the newspaper. It included, the paper said, copies of written reports forwarded to high central intelligence officials in Washington and has been held in strict confidence for three years.

The ban of secrecy was lifted by President Truman's announcement Friday of an atom bomb test in Russia, the Standard-Times said.

Chinese Make Complaint

Lake Success, Sept. 28 —(AP)—Nationalist China made a formal complaint to the United Nations assembly today charging Russia is backing the Chinese Communist war to overthrow the Kuomintang government at Canton.

From Where I Sit . . . Bryan Little Theatre In Its Season Debut Tonight

BY HERMAN C. GOLLOB

The merits of Bryan's newest cultural raiment—the Bryan Little Theatre—will be offered to the Bryan-College Station populace for appraisal commencing with its initial performance of "Africanasia" tonight at eight in the Stephen F. Austin Auditorium.

Tomorrow evening—same time, same place—the performance will be repeated. And at eight Saturday night Guion Hall rolls up its screen, turns on its footlights, tidies up its dressing rooms, and plays host to the newly formed group. Thirty cents provides the "open sesame" to the Guion sanctum for Saturday night's show.

According to Vic Mauldin, the organization's publicity director, "Africanasia" is written by director Martz Kressly and departs from standard forms of stage entertainment by joining the lively elements of vaudeville, comedy, and a minstrel show.

Tying this diverse and highly combustible mixture together will be a story which ventures a look into the world of 1999, the protagonist being physicist Vestibule Q. Furberlapper.

To those still at a loss as to precisely what the Bryan Little Theatre is and what it intends to accomplish, a word now concerning the groups background and aims.

The desire for community expression in drama, linked with a thirst for foreign plays of distinction and native plays of better quality led to the formation of the Bryan Little Theatre Group, "non-profit, non-sectarian, non-denominational," early in August, with Martz Kressly as its director.

Kressly, engaged in the realty business in Bryan, regards the theatre strictly as a hobby. Associated with the theatre in one capacity or another for thirty-five years his more important accomplishments include participation in the Texas Cavalcade, production of Denver Post Opera presentation of Rio Rita in which he also handled a share of the acting, and the organization of a Little Theatre group in Clayton, New Mexico.

As we mentioned previously, the dominant aim of the group is to offer those interested in any phase of theater an opportunity to pursue their particular inclinations. Interested parties would do well to attend the regular meetings of the organization which are held Tuesday evenings at St. Andrews's Parish House.

The Bryan Little Theatre should be a welcome addition to that community's growing intellectual wardrobe.

Complete Agreement To Russia's Control Demand

BY DEWITT MacKENZIE
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Russia's demand for international control of the atom bomb (which she now claims to possess, and quite likely does), finds complete agreement among the western powers—providing an acceptable method of control can be devised.

However, there's nothing new in that. It's a statement which could have been made at any time since June of 1946 when the subject first came before the United Nations in a bag way.

Both sides call for control, but the trouble has been that the Soviet and the west have been as far apart as the poles on what the controls should be.

Moscow calls for the absolute prohibition of atomic weapons. Well and good—and three cheers by all concerned. However, the Russians want the destruction of present atomic stockpiles before any convention is signed.

They also insist on the retention of the veto in matters affecting atomic-control and this veto power could virtually nullify the terms of an agreement.

One of the hottest points of controversy is Moscow's insistence that

each nation—rather than a United Nations Commission—should do its own inspections to make sure that there are no violations.

Well, I ask you! This old world of ours would indeed be a paradise if all nations could be trusted to check on themselves. However, human nature still is too tricky for that.

You could trust it with hand-grenades but in the matter of atomic bombs, "nyet", which is Russian for the veto.

So the way things stand there can be no agreement unless Moscow retreats from qualifications which the United States and its western allies feel not only would nullify its value but would create an extremely dangerous international situation.

Pending the happy day of compromise, America is losing no time in tightening up the military, economic and political unity of the western world in view of the disclosure that Russia has succeeded in making an atomic weapon.

Petroleum Wives Club Elects New Officers

Mrs. Rita Alexander was elected president of the Petroleum Wives Club in a meeting held Thursday night, September 22 on the second floor of the YMCA Building, according to Mrs. Joyce Lyons, reporter.

Of the twenty-one members present, officers elected other than president were Mrs. Athol Levisay, vice-president; Mrs. Virginia Phillips, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Frances Ferhmann, program chairman.

Coryell Club Will Meet Tonight

Roy Lee, Jr., president of the Coryell County Club has announced that there will be a meeting of his club tonight at 7:30 in the rotunda of the Academic Building.

Lee stated that at the time he made the announcement to the Battalion, a meeting room had not been arranged but that one would be arranged for tonight. Members will meet in the rotunda and then go to the meeting room.

Lee concluded by stating that this was an organizational meeting and that he wished to urge every person from Coryell County be present.

Moore, CoVan Give Paper at Meeting

A paper, "Statistical Quality Control in Dairy Products," was presented at the third meeting of the Texas Society of Food Technology held here. Dr. A. V. Moore of the Dairy Husbandry Department and Prof. J. P. CoVan presented the paper.

Technical men in the food industry were taken on a tour of the canning laboratory, the meats laboratory and the creamery; following a round table discussion.

Attending the meeting were W. W. Gunselman and R. E. Klien of Brownsville; R. N. Lay, C. D. Lamberton and A. Leiberman of Houston; C. Scott and D. A. Morgan, Weslaco; L. V. Brown, McAllen; B. Demortsky, Galveston; Roy Snyder, R. E. Cain, Tom Stephens, E. D. Farnell, W. H. Hoecker and A. V. Moore of A&M.

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