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Reception of the Cowbell Caravan . . .

Just two years ago a swarm of green and gold draped cars invaded the campus. Cowbells rang from the North Gate to the south end of Kyle Field. The Baylor Bears were coming into the land of the "sharecroppers" and were ready to take the plows from our hands.

Baylor had a winning football team in 1947. It was a good team and everyone but the die-hard brethren of College Station were firmly convinced that Waco and and the roads leading to it would be the scene of wild rejoicing after Baylor had whipped the Aggies.

Well, a combination of circumstances that you all know about, or have heard about, put a damper on all the noise that filtered down here from around Pat Neff Hall. A spirited A&M team sparked by the coffin corner kicking of Stan Holmig defeated the Baylor squad. Ten minutes after the final gun there wasn't a cowbell in Brazos County. The green and gold clad automobiles and beautiful co-eds had deserted us. A strictly partisian crowd celebrated here.

Last year we paid a return visit to Baylor. And, we regret to remind you, we were outpointed in one of the finest games of the year. Both teams played the best ball they were capable of, but when the final whistle had blown, A&M was on the short end of the score.

Well, once again this Saturday the green and gold will invade the campus. Again they have a winning football team and again only the die-hard brethren of College Station are taking even-money bets on the Aggies. We say only this. Up until 2:30 Saturday afternoon, give the Baylorites the best welcome they ever had anywhere. Make them glad they came, give them a howdy when you see them and a helping hand if they need it.

But let's forget that helping hand on the gridiron at game time. Let's show them that the team which rates more nods for the cellar than any other in the South can still rise up to outplay and beat the

We've done it before and we can do it

Putty Can Take No Rigid Form . . .

ling, the 81st Congress adjourned yesterday for 75 days before the January session. During these 75 days, Congressional representatives can get back home and check on their voters' and backers' dispositions. This vacation is similar to half- misors. time in a football game; only in this politgressman, the only player.

The theoretically Democratic controlled 81st Congress showed little disposition to legislate platform promises made by the Democratic Party during campaigns last fall. Rather the 81st Congress, acting like a petulant child, resisted leadership and showed that it had a mind of its own. It bungled, and groped, and staggered through a maze of political, economic, and social reforms without significant actions one way or the other. The \$1st Congress postponed instead of decided; it patched more rigid shape, and our elected repreinstead of rebuilt.

than diplomatic problems. Continuation and liberal reciprocal trade agreements were examples of positive Congressional has been mirrored by our Congress.

After 289 days of wrangling and fumb- action on international matters. The fight to repeal the Taft-Hartley law, the fillibuster over civil rights, the botch made out of rent control—these are illustrations of befuddled actions taken either by minority groups, or coalitions, or compro-

Satisfactory decisions were reached in ical game everyone but one man in a Con- only a few instances. One of these was the gressional district is a coach, and the Con- pay increase legislation which made substantial progress toward elevating governmental salaries to compare more favorably with similar jobs in industry.

Our criticism of the 81st Congress, however, must be tempered with the realization of the confused state of mind present in mid-twentieth century America. The foundation principles of this country are not in jeopardy; better means to implement these principles to serve our needs are being pondered by our people.

Until thought in this country takes sentatives can determine popular senti-Foreign issues were settled more easily ment on basic social, economic, and political issues, we can expect nothing more of the Marshall Plan, the Atlantic Pact, from Congress than what the 81st has given us. Confusion throughout America

Case of the Legal Literature . .

were brought back into the public eye last our money, the story reeks with an odor week. William Shakespeare and Charles reminiscent of another man. This fellow Dickens were named the defendants in a had a little black mustache, a world-contax-payer's suit in a Brooklyn court.

The Flatbush citizen asked that Oliver law books, but to burn them. Twist and The Merchant of Venice be banned from New York City public schools. His grounds for the suit were that "Fagin and Shylock (the foremost villians of literature) were anti-Semitic and anti-religious."

The case went all the way to the state supreme court where the ruling was in favor of Dickens and Shakespeare.

Perhaps the Brooklyn gentleman had

Two immortals of fiction and drama the good of young ones in mind, but, for quering desire, and wanted not only to out-

> ably gave a few quick revolutions in their earthen homes when the suit came to light.

But now they can rest, for, hundreds of years after their departure from the. mortal world, they have won their case.

We doubt seriously if Shakespeare and Dickens "maliciously wrote these books to arouse prejudice," as was charged by the plaintiff. In fact, the old boys prob-

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he may have a point. We would

have peace but what a price we

would pay. I don't think it's worth

Many smarter men than any of

us have been, and still are trying

to solve the problems of world

peace and come to agreeable terms

with the Reds. I suggest that the

writer of that letter let them do

Yours Sincerely,

P. S. I still think we accomplished

READERS ON CAMPUS

ACCIDENTS

We have recently witnessed or

Friday afternoon (October 14),

a little boy was struck by an auto

in the new area. Whether the boy

was seriously injured or not; we

don't know. Nevertheless, the ac-

cident scared him very badly, and

The college ambulance was call-

ed -which shows little thinking on

someone's part, since a man on

crutches could negotiate the dis-

tance much faster and the serv-

ices of the ambulance and hospital

were refused since the boy was

We would like to put the fin-

ger on someone for this act, but

please take the next patient in a

case like this, and we will be glad

Dog McClure '50

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Editor's Note-We refer you to

yesterday's lead editorial in

which we urged immediate modi-

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ambulance or hospital to non-

students in cases of this type.)

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he was suffering from shock.

have been informed about one

more of the stupid, needless stunts

Editor, The Battalion:

of our hospital.

not a student!

gency treatment.

Pat Beck

it their way.

PURPLE HEART ANSWER

Editor, The Battalion:

I just finished reading the opinion of the fellow who saw the show, "Purple Heart", and who asked if we accomplished anything in the last war. Frankly it made me just a little sick. I wonder if he thinks that stopping the Japs and Krauts from robbing, raping, and pillaging our homes, is not an accomplishment, then I guess in his light | we did not accomplish anything.

If keeping from happening here what happened in Nanking, Dauchaw, Buchenwald, and numerous and varied other places dominated by the late Axis powers is not an accomplishment of worthy acclaim, then I am sorry I was a part of it. I also met the Jap, only I was an infantry man and saw him face to face and I hate to think what my life would have been like under his domination. also met the Russian face to face and feel the same way about him even though at the time we were on friendly terms. If the fellow that wrote the letter has a solution to the problems of World Peace other than that of preparedness against armed aggression, let him come out with it. I am sure Stalin would get a good laugh.

At least a big VETO. I agree that we should not waste our resources fighting each other. But when one of the most powerful nations in the world insists on that is probably an impossibility. forcing her form of government. So, dear person, whoever you are, and her rule on the rest of the world, peacefully or otherwise, then we are left with no alternative, to pay for the ambulance and emerunless the writer wishes that we lay down our arms and say "take us over, Brother Joe, do with us as you will, our lives mean more than our freedom to worship God. and cuss the government." Then

A&M Consolidated To Sponsor Fair

pus Study Club of the A&M Consolidated High School will sponsor a library fair, Mrs. Owen Lee, Librarian of the high school said

Posters have been made by the Library Club and the Future Homemakers Club. They will be displayed in the windows of stores in the College Station area, Mrs. Lee said.

The purpose of the fair is to raise funds for the high school library. The Campus Study Club and the Future Homemakers Clubs will serve at a silver tea and also manage the concession stands at the

Free movies will be shown to the children whose parents are visiting the fair.

The fair will start Saturday at 2:30 p. m. and last till eight that night. Sunday the fair will open at 3 p.m. and last until 6 p.m.

Cokesberry Book Store of Dallas will send two hundred books to

Official Notice

Christmas must get their order in to the Registrar's Office before November first Any student whos lacks not more than eight hours of having completed the number of hours resumed through the Junior an equal number of grade points may purchase the A. and M. ring. All rings must be paid for in full when placing the order.

The ring window is open only from .m. to 12:00 noon, daily except on Sun H. L. Heaton Registrar,

Several vacancies have developed in the the Physics Department. Men who have completed sophomore physics courses with superior records are wanted to assist with instruction, grading and the handling of apparatus in the laboratories. The scale of compensation is \$0.60 per hour for new assistants and \$0.70 per hour for experienced assistants. Assistant are needed at various periods distributed throughout the college week.
Applications are invited to register at

Head, Department of Physics

Boyle's Column . .

Fire Making Business Is Frustrating But Lucrative

free matches Americans are forking out \$50,000,000 annually for Nathan. "Even had one in his the other in every man's vest a gadgets to light their cigarettes. bathroom." The first World War popularized the wrist watch. And what the second World War has done ers. for the cigaret lighter.

bigger than the entire lighter industry 15 years ago," said Alfred bronze," he said. R. Nathan, vice president of the Ronson Art Metal Works, Inc.

The Ronson Company—the equivalent of General Motors in its field-soon will market its 35,000,-000th lighter.

It was founded 56 years ago by the Louis V. Aronson, a metallurgical engineer who put the voice in the mama dell. Aronson, who died in 1940, was a pink-cheeked man with a passion for maroon-he even wore maroon shirts.

"Oddly, as a young man he once won a \$5,000 prize from the Belgian government for developing a safety match," Nathan recalled.

Repenting of this, Aronson turned to the mechanical lighter. His biggest contribution was a push button invention that brought the light to life with the pressure of a finger. It made him so much money he could pal around with kings. He even bought a 70-foot

Fayette Club Holds Officer Elections

The Fayette County Club held its first meeting Tuesday night in room 129, Academic Building. New officers elected were Herb Frede Jr., president, senior from LaGrange; Raymond Kunze, vicepresident, junior from LaGrange; sophomore from LaGrange; Morgan McCollum, social chairman, sophomore from LaGrange; and Elmer Jackson, reporter, senior from Muldoon.

Plans were discussed concerning the Aggie dance to be held in LaGrange November 25, and committees were appointed to make the final preparations for the dance.

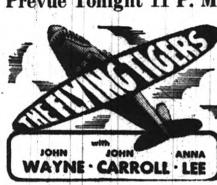


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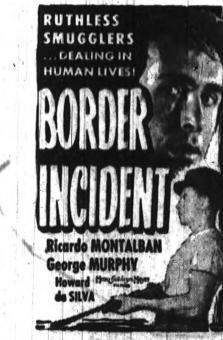
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that war did for the wrist watch of a museum of mechanical light-In the early years they put than looked cautious.

Now the flint business alone is lighters in everything from sword Maybe one will come along that canes to baby shoes casi

This Rococo period is dying out. The Ronson Company, for example, has cut down its number of models from 1,000 to about 100.

The industry hasn't yet-caught up with postwar demand.

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in will last a year without refueling, he said, "but not a lifetime in our lifetime."

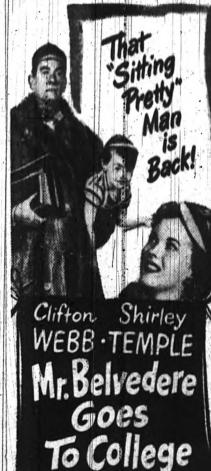
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