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Where There's Smoke, There's Garbage . . .

The New Area has been subjected to many and numerous names, so we want to add our own appellation—college garbage dump. The reason—a large, messy area on charred ground, between Dorms 1, 2, 3, and 4, which now contains many ashes, blackened cans, bottles, and boxes.

Causes: a college garbage truck backed into this beauty spot of the area and proceeded to dump its contents. A match was tossed on the debris, and it went up in smoke.

As the flames went higher, the surrounding crowd took pleasure in watching, just satisfying everyone's natural pyromania. After the small-scale bonfire emitted its last puff of smoke, however, the crowds looked upon an unsightly scar. This last puff was extinguished by our

fire department.

Perhaps there was a good reason for burning the rubbish on this spot. Perhaps the driver was late for dinner, and driving to the customary dumping area was too time-consuming. Perhaps they only wanted to satisfy a long-standing desire to give the garbage back to the student body.

We can see, however, no logical reason for this act which left the New Area smoke-filled and looking like the city dump.

Note to those responsible: Although it may not be much, this area is our front yard. We like to see such a mess there no more than other citizens of College Station would care to see the entire load dumped and burned on their lawns.

Will the Early Bird Get to Be Senator? . . .

Texas politics is continually amazing; the latest development in this field concerns the next Senate race.

The amazing part here is the interest already shown in a campaign and election which is almost three years away—1952. The office to be sought is the one presently held by Tom Connally, senior senator.

George E. B. Peddy, who ran a close third in a tight race last year, said that he'd file again for the Senate in 1952. This will depend, however, on the activity of Connally. If Connally chooses to run, Peddy will probably not be among the opponents.

Connally, who has held the senior senator's spot from Texas for many years, is one of the best-known and probably most influential Senators now in Washington. Peddy realizes this; he would probably lose more prestige than he would gain votes by such a move.

If, however, Connally does not run, which is claimed likely by many sources, the race will probably become another dog-fight like last year's, in which Lyndon Johnson finally nailed the job. This job will not be on the line for five more years now. If Connally does run, the next hot campaign will not take place until 1954.

Other state figures have been mentioned for the position which Peddy seems to have his eye on. Among them are our up-and-coming young governor, Allan Shivers, and John Ben Shepperd of Glade-water, past president of the U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Probably not to be excluded from such a contest would be the old politico himself, Coke Stevenson. No doubt he still has aspirations, which were probably boosted more than a bit after his close defeat last year.

Still, Texas politics amazes us.

The Best Things in Life Are Hard to Get . . .

This would be a great world with a great state of affairs existing if just one thing would happen. That one thing is a project the United States is undertaking in the United Nations. That project is a Covenant on Human rights.

In the preamble to the UN charter appear the phrases, "promoting and encouraging respect for human rights . . . without distinction to race, sex, language, or religion." The delegates and founders of the UN probably found it rather easy to write these words, to many delegates, and to the nations they represent, that is exactly what the preamble is: Words.

If such a covenant would someday be approved by the UN, even the United States would have many changes to make. Perhaps these changes would not be as many as other countries would be confronted with, nor as sweeping, but they would be necessary.

This covenant, one of the major foundations upon which American policy in the UN will be conducted within the coming years, is simple enough to read and

simple enough to understand. But try to overlook the covenant on the world's problems, and you have a problem larger than any.

Respect for human rights—everyone would probably agree that this is something for which to strive. Freedom of opinion and expression—many countries are without this. Right to change one's religion—why not, you say? In many countries you have no choice.

These are but a few of the planks in a huge platform which we are pushing in the UN. On this platform there are many splinters, perhaps so many as to make our hopes for human rights impossible to achieve. But it is a step in the right direction.

Arguments for the acceptance of this covenant will be fierce in the general assembly during the next few—or maybe many—years. Arguments against it will probably be fiercer. We will probably have a large amount of dissension in our own country, but we hope that none of this will be of enough consequence to derail a real freedom train.

LET'S NOT US GET STUCK UP!



Official Notice

The Executive Committee of the Academic Council acknowledges receipt of the petition carrying the signature of approximately two thousand students to the statement: "We, the undersigned, wish to correct the administration's misunderstanding of the students' desires in regard to the length of the Christmas holidays. We desire to have the holidays begin at noon, Saturday, December 17, 1949."

This statement carried in the Battalion on Wednesday, December 7, 1949, states why the holidays for this academic year cannot be changed.

(Signed) M. T. HARRINGTON,
Chairman Executive Committee

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All second and third year students in the School of Veterinary Medicine are required to attend the meeting on "The Bureau of Animal Industry 'Franchise Program'" from 9 A. M. to 9 P. M. on Tuesday, December 13th, in the amphitheater of the Veterinary Hospital.

Scheduled classes for these students will be dismissed for this hour.

(Signed) I. B. BOUGHTON, Deaf
School of Veterinary Medicine



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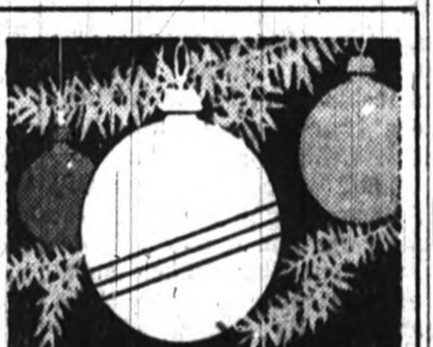
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R-F Club to Hear Australian Speak

Raymond Moore, senior research officer of the Division of Plant Industry of the Commonwealth Council for Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, will speak to the Range and Forestry Club Tuesday, December 13 at 7:30 p. m.

Moore, who completed his undergraduate work at Sidney University in Australia, will show selection of slides collected on the Australian Capital Territory and adjacent regions.

Oil Fire Causes Clouds of Smoke

The huge column of smoke that was visible from the campus late Wednesday afternoon was from an oil fire set by a pipeline repair crew of the Humble Oil and Refining Company. The fire was about five miles from the college off the Bryan - Navasota highway.

A patrol plane which flies the pipeline daily spotted a leak from the air and reported it to the Navasota pump station. Workmen were dispatched from Navasota to repair the leak. After the leak was repaired the workers set the waste oil afire.

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A skating party sponsored by the Newman Club for its members and the Catholic Girls Society of Bryan will be held tonight, at the roller rink in Kurten, Texas, social chairman, announced today.

Members from the campus will meet at St. Mary's Chapel at 7:15 p. m. They will go to Bryan where they will meet the annex members at St. Joseph's Church, corner of 26th and Preston, at 7:30 p. m.

All skates will be furnished by the Newman Club, and refreshments will be served, said D. H. Droad, reporter.

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