

# Battalion Editorials

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## 'Eyes Right' to Retain Respect . . .

In the past year, the opinion of A&M has risen greatly in the minds of students and alumni of other colleges and universities throughout the state. With what might prove to be a winning team to remove this school from its almost habitual cellar position, added admiration for the continued spirit backing given the team by the student body has been voiced.

The spirit of the "Twelfth Man" in backing the team through the long lean years of varsity football has been looked upon by some as being more of a farce than school spirit when the team was outscored on Saturday afternoons. This year, the team is rated in positions other than the cellar, and spectators are quizzical as to the outcome of the Southwest Conference title, never forgetting the possibilities of an upset.

The renewed admiration for A&M is probably well fixed in the minds of many. Others are still wondering whether the school, the team, and the student body, is worthy of it. The team, as it has in the past, will do all in its power to retain and gain more consideration from the spectators and followers. It is the student body, the

Twelfth Man, who will also be viewed with added respect.

Whether the student body retains that respect depends upon the students themselves. Their actions, on the campus and more so when before the vigilant eyes of the public, will play a large part in deciding for those followers who might remember several unfortunate incidences in the past whether the school and its students merits any respect.

Therefore, it is up to the students to conduct themselves in a manner to alleviate any question in the minds of others. When out before the public in the Aggie uniform, a student of A&M is no longer considered an individual. He is looked upon as a representative of the school and as an example of all other students here. Any conduct, unbecoming of an Aggie and a cadet, will reflect upon the entire school.

We have but one alternative—to conduct ourselves in a gentlemanly manner worthy of the privilege of wearing the Aggie uniform and being a representative of this school.

## To Cross the Thirty-Eighth, or No? . . .

The most popular topic for discussion this week for syndicated columnists and editorial writers has been the question: should the United Nations forces in Korea advance past the thirty-eighth parallel? Wednesday, Canada's minister for external affairs, Lester B. Pearson, set the stage for the final answer to that question.

"It is our hope," Pearson said to the U.N. Assembly, "that the people of Northern Korea, having been forced into a perilous and disastrous venture by their Communist rulers, will now themselves repudiate these rulers and cooperate with the United Nations in bringing to Korea the freedom and unity which its people desire. This is the time for the aggressors to cease fire, to admit defeat.

"If they do, it may not be necessary for United Nations forces to advance far beyond their present positions. The United Nations must, however, leave its forces free to do what is practicable to make certain that the Communist aggressors are not permitted to re-establish some new base from which they

could sally forth again upon a peaceful people."

If the rest of the U.N. will endorse Pearson's speech, the United States will be saved from two embarrassing problems. Although we have not wanted it so, from the first, the Korean war has been chiefly in the hands of Americans. If Canada takes the lead in peace negotiations, the Korean war will have the significance it deserves, a United Nations police action.

Pearson gave the responsibility for advancement beyond the thirty-eighth parallel to the United Nations. While asking for peace, he did not weaken on the determination to protect a free democracy. If the U.N. army carries the fight on up into North Korea, the United States cannot now be accused of aggression.

The democratic nations in the U.N. must now strive to cooperate in the establishment of a fair peace just as they have worked together to stop the spread of Communist aggression in the East.

## Less Taxes for More Votes . . .

Members of the House of Representatives and the Senate at last seem to be retrogressing from their former narrow minded viewpoints and actually giving consideration on bills where consideration is due. But then election time is nearing and congressmen are dressing up their activities for the November elections.

This past June a bill was placed on the House docket which would have been good for thousands of votes had not activity in Korea picked up soon thereafter. This destroyed the well planned basis for electioneering topics and tax reduction. The bill was to have reduced taxes on luxury items and other tax cuts would have involved a net loss of revenue of some 910 million dollars. However, the bill was passed by the House.

It was apparent to the 'open minded' senators that the type of bill was no longer appropriate and an immediate turn about on

the bill was necessary. Amended, the bill is now revenue producing.

Congressional tax experts are now at work on a separate bill to impose excess profits taxes on both corporation and individual tax rates.

To boost their status in the coming elections, many congressmen are favoring "slight" tax increases to take care of the inevitable increase in defense spending. At the present time, we are still attempting to dissolve debts incurred during the first World War.

Imagine the position and financial obligation of this nation in years to come if we continue to shrug disdainfully when the matter of money is mentioned. For this reason, we must resolve to accept our position as taxpayers if we hope to continue the present rate of spending.

## Loopholes In 'Commie' Bill Stifle Its Use

By JAMES MARLOW

Washington, Sept. 29—(AP)—Although it may take several years for some parts of the new anti-Communist law to work, the government still has protection against Communists.

For example, one part of the new law makes it a crime for a Communist or member of a Communist front (even though the latter was an innocent dupe) to hold a government job.

But, even though the law went into effect Saturday, Sept. 23, it isn't a crime for either of them to hold a government job now.

And it may be three or four years before it would be a crime? Why? Because there may be a long court fight and, until the question is finally settled, it won't be a crime.

### Loyalty Program

In the meantime the government has its own program for keeping them out of government jobs: The loyalty program.

Under that program, it is not a crime for a Communist or Communist front to hold a government job.

But the purpose of it is to root out Communists or sympathizers in the government and fire them.

And a number of them have been ousted. But, since it is still not yet a crime for a Communist to work in the government, none of those fired has been jailed.

Then there's the problem of keeping Communists out of defense plants. The new law says it's a crime for a Communist to work in a defense plant.

Still, that's not a crime now and won't be, perhaps for several years, until this whole question has been settled in court.

Nevertheless, the government, through the FBI, can check on people working in any plant doing important work for the government. And this has been done.

### Notices Postable

The new law says, further, whenever the secretary of defense wants to, he can post a notice that a Communist must stay out of such and such a plant, under penalty of going to jail.

(This, too, won't go into effect until the whole point has been settled in court.)

But, the law says, when the secretary posts such a notice, he must make the fact public. There's been some concern, expressed by the President, that this would tip off Communists on secret plants.

But—even if the law were in effect now on that point, the secretary wouldn't have to post such a notice if he made just a little easier although threat of jail would not keep out a fanatic Communist who was assigned a job of sabotage.

Still, this part of the law would help the government in this way: For example, say the government wanted to keep Communists out of jobs on the railroads, which haul stuff for the government.

There's nothing secret about railroad work but, in time of emergency, a Communist on the railroad could do a lot of damage and it's questionable whether the FBI has been able to check on every railroad worker.

So, if the secretary could post a notice making it a crime for Communists to hold railroad jobs, the work of the government and the FBI would be made just a little easier although threat of jail would not keep out a fanatic Communist who was assigned a job of sabotage.

## Scientist Says A-Bomb Use In Japan Feasible

New York, Sept. 29—(AP)—Dr. Arthur H. Compton, one of the men who voted to atom-bomb Japan, says it would have been traitorous not to have used the bomb.

And he would vote again to use A-bombs if it would help in "defending freedom and saving lives," the Nobel-prize winning physicist writes in the American magazine.

Receiving credit for the job were as told to Edwin T. Conell, is entitled "God and the Atom."

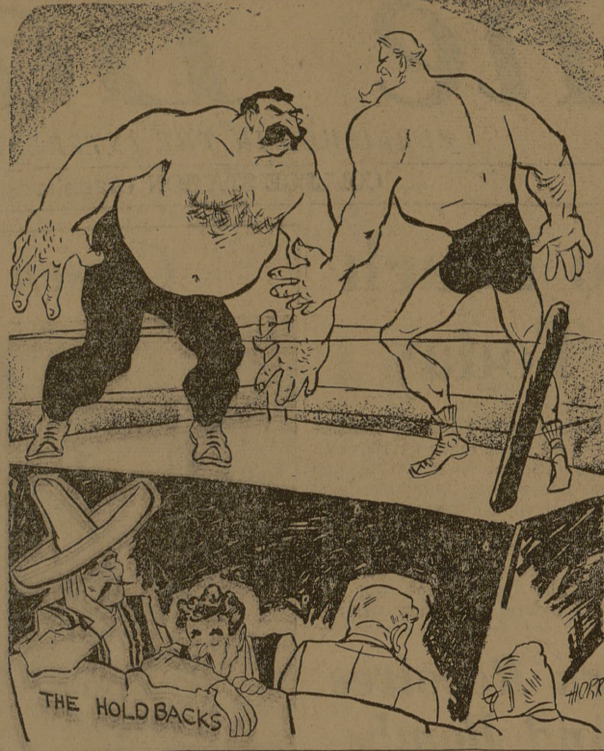
Dr. Compton, chancellor of Washington University, St. Louis, was one of the atom-bomb scientists. He made his decision, he says, "only after deep soul-searching and examination of conscience."

At the request of the secretary of war, he took a poll of scientists, and "while the voting was divided, the majority favored dropping the bomb."

He did not express his own opinion until specifically asked for it, he adds. A committee had tried in vain to think of some way of demonstrating to Japan the power of the bomb, without destroying lives, he says.

"In the hope of bringing the war to a quick close, and thus of saving perhaps millions of lives, I became convinced that the bombs should be used against Japan, and so cast my vote.

## HEY, FELLOWS, THIS MATCH AIN'T FIXED!



## From the City Desk . . .

## Your Indulgence—All That We Ask

By Joel Austin

This semester marks the second consecutive term that this paper has had a City Department as such. Through the title "Official Publication of College Station" which The Battalion claimed at the time our predecessor, Curtis Edwards, was appointed, this department has grown to one of the regular functioning departments with a full staff of editors and reporters.

If you will look in the upper left hand corner of the front page, it is noted that The Battalion is circulated to 90 percent of the residents of College Station. In nearly all cases, however, the subscription for people in residential areas has been without any charge whatsoever.

The emphasis placed on the city news in our paper this year has largely been due to the acceptance by local people of this service. It has been their comments and criticisms as well as regular readership that has helped this department and the paper to expand.

And it will be through the continued co-operation to bring you news of local happenings as soon as it occurs.

It is our desire and goal that you will want to read this paper—as citizens of College Station—as any person living in a town of a comparable size would look to his community weekly for the town's news. We offer you this news, prepared daily with up to the minute pictures taken by a staff of competent photographers.

With your co-operation and indulgence we will strive to make it the paper you can be proud of and look forward to reading everyday.

## In Passing . . .

No one likes to set off a bomb Chief to the City Manager asking right in their midst, but if that the tree and flowers be re- is necessary, we won't run from the moved so firemen could properly use the plug when fires occur.

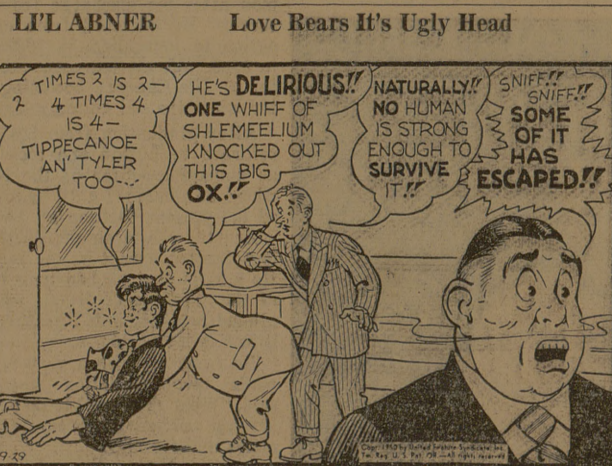
Neither was anything mentioned about the words which were spoken by several angry firemen after they finished putting out a fire that completely destroyed a College Hills home. They told us to "tell those people to cut down that tree so we can get to the fire plug and turn it on without so much trouble and wasted time."

Nothing was mentioned about the request sent from the Fire anything has been done.

## News About the City . . .

In speaking of the Kiwanis salesmen, ticket collectors, and Club Wednesday, we failed to mention the fact that several ambitious men of that organization exercised their many abilities last week by helping out at the Navasota-Consolidated football game in O'Brien, Flop Colson, Gordon Gay, the official capacities of ticket

men, John McNeely, Johnny Longley, Doyle Ledbetter, Duke Henson, Roy Wingren, Jim O'Brien, Flop Colson, Gordon Gay, the official capacities of ticket



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## The Night Owl . . .

## For S. A. Pilgrims, Some Suggestions



By Herman C. Gollob

For the benefit of those among us who are embarking this week-end for quaint, colorful, historic Old San Antonio to watch Harry's boys get in shape for the OU game next Saturday, we have enlarged our Alamo City section to include a couple of debauchery dens heretofore omitted from this receptacle of eternal verities.

Indebted we are to San Antonio Doak Neal, H Flight top-kick, whose memory made it possible for us to mention the Anacacho Room.

Let me explain. For several months, Warney Ruhl's orchestra has been wed to the Anacacho in what seemed to be a happy marriage. Recently, however, Warney took his ring back from the Anacacho and went home to mother, who in this case happened to be Houston's Empire Room.

Warney's replacement is Ken Harris, a guy whose name had just gone out for lunch when we sat down to pull today's column out of our dissipated cerebrum (cerebrum is a part of the brain) So we called in Neal for questioning.

Two hours and several injections of truth serum later, he hit upon Harris' name. The name hit right back, and it was necessary for us to step in and break up the fray before the KK's could get wind of it. After all, we had what we needed.

Should you consider our choice of nighteries too weak for the blood, come see us in person. While interned at Kelly Field for six weeks this past summer, we memorized the establishments listed as "Off Limits" on the barracks bulletin board.

### San Antonio

Kit Kat Klub—3600 Fredericksburg Road. As we've repeated over and over again, the Kit Kat is your best bet for a helluva good time while in Santone. Its convivial and uninhibited atmosphere is climaxed by the "Horse Races," the winners of which are rewarded with champagne. Its music bar is loaded with more than 20,000 records, ranging from the popular to the classical. If your gal has to stay home with little brother, tell her to bring him along and deliver him over to the trained nurse at the Kit Kat's supervised nursery. Tonight you can take advantage of the Kit Kat Kollegeite Kard, which entitles you to dancing and set-ups for 60¢ a couple. Drop by the office and pick yours up if you don't already have one.

Club Seven Oaks—5000 Austin Highway. Under new management, the Seven Oaks has lowered its cover charge. Cliff Gillette and his orchestra, all graduates of the Julliard Academy (Julliard Academy of Boilermaking), struggle abjectly with assorted woodwinds, reeds, and brass—much to the displeasure of the patrons.

Shadowland—Blanco Road. Conducive to a good time, Shadowland still has nothing to distinguish it from the run-of-the-mill nightery. Trumpeteer Mack Rodgers and band provide the music for dancing couples, who have paid \$1.20 for the privilege.

Anacacho Room—St. Anthony Hotel. Swank and slightly sedate, the Anacacho is surprisingly economical—\$2.50 minimum per couple. Music by Ken Harris his piano and his orchestra (thank you, Doak).

Frederick's—North St. Mary's. Just a cocktail lounge, no dancing, plenty of imbibing. Piano player competes with juke box to create red-gent whose fingers can manipulate the keyboard to produce any atmosphere.

Robert's—Broadway. Same as above, except the pianist is a coltling from Mozart to Mercer.

Kelly Field ROTC Club—Nostalgic flyboy summer campers who wish to recapture the delights which were theirs for six weeks will find this old haunt unchanged.

### Temple

Sans Souci—609 S. 1st. Temple's best night spot, the Sans Souci extracts a fifty cent cover charge from each of its patrons. Glass smooth dance floor, music mostly by juke box, although a band frequently drops in to dust off a few sharps and flats.

## One on the Aisle . . .

Houston: Music Hall, September 28-29-30—Actor's Company presents in person Dorothy McGuire and John Ireland in "Summer and Smoke." Tickets on sale at Majestic Theatre box office or at Music Hall.

Dallas: Dallas Ice Arena, October 7-22—"Ice Cycles of 1951". Tickets on sale at Sanger Bros., and Bond Clothiers. Send mail orders to Box 7772, Dallas, Industrial and Oak Lawn, September 29—October 11—Ringling Bros. and Barnum Bailey Circus. Send mail orders to Ringling Circus advance Ticket Dept., Dallas.

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