The Great Issue Series Is On Trial . . .

THOUGH known by only a few students and faculty members, the Great Issues hesitated to allot several thousand dollars for series this year faced sudden death. Begun at the request of a large number of seniors and veteran students who realized the value of such a program, the course is now entering its third year.

But this came very near being its final year. Taught only during the Spring semester, the course this year faced grave danger until a few weeks ago.

Enrollment for the course was promising when it was first offered. This was primarily a result of those students signing for the course who had made the original request for it. Last year, enrollment dropped to almost half.

For this reason the Executive Council

"Why, I ask you, why must we be less de-

This acceptance of the inevitability of

we are determined to do so when disease by

War Threat Complacency Is Dangerous...

HOW MUCH chance do we stand of avoid-inevitable. "Why," are not usually pessimistic, but most of us termined to stave off this loathsome diswould answer that question with "about as ease of war by every possible means than much chance as a snowball in hell." And that seems to be the accepted idea all over germs strikes our bodies. the United States.

Tom E. Shearer, president of Parsons another war is the cry of little people who College up in Fairfield, Iowa, realized the feel that they have no solution. They don't Some Things Considered . . . "inevitable war" attitude of his students, so know the answer. Neither do I. I am little when school opened in September, he was people and I don't know the answer either. ready with encouraging criticism.

Said President Shearer, "I am shocked to see the complacency and the apparent indifference with which our people everywhere are accepting this threat of total war. Why must we accept World War III as inevitable? We do not need to accept another world war as inevitable. We must not.

"Even death, which each of us knows to accept without resistance. When disease or injury threatens the health of our body, we take all possible measures to preserve that will, we know, one day overtake us.

"But when, as now, the health of our nation, of our homes, our families, and our very lives are at stake—when all that we hold dear is threatened by this horrible war, we death and obliteration and say that war is sibilities in finding a peaceful solution."

Behind the Scenes . . .

little people, I hereby offer a challenge to those who, by reason of their high and exalted position, claim to be big people. To them, you and I must say, "Find a way to stop this awful holocaust while there is still

time.'

"Fortunately, we can speak to these poderstand-votes. We can demand that the candidates for office who expect our votes will have a solution to offer. You and I can health-to stave off the certain death which expect and, by our votes demand, that those who occupy or aspire to occupy political offices shall find other and more constructive solutions. If we make that demand strong enough, if we make it clear that we will not be satisfied with war as the only answer, sit back and resign ourselves to this certain the candidates will certainly exhaust all pos-

'Petty Girl' Gets Whistle

Aggies in mind when "The Petty Girl" was put into production for rarely has anything been so well received at College Station. Talk about an oasis in a des-For the title role of George Pet-the selection of Robert Cumwings was in no way erroneous. Whether the original Petty lead such an "uninhibited" life is unimportant, for all that glimpsed Cum-mings' performance will be unwilling to connect anything but a non-

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By FRED WALKER
If you are a respected critic of the drama, a rigid connoisseur of the body beautiful or plagued by showing today and tomorrow at the body and tomorrow at the adventure of the second of the adventure of the adventures of art by a seductive depressions of chargrin are a riot. As for Miss Caufield—ay, yi, yi! The young ladies' limbs are normal individual, who suffers of pure paradoxial entertain are a wonder to behold. If Miss are a wonder of the audience of Nov. 2, 99% would probably ask. "She can act yet?"

The music is not the best ever is

Letters to The Editor

Let's Do Some Thinking Before We Write

derclassmen have no right to ques-tion anything said or done by a



Gur sophomores certainly are a dynamic lot. They held be absolutely certain for himself, we do not litical officeholders in a language they un- their election for class officers and student senators Wednesday night. Two-hundredsixty-three out of an approximte 950 voted. We've never heard of a group more

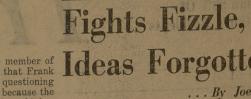
interested in the welfare of their class and

who will complain loudest when their Soph en Ball isn't up to snuff and when the Student Ball isn't up to shull and when the Student They been a lot said on the Senate puts them off in a corner at Kyle subject of class distinction. That's an integral part of the Corps and its traditions, true indeed. But they are responsible for a considerable part of it.

ment he does have a voice. Sophomores can't expect to get a square deal if they aren't interested enough to present their case.

Today's "Letter to The Editor" to discuss a letter with its author marks the second time this week comment expressed by a member of The Battalion staff has appear-ed in that column. Because we Names will be withheld from let-

comment expressed by a member contents halfful to hill of the our team with a unified Twelfth of The Battalion staff has appear-ed in that column. Because we have heard several questioning re-marks about Batt staffers writing letters to the editor, we feel an explanation of our policy and of the purpose of the letters column



From the City Desk ...

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downing it ignorance was also in class of our networks that the solution without fear of censor reference to the aforementioned letter by Manitzas. Class distinction at A&M is one of the oldest and most revered tra-of the oldest and most revered tra-ditions of this school. Our beliefs in the wrong by giving yells during are in accordance and complete har-mony with this tradition—as it inght. It is not the right of any was originally intended. We believe in it because there are many good arguments in its favor and we have been a part of it. But the day a senior sets him-self up as a campus "god" and be-lieves that all his actions, as well as his written and spoken words, as his written and spoken words, as his written and spoken words. As is written and spoken words, as his wri

present means of fire protection was lacking so that the council might have something to go on if fire protection is

The petitioners seemed satisfied and left the meeting with the idea that something was evidently going to be done about their requests. This all took place late last summer and as far as we know the committee has never met.

Water Rates Considered

At one time last summer the city council considered the possibility of setting up a new system of water rates in College Station. The idea was discussed to some length and All this "Letters To The Editor" College Station. The idea was discussed to some length and mainess since last week-end has members tentatively agreed to investigate Bryan's new system of charges for water.

business since last week-end has ben fine, but what has it accom-plished!? Has it convinced any certain person as to which individ-ual or individuals were responsible for the events of the past week-end? Hell no, it's merely caused dissension among the Twelfth Man sure isn't gonna boost the morale of our fighting Texas Aggie Elev-end. After much publicity concerning the "lower" rates, which Bryan had established, the council met one month later only to find that approximately eight people would benefit from the new rates, and in a few cases some water consumers would even be paying more than was required

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Parking Meters Dropped

And digging back a little further into the summer's activities we find that some discussion was made by the city council about the installation of parking meters in the North Gate area in order to provide parking space for shoppers in that section.

The city manager contacted more than a half-dozen companies who manufacture the meters asking for prices, contract terms, samples, etc. For weeeks after this deal began, several meters of various types were on display in the city hall.

Any person who dropped by the office to pay utility bills or carry on business with city officials would most Tikely have been led to believe that the council was going to

the power lines which they operate in College Hills. Why should these people be required to pay almost one-third more for electricity than other College Station residents?

We're hoping the College Station City Council will tackle this incident at their next meeting Monday, Nov. 13. That's still a long way off, but by that time the Bryan officials may

of it

Selph

Officers elected by a class so little interested in class activities can't be expected to be very enthusiastic in their Aggies, regardless of class, must

activities can't be expected to be very entitusiastic in there jobs. The Sophomore Class officer run-off is scheduled for Monday evening. If you sophomores are at all concerned with the success of your class activities we suggest you make it a point to be there. If you are not interested, then make no complaints when you get a raw deal. **Our Letters to The Editor Policies** Today's "Letter to The Editor" to discuss a letter with its author marks the second time this week before publication if we think its comment expressed by a member contents harmful to him or to oth of The Battalion staff has appear- ers.

its influence in campus affairs. This same 950 will be the very group

There's been a lot said on the

Within the Cadet Corps a sophomore to A&M, regardless of class, is an has very little say-so, but in student govern-has very little say-so, but in student govern-Man. As a true Aggie, he should reat bunch of guys who give their 'all'' in every football game. All

Think it over.

TALK OF THE TOWN

l, deep down inside, a big re-onsibility and concern toward a

Call this picture a glorified flesh show, cheap advertising, Hollywood burlesque or anything you like, but to a healthy male of active age (And, brother, do we fit that description), who eternally seeks an outlet from an "unfemalian" outpost, this zany little ditty outsells Hadacol.

The Battalion

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

written, but it remains pleasant and refreshing throughout. Lyric for the express purpose of provid-writer Johnny Mercer is as good ing a forum for student opinion, regardless of whether the student as ever. Elsa Lancaster is thoroughly de-lighted as the semi-old maid school-marm and Melvin Cooper is his usually reliable self. The Battalion letters column is controlled and edited by the conregardless of whether the student

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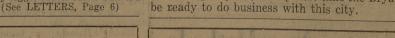
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