

Score One for Justice . . .

THE BATTALION last Friday pointed out editorially what we considered to be one of the most shameful situations ever to occur in Texas politics.

Last fall, the voters of Texas gave Governor Allan Shivers one of the largest majorities a Texas governor ever received in the first primary.

People all over the state wondered what legal steps could be taken to protect Reams from the power politics which had given Rep. A. J. Vale a majority of the votes by a write-in campaign.

Shivers and Sheppard did not wait to untangle a lot of legal red tape. The secretary of state of Texas is charged with counting and officially announcing election returns.

Nearly every problem can be solved by persons not involved; consequently, if we could shift the world's people around, there would be no problems.

Many More Indians And Fewer Chiefs

Our bonfire is off to a late and rather slow start this year. If we are to match last year's effort, a great amount of work will have to be done in a very short time.

Head Yell Leader Don Joseph offered what is probably the best solution to our problem at yell practice this week. His words went something like this: "When we get out there to build that bonfire this year, let's have a lot more Indians and a lot less Chiefs than we've had in years previous."

The Nation Today . . .

U. S. Communists Loyal To Russia Only

By MAX HALL Washington, Nov. 24—(AP)—Americans are not exactly surprised to hear that American Communists regard the Soviet Union as their fatherland.

Here is a brief account covering 31 years of the Communist party of the United States, as condensed from the nearly 5,000 words of McGrath's statement:

The party was founded in or about 1919. It became a member of the Communist International (Comintern). The Comintern has maintained representatives in the U. S. to direct and supervise the party.

Since 1919 the party has never knowingly deviated from the policies of the Russian government. Whenever those policies conflicted with the U. S. position, the party opposed the U. S. position.

In or about 1929, there was a factional dispute within the American Communist Party. Stalin set it in favor of the minority faction. The leaders of the majority faction were expelled.

League of Nations The party opposed the League of Nations when Russia did, and reversed its position when Russia did. It supported and justified the Soviet "purge" of 1937.

Starting about 1935 it softened its attacks on Democratic countries and advocated a united front against Fascism and Nazism, in accordance with Comintern policy.

But in 1939 it overlooked its opposition to Fascism and Nazism, and supported the Hitler-Stalin pact. It supported Russia's invasion of Finland in 1939, the Russian expansion into Poland in 1939, and the absorption of Latvia, Estonia, and Lithuania in 1940.

Party Dissolved The party dissolved itself in 1944 and became the "Communist Political Association." But it reconstituted itself in 1945, on instructions from leaders in the world Communist movement.

Since the war, the party has supported Russian and Communist activities in the Balkans, Czechoslovakia, Poland, China, Italy, Germany, and other countries. It has supported all Russian positions in the United Nations. It has opposed the Truman Doctrine, Marshall Plan, and North Atlantic Pact.

When the Communist Information Bureau (Cominform) was formed in 1947 as a successor to the Comintern, the party found it inexpedient to become a formal member because of certain U. S. laws, but it has affiliated with the Cominform and followed its policies. It reports to Russia and the Cominform, and its members are expelled or otherwise reprimanded when they disobey orders.

The party has received financial aid, and still receives it, from Russia and the Cominform. For example, it has received funds for infiltrating the American trade union movement. The party has used many clandestine practices, and since 1945 has adhered strictly to a policy of secrecy—involving party names, code words, false swearing, and the withholding of records.

For Crippled Children



Shrinier Jack Lamb, who is a teacher in the Austin Public Schools, does his bit for the Crippled Children by "hawking" programs for the A&M Freshmen-TU Shorthorns game here yesterday.

Little TU Tilt Was More Than A Game

By JOHN WHITMORE

Yesterday's football game did more than just allow the spectators to see a sports event. It meant some child in Texas would have a chance to walk.

The annual Fish-Shorthorn game is played with all the proceeds going to the Shrine Club, which in turn puts the money in the Ben Hur Crippled Children's Clinic.

Children from all over Texas who are crippled and unable to pay for proper medical attention are given the best medical care available, free.

But to carry out this project it takes a lot of work. Work volunteered by the local Shrine Clubs. Business men, teachers, men from all walks of life get together to push this worthy cause.

Prominent men in business don their fezes and get out and sell tickets, usher in the stands—even get out and hawk programs. All are working towards a goal of getting money for a charitable cause.

The local Brazos Valley Shrine Club, which is host to the benefit game every other year, began work on the project long before kickoff time yesterday.

Committees were organized, tickets sold and invitations sent, to mention only a few of the details. Some Things They've Done

To get a bit trite, the local Shrine group deserves orchids for their work, but instead let's point out some of the things they have done in the past.

This past year members of the Brazos Valley Shrine Club took children from all over this area to the Houston Shrine Circus. Many of the children had never seen a circus before and looked upon the benevolent Shriners as a host of fathers.

But on the grim side of their activities is the Clinic's work. Children with rickets, polio, and malnutrition enter with bent limbs to receive attention of the best doctors in the state.

Last year during the Crippled (See CHILDREN'S, Page 6)

Industry Holds Economy Key, Officials Claim

Chicago, Nov. 24—(AP)—Two top government officials said yesterday that industrial expansion holds the key to a sound war time economy.

The two—Chairman W. Stuart Symington of the National Security Resources Board and Secretary of the Interior Oscar L. Chapman—addressed the national CIO convention.

Symington said "the struggle for manganese" needed to make steel from low grade iron ore typified the strategic materials problem.

Chapman charged that "faint hearted apostles of a scarcity economy" were "endangering the country's future."

Much of Symington's brief speech was devoted to meeting a complaint that has threaded throughout the CIO convention—that labor has not been given enough influence in America's mobilization program. He emphasized labor's representation on the mobilization advisory board.

Symington said government officials have found it "more difficult to operate what might be called a 'gray' mobilization than an all-out mobilization."

Chapman said the steel shortage "is the result of the short-sighted policies of a few men who, lacking confidence in the future of America, have refused to expand steel facilities at the pace our economic growth demands."

"We cannot permit our growth as a nation to be stunted, and our security as a people jeopardized, by the faint-hearted apostles of a scarcity economy," the interior secretary declared. "By trying to play it safe, these men are endangering the country's future."

Chapman said the nation needs more sources for iron ore, manganese, and oil and an expansion of public power projects.

From the City Desk . . .

Thanksgiving: When Should It Be Observed?

. . . By Joel Austin

Although many people throughout the State of Texas were faced with the problem of when to celebrate Thanksgiving this year, we imagine that most of the local folks are rather confused as to just when they will eat their traditional turkey and dressing with cranberry sauce.

Most people around the college will probably be headed toward Austin next Thursday for the post-Thanksgiving (?) football clash between the Aggies and Texas University. Whether you eat any turkey or merely spend the two Thanksgiving afternoons watching the freshman and varsity football squads play ball, the official Thanksgiving passed yesterday with little if any observance by College Station residents.

College students were required to attend classes all morning, although they were dismissed for the afternoon football game between the Aggie-TU freshman teams. Most offices on the campus were kept open all day, although several people found various and sundry reasons to ask for the afternoon off we hear.

A&M Consolidated School students will observe their Thanksgiving holidays next week with the college, we understand, so it looks as though the presidential ruling marking the fourth Thursday of November as Thanksgiving was totally unobserved in College Station.

Community Chest Funds Short

The Community Chest report doesn't look so bright. After three weeks—one week after the campaign's completion—the chest committee is still some \$2,400 short of the \$11,000 goal.

Committee Secretary Johnny Longley said last night that unless the goal is met this year the Community Chest leaders may see fit to discontinue it because of such poor support in College Station.

Last year they had very little trouble meeting a goal only a few hundred dollars below the 1950 mark. But with the slow response during the current drive, it could well mean that many organizations may lose much needed support from funds which could come only from the Community Chest.

Take for example the newly authorized Community Chest Polio Fund which was to receive \$1,000 of the campaign money. With College Station's seventh case of polio during the current year reported yesterday, this money could be used to help finance many items not available through funds appropriated by the National Polio Foundation.

If the Community Chest is done away with, many different fund raising campaigns would be necessary to support the many organizations which draw from Chest funds.

Christmas Card List Grows

Response has been very good to our request for readers to supply names and addresses for the Christmas Card list which The Battalion will print in the Nov. 30 edition. We received over a dozen letters today, and many more are expected before the 5 p.m. deadline Nov. 28.

The idea is to help local residents know where they may send Christmas Cards to friends who have moved away from College Station in the past few years. In order to make this little venture a success, however, we also must have the cooperation of our readers before they can take advantage of its services.

Why not sit down today and jot down the names of anyone you might know that falls in that category and send them to us. Address your correspondence to The Battalion, Campus. No postage will be required if your letter is dropped in the faculty exchange in the Academic Building.

Another Polio Case Reported

College Station's seventh polio patient of the year is in the Waco Polio Clinic, and reports are that the child is in very critical condition. The latest word on nine month old Joseph Rainwater appears on the front page of today's paper.

Many people may be glad to hear that a quick telephone call to the Waco Hospital this morning brought news that the Rainwater child is improving and is just about out of the critical condition which was reported late yesterday.

Hospital authorities say it is still too early to determine for sure whether or not young Joseph will pull through this illness.

Other polio cases in the College Station area reported this year are T. J. King, Jr., 5; Shirley Ann Brown, 13; R. M. Stevenson, 35; Kathlene Sperry, 3; Michael Kilpatrick, 6; and Christie Kept, 10.

Letters

Bag Lost In Line

Editor, The Battalion:

I would like to utilize your "Letters to the Editor" column in an attempt to locate my bag, which was lost in the Aggie line from Houston Sunday night, November 19.

I arrived at the line about 10 p. m., then went down the street for about an hour with some friends. When we returned my bag was missing, although my friend's short coat and several other bags were still in the line; therefore, I feel that someone must have picked it up by mistake. If that is the case, or if anyone who was in the line that knows what may have happened to it, would they contact me at room 217, dorm 7.

T. E. Flukinger, '51

D. Pfannstiel, Grace Barron Wed In MSC

Miss Shirley Grace Barron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Joe Barron of Sugar Land and Charles Daniel Pfannstiel were married Thursday morning in the Memorial Student Center. Pfannstiel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Louis Pfannstiel of Converse.

The bride, a graduate of Sam Houston State Teachers College in Houstonville, is now teaching at Boling High School. Pfannstiel received his degree from A&M and is assistant county agent of Wharton County.

Two comic strips by Al Capp. The first strip is titled 'L'I'L ABNER Armor and the Wolf-girl' and the second is 'A Hollow Mockery'. Both strips feature Abner Dook and a wolf-girl in a humorous, satirical setting.

The Battalion

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions "Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

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