

'Tell Us When, Coach' . . .

AFTER a long search, A&M finally has a head football coach. And, the irony of it all is, that he came from our own backyard.

Ray George will be entering his first job as a college head coach with as much enthusiasm as a sophomore playing his first varsity game, we believe. The man will be behind the eight-ball in several ways, but we're convinced he'll be able to weather any storm.

The new coach is not an ex-student of the College. We have never believed that the coach need be, although certain advantages are gained by being a graduate. A good coach must be a strategist, a public relations expert, and a number of other things,

Crime Commission Long Overdue

DISCLOSURES of the Kefauver Crime Committee may bring about the establishment of a permanent Federal Crime Commission. Such a resolution has been introduced by Senators O'Connor (D-Md), Hunt, (D-Md), and Kefauver (D-Tenn).

The Commission would be headed by three presidential appointees (with Senate approval) for six-year terms, and \$15,000 per year salary. A budget for the Commission provides up to \$150,000 per year to carry on the national crusade against crime.

The objectives will include the investigation of gambling, distribution and sale of narcotics, prostitution, and other known fields of criminal activity. Every effort would be made to deny interstate communication facilities to organized criminals.

All evidence indicates that crime has indeed outgrown old laws and enforcement agencies. Such a commission, therefore, appears to be long overdue.

Individual Thought: Now Needed Badly

AS WE have pointed out in connection with the Truman-MacArthur controversy, there are not enough facts available to permit the public to draw reasonable conclusions.

This has been explained partially in the report of the directors of the Associated Press to its membership. The free flow of information, according to their report, has been hampered by military censorship, and the difficulty of getting information through the iron curtain.

Ironically, individual thought is made almost impossible at a time when it is needed above all else. The individual is left only to place confidence in another individual or a political party. To seek the truth is almost a hopeless task.

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From the City Desk

Let's Work To Make it Pretty

. . . By Joel Austin

IT'S SPRING again and as the warm days take over in the absence of Jack Frost, the proverbial Spring house cleaning chores are in order once more.

We saw the janitors labor for hours last evening as they scrubbed and waxed the floors of the hallowed halls of The Battalion office. It was a not-too-often done job, but right on schedule, however, for the Spring cleaning.

Speaking of Spring cleaning, we are wondering what progress has been made on plans for the annual College Station Spring clean-up campaign.

Last summer we were assured that such a project would be started as soon as the warm months arrived. It may be time for such a campaign now.

College Station is progressive enough to keep a neat, clean-looking town the year round. But no matter how hard some people strive to keep things clean, there's always a little dust that gathers in the back corners that must be mopped up sometime.

And there may be a fence or porch that could stand a new coat of paint to bring that luster which stands out and distinguishes a dirty, dingy surrounding from a clean one.

Wouldn't a Clean-up—Paint-up campaign be just the thing to put the homes and business of College Station in A-1 condition?

Drive Not Too Successful

Last summer the Chamber of Commerce directors informed us they sponsored such a clean-up campaign last Spring, although the results failed to prove the drive was successful.

We have also been told that a similar clean-up effort throughout the city was held two years ago and worked very effectively.

Officials at the City Hall told us earlier this year they would be glad to supply trucks and other equipment to haul all rubbish discarded by local people who take part in the clean-up drive.

The only problem appears to be in getting someone to sponsor this clean-up campaign.

Bryan C of C Takes Wise Move

Bill Parse, president of the Student Senate, attended a meeting of the Bryan Chamber of Commerce directors in the Varisco Building yesterday.

Parse was the official representative of the A&M student body to sit in on the meeting of the neighboring town's leaders.

We would like to compliment these men for this progressive step that provides for a voice of the students in their planning sessions.

If more groups like the Bryan Chamber of Commerce could realize the importance of fostering better relations between themselves and the students of A&M, a solution to the problems which have continuously conflicted between them could be gained.

Traveling Students Deferred

Local draft boards are authorized to issue young men of draft age a permit to leave the United States to go abroad this summer, according to the Washington headquarters of the Selective Service.

The Selective Service regulation permitting young men to leave the United States reads as follows: "Permit to leave the United States—Local boards are authorized to issue to registrant a Permit to Depart from the United States (SSS Form No. 300) and should issue the permit unless it is found that the registrant's absence is likely to interfere with the performance of his obligations under the Selective Service Act of 1948.

"Before determining whether a permit should be issued, the board may require the registrant to complete and file his Classification Questionnaire (SSS Form No. 100) and such forms and information as may be necessary to complete classification. The local board may thereupon classify the registrant if it appears necessary to a determination of the advisability of issuing the permit."

Bible Verse

IF THINE enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink.—Proverbs 25:21.

Sixth District Anti-Truman, If Fulton Lewis is Correct

Olin E. Teague, representative to Congress from the Sixth District of Texas, has sent The Battalion a report on activities in his Washington office for the past week. We believe the poll he tells of will be interesting and possibly amusing to the readers—The Editor.

Washington, April 25—This past week, my office has been flooded with postcard replies as well as completed questionnaires to the Fulton Lewis Poll of April 9.

I know that the people of the Sixth District would like to learn of the results due to the active interest they took in the poll. Below is the recapitulation:

● As of today would you vote for Harry Truman for President? Yes: 4; No: 225.

● Should President Truman be allowed to continue to receive the \$50,000 tax exempt salary recently voted by Congress? Yes: 29; No: 200.

● Do you believe that Congress should continue investigations such as the one into RFC loans and the Kefauver crime hearings and extend those investigations into other activities of the government? Yes: 227; No: 4.

● Are you in favor of keeping Dean Acheson as Secretary of State? Yes: 8; No: 200.

● Do you favor the UN being in final control of US Troops in Korea or elsewhere? Yes: 20; No: 207.

● Should Chiang Kai-Shek be permitted to send his Nationalist Army against the Chinese Communists? Yes: 216; No: 132.

LETTERS

All letters to the editor must be signed by the writer and free from obscene and libelous references. Letter writers wanting their name withheld must make a personal request to the co-editor. No unsigned letters will be published.

Quotation And Explanation

Editor, The Battalion:

This excerpt is from the Sunday issue of the Houston Post. "A. and M. President M. T. Harrington, who spoke briefly at the ceremony said Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist was the one man most responsible for the completion of the swank Student Center."

I do not remember that statement being made at the Muster or Dedication ceremony. President Harrington was correctly quoted, would someone please clarify the nature of the Chancellor's contribution.

Lloyd Thornton '47 (President Harrington did make a statement at the MSC dedication ceremony similar to that above, but the Houston Post quote is somewhat inaccurate.)

The president did say, "Mr. Gibb Gilchrist, through his continuous efforts, is the one person most responsible for seeing to the fulfilling of this dream of ours."

(It was during Chancellor Gilchrist's tenure as president that the Memorial Student Center evolved from a dream into a working project.)

(It was he who appointed the first committee to study the possibilities and make plans for building a Student Center at A&M.)

(President Gilchrist worked on plans for financing the building, okayed the necessary expenditures and employed J. Wayne Stark, MSC director, to begin building an organization to carry out the purposes of the structure. Stark was employed before ground was ever broken for the building.)

(President Harrington explained to The Battalion yesterday afternoon that it was these things to which his statement had reference.—The Editor)

● Do you feel confident Europe will fight to the end against Communism? Yes: 24; No: 199.

● Do you approve of the proposed continuation of economic aid along with military aid to the North Atlantic Pact Nations? Yes: 92; No: 132.

● Would you favor a requirement that nations receiving military or economic aid from us must agree to stop trading with Russia, Communist China or any other Iron Curtain country? Yes: 221; No: 6.

● Do you believe President Truman's statement that all Communists and Communist sympathizers have been weeded out of the government? Yes: 3; No: 228.

● Are you in favor of a permanent peacetime program of UMT? Yes: 141; No: 88.

● Do you believe President Truman is making a sincere effort to cut out unnecessary government spending? Yes: 9; No: 223.

● Should wages be controlled along with prices? Yes: 200; No: 28.

AH Club to Show Color Films Tonite

Students and staff members of the Animal Husbandry Department will be shown a color film on Brahman cattle operations at 7:30 tonight in the lecture room of the Animal Husbandry Building, according to F. I. Dahlberg of the AH department.

Guests of the meeting will be cattlemen from the Houston and South Texas area who are enroute to a field day at Bluebonnet Farm tomorrow.

The film will be narrated by Harry P. Gayden, executive secretary of the American Brahman Breeders' Association and Edgar Hudgins, premier breeder of Brahman cattle.

All local cattlemen, staff, students and interested parties are invited to attend the meeting, Dahlberg said.

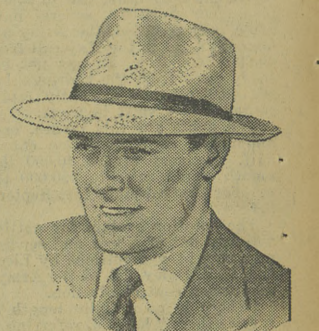
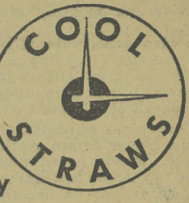
Math Prof Has Article Published

Jack T. Kent, professor of mathematics is the author of an article published recently in the Astronomical Journal, official publication of the American Astronomical Society, of which he is a member.

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