

Tomorrow's Big Leaguers...

LITTLE League Baseball has spread over the United States almost as fast as Bob Smith would crash through the line of a high school football team.

In addition to giving a youngster many of the thrills of major league play, Little League baseball unifies the boy, his family and his community in a healthy recreational program.

The background of Little League Baseball goes back to 1939. Carl E. Stotz of Williamsport, Pa., noticed that a boy under 13 had little if any chance to play baseball in a regular game.

Mr. Stotz took shape years later as he watched two of his favorite nephews sitting on the sidelines while bigger, older, and more experienced youngsters made use of the only diamond. What the little fellows needed, he reasoned, was a competition in their own age group, with a field and other equipment cut down to their size.

Little League has nothing to sell except its principles, yet sponsors are forming a waiting list. True enough the sponsors put their names on the uniforms but this is a meager return on a \$200 to \$250 investment.

At the formation of the League, four managers are assigned to each league. These managers, incidentally, are not necessarily chosen for their knowledge of baseball. They are picked on a basis of character, because they are dealing with youngsters who are easily impressed.

Little League is a non-profit organization designed to promote good health, good sportsmanship and good citizenship in the youths of America. Little League essentially is a community activity with a national scope.

To the men and women who have made Brazos County's Little League possible and to the future "big-leaguers" who took part in the games, a 21 gun salute from us to you.

The high cost of living is being discussed again in the land of opportunity and it will be talked about for some time.

Poor Students Get Deferment Chance

THERE is some consolation in being in the lower portion of the class after all.

Selective Service reported Tuesday that 38 per cent of the college students who took the first draft aptitude test flunked it. But 40 percent of the poorer students who would not have rated consideration for the draft deferment on the basis of their showing in the classroom got by the test with scores of 70 and better.

In the upperportions of classes, however, the passing grade was 5 points higher than the 70 required by lower classmen. The draft boards have been asked to give a score of 70 or better the same consideration, as a basis for deferment, as is given to a student ranking in the top half of the freshman class, to two thirds of the sophomore class, or top three quarters of the junior class.

Considering the fact that a greater percentage of lower classmen passed the aptitude tests than upper classmen, we might conclude that dexterity is not always a prerequisite of upperclassmen.

Judging from the "squabbling" and maneuvering done by some of the Aggie students for grade points and exemptions, the words of one of our math pros could be used to further emphasize our point. Said he, "If you guys worked as hard on the problems, as you do trying to work me, you would all be exempted."

It might be even better to say in some instances, all that glitters is gall.

If you visit a hundred cities in the United States, you will find, in each one, the same little vocal strutters and bluffers.

Nearly any lobbyist can make a convincing plea for prompt governmental action, with the necessary appropriation.

Red Tactics Found At Home

RECENTLY a woman of Indianola, Miss. reported that her 17-year-old son was missing. A deputy sheriff and a private detective "ran in" four Negroes who had been seen with the missing farm hand.

Typical of some law-enforcement agents, the deputy and the detective applied the "heat" treatment. This treatment left marks on the Negroes that later required medical treatment. But three of them confessed to murder.

The missing youth showed up, unharmed and still very much alive. He had decided to take an unannounced vacation.

No one can question the prompt and thorough job done by the deputy and the detective.

The Reds in Hungary and Czechoslovakia who have been extorting confessions from innocent people could not have done much better.

The human race, for all its boasting and puffing, is merely standing on the threshold of knowledge.

The Battalion

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

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BLEED ... FOR HIS COUNTRY



Compromise Sought on DPA; Educate Veteran's Children?

By OLIN E. TEAGUE Sixth District Representative

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Seven members each of the House and Senate began conferring today in an effort to reach a compromise agreement on legislation to extend the provisions of the Defense Production Act.

After completing its own version of the Defense Production Act extension in a final 14-hour session, the House adopted the Senate Bill, but substituted its own provisions affecting various controls, consumer credit, housing, allocations and termination date.

The Senate voted to extend the act eight months, while the House voted a one year extension. Both the House and Senate are prepared to act on the conference report as soon as it is submitted, as the one month extension previously agreed to expired July 31.

Other legislation of vital interest to Texans is being debated while this letter is being written; the question of ownership of our Tidelands. (Editor's note: This question was settled with a vote of 265 to 109 in favor of returning the Tidelands ownership to the states Monday. The bill is now awaiting Senate action before being sent to the President for his signature.)

The U.P. Chamber of Commerce, in a letter to all members of the House of Representatives, has taken a stand upholding the State's title in these lands, and questions the Supreme Court ruling that the Federal Government has "paramount rights" because State ownership might encumber national defense.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

For Mr. Trail

Editor, The Battalion: After reading the letter from Mr. Carroll C. Trail, we couldn't think of letting it go by without an answer.

In the first place, from the movies you mentioned Mr. Trail, you have just about seen them all, which goes to prove that you came back again for more since there are other places in the MSC that you can get your "quiet supper" that you speak of.

You also show your ignorance about how the MSC is operated. If you were a regular reader of The Battalion you would know, from a series of articles not too long ago, in detail about how the MSC was run and how its finances are handled.

You would also know, if you kept up with The Battalion's articles, that the operator of the projection machine is not paid with state taxpayer's money, and that most of the equipment and furnishings used are a part of the \$200,000 given by the Former Students.

Now aren't you ashamed to sit on their chairs, and at their tables, and criticize them at the same time?

What type lodge do you belong to? One that encourages alcoholic beverages? I would suggest that you find a meeting place across the river and leave the MSC to students that appreciate it.

You will be lucky to sell train tickets or peddle magazines for you will never be a leader, or a public servant like J. Wayne Stark, for as you know "A leader is a man who gets something done, not a man whose only ability is to criticize what others do."

Charles E. Cosper '53 Bill Shephenson '53 J. Fred Cross '53

Wrong Facts

Editor, The Battalion: It was with some interest that I read your editorial in the Tuesday edition. I refer to the one concerning the Marshall housewives who have refused to collect Social Security taxes from their domestic help.

The operation of the female mind is an intricate procedure which has long defied the best known laws of probability, econ-

ership might encumber national defense.

Question Began in 1936 You will recall that this question of ownership started in 1936, when the then Secretary of Interior Harold Ickes laid claim in the name of the federal government to the submerged lands off California in order to transfer to the federal government the revenues from the oil production.

His claim was upheld in 1947 by the Supreme Court ruling on the premise that state ownership might encumber national defense and the federal government had "paramount rights." Such a doctrine in my opinion is dangerous in that some day it may be applied by the federal government to inland property or natural resources in spite of present disclaimers of federal officials.

Veteran Children's Education Last, but not least, I am greatly concerned over several letters which I have received from my District taking me to a task relative to legislation I would sponsor to grant the educational benefits of the G. I. Bill to the children of veterans. I commanded an Infantry Battalion during World War II and had some 300 men killed in action.

The majority of these men were in the lower brackets as far as finance is concerned, and I know their last thought was concern for their family. So, when I first came to Congress in 1946, I did introduce legislation which would have conferred the educational rights on the children of these deceased servicemen killed in action.

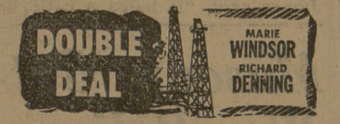
my, reasoning or what have you. But to do these ladies justice, I think you should at least give the correct facts as related to their case. They are not holding out for pay, but rather because they question the constitutionality of a law requiring everyone to subscribe to insurance whether they want it or not.

Perhaps in time it will occur to them that these same taxes (\$8.03 on the dollar) will prevent their having to support these same employees in their old age by maintaining rather enormous relief roles.

R. T. Jones



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L.L. ABNER Calling All Doctors



U. S. War on Polio--1951

Polio Foundation Develops New Iron Lung that Coughs

(Editor's note: This is the third and last in a series of stories by Associated Press Science Editor Howard W. Blankenslee on the fight the United States is waging against the dread disease of polio.)

NEW YORK, Aug. 2—(AP)—An iron lung that coughs is under design for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

This lung will breathe in the usual way by change of air pressure, and also will use a quick pressure pulse to cause a cough when the patient wishes or his doctor orders.

That will solve a sometimes troublesome iron lung problem, due to excess fluid in air passages. There are other ways of removing this phlegm, but coughing is the natural way.

The cough and several other iron lung improvements have been

given to New York University's engineering department to develop.

One improvement is a new collar for the person in the lung. The collar seals him in. Sponge rubber has been used. The new one will be plastic and work like the old-fashioned tobacco pouch, which automatically closed after you took out a fistful of pipe mixture. The closing is due to pleating the pouch opening. Similar pleats will close the iron lung collar.

Another improvement is a push-pull lung, so-called because it uses excess air pressure to push down the chest to exhale, and a lowered pressure to let the chest expand. Iron lungs have been using low pressure alternating with the ordinary pressure of air.

Better Steps

Other steps are better means of piping oxygen and other gases into the iron lung and more port-holes for better care of the patient.

Rocking beds are supplementing iron lungs and other respirators. These are teeter-totter beds. First they rock so that your head is higher than your feet, and then lift feet high above your head. When your head is high, viscera pull down your diaphragm, and that causes natural indrawing of breath.

When feet are high, the viscera reverse their push and force breath out. These rocking beds cost \$1,300 each, nearly as much as iron lungs. They are useful for selected cases, and also wean patients away from respirators.

The foundation this year is setting up new iron lung distribution centers. These insure quicker trans-

portation of the lungs, usually by air, to emergency cases.

Along with the additional centers will go special research units, to study the problems of iron lung victims and how better to get them to do their own breathing. Some have to use iron lungs for years, and some permanently. This year the foundation has placed more than 100 respirators in private homes for patients well enough to leave the hospital but unable to live without the lungs.

There is a third kind of respirator, the electric current hooked to the phrenic nerve. This is the electrophrenic respirator, invented by Dr. Stanley J. Sarnoff of Harvard School of Public Health. Ordinary cases are unable to breathe because their chest muscles are too weak. Iron lungs do well for them. But there are complications when the patient has chest muscles to breathe, but the nerves are so damaged that the brain cannot send messages to make the muscles move. That is where the electric current comes in.

Attendant Needed

Lacking the messages, the chest muscles may fight against the breathing pressures of an iron lung. The electric current can be used only where an attendant is on unremitting, 24-hour watch. That makes this treatment too expensive in most cases. The current is used mainly for experiment.

Most of the \$33,000,000 March of Dimes money this year is going for care of polio patients, including nearly 35,000 victims of former years. Half of the Dimes money is retained by the 2,800 local chapters of the foundation.

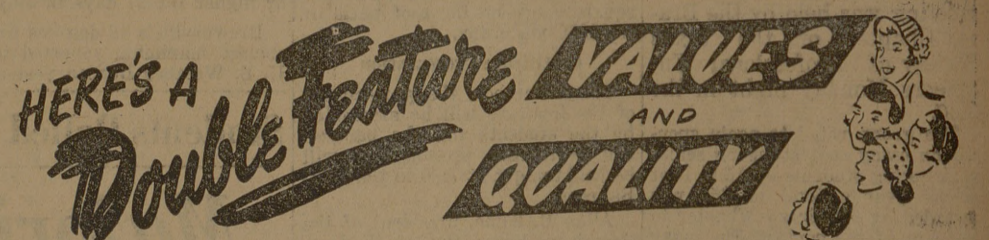


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By Al Capp

