

Think and Mark

MORE STUDENTS on this campus know the dates various buildings on the campus were built, than know how their student government functions.

Student government can do only as much for the body it governs as that body will make it do.

These were the opening two paragraphs of an editorial in The Battalion a year ago.

Such a lack of interest is seen yearly during the elections when students who vote do so without thinking.

Each time a mark is made on the ballot more thought should be given than just thinking about how popular a man is.

In high school we were given a chance to elect the most popular boy and girl in the school.

We feel as if the governing bodies here are just as important and powerful as the men we put in office.

What has become of all the men who, fifty years ago, thought they might be President?

Ready for 'All-Out' Attack Says Ridgway

U. S. Eighth Army Headquarters, Korea, Oct. 1.—(AP)—The Eighth Army is "prepared to strike, and strike hard" in Korea if the Reds want all-out war instead of truce talks.

Bradley Toured Posts It came as Gen. Omar N. Bradley, America's top military leader, and Ridgway toured command posts on the Eastern front where the United Nations' autumn offensive got underway last Tuesday.

On the other side of the war-torn peninsula, sunny skies brought the air war back to Korea. Twenty-seven U. S. F-86 sabre jets clashed with about 40 red-nosed Communist MIG-15s in a series of dogfights that swirled for 25 minutes north of Sinanju.

The U. S. Fifth Air Force said one of the Russian-made MIGs was destroyed and three were damaged. No allied losses were reported.

Of truce negotiations, the Ridgway headquarters statement said "the whole issue of the resumption of talks is one that cannot be hedged much longer.

Autumn Offensive Started "Meanwhile, indications are that the Eighth Army is not planning to sit idly by while the Communists string out negotiations for another long period.

It was not known whether he would visit the U. N. command advance base near Munsan, headquarters of the allied cease-fire negotiators.

There was little action on the Eastern front when Bradley visited that area.

Fighting was slowed by over-night rains and wind that tore down tents, flooded foxholes and chilled infantrymen to their bones.

The Battalion

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

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CHALLENGE NO. ONE



Exchange Desk

TU Has Issues, Rice Has Honor

Going on the assumption that things also happen on the campuses of other schools in this area, The Battalion decided to start recapping some of the highlights of the week's event on some of the SWC schools and TSCW.

At TU

TU's Great Issue course is getting under way and officials say it will start Oct. 11. This course, unlike A&M's carries no credit, but this did not stop the 1,250 students who took it last year.

The University's program is self sufficient and last year put away \$1,500 for this season. Planners of the series have lined up a list of outstanding speakers to talk on "US Foreign Policy."

Students registered for the course, if it operates this year as it did last year, will pay \$2 to help defray the cost of the speakers.

Also on the "Forty-Acre" campus, they have set up a service for students who are unable to attend the football games. A board is operated to flash lights indicating who is doing what on the playing field.

At Rice

In the Rice Thresher a letter was published explaining the Honor System. In part it said: "To All Rice Students:

A Houston girl attending one of the State's larger universities was well pleased over the fact that her high grade on a History final gave her a 93 average for the semester. A week later she was disappointed to find that her 93 netted her only a B—in the course.

That doesn't happen here... Presupposing that Rice Students are honorable people and have the character and self-respect to want honest conduct of their examinations, we sincerely believe that our Honor System is the logical method to conduct those examinations.

It assumes that each of us is an adult not a child to be watched over or threatened. It assumes that we are honest, and not petty thieves who would deliberately take from a neighbor the written results of his thought and study.

It assumes that we are proud to be the only school in the state that so demonstrates in trust and confidence in its students, and where students can feel that they are living in an atmosphere of mutual respect for individual abilities and accomplishments.

What about the "weak sisters," the rare-but-occasionally present fellow who will try to get by any way he can? Can we say, "Well, I won't cheat but I won't tell on the other fellow who did?"

Emphatically, NO! An Honor System is related to each student as a chain is to each link. The person who expects you to tolerate his cheating shows very small respect for you."

At TSCW

According to the Lass-O, TSCW's student newspaper, the girls are getting ready to welcome the Aggie Selection committee when they arrive in Denton, Friday.

The girls are also taking advantage of a girl's natural desire to wear some other girls clothes. They are having a rummage sale to raise money for the Student Finance Council.

Candidates' Platforms

As a candidate for Student Senator at Large, I would like to see the Student Senate express the direct will of the student body. I would also advocate that the student body be better informed of the happenings in Senate Meetings.

Vernon R. Berry '52

If elected, I propose that: (1) Our mascot and/or the money be located, (2) the matter of a Student Body President be closed, (3) Prexy's fountain be kept full and ready, (4) the seating arrangement be enforced at the home games, (5) New student parking areas be constructed or designated.

Jack "Spud" Mergel Candidate for Senator at Large

'Heartbreak' Suicide

Shovels, Knives, Sweat Fail in Ridge Battle

(Editor's Note: Out of every war comes a great piece of writing. This story by AP correspondent Stan Carter was considered to be this great piece of writing by the Dallas office of the Associated Press. We add our vote for this choice).

By STAN CARTER

Eastern Front, Korea, Sept. 29 (Delayed)—(AP)—Here are the heroes of "Heartbreak Ridge"—the men of the 23rd Regiment, U. S. Second Division, who have fought for more than two weeks in a thus far unsuccessful attempt to wrench that height from the Reds.

They believed their mission was suicide—and for many it was—but they crawled again and again through intense Communist fire up the jagged slopes of Heartbreak Ridge.

One man killed a North Korean with a shovel. Two soldiers died trying to hold off a Communist attack with their bare fists. A young Negro lad hobbled off Heartbreak Ridge with one foot gone. He refused to be carried down because he said the litters were needed for "serious" cases.

An Allied squad was cut off by screaming Communists. It fought out of the trap, then turned and attacked the Reds.

Many are dead now. Many more have been wounded. Those left alive and in one piece walked down

Jr. AVMA Smoker Held In The Grove

Members of the Junior AVMA held their annual Smoker Friday in the Grove. President of the veterinary association J. C. Mullins, said the purpose of the Smoker was to get men in the School of Veterinary Medicine together socially.

Dr. I. B. Boughton, dean of the school, opened the meeting with a welcome address to freshmen veterinary students. Dr. William Monlux, of the Veterinary Pathology Department, discussed Phi Zeta, the veterinary medicine honorary fraternity. He explained how a percentage of the students are chosen for membership because of merit and scholastic standing.

Jim Brown, senior vet. student, explained the honor system used in the school. Lee Holden, secretary of the A&M Junior chapter of the American Veterinary Medicine Association, told the group how funds for the organization were spent.

Bill Ellsworth, editor of the Southwestern Veterinarian, spoke on the organization and purposes of the magazine. At the end of the meeting, the instructors in the school were introduced to the men by the heads of the departments.

Aikin

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meeting Oct. 9-13, in Texas and at A&M.

"Texas will be honored by your presence and I know you will enjoy your visit—and please remember," he has addressed the out of state visitors, "while you are in Texas that you are among friends."

"I want to congratulate Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist and the board of directors of the A&M College System; Pres. M. T. Harrington of the college and all others, in making it possible for this outstanding group of educators and governing board members to come to Texas and be our guests. We will benefit by their presence.

Unable To Attend

"I regret that previous engagements of long-standing will prevent my attending and greeting you and being with you. I have requested Sen. A. M. Aikin of Paris to be my representative.

"He will be an able representative at such a meeting since he is co-author of the Gilmer-Aikin public school education bill and an authority on educational legislation, both public school and higher education."

"In the too-short time you will be in Texas," the governor points in welcoming the delegates to the October meeting, "this state will be your home."

off the ridge after two weeks of combat for a day of rest and a hot shower and clean clothes. New men joined them to replace the casualties. Then they returned to Heartbreak Ridge to fight again.

Intense Mortar

French troops attached to the 23rd Regiment received intense mortar fire on the first day they climbed onto the ridge.

The three company commanders of the regiment's First Battalion—Capt. William S. Jordan, Santa Clara, Calif.; Capt. James Dick, Elizabeth, N. J.; and Lt. Linus M. Jeneau, New Orleans—were hit by Communist fire at least twice each. They refused to be evacuated.

The attack on Heartbreak Ridge was preceded by an assault with hand grenades and bayonets on a tall hill just to the east. To reach this hill the men waded through a minefield without regard to casualties.

One private was killed going single handed after a Red bunker with his bayonet.

Elements of the 23rd Regiment took 600 yards at the southern end of Heartbreak Ridge. On the morning of Sept. 15, they were hit by a Communist counter-attack and part of Company "C" was overrun. When last seen, two of the men of that company were fist-fighting the Reds.

This scene infuriated the other members of Company "C." They retook the ground and recovered the bodies of their two buddies.

Reds Swarm

Another company—"A"—was attacked by swarms of Reds. A lieutenant was killed while holding this position and the company became disorganized. Lt. Perry S. Wagner, Green Bay, Wis., led a platoon of Company "B" up the ridge through intense mortar fire and covered Company "A" while it withdrew.

A sergeant—no one knew his name—returned to the ridge four times to rescue wounded men. Each time he returned unhurt, carrying a wounded man. Two days later,

he himself was wounded seriously. Heartbreak Ridge bristled with Reds in big log and dirt bunkers. Behind the tallest peak in the ridge, the Communists had a regular "city." There were dozens of interconnected bunkers, with slots in the walls for rifle, machine gun and mortar positions.

"We were eyeball to eyeball," said Captain Jordan. "I'm a veteran of Okinawa and this had that beat."

A forward artillery observer Lt. Walter R. Rhodes of Malvern, Ark., made four trips up the tallest peak, carrying ammunition up and wounded men down. He was burned by white phosphorus, but kept right on going.

A sergeant and a corporal were killed going into one Red bunker with knives.

Bible and Bullets

Three Americans were huddled in a foxhole reading a bible. A Communist machine gun sprayed across the foxhole, kicking up dust on both sides. None of the three was hit.

Pfc. C. W. Hart, Houston, was wounded four times but refused to leave the battle.

Cpl. Harmon D. Hodges, of Maysville, Ky., took over when his platoon leader and platoon sergeant both were killed. Although only a corporal, he reorganized the platoon and led it in holding a strong point against three Red counterattacks.

American troops hold the same ground today because of Hodges' action. He has been recommended for a battlefield commission.

The 23rd Regiment's machine guns for seven days fired an average of 2,500 rounds of ammunition a day each.

One day M/Sgt. Wallace E. Stump of Washington, D. C., led four assaults on the tallest peak. Each time his men were pushed back. Stump was wounded twice, but kept going.

One lieutenant was killed Sept. 23 by mortar fire while placing a machine gun on the ridge in full view of the Reds.

Fury at Death

"Every man in the battalion had blood in his eye because of the death of that officer," said Jordan.

A Hodgepodge company, including elements of all three companies of one battalion, reached the top of the tallest peak the night of Sept. 23. They held the peak for nine and a half hours before they were repulsed by heavy Communist counterattacks.

"One kid—we don't know his name—was shot five times in the stomach but kept going until he fell over," Jordan said.

Only four men who got to the top of the peak and saw the Communist defenses on the other side are still alive.

"They had a grenade launcher that threw grenades at us like a machinegun from the other side of the hill," said Jordan.

The First Battalion ran out of medical supplies twice because of the large number of wounded. There was not enough morphine or plasma. All the individual first aid kits of the men were gathered into a stockpile and still there were not enough.

Medics tended the wounded in the midst of small arms and mortar fire.

A cook was killed because he volunteered to man a foxhole to help his buddies out. A machine-gunner caught three Communist grenades and threw them back at the Reds. A fourth exploded in his hands and he was killed.

"We got all of our wounded out," Jordan said. "Some of the dead are still up there. We will get them out some day."

AF to Train Graduates In Meteorology

Plans are being made by the Air Force to train 1952 Air Force ROTC graduates as meteorologists in certain civilian educational institutions.

The course will be one year in duration and students will be selected from Air Force second lieutenants, both regular and reserve, possessing a baccalaureate degree with mathematics through integral calculus, one year of college physics, and twelve hours in physical sciences.

Selected applicants will be sent to graduate school at government expense in the commissioned status of second lieutenant with full pay and allowances.

Those selected to receive the training must agree to serve on extended active duty for three years following the completion of the course.

A&M graduates from the class of 1951 who are now obtaining graduate work under the 1951 meteorological training program and the school they are attending are Victor C. Henkell, Florida State University; Clifford Edgar, Florida State University; Stephen G. Dardaganian, Florida State University; and Billy C. Adams, UCLA.

Chest Campaign Head Chosen By Langford

Mayor Ernest Langford and Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist announced today the appointment of the College Station Community Chest Committee. At the same time J. G. McGuire was named chairman of the 1951-52 campaign.

The committee made tentative arrangements to open the drive Oct. 22. The drive will last until Nov. 14.

At this first meeting of the committee McGuire explained the philosophy of the Community Chest and explained some of the problems which will come up during the drive.

John Longley, secretary of the group, gave a financial report of the 1950-51 year and made explanations about expenditures and the allocations of funds.

The next meeting of the committee is called for Tuesday at 4 p. m. in the YMCA. At this meeting the committee will hear from the various agencies which desire to participate in the Chest and receive funds from it.

Chairman McGuire also expressed a desire to meet with the Bryan Committee and discuss mutual problems and to discuss dates for the drives in the two communities.

Members of the College Station Committee are McGuire, Longley, L. J. Horn, G. W. Horn, H. E. Hampton, V. E. Schember, Dot Young, Lloyd Smith, E. E. Vezey, Lt. Col. M. P. Bowden, P. W. Burns, and Bennie A. Zinn.

Seniors—Post Graduation Studies?



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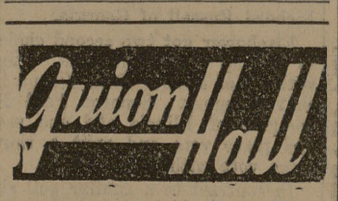


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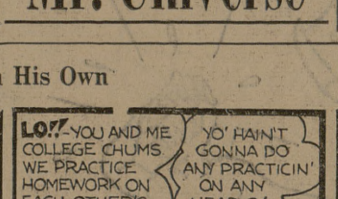
27th Passenger To Receive Watch

A wrist watch will be presented by Zales Jewelry store in Austin to the twenty-seventh passenger taking advantage of the new type service now offered by Pioneer Airlines, said Harding Lawrence, vice-president of the traffic and sales department.

The wrist watch will be given in observance of the twenty-seventh anniversary of the store's service in the Southwest.



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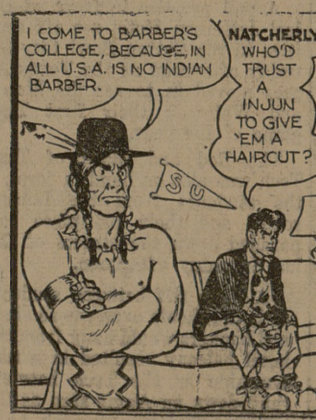


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By Al Capp