

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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I don't see any reason why it should be denied to Egyptians. With hostile desperate middle east united in the oneness of purpose, as it seems to be, I can not imagine how the British can hold on in the Suez Canal.

The best way should be to recognize the turn of the tide and win the friendship rather than ill will of a vast majority of people whom they might crush but never win.

M. A. Khan

Ignorance Displayed

Editor, The Battalion:

I had never expected to write a "letter to the editor," but the one by Joe Riddle and Bob Pankonien in your Monday, December 10, issue forces me to. The ignorance displayed in that letter was appalling, but, worse yet, the prejudiced conceit and intolerance was distressing. Apparently these two members of the class of '53 admire and are proud of such outstanding founders of our country as, for example, Thomas Jefferson. Yet the above-mentioned letter literally oozes with sentiments and attitudes which were abhorrent to Jefferson, the democratic philosopher.

First, let me explain that I am not an Anglophobe. I have been in England and find much to admire about England and the English. Furthermore, I favor giving both military and economic aid to England to strengthen the defense of Western Europe. That does not, however, prevent me from recognizing that the traditional imperialistic, amoral British foreign policy which had much success for centuries is now out-dated and, if relentlessly pursued further, can only end in grief to the British and ourselves as well as to its immediate victims.

Although Mr. Lasheen made a number of debatable "opinion" statements, for the most part he related facts which are verifiable even though known by only few Americans. He should be commended for resisting a natural inclination to employ insulting and slurring adjectives and epithets against the British.

Mr. J. R. and Mr. B. P., however, open by referring to the "so-called" cause for Egyptian freedom. Just what is the basis for that insinuating term? Incidentally, one can search their letter only in vain for one single, factual statement of objective evidence against any of Mr. Lasheen's points.

If we practice the freedom, tolerance and open-mindedness we profess, we should welcome hearing any temperate remarks our guests wish to make to us instead of accusing Mr. Lasheen of "overstepping himself in making such derogatory statements (not specified) about America's ally, the British Empire." Incidentally, were Mr. J. R. and Mr. B. P. equally indignant when guests made derogatory statements about the U.S.S.R. seven years ago when it was our military ally?

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insurrection with the American revolution. The United States was fighting for progress; they are fighting against it. We were ready for independence while they are plagued with dissension and corruption." Mr. Lasheen would be less than human if that didn't make his blood boil. Just why should such a comparison be annoying? By what magic does struggle for independence suddenly become contrary to progress when indulged in by others? Since when has exploitation through military force become synonymous with progress?

Dissension and corruption have hardly been absent from the American scene any time in our history. What percent of the colonists volunteered to fight the British? Were there not 13 separate colonies which had great difficulty in uniting? How about our present corruption among government officials?

My guess is that the Egyptians could actually make a better case for freedom from England than could our colonial forefathers. For one thing the latter were governed by their mother country, not by foreign conquerors.

It was with amazement that I noticed that Mr. Joe Riddle is an Aggie debater and a highly successful one at that. I thought good debaters learned to gather facts and look objectively at both sides of issues.

Let us be more courteous to our guests. Try, if possible, to put ourselves in our imaginations in their places at times. Even from a selfish viewpoint, the friendship of 20 million Egyptians and tens of millions of other Near Eastern Moslems as well as that of 45 million British, is important to our present and our future.

M. S. Brooks

Bankers

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Dean Shepardson pointed out that in average capital investment in industry there is \$7,000 per man. But the average capital investment on Southern farms is approximately \$3,700 per man, about one half that invested in other industry.

Every lecture was another step forward toward pointing out new methods to assist the farmer and at the same time build the financing industry, said the dean.

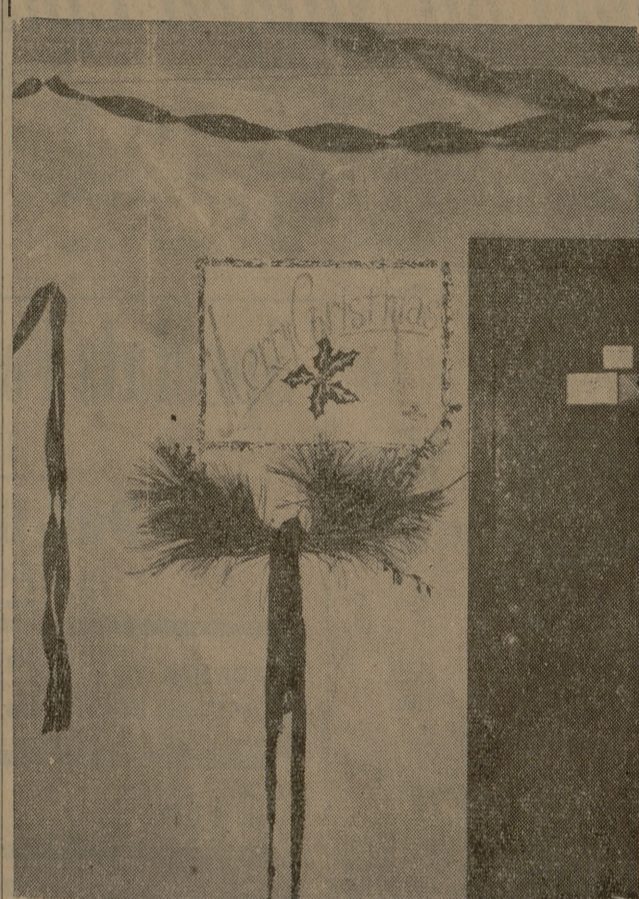
No Help

One speaker said, "You can't collect money by collecting the collateral, therefore neither helping the investor nor the farmer."

Dean Shepardson made the concluding speech challenging the bankers of the Southwest to look to opportunity for sound investment and constructive agricultural enterprises and not fall into the attitude in what so many people are in today, in planning their first concern in security rather than opportunity.

As a banker, look more to opportunity than security, he added.

Dorm Decorations



Members of the Cadet Corps are getting in the spirit of Christmas by decorating the halls of their dormitories. This decoration was designed by cadets in B Coast Artillery.

Baylor, Yale Men Receive Rhodes Award

Houston, Dec. 13 — (AP)— Students from Baylor and Yale had been selected today as Texas contestants for Rhodes scholarships.

The students are Clyde M. Williams, who will receive his medical degree from Baylor University College of Medicine in June, and James Robert Copeland, a Yale student from Corsicana. Williams graduated from Rice before going to the medical school.

They were chosen from 10 students and will go to the six-state regional selection meeting in New Orleans next month. Four will be chosen at this meeting for the two-year scholarships to Oxford University in England.

Other candidates considered yesterday were Marvin C. Atkins, Texas A&M; Lee D. Cady Jr., Houston; Donald Everett Lewis, Abilene Christian College; James D. McKeithan, University of Texas; Edwin M. Smyrl, University of Texas; Roddy Burke Walton, A&M; Richard Byrd Wilke, Southern Methodist; and George Truett Foshee, Southern Methodist.

PMA Man Speaks At Rotary Meeting

W. I. Chenault of the Production Marketing Administration Office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture on the A&M campus was speaker at the weekly meeting yesterday of the Bryan-College Station Rotary Club.

Chenault spoke on "Agriculture and You." He voiced the opinion that as we strengthen our agriculture we strengthen our national economy. He pointed out that there is a grave danger of this country being unable to produce enough in the future to properly feed this nation due to the great increase of late years in the population rate unless we very carefully conserve our soil and water and natural resources.

Few business and professional men realize the important effect that agriculture has on their business, stated Chenault, but he advised the business and professional men to learn more about agriculture and its needs in relation to their own business and to support

the work of the Production Marketing Administration.

The speaker cited great increases in cotton and crop production and soil conservation in Brazos County and the nation which has resulted to a large extent from the work and help of the Production Marketing Administration. He concluded his talk with a review of the goals for agriculture set for 1952.

25 Year A&M Employees To be Feted

Employees of the A&M System will have their annual Christmas Dinner, Wednesday, Dec. 19 at 7 p. m. in Sbsia Hall.

Twenty-eight employees are to be honored for 25 years service with the system. Service pens and scrolls will be presented to the employees by Gibb Gilchrist, A&M System chancellor.

"The dinner is an old custom on the campus," said Joe E. Sorrels, master of ceremonies for the program.

Tickets for the dinner may be obtained at the main desk in the MSC. They are priced at \$1.50 each and will remain on sale until Dec. 15.

All employees and friends of the College are urged to attend, said Sorrels.

College Student Draft Exams Held on Campus

Examinations for Selective Service deferments got underway at 12:30 today in the MSC with Dr. W. H. Varvel of the Education and Psychology Department in charge.

A&M was one of the many testing centers in the United States today which examined 22,000 college students to see if they are eligible for deferment from the draft. The testing system was established to furnish draft boards with information. Local boards do not have to defer students who get satisfactory exam reports, but they may do so. The student's scholastic standing in his college class is also taken into consideration.

A score of 70 is the present yardstick for possible deferment, plus class standing. To be deferred, a student must be in the upper half of the freshman class, upper two thirds of the sophomore class, or the upper three-fourths of the junior class.

More Clubs Make Holiday Party Plans

Several more campus clubs have announced plans for parties during the Christmas holidays. These groups are:

Tyler-Smith County Club—Dance; Elk's Club in Tyler, Saturday, Dec. 22, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Band will play. No admission.
Permian Basin Club—Dance; Lincoln Hotel Ballroom, Odessa, Saturday, Dec. 22, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Jimmy Fernon Orchestra. Admission \$3 per couple.

East Texas Club—Two dances; both at Club Do-Si-Do between Longview and Kilgore. Saturday, Dec. 22, 8 p.m. Admission \$1.50; Monday, Dec. 31, 8 p.m. Admission \$2.
Brush Country Club—Dance; VFW Hall, Alice. Thursday, Dec. 27, 8 p.m. Admission \$2.50.

Amarillo Club—Dance; Club Runnymede (The Nat). Friday, Dec. 21, 9 p.m. Admission \$2.40.

What's Cooking

AMARILLO CLUB: Friday, 5:00 p. m., in front of YMCA. To get club picture made.
BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION CLUB: Thursday, 5:00 p. m., Assembly Hall. Special organizational meeting.

DALLAS CLUB: Thursday, 7:15 p. m., YMCA Assembly Room. Short meeting to discuss final party plans.

DEL RIO CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., 2nd floor MSC. Club picture to be made; all members will wear No. 1 uniform or coat and tie.
EASTLAND-STEPHEN COUNTY CLUB: Thursday, 7:15 p. m., Room 307 Acad. Bldg. Emergency meeting.

FORT WORTH CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Room 107 New Science Bldg. All Christmas dance ticket salesmen are to be present.

GONZALES COUNTY C L U B: Friday, 9:00 p. m., Hillcrest Club. Big Christmas dance; semi-formal; \$3.60 per couple; Aggeland Orchestra to furnish the music.

GUADALUPE-COMAL COUNTY CLUB: Thursday, 7:15 p. m., Acad. Bldg. Plans for Christmas

banquet and party will be discussed.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., basement of St. Mary's Chapel.

LAREDO CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Room 127 Acad. Bldg. Last meeting to settle dance plans.

LAVACA COUNTY CLUB: Saturday, 8:00 p. m., Hallettsville, Texas. Annual Christmas Dance at the Recreational Hall. \$1.20 per person; music by Rhine Winkler.

MARSHALL CLUB: Thursday, 7:15 p. m., YMCA Lobby. Final plans for Christmas banquet, dance, and picture show.

PANHANDLE CLUB: Thursday, 7:15 p. m., Acad. Bldg. Discuss party and picture.

RIO GRANDE VALLEY CLUB: Thursday, 7:15 p. m., Room 3-D MSC. Christmas dance discussion.

RUSK COUNTY CLUB: Thursday, 7:15 p. m., Room 306 Goodwin. Final plans for Christmas dance.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Room 2-C MSC. Decide on which to decorate gym.

TRANS-PECOS CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., 3rd floor MSC. Discuss Christmas party; rides home.

TYLER-SMITH COUNTY CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Room 3-B MSC. Final Christmas dance plans will be announced.

WALTHER CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., MSC. Lutheran Aggies, wives, friends are welcome.

WRESTLING CLUB: Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Little Gym.

Chest Drive

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\$2,290.80; Girl Scouts of America, \$2,000; Brazos County Crippled Children's Association, \$250; Salvation Army, \$500 Brazos County Hospitalization Fund, \$400;

Bryan YMCA, \$500; Needy Children's Fund, \$400; American Cancer Society, \$300; College Station Recreational Council, \$900; Local Chest Charity Fund, \$1,000; and postage, supplies, and clerical work, \$100.

Alumnae of TSCW To Hold Coffee

Alumnae of TSCW held a re-organizational meeting recently, and elected officers. Plans for a coffee honoring mid-term local high school graduates were also discussed.

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The Battalion

1951 Christmas Decoration Contest

Name _____

Address _____

Check the division and section (s) you wish to enter:

Division I _____

For all residents other than students

Section I _____ II _____ III _____ IV _____

Division II _____

Section I _____ II _____

Return this blank to The Battalion Office by 6 p. m. Tuesday, Dec. 17, to be eligible for a prize.



GROCERIES

- 3 LB. CARTON MRS. TUCKER'S Shortening 73c
- 2—NO. 2 CANS LUCKY LEAF Sliced Pie Apples 41c
- 2—NO. 2 CANS DOLE'S Tid Bits Pineapple 57c
- 2—NO. 2 CANS BLUE PLATE FRENCH STYLE Green Beans 45c
- 2—NO. 2 1/2 CANS HAPPY HOST Elberta Peaches 61c
- 2—CANS LESUEUR Small Peas 55c
- 2—QUART BOTTLES TEA GARDEN Apple Juice 55c
- 2—303 CANS WHOLE PEELED Apricots 55c
- 46-OZ. CAN TEXAS GOLD—PINK Grapefruit Juice 22c
- REGULAR SIZE BLUE LABEL Star Kist Tuna 37c
- 2—15-OZ. PACKAGES—SUN MAID Seedless Raisins 41c
- 1—POUND CAN FOLGER'S Coffee 89c

PICTSWEET

- FROZEN FOODS**
- PACKAGE Peas & Carrots 21c
- PACKAGE Broccoli 27c
- PACKAGE Sliced Peaches 34c

MARKET

- DECKER'S TALL KORN Sliced Bacon lb. 41c
- 1 LB. ROLL ARMOUR'S Pure Pork Sausage 45c
- Ham Hocks lb. 25c
- TENDER FED VEAL —
- Loin Steak lb. 89c
- T-Bone Steak lb. 89c
- Porter House Steak, lb. 79c

PRODUCE

- LOUISIANA Tangerines 2 lbs. 25c
- 176 SIZE FLORIDA Oranges doz. 35c
- LARGE CALIFORNIA PASCAL Celery 2 stalks 25c
- TENDER BABY WHITE Squash lb. 10c
- HOME GROWN BUNCH Turnips & Tops 15c

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