

Narrowness Can't Be Tolerated

AT THE present time there is some severe and outspoken opposition to the plan of sending a student overseas during the summer to see what is going on in the world. This plan, which was started several years ago, is an attempt to let the entire student body see Europe through the eyes of one student.

In all the program cost only \$500, but the end product cannot be added and subtracted like buying a loaf of bread.

One of the major objections to the plan is that the students have not kept up their obligations. Specifically, at the time they were appointed they were directed to write back a series of articles for the summer Battalion. They were required to write these articles while they were overseas traveling.

Every man who was given the money to make the trip agreed to write the articles and also to make himself available for lectures. On paper this plan looks very good, but the practice is awkward to carry out.

During the summer the student on the trip is traveling at a break-neck speed all over Europe. He has little or no time not spent in active travel or investigation.

And as any man who has ever tried to write even an English 103 paper will remember—writing takes time. And the man on the tour has no time to write a well thought-out story while on the tour.

If he were to send back a story from Europe to be printed in the summer Battalion it would read something like this... The English are a very odd group of people. They call the hood of a car the bonnet. They don't even know what gasoline is—they call it petrol."

Such an article does not give the student back at school a fair glimpse into the life and customs of the European nations.

If the powers-that-be are upset about the men not writing the articles—we are not—why can't they ask that the man write a certain number of articles AFTER he returns from his trip and has time to consider the full significance of what he has seen.

But regardless of what the stipulations might finally be—we the students cannot allow the program to be dropped.

Life at Forty Acres Can be 'Tough'

AT TEXAS UNIVERSITY they are having quite an uproar. The administration has passed the ruling there will be no more smoking in the classrooms.

If this were not enough they passed the ruling that there would be no more soft drinks brought into the classrooms. After this new ruling went into effect on the forty acre campus the students were up in arms—relatively speaking.

Students started giving the administration hard looks. Some even went so far as to give some of the administrators the double whammy.

Men and women who are addicts of the leaf are now in the latter stages of the DT's.

In short, chaos has struck on the Austin branch of the state university system.

But like it is most of the time, the University is behind the times. In the A&M brown book is the regulation "Students, thou shalt not smoke or drink in the classrooms of this here college."

The Battalion

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

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'Texas Night'



Celebrating "Texas Night" at the 33rd Annual Dinner of the Washington Board of Trade are Reps. Olin Teague of College Station and Frank Icard (left to right, standing) with the able assistance of Mary Jane Sealy, a Washington girl dressed in Texas fashion, and Charlie Jeeter, the piano player. The piano and background is part of a barroom scene depicting the Lone Star State.

Gotta Match?

Weaklings Populate Campus; Most Slaves of Nicotine

By JERRY BENNETT
Battalion Staff Writer

In every school throughout the country there is a group of individuals who are cursed with an extra appendage on their bodies. These people are not freaks, and it is unlikely that they have ever appeared in Ripley's "Believe It or Not." They are just normal beings leading a natural life who are slaves to the Great God Nicotine. This peculiar limb which plagues their anatomy, known by such names as fag, weed, 'but, and cig, is the results of their worshipping this diabolical diety.

Since the Indians first taught the white man to "roll his own," this cult has ravaged the world to such an extent that thousands of people, including some doctors, deem this unintended appendage a physical necessity.

AS IN ALL other colleges, A&M has its own active group of personified smoke stacks who huff and puff around the campus making the atmosphere reminiscent of a London fog. They do not think of smoking as a bad habit. To them it is something almost sacred, a determining factor in the fight for survival.

Since this writer is an active member of FFF (Fraternity of Flaming Fags) he can sympathize with these often misunderstood nicotine fiends. To smoke a cigarette is to participate in one of the most enjoyable rituals ever desired by the human kind.

TO A TRUE red blooded Nic fiend, nothing is more enjoyable than to feel the smoke of a firmly rolled weed slowly eat out his lungs after eating a good meal. He also finds it a prime necessity while talking, drinking, reading, or doing nothing. The resulting physical effects such as short wind, yellow stains on fingers, bad breath and racking cough assert no influence in his taking up chewing instead of lighting up at the slightest provocation.

It is almost impossible for members of the Smoking Society to take the cure. They become a Jekyll and Hyde personality capable of the most fiendish act unless a cig is in their shaking hands or dangling from their quivering lips.

ON EVERY campus there is a smoldering hot bed of potential peril that the administrations have so far overlooked. This danger zone is the classroom. Here members of the FFF are for one or more hours denied their life's blood, their principal means of existence fag.

When making the rule book, the administrators unthinkingly entered a rule which prohibited smoking in the classroom. Therefore this forgotten legion is left to endure its torture the best way it can.

It is an awe inspiring sight to see these walking cigarette advertisements valiantly fighting that uncontrollable desire, trying to last it out. Some are always glancing at their wrist watch, unable to see the numerals for the shaking hand while others nervously fumble with their breast pocket where their denied treasure is stored. Some students who profs have mistaken for sleeping in class are in reality lost in a tobacco coma.

A FEW can be seen babbling incoherently to themselves as they suffer through the convulsions of a nicotine fit. The teacher can do nothing about it since he didn't make the rule. Many times he also is seized by this overpowering desire. What to do about this problem is still undecided.

"I don't see why you can't smoke in class," said Bob (Pack-a-Day) Palmer, active member of the FFF from Fort Worth. "The buildings are supposed to be fire proof anyway."

Jack Steen, El Paso sophomore, who can always be seen with a weed between his lips, said "Smoking in class is a dog-gone good idea. Profs get you so rattled you

need something to quiet your nerves.

"I THINK it should be left up to the discretion of the student," said Bob (I smoke O. P.s only) Hendry of San Antonio. I think it's safe to smoke anywhere but in Pfeiffer Hall. It might burn down before I got out.

Bubba (I love to light um) Super said, "I don't see any reason in the world why we can't smoke in class. I almost have a nicotine fit when I have to wait all class period for a cigarette."

"Smoking in class does relieve tension," said Bibb Underwood, senior from Mesquite. He added that if smoking in the classroom was legalized less people would want to smoke while there. It's human nature for someone to want to do what he is told he can't.

JERRY McFARLAND, Dallas senior, thought there is no difference in smoking in class than clutter up the halls with cigarette butts. He added though that he thought a guy was in pretty bad shape if he couldn't go for an hour without a fag.

J. C. Thompson, non member of the FFF from Houston who was mistakenly interviewed, said, "If everyone got to smoke in class, you would need a radar system to see the blackboard."

Nevertheless something must be done to correct this problem soon or someday this frustrated fraternity of tortured souls will explode in a crescendo of flaming fury that will put the atom bomb to shame. Until that time, bookies can still lay bets on who—when class is over—will get to the door first, the pupils or the prof.

Communists Make Promises For New Truce-Making Plan

Munsan, Korea, Feb. 12—(AP)—Communists promised today to come up with a new plan for patching up the latest truce trouble spot—recommendations to governments for a final Korean peace.

The Reds did not indicate when it would be ready or what it would be like.

Truce negotiators adjourned their full dress meetings until the new plan is ready. Presumably it will come from Pyongyang or Peiping.

Communists made two concessions Tuesday in another truce tent where staff officers are trying to work out machinery for supervising a truce.

Reds offered to boost limits on monthly rotation of troops to 30,000 and establish four ports of entry for incoming troops and war materials to be inspected by neutral teams. The Allies said the figures are not high enough. They are asking a 40,000 rotation limit and eight entry ports.

The previous Red proposals were 25,000 troops and three ports.

Splits in Opinion

Staff officers working on the third unsettled point of an armistice remained split on two issues and a number of "minor places and

wording," said Col. George W. Hickman, Allied staff officer.

The major differences are voluntary repatriation of prisoners of war and the scope of work to be done by joint Red Cross teams. Tuesday's session was devoted mostly to the second question. Hickman said the Reds indicated they want Red Cross operations "considerably restricted."

Communists proposed letting Red Cross teams work out their own agreement on specific jobs and methods of working. Brig. Gen. William P. Nuckols, official U.N. spokesman, said this would give the Reds an "automatic veto" over Red Cross activities.

Accepts Proposal

Before offering to produce a new set of Red policy recommendations, North Korean Gen. Nam Il accepted the Allied position that whatever recommendations are

adopted would not be binding on the proposed later high level political conference.

"The recommendations are not the formulation of the agenda" for such a conference, he said. "The specific question (of agenda) should be decided by the governments concerned."

The Reds original proposal was submitted last Wednesday. It called for a high level political conference between Red Korea and Red China with belligerent U.N. powers to arrange for withdrawal of foreign troops, peaceful settlement of the Korean question and discussion of other questions related to peace in Korea.

Joy Sums It Up

Vice Adm. C. Turner Joy, leading the Allied negotiators, said the plan (1) would open the door for talking about "all the problems of Asia," (2) would omit South Korea which is not a member of

the United Nations, and (3) would include Red China although the Communists have repeatedly said Red China is not participating in the Korean war.

The Reds indicated South Korea would be included but have given no other hint of possible modifications they will propose.

Simultaneously with Tuesday's session, the "Voice of the United Nations Command" broadcast from Tokyo that "the stage now is set for a possible truce" if the Communists stop "stalling progress."

The broadcast said:

No Sacrifices

"If the Reds accepted the U.N.C. proposal—essentially a three-point plan calling for a subsequent government level solution to the Korean war—they would have to make no real sacrifices.

"And yet... the Reds have been stalling... with the obvious object of trying to drag a variety of problems into future Korean talks.

"Leaving the wording as it was in the Communist original would be tantamount to inviting discussion on any of scores of problems plaguing Asia at the present time, whether or not they had any direct bearing on the Korean war.

"This apparently, is exactly what the Communists want—a further opportunity to becloud the Korean peace settlement with other issues in which the Communists and the free world are at loggerheads."

MSC Dances Set

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and the remainder is expected by the end of the week.

Dan Davis, president of the MSC Council, explained what the Cafe Rue Pinale expects to do during the year. In all 10 dances will be given during the year, each of the ten will come on the Friday night preceding some major campus event.

The dance committee, Davis explained, expects to be able to repay the revolving fund out of profits on admission, soft drinks and food.

Upon the recommendation of the gifts committee, the council passed on four gifts presented recently to the center. The first was the donation of a \$15 check to be used in buying a memorial flower bowl in memory of Guy E. Carpenter.

The council also accepted a silver serving bowl presented by the Erath County A&M Mothers club

and a water fountain donated by the State Federation of A&M Mothers Clubs. The last was an abstract photograph.

An allotment of \$250 was made out of the revolving fund for use by the music committee in establishing a talent show, which will be presented during the spring semester. The committee plans to conduct a statewide talent contest and bring the winners of contest held on the campuses of various colleges in the state.

Tentative plans, Davis said, call for the show to be held in the Ball Room of the Center.

Upon the request of the Browning Library Committee, the council passed a policy ruling which said the committee was authorized to accept books offered to the library on the condition they may be removed at a later date.

The closing hours of the meeting were spent in the discussion of a system of awards for directors and council members.



TODAY & WEDNESDAY

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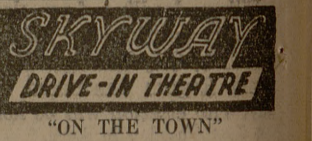


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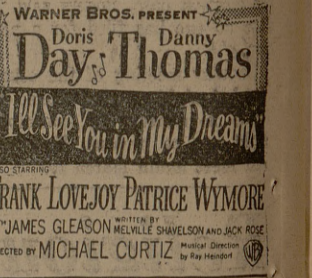
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