

UT Students Defeat Purpose by Rash Action

A group of students at the University of Texas have formed what they call a "loose society" to protest the inviting of the controversial Sen. Joe McCarthy as speaker for the San Jacinto Day ceremonies in Houston April 21.

A spokesman for the group said in a letter to The Battalion that they "see him (McCarthy) as the outstanding threat to liberalism and the American heritage of freedom of thought."

The group is circulating petitions at the University, and plans "if necessary" to organize an automobile caravan to visit Houston in a "more vocal protest."

We don't agree with McCarthy's actions or methods, but that is not the issue here. The issue is that these students are trying to stop a speaker because they don't agree with what he says.

They call McCarthy a threat to liberalism and freedom of thought. Their actions in trying to refuse him the right to speak are also a threat to liberalism and freedom of thought.

The quotation attributed to Voltaire sums it up: "I may not agree with what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it."

Morgan Luncheon Honors Weyland

Gen. Otto P. Weyland was guest of honor at a luncheon given by President David H. Morgan at 12:15 today in the Memorial Student Center assembly room.

Weyland, former commanding general of the Far East air force in Korea and A&M's highest-ranking former student, will review the corps of cadets at the federal inspection review at 4 p.m. today.

H. L. Heaton gave the invocation preceding the luncheon, followed by introductions of guests by Col. Joe E. Davis and Morgan.

Chancellor M. T. Harrington welcomed the guest, after which Dewitt Greer, Texas highway engineer, commented on Weyland's student life at A&M. Greer and Weyland were roommates of the class of 1923. Weyland gave a response to Greer's commentary.

Morgan introduced Travis Bryan Sr., Bryan banker, who gave Weyland an American Legion Gold Life Membership card. Other luncheon guests were Maj. Gen. Gabriel P. Disoway, commander of the flying training air force; Col. Thomas C. Green, senior army inspector; Col. Franklin G. Pruyn, senior air force inspector; Col. A. E. Olsen, commander of Bryan air force base; Col. Norman L. Callish, commander of Ellington air force base, and George C. Smith, chairman of the

Houston Chamber of Commerce military affairs committee.

A. H. Weyland, brother of Gen. Weyland and manager of Arkansas Natural Gas corporation, attended with five of the general's classmates of '23.

Fred Mitchell, corps commander; Kurt Goode, deputy corps commander; B. K. Boyd, first regiment commander; Bill Reed, first wing commander; V. R. Kennedy, first composite regiment commander and Harri Baker, Battalion co-editor, were also luncheon guests.

Other guests were air force and army inspection officers.

PR Class Plans Program For CHS

Public relations class 406 will try to promote better public relations for A&M Consolidated high school by setting up a public relations program and helping Consolidated faculty members carry out the program.

The class is taught by the journalism department.

The 24-member class plans to use local radio stations and newspapers to carry out the program. They may use highway billboards, said Otis Miller, instructor.

Teaching methods, school board functions and the importance of the Mothers and Dads club highlight the plan, Miller said.

Members of the class hope Consolidated faculty members will be appointed to head the work after the class finishes its project in May, he said.

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MSC Sponsoring Radio Programs

The MSC forum committee has started a series of radio programs discussing topics of state, national or international interests.

Bud Whitney, vice president-elect of the MSC council, is the chairman of the committee.

The first program began March 9 at 5 p. m. over WTAW and there has had a program regularly every Thursday.

Each week two professors and two students are asked to participate in the panel discussion, said Whitney.

Such topics as "Are American College Athletics Over Emphasized?", "Should the United States Adopt 'Free Trade'?", "Should Segregation in Schools Be Abolished?" "Should Red China Be Admit-

ted to the United Nations?", and "Is World Government Desirable?" have been discussed.

Persons who have participated in the programs are Coach Paul (Bear) Bryant, Dr. A. F. Chalk, and Dr. R. G. Laver, department of economics, Dr. A. B. Nelson, and Dr. J. M. Nance, department of history, Dr. W. A. Varvel, psychology department and Dr. T. F. Mayo and Harry Kidd, English department.

Students who have taken part in the discussions include C. C. (Chuck) Neighbors, John Samuels, Ken Scott, Dick Porter, Clayton Williams, John Wilson, Jim Martin, Bill Willis, Jules Vieaux, Al Lasheen, Richard Black and Fred Mitchell.

Letters to the Editors

Editors, The Battalion:

Last night during silver taps a tradition was disgracefully flaunted. A light was present in Goodwin Hall and the YMCA in plain view of the cadet corps and the non reggs that were in front of the Academic Building during this ceremony.

The last tribute that can be paid to one of our past fellow Aggies is symbolized by the practice of all lights being turned out, yet evidently some people think this is too much of an effort.

I hope the persons who are responsible are as ashamed of it as I am, and I hope in the future something can be done to prevent this from happening.

Tom Roberts, '56

Editors, The Battalion:

Last night, during Silver Taps

three cars with lights on, were driven away from Military walk. One car drove off after lights were out and two others during the ceremony.

This incident may be due to lack of forethought or just plain disrespect. It seems much in order for the campus Security Officers and the Officer of the day to fulfill their duties and prevent such actions in the future.

Is it asking too much for us to give five minutes of our time to show the respect due to a fellow student? Who knows you might be next.

Also, why can't the MSC and Guion hall observe this occasion by turning out all lights?

T. F. Abbott, '53

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Roth Will Head Players Committee

Raoul Roth was appointed chairman of a committee to make plans for the Aggie Players annual banquet which will be May 17 in the Memorial Student Center.

Other members on the committee are Don Powell and Harry Estey. Awards and the new officers will be presented at the banquet.

It was decided at the business meeting Tuesday night that the Players will do a one-act play for the Aggie Follies. The play will be "A Night at an Inn" with an all male cast. Tryouts for the play will be at 7:30 p. m. April 5 in the Music hall.

The Aggie Players will go as a group to Texas University to see the dramatics group there do the play "Mid-Summer's Night Dream" April 30.

The next meeting will be May 4.

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What's Cooking

THURSDAY

5 p. m.—Pre-Med, Pre-Den society meeting, room 107, Biological Science building. Call meeting concerning lecture of Dr. Alexander of St. Louis University of Medicine.

7 p. m.—Kawfman county club meeting, reading room, YMCA.

Runnels county hometown club meeting, room 206, Academic building.

7:15 p. m.—Houston A&M club meeting, room 301, Goodwin hall. Discussion of Easter dance.

East Texas A&M club meeting, room 227, Academic building. Easter party plans.

Heart of Texas club meeting (Brown and adjoining counties). 1st floor, Academic building. Election of officers. Discuss Easter party, and make final plans for Aggiedland picture. Bring a dollar.

Pasadena hometown club meeting, room 395, Goodwin hall. A party needs to be planned, so everyone attend.

Red River Valley A&M club meeting, MSC. Called meeting to plan Easter party.

Bosque county A&M club meeting, room 3B, MSC.

Hidalgo Starr county club meeting, YMCA. Important to discuss Cotton Ball and club picture.

Golden State club meeting, room 3B, MSC. Important, everyone please be there on time.

Caldwell county club meeting, room 3D, MSC.

Texarkana Four States club meeting, room 224, Academic building. Plans for picture.

Rusk county hometown club meeting, room 307, Goodwin hall.

Brazoria county hometown club meeting, room 208, Academic building. Important.

Beaumont A&M club meeting, room 104, Academic building. Guest speaker.

Austin hometown club meeting, YMCA. To plan Easter party.

Port Arthur hometown club meeting, Biological Science building.

Aggs To Supervise Explorer Scouts

Several members of Dr. Dan Russell's Boy Scout organization class will serve as crew leaders for the spring explorer encampment to be held Friday and Saturday at Bryan air force base.

The Aggie scouters will supervise explorer scouts from the Brazos-Robertson district.

During encampment, the scouts will be given a tour of the base, eat in the mess hall, and sleep in the barracks.

On Friday night at 7:30, a program will be given, and adults are invited to attend.

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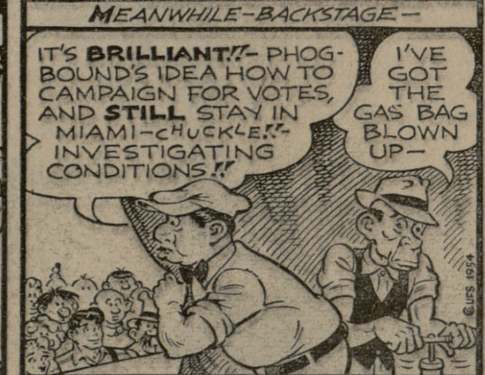
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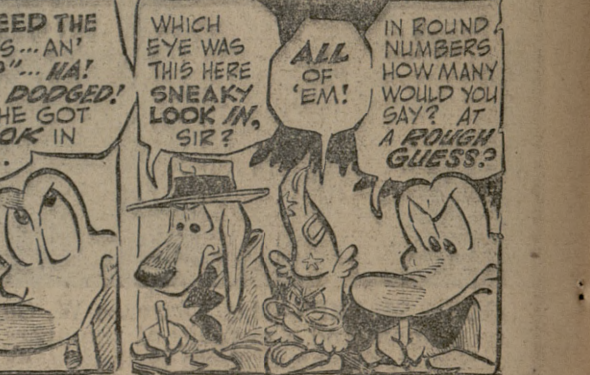
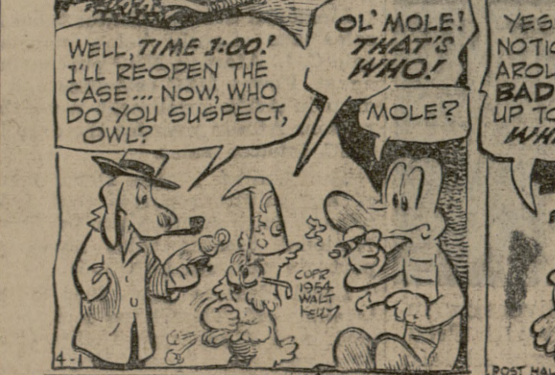


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