

Interpreting

# Soviets Boastful, Intent Undefined

By J. M. ROBERTS  
Associated Press News Analyst  
Peiping radio, joining the world-wide Communist effort to link the Soviet Union's latest achievement in rocketry to political superiority, has chosen an especially inept simile.

"The East Wind is prevailing in both cosmic space and the world," Peiping boasts.

The last to use the term "East Wind" in such a connotation were the Japanese militarists. They used it as a code to trigger their attack on Pearl Harbor. It became a synonym for their suicide.

The Soviet Union has achieved greatness in the field of science, with strong military implications.

The underdeveloped countries embracing a vast proportion of the world's population are now engaged in weighing the merits of two political systems. They are seeking future systems for themselves which give greatest promise of quick material progress.

Soviet scientific progress lends weight to Communist arguments that their system contains such promise.

The underdeveloped countries also think, for the most part, that world peace is essential to their material success. Agitation which heightens the tension between the Communist and capitalist blocks disturbs them.

This feeling creates a point of no return for the Red propagandists.

President Eisenhower, in contrast to America's reaction of fear over the first Sputnik, greeted the Soviet sun shot within the concept of man's long dream of probing into outer space.

The Soviet Union itself largely confined the first announcement to this concept.

The propaganda boys, however, have not been slow in seeking to relate the achievement to the cold war, and to a possible hot war.

The United States is on record as being willing to lead the world in a great economic revolution if the nations will devote to it the resources now devoted to military preparedness.

The Reds keep dragging everything into war, with its scope keeping the world's mind off the progress it should make. They keep abrading the sore spots such as Berlin, Quemoy and the Middle East, making their own position that of disrupters, with a thin pretext of being builders.

If they keep it up, the East Wind may turn back upon them as it did upon the Japanese militarists.

Who's Here

## Yankee Ag Drew From Hat, Got Joker, Too, He Says

By JACK TEAGUE  
John F. Euler, 21-year-old education major from Eden, N.Y., is a "Texas born and Yankee bred" Aggie who decided to return to the biggest state—south of the North Pole—to finish his education.

Born in Brownsville, Tex., John moved with his family to Eden when he was five, where his dad is employed by Bethlehem Steel.

A graduate of Eden Central High School, John was in the Drama Club and played tennis, track and football.

"My reason for being at Aggie-land was purely by chance," said John. "I wanted to return to Texas to go to college, and I actually drew from a hat. I'm glad I drew the joker, too."

John, executive officer of Squadron 12, was secretary and vice-president of the Yankee Hometown Club his sophomore and junior years, respectively. This year he is secretary-treasurer of the Student National Education Association.

Upon graduation, John plans to join the Marines for his service tour, and then wants to teach mathematics at a grade school or high school.

"I know I'd like to teach," John said, "and I also like to work with kids."

Most of John's free time is spent in Houston with the apple

of his eye, Miss Cherie Gehl. Cherie, also of Eden, is a student at Herman Hospital.

John said that one of the best times he has ever had was a trip to Florida over Easter vacation of his sophomore year. He traveled with another Aggie and three LSU boys to Ft. Walton, Fla., deep in the swamps. He said the trip was very interesting, but uneventful except for two occasions. One time John was driving a jeep, and crashed through the back of a garage when the brakes didn't hold. On another occasion, John and the rest of the troops had left the door open to let in a night breeze. When they awoke the next morning, a 12-foot alligator was standing in the door, looking "very lean and very hungry." John refused to say what happened next, leaving this to our imagination.

This summer John is traveling to British Honduras in Central America as an assistant to a graduate student, Charles Fugler, who will be doing research work there. They will collect specimens of reptile life and expect to stay all summer, he says.

Women in the United States own more than 65 billion dollars worth of insurance protection. However, men continue to own the major share of life insurance.

# 'Lots of Pretty Dates Available' Says TWU Date Bureau Co-Chairmen

By JOE BUSER  
Battalion Editor  
The A&M-TWU Date Bureau, still has lots of pretty girls like Joy Guthrie (pictured right) available for dates, according to John Sackett and Gary Pepper, co-chairmen of the bureau.

The bureau, recently organized by the Campus Government Assn. at Texas Woman's University and the Class of '59, has gotten off to a slow start but projects seem to be improving.

Bobby Allen, senior business administration major from Jacksonville, one of the first Aggies to get a date through the bureau, seemed enthusiastic and pleased with the system.

"As far as I'm concerned, it's really fine. My date was great," Allen said.

Sackett offered consolation for Ags not completely satisfied with the selection.

"Even if the date you get isn't perfect it's a good way to make some fine contacts," the hefty senior said.

Said Pope Franklin, secretary of the TWU association, "I think the Date Bureau will establish a much closer relationship between the schools and both will benefit."

Other campus leaders both here and at Denton seem of the

same opinion. But concern has been expressed over the idea of selling such a program to students.

"There is a stigma attached to it as far as some upperclassmen are concerned," said Susan Maxwell, president of the Student Council at Tessie.

Jimmie Lightfoot, president of the TWU Roundtable, said, "I don't think it will be a success

right away."

But there is some light in the darkness of pessimism. Mike Murphy, president of the Campus Government at Tessieland, said, "I have talked to some Aggies and they feel like it will be a success—if it lasts the first year."

If all the girls look like Joy, Mike may be wiser than her years.

Application for a Tessie date can be made at A&M by filling

out a personality blank at the Office of Student Activities, Room 210, YMCA. This form, with a photograph, and a letter stating the time and day of the occasion, should be sent to:

Date Bureau Committee  
Office of the Dean of Women  
Box 3685

Texas Woman's University  
Denton, Texas

Dates will be made by selecting an appropriate girl from the qualifications submitted and she will reply personally.

Applications from Tessies wanting Ag dates will be filled by the Date Bureau here.

## Letters To The Editor

The Battalion welcomes letters to the editor but reserves the right to edit letters for brevity, clearness and accuracy. Short letters stand a better chance for publication since space is at a premium. Unsigned letters will not be published.

Editor,  
The Battalion:

Many thanks for sending us a copy of the Battalion's Safety Edition. You fellows surely did a nice job on it and you and the staff are to be congratulated.

Vern Sanford  
General Mgr.  
Texas Press Assn.

your readers should certainly reduce acts of carelessness which lead to heavy traffic tolls.

As director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, I am honored to have the privilege of commending the staff of The Battalion for this splendid contribution to public service.

Homer Garrison, Jr.

Editor,  
The Battalion:

Thomas Jefferson was an avid book collector, his third collection one of the best accomplishments now being in the Rare Books Division of the Library of Congress.



Joy Guthrie  
... want a date?

## Students Asked To Pick Up Mags

Liberal Arts students who have not picked up their first issue of the Commentator are requested to do so this week, according to Robert Kerr, editor of the bi-annual magazine.

The magazine may be picked up at the Student Publications office, ground floor, YMCA. Students must present the postal card mailed them before Christmas, Kerr said.

The procedure is necessary because of the high cost of mailing an edition published twice a year.

## The Lively Arts

# 'Witness' Top, 'Peyton' Last On Writer's 'Flick Parade'

By HENRY LYLE  
Amusements Editor  
The year 1958 was a year of decision in Hollywood. At last the movie industry had come to realize that television has spelled the death of the Class B motion picture and has forced a new degree of excellence in the first-runs.

Hollywood's new awareness of quality over quantity made the year just ended a memorable one for its bumper crop of unusually fine films. With great difficulty, this department has selected 10 pictures as the very best of '58 (including those released prior to the Academy Awards). They are:

1. Witness for the Prosecution
2. Bridge on the River Kwai
3. Paths of Glory
4. The Defiant Ones
5. Gigi
6. Vertigo
7. Home Before Dark
8. The Big Country
9. The Young Lions
10. The Proud Rebel

Despite the fact that the good flicks are getting better than ever, the shows that do fail are even bigger failures than ever—from an artistic standpoint, that is.

The 10 worst motion pictures of 1958 were all big money-makers and very popular at the box office. Four of the horrible films below made more money than any of the above, excluding "Bridge". In order of badness:

1. Peyton Place
2. Tarzan and the Lost Safari
3. The Naked and the Dead
4. I Was a Teen Age Werewolf
5. Marjorie Morningstar
6. The Vikings
7. Dragstrip Girl
8. And God Created Woman
9. Bonjour Tristesse
10. The Blob



We Aggies like to read about Wee Aggies. When a wee one arrives, call VI 6-4910 and ask for the Wee Aggie Editor.

A future Aggie sweetheart was born to Mr. and Mrs. William W. Droemer, '59, 824 Enfield. Dawn D'ann arrived at 10:59 p.m., Dec. 19, at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Benton became parents of the first baby in Bryan in 1959. A girl was born at 8:59 a.m., at St. Joseph's Hospital. Benton is an instructor in the History Department.

Twin Aggie sweethearts were born to Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Sullivan, Jr., '59, 303 Live Oak. The two girls arrived at 2:50 and 2:58 p.m. at St. Joseph's Hospital.

A future Corps commander was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Hisey '59, 606 Mary Ann. The boy arrived at 9:40 p.m., Jan. 4, at St. Joseph's Hospital.

# THE BATTALION

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## What's Cooking

7:30  
ASME meets tonight in the Social Room, MSC at 7:30 p.m. Election of officers and a picture for the Aggie-land will be taken.



Win  
Top Marks  
In Good  
Grooming

We Return Every  
Garment Spotless  
and Sparkling . . .  
Fresh As When New—

## CAMPUS CLEANERS

**A&M MENS SHOP**  
103 MAIN — NORTH GATE  
**AGGIE OWNED**

## PEANUTS

Win  
Top Marks  
In Good  
Grooming

1-5  
WHEW  
WHEN YOU GET ALL NERVOUS AND TENSE, THERE'S NOTHING MORE RELAXING THAN TO LIE WITH YOUR HEAD IN YOUR WATER DISH.  
SOMETIMES, HOWEVER, YOU'RE SO NERVOUS AND SO TENSE, THAT EVEN THAT DOESN'T HELP.  
SIGH

1-6  
OH, NO!  
LISTEN TO THAT, WILL YOU?  
THERE'S JUST NOTHING SACRED TO SONGWRITERS ANY MORE!  
THEY'VE MADE A POPULAR SONG OUT OF "STARDUST"!

By Charles M. Schulz