

BATTALION EDITORIALS

... Journalism Which Succeeds Best—and Best Deserves Success—Fears God and Honors Man; Is Stoutly Independent, Unmoved by Pride of Opinion or Creed of Power ... Walter Williams

Dead Week?

Since the action of the Academic Council of a few years ago discontinuing Dead Week on the Texas A&M campus, it seems the emphasis has been thrown in exactly the opposite direction.

Although some professors still cling to the theory and memory of Dead Week and all it stood for, most of the faculty seem to be using it as a time to make up for lost time during the semester and giving final quizzes.

Does Texas A&M need to re-institute Dead Week?

The negative camp will tell you that the week free from quizzes and extra-curricular activities would only serve as lax time during the semester when constructive work could be under way, a time when the coffee shops would encounter booming business while the book lie gathering dust on bookshelves.

The positive side would point out that the let-up in the rush of daily life here would give them a chance to catch up and prepare for the rigorous finals to come. They would say the grade averages would rise since the break would give them time to re-group the semester's work into a concentrated effort toward the test of overall understanding of the course.

Dead Week should be brought back to Texas A&M. The advantages outweigh the disadvantages and the student benefits would be worth the sacrifice in time.

Democrats Show Intention To Revise Ike's New Budget

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Democratic Congress signaled its intention today of recasting President Eisenhower's budget along the lines of its own political ideas.

Prime target in a drive to pare down the over-all \$79,800,000,000 spending total forecast for the year beginning July 1 seemed likely to be the President's request for \$4,175,000,000 in new money for foreign aid. This included two billion for military outlays.

Although Eisenhower estimated the amount of actual aid spending at \$3,450,000,000, he asked for more appropriations to

stretch the program out into the future. The quick consensus was that he will get less new money than he expects to spend.

On the other hand, Democrats laid the groundwork to reshuffle and increase the \$40,995,000,000 defense program. They showed immediate irritation and disappointment that Eisenhower's space recommendations were not more comprehensive.

In other comment, they balked at increasing postal rates or gasoline rates, as Eisenhower asked. They criticized his housing proposal. They raked his proposal to raise the interest ceiling on government bonds.

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CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle Among The Faculty



"I'm beginning to understand why they call this 'Dead Week!'"

On Other Campuses

By Alan Payne

U of H
 It seems that quite a few Cougar High students aren't at all satisfied with their school and its activities. In a recent interview by the school paper, such objections as, "Students don't show enough interest in what the school does"; "We need state support"; "It's too noisy in the dorms"; and "There aren't enough extracurricular activities," were expressed.

Things got even worse when Delta Sigma Phi's mascot, an ocelot named "Sob", was fatally shot while trying to crash a party.

Baylor

Baylor is both rejoicing and griping at the same time.

Their mascot, Josephine, gave birth to twin bears the other day, which quite naturally pleased the student body.

But an editorial griping about unsportsman-like conduct at basketball games really took the cake. While sternly dressing down the student body over its conduct at a recent home game, the writer of the editorial stated, "Even the Texas Aggies, in all their glory, couldn't have put on a louder, ruder display."

He only casually mentioned that Baylor lost the game, which

is one thing we don't make a habit of around here.

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The Teasips are really working their brains thinking up ways to stay awake while studying for finals. Such remedies as drinking coffee, tea, cokes and cigarettes, sitting in hard-back chairs, sitting on the floor and sitting in front of an open window in freezing weather were suggested.

At the same time it was revealed that the top one percent of the freshman class studied an average of an entire 30 hours a week. They acted like it was a shame to put in so much time studying—and maybe it is with all that partying going on.

Wildlife Management Prof Boasts Varied Background

By BEN TRAIL

Assistant News Editor
 Active in his profession and a familiar sight to wildlife management majors is Dr. Richard J. Baldauf, associate professor in the Department of Wildlife Management.

Thirty-nine years old, Baldauf has been associated with the college since 1949.

Married to the former Jeanette K. Kring, Baldauf is the father of two sons, James 15½ and John 11, and lives at 1004 Walton in College Station.

During World War II, Baldauf served in the tank destroyers, field artillery, engineers and medical corps. He served in India from 1945-46. At the war's end, he returned to Pennsylvania and became an undergraduate assistant in biology at Albright College. After serving as a zoology graduate assistant in the Department of Biology, Baldauf was chief biologist for biological surveys of streams in the A&M Research Foundation. From 1953-56, he served as a lecturer and laboratory instructor in the Department of Biology. In 1956, he became an assistant professor in the Department of Wildlife Management and is now an associate professor specializing in the various aspects of ichthyology.

Along with being extremely active in his field, Baldauf is a recognized photographer, with several

of his prints being published in photographic magazines. Music, another of his hobbies, helped him finance his education. Baldauf played piano for the Aggeland Combo, along with several other bands.

Baldauf has published 11 articles relating to fish, reptiles and amphibians and currently has another article accepted for publication. While working for the A&M Research Foundation, he had three articles printed for classified publications, one going to the USAF School of Aviation Medicine at Randolph Field in San Antonio.

Baldauf has been an officer and editor of the Texas Herpetological

Society, director of the A&M College participation in National Science Foundation's Undergraduate Research Participation Program, in charge of contractual research between the Texas Game and Fish Commission and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station for fishery research at A&M and treasurer of the A&M Chapter of Sigma Xi.

Along with being a member of Sigma Xi, Baldauf is associated with the Society of Systematic Zoology, Texas Herpetological Society, a Fellow in the Texas Academy of Science, National Geographic Society and a Fellow in the Academy of Zoology.

"The Man Who Saw God"

is Steve Allen's favorite joke. He read it in the Realist, a unique magazine of freethought criticism and satire. Serious articles on interfaith marriage; the psychology of myth; anticontraceptive laws; the semantics of God; a poem that caused a campus controversy. Satirical critiques of professional beatniks; H-bomb tests; the FBI; telethons; the AMA. Columns on church-state conflicts; censorship trends. The 3 issues described cost \$1. They're yours free with a subscription. Rates: \$3 for 10 issues; \$5 for 20 issues.

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"GOD'S LITTLE ACRE"
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