BATTALION EDITORIALS

Unnoticed

one item for their trophy case. The Red Raiders won the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship

That Tech should be the recipient of the award was the general opinion of the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship Committees. A committee, composed report. of four student leaders from the eight schools in the conference, voted this honor to the Raiders at a meeting in Dallas before the Cotton Bowl game.

Tech thus became the 14th winner of the trophy, which we would like to call "coveted". But it seems this award does not hold the distinction it should across

As far as the meeting in Dallas with the respective committees went, much was accomplished. They talked. They argued. They accused each other of poor conduct at athletic contests this fall. They lauded each other for excellent displays of sportsmanship.

Even after Tech was voted the most sportsmanlike school in the SWC the committee continued to discuss the intricate problems of sportsmanship and intra-school rivalry. Virtually all the student leaders agreed there was a considerable lacking in the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship Trophy setup itself. Texas A&M student leaders felt the same way.

* * * After studying the structure the A&M committee found these four major problems:

"T. Interest in the Sportsmanship Committee at the various schools in the Southwest Conference is lacking. The student bodies of the schools seemed to have a feeling of apathy toward the work of the committees - or toward the idea of sportsmanship in general. This is especially true at the schools that have never, or seldom, won the award.

Texas Christian University has by far the most outstanding record, carting home the trophy five times during the 14 years the award has been in existence. The University of Texas and Baylor University are the only Southwest Conference Schools who

have never copped the award. 2. This lack of interest in the

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Texas Tech may not win a work of the sportsmanship Com-Southwest Conference champion- mittee and sportsmanship may be ship this year, but they do have attributed to a failure to keep the student bodies informed of sportsmanship status.

Most Conference schools do not write letters of criticism or approval following athletic contests to opposing schools, and when they do, the student bodies seldom learn of the content of the 3. Some schools seem to think

the awarding of the trophy is rigged — that the school designated as "Committee Chairman" each year will automatically take home the award, regardless of which school is cited for excellent sportsmanship. It is true in some instances the "Chairman School" may be selected the winner of the award. But not always.

4. The voting procedure is not CRITICISM FROM COLORADO uniform. The standard of voting gives "4" points for excellent sportsmanship displays and as low as "0" points for poor sportsmanship displays. But each school seems to have their own definition of "excellent" and "poor" in their voting evaluations.

At the Dallas meeting early this year the Sportsmanship Committees took these steps to imeach school will send a brochure containing information on traditions, personnel and special equipment that will be at the games to allow the host school to make proper arrangements. The Committees also asked member schools to ask radio, television and newspapers in their area to be less pungent in their remarks concerning visiting schools.

Many revisions in addition to these going into effect and those suggested above are necessary to make the Southwest Conference Committee truly effective. Other said). SWC schools doubtless have constructive suggestions. As it stands now, the SWC Sportsmanship Trophy lacks prestige and competition. Few schools really

It might be well to add that basketball season is included in sportsmanship evaluations. The next meeting will be held this spring and if continued advancement and a much needed display of competition becomes evident, the award may become effective.

But if it doesn't, the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship Trophy could easily remain in its virtually unnoticed position.



Wednesday - Thursday - Friday "SOLOMON AND SHEBA" with Yul Brynner

"THE REMARKABLE MR. PENNYPACKER'

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"... we ought to get our tuition back for courses we flunk—we'd be rich!"

Atmosphere Of SCONA Called 'Straight-Jacketed'

(Editor's Note: the Student Conference On National Affairs bring back after attending the prove the program. Next year is called one of the finest events yearly held on the Texas A&M campus. We agree, and we have heard very little criticism of the

But we noticed in the Jan. 6, 1961 edition of The Colorado Daily, the student newspaper at as, and running their institution the University of Colorado, where grievances against the effect of SCONA have been expressed.

An editorial was written by John Farrell, a delegate from the University of Colorado to SCONA and a member of the Colorado Daily staff. Here is what he

"The eyes of Texas are upon you if you go to school at Texas A&M College in College Station,

"Big Brother is watching you,





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Student Conference on National Affairs (SCONA) held recently on the Texas A&M Campus.

"For two considerations seem paramount to the officials who offensive to the local Texas genrun Texas A&M; pleasing the sometimes jaundiced eyes of Texas if a security clearance would be preferable to an entrance exam for incoming students.

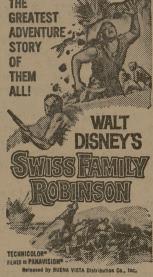
"As a result, two essential elements of a university, inquiry and controversy, are missing.

"When you think of a university you like to think of a place that is symbolized by a question mark. A place where people are asking questions and hearing a variety of answers; that's what a university should be.

"But Texas A&M is not such a "market place" of ideas. It's a breadline. Like what you get, and don't question it.

"This straight-jacketed atmosphere influenced the SCONA conference. The speakers were all of the non-controversial variety. One speech sounded like excerpts from a high school civics text. "Concerning the speakers, we

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(surnames beginning with) January 12-13 N-Q January 17-18 R-S January 19-20 T-Z Laos Solution Reminds Of Two Failures the Arm

Associated Press News Analyst

by Jim Earle INTERPRETING

A proposal for a new largescale international conference to seek a solution of the civil war in Laos reminds that twice beforewhen the pro-Communist forces were weaker than now, and when the Communist bloc was not supplying arms—such solutions have been reached and failed.

acceptance by Western negotia- mer in Southeast Asia. Now she tors of the false premise that Communists can take part, instead of just trying to take over, in a government.

In 1954 the Laos Communists, ing the Communist sphere, hagoccupying a border area adjoingled and haggled over terms of the Geneva agreements to prevent integration of the country,

tion-Harry Truman, because of

his tongue; and Kenya's Tom

try. Yet, the halls of academe at

Texas A&M are gutted—gutted

by an administration that seems

to think Orwell's "1984" is "Para-

"A visit there makes one ap-

University of Colorado"

preciate the University of Colo-

John Farrell,

"Both, it was thought, would be

Mboya, because of his skin.

After the 1954 agreement, a part of measures taken to end part of measures taken to end the Indochina war between France and the Communists, the Soviet Union, co-chairman of the Ge-Both failures have accompanied neva conference, let things simis actively supporting the rebels with supplies, and Red forces in North Viet Nam and Red China are on hand for intervention at any time.

This the United States says she will not countenance.

To divert activity toward negotiation and away from the field of threats, Britain suggested revival of the International Control Commission - India, Poland and yes, provided King Savang Vathana's government agreed, but a neutralist government is her choice. Now Cambodia has suggested a 14-nation conference, including Red China, and first signs suggested the idea might prevail.

Such a conference could hardly produce a solution, in a situation been ruled out by the administrawhere the Communists are determined that there shall be no solution except one that gives them the country.

It just might, however, gain enough time to let the Communists escape from a situation threatening a large-scale war which Red China might want but which the Soviet Union does not.

Observers are pretty much agreed that the Pathet Lao, the local Communist organization, is stronger than ever, due partly to organizational efforts and partly to the split between the neutral-

finally came to terms in 1958, ists and the pro-Western faction Unkept agreements have kept 14 Tex but only temporarily. Fighting of the king. This puts them in pot simmering for six years, at Mexico broke out almost as soon as the just the position that the Com- a West divided on policy seem commission decided its work was munists want, for internal con- unable to produce anything be quest without international war. ter.

Sound Off

The Battalion:

Poor Aggies! Or rather, poor Aggies who didn't go to the ballgame Tuesday night. For Tuesday night, the "6,500" loyal fans of Texas A&M were treated to the best basketball game ever played at White Coliseum. Or so said Coach Bob Rogers.

Hemingway's Canada. The United States said Illness Called the Soviet Union said no because Hypertension

By the Associated Press ROCHESTER, Minn. -- Novelist Ernest Hemingway's ailment was described as hypertension by a spokesman Wednesday at the Mayo Clinic, where the 62-yearold author has been under treatment since Nov. 30. after the next two weeks. His

Hemingway is to be released condition is considered satisfactory. While he has received medical treatment. Hemingway has not required surgery and none is contemplated, the spokesman said. Hypertension generally is referred to as high blood pressure.



Arkansas Razorbacks that conference leaders showed they are number one. As a te the Aggies took over sole po sion of first place in the So west Conference basketball Individually, Carroll Brous the conference scoring leader creased his point out-put game by scoring a record

With individual standouts Broussard, Pat and Don Stat Wayne Annett, and Jerry Wi ham; with a gym that seats of 8,500; and with an outstan coach like Bob Rogers we der why as many seats are cant in White Coliseum.

What we need is that "6 Al Rainosek, '60 Lee H. Wilson, '60

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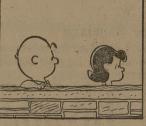
FILTER-BLEND is yours in Winston and only Winston. Up front you get rich golden tobaccos specially selected and specially processed for filter smoking. Smoke Winston.

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WELL, I'M NOT! I'M REALLY DOING YOU ARE, CHARLIE BROWN!





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By Charles M. Schulz