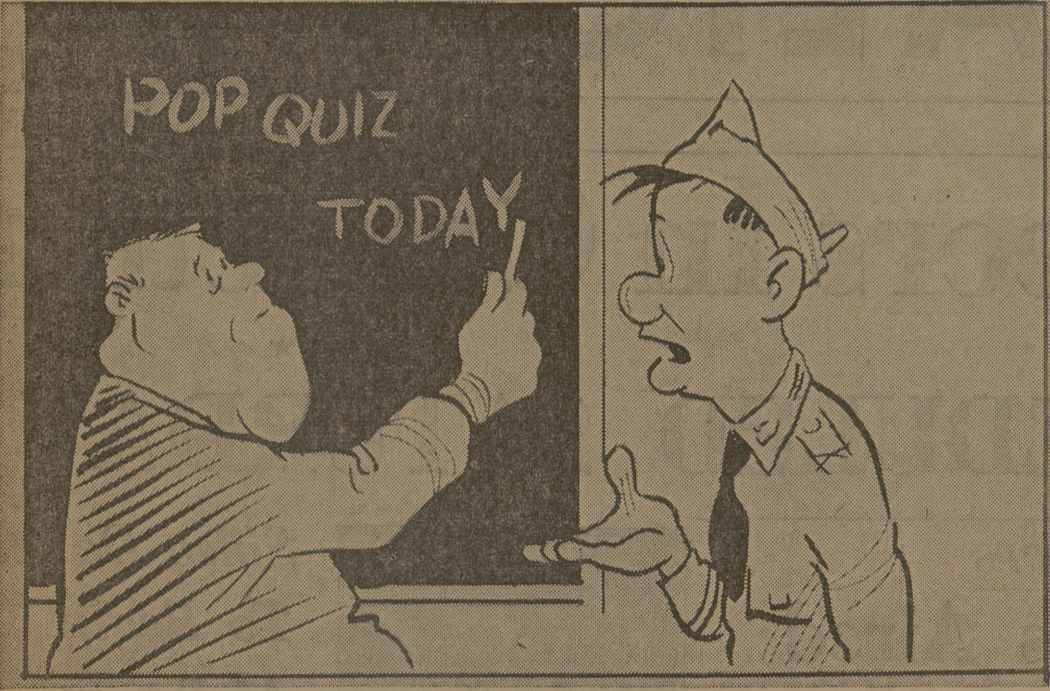


CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle



"... sir, when is the last day for dropping a course."

BATTALION EDITORIALS

A&M's 'Back Door'

East Gate, the main entrance to the Texas A&M campus, is perhaps as impressive as any other main entrance to a college campus in the state of Texas. It could be ranked equally with the ivy-covered walls at Rice or the Fountain at the University of Texas, and anyone entering the Texas A&M campus via the main entrance and driving down the causeway toward the System Administration Building is, without doubt, duly impressed.

The problem is this: not every person entering the Texas A&M campus arrives by that route. A conservative estimate would be that 50 per cent or more enter the campus by way of Texas A&M's unattractive "back door," North Gate.

Included in this group are such people as visiting dignitaries, both of the kind that lend prestige and notoriety to the College by their presence here, and who see that Texas A&M is well endowed financially. North Gate is the way many such personages enter the campus because they come by plane, and hence from Easterwood Airport.

Also included in the 50 per cent or more is a group of vital importance to the college, because they are potential students. These people, mostly high school seniors, must be favorably impressed with the campus if all the publicity aimed at encouraging them to visit the College is to have any lasting effect once they have been

here and seen Texas A&M for themselves. The reason many of these potential students enter via North Gate on their first visit may be attributed to the great number of prospective, as well as former, students that live in the vast area to the south and west of College Station.

Not too many months ago, a mild attempt was made to improve the College side of the Gate by removing the dense thicket of shrubs that was growing along the sidewalk from Sulphur Springs to Walton Hall. Their removal improved the situation somewhat, but left the whole area looking rather nude. That is the way North Gate stands today—a rather uninviting and misleading ugly entrance to a campus that can boast of buildings such as the Memorial Student Center and the Richard Coke Building. It is an entrance that, in fact, does not even display the name of Texas A&M in any manner.

One solution would be a low modernistic wall running parallel to Sulphur Springs from the Post Office west toward the USDA Building. An appropriate marker with the name of the College on it would enhance it considerably.

With talk in the wind about building a new highway where Sulphur Springs Road is now that would include an underpass at the railroad tracks, some constructive planning should be underway to improve the drab and uninviting appearance of Texas A&M's "back door."

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Job Interviews

The following firms will interview graduating seniors on campus next week:

Feb. 27
Black, Sivalis and Bryson Inc. for majors in chemical engineering, mechanical engineering and petroleum engineering. ★ ★ ★
Business Men's Assurance Co. of America for majors in agricultural economics, economics and business administration. ★ ★ ★
California State Personnel Board for majors in civil engineering (including sanitary option). ★ ★ ★
U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey for majors in civil engineering, electrical engineering, geology, mechanical engineering, oceanography, mathematics and physics. ★ ★ ★
Atlantic Refining Co. for majors in chemical engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering and petroleum engineering. Juniors in the top quarter of their class or with a "B" overall average will also be interviewed for summer employment. ★ ★ ★
The Procter and Gamble Co. for majors in chemical engineering, civil engineering, electrical engineering, industrial engineering, mechanical engineering, petroleum engineering and chemistry. ★ ★ ★
The Union Carbide Nuclear Co. for majors in chemical engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, nuclear engineering, chemistry, mathematics and physics. ★ ★ ★



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Concern For Future

Editor,
The Battalion:
Quite by chance I stumbled across "A Lesson in Socialism," by Thomas J. Shelly, teacher of Economics and History, Yonkers High School in Yonkers, N. Y. This is indeed an eye-opener on the socialist-welfare state philosophy.

"As a teacher in the public schools, I find that the socialist-communist idea of taking 'from each according to his ability, and giving to each according to his need' is now generally accepted without question by most of our pupils. In an effort to explain the fallacy in this theory, I sometimes try this approach with my pupils:

"When one of the brighter or harder-working pupils makes a grade of 95 on a test, I suggest that I take away 20 points and give them to a student who has made only 55 points on his test. Thus each would contribute according to his ability and—since both would have a passing mark—each would receive according to his need. After I have juggled the grades of all the other pupils in this fashion, the result is usually a common ownership' grade between 75 and 80—the minimum needed for passing, or for survival. Then I speculate with the pupils as to the probable results if I actually used the socialist theory for grading papers.

"First, the highly productive pupils—and they are always a minority in school as well as in life—would soon lose all incentive for producing. Why strive to make a high grade if part of it is taken from you by 'authority' and given to someone else?

"Second, the less productive pupils—a majority in school as elsewhere—would, for a time, be relieved of the necessity to study

due to Communist instigation.

Science Department, as a branch of the Armed Services, to question the loyalty of a future officer to the American cause, I believe that it is their privilege and duty. Furthermore, I believe that Don Cook explained his stand in The Battalion merely to discredit rumors to the effect that he was put to a third degree by the Air Force Officers. Charles E. Brame, '61

★★★
'Eye-Opener'

Editor,
The Battalion:
Please be assured that I appreciate and share your concern for the future of our country that prompted your recent editorial, urging continued support of the

As for the right of the Air

Special To The Battalion
Sen. William A. Blakley from Texas reported yesterday that he has contacted President John Kennedy asking for a complete investigation to see if the Bryan Air Force Base can be reactivated.

No word came if there had been any success in the move but Blakley stated, "I am doing all that I can to see that the base has every opportunity to be utilized."

True, the film is one-sided, but it is not fictitious. The presence of known Communists leading the demonstrations should be enough to convince most anyone that the San Francisco riot was

— Sound Off —

Bryan AFB Reactivation?

Anyone who has seen "Operation Abolition" should surely realize that the purpose of the film is to show the American public the dangers of Communist propaganda and instigation right here in America. The film is not designed to support the activities of the HCUA as suggested by the letter from the faculty members in the Feb. 22 edition of The Battalion.

WANT ACTION? USE WANT ADS

Theme Questioned

Editor,
The Battalion:
I do not feel that I am qualified to debate the legality of the HCUA or to refute the protests against the committee made by various groups; however, I feel that any time minority groups, such as those opposing the HCUA, impair the proceedings of a majority elected body through violence, then something is needed to control these groups.

House Un-American Activities Committee.

I have in the past, and in my intention in the future, to give full support to this committee.

Bob Casey
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HE DOESN'T ACTUALLY HATE ME... HE JUST THINKS I'M TOO SARCASTIC!