# Letter-Signers Express Views

troversial congressional committee of the signers of the letter. recently received a great deal of Not all of the signers were in-The Battalion.

and the committee, the House Un- ion. American Activities Committee, Of the twelve faculty members

A&M faculty members.

The 24 faculty members, repreand plant physiology and pathol- troversial nature. ogy, criticized the showing of the 'I didn't object to the picture, controversial nature.

companied by some mention of "The film is questionable when Stanford University, the Univer- ally is." sity of California at Berkley, San Francisco State College and San

A Dallas Morning News columnist, Lynn Landrum, picked up the another. story and in his "Thinking Out Loud" column of Mar. 3 said:

prepared either to say or to get ed," said another signer. reputable witnesses to say that the When asked what should be done rehearsed. It took place. And is education. every viewer can say for himself "We must freely discuss conwhat it means."

the letter) may be representative sides think." of a large class of clergymen, educators and others who leap to the it innocently does not lessen the heritage," said another signer. harm of what they are doing."

A controversial film and a con- precipitated, The Battalion inter-

play in the editorial columns of terviewed, but the answers of those who were contacted seemed The film, "Operation Abolition," to reflect the same general opin-

have been the subject of several interviewed, only one said he saw Battalion editorials and a large the film before he signed the letnumber of letters to the editor. ter. Three of the twelve said they One of these letters, reprinted saw the film after the letter was in The Battalion's "Sound Off" published, but only one of these column Feb. 22, was signed by 24 said he would not have signed the letter after seeing the film.

None of the signers said they senting the departments of eco- objected to the film itself or the nomics, mathematics, physics, Eng- showing of the film on the camlish, geography, agricultural eco- pus. The principal objection seemnomics and sociology, history, en- ed to be the showing of the film tomology, biology, chemistry, without first explaining to those oceanography and meteorology, who were to view the film its con-

film without any explanation of its but to the Air Science Department's showing of the film with-"At the very least, each pre- out explaining its controversial nasentation of the film should be ac- ture," one faculty member said.

protests against the committee by presented without its background various religious groups, by jour- information," said another signer, nalists, by the labor movement "I think there should be a thorand by 700 faculty members from ough study of what the film actu-

"The film was presented as fact-Jose State College," the letter said. ual when it should have been shown as controversial," said

"There is a question as to what is fact and what is fiction in the "None of these professors was film. There are two sides to the at San Francisco. None of them is question. Both should be present-

student participants of what the to combat communism at A&M, film records were hired actors . . . the faculty members interviewed What the camera shows was not seemed to believe our biggest need

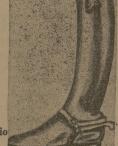
troversial issues and know what Landrum then said, "The column communism it," said one. "We does suggest that these gentlemen can't learn just one side of these (the faculty members who signed issues, but must know what both

"Students must be able to dedefense of the so-called 'liberties" cide for themselves what is good of people who are engaged in seek- and what is evil. To do so, they as he had available, the organizing the destruction of the actual must first know the backgrounds liberties of us all. That they do of both communism and our own

"Educate the students and let ... As a result of the controversy them make up their own mind," he letter and the Landrum column said another.

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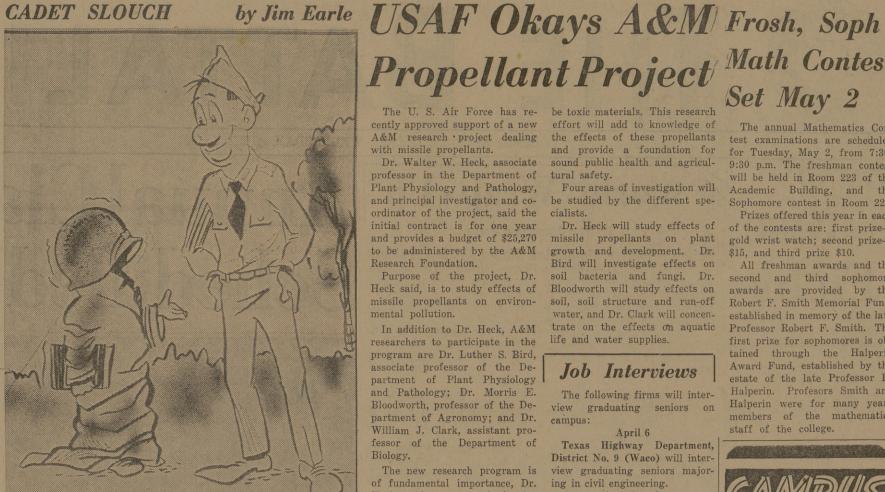
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### CADET SLOUCH



... I was nervous as a cat at home durin' th' holidays. I was afraid that th' postman would bring my grades.

phlet on Fidel Castro and the tracted him, and so did dreams of

capture of his revolution by the spreading his revolution through-

Cuba's 'Good' War What

Khrushchev Had In Mind

The State Department is try-

ing to rally Latin-American opin-

ion against these dreams. It

hopes that hemispheric organiza-

tion can be solidified as against

any tendency toward merely

Southern Hemisphere organiza-

directed against the United

In this connection it cites the

grievances of other Latin-Ameri-

can states against Castro, as a

warning but not as an actual de-

other states will carry the ball

against Castro, has made the

United States appear indecisive

ever since the emergency was

Social Calendar

The following organization will

April 6

The Bellaire Hometown Club

This attitude, of hoping the

mand for action.

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Associated Press News Analyst munist the Communists and re- of big-power pressure.

out Latin America.

ful people, preferred to out-Com- recognized. It has its points, how-

INTERPRETING

By J. M. ROBERTS

The State Department's pam-

Communists is an outline in de-

tail of just what Premier Khrush-

chev of the Soviet Union promises

In his statement of Jan. 6 in-

terpreting the Communist mani-

festo of 1960 for Soviet purposes,

Khrushchev promised interven-

tion in such civil wars as "good

wars" for promoting the world

The picture of Castro coming

to power in Cuba through a

"good" war, then finding that he

had to rely on such organizers

ers being in many cases Com-

munists, is typical of what Khru-

shchev had in mind. The Inter-

national Communist movement

intends always to be Johnny-on-

The White Paper lists a num

ber of important Cubans who helped Castro to success, then

quit him when the Communists

took over. Incidentally, it makes

quite a list of possible leaders of

counterrevolution, whether the

State Department intended it that

way or not. But Castro, holding

the-spot with such help.

revolutionaries everywhere.

revolution.

## Propellant Project Math Contest The U.S. Air Force has re- be toxic materials. This research cently approved support of a new effort will add to knowledge of

A&M research project dealing the effects of these propellants with missile propellants.

Dr. Walter W. Heck, associate professor in the Department of tural safety. Plant Physiology and Pathology, and principal investigator and coordinator of the project, said the cialists. initial contract is for one year and provides a budget of \$25,270 to be administered by the A&M Research Foundation.

Purpose of the project, Dr. Heck said, is to study effects of missile propellants on environmental pollution.

In addition to Dr. Heck, A&M researchers to participate in the program are Dr. Luther S. Bird, associate professor of the Department of Plant Physiology and Pathology; Dr. Morris E. Bloodworth, professor of the Department of Agronomy; and Dr. William J. Clark, assistant professor of the Department of Biology.

The new research program is of fundamental importance, Dr. Heck said, because of the increasing use of missiles and their possible wide geographical distribution. He said some of the missile propellants are known to

The Castro revolution in Cuba,

which has now become the Com-

which the Cuban people have

nothing in common. As yet, be-

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befogged in dreams, there is

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Dr. Heck will study effects of missile propellants on plant growth and development. Dr. Bird will investigate effects on soil bacteria and fungi. Dr. Bloodworth will study effects on soil, soil structure and run-off water, and Dr. Clark will concentrate on the effects on aquatic life and water supplies.

### Job Interviews

The following firms will interview graduating seniors on campus:

April 6 Texas Highway Department, District No. 9 (Waco) will interview graduating seniors majoring in civil engineering. \* \* \*

April 7 The Connecticut General Life graduating seniors majoring in agricultural economics, business administration, economics and industrial distribution.

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Sophomore contest in Room 225. Prizes offered this year in each of the contests are: first prizegold wrist watch; second prize-\$15, and third prize \$10.

All freshman awards and the second and third sophomore awards are provided by the Robert F. Smith Memorial Fund, established in memory of the late Professor Robert F. Smith. The first prize for sophomores is obtained through the Halperin Award Fund, established by the estate of the late Professor H. Halperin. Profesors Smith and Halperin were for many years members of the mathematics staff of the college.



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