

BATTALION EDITORIALS

Simple Economics

"Economics, An Introductory Analysis," a textbook by Professor Paul A. Samuelson, was the subject of a news release issued recently by the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Now in its fifth edition, Professor Samuelson's book is the text used at A&M in two introductory economics courses. The release quotes several extracts from the book's successive editions:

"First and second editions, 1948 and 1951: 'If price increases could be held down to, say, less than five per cent per year, such a mild steady inflation need now not cause too great concern...'

"Third edition, 1955: 'If price increases could be held down to, say, less than three per cent per year, such a mild steady inflation need not cause too great concern...'

"Fourth edition, 1958: 'If price increases could be held down to, say, two per cent per year, such a mild steady inflation need not cause too great concern...'

"Fifth edition, 1961: 'Price increases that could be held down below two per cent per year are one thing. But...'

"And on the TV program 'Meet the Press,' in March: '... if we can hold things down so that the official index of prices goes up by more than 1.5 or two per cent, I shall be very content.'

"Some people hope the professor will keep on talking and that his book will go through many more editions."

And other people, especially those students forced to pay upwards from \$8 to \$9 each time the good professor changes a sentence or two, hope the present edition may be around for some time to come. Or expense of the course could be solved another way. Paperback textbooks.

Already used successfully in many areas of instruction, paperback textbooks have proven to be durable as well as inexpensive. In certain English courses, where readings from several books are required, the cheap paperback texts are indispensable.

Why not, of all places, adapt these paperbacks to courses where the textbook goes out of date so fast?

Safety Attitude

How many persons driving during a time of crowded traffic, be it just before or after a football game, or during the 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. rush to and from the college, are fully concerned with safety?

Reports from residential areas in the College Station area surrounding the college show a marked disregard for safe driving, and pronounced carelessness instead.

Some may criticize parents of small children in these areas for not "keeping the kids out of the streets." A more wholesome attitude toward the situation would be to anticipate the presence of these children, whether you can see them or not, and to drive as though one might any minute loom ahead in front of your automobile.

If parents and drivers work together on the problem of safety on the streets of College Station, perhaps tragedy can continue to be avoided. On the other hand, it could happen tomorrow. Let's not let it.

CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle

TWU POST OFFICE



"Who's idea was it to ask the Aggies to send us date applications? At this rate we'll be dated up through 1962!"

Peace Corps Tale Told At TWU

(Editor's note: Professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics and Sociology Daniel Russell will speak to A&M students interested in the Peace Corps tomorrow. (See story on Page 1.) His talk here will be similar to discussions he has conducted throughout the Southwestern states. Last Wednesday Russell spoke at Texas Women's University at Denton. Following is an account of his talk there, taken from the Daily Lass-O.)

"We need the Peace Corps more than ever since the incident regarding the misplaced postcard in Nigeria," Daniel Russell, professor of Sociology at A&M and representative of the Peace Corps in the southwestern states, said Wednesday.

Last week a postcard, written by Peace Corps volunteer Margery Michemore in Nigeria, became the basis for a rally of Nigerian students denouncing the Corps and its representatives. Miss Michemore's comments included description of the "primitive living conditions" of the people.

Russell spoke to students in the Placement Office and to Miss Dorothy Porter's class on social

control about the opportunities and the nature of the Peace Corps.

He said that through the Peace Corps in which young people serve as representatives to other countries more can be accomplished to demonstrate the meaning of peace than all the oratory in the world.

"Young people are able to win friends easier than older people," he said.

The aim of the Peace Corps is to train young men and women to assist nations needing and desiring aid to develop their country. These volunteers will live with the natives, working side by side with them. Representatives help build roads, schools, health facilities, develop crops and other unexploited opportunities offered by the country, stated Russell.

"The Peace Corps operates on a \$30,000,000 budget appropriated by Congress. This is two-thirds the cost of an Atlas missile and much less the overall cost of sending trained technicians overseas who do not associate closely with the natives. The cost of sending a technician after having recruited, oriented and trained him is \$14,000," he said.

Anyone over 18 is eligible to join the Peace Corps. Applicants must first be interviewed, take written tests and physical examinations before being selected. They must agree to live wherever they are sent under the existing conditions. They will receive a \$75 allowance in addition to a living allowance. Training will last for from three to six months which will be followed by two years of duty.

The highest compliment paid to the Peace Corps is that "the Communists are fighting it tooth and toenail. They are afraid it will make many friends for Americans," Russell stated.

—Sound Off—

Editor,

The Battalion:

At a time such as this words cannot express one's feelings. We can only endeavor to show our sincere appreciation for your comforting expressions of sympathy and kindness.

We are happy that our son had the opportunity to spend four years of his life at A&M. We like to think of A&M as a place where our son grew into manhood. We feel that through the association with the fine young men of the college, and through the help of the faculty, he grew to be a part of the "Spirit of Aggieland."

We are indeed grateful to the following for their expressions of sympathy and floral tributes: President Earl Rudder; the faculty; Texas A&M student body; Hart Hall; Squadron 10; Fred Benson, Dean of Engineering; G. D. Hallmark, Head of the Department of Electrical Engineering; the Department of Electrical Engineering; P. L. Downs Jr.; all of those who made the Silver Taps Ceremony possible, and finally to the boys who were the Bearers, we can only say thank you for remembering.

To you Bennie Zinn and to Dr. Lyons, thank you for being with Herbert when he passed away.

Mr. & Mrs. H. E. Rogers Sr. Hebronville, Texas

Editor,

The Battalion:

I have some words about traffic going through the graduate student housing project located south of Kyle Field. A sign has been set up stating "No Through Traffic," and an older one states a speed of 20 miles per hour. These signs, however, do not seem to apply to visitors for football games, Town Hall, etc.

I am not referring to visitors

in the Project but to those people who find it a convenient way to get off the campus. Why should these events and people be made exceptions when they are certainly breaking the law?

Nothing is done about it. On the Saturday of the Aggie-Baylor massacre an army bus—of all things—came thundering down the street with two men in it. Other miscellaneous traffic has been through the area practicing for the Indianapolis speedway.

The Project is populated with many small children—some who are not old enough to know to stay out of the street. They must be subjected to this kind of danger because the signs are not enforced.

While back a neighbor child was standing near the street

when a car full of uniformed Aggies came through; the car came to a screeching halt in fear the little girl would step out; the driver gave an exasperated look and drove on. The car was not speeding, but the occupants had no business being in this restricted area. They had visited no one that I could see.

Last fall a student's car was hit while parked in front of his project house and the student was without transportation for a month. This was the result of after-game traffic. Several vehicles speeding through this area have been reported to the police, but I know of none that have been caught.

Thank you for listening. Mrs. Donna Burrus Project Housing College Station, Texas

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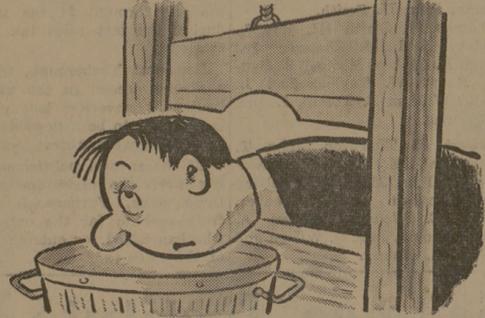
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OH, GREAT PUMPKIN, YOU'RE GOING TO DRIVE ME CRAZY!!!

Job Calls

The following firms will hold interviews with seniors in the Placement Office of the YMCA Building:

Thursday
Pure Oil Co.—Civil, industrial, mechanical, chemical, electrical and petroleum engineering (B.S., M.S.).

Bell Laboratories, Bell Telephone System; Sandia Corp., Bell Telephone System, and Department of the Navy Administrative Office will continue interviews, begun Wednesday. Qualifications were in Tuesday's Battalion.

Thursday and Friday
Columbia-Southern Chemical Division of Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.—Chemical, electrical, and mechanical engineering and chemistry (B.S., M.S.).

Dow Chemical Co.—Chemical and mechanical engineering and chemistry (B.S., M.S., Ph.D.).

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