

BATTALION EDITORIALS

Federal Help

The House of Representatives again is making it very clear that it does not like the idea of federal scholarships. In February the House rebuffed President Kennedy by passing a college aid bill containing federal aid for construction of academic buildings, but no scholarships.

The President's request for medical and dental school scholarships as a means of rectifying the shortage of these practitioners induced in considerable degree by high cost courses was turned down by the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce committee, which on March 8 approved instead a bill containing a student loan fund as well as grants for construction of medical school facilities.

The House position shows that there has been little change since 1958, when President Eisenhower's proposal for federal scholarships in the National Defense Education Act was rejected and a student loan fund was approved instead. There appear to be two basic causes for these rejections by the House. The colleges themselves, the most likely sources of support, are deeply divided on the issue, partly because of many colleges improved buildings and better paid teachers have higher priority.

A deeper reason for the failure of college groups to provide strong support for federal scholarships is the rivalry between colleges for top students, apparent in a division of opinion over how the President's college scholarship program should be administered.

The large public colleges wanted the program to be administered through the colleges, along the lines of the NDEA loan funds plan, with each school permitted to award a number of scholarships to its applicants.

The President's plan, supported by many private schools and by most scholarship backers in Congress, was for the scholarships to be awarded on the basis of state-wide contests, with the winners permitted to go to any college which accepted them. The Senate approved the President's proposal.

Behind the large schools' opposition was the fear that it would concentrate the winners in the "prestige" schools.

Many in Congress and elsewhere feel that a federal scholarship weakens an individual's character, denying him the right to fight his way up the educational ladder. But the same thing could be said of scholarships from non-federal sources, of which there are thousands. The views of many in Congress appear to be affected by the fact that they worked their way through college and believe today's students should do the same, but the two situations are hardly comparable with today's very much higher costs. The U. S. Office of Education estimates that the current average cost of a four-year college education is \$7,000, nearly doubled since 1950.

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CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle



"... I wonder if it's possible to resign from th' Corps for a weekend!"

Sound Off

English Prof Dislikes "Cowtrails"

The Battalion Editor: I think it's about time someone called attention to what's happening to the grass in the area west of the Academic Building.

In spite of a complex network of broad sidewalks, many students are regularly tramping across the grass, apparently to save a few steps. A number of quite noticeable cowtrails are forming, which, as spring advances, will become real blemishes on the beauty of this central part of the campus. One such trail actually parallels the main concourse from Military Walk to the Sul Ross statue. There seems no justification for this, even in Euclidean geometry.

We all take a justified pride in the work that has been done in recent years to beautify the campus, for the pleasure of visitors as well as of those of us who are here right along. It's difficult to understand why students who take such pride in other aspects of their college

should be so thoughtless, or lazy, or both, as to mar one of the principal beauty spots of the campus. The "grass-walkers" seem more numerous this year than ever before, and I've been particularly distress to see Corps members among them, unlike previous years.

I am informed that it is a senior "privilege" to walk on the grass. In my opinion, this is one privilege that would be "more honored in the breach than in the performance." E. E. Stokes Associate Professor Department of English

Galveston's Ready

Editor's note: This letter was addressed to Leo W. Newland, Y-1-E Hensel Apartments. Newland had written the Galveston Chamber of Commerce requesting information concerning Splash Days (Apr. 27-28). Newland admits he was rather prolix.) Dear Mr. Newland:

We are eagerly awaiting the arrival of you indefatigable Aggies. Knowing that you all possess

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LAST DAY Tina Louise In "SIEGE AT SYRUCUSE"

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QUEEN LAST DAY

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The following firms will interview graduating seniors in the Placement Office of the YMCA Building:

Wednesday Tennessee Gas and Transmission Co.—Accounting and business administration (B. B. A., M.B.A.).

National Lead Company, Baroid Division—Chemical and petroleum engineering, geology and chemistry (B.S.).

National Starch and Chemical Co.—Chemical engineering (B.S., M.S.), and chemistry (all degree levels).

Phileo Corp.—Electrical and mechanical engineering and physics (all degree levels).

Shell Oil Co.—Accounting Southland Paper Mills Inc.—Chemical, civil and mechanical engineering.

U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service—Aeronautical, electrical, mechanical and nuclear engineering, business administration, education and psychology, and physics (all degree levels).

Summer Jobs Tennessee Gas and Transmission Co. will interview juniors in accounting for summer jobs.

Bulletin Board

Professional Societies Dr. Lloyd C. Taylor will speak to "Ye Olde Noble Society of English Majors (116th Regiment.)" Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Room 3-C, Memorial Student Center.

honorificability and spizinctum, though not always free from the inebriation of the exuberance of your verbosity, we are delighted to elucidate that—"in short"—Splash Days will be on April 27, 28, 29.

If you ever become discommodated again, please let us know. Thomas W. Purdy Jr. Assistant Manager, Galveston Chamber of Commerce

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Victor Hugo was rejected four times by the French Academy before he was finally admitted. Red and yellow hunting clothes among the least visible of wearing apparel, according to Emile Zola was nominated 19 times by the Massachusetts Department of Natural Resources and was never admitted.

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EDUCATIONAL TV: ITS CAUSE AND CURE

A great deal of nonsense has been written about educational television. Following is my contribution:

It has been said that television allots no desirable viewing hours to educational and intellectual programs. This is simply not so. For instance, you can see "The Kant and Hegel Hour" every day at 4 a.m. This excellent show is followed at 5 a.m. by "Kierkegaard Can Be Fun." For such lazy scamps as I abed beyond that hour, there is a splendid program on Sunday mornings at 7:15 called "Birds of Minnesota, Except Duluth."

So much for the myth that TV gives no prime time to educational programs. Now let us deflate another canard: that TV is not eager to inject intellectual content in all its programs. If you have sat, as I have sat, with a television planning board, you would know that the opposite is true. I was privileged recently to witness a meeting of two of TV's topmost program developers—both named Binkie Tattersall.

"Binkie," said Binkie to Binkie, "if there is one thing I am bound and determined, it's that we're going to have intellectual content in next season's programs."

"Right!" replied Binkie. "So let us put on our thinking caps and go to work."

"I forgot my thinking cap in Westport," said Binkie, "but I have a better notion: let us light a Marlboro."

"But of course!" cried Binkie. "Because the best way to think is to settle back and get comfortable, and what is the cigarette that lets you settle back and get comfortable?"

"I said Marlboro," answered Binkie. "Weren't you listening?" "A full-flavored smoke is Marlboro," declared Binkie.

"Rich tobacco, pure white filter, a choice of pack or box. What is better than a Marlboro?"

"A Marlboro and a match," replied Binkie. "Got one?" Binkie had, and so they lit their good Marlboros and settled back and got comfortable and proceeded to celebrate.

"First of all," said Binkie, "we are going to avoid all the old clichés. We will have no domestic comedies, no westerns, no private eyes, no deep sea divers, no doctors, and no lawyers."

"Right!" said Binkie. "Something offbeat." "That's the word—offbeat," said Binkie. They smoked and celebrated.

"You know," said Binkie, "there has never been a series about the Coast and Geodetic Survey." "Or about glass blowers," said Binkie. They fell into a long, torpid silence.

"You know," said Binkie, "there's really nothing wrong with a cliché situation—provided, of course, it's offbeat."

"Right!" said Binkie. "So let's say we do a series about a guy who's a family man with a whole bunch of lovable kids who play merry pranks on him."

"Yeah, and he's also a cowboy," said Binkie. "And a deep sea diver," said Binkie. "With a law degree," said Binkie. "Plus an M.D.," said Binkie.

"And he runs a detective agency," said Binkie. "Binkie," said Binkie to Binkie, "we've done it again!" They shook hands silently, not trusting themselves to speak, and lit Marlboros and settled back to relax, for Marlboro is a cigarette not only for celebration, but for settling back with—in fact, for all occasions and conditions, all times and climes, all seasons and reasons, all men and women. © 1962 Max Schulman

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