

BATTALION EDITORIALS

Hassle May Slow Down Higher Education Hopes

Higher education may have suffered its first setback of the current legislative session Tuesday when members of a House subcommittee failed to agree over who should name the members of a proposed 25-man committee to study Texas' higher education.

Much more serious than this direct action is the fact that several House members indicated a legislative show-down may be nearing with Gov. John Connally. This show-down, if it materializes, could slow up not only the naming of a committee to study education, but other education legislation as well.

The question now being debated is just who should name the 25 members to the proposed committee. Connally wants to appoint each member, but a House subcommittee recommended that Connally select five members, the House speaker five members and the lieutenant governor five members.

How any hassle between Connally and the House would effect other legislation is speculative, but little good can be expected to result. No doubt much debate will accompany college and university budget requests, and ill will between the legislative and executive branches will be far from beneficial for higher education.

And of the three recommended budgets that the legislature must consider for higher education, one will come directly from Connally. The others, already submitted, are from the Commission on Higher Education and from former Gov. Price Daniel.

Higher education indeed cannot afford to let a hassle slow down progressive legislation.

Appropriate Observance

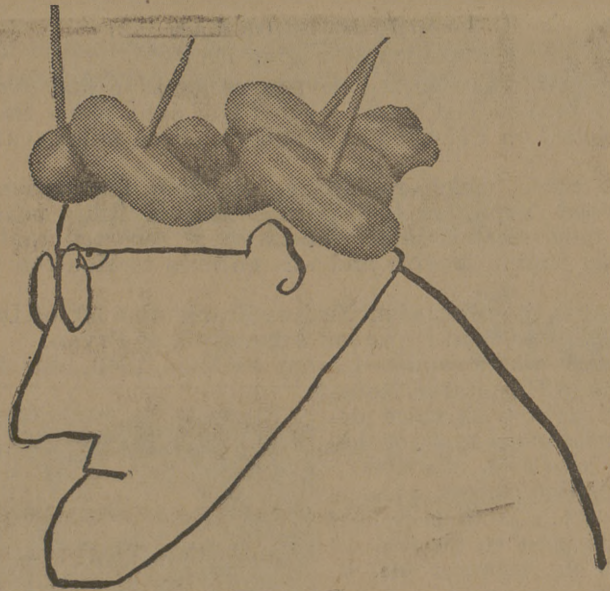
Engineers and engineering students throughout the nation next week will mark "National Engineers Week." General theme of the week, proclaimed by the National Society of Professional Engineers, will be to present the story of engineering—past, present and future—to the public.

If such an observance is to be noted anywhere, surely it would be here where approximately 15,000 engineering degrees have been granted throughout the years. During such a period of national interest in engineering and technology, A&M stands out as one of the top engineering schools in the nation.

Interesting facts to note:

1. Through 1961, A&M had awarded more engineering degrees than any other institution in Texas.
2. Through '61, about 45 per cent of all A&M undergraduate degrees were awarded to engineers.
3. Since 1947 A&M has annually awarded from 24 to 40 per cent of the engineering degrees granted in Texas.
4. A&M ranked 15th in the nation in number of engineering degrees awarded in 1959-60.
5. Three of the first four recipients of Distinguished Alumni Awards were engineering graduates.

As American engineers pause to mark "their week," those practitioners here can look back and truly feel that they have had much to do with accomplishments in engineering.



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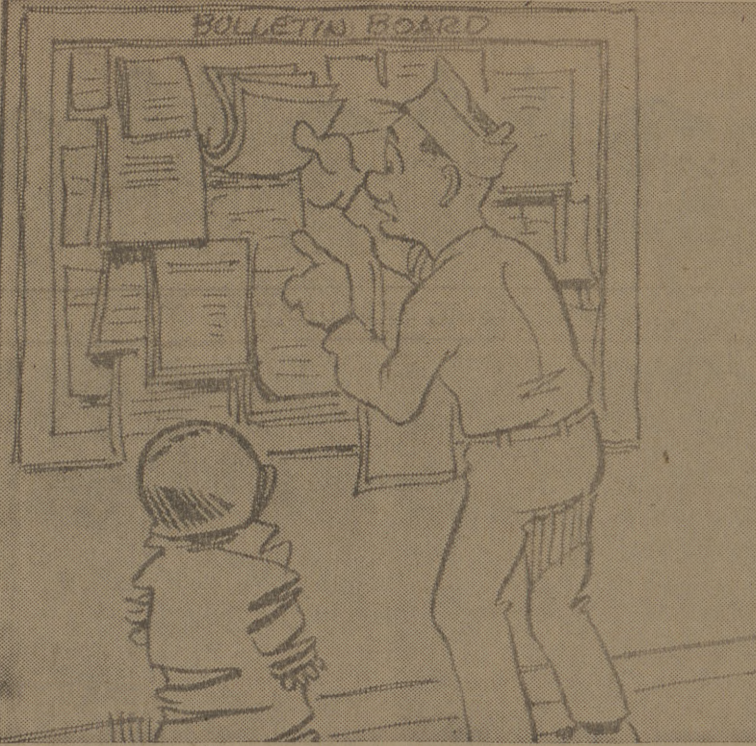
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"... Here's one signed by President Sul Ross!"

BY BOOKMAN

Don't You Need Any Insurance?

The phone rings. I say hello. "Hello, Ron. Say, got a minute? Good. I'd like to check your insurance coverage with you if you don't mind."

Click. That scene is repeated at least a hundred times a day when at least a hundred seniors are hounded by at least a hundred insurance salesmen.

Now, I already have life insurance. And hospitalization and auto insurance. I don't want any more insurance and when I do I'll call my insurance man.

College Station has some reliable, professional-minded insurance agents. But some can't resist the thought of cashing in on the wallets of Aggies innocent in the ways of the world.

College regulations prohibit these scavengers from invading the dorms and apartment areas—but that leaves the phone, the mails and traitors who sell their buddies' names for a cup of coffee or a tall one.

One shrewd would-be salesman had nerve enough to send post-age-due letters hawking his bill of goods. If you've ever been disgusted, it's when you pay the postman two cents for a letter and it's an ad that would insult the intelligence of the lowest frog.

With graduation time gleaming ahead, the pace is quickening and sickening as it becomes evident to these smoothies that they

have only a few more months to soak the seniors.

This isn't to say juniors and underclassmen aren't immune, but the senior year is the time of ambush.

These birds work round the clock, and midnight or noon is a common time for them to pound on the day-duck's door or phone.

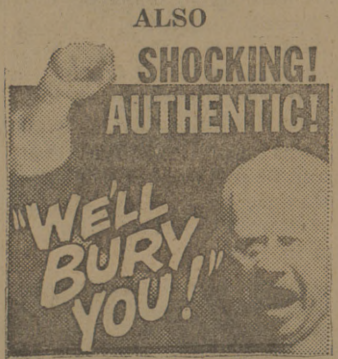
Memo to these characters. I have enough common sense to know what I need and when I need it. I do business with a reputable agent, and when I want something I call him. Give the Aggies a break, and let them ask for insurance when they want it.

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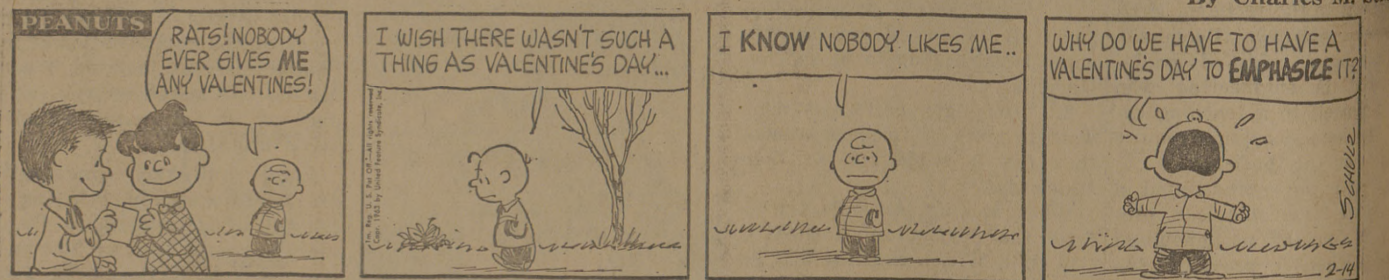
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Maj. Robert White flew the X-15 to a height of 47 miles in

June 1962, achieving a speed of almost 4,000 miles an hour.

The achievements of the astronauts have been recorded on film, TV tape and in print for all the world to see, hear and wonder about.

The average American, in reviewing these exploits, may say, "Great! But these men are specialists. They work along with scientists every day. But where do the ordinary Joes like us come in? How do we help in scientific 'progress'?"

Hold it! Hold it! Does anyone think that the Stapps, the Simons, the Kittingers and the Whites accomplished their feats alone? It took literally thousands of people to put them on their sleds or in their balloons or in their aircraft. Scientists, engineers, manufacturers, tool-makers, technicians; yes, and cooks, drivers, A.P.'s, clerks, and all the rest of the military and civilian workers involved in the projects.

You see, we're all in this together, not excluding the mothers and children who sit at home and wait to ask Dad at the end of the day, "How did things go?" As we all share in the glory of scientific achievement, at the same time we also share the responsibility. Every time administration becomes involved in the development of defense weapons, we, the public, are involved. Where do we fit in? We're all in this thing together.

—Job Calls—

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