

BATTALION EDITORIALS

Where Were The Fans? And As For Tonight...

Twice last week the doors of G. Rollie White Coliseum opened for Aggie basketball games. Twice the Cadets defeated Southwest Conference powerhouses to remain in contention for the SWC title. And twice only every other seat in G. Rollie White Coliseum was occupied.

You ask why? So do we. Were the disappointing crowds due to bad weather? Were students too snowed under with quizzes? Were students present, but townspeople conspicuously absent? Were other activities keeping students away? Or were many fans discouraged after the home-court loss to the University of Texas?

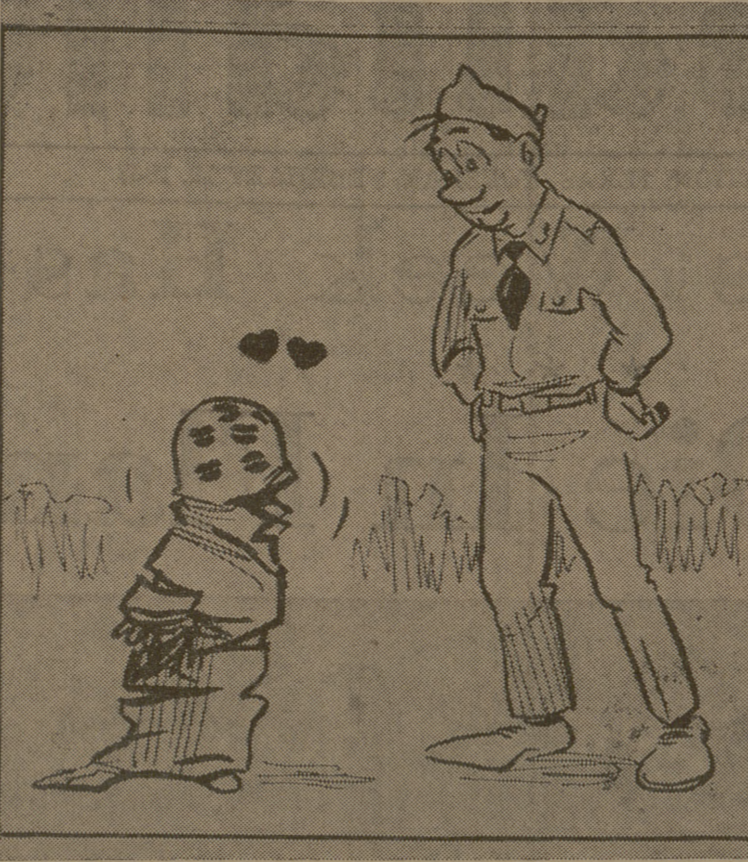
There are several possible answers, but standing out above the others is the fact that many fans—both students and townspeople—might simply have given up. We find it hard to forget this statement made by an athletic department official as the stands were filling up for the Texas game: "And we'll pack 'em in like this for SMU, too!" Unfortunately, he was mistaken.

Of course other factors might have cut down attendance. The Freshman Ball undoubtedly hurt attendance Saturday, and fewer townspeople and out-of-town fans have been in attendance since the Texas loss.

As for students, they will have opportunity tonight to show they haven't given up. The Aggies play Texas in Austin tonight... need we say more?

CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle



... Have a good time at th' Fish Ball?"

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

Wednesday Charles Pfizer & Co., Inc.—Agricultural economics, agronomy, biology, business administration, entomology, chemical engineering and chemistry.

Wednesday and Thursday General Dynamics / Astronautics — Aeronautical Engineering, civil engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, mathematics and physics, BS, MS, Ph.D.

Linde Co.—Aeronautical engineering, electrical engineering, industrial engineering and mechanical engineering.

Wednesday-Friday Humble Oil & Refining Co.—Accounting, BBA, MBA; chemical engineering, civil engineering, electrical engineering, geology, geophysics, geological engineering, mechanical engineering, petroleum engineering and physics, BS, MS, Ph.D.

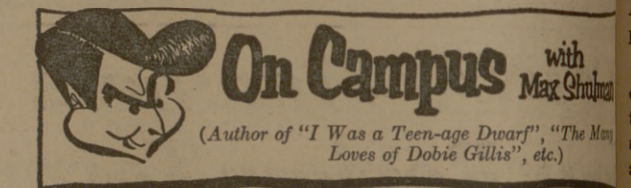
Union Carbide Chemicals Co.—Chemical engineering, chemistry.

Job Calls

electrical engineering and mechanical engineering, BS, MS, Ph.D. Summer Employment Humble Oil & Refining Co.—

K. K. Dodger says: By Eugene Rush "To heck with the College and its regulations! Buy your life insurance policy from a man who is smart enough to sneak into your room without getting caught."

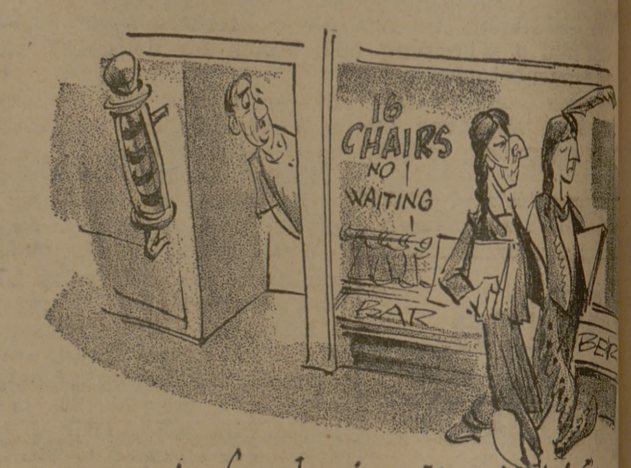
1963—SUMMER SESSION University of San Francisco GUADALAJARA, Mexico—\$240.00 includes tuition, room, and activities.



THE CURSE OF THE CAMPUS: NO. 2

As was pointed out last week, one would think that with all the progress we have made in the education game, something might have been done by now about roommates. But...

Contrary to popular belief, Harvard was not the first. Mr. Goodpimple started his institution some 75 years earlier. He built a lacrosse stadium that seated 102,000. Everyone on campus was emblazoned the stirring Latin motto CUM MUSSI—"Watch out for moose."



... and as for shaving, they didn't

(It was this last feature—the barber shop—that, alas brought Mr. Goodpimple's college to an early end. The student body, being drawn from the nearby countryside, was comprised chiefly of Pequot and Iroquois who, alas, had no need of a barber shop. They braided their hair instead of cutting it, and for shaving, they don't.)

But I digress. We were discussing ways for you and your roommate to stop hating each other. This is admittedly difficult but not impossible if you will both bend a bit, give a little. I remember, for example, my own college days (Berlitz, OK).

My roommate was, I think you will allow, even less agreeable than most. He was a Tibetan named Ringading whose native customs, while indisputably colorful, were not entirely endearing. Mark you, I didn't mind so much the gong he struck at the hour of the string of firecrackers he set off on the half-hour. I didn't even mind his singing chicken feathers every dusk and daybreak. What I did mind was that he singed them in my hair.

To be fair, he was not totally taken with some of my habits either—especially my hobby of collecting water. I had no jars at the time and just had to stack the water any-old-where. Well sir, things grew steadily cooler between Ringading and me, and they might have gotten actually ugly had we not happened to receive a package from home one day. Ringading opened his package, paused, smiled shyly at me, and offered me a gift.

"Thank you," I said. "What is it?" "Yak butter," he said. "You put it in your hair. In Tibetan we call it gree see kidstuff."

"Well now, that's mighty friendly," I said and offered him a gift from my package. "Now you must have one of mine." "Thank you," he said. "What is this called?" "Marlboro Cigarettes," I said and held a match for him. He puffed. "Wow!" he said. "This sure beats chicken feathers." "Or anything else you could name," I said, lighting my own Marlboro.

And as we sat together and enjoyed that fine flavored Marlboro tobacco, that pure white Marlboro filter, a glow of good fellowship came over us—a serene conviction that no quarrels exist between men that will not yield to the warmth of honest good will. I am proud to say that Ringading and I remain friends to this day, and we exchange cards each Christmas and each Fourth of July, firecrackers.

Wherever you or your roommate may be—on any campus in any city, town, or hamlet in any state of the Union—you will find Marlboros at your favorite tobacco counter—pack or flip top box.

SCIENCE AND MORALITY—5

Titov Couldn't See God

(Fifth of a series)

'I Saw No God'

When the Russian cosmonaut, Gherman Titov, visited the United States in the spring of 1962, he was interviewed by newspaper reporters at the Seattle World's Fair. The question most persistently put to him was this: Had his twenty-five hours in space changed his philosophy or his way of thinking?

Through an interpreter, Titov gave his reply: "Some people say that there is a God out there. But in my travels around the earth all day long I looked around and did not see him. I saw no God or angels. Up to our first orbital flight by Yuri Gagarin no God helped build our rocket. The rocket was made by our people. I don't believe in God. I believe in man, his strength, his possibilities and his reason."

Titov, in this statement, was using the sorriest and most infantile type of argument: If I do not see a thing, it does not exist. If this were the ultimate criterion, we would have to reject the existence of the atom since no scientist has ever seen one! We would have to reject the very

existence of ideas!

The affirmation of the existence of God outside the world of sense is more than a childish fancy. The greatest intellects in all ages have come to the conclusion that a Supreme Being exists, since there is no other explanation for the complexity and harmony of the universe.

Even a professed unbeliever like Charles Darwin, in writing on the descent of man, said, "The question whether there is a Creator and Ruler of the universe has

been answered in the affirmative by the highest intellects that have ever lived."

While Titov may be admired for his courage and his skill in orbiting the earth seventeen times, his standing as a scientist will always be a question. No scientist with a thought for his reputation would ever reject the existence of something—even of God—because he didn't "see" him. This would be the weakest of all arguments for the establishment of atheism.

Padre Prospects Brighten

(Special to The Battalion)

AUSTIN — Prospects are brighter for passage of Padre Island National Seashore legislation by the House.

An impressive parade of supporting witnesses went before State Affairs Committees in both the House and Senate and a surprising about-face occurred on the part of Land Commissioner Jerry Sadler.

Several hundred seashore boosters journeyed to Austin... largely from Nueces, Willacy and Cameron counties... to pack the mid-week hearings. A total of 27 witnesses testified in favor of Sen. Bruce Reagan's Padre proposal, with no one appearing in opposition.

Similar testimony was heard by the House State Affairs Committee... studying bills by Reps. Menton Murray of Harlingen and Ronald Bridges of Corpus Christi. A single opposing spokesman stated that he just did not like the idea of creating a national seashore area.

Bulletin Board

Wives Clubs

Civil Engineering club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Gay Room of the YMCA Building.

Entomology club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on the second floor of the YMCA Building for a bridge party. Contestants have been asked to bring partners.

Professional Societies Agricultural Economics Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 229 of the Chemistry Building.

CAMPUS

LAST DAY Richard Eagen In "300 SPARTANS" STARTS TOMORROW Peter Ustinov & Robert Ryan In



CIRCLE

LAST NITE Steve McQueen In "WAR LOVER" & Jack Lemmons In "WACKIEST SHIP IN THE ARMY"

PALACE Bryan 2-8879

LAST DAY

Burt Lancaster In "A CHILD IS WAITING"

STARTS TOMORROW

William Holden & Capucine In "THE LION"

QUEEN

LAST NITE

"PEPE" & "ALLAS JESSE JAMES"

AGGIELAND PORTRAIT SCHEDULE

Corps Juniors and Sophomores All juniors and sophomores in the corps will have their portraits made for the AGGIELAND '63 according to the following schedule.

Portraits will be made at the Aggieldand Studio between the hours of 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. on the days scheduled.

Table with 2 columns: Dates and Names/Groups. Includes Feb. 18-19, 20-21, 21-22, 25-26, 26-27, 27-28 and names like A, B, C, D-1, E, F, G-1, etc.

ATTENTION CORP SENIORS After Friday Feb. 22 absolutely no Aggieldand pictures will be made. If your picture is not made by then it will not appear in the Aggieldand.

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CIVILIAN MAKE UP from Feb. 18 - 22

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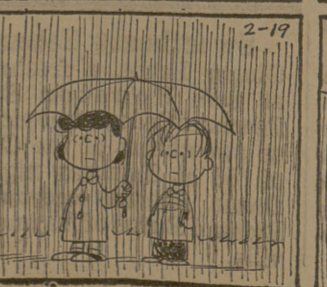
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By Charles M. Schulz PEANUTS comic strip panels 1-8.