

Listen Up *the batt forum*

Editor:

In reference to a letter in the Friday, March 20 edition of The Battalion, I make the following statements:

1. The writer of the letter obviously has his head so far up in the air that he fails to realize that the only reason that women have not contributed to the traditions of the University is that they have not been allowed to.

2. It is people like himself, who refuse to recognize and face the situation head on, who deny the women students on this campus their rightful place in the ranks of A&M students.

3. Women are here; why can't these few bellowing defenders of a tradition which has passed on with the 48-star American flag, realize the fact and try to help the women take their place with the rest of the students?

4. If these "defenders" would direct their efforts toward achieving assimilation of all students into "the spirit and heritage" of the University rather than brood over the passing of another era in A&M's history, their time and efforts would be used much more constructively and would help this institution's atmosphere greatly.

I support the women on this campus in their attempt to achieve recognition in the Student Senate, and was disappointed to read that last week, "my" senator from the College of Liberal Arts, voted against them.

Kent L. Smith
Class of 1971

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Editor:

In recent issues of The Battalion, there was much controversy over the proposed solution to the problems of the coed campus. The solution in question stated that "Highway 6 runs both ways." The party who wrote the letter has, because of much criticism, decided to clarify their statement. In the March 19, 1970 edition of The Battalion it was remarked that you can't buck the system and if you don't like it here you can leave.

It seems to me that the authors of this attempted editorial should reread the Declaration of Independence. The Declaration says

that the governed people not only have the right, but also the responsibility to change their government to suit the needs of the governed, and the welfare of the majority.

Therefore, since the women students are obviously here to stay, there are many changes which must be enacted for the welfare of the overall campus. It is my suggestion that the students that wrote this letter to the editor should stop hiding from the changing problems of the campus with outdated cliches and attempt to rebuild the University so that in the future we may all be proud to say that we are Aggies.

Donald Alksne '73

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Editor:

Tonight has been what will probably be the most memorable of my stay here at Texas A&M. When the cadets from the band blew taps for President Rudder it made me stop and think of what the Corps actually means to me. I will be the first to admit I have had the bad attitude towards the Corps and its ways. I asked myself what I was doing in the Corps and why anyone would want to join it. Well, tonight I realized what it was. It was the respect and pride that the school has for people. When I heard taps being blown for President Rudder, a burst of pride went through my veins to know that I had come to a school where a great amount of respect is held for the administration. Everyone here at A&M ought to thank his lucky stars that we still have a place such as this. I can truly say I am proud to be in Texas A&M's Corps of Cadets. All of our players are with President Rudder's family during this time of grief and sorrow.

Phil Crosby
Class of '73

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Editor:

As a concerned student, I would like to express my support for the principles contained in the resolution pending before the State Executive Committee of the Texas Young Democrats, a resolution to censure Texas A&M for denial of certain student rights and freedoms. There is a valid case for this action, but I question

the effectiveness of such censure by an outside organization, an organization not even recognized on this campus. Rather, I would prefer that a similar move be initiated by our own so-called "student" government. If there is to be any expression of disapproval, concern, or censure, it must come from within, from the elected representatives of the Student Senate, students who supposedly have the respect of the Administration as the bona fide voice of the student body.

In the past, however, the Student Senate seems to have been more concerned with compromising and retreating than with representing the students. A good case in point is the recent Court of Appeals issue. The measure as passed by the Senate was a compromise, watered down in hopes that the Administration would approve it. The Senate attempted to meet the Administration halfway, but the Court of Appeals was rejected. Having compromised the important principle of judgement-by-one's-peers to the absolute limit, the Senate must not retreat any further. The Student Senate should demand nothing less than full approval of the Court of Appeals as proposed.

If the Senate will assume its rightful role on this campus and represent the students conscientiously and vigorously, demanding that student voices be heard, then student rights and freedoms will become a reality. If the Senate does not assert itself, then Texas A&M, as Dr. Byers stated it, will not be governed democratically, and the students will continue to lack even the basic freedoms guaranteed to students in virtually all universities.

Raleigh Lane '70

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EDITOR:

It seems that the name of the game for some of the Northgate merchants is to take the University student for all he can. It seems that one store there sells defective record needles. Five dollars may not seem like very much, but to a college student, it is. No wonder so many Aggies shop at Cook's. At least they'll refund your money when they sell you defective equipment!

Ray Ranzau '73

CADET SLOUCH *by Jim Earle*



"Would you please start from the beginning so I can record it? This is the most creative alibi for being late with an assignment that I've ever heard!"

Bulletin Board

THURSDAY

Business Administration Wives Club will hold a Tupperware Party at 7:30 p.m. in the Blue Flame room of the Lone Star Gas Company. For further information, contact Mary Jane Roberts at 846-4628.

San Angelo-West Texas Home-town Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 2D Memorial Student Center.

The Association of Students from Mexico will meet at 6:30 p.m. in Room 3B Memorial Stu-

dent Center. Final preparations for Pan American Week will be made.

Wildlife Biology Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 113 Biology. Michael Frome, conservation editor of Field and Stream magazine, will speak on "Conservation of Our Natural Resources" and other related topics.

TUESDAY

Sigma Delta Chi will meet at noon. There will be a speaker.

tonight on the tube

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5:00 3 (5) General Hospital	8:00 3 (5) CBS Thursday Night Movie
5:30 3 (5) CBS Evening News	10:00 3 (5) Final News
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6:30 3 (5) Family Affair	11:30 3 (5) The Detectives

first major support to the university other than scholarships, according to Dorsey E. McCrory, development office director.

Acting library director John B. Smith said the gift was used for acquisition of the Readex Microprint edition of "Hansard," which traces British parliamentary history from 1066 to 1918.

The acquisition, available for use in Special Collections, forms a basic resource for research into certain aspects of British history, Smith said. The 38 boxes of mi-

crocards containing reproductions of several publications have been suitably marked in memory of Dr. Clark.

The microprint grouping includes William Cobbett's "Parliamentary History of England from the Earliest Period to the Year 1803" and "Parliamentary Debates," published from 1813 by Thomas Curson Hansard. His name became so associated with the series that researchers generally cited the work as "Hansard."

Campus Briefs

Board of Directors Fete Set April 27

The University's annual Board of Directors-Faculty-Staff Dinner will be held April 27 in Duncan Hall, announced Maj. Gen. A. R. Lueddecke.

The new acting A&M president said the 7:15 p.m. dinner will be preceded by a reception, beginning at 6:30 p.m., with board members in the receiving line.

Featured speaker will be Clyde Wells of Granbury, president of the board.

Tickets for the dinner will be available on campus, beginning April 15.

Mrs. Fryxell Wins Oceanography Grant

Mrs. Greta Fryxell has been awarded an American-Scandinavian Foundation grant for oceanographic work in Norway during 1971.

The University of Norway Institute of Marine Biology research will be with Dr. Trygve Braarud and Dr. Grethe R. Hasle, former visiting professor here.

Mrs. Fryxell's purpose during the March to July, 1971, stay in Oslo will be essentially an extension of phytoplankton studies begun here with Dr. Hasle.

Samples studied were taken by Dr. Sayed Z. El-Sayed of the

Oceanography Department on Feb. 10, 1968, from a newly discovered marine life bloom in the Weddell Sea of Antarctica.

Mrs. Fryxell is a research assistant for El-Sayed.

Her \$2,000 King Haakon VII grant was obtained on a competitive basis from the American-Scandinavian Foundation, which makes the annual trans-Atlantic competition awards totalling \$160,000. Purpose of the Foundation is to promote international educational exchange between the U. S., Norway, Sweden, Finland and Denmark.

Agronomy Lectures Scheduled for Friday

Dr. Laurence C. Newell, professor of agronomy at the University of Nebraska, is scheduled for two lectures on selection and breeding of native range plants Friday.

The noted agronomist will be the eighth and last speaker in a series of presentations on natural resource conservation and use, according to Dr. C. L. Leinweber of the Range Science Department.

Dr. Newell will conduct two sessions during his appearance here. An afternoon seminar will be aimed at faculty, staff and interested students on a technical level in the study of plant

selection and breeding. A graduate lecture at 7:30 p.m. will be for the general public.

The afternoon meeting will be devoted to discussion of principles of improvement in the cross-pollinated grasses. The evening presentation will center around the general proposition and philosophy of development of superior adapted strains of important range grasses and their use in range improvement, according to Dr. Leinweber. Seed production and distribution will also be discussed.

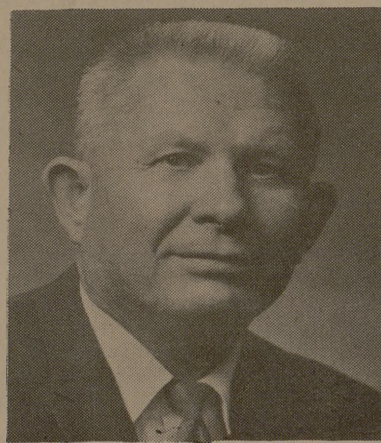
Library Receives Microprint Gift

The library has acquired in microprint form 852 years of British parliamentary history through a gift from the Clark Foundation of Dallas in memory of its founder, Dr. Anson L. Clark.

The Clark Foundation contribution was arranged by Col. (USAF-Ret.) Walter Kerbel, executive secretary.

Colonel Kerbel was recently at A&M to confer with students under Clark Foundation scholarship. Four students received Clark scholarships through the University Interscholastic League and two are direct awards.

The Foundation's \$3,550 contribution to the library was its



CECIL B. RYAN

ELECT CECIL B. RYAN

TO COLLEGE STATION CITY COUNCIL-PLACE 4 TUESDAY, APRIL 7

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C. B. RYAN STANDS FOR:

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- MS and PhD degrees from Texas A&M.
- Currently Chairman, Board of Equalization, City of College Station.
- Currently President, College Station Lions Club.
- Executive Secretary-Treasurer, International Poultry Science Association since 1954.
- Currently Chairman, College of Agriculture Scholarship Committee, Texas A&M.
- One of the five Piper Professors selected at Texas A&M University.
- Fiscal Responsibility in All City Functions;
- A Continuing Cost-Return Ratio Study on Services provided by the City;
- Tax Equalization so that All Citizens pay their Fair Share;
- A Sound Zoning Program that will benefit the Community but is against Spot Zoning;
- A Workable Program with HUD that can provide Housing for Citizens with Lower Incomes;
- Adequate Park & Recreation Facilities and a definite program of Park Land Acquisition and Development;
- Adequate Sewerage Treatment Facilities;
- Consideration of a Summer Work Program to utilize local youth on City Projects;
- Improvement of Secondary Streets on a Pay-as-you-go Basis;
- Increased Efforts to Beautify College Station;
- Full cooperation with Texas A&M University, local business, and the A&M Consolidated School District.

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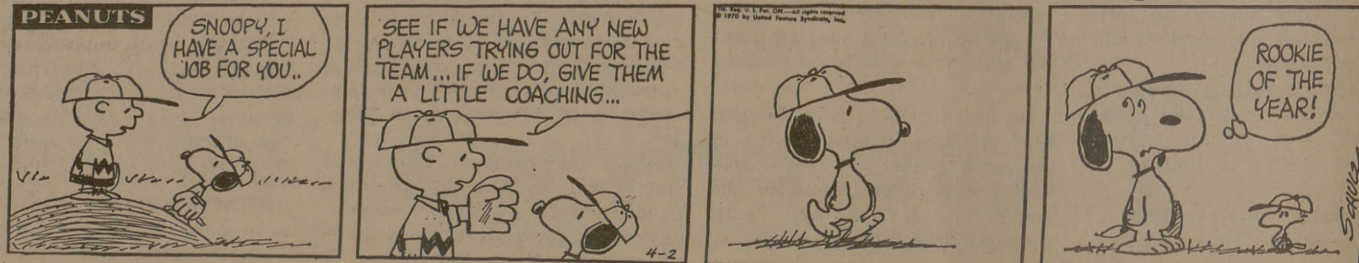
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