

Students Escort Clark From School

Six Aggies Mobbed At UT Early Thursday Morning

Six A&M students report they were mobbed early Thursday morning by University of Texas students while policemen looked on.

One of the students, Derrell Len Steakley from Novice, said the incident began about 1 a. m. Thursday morning directly in front of Memorial Stadium in Austin.

Before this incident came to an end, the students said they had been shaven, painted, forced to do calisthenics, rolled in grass, forced to "walk" into a fish pond full of chilly water and ride back to College Station in a car plastered with paint and trash.

Another incident involved five students, but the details concerning this second group are undisclosed. The men were freshmen, and were in Austin at about the same time as the first group.

The first group was in a 1953 Oldsmobile driven by Edmund Tom of Campbellton. With Steakley and Tom were Francis Andrews, Houston; Warren Martin,

San Antonio, still in the hospital from the incident; Donald Weber, Columbus, Ohio; and Joe Moore, DeLeon.

Tom and Moore are freshmen, and the other Cadets are sophomores. The men did not comment on their purpose for going to Austin.

Here is the story which Steakley and Tom told The Battalion:

They said they were stopped in front of Memorial Stadium by a car with two uniformed policemen in it and one man dressed in civilian clothing wearing a badge. They said the men were campus policemen.

The policemen searched the car. They next searched the Aggies. Steakley and Tom said they found nothing. The officers took the I.D. numbers of the students, their names and outfits.

One of the Aggies asked a policeman if there was anything else they wanted.

An officer replied no, that was all they wanted, but "you might

lose some hair before you get out of here."

Pulled In Close
The police had pulled in very close to the rear bumper of the Aggies' car, they said. Another car, in the meantime, pulled in front of the students' car and blocked them off from escape.

The students got back in the car. Tom asked one of the policemen if he could get the door on the other side of the car shut.

"I don't care what you do with it. Close it if you want to," replied the policeman. Steakley said the university students seemed to take this as a cue, and one reached in

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L. C. Stromquist, chief traffic and security officer of the university, told The Battalion this morning that the policeman present was not a campus officer. He said the man was a member of the Austin police department.

The police officer told him the incident went off like it was planned, with no violence. The officer reported he gave the Aggies a choice of going to the police station or getting "the treatment."

Stromquist said he was sorry things like this happen. He said, "School spirit is fine, but it certainly can be carried too far."

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and started to pull an Aggie out of the car.

Grabbed The Aggie
The Aggies grabbed the man and pulled back. The Aggie was bent backwards around the door in the scuffle and screamed.

Steakley said the police were walking away at the time.

"They might not have seen it, but the only reason was they didn't want to see it," said Steakley.

The university students took the six Aggies in front of Hill hall and shaved gashes in their hair.

They were going to take the shirts off the Aggies, but the Cadets took their own shirts off "because we were afraid they would tear them."

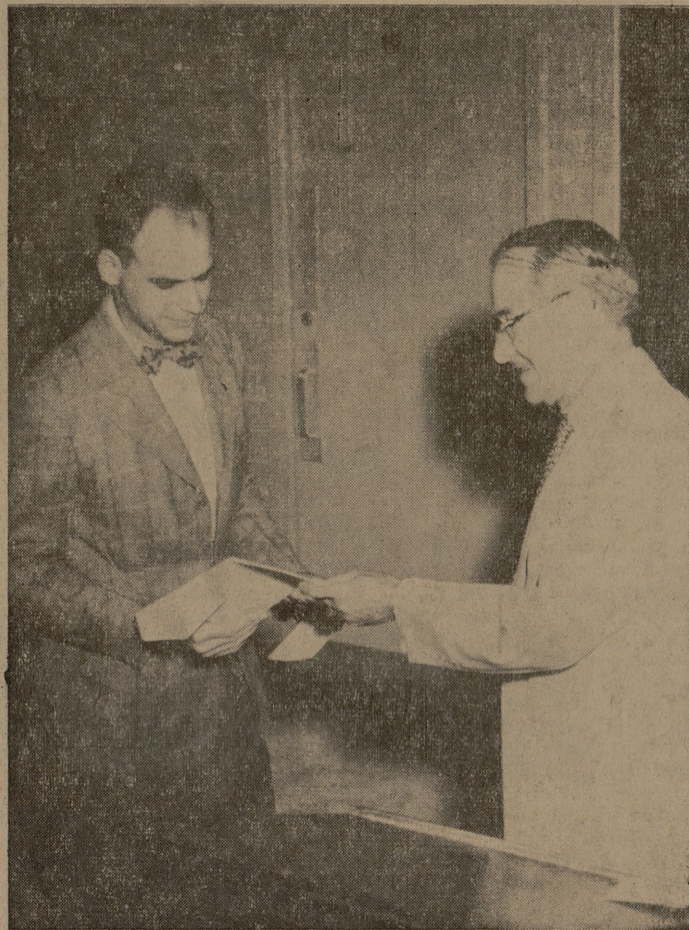
The mob then painted "TU" all over the mens' bodies from the waist up, and painted their hair. They also poured honey and jelly on some of the Aggies' heads.

Next the university students cut off the left pants' leg of each student and painted their left legs. "These are senior boots!" remarked one of the mob. They then painted the Aggies' buttocks.

The six men were taken to an open field near the dormitory and told to do push-ups. They did several and then were told to roll on the grass, which they did.

They next were "walked" into a fish pond. Their clothes were thrown in after them. The Cadets fished out their clothes and were "escorted" back to their car.

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BORDEN AWARD—Everett D. Besch, senior veterinary student, receives the \$300 Borden award for veterinary students, from Bryan Blalock, representative of the Borden company. Besch is editor of the Southwest Veterinarian magazine.

Letter to Batt Sparks Trouble

An undetermined number of cadets and non-military students last night loaded the belongings of an Odessa junior into his car and watched him drive away as members of the group played "Boomer Sooner" and "The Aggie War Hymn."

The student was John Clark, the non-military junior who bitterly criticized Aggies in Wednesday's edition of The Battalion.

Students reportedly packed Clark's belongings in boxes and led him from his room in non-military dormitory 2 to his automobile. The boxes were placed in the car. Witnesses said Clark drove away followed by two or three cars filled with students. Spectators said that he did not resist. It was reported that between 50 and 60 students were at the scene. Some of these were said to be top ranking cadet officers.

Persons living in dormitory 2 with Clark refused to tell Battalion reporters what happened. However, it was learned that a fund was collected for Clark. The Odessa junior had said in a letter to The Battalion that he would enroll in University of Oklahoma if Aggies would give him the money.

Clarks' roommate, David McCane, junior from Columbus, made no comment when first questioned. He was asked if he thought Clark would return. He indicated that he didn't think so. McCane said that he had roomed with Clark since school started.

College officials and student leaders voiced their opinions last night shortly after John Clark left school.

When informed of the incident, President of the College David H. Morgan said, "Well, that's not the way to handle anything of that nature. I'm not in favor of mob action of any kind."

Morgan said he would have to have more details of the students' actions before he could say what action the college would take.

"The whole incident is regrettable," he said.

John P. Abbott, dean of the college, said, "I was surprised to learn that the letter in The Battalion was genuine."

"It's violent intemperateness had led me to think it was a hoax. But I am sorry to learn that some of us think the right answer to violent accusation is a violent reprisal."

"Long experience has taught me that the best answer is to let the facts speak for themselves. Error cannot persist when confronted with truth."

Investigation Proposed
W. L. Penberthy, dean of men, said the college would have to make a thorough investigation.

"We'll look into it and then take the appropriate action," he said.

"I can't think of anything worse," said Bennie Zinn, assistant dean of men. "I never thought the students would do anything like what happened."

He said things are pretty bad when a man can't write an article for the paper and give his opinion.

"It is bad when the students can run anyone off anytime they please," Zinn said. "That is against everything we are supposed to be working for here. If we are going to start this, we will just have a mob."

Col. Joe Davis, commandant, who was investigating the incident, said it was not a corps function.

When asked about the incident, Fred Mitchell, commander of the cadet corps, said, "No comment." Later he said, "The cadet corps was not involved."

Ide Trotter, president of the student senate and corps chaplain, said, "No comment."

Bonfire Guarding Begins Tonight

Full-time bonfire guarding will begin at 7 tonight and continue until 7 a. m. Tuesday.

Schedules, including dates, times and areas to be guarded, have been distributed to units concerned.

Day student units will guard the bonfire during corps meal hours. These units are squadrons 8, 12 and 16, A and B composite and A athletics.

Starting Saturday night, field telephones, operated by signal

corps cadets, will connect the guarding areas.

"No cars will be stopped at any outpost for any reason," said Lt. Col. Taylor Wilkins, assistant commandant.

No one will be allowed inside the outer ring on the bonfire without showing an A&M identification card.

"Even if the man is in uniform, he will still have to show an identification card," Wilkins said.

No one will be allowed inside the inner ring.

Coffee for guard details will be donated by the dining hall, with student activities office and the YMCA distributing it.

"We expect no unusual trouble protecting the bonfire this season," Wilkins said.

Cutting Area, More Trucks Speed Bonfire

A new cutting area for bonfire wood has been opened, and much-needed trucks are promised for the weekend.

A cutting area that will be open in all kinds of weather has been opened in case rain closes the roads to the Tom Arhopoulos land.

The new cutting area is six miles south of the college on highway 6. The Arhopoulos place is west of the Wellborn railroad station.

Clarence (Clancy) Woliver, bonfire transportation chief, has promised more trucks for the weekend.

"From the looks of things now," he said, "we will have from six to eight large semi-trailer trucks plus the six bob-tail trucks we now have for the weekend."

More upperclassmen are needed in the cutting areas, according to V. M. (Monty) Montgomery, head yell leader.

The stacking around the main drill field is completely in the charge of A anti-aircraft artillery, he said.

Weather Today



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Clear and cool today, tonight, and tomorrow. May get cloudy by Sunday. High yesterday, 78. Low this morning, 43. High today in the low 60's.

Library Sets Short Schedule

Cushing Memorial Library will run on a short schedule during the Thanksgiving holidays. The revised schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, Nov. 25—8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Thursday, Nov. 26—Closed.

Friday, Nov. 27—8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Saturday, Nov. 28—8 a. m. to 12 noon.

Sunday, Nov. 29—Closed.

Monday, Nov. 30—Regular schedule.

Dianetics Group Loses Recognition

A seven-man committee ruled yesterday that the Dianetics club be removed from the list of campus organizations recognized by the college.

The group was composed of six college specialists in medicine, psychology and sociology and C. G. (Spike) White director of student activities, chairman.

They met behind closed doors with W. S. McCulley, the Dianetic club's advisor. McCulley explained dianetics, a thought process which is supposed to promote clear thinking and cure mental and physical ills. He also explained the objectives and program of the dianetic's club.

In a prepared statement, the committee reported that dianetics does not follow accepted scientific principles. Members believed that A&M should not support teachings which do not follow the scientific knowledge taught by the college.

The statement explained that the Dianetics club may reapply for recognition as a mental hygiene or similar club. To do this the club must revise its objectives with "more commonly accepted scientific principles."

The committee also praised Me-

Culley for his efforts in extra-curricula activities. The statement emphasized that his efforts have been "enthusiastic and sincere."

Committee members and their college departments are Dr. Melvin Brooks, and Dr. Barton Nelson, agriculture economics and sociology; M. S. Kavanaugh, education and psychology; Dr. A. J. Kingston, Basic division staff; Dr. J. E. Marsh, college physician and Dr. G. E. Potter, biological science.

Kiwanians To Install Officers

College Station Kiwanis club officers will be installed Dec. 15 at a ladies night banquet in the Memorial Student Center ballroom.

Raymond Robins, trustee of the Kiwanis International, from Athens will be guest speaker for the occasion, said H. E. Burgess, Kiwanis club president.

Officers to be installed are J. B. (Dick) Hervey, president; Bob Cherry, first vice-president; Isaac Peters, second vice-president; Jim Baty, W. S. Manning, John Sperry, L. G. Jones and Dan Russell, directors.

Senate Commends U of H Decision

The student senate voted last night to send a letter to University of Houston officials commending them for prompt action in punishing the students responsible for beating three Aggies the night of Nov. 13.

Senators thought U of H authorities had done a thorough job in finding out the members of the mob which attacked and beat seniors Gus Wulfman, Tom McDermott and Don Stallings.

In line with the U of H beatings, the senate suggested that any A&M student who had information on the fight Friday should turn it in to either his dormitory counselor or the assistant dean of men.

In other action involving A&M students and other schools, the senate formed a committee to investigate the recent incidents in Austin.

Feeling was high in the senate that some form of protest should be sent to University of Texas authorities in view of the head shaving and painting of six A&M freshmen Wednesday night in Austin.

The senate recommended that A&M students should expend all their energy on the bonfire and not

on reprisals against UT.

Senators were unanimous in their expression that there should be no action against UT students similar to their actions against A&M students. Let the committee formed to investigate the Austin action do any retaliating, said one senator.

V. M. (Monty) Montgomery, head yell leader and student senator, said he and some other cadets followed a car around the campus Monday night.

Montgomery said he suspected that the car contained UT students. "We were ready for them," Montgomery said, "We had a 12 gauge shotgun and an axe in the car."

The senate passed a motion condemning all beating and painting by A&M students.

The senate appointed a committee to study the possibility of including a fund in next year's senate budget to cover the cost of lunches for visiting student councils from Southwest conference schools.

A committee composed of the vice presidents of the sophomore, junior and senior classes will meet to investigate dormitory float outs and what should be done to eliminate them.

The senate discussed what could be done about the amount of hill-billy music being broadcast by WTAW and dropped the subject when it learned no recommendation it made would be binding.

'Oedipus' Is Next Player Production

Sophocles' Greek classic, "Oedipus Rex," will be the Aggie Players next play, said C. K. Esten, sponsor of the group.

The Players will design and make their own costumes for the play.

It will be presented in the round, probably on March 15 and 16 in the Memorial Student Center, Esten said.

"Mr. Roberts," presented by the Players last week, was a success, said Esten. More than 700 persons attended performances Nov. 9 and 10 in Guion Hall.

Profits earned from plays presented are used by the Players for a trip and for their banquet, said Esten.

Drive-In Bandit Still at Large

The person who stole \$133 from the Circle Drive-In theater Nov. 10 has not been caught.

J. M. (Chito) Gonzales, who was on duty in the box office when the robbery occurred, went to Houston this week to inspect the Houston police picture file.

He looked at 10 suspects and more than 300 morgue pictures without recognizing the robber.

Three Asked To Resign By U of H

HOUSTON, Nov. 19—(AP) Three University of Houston students involved in a Friday fight in which three Texas A&M students were injured were asked today to resign from the university.

The three were not identified. "Our boys were in the wrong," Vice President C. F. Hiller said. "The fight was unprovoked on the part of the A&M students."

The fight took place on the campus after the A&M students had returned their dates to a girls' dormitory.

The A&M student newspaper, the Battalion, yesterday identified the injured students as Don Stallings, Pasadena, badly cut jaw and two black eyes; Gus Wulfman, Amarillo, bruises and two black eyes; and Tom McDermott, College Station, two separated ribs and two black eyes.

Blood Unit Gets 257 Pints Here

Two hundred and fifty-seven pints of blood were donated here Wednesday.

"It was the smoothest operation we have been on," said Dr. Marion Carter, director of the Central Texas Regional Blood center.

Fifty-seven pints of blood were donated as replacement blood for A&M student Charles Arnold, who is in Waco's Hillcrest hospital recovering from an automobile accident Oct. 3.

The Center will send the rest of the blood to Armour and company for processing into plasma. The plasma may be used for the military services or for civil disasters.

The College Station Chamber of Commerce and Civic Development association served coffee hot chocolate and cookies to donors. Box lunches were given to donors who missed meals because of the crowded schedule.

Dorm Drive Set For TV in MSC

A fund-raising campaign will be conducted Tuesday and Wednesday to put television in the Memorial Student Center.

Donations will be taken from dormitory students on those days. More than \$120 dollars already has been collected from tubs placed in the MSC for that purpose, and one television set has been donated by Jack Finney, '39.

"A donation of 25 cents from each man would put the fund close to its \$2,000 goal," said Charles Parker, member of the MSC council.

Don Friend and Carroll Phillips will contact cadet commanders about collecting the fund. Carroll Forrester will ask non-military student senators to handle the non-military collections.

"I feel all students will want to donate to the fund since it is for their benefit, and the sets will make those long week-ends more bearable," Parker said.

Donations will be accepted from former students and mothers clubs after Thanksgiving, he said.

Four or five sets and eight outlets are proposed for the MSC. The outlets will permit the sets to be moved to different parts of the building on special occasions.

Livestock Show Planned March 20

The Little Southwestern Livestock show is tentatively planned for March 20, said Raymond O. Rutledge, president of the Saddle and Siroin club.

Some of the activities being planned by the program committee are horse-cutting, girls' barrel-racing, ham auctioning, and the livestock showing and judging.

In the livestock showing and judging the participants are judged on their showmanship in preparing and showing their animals. The award for the best showman will be a silver platter inscribed with the winner's name, the date, and the reason for the award.

Col. Walter Britten of Bryan, well-known southwest livestock auctioneer, is donating his services and will auction off the hams at the livestock show.

The proceeds from the sale of the hams help defer the expenses of the livestock judging team's trips.

A&M Student Puts Degree to Work

One A&M student is making use of his civil engineering degree to finance his school work for a masters degree.

Robert F. Hillman, graduate student from Fordyce, Ark., is working as a general engineer on the new PE building now under construction here. He is employed in his spare time by Farnsworth and Chambers Inc., general contractors building the structure.

Hillman received his engineering degree last spring along with his officer's commission. He obtained a deferment for as long as was needed to get his masters. He will report for active duty in the signal corps immediately after receiving the degree.