

BATTALION EDITORIALS

Sour Grapes?  
You Bet!

Coach Hank Foldberg is a man of few words. But we feel sure that if he had been permitted to freely discuss the A&M-Texas ballgame after it was over he would have had some choice words to say about some choice subjects. And those subjects would not have been any of the Texas Longhorns.

Coach Foldberg was restricted by rules of the Southwest Conference from saying anything about the officiating in the Turkey Day game. But, The Battalion is not restricted by such rules.

We have seen the films from the game, and we are sure that Jim Willenborg intercepted a TU pass in the last few minutes of the game, we are sure that Jim was in bounds when he caught the ball, and further more we are certain that the official made a mistake when he said that Jim was outside the bounds marker. We also feel reasonably sure that had the Aggies been given possession then they would have been able to run the clock out with only two minutes and 41 seconds left in the game.

We don't care to take a thing away from Texas for the game they played. They played a fine ballgame. On Turkey Day, The University of Texas Longhorns were second only to the Fighting Texas Aggies from Texas A&M University. TU's undefeated season should go down in the record books with a big black question mark right next to it.

However, too much could not be taken away from the officials who called that football game on Kyle Field on the afternoon of Nov. 28, 1963. Apparently everyone in Kyle Field that afternoon, with the exception of five men dressed in white trimmed with black, saw Jim Willenborg catch the football well within the bounds markers. At least photographs and movie films from the ballgame indicate that such was the case. The least that can be expected of the officials from that ballgame is an excuse and an apology—an explanation would be impossible.

There are very strict rules in the Southwest Conference governing the actions of coaches and players. It might be well for the Southwest Football Officials' Association to consider some very strict rules which would eliminate incompetent personnel from their generally competent ranks.

Alliance For Progress  
Vindicated By Election

Not even the vicious terrorist campaign still being conducted by the communist FALN, the Armed Forces for National Liberation, can take the sting out of the resounding victory for the free, democratic election recently held in Venezuela.

As a leading practitioner of the late President Kennedy's Alliance for Progress program, President Betancourt's coalition government has set a commendable example to the rest of South America by ensuring that the electorate had a vast mantle of protection by the armed forces, not withstanding some fatal sniper action.

The point is that the people did turn out, despite threats that they would be shot or bombed. No one could fail to be impressed by the sight of mothers with children in their arms, waiting patiently for their turn at the polling station.

President Betancourt seemed determined to ensure that his coalition government would be succeeded by a government that was truly representative of the wishes of the people.

This is indeed a milestone for South American politics and a fitting tribute to President Kennedy's determination to do all in his power to aid and encourage the emergence of civil liberties in South American states, and to ensure the taking of their rightful place in the Western hemisphere.

Finally there is the gratifying result that the Venezuelan electorate gave a fitting slap in the face of pro-Castro advocates by voting heavily for both Rafeal Caldera and Raul Leoni, out spoken enemies of Castro's Cuban regime. —JRW

CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle Khrushchev Promises His  
Cooperation For Peace



"... IF th' sips are No. 1, we're bound to be No. 2!"

MOSCOW (AP) — Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev declared Tuesday night the Soviet Union will match President Johnson's pledges to work for a more secure world peace.

The Soviet leader said: "We note with satisfaction that Lyndon Johnson, the new President of the United States, speaking of his intentions to continue President Kennedy's policy, emphasized he would strive for a peaceful solution of international relations and for better relations between the Soviet Union and all countries."

"As regards the Soviet Union, it will not relax its efforts in search of a solution to major international problems and will press for the further consolidation of relations with other countries."

Khrushchev gave this pledge at a farewell dinner in the Finnish Embassy for visiting President Urho Kekkonen.

The Finnish president came to the Soviet Union on an unofficial visit. He and Khrushchev and other Soviet leaders spent most of their time hunting in the snowy woods west of Moscow, knocking over Elk and boar.

"I cannot but express again my profound condolence and indignation at the heinous assassination of President Kennedy whose policy on a number of

tion of international tensions and the development of relations with the Soviet Union," Khrushchev said. questions facilitated a relaxa-

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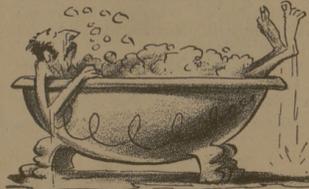
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DECK THE HALLS

The time has come to think of Christmas shopping, for the Yuletide will be upon us quicker than you can say Jack Robinson. (Have you ever wondered, incidentally, about the origin of this interesting phrase "Quicker than you can say Jack Robinson"? Well sir, the original saying was French—"Plus vite que de dire Jacques Robespierre." Jack Robinson is, as everyone knows, an Anglicization of Jacques Robespierre who was, as everyone knows, the famous figure from the French Revolution who, as everyone knows, got murdered in his bath by Danton, Murat, Caligula, and Al Capone.

(The reason people started saying "Quicker than you can say Jacques Robespierre"—or Jack Robinson, as he is called in English-speaking countries like England, the U.S., and Cleveland—is quite an interesting little story. It seems that Robespierre's wife, Georges Sand, got word of the plot to murder her husband in his bath. All she had to do to save his life was call his name and warn him. But, alas, quicker than she could say Jacques Robespierre, she received a telegram from her old friend Frederic Chopin who was down in Majorca setting lyrics



all she had to do was call his name

to his immortal "Warsaw Concerto." Chopin said he needed Georges Sand's help desperately because he could not find a rhyme for "Warsaw." Naturally, Georges could not refuse such an urgent request.

(Well sir, off to Majorca went Georges, but before she left, she told her little daughter Walter that some bad men were coming to murder Daddy in his bath. She instructed Walter to shout Robespierre's name the moment the bad men arrived. But Walter, alas, had been sea-bathing that morning on the Riviera, and she had come home with a big bag of salt water taffy, and when the bad men arrived to murder Robespierre, Walter, alas, was chewing a wad of taffy and could not get her mouth unstuck in time to shout a warning. Robespierre, alas, was murdered quicker than you could say Jacques Robespierre—or Jack Robinson, as he is called in English-speaking countries.

(There is, I am pleased to report, one small note of cheer in this grisly tale. When Georges Sand got to Majorca, she did succeed in helping Chopin find a rhyme for "Warsaw" as everyone knows who has heard those haunting lyrics:

In the fair town of Warsaw,  
Which Napoleon's horse saw,  
Singing cockles and mussels, alive alive o!

But I digress.

We were speaking of Christmas gifts. What we all try to find at Christmas is, of course, unusual and distinctive gifts for our friends. May I suggest then a carton of Marlboro Cigarettes?

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The holiday season or any other season is the season to be jolly—if Marlboro is your brand. You'll find Marlboros wherever cigarettes are sold in all fifty states of the Union. You get a lot to like in Marlboro Country.

Bulletin Board

WEDNESDAY

The Aggie Wives Bridge Club will meet in the Memorial Student Center at 7:30 p.m.

The Baha'I Faith will meet in the Cashion Room of the YMCA building at 7:30 p.m. There will be an informal presentation of faith to the public.

THURSDAY

Hometown Clubs

Bay Area will meet on the front steps of the Memorial Student Center at 7:30 p.m.

Galveston Island will meet in the Lounge of the Memorial Student Center at 7:15 p.m.

Hill Country will meet in the Gay Room of the YMCA Building at 7:30 p.m.

Texarkana will meet in Room 223 of the Academic Building at 7:30 p.m.

Wichita Falls will meet in the Second Floor Lounge of the Memorial Student Center at 7:15 p.m.

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& John Wayne

In "HORSE SOLDIERS"

PEANUTS

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- Panel 1: I LOOK AT THAT LITTLE RED-HAIRED GIRL OVER THERE AND I GET WEAK...
- Panel 2: MY HEAD FEELS HOT... MY THROAT ACTUALLY HURTS. EVEN MY SIDES ACHE... I'VE GOT TO STOP LOOKING AT HER...
- Panel 3: I'LL NEVER MEAN ANYTHING TO HER SO I MIGHT JUST AS WELL PUT HER OUT OF MY MIND. I'LL CONCENTRATE ON MY PEANUT BUTTER SANDWICH...
- Panel 4: SOME SUBSTITUTE!
- Panel 5: I'VE MADE UP MY MIND... TODAY I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE MYSELF TO THAT LITTLE RED-HAIRED GIRL...
- Panel 6: I'M GOING TO STAND UP AND I'M GOING TO WALK RIGHT OVER TO HER, AND I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE MYSELF...
- Panel 7: I'M STANDING UP... NOW I'M GOING TO WALK OVER THERE... I'M STANDING UP... I'M...
- Panel 8: I'M SITTING DOWN!
- Panel 9: LINUS DO ME A FAVOR... I WANT YOU SLYLY TO START A CONVERSATION WITH THAT LITTLE RED-HAIRED GIRL...
- Panel 10: WITHOUT HER KNOWING WHAT YOU'RE UP TO, FIND OUT IF SHE'S EVER NOTICED ME OR WHAT SHE THINKS OF ME... BUT REMEMBER... BE SLY... BE REAL SLY...
- Panel 11: I DID IT, CHARLIE BROWN... I WENT UP TO HER, AND I TOLD HER ALL ABOUT HOW YOU'RE MADLY IN LOVE WITH HER, AND...
- Panel 12: AAUGH!!