

## Editor.

The Battalion:

I am a senior in the Corps of Cadets in a leadership position. It is a position which keeps me from identifying myself for obvious reasons, but it is not a position which keeps me from voicing my opinion on something I feel needs to be brought out into the light.

letter, we are allowing it to an-

pear without the author's name.

Recently Tommy DeFrank wrote an article entitled "Bonfire, Tradition or Tedium?" In this article several criticisms were made against Corps Staff and their actions (or lack of actions) during Bonfire. I feel the writer only served as a voice for hundreds of people who felt the same way but had no way comparable of expressing themselves.

However, my aim is not to defend DeFrank necessarily, who has been accused of being immature and childish for bringing out controversial points that no one else dares to.

As a senior who has been here four years, I have seen many people in the Corps in "leadership" positions and juniors on staff whom I thought most assuredly shouldn't have been there. (Of course, I don't claim to be an expert on character and leadership ability) I have seen many more, however, who are well deserving of their positions and were people who had the admiration and respect of their subordinates. I feel, though, with specific reference to Corps Staff, this year in a case where one or two "bad apples" can ruin the whole batch.

Why did the Corps Commander, who was bothered by wildcatting in the mess hall, despite the very strong objections of enough seniors to warrant reconsideration, fail to do so and did away with another Aggie tradition? Even if is was only four years old, being tired of listening to it shouldn't be reason to dispense with it.

Why did the majority of the Corps Staff juniors feel it was beneath them to go out and work on the Bonfire? And why did one Corps Staff junior call his junior buddies some foul names and "peons" and suckers" for working on one of the most revered Aggie traditions of all? If ports.

serves more privileges than his contemporaries), then why isn't he wearing a green tab? Why wasn't he at Bonfire swinging an axe or carrying logs?

Possibly some will feel I'm crying over spilt milk. But I personally feel that the Bonfire is the Aggie Bonfire, and all Aggies should be working on it. The Corps always forms the bulk of the Bonfire operations, and anything the Corps does, the highest representative of the Corps should be represented in full force.

The point I am trying to make is that I feel a junior on Corps staff who thinks that people who work on the Bonfire instead of going to San Antonio or Houston or Dallas will be one who rams seniors for the thrill of it and who won't be associated with his contemporaries because he thinks he is above them. Choices for leadership positions like this are choices that degrade the effectiveness of the Corps and result in a lack of respect and cooperation normally given Corps Staff.

I sincerely hope that the class of '67 can overcome or work around these disappointments in their class and make better leaders than some of my classmates. I hope the class of '67 can make the choices of next year's juniors for staff positions that will give our great school the representation it deserves and will in turn receive the respect and cooperation that is due. If not, the Corps of Cadets is in for some bleak moments next year

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too.

It seems that the quality of music has gone up to an acceptable level in Sbisa Dining Hall, as the result of the survey taken to determine what kind of music the students wanted. Perhaps if this type of survey were applied to the food, the quality of it too would be on the way up. Carl C. Prescott '67

### **Short Snorts**

Texas business activity declined five per cent in October, second drop in row since the business index reached an alltime high in August. UT's Bureau of Business Research re-



with Viet Nam, SCONA beginning, the Aggie Players presenting plays and many other experiences—and he wants us to waste our time worryin' about quizzes!"

## **Exchange Store Profits**

From the for-what-it's-worth department, here are appropriations from the Exchange Store profits as ap-proved by the Board of Directors in its Thanksgiving meeting

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Texas Aggie Rodeo Association	.\$	800.00
Texas A&M Parachute Team		800.00
YMCA, Chapel, Hensel Park	_ 2	,500.00
Flying Kadets.		350.00
Cushing Library		350.00
Dormitory Athletic Equipment Fund	1	,190.00
Civilian Student Council		800.00
Foreign Student Activities Account	10-10/10	328.00
A&M Chapter, People-to-People		100.00
Aggie Players	1	,900.00
Bands, Awards and Trips Cadet Corps Headquarters Cadet Corps Awards and Trophies	1	,700.00
Cadet Corps Headquarters	1-24	500.00
Cadet Corps Awards and Trophies	2	800.0
Ross Volunteers and Freshman Drill Team	2	,300.00
Brazos Bowmen Archery Club	-	100.00
Rifle and Pistol Teams	1.1.	,500.00
MSC Club Aid	6	,555.00
Physical Education Recreational Clubs	1,	,861.00
Singing Cadets		950.00
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or hosting national meets Exchange Store profits returned \$30,000 to student activities during the year in keeping with its plan to aid campus organizations.

similar amount was retained by the universityowned business for a new, larger store now in the planning stage.

# As Election Nears

#### Editor, The Battalion:

As a candidate for the office of president of the freshman class, I indeed feel honored and will run an honest campaign. I admit it is nice to know something of the personal history of a candidate before voting. But there is the old saying you cannot judge a book by its cover. Proudly, I will give you a summation of my personal history, academically and otherwise in high school, but the final two examples should influence you the most. Offices held included president and vice president of freshman and junior class respectively; vice president of student council; vice president and president of slide rule club.

Honors received included: two year member of National Honor Society, Junior Rotarian: three year member of All-Regional Band; Who's Who; Valedictorian; four year academic sweater winner. I was also priviledged to attend A&M in the summer of 1964 for the National Science Class of '69. Foundation math program.

There is no doubt that for any freshman to run for office, he must show some qualities of per-sonal desire, leadership and loyalty or he would not be an Aggie fish at the present time. It is not just a matter of signing a piece of paper and you're in at Aggieland.

As previously mentioned, there are really two things of which I'm really proud that should influence your decision in voting for me. The Scouting organization has one honor known as Eagle which has its own merits of fame. I was lucky enough to attain this honor as well as the Bronze, Gold and Silver Palms. This award not only requires hard work, but an equal amount of leadership ability. The second and I guess the most important item to you is this. I had the initiative and will power to come to A&M and accept the student and academic life as it exists. Book-learning is one thing, but understanding the world about you has equal merits. This is my proposition to you as a fellow fish. To the best of my ability, I will help you individually in every way possible, listen to your criticisms, and try to make decisions that will only benefit the entire class of 1969. John H. Focke III \* \* \* \*

election is difficult. You, the that no fish has complaint voters, have had little opportunity this, his fish year. to meet the candidates, much less get to know them. Many of you idate, Robert Ed Glazener. will probably cast your vote for a name with which you are familiar, giving no consideration Editor. to the person's qualifications. You The Battalion: tell me, is that the most effici-

ent way to do it? I haven't had the opportunity to meet many of you, but if you have read this letter you are familiar with my name, Tim Terrell. I feel qualified for the office for which I am campaigning - president of the fish class. I have had experience. I was president of the Junior Historian Club, treasurer of the Honor Society, Parlimentraian of the Key Club, and vice president of the Latin Club in high school. I also have the grades if one would consider them important for fulfillment of the offices responsibilities. I posted a 2.76 GPR at mid-semester. But, most of all, I have the desire to serve you as president of your class — the

> **Tim Terrell** . . . .

Editor, The Battalion:

It is my desire to be elected president of the Freshman class primarily because I want to do all in my power to make the "Fighting Class of '69" the best class in the history of Texas A&M. I want to track down every tiny flaw in our class and iron each one. How do I propose to do this? Representatives would be elected from each unit to meet with me twice a month. In this manner it would be possible for me to reach every member of the class indirectly and discover their true attitudes. With your aid, I could stamp out minor difficulties before they expand to enormous proportions and, in a more positive sense, make improvements which you suggest.

If you want to have an active say in your class affairs; if you are not satisfied to have your class anything less than perfect, vote for me. I'll get you what you want.

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person who knows what his col-

leagues want? Why not elect a

Joe Santer \* \* \* \*

Editor, The Battalion:

On 9 December you, the class of '69, will go to the polls. You will elect a government to rep-

\* \* \* Editor, The Battalion:

Allow me to introduce myse My name is Craig Smith. I'm chemical engineering major fro Dallas and I'm running for presi dent of the fish class. Let me begin by clearing up a few mi

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stand strongly for the Fightin

Aggie Freshmen and the best fish

class that Texas A&M has even

Fellow 98 per centers, in order

to make the Class of '59 the

greatest ever, we need two basic

qualities: (1) support and (2)

leadership. One of the best way

for us to show our support for

our class is to vote in our class

election, Thursday. Many fresh

men have spent much time mak-

ing posters and in other ways

campaigning for our support. B

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class 100 per cent and take an

This brings us around to the

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president with all the response

bility, pride, and leadership which

that position requires. I would

like to serve as our class presi

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Student Government Day, activ participated in my class for fo years, Key Club, for four years football for four years, and tra two years. During my fun-fil days at Aggieland I am ser as Delta 'Y' president of Duncan area, member of YMCA cabinet, member of Fightin' Texas Aggie Fish D Team, and one of the fish spo men in my outfit. I posted a at mid-semester. I feel these ivities fully qualify me to se as your fish class president. My sole purpose in running

I hope you'll vote for my can

Howdy fish Buddies!

I am fish 'Old Army' Edwar

Your candidate for fish da

president, Fightin' Texas Ag

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# Tommy DeFrank -**Full Coeducation: How Near?**

The most recent development the Board has absolute authority in the long and thorny controversy over coeducation at Texas A&M has indicated that the Board of Directors has taken a preliminary step toward the eventual decision tossed in their lap by Attorney General Waggoner Carr last October.

Carr, acting on the request of Board Chairman H. C. Heldenfels, ruled that the present policy of limited coeducation is discriminatory and added it would probably be extremely difficult to defend in a lawsuit.

The attorney general also ruled

to either return the university to its traditional all-male status or to implement complete coeducation.

His rulings resulted in the appointment two weeks ago of a four-man committee of Board members to study the problem anew and report back, probably with a recommendation, in April. But under the pressure of a Dallas newspaper article charging that the Board had secretly agreed to complete coeducation. Heldenfels announced last week that President Earl Rudder had

been empowered to determine the eligibility of all female applicants.

The order carried with it the authority to admit qualified women who are ineligible under existing enrollment standards.

Heldenfels made it clear that the new policy will be in effect only until the Board adopts a new admission policy concerning coeducation.

The Board has been left with two alternatives, but it is obvious that there is in reality but one recourse left open.

Should the Board rule in favor

GLENN DROMGOOLE

Herky Killingsworth

Gerald Garcia

Tommy DeFrank

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#### of an all-male institution, the 375-plus women presently attending classes would be forced to leave school, either at the end of next semester after the ruling, or perhaps after they have completed their degree objectives.

But since wives and daughters of faculty-staff members and students have been permitted to enroll since 1963, it would be difficult to justify a move "evicting" women now on the university rolls.

To act in such a manner would be to invite a wave of lawsuits from angry females, a situation that would seriously harm the university's ever-growing stature.

So it is apparent the temporary authority given President Rudder is but a prelude to what is undoubtedly to come.

The Associated Press has reported that six of the nine Board members favor complete coeducation while the remaining three are staunch opponents. If this figure is accurate then the Board can create a policy of full coeducation whenever it pleases.

It might be advantageous to start accepting the fact that coeducation is likely coming, regardless of how distasteful that may seem to many.

#### By Charles M. Schulz

who really wants the office and understands its obligations. My name is Tommy Hamilton. My name will be on the ballot for president, December 9. I have had experience as officers in stu -dent councils and other high

Editor.

The Battalion:

**Attention Freshmen!** 

December 9 is election day for

freshman class president. Many

of you will vote without really

knowing who you are voting for

or what he stands for. Many of

you will cast your vote for a

candidate merely because your

fish buddy is voting for him.

Don't jump into this election

blindly as you may have done in

high school elections. This of-

fice must be held by a person

school clubs. I have belonged to service organizations, and I am presently co-manager of the fish golf team. I know responsibilities, and I know the sacrifices necessary to unify the class of '69 and make it a functional part of Texas A&M. I will, at any time, be willing to discuss with you any questions or suggestions that you may have. If you want the class of '69 to move forward and take a place among the greatest, start out on the right foot. Vote for Tommy Hamilton for President.

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**Tommy Hamilton** 

#### Editor, The Battalion:

I write this letter to the fish in Aggieland — the mighty Class of '69. We are the biggest and the best class on campus, and as such we need the best representation possible. The class as a whole will be represented by the class president, so we need to put someone that will well represent the class in that office. Being president of the the fish class is not just an honor for an individual or outfit, it is a responsibility. I, Tim Terrell, recognize this responsibility, and I want the opportunity to shoulder it.

Campaigning in this type of In addition he will try to see

leadership in school and church conceptions about my platform in organizations? Why not elect this campaign. I have never a Fish Armour? any time been in favor of the Fellow students: carrying of small scale nuclea

"I would like to be president of the Class of '69 very much. I believe that the class of '69 should be united. They should not be united under just the A&M tradition, but under even more than this, for the future of Texas A&M is in our hands; and only we can mold this institution into an even better school

than it presently is. When you fish go to the polls, remember: you can't go wrong with a BRAND name."

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Fish Armour

#### Editor. The Battalion:

I am writing this letter in an attempt to gain votes for my candidate for fish class president, Robert Ed Glazener.

Ed is an aerospace engineering major from Bryan. But don't all you fish buddies cogitate that this keeps him from knowing your problems; he lives on campus too, "because it's good to live with one's classmates," as Ed

says. The fact that he does live in Bryan does, however, give him an advantage, since he has been close to the University for the past three years and does know many of the happenings here. Although he is in the Corps. Ed guarantees that he will work

diligently for the fish class as a whole, both for civilians and those in the Corps.

This year the big event for our class will be the Fish Ball. As an annual event, the ball has always given Aggies something great to remember from their beginning.

Ed says that this year, if he is elected, he will work to insure that no fish is disappointed by the ball.

dent, but I need your help, your vote. Tomorrow, we will be voting for our class officers. At the top of the ballot will be the cand dates for the office of president a position which requires leader ship. Although many of you do not know me personally, I hope that, come tomorrow, you wil allow me to have the opportunity to prove myself, not only as s leader, but also as YOUR FISH BUDDY.

Craig Smith

PEANUTS SOME STUPID KID AT SCHOOL GOOD GRIEF! WELL, DON'T LET THAT BOTHER IT ISN'T THAT .... I HURT MY WAS TEASING ME ABOUT MY EYE PATCH! HE SAID I LOOKED YOU ... THIS IS JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS YOU HAVE TO AND GIVING HIM A JUDO CHOP! WAAH! WHY ARE YOU LEARN TO GET USED TO ... LIKE "LONG JOHN SILVER" CRYING? (0) -20 2) 2 2 UVGali 12Vb EZ

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