

# Another Problem For The British

This may be one of the toughest months in the history of America's biggest European ally. Britain it seems has been shot out of the saddle on three occasions, all of them belittling Churchill's "V" sign. The biggest world headlines came when Britain devalued the pound to \$2.40 and created a temporary gold rush which had Charles DeGaulle grinning at the prospects of hindering United States economic position. The devaluation had some Britains screaming for Prime Minister Wilson's head, and, as head, Wilson still remains in a tender position. Next, British troops completely evacuated the Protectorate of Yeoman, and left rule to its native inhabitants. The British empire doesn't seem to extend beyond London city limits these days.

A third blight on the tiny North Seat island empire has come in the form of hoof and mouth disease, which has caused British farmers to kill more than 200,000 cattle, sheep, pigs and goats in an attempt to halt the spread of the disease.

Veterinarians say the epidemic is extremely contagious and each new case means the slaughter of hundreds of animals.

Although the farmer gets market value for his lost stock, he gets nothing for lost milk yield, butter sales or the cost of starting a new herd.

Minister of Agriculture Fred Peart insists the disease is not out of control and that losses are less than one per cent of Britain's livestock. But he does admit that Britain will lose almost \$300,000 in exports. No boom for an already faltering British economy.

We hope that a stiff upper lip and some good turns of fate accompany an otherwise rainy winter outlook for our Atlantic partners.

# AFROTC Offers 2-Year Program

The object of Air Force ROTC is to place on active duty lieutenants who have the knowledge and potential to become competent leaders and managers. Besides the traditional four-year program normally entered into by freshmen, Texas A&M offers a two-year program for students who have only two years of academic work remaining, at either the undergraduate or graduate level or through a combination of the two. Entry into the two-year program is on a competitive basis. Applicants must pass the Air Force Officers' Qualifying Test, the Air Force physical exam, and be selected by an interview with officers of the A&M Department of Aerospace Studies. Emphasis is being placed on the career areas most needed by the Air Force: pilot, navigator, and technical or scientific in that order, according to Maj. H. H. Wandry.

"Selectees must attend one six-week Field Training course, held on an Air Force base during each summer semester. Trainees receive travel pay both ways and approximately \$120 for the training period, and are provided uniforms and text books. Those who successfully complete this training and who meet all requirements may then enroll as cadets in the two-year Professional Officer Course upon return to campus in the fall."

"Cadets in two-year POC receive \$50 per month in non-taxable pay. Interested senior cadets who qualify for the Flight Instruction Program receive up to 36 1/2 hours of flying in light aircraft provided by Texas Air-motive Inc. at Easterwood Airport. The program also includes ground school in weather, navigation and civil air regulations. Those who successfully complete this program and pass the FAA pilot's licenses - all at Air Force exam may receive their private expense," Wandry said.

"Upon graduation and commissioning, cadets who qualify may request a delay from entry onto active duty to complete graduate work, either here at A&M or elsewhere. This advanced education is pursued at the individual's own expense. However, AFROTC graduates may also apply for graduate training at Air Force expense under the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) program. Those selected will receive all pay and allowances of a second lieutenant and will have their tuition and fees paid by the Air Force in return for an additional service obligation after graduation."

Trigon officials to see concerning your interest in Air Force ROTC are Maj. H. H. Wandry (Two-Year Program Representative), Col. V. L. Head (PAS), or Col. W. M. Coble (Assistant PAS).

# CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"I don't think I could have made it if football season had lasted one more week!"

# 'Acting Under Lord's Guidance,' Man, Wife Emerge From Vigil

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Saying they acted "under the Lord's guidance," three members of a family of nine emerged today from their home after seven months of near-continuous seclusion in a religious vigil.

Robert Holt, 36, and his wife Loyce, 33, surrendered to sheriff's deputies who held a warrant for their arrest for keeping their young daughter out of school. Leaving the house with them was Holt's sister, Ella Mae Johnson, 40.

Beleived remaining in the two-story home in southern Los Angeles were the daughters, Robbie, 6, and Sally, 9; Holt's mother; brother Ralph, and Mrs. Johnson's sons, Clinton, 17 and Andrew, 19.

Deputies converged on the home this morning to talk the Hols into surrendering or to serve the warrant. Holt earlier had said they would not come out "until God instructs us to."

Holt told deputies today they were leaving the home "under the Lord's guidance" and that the Lord had told him the \$35,000 rented house was halloved ground.

The nine were without electricity, heat or furniture and the source of food was unknown. No one was seen entering or leaving the house for weeks.

Sheriff's Capt. Walter D. Allsop said the Holt girls "seemed healthy and well fed" and were clad in pajamas when he viewed them through a partly opened front door today.

He said the inside of the home appeared clean and neat.

Neighbors had said they saw what appeared to be candles burning in the residence Wednes-

day night, the first such illumination in weeks.

The Hols were taken before Municipal Court Judge Harry Schaffer who had issued the warrant after they failed to appear in court Monday.

The couple pleaded guilty Oct. 2 to misdemeanor charges of keeping the girls out of school. But the judge refused to accept the pleas, saying he felt there was a serious constitutional question involved and they should be allowed to voice their views in court.

# Fuller's Follies by John Fuller

A few nights ago, CBS News commentator Harry Reasoner devoted several minutes of radio airtime to a typically dry, semi-tongue-in-cheek discussion of that new giant of the airwaves, Victor Lundberg's "An Open Letter To My Teenage Son." The record, a fatherly chiding of a potential draft-card-burner, is already a solid hit on "Top 40" station surveys—right up there with "In-cense and Peppermints," "The Rain, The Park & Other Things," and other things—but Reasoner was not to be intimidated by such a clear-cut mandate.

"It's pretty bad," he noted, with characteristic eloquence. But what really concerned him was the fact that Lundberg's inept attempt at misty-eyed patriotism, complete with stirring background music, was presuming to represent Reasoner's generation's views on America in the arena of the Younger Generation—which he suggested, is ready, willing and able to pounce on such a shoddy representative and rip it to shreds.

WHICH, OF COURSE, it has done. Radio stations across the country have sponsored contests for an answer to the sermon, and suddenly hundreds of teenagers have become Crusaders for Human Dignity.

All this could have passed into history, to be resurrected by future compilers of trivia quizzes, had not another major recording company released a defiant "Letter From a Teenage Son." Now the issue, as the history books put it, is joined.

We received a promotional copy of the record this week, along with a new release telling the warm and wonderful story behind the record and how it became a reality.

"PLEASE GIVE a listen to 'Letter From a Teenage Son,' the accompanying letter pleaded, "and you'll quickly realize why it is the best reply so far recorded."

Well, we listened to the record, which is narrated by "youthful Chicagoan Brandon Wade" (a name at least as unlikely as Victor Lundberg) and backed by 21 members of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra playing—really and truly—movement from Ravel's "Mother Goose Suite." The reply makes the predictable inroads into Lundberg's unpredictable logic, climaxing with a grudging promise not to "embarrass you or Mother by burning my draft card," but reserving the right "to express what I feel in my heart."

We can make the class of '71 the best class that ever hit this campus if we all work together to preserve the traditions of Aggieland.

I hope to be able to meet my fish buddies before the elections, but in the event that I do not see you before then, remember fish Nuckles is the best man for the job when you vote on Dec. 6.

Sincerely,  
fish Nuckles (Barb)  
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# Bulletin Board SATURDAY

The Aerospace Engineering Wives Club will have a covered dish supper at 6 p.m. in the Solarium of the YMCA. Faculty and husbands are invited.

The W.S.C.S. of the A. and M. Methodist Church in College Station will sponsor a Christmas Bazaar Saturday, at 4:00 p.m. at the church.

A chicken spaghetti supper will be served 5-7:30 p.m. Tickets for the supper will be \$1.25 for adults and 50 cents for children.

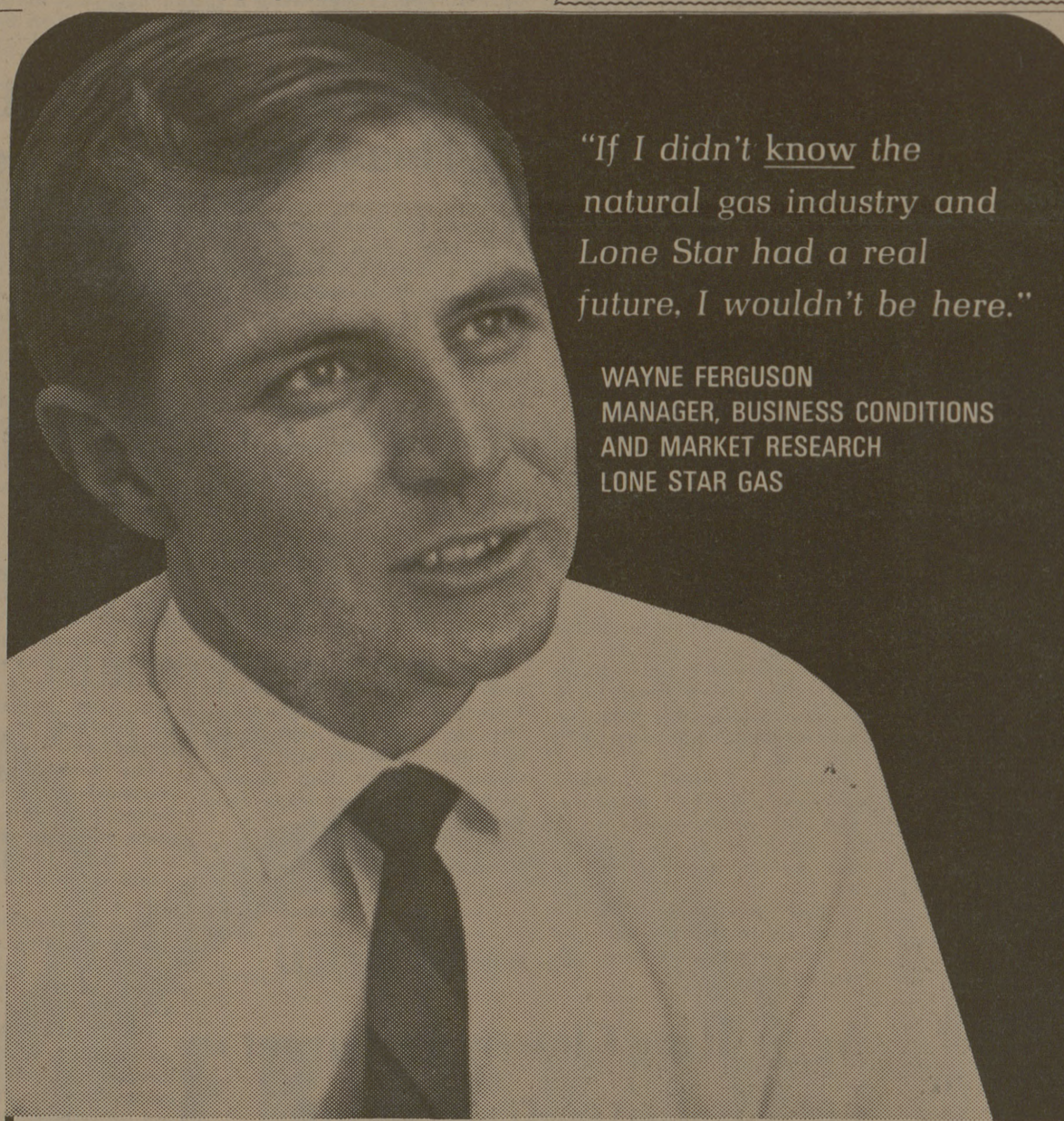
MONDAY  
The Industrial Education Wives Club will hold its Christmas party at 8 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Clint Bertrand. New officers and the outstanding member will be elected.

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"If I didn't know the natural gas industry and Lone Star had a real future, I wouldn't be here."

WAYNE FERGUSON  
MANAGER, BUSINESS CONDITIONS  
AND MARKET RESEARCH  
LONE STAR GAS

Wayne Ferguson, University of Texas, MBA '60, talks about his job. It's his business to know the future of the gas industry and the things that affect it.

He supplies a total information system — gathering, recording and analyzing data relating to economic and market conditions. This gives Lone Star management facts to make the right decisions. It's challenging. Wayne's even back in school, studying for a master's degree in finance at SMU, as he puts it — "just to keep up."

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