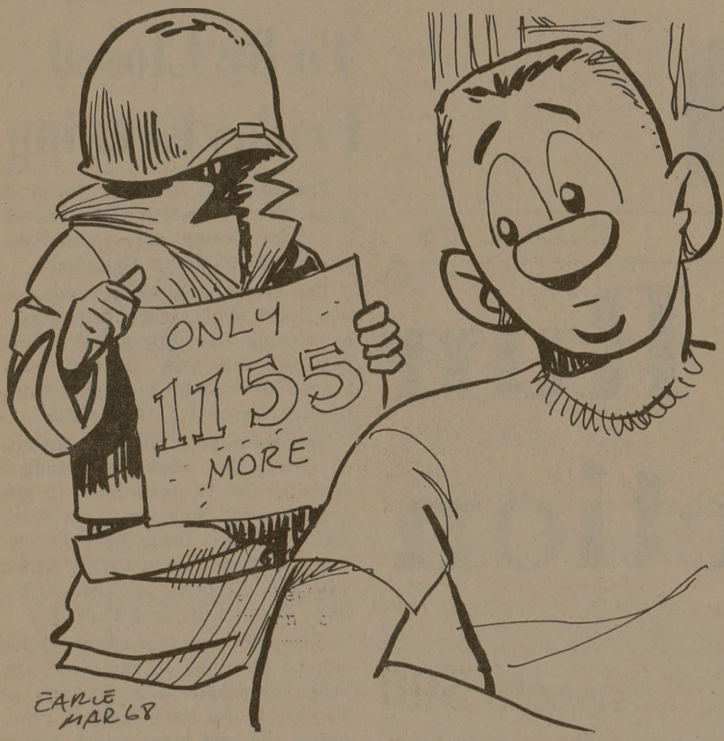


CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"Until my graduation—what else?"

Theft Problems Employes' Fault

Chances are good that before you complete your business career you'll be a thief! According to an article appearing in the Houston Post last Sunday, some 25 million larcenies were committed in 1967 by company employes, and an estimated 30 per cent of all business failures were blamed on employe thefts.

For business and industry thievery is an acute problem and one that has led to a rationalization that snooping and snooping devices are not bad but beneficial.

To counter theft, businesses have resorted to photographing check cashers, monitoring phones and offices, televising employes and customers on closed circuit sets, requiring periodic polygraph (lie detector) tests, hiring informers and undercover agents, and installing two-way mirrors.

In most stores hidden eyes are particularly alert for women who slip merchandise under their dresses or into their purses.

At A&M, the Exchange Store utilizes a rather common aid to surveillance—the parabolic mirror, which provides a 180 degree view of the scene.

When properly placed the mirrors can provide an all-encompassing "eye" on isles and even around corners.

One of the most interesting devices described in the Post article was a protective system to prevent book thefts in libraries.

It would work like this: "A paper—thin sheet of electro-magnetically-treated metal alloy is cemented between a book's flyleaf. It retains its harmless charge so long as the book is not checked out.

"When it is, the librarian passes the book over a de-activator, neutralizing the magnetic charge. When the book is returned it is recharged.

"At the exit are verticle seeing units disguised as columns. If the patron tries to go out with a 'live' book—one that has not been deactivated—the library turnstiles will lock, an alarm will sound and a warning light will go on."

Sen. Edward Long (D-Mo.) head of the subcommittee probing privacy invasions, estimates that one in every 10 Americans has at one time or another been in a bugged room or talked on a tapped telephone." Soon, it may be one in five.

Editor, The Battalion: In a recent letter it was suggested that a better voter turnout would result if voting machines were placed in the Shisa Hall area.

I would like to suggest that this would be not only a good idea, but that it should also include the Duncan area. The Memorial Student Center is about as centrally located as any one building, but if machines can be obtained for other areas, the two mess halls would be ideal locations.

Bob Daniels '70

Editor, The Battalion: This letter is in reply to the letter of P. Wayne Gosnell et al which appeared in the March 13

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yell leader are Weldon Riggs, Garry Mauro, Barry R. Griffin, Matthew R. Carrol, Sam Torn, Richard L. Legler, David A. Hoelscher, Ronald L. Adams, Terrence Woodworth, David R. Fisher, Eugene A. Taylor, Delbert Shuford, Vic T. Naccarato and Michael G. Granberry.

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Donald E. Branson and Edward A. Gould filed for MSC Council representative. In the race for secretary-treasurer are Phil S. Farr, Kent Smith, Thomas C. Fitzhugh, Robert M. Tramuto, Paul A. Scopel and William E. Shepard.

RUNNING FOR social secretary are John H. Speer, Barry K. Burt, Albert E. Kinkead, Michael E. Godwin and Laurence L. Duncan.

Election Commission candidates are John E. Edmiston, Charles D. Nelson, Dudley S. Green, William J. Avant, Michael M. Slay, Robert J. Trampota, Albert L. Reese, Warren T. Faulkner, Paul F. Ammons, Ralph K. Swygert, Thomas P. Girdner, Thomas H. Alford, Jesse C. DiUietro, Robert Wink, William D. Harris, Van H. Taylor, Payne Harrison and Bert Henderson.

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issue of the Battalion and which offered a solution to the civilian student election apathy problem. It was suggested that voting machines be placed in Shisa Dining Hall or in the newsstand adjacent to it instead of in the Memorial Student Center basement exclusively. Perhaps the best argument that I can make for the current system would be to describe the election procedures now in use.

The student organization charged with the responsibility of conducting student elections is the Election Commission. The Election Commission, which is subordinate to the Student Senate, is composed of approximately 35 students, elected in accordance with the University's Regulations. It is the Election Commission's responsibility to insure that all phases of the electoral process are conducted fairly and impartially. The Election Commission supervises the filing, the actual voting, and the counting of the votes, to include choosing the site for the voting machines. Helping the Election Commission when problems arise are our faculty advisors. Of this group of advisors, there is only one man qualified to set up the machines for voting and to repair any malfunctions. This man is Mr. Houston, Building Supervisor for the Memorial Student Center, whose work does not allow him to leave the MSC during the day.

By now most of the arguments against the placement of the voting machines in Shisa, or any place other than the MSC, should be evident. First, the polls must be manned by at least 3 members of the Election Commission, at least one of whom must be an officer, from 7:45 to 5:30 or 6 on election days. This stretches us thin even with only one polling place. It would be impossible with the present manpower to man two polls all day long. Second, and most important, the machines have to be in the MSC so that Mr. Houston can repair them in case of malfunction.

Third, when the question was brought up earlier this year, the officers of the Election Commission and the faculty advisors agreed that it would not be feasible to place election machines anywhere but in the MSC. Regrettably, the placement of the voting machines in the Memorial Student Center does cause the conscientious voter a slight inconvenience. However, it is felt that the present election procedures are adequate and are serving the student body in the optimum manner.

Anthony Benedetto '68 Chairman, Election Commission

Bulletin Board

TODAY

The Student AVMA Auxiliary will elect officers at 7:30 p.m. in the Texas Room of the Bryan Building and Loan Building.

The MSC Travel Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Room of the Memorial Student Center.

WEDNESDAY

The Finance Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 202 of Francis Hall.

THURSDAY

The Deep East Texas Hometown Club will elect officers at 7:30 p.m. in Room 3A of the Memorial Student Center.

The Amarillo Hometown Club will have dinner at 6 p.m. at the Monterey House.

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On Campus with Max Schulman (By the author of "Rally Round the Flag, Boys!" "Dobie Gillis," etc.)

MONEY: THE STORY OF AN ENGINEER

We all know, of course, that in this age of technology every engineering senior is receiving fabulous offers of employment, but do we realize just how fabulous these offers are? Do we comprehend just how keenly industry is competing? To illustrate, let me cite the true and typical case of E. Pluribus Ewbank, a true and typical senior.

One day last week while strolling across the M.I.T. campus, E. Pluribus was hailed by a portly and prosperous man who sat in a yellow convertible studded with precious gem stones. "Hello," said the portly and prosperous man, "I am Portly Prosperous, president of American Xerographic Data Processing and Birth Control, Incorporated. Are you a senior?"

"Yes, sir," said E. Pluribus. "Do you like this car?" said Portly.

"Yes, sir," said E. Pluribus. "It's yours," said Portly. "Thanks, hey," said E. Pluribus. "Do you like Personna Super Stainless Steel Blades?" said Portly.

"What clean living, clean shaven American does not!" said E. Pluribus. "Here is a pack," said Portly. "And a new pack will be delivered to you every twelve minutes as long as you live."

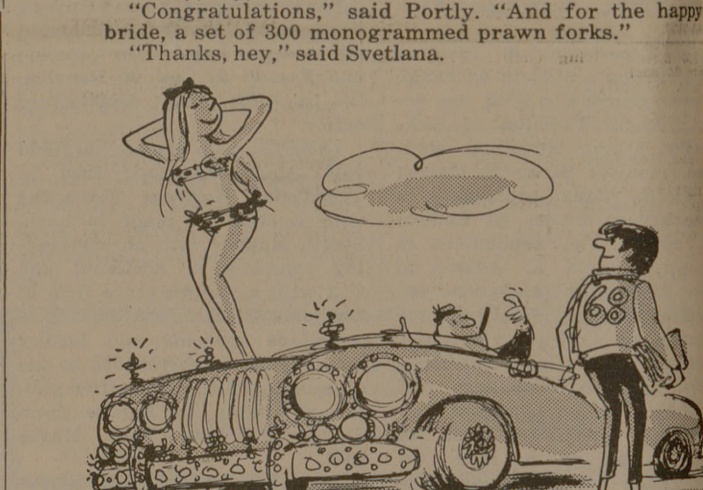
"Thanks, hey," said E. Pluribus. "Would your wife like a mink coat?" said Portly. "I feel sure she would," said E. Pluribus, "but I am not married."

"Do you want to be?" said Portly. "What clean living, clean shaven American does not!" said E. Pluribus.

Portly pressed a button on the dashboard of the convertible and the trunk opened up and out came a nubile maiden with golden hair, rosy knees, a perfect disposition, and the appendix already removed. "This is Svetlana O'Toole," said Portly. "Would you like to marry her?"

"Is her appendix out?" said E. Pluribus. "Yes," said Portly. "Okay, hey," said E. Pluribus. "Congratulations," said Portly. "And for the happy bride, a set of 300 monogrammed prawn forks."

"Thanks, hey," said Svetlana.



"Now then," said Portly to E. Pluribus, "let us get down to business. My company will start you at \$75,000 a year. You will retire at full salary upon reaching the age of 26. We will give you an eleven-story house made of lapis lazuli, each room to be stocked with edible furniture. Your children will receive a pack of Personna Super Stainless Steel Blades every twelve minutes as long as they shall live. We will keep your teeth in good repair and also the teeth of your wife and children unto the third generation. We will send your dentist a pack of Personna Super Stainless Steel Blades every twelve minutes as long as he shall live, and thereafter to his heirs and assigns... Now, son, I want you to think carefully about this offer. Meanwhile here is 50 thousand dollars in small, unmarked bills which places you under no obligation whatsoever."

"Well, it certainly seems like a fair offer," said E. Pluribus. "But there is something you should know. I am not an engineer. In fact I don't go to M.I.T. at all. I just walked over here to admire the trees. I am at Harvard, majoring in Joyce Kilmer."

"Oh," said Portly. "I guess I don't get to keep the money and the convertible and the Personnas and the brood, do I?" said E. Pluribus.

"Of course you do," said Portly. "And if you'd like the job, my offer still stands."

Speaking of wealth, if you want a truly rich, truly luxurious shave, try Personna Blades, regular or injector, with Burma-Shave, regular or menthol. There's a champagne shave on a beer budget!

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