

# Election Fever Strikes Campus

It is heartening to note the extraordinarily large number of students who are running for class office in the March 28 general elections.

By Tuesday, 151 students had filed for class offices. And that's saying a lot when you consider that each candidate had to meet certain character and grade qualifications in order to be eligible to run.

Although few have the opportunity to be baby kissers, most Aggie candidates are notorious hand shakers and love to make personal visits to dormitory rooms on the evenings before the election.

A man's name who has visited you remains in your memory longer than one that does not, providing that an Air Force cadet does not visit an Army outfit, or an Army cadet visit an Air Force outfit, or a civilian visit the Corps—unless you are lucky enough to be Jerry Campbell.

But most candidates do make contact with a remarkably large number of classmates and invite questions from them while running a little scared that they won't have the right answers.

The large number of candidates on the campaign trail, the large number of their friends and of others who will have been persuaded to hustle over to the MSC should insure one of the largest turnouts ever for an election.

The observer of the past several years might note that this is one of the richest election campaigns in years—candidates are not sparing the lumber or pain for quality signs placed near Guion Hall.

Favorite tactics also include handouts and calling cards. And if you're a Corps freshman it helps to have a CO who demands that all you fish buddies vote and for their outfit's home-grown representatives—you.

Perhaps the fever of presidential elections is sweeping college campuses too. From A&M may emerge a Nelson Rockefeller, Richard Nixon, or another Lyndon Johnson or George Wallace (heaven forbid).

The infighting and hot competition for class office hasn't been this good in years, and at campaign headquarters throughout the campus, the candidates will wait with eager anticipation.

## — Sound Off —

**Editor,**  
The Battalion:

O. K. Aggies. You have had time to crawl out of your holes and look around. Right?—Right! You saw a few people? Maybe even enough to . . . ? To What Aggies?

If you read our school paper Thursday and just happened to glance over the advertisements, you saw a rather large block that said something about a majority. —Remember?

Do you know what a majority is Ags? You do? . . . You're on! What else do you know? Do you know what a majority can do if it acts as a body? That's right, Group! Keep thinking. It's not hard.

Do you know where you can do something—say on March 28? Would you believe, in the basement of the MSC?

Again, for you who missed it last time, — responsibility. Responsibility as Ags is the key. Does it ring a bell? You might even use a little bit of responsibility and read the next three issues of the 'Batt,' and see what it has to say.

Paul Clore '70

**Editor,**  
The Battalion:

I want to compliment Bob Solovey on his reporting of Dr. Bowman's marriage forum talk carried in your March 20th edition. It is the best piece of reporting I've read in your paper during my two year assignment here.

Gibbs Dibrell,  
Air Force Graduate Student

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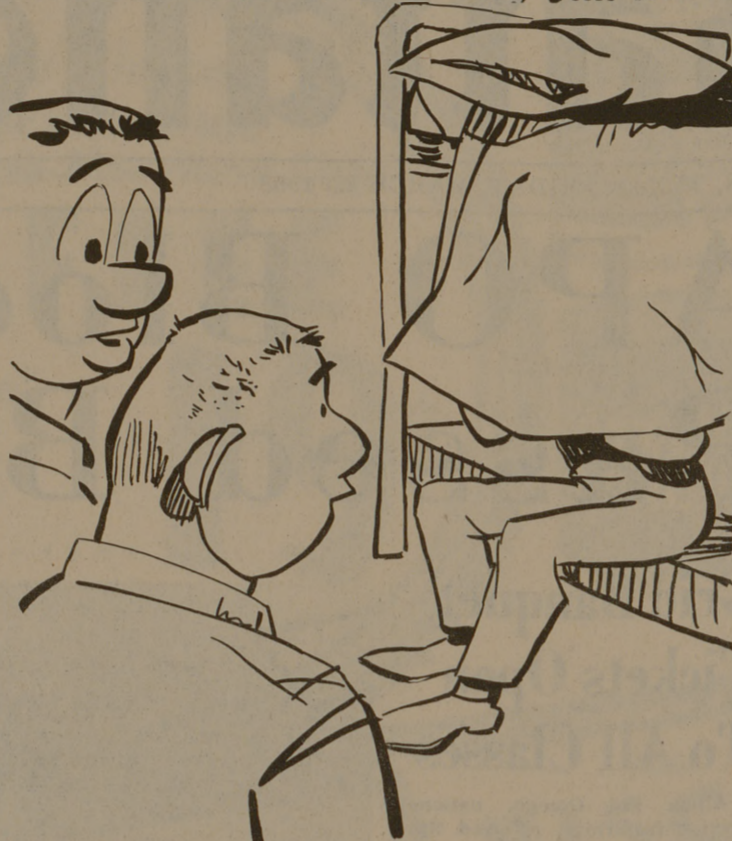
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## CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle



"I've never seen a guy who takes his mail so seriously!"

## South Viet Adds 135,000 To Army

SAIGON (AP) — President Nguyen Van Thieu said today South Vietnam's allies are increasing their military and economic commitment here to his country, and to share the sacrifice he has ordered 135,000 men be added to the South Vietnamese armed forces.

The increase would bring South Vietnam's men under arms to 909,000, including both regulars and militiamen. The regular army, navy and air force now total 340,000 men, and the bulk of the 125,000 extras will be assigned to these forces. The United States will equip the new troops.

In a major policy speech, Thieu also itemized government plans to crack down on corruption, which he labeled "a shame for the whole nation and population." He announced the creation of new agencies for national planning and administrative reform.

"Our allies in the free world will give us more military and economic assistance," the president said. "But for our part, I think that we must make greater efforts and accept more sacrifices, because, as I have said many times, this is our country, the existence of our nation is at stake, and this is mainly a Vietnamese responsibility."

Thieu did not say what the increased allied aid would be. U.S. Congressional sources in Washington say the White House plans to commit another 35,000 troops to Vietnam above the 525,000 now authorized. U.S. troop strength here at last official count was 509,000 men.

South Vietnam has already begun a partial mobilization to fill the expanded military quota. The program involves drafting 18- and 19-year-olds, recalling reservists and veterans and stopping discharges.

## Planes Bother His Chickens

(AP) — Walter King, 68, told authorities he began shooting at low-flying aircraft because the planes disturbed his squawking chickens "and I ain't had no rest at all."

King, a chicken farmer, who also operates an auto junkyard, was arrested by state troopers who caught him blasting away with a rifle at a circling airplane.

"There's been a solid buzzing of me night and day for two and a half years," King explained, "it's just wore me out."

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By Charles M. Schulz

CHARLIE BROWN: WHEN A TEAM LOSES A GAME, IS IT THE FAULT OF THE PLAYERS OR THE MANAGER?

WELL, I DON'T KNOW... IT'S KIND OF HARD TO SAY, AND I...

WELL, I'M NOT AFRAID TO SAY! WHEN A TEAM LOSES A GAME, I THINK IT'S THE FAULT OF THE MANAGER!

BOOT!