

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"My plan is to sublease my box to all the guys in our outfit and for this fee I'll give room delivery on all letters! Both of them each week!"

Bomb Halt Remark Plagues Humphrey

As expected, Vice-President Hubert Humphrey's bombing-halt statement in Monday's nationwide television speech has drawn air strikes from his opponents. Richard Nixon denounced the offer as an attempt to pander to McCarthy followers; other leading Republicans charged that the statement would weaken U.S. negotiating power in Paris.

Associated Press News Analyst Lewis Gulick pointed out Tuesday that the reaction may be overly apprehensive. Humphrey did, after all, promise that if he were elected, he would "give key weight to evidence of Communist willingness to restore the demilitarized zone between North and South Vietnam." The action to which he referred would presumably be a temporary halt, designed to smooth the way for meaningful talk, and would only be taken as "an acceptable risk."

Nevertheless, such a statement really wasn't cut out for this segment of the campaign. President Johnson, although a declared supporter of Humphrey, was obligated by the "non-partisan commander-in-chief" role he assumed last March to issue some reminders of present policy. These inevitably stimulated comment among those who believe Johnson isn't too fond of Humphrey's new-found independence. Of course, as Gulick noted, both the Vice-President and Johnson have left the bombing-halt option more or less open, and the phrasing "leaves it up to the President to decide whether . . . evidence would make the military risk seem worthwhile."

As to the statement's effect on negotiation, there is room for debate. Whether any campaign statements on the bombing tactics could substantially weaken or strengthen the possibility of an agreement in Paris would seem to depend on whether the North Vietnamese have already decided who will succeed the "non-partisan commander-in-chief." And if they know, we wish they'd tell us.

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Listen Up

Editor, The Battalion:
 Last year I had the good fortune of working on several projects with Jack MacGillis. Each time I was very much impressed with Jack's imagination and outstanding leadership ability. I personally feel that Jack is capable of handling any position of leadership on the Texas A&M campus. He is now running for president of Walton Hall and as always he has my enthusiastic endorsement. I am hopeful that Jack will be elected and continue to play a big part in working for the success of the new residence hall program.

Garry P. Mauro
 Yell Leader '70

CAMPUS CHEST

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serve as advisors to the committee.

The 40 per cent of Campus Chest donations not set aside for students is used for Welfare Committee activities, Howard added. These include money given for charity organizations such as the Red Cross, Easter Seals, March of Dimes, Food for Korean Orphans, and World University Service.

WORLD UNIVERSITY Service works with students attending colleges in underdeveloped countries to help them develop good student government comparable to that in American colleges.

By donating to various charitable drives, the Campus Chest gives students the opportunity to donate to several groups at one time without the groups having to come on campus.

Also supported is the Big Brother Project, in which A&M students have financially adopted 38 orphans from Faith Home in Houston, Howard noted. The orphans will be taken to the Arkansas football game and shown the campus, from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Nov. 2, by 38 students and their dates.

Money is provided for the official A&M orphan, Carla Remer from the Indian reservation at Vian, Oklahoma, who will be here for the Rice football game.

ANOTHER, OFTEN overlooked, project is the providing of floral sprays for the funerals of all students who die while enrolled at A&M.

Started in 1952, the Campus Chest ran every year until 1964, when it was discontinued because there was more than enough money in the fund for its activities.

On Oct. 8 at the kick-off dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom, the purpose and procedure of the fund drive will be explained to Corps commanders and civilian residence hall presidents.

The world's biggest fish is a whale shark. Curiously, the 40-foot monsters feed on microscopic plankton and tiny fishes.

Iran gave women the vote in 1963; now eight women serve in Iran's parliament.

John McCarroll

"tell you what I'd do"

(Rather than be labeled a late-comer and plagiarist to columns on armadillos, I would like to make it clear that none of this has been lifted from other writers' columns.)

Recently John Fuller, our illustrious editor, finished an internship at a large Dallas newspaper where he stumbled upon the headquarters of the Armadillo Breeders Association, International. He has brought back vital information on the subject, and in keeping with our tradition of passing on the latest developments, we would like to bring you up to date on the organization:

Early in the spring a contract was signed to make Cherry Creek Ranch near Dallas the international headquarters of the group. Many things have since been done to further the cause of genetic purity in the little rascals and one of the most forward steps has been the establishment of a registry for thoroughbred armadillos.

THE HEARTY band of genetic pioneers also conducts stallion roundups in the Dallas area to assure a pure strain of replacements.

These animals are then placed on the ranch and their breeding worth evaluated. Occasionally there are outlaw bands of local armadillos which break into fields of prize winning stock and destroy the years of painstaking breeding. Wranglers on the ranch now patrol an armadillo-proof fence to assure that no intruders horn in.

"As publicity about the Association increases, we have given instructions to our armadillo hands to be wary of rustlers. The wranglers tell us they suspect an attempt has been made to switch some of our prize animals with ordinary road-crossing stock. These modern thieves, however, actually leave a tattooed animal (all registered stock are tattooed inside the lips and in one ear for identification) in place of the one they take.

"WE URGE that you check your armadillo's tattoo carefully. Look closely at the 8's, 6's and 9's. Our tattooing technique on these letters leaves no blurred circles. Should you find a blurred circle, please inform our Bureau of Enforcement immediately," Bulletin Number Three of the ABAI reads in part.

When an armadillo is presented to a member of the Association, the tattoos are affixed and then the registered stock is pastured on the ranch. For convenience sake, any time an owner wants to inspect his bull or cow (?) all he needs to do is look in all the armadillos' mouths until he finds his own.

Many of the owners are actually rumored to have taught their stock to respond when called, but I suspect that this takes more time and patience than many casual raisers might want to invest.

THE MERITS of good, pure armadillo stock are actually too numerous to list in this writing, but their main value commercially is baskets that can be made from their high quality body shell.

But getting back to the reason that armadillos are given top billing this week. The ABAI is considering a grant to A&M "to develop stronger jaws and longer teeth to help the armadillo hold the tail more firmly when he becomes a basket," says Bulletin Number Two.

But this grant could present other problems to registered armadillo owners who train their pet armadillos to fetch the evening newspaper.

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This column is respectfully dedicated to all the apple polishers on campus. For those so uninformed — this is National Apple Week and also Not Too Far From Those "A" Quizzes Week.

Bulletin Board

THURSDAY

Houston Hometown Club will meet after Yell Practice in Room 201 of the Physics Building. Officers will be elected and the Thanksgiving and Christmas parties will be planned.

Galveston Island Hometown Club will meet after Yell Practice in room 3-C of the MSC. Officers will be elected for the new school year. All old and new members should be present.

Corpus Christi Hometown Club will meet in room 3-D of the

MSC after Yell Practice. L.S. game film will be shown and party will be planned.

Dallas Hometown Club will meet after Yell Practice Thursday in Rooms 2-A and 2-B of the MSC.

Mechanical Engineering Seminar will meet at 10 a.m. in Room 303, Fermier Hall. Fred L. Keller, Process Engineer with Union Carbide, will give an illustrated lecture on "Production Engineering Business Man in the Petro-Chemical Industry." Guests are welcome.

American Legion Post 159 will have a buffet supper at 7 p.m. at the American Legion Hall on Highway 21 East, Bryan. Business meeting will follow at 8 p.m. All members and eligible veterans are invited.

Season Underway For 'Aggie Hour'

The Aggie Hour, a news and interview program about Texas A&M, will be aired every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30-11:30 p.m. on KORA-AM, 1240 on the radio dial.

Hosted by Seniors Ron Hinds of Midland and Wayne Prescott of Houston, the radio show will regularly feature different campus personalities, including Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Gene Stallings.

Also appearing on a regular basis will be student leaders, including Student Senate President Bill Carter and Civilian Student Council President David Wilkes, to give special reports on Senate and Memorial Student Center Directorate business.

On its first program last night, the Aggie Hour featured Stallings as he commented on the Tulane game and gave scouting reports on Florida State.

Sponsored by Bryan-College Station merchants, the student program will include a weekly Tuesday interview with Coach Stallings on past and future games.

Powell Requests Parking Moves

Campus Security Chief Ed Powell has asked civilian dormitory students who park their cars in the west end of the Law Hall parking lot to move them to Lots 1 and 49, the area from the Old Main Drive to the USDA Building and across to Davis-Gary Hall (Dorm 18).

He explained that civilian day students are supposed to park in the west half of the Law Hall lot with dormitory students in the east half.

State Capital Roundup

By VERN SANFORD
 Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — Presidential Campaign 1968 is starting to roll full speed in Texas.

Democrat Hubert Humphrey's official state organization—a political patchwork of two committees representing varying factions—was formed just six weeks before the Nov. 5 election.

Former State Democratic Chairman Will Davis of Austin and Congressman Jim Wright of Fort Worth head Texas Democrats for Humphrey-Muskie. Cecil Burney of Corpus Christi is executive director and National Democratic Committeeman Robert Strauss of Dallas is finance chairman.

U. S. SEN. Ralph Yarborough, leader of Texas liberals, heads a separate Texas citizens for Humphrey-Muskie, and has formed a 137-member executive committee which met here Monday. Yarborough will work with traditional Democrats, ethnic minorities, independents, Republicans and "former supporters of Sen. Eugene McCarthy, Sen. George McGovern, Gov. Nelson Rockefeller and of the late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy."

Republican candidate Richard Nixon and American Party candidate George Wallace have had

the benefit of months of spadework on behalf of their election efforts.



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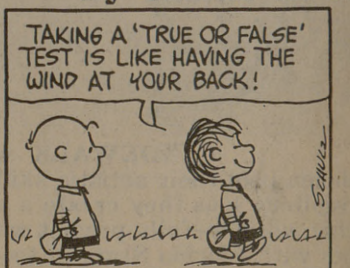
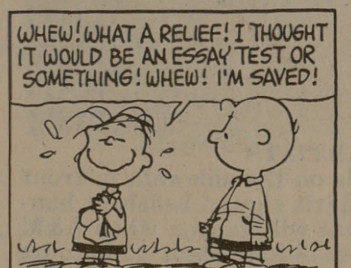
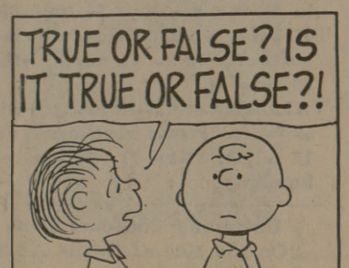
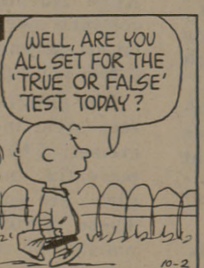
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