

"Maybe you guys had better wear one just for your own protection—it's one of th' hardships of winning!"

Listen Up

Editor,
The Battalion:
I don't know if it would be going against the tradition here at Texas A&M, but wouldn't you think that the kind of season the basketball team is having rates, at least, one yell practice in front of their dormitory? Surely, before they leave to the NCAA regionals and then on to the finals.

Manuel Iglesias '70

Editor,
The Battalion:
On the front page of Friday's Batt is mentioned a committee writing letters to the Legislature. Wouldn't it be better if the students also wrote letters? What I mean simply is that not only should the committee write letters speaking for the student body as a whole, but also, the students at A&M should write letters to the governor, lieutenant governor, and those members of the Legislature representing them. Addresses and districts of state senators and representatives should be printed in the Batt. Students desiring to do so should then write courteous letters to appropriate individuals. Perhaps students at other schools so affected would also write. This method has proven very effective for certain groups.

This increase in tuition, when added to planned increases in room, board and laundry fees, is simply too much. It goes far beyond our current rate of inflation. If this method is undesirable, perhaps a petition signed by a large number of A&M students would be desirable. In this case, it would be hoped that other schools so affected would do likewise. Incidentally, if this went into effect next year, it would increase my college expenses over the next three years by approximately \$330. That's too much.

Bill Lockwood '72

Your idea about publishing legislators' addresses is a point well taken. We're working on it.

—Ed.

Bulletin Board

TONIGHT

University Women will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Assembly Room. Purpose is to plan Spring Fashion Show.

WEDNESDAY

Psychology Club will meet at 8 p.m. in room 6 of Nagle Hall. The warden from the Ferguson unit of the TDC will be guest speaker.

Dallas Hometown Club will meet at 8:15 p.m. in the lobby of the MSC. Picture will be taken. Class "A" or coat and tie.

The Aggie Wives Bridge Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the MSC. Beginners, intermediates, and regulars are invited to attend and play for prizes.

What's Happening At The MSC

By PAT LAFFERTY
Burke Musgrove, one of the youngest and most dynamic members of the state legislature, will come to the MSC Wednesday to speak on "Narcotics Legislation," in another of the Political Forum Noon Series.

Musgrove, the state's leading expert on narcotics, represented Texas last summer at an International Drug Symposium in Washington and New York sponsored by the U. S. Department of Justice. He has worked with the youth of Texas through the American Legion Boys State and the Attorney General's Youth Conference. His concern has led him to plan some additional legislation in the field of drug abuse, including one measure that will provide even stiffer penalties for someone involving a minor in the illegal distribution of drugs. Everyone is invited to the noon lecture in rooms 2-A and 2-B of the MSC.

In an interesting addition to the noon speaker, Great Issues will bring former advisor to President Johnson, Leon Jaworski, to speak on "Does Justice Favor the Accused?" at 8 p.m. in the MSC Ballroom. Jaworski was a member of the President's Crime Commission and his

Tonight On KBTX

- 6:30 Lancer
- 7:30 Red Skelton
- 8:30 CBS Playhouse
- 10:00 News, Weather & Sports
- 10:30 It Takes A Thief
- 11:30 Alfred Hitchcock

Violence Commission and served as chief trial counsel at the Nuremberg war trials.

The MSC Chess Committee will discuss strategies involved in the Middle Game Theory at its weekly meeting 7:30 Friday in room 3B of the MSC.

"A strong, sensitive talent" is how the New York Herald-Tribune describes Town Hall's Thursday night performer, Jeffrey Siegel. Siegel is one of the nation's most accomplished pianists.

Born into a musical family in Chicago, Siegel graduated from the Juilliard School of Music earning the school's Roeder Prize for the most outstanding piano graduate. He has performed as soloist with the Chicago Symphony, the London Philharmonic, and many other groups throughout the United States, Canada,

England, and South Africa. Showtime is 8 p.m. in the MSC Ballroom.

Let me once again remind those interested in applying for loans to help finance summer overseas trips to contact J. Wayne Stark through the Student Programs Office. Also, nominations for MSC awards will be accepted until March 7.

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Closed Sunday and Monday

Tale Of The Tape

Wednesday's editorial was a classic and regrettable outgrowth of the notion that "seeing is believing." The stop-action tape of the Tom Friedman incident which Coach Gene Stallings showed Saturday (see page 5) unquestionably vindicated Tom Buckman and Bill Hobbs from any charges of attacking Friedman; in fact, it appears that their actions in particular, and those of the Aggie football team in general, kept the situation from being any worse than it was. If there is such a thing as awarding an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Heart Award, Buckman should get it. Hobbs deserves similar recognition, because his quick response to a complex situation was in the finest tradition of the All-America. In combat, that sort of response wins medals.

What newspapermen saw of the fight, and in the post-game showing of the tape at regular speed, didn't indicate this at all. All of us should have done our best to get Buckman's and Hobbs' sides of the story into the first accounts, rather than to let first impressions produce vague descriptions; but The Battalion, as the source closest to the players involved, was particularly obliged to set the record straight. We apologize for the resulting disservice to A&M students.

So much for what we didn't say. What we Did say still goes, with the following exceptions in view of the press conference:

- In retrospect, the statement "such circumstances might explain, if not excuse, a fight between keyed-up players" just didn't sum up the situation adequately. We might as well have said the attack on Pearl Harbor might explain, if not excuse, President Roosevelt's message of Dec. 8, 1941.

- The idea that "five feet of space" separated "violent emotions from violent action" unjustly implicated the football players. The "mob intervention" came from non-athletes on the sides of the base line.

The intent of that intervention, by the way, cannot be fully known. The first few students to enter the fray can be seen swinging fists (and one of the hardest hit was Buckman), but it was not evident from the tape that any A&M student kicked Friedman and it would be unjust to assume that every Aggie on the court was trying to do so.

The intervention of spectators into activities on the court is wrong, whether it takes the form of throwing ice and turkey eggs or of mobbing a fight between players. The latter is much more spectacular and more violent, and it is more memorable because it happens less frequently. We owe it to our athletes to see that it doesn't happen again.

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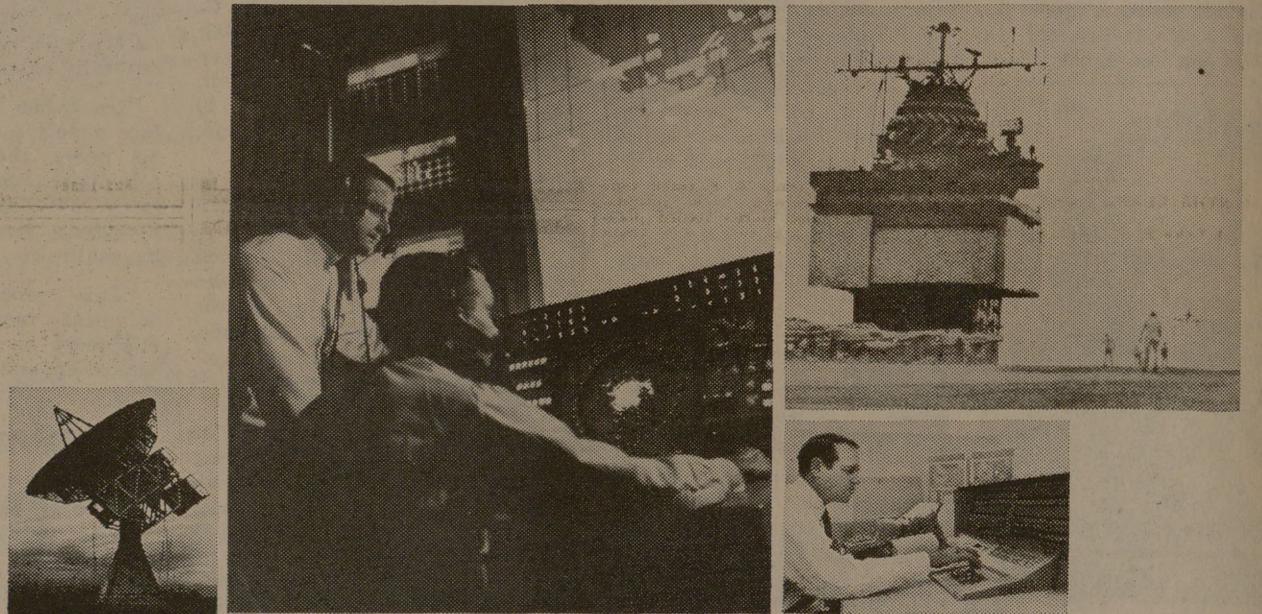
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PEANUTS



By Charles M. Schulz