

# Listen Up *the batt forum*

**Editor:**  
Patriotism includes the recognition of beauty in one's country. Since I feel I do see the beauty of our country, I see beauty in that each of us has the privilege to express an opinion. Further I see implied in this privilege is the unrulied-upon observance or non-observance of the Vietnam Moratorium.

Under a democracy, our country must exhibit the "right" opinion of the majority instead of the "right" opinion, but before this, the majority opinion has to be determined. As voters we choose from powers which have ideas instead of ideas which have power, thus the majority of voters may hold a politically unexpressed opinion. Understanding this, I feel that to demonstrate sincere ideas, the majority (or minority) may have to go beyond the ballot and that non-

violent protest is not only a privilege but a necessity in our democracy.

Paula Dobrovolsky  
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**Editor:**  
I live in College View (B-18-A) and would like to comment on the article in Wednesday's Battalion "Trash Service Criticized By College View Residents."

We have one of these disposal areas behind our building which is always neat as a pin. How's that? When people move in and out the boxes are usually put outside the trash cans but there is no big mess. Many mornings the people who do such a splendid job of keeping the grounds around here pick up the loose trash and deposit it in the cans. Frankly I think the grounds people and trash people do a good job.

Donald F. Smith

**Editor:**

I want to take this opportunity to thank the senate for reaffirming our right as A&M students to the freedom of expression as guaranteed in the first amendment to the U.S. Constitution; it certainly is reassuring to know we've somebody on this campus volunteering their services as watchdog for the rest of us, to say nothing of preserving A&M's image as one of the last remaining bastions of good, old-fashioned patriotic fervor; you can't begin to imagine how thrilling it is for me to return from a year of duty "over there" and find the Constitution still intact, thanks to the courageous efforts of the likes of the student senate at A&M; keep squelching the activists 'n pass the ammunition, ol' army . . . !

Norcliffe Meyer

## the graduate

For all of you who have been following the football seating "controversy" for the past few weeks, it is no surprise when I tell everyone else that the graduate student body emerged victorious after last week's Student Senate meeting. And that emergence came after a long, hard four hours of debate not only on football seating but on the nationwide Moratorium scheduled for today.

Since the last "Graduate," the Graduate Student Council has held its Fall New Graduate Student Orientation and believes that it was an unqualified success. The attendance was about 150, including a dean or two, a department head, and several members of the graduate faculty. Many students who were there remarked to me and to members of the GSC that it was very informative and that they were glad they attended. For those of you who missed it, we will have a Spring Orientation sometime during the spring semester on a date to be decided early in that semester.

Those of you were at the orientation will recall that I presented the proposed football seating plan and said that I would use this column to tell what happened and why it happened at the Senate meeting, so here goes. Collier "Doc" Watson, chairman of the Student Life Committee of the Senate, presented the two plans of seating as arrived at by a subcommittee of the Student Life Committee, Plan A being the same as last year, and Plan B, the "tenure" system. It was moved and seconded that Plan B be adopted, and there ensued volleys from all sides, flurries of friendly amendments, recesses for caucus, etc. By the time the smoke had cleared, the Senate had approved Plan A, with these alterations: 1) all graduate students and seniors will pick up their tickets on the first day or days; 2) the "consideration section" was reduced to Sections 238 and 239; and, affecting only undergraduates, 3) if, for instance, your ID number shows you to be with the senior class but your activity card says that you are academ-

ically a junior, you may use the ID card classification to obtain seats with seniors if you so desire. What 3) means is that you may use either your ID number or your academic classification to get football tickets, whichever is most advantageous to you. The implications of this are that transfer students and non-Aggie graduate students will have much better seats than they would have had under the "tenure" system. From what was said Thursday night, however, this may only last this year since the Athletic Department is considering going to the "tenure" system next year. But, in the meanwhile, enjoy your good seats this year. Now that we have this major issue resolved for this year, the Graduate Student Council, erstwhile defender of the graduate student, is ready to take on anything (almost) where a student thinks he is getting the raw end of the deal.

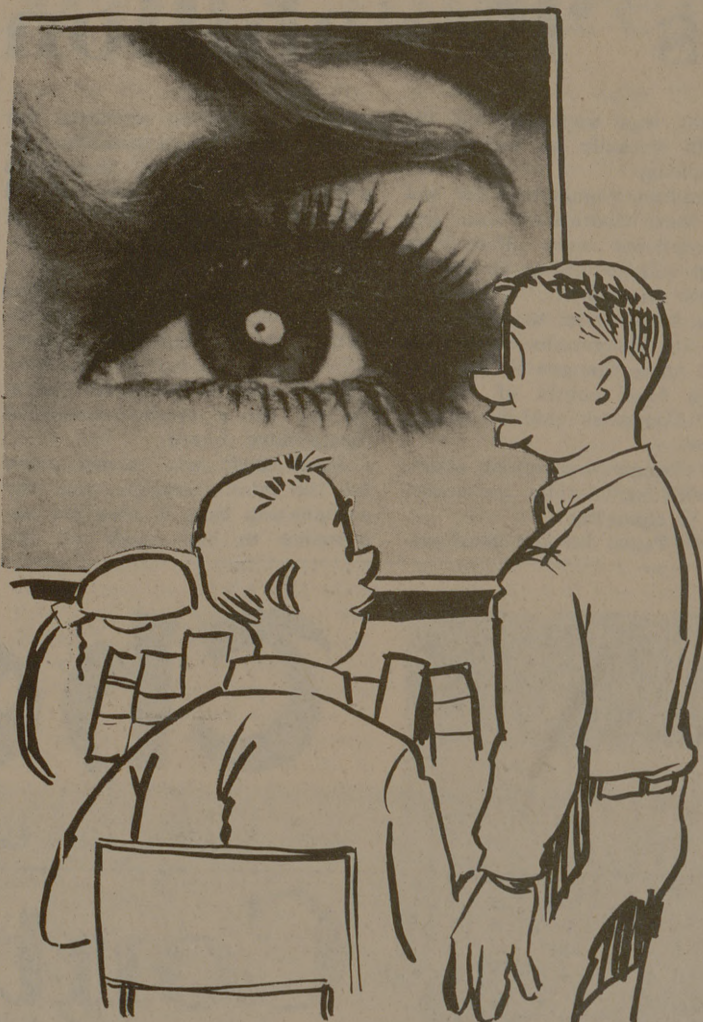
Now it is time for me to attack several factions on this campus and probably get some people mad in each of them. First, let me state my position as being not that of a rabid crusader against anybody but rather as an interested observer who has been a member of each of the factions. The object of this verbal assault is the self-righteousness displayed by any of the several groups, or cliques, or factions, as you please, now in existence on our campus. On a small, usually harmless scale this is exemplified by the "If you're not in Company Z-5, you're not worth a damn" or by the "If you don't live in Gezenblat Hall, you're useless" sort of rivalry. This sort of bantering is usually a result of esprit-de-corps and rarely becomes ingrained in a person to the extent that he actually honestly believes it. On the microscopic level, we talk about this behavior in only one person, who then becomes a disruptive influence within his microcosm, exhibiting characteristics very similar to those of a cancer. Cancer, in its initial stages, is microscopic and attacks only a few cells of the organism. Let us now take our "believer,"

as I shall call him, and place him in an environment where resistance to evangelism of "the only way" is either low or negligible. We start getting more and more "believers" until before long the microscopic organism (the believer) has left his microcosm (himself) and has flourished into a macrocosm ("a faction, clique, etc"). We now have a large number of people who believe very earnestly and sincerely that they are in possession of the only "truth" or are the only ones who deserve a certain title (e.g., "Aggie"). This cancer has spread from the microscopic, single cell-attacking organism to the flourishing, malignant cancer attacking everything that falls in its path. Had it been detected and treated while in its formative stage it might have been removed as a threat to the systems of the host. However, unchecked it will continue its malignant march through the body of its host until the host can no longer support both its own normal functions and the cancer—at which point the host succumbs.

I hope my analogy was not lost to anyone because detection and prevention must be on an individual basis. If you are "cancerous" and you are man enough to admit it, you are also man enough to "cure" yourself and help others detect and cure it within themselves. This "cure" is virtually painless and is based almost entirely on tenet: You are no more equal or are not any better than anyone else simply because you live in Gezenblat Hall or belong to Company Z-5. What this requires is that each person within a faction open both his eyes and his mind to the fact that the above tenet must indeed hold forth in every single person on this campus. The "organism" is question can not support one "cancer," much less two or three, and can not be hale and hearty when in competition with an influence competing with it for the means to attain its goals.

"Nuff said.

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By Charles M. Schulz



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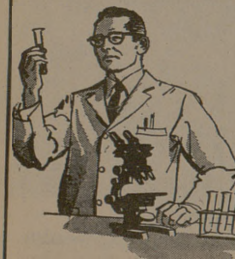
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