

Listen Up *the batt forum*

Editor:
I am writing this letter in response to the "incident" that occurred at the TCU game this past weekend, and also in response to the change in attitudes which I have noticed in the last few months.

I would first like to say that, even though I am a transfer student and only in my second year here, I love this place like no other. And, I think that the Corps of Cadets is a fine organization and that it has a definite important place and function on this campus. I base my opinion on many reasons: . . . the performance of the Fish Drill Team at the Maroon and White Game last year . . . Silver Taps . . . building the Bonfire . . . Bonfire weekend . . . yell practice . . . football games . . . Muster. The list goes on and on. When each individual enters this university, it is his choice to be a cadet or a civilian student. There is no reason for any conflict to arise. Last year everybody "talked" about uniting the Corps members and the civilian students. This is impossible. The Corps members and the civilians can never be completely united. What we were really talking about last year, and what we are really achieving this year, is a harmony between the Corps members and

the civilians. I believe that no individual should be allowed to disrupt, delay, or otherwise endanger this harmony which is beginning to exist.

Concerning the "incident," I would like to point out that I have never seen any Aggie start any "trouble" at a football game or anywhere else. As for the incident, I watched the whole thing, and I noticed that the Fish did not push or shove or hit anybody. They merely tried to get that "sign." The first pushing and shoving was done by our head yell leader, and the people being shoved and pushed were our own Aggie Fish!

John C. Butler, Jr.
An Aggie Period.

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Editor:
An incident of some significance occurred at the A&M-TCU football game Saturday that may have gone unnoticed by some of the student body. A group of TCU students, appropriately attired in black hats, were parading a sign around the stadium. The sign was, as you will undoubtedly recall, not complimentary to our student body. It passed without incident by the TCU ex-students, the TCU faculty, and a good number of A&M former students.

However, when this little group

reached the end zone, they were set upon by a fiery group of young people in the eight-to-twelve year old bracket. These young people pelted the sign carriers with any sort of trash and debris they had at hand. It was indeed a marvelous sight to behold—these Fort Worth youngsters going to the defense of A&M! I could not help but wonder if the Corps did the correct thing by showing restraint in the face of this insult. I understand it was the right thing to do, especially in view of the prompt appearance of the riot squad. But I hope we did not tarnish our image less by responding slowly than we may have done by immediate response to this indignity.

Please don't misunderstand my comments. We may not have the best football team, but the A&M student body is so much better in every other aspect that the comparison does not seem justifiable. We do not need to apologize in any way to anyone for the fierce pride we have in our school nor for defending this pride in the face of defaming remarks that are apparently acceptable to the authorities of other schools.

A special salute to the Corps. The Fort Worth parade was a great exhibition.

E. G. Bilderback, '45

CADET SLOUCH *by Jim Earle*



"... Now that's what I call a bullet pass!"

Bulletin Board

THURSDAY
San Angelo-West Texas Home-town Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the MSC Social Room.

Panhandle Area Hometown Club will meet at 8 p.m. in Room 3C of the MSC.

Chemical Engineering Wives Club will have a salad supper at 7:30 p.m., in the home of Mrs. Barbara Davidson, 1702A Lawyer, College Station. Each member is to bring a salad with the recipe on a recipe card.

SATURDAY
AIEE picnic will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Williamson

Park. Tickets at \$1 each are on sale in Room 206 of the Engineering Building.

TUESDAY
Society of Automotive Engineers will hear a program on "Destructive Test of Vital Flight Components" and discuss final plans for ushering at the Texas International Speedway at 7:30 p.m. in Room 303 of the Mechanical Engineering building.

Mechanical Engineering Student Wives Club will have a discussion on child birth at 7:30 p.m. in Room 3B of the MSC.

Campus Briefs

Aggie Band Exes To Convene Here

Former members of the Texas Aggie Band meet here Saturday for the regular biennial meeting of the Texas Aggie Band Association.

About 600 persons, including the 1969-70 Aggie Band, are expected for a noon luncheon in Duncan Dining Hall, according to TABA President Tom Murrah of San Antonio.

"It will be a unique meeting in that there will be no speeches," Murrah commented. Time instead will be devoted to eating, renewing old acquaintances, meeting current bandmen, inspecting the new band hall now under construction and viewing films of recent halftime performances by the Aggie Band.

The banquet will be emceed by Edwin H. Cooper, former director of Civilian Student Activities and 1953 band member.

Lt. Col. E. V. Adams, Aggie Band director, said the band will salute former members at half-time of the Saturday night A&M-Baylor football game.

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\$191,000 NSF Grant Awarded University
Texas A&M has been awarded a \$190,775 National Science Foundation grant for a 1970-71 science teachers training program, President Earl Rudder announced.

The A&M Academic Year Institute grant is one of 63 funded by \$8.4 million in NSF grants and the largest of three received by state schools.

Directed by Dr. Melvin C. Schroeder, the 1970-71 grant will enable 35 high school teachers to improve the quality of their teaching in an academic year of full-time study in their subjects.

Schroeder in his 15 years at A&M has directed institutes and programs supported by over \$1 million in NSF funds. The geology professor headed eight earth science institutes, two in-service programs at Victoria and Temple and three academic Year Institutes, including the current one.

AYI is coordinated through the campus NSF programs office, directed by C. M. Loyd. He pointed out that most of the grant funds are spent in Bryan and College Station.

Foundation grants provide a stipend of up to \$3,000 for each experienced teacher plus supplementary allowances for dependents, books and travel. Freed of teaching duties, participants can concentrate on improving their own knowledge and skills.

Teachers' applications for the 1970-71 institute must be submitted by Jan. 20, 1970.

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'54 Class Reunion Friday, Saturday
The 15th anniversary reunion of the Class of 1954 will be held here Friday and Saturday.

Class Agent John Farrell of Dallas announced the program will include dancing, a tour of the campus and attendance at the Texas A&M-Baylor football game. One hundred couples have pre-registered.

College Station's Ramada Inn will be the reunion headquarters. The Republic National Bank vice president noted Friday's events will include registration from 3-7 p.m., a cocktail party from 6-7, a buffet dinner program from 7-9 and dancing to the Aggieband Combo featuring music from 1954.

A tour of the campus from 9-

10:30 a.m. starts Saturday's program, followed by a luncheon business meeting at 11:30, a pool-side group picture at 1 p.m., a cocktail party at 4:30 and dinner at 5:30.

Following the 7:30 p.m. football game, the class will hold an after game party in the Ramada Ballroom.

Farrell said former students from Mexico, Oklahoma, Illinois, New Mexico, Arkansas, Louisiana and Alabama will be included among the reunion class.

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Open House Saturday For Golf Clubhouse

An open house to show off A&M's newly completed 4,000-square-foot golf course clubhouse will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday.

The \$83,337 facility will be open to the public said Luther A. Harrison, clubhouse manager. Special invitations have been sent to members of the A&M Board of Directors, Executive Committee and Athletic Council, he said.

The clubhouse will include a golf shop, snack bar, lounge area, locker rooms, cart storage room and a classroom for physical education golf classes, Harrison said. Harrison said that coffee and cake will be served at the open house.

On KBTX Tonight

- 6:30 Family Affair
- 7:00 Jim Nabors Hour
- 8:00 CBS Thursday Night Movie "Two on a Guillotine"
- 10:00 TX Final News
- 10:30 Tom Jones
- 11:30 Alfred Hitchcock

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