

Students Had Better Start Talking

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle

If three events of last week are any indication, students had better start talking. The three in particular:

- On Wednesday night, at the invitation of the Civilian Student Council, A&M President Earl Rudder dropped by four civilian residence halls just to talk informally with students living there.

- That same night, on another part of the campus, members of the A&M chapter of the American Association of University Professors expressed a desire to invite students to chapter meetings for the sole purpose of simply hearing what they had to say.

- Then Thursday night the Student Senate, without a dissenting vote, approved plans to launch "Operation Feedback," a program that sends teams of two or three senators armed with student opinion questionnaires into every dormitory on

campus in an effort to find out what is on the student body mind.

Here then are representatives of the administration, faculty and student government all trying to establish some kind of communication link with the "silent majority" of people on this campus, the students.

As our columnist Monty Stanley commented, "this year the mountain comes to Mohammed." And we commend these mountain-movers.

But by the same token, the mountain could just pass Mohammed by, if he doesn't speak up and acknowledge its presence.

Communication, to be meaningful, must stimulate some response. Otherwise it is reduced to the level of useless noise.

So if you want to change something, say something, "silent majority." You've got some people listening to you who can help.



"Now that's what I call a real 'Howdy'!"

Listen Up the batt forum

Editor:
I was just reading the letter to you from Robert A. Petty, Ernie Stern, and Tom Tamez that appeared in the Tuesday, Nov. 4 edition of The Battalion.

These gentlemen were appalled by the small showing of Aggies at the airport who greeted the team after the last game. They are wondering 'what things are coming to' and how 'AGGIES' could not show support for the team when the 'going is rough.'

If a lot of people did not turn out at the airport for the same reason I did not, it was not because the "going got rough." I was one of those hundreds who turned out at the airport after the Army game, after waiting when the plane was late, only to see the entire team and the coaches, with the exception of two players, get off the plane looking like the face of death itself, not looking at, smiling at, or waiving at anyone of the admiring crowd.

When I go out to congratulate someone for a job well done, I expect at least a smile or some

acknowledgment of appreciation. In my opinion, it is not Aggies who have failed to support the team, but the team who has failed to respond to the undying loyalty of the student body. I did not go out to the airport, nor am I likely to again as long as the football team and coaches give the appearance of caring less whether I, or any other Aggies for that matter, support them.

Mrs. L. Rohrbough
College Station

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Editor:
It is the stated position of this University that all students, civilian and cadet, are a part of the University and its activities; yet in the "Invitation," published in the Nov. 6 issue of The Battalion, there is an obvious belief on the part of some that this is not so. The "invitation" expressed that, "The Corps of Cadets wishes to invite . . ."

From this statement it appears that the memorial is the private property of the corps, and that the civilian population of this University must receive official

permission from the corps in order to attend.

May I point out that some of those names on that memorial are the names of civilians, one of whom is my brother; and I resent the attitude displayed by the corps that this memorial to all Aggies is under their private jurisdiction.

May it also be pointed out that this University boasts of harmonious cooperation between civilians and corps, yet when such statements as these are presented it would appear as if this were not true.

I am proud to be an Aggie and I think this is a great school; but I think that such articles as "Invitation" are an insult, not only to the entire civilian student body, but to the entire school as well.

David Hugh Russell

Activities

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Students this weekend. The program is arranged by the Student Senate Welfare and Life Committees and is in its second year.

Also on campus this weekend will be 70 members from the Class of 1934 for their 35th anniversary reunion, and 200 former students for the fall council meeting of the Association of Former Students and the association's board of director's meeting.

The Floral Test Garden will be an added attraction this weekend. Fifty-seven varieties of chrysanthemums are at their peak bloom on the one-half acre garden located east of the football stadium on Houston Street. Besides the 2,500 chrysanthemums, several varieties of begonia and a bed of snapdragons are blooming.

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Chess Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 3B of the MSC.

MONDAY

Chess Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 211 of Francis Hall.

Matagorda County Hometown Club will meet at 8 p.m. in Room 2B of the MSC.

Army Cadet Wives Club will hear a home economist of the Lone Star Gas Co. speak on Christmas cooking at 7:30 p.m. in the Blue Flame Room, Lone Star Gas Co. building, 201 E. 27th St., Bryan.

TUESDAY

Mechanical Engineering Students Wives Club will hear Bonnie Lay Speak on decorating a small apartment at 7:30 p.m. in the Brazos Room of First Bank & Trust.

Society for the Advancement of Management will hear two speakers from Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. at 8 p.m. in the MSC Assembly Room.

Brazos Valley Kennel Club will elect officers and view a film of the Chicago International Dog Show at 7:30 p.m. in Seminar Room 1 in the Veterinary Hospital.

Pre-Vet Society will elect officers at 8 p.m. in Room 100 of the Chemistry building.

Range and Forestry Club will hear Sid Goodloe discuss management practices on the rangeland of Kenya, Africa, at 8 p.m. in Room 103 of the Plant Sciences building.

THURSDAY

Texas A&M Polo Club will meet at 7 p.m. in Room 203 of the Animal Science Building. No horses or equipment are required for membership.

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Some real cute barbers got a good laugh on the Drag at TU this week. They glued a shiny new half dollar to the sidewalk in front of their shop and then watched the show from the front window as passersby tried to

scoop it up in midstride. The story has a happy ending, however. Some girl pulled a pocket knife out of her purse, bent over, and scraped it up without so much as a glance around.

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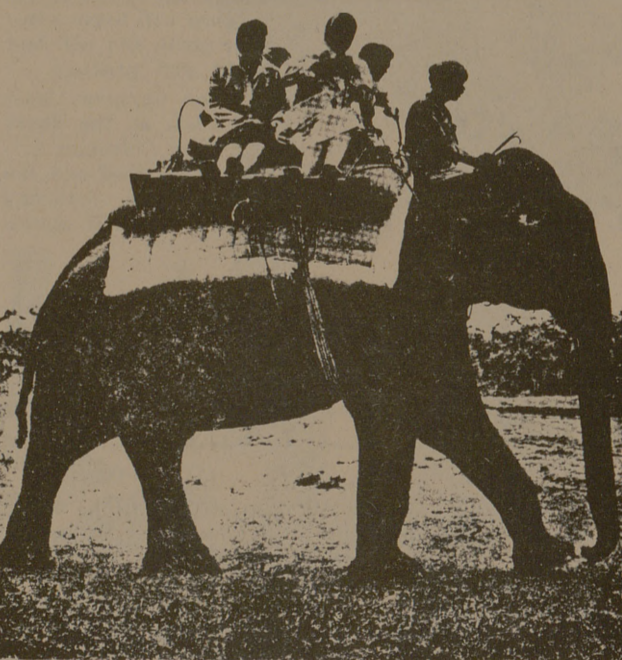
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