

Listen Up the batt forum

Editor:
I would like to voice my reactions to the so-called "Spook Spectacular" that was shown by the Aggie Cinema on Jan. 10. I would consider myself to be an ultraist in the field of horror films, and so being, I was greatly disappointed. Instead of viewing what I expected, as was advertised, I saw a put-on. A put-on that cut movies to preposterous magnitudes. This masterful editing job could not do justice to the films "shown." "The Mummy," for example, was so badly mutilated that if the mummy himself had seen what was done to his masterpiece, he would have turned over in his crypt or swallowed his tongue (if he had one).
A show such as this has to question the integrity of those who were responsible for the advertisement of this travesty. This is where the guilt lies for my criticism. The Aggie Cinema probably intended that the student body would take the advertisement for what it said and therefore bring in a large crowd. The Aggie Cinema advertised three original movies, but in reality they showed one full-length movie and two 10-minute "abridged" versions of movies. The length of these movies were about equal to a Johnny Carson show without the commercials.
Future advertisements should tell it like it is, not how one would like it to be. Contrary to popular opinion, I think Aggies have more intelligence than the Aggie Cinema gives them credit for.

Thank you,
B. Paul Quinn

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Editor:
Knowing that I once attended Texas A&M University, Stuart Isgur, a director of the University YMCA, approached me today with a problem. It seems the sign of Middle Earth in front of the 'Y' had been taken and the get-away car had A&M stickers on it. Later on that night he received a phone call saying the sign would be returned if there would be no prosecution! Stuart assured the caller there would be none. However, the sign was not returned so Stuart asked me to write this letter in hopes of regaining the sign.
Having myself borrowed numerous items from t.u. during my stay at A&M such as the Kinsolving sign and the cannon and the stupid cow, I know the good bull of the rivalry. However these things were eventually returned unless they were at the bottom of the Brazos. We used the good old rationale that the organizations we attacked were of the fraternity-sorority nature and they could afford it.
But Middle Earth is a non-profit organization run by volunteers to take care of unfortunate kids who are experiencing bad drug trips.
If the sign was taken not in good bull but because of opposition to drugs; may I inform the recipient that Middle Earth does not sell drugs but only functions to help those in trouble. After all Christ did not condone prostitutes but he didn't turn the woman away either, he helped her; this is also Middle Earth's purpose.

If the sign was taken by a soulless atheist who does not mind seeing some poor kid maybe lose his mind because he can't find where to go, I guess there is nothing I can say.
So if the sign was taken by an Aggie, please return it, at no peril. If the sign was not taken by an Aggie, please excuse this letter.

Personally, I would like to commend the A&M student body for its actions directed toward Freddy Steinmark.

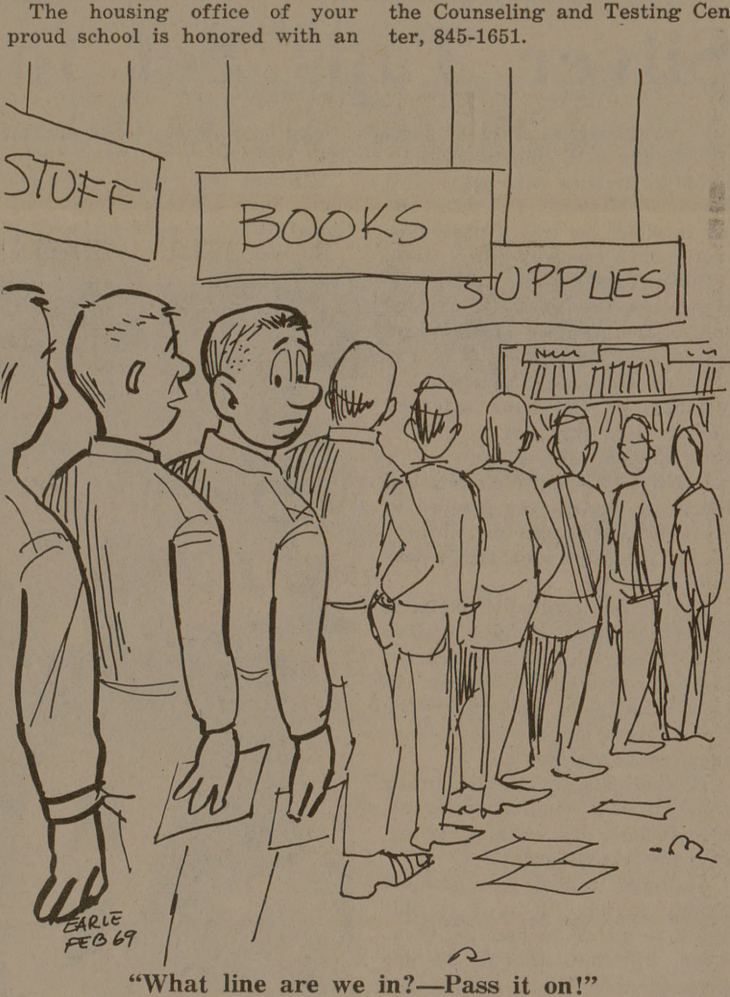
Ricky Leatherwood
Sincerely,
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Editor:
Regarding the continuing cowboy vs long-hair controversy: Obviously these people with hair longer than usual ought to leave A&M to decent folk. But since they are not likely to on their own, I have a solution.
Why not have a standardized hair length? And while we are at it, why not have a standard cowboy boot? And Levis, and cowboy hat, and stitched belt and... say!

We could have a compulsory Corps of Cowboy Cadets! There would be a compulsory one hour course called Rodeo Science, and...
This idea really ought to be looked into.

Gary Aven
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Editor:
Do you realize that you and your roommate have the privilege of paying \$52 a year for the telephone on your wall. This \$52 is merely a token amount when considering the services you receive. For instance, you are entitled to a five-week delay in long distance service. Free of charge, you may make a tour of the broken phone booths in the Bryan-College Station area. Also at no extra cost, you are entitled to a long wait in line when you do find a phone that works.
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influx of calls from students inquiring about phone numbers. Ah yes, the phone company has forgotten to provide us with even a crude form of a directory.
But wait, maybe our maternal phone company is looking after our better interests. Not having any long distance phone service to speak of, "The Company" is able to help us save money. The tour of the broken phone booths does make a good deterrent, for who wants to spend an hour searching for a place to make a three minute phone call.

We would only like to ask why after all these years of proud Aggie tradition, General Telephone and/or the University has seen fit to grant its resident students so many additional benefits?
Chris Kupper
Jerry Hendy

Penalty Fee Waived For Language Tests

Penalty fee for administration of the Jan. 31 Graduate School Foreign Language Tests here has been waived, according to an Educational Testing Service official.
Philip R. Harvey, ETS program director of the graduate tests, indicated that students who took the Dec. 6 test have not received test scores due to a computer system conversion.
"This may mean that some students who are waiting for December results before deciding to retake the test in January may miss the deadline through no fault of their own," Harvey said.

ETS, therefore, waived the penalty fee for the January administration of the test.
"Those candidates who register for the January GSFLT and then learn they passed the language requirement through the December administration will be refunded the full examination fee upon request," Harvey added.
Inquiries about taking the January tests should be placed with the Counseling and Testing Center, 845-1651.

Aggie Wife Awarded Ph.D.

Mrs. Rocky Bourdeaux was awarded a PHT (Pushing Husband Through) diploma at the recent PHT Banquet for the Industrial Education Wives Club.

Mrs. Milton Garrett received the Outstanding Member Award and Mrs. Don Effenberger won the Outstanding Officer Award.

New officers for the spring semester are Mrs. James Collier, recording secretary; Mrs. Russel McCombs, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Ray Loyd, treasurer; Mrs. Jerry Eggers, parliamentarian, and Mrs. Douglas Wright, reporter.

Other officers are Mrs. Ronald McCage, president; Mrs. Michael Atkins, vice president, and Mrs. Leon Devlin, representative to the coordinating board of stu-

dent wives. Mrs. Donald Clark and Mrs. James Boone are sponsors of the club.

Aero Wives Learn Of Cancer Symptoms

The symptoms of cancer and ways of detecting the disease were discussed by the Aero Wives Club in its January meeting.

Dr. S. W. Kowierschke of Bryan presented the program, "Cancer Detection and Self-Examination."

The club's next program, "The Real Hat Shop," will be presented at 8 p.m. Feb. 12 in a place to be announced.

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MONDAY
Industrial Education Wives Club will meet at 8:30 p.m. at the Holiday Health Spa, 3008 E. 29th St. Refreshments will be served afterwards at the home of Mrs. Donald Clark, 3801 S.W. meadow Drive, Bryan.
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