

Time for a change

A&M officially opens its 1970 football season Saturday with a home game against Wichita State. This means Friday night the first midnight yell practice of the year will be held.

It is almost too much to hope, but maybe, just maybe, student behavior at the midnight sessions will be better than it has been in past years.

Head Yell Leader Keith Champman and yell leader committee chairman J. Malon Southerland have asked those participating in yell practice or attending the game to make a special effort to stay off of the new AstroTurf field and Tartan surface track. Senior lines and other traditions will continue, but extra caution is urged.

Southerland also comments that complaints have been made about student conduct at past midnight yell practices. General

rowdiness, rough language and drinking are a few of the complaints. He urges positive action by the students to prevent future occurrences.

We agree fully with Southerland. While we are all for having a good time, the treatment shown women attending midnight yell practice by a fair number of students is uncalled for, as is the language used.

We do not believe showing up drunk helps create a good time, but annoys others and places an extra burden on a drunk Aggie's friends.

We urge the student body as a whole to prove that Aggies still possess the school spirit and pride they are so well known for. We also urge the students to show that Aggies know how to have a good time without behaving in a manner befitting a jackass.

Guest editorial

Wrong people condemned

A recent article in The Houston Chronicle noted briefly the fact that Linda Kasabian, one of the members of the Charles Manson family and star witness for the Manson-LaBianca murder trial, is going to write her memoirs of the "family" life she shared with Manson and others.

While writing lengthy autobiographies has been the vogue recently, and some have been worthwhile, any such attempt by Mrs. Kasabian could only be listed as a flagrant effort to make a fast buck.

Crime and violence abound and the media are not innocent of doing their share of focusing public attention on such gory events. The media do however, print the other side, tending to take quite conservative views toward law and order.

Mrs. Kasabian's book will be chuck full of all of the ingredients that make a bestseller these days. As the old saying goes in the newspaper business, sex, crime and violence sell papers. Of course, Mrs. Kasabian's pathetic story of simply being lookout-man-turned-ratfink is always a good office bet, too.

It all boils down to the consumer, or in less economical terms, you, the paperback reader. It is a proven fact that people under 30 make up the largest buying sector in the nation. In other words, college students are important determinants in the bestsellers' race.

If it gripes you that a woman whose illustrious accomplishments allegedly include accomplice to murder, adulteress and other heady stuff can make a million bucks on the grim details of those accomplishments, then it is up to you to stay away from her end of the book rack.

On the other hand, if you are part of that segment who enjoys the details of Charlie, Linda and others making it on the floor, then definitely this is the book of the century for you.

Sex, crime and violence sell—but to what? Maybe we're wrong in condemning the writers of such books as Mrs. Kasabian's. Perhaps it is we, the relatives of the blood-thirsty Roman plebians, who should be condemned.

—The Daily Cougar
University of Houston

Bulletin Board

TONIGHT

Range and Forestry Club will hold a weiner roast at 6 p.m. in Hensel Park area 2.

Texas A&M Sailing Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Geology room 105. The film "Gold Medal Sailors" will be shown. Anyone wishing to take sailing lessons should attend.

THURSDAY

San Angelo-West Texas Home-town Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Academic Building.

Alpha Phi Omega will hold a smoker at 8:15 p.m. in the MSC Assembly Room. Purpose of the smoker is to introduce the service functions of APO to prospective pledges.

Texas A&M Students for George Bush will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the old College Station city hall, 101 Church St. to organize.

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Panhandle Area Hometown Club will meet at 8:30 p.m. in the MSC Art Room.

Mid County Hometown Club will meet at 8 p.m. in the MSC lobby. It is an organizational meeting for all persons from Port Neches, Nederland and Groves.

SUNDAY

Alpha Phi Omega will meet at 8 p.m. in MSC room 3D. Reports on Campus Chest, Town Hall and

the smoker will be given.

TUESDAY

Range and Forestry Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Plant Sciences room 102.

WEDNESDAY

Aggie Wives Bridge Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the MSC Assembly Room. Beginners class will begin at the first meeting, other groups play for fun and prizes. An invitation is extended to wives of students in all departments, faculty wives, female students and women employees of TAMU. For further information, call 822-2655.

tonight on the tube

Numbers in () denote channels on the cable.	6:00	3 (5)	Evening News		
3:00	3 (5)	Gomer Pyle	6:30	3 (5)	Where's Huddles?
15 (12)		Sesame Street (NET) (Repeat of Tuesday)	15 (12)		Campus and Community Today
3:30	3 (5)	Town Talk	7:00	3 (5)	Billy Graham
4:00	3 (5)	Dark Shadows	15 (12)		What's New (NET)
15 (12)		University Instructional	7:30	15 (12)	NET Playhouse
4:30	3 (5)	Bewitched	8:00	3 (5)	Everly Brothers
5:00	3 (5)	General Hospital	9:00	3 (5)	Hawaii Five-O
15 (12)		Misterogers' Neighborhood	15 (12)		The Toy That Grew Up
5:30	3 (5)	CBS News	10:00	3 (5)	Final News
15 (12)		Sesame Street (NET)	10:30	3 (5)	It Takes a Thief
			11:30	3 (5)	Richard Diamond

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"Gosh, roommate, I realize you're proud of our neat room, but we ought to be able to sleep on our beds even though it may mess them up temporarily!"

LISTEN UP

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land, p. 404.)

Patricia Bath
Class of '71

As I paged through the 1970 edition of the AggieLand, I was repeatedly impressed with the tastelessness and vulgarity so commonly associated with Aggies. However, I have never before realized the immaturity of my fellow students, as expressed in "good bull." If the "Spirit of AggieLand" consists of a boy dressed only in undershorts and a sheet (p. 3), then don't ask me why I don't date "Aggies." (see Aggie-

Lee presents paper to economics society

Wendy Lee, recently appointed of economics, will present a paper during the Second World Congress of the Econometric Society in London, Sept. 7-14. Her paper is entitled, "A Model of the Household Supply of Labor over the Life Cycle: the Supply of Married Women Teachers."

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By Charles M. Schulz