

Making the films 'Monty Walsh' good Marvin show

By BOB STUMP

Lee Marvin has made another one of his memorable western movies, this time playing the part of a cowboy during the dying days of the profession enduring a diminishing demand for his trade — branding cows and busting broncs.

As Monte Walsh (also the title), Marvin is introduced as a rough-hewn cowboy returning with his partner (played by Jack Palance) from the mountains, where they have spent the past winter working for a ranch. They find the rancher has gone broke and left town, leaving them one month's pay for their troubles.

Disappointed, they accept work on another ranch and, for a while, the movie concentrates on depicting what the life of the cowboy is really like and why Marvin refuses to give it up.

But soon the ranch is forced to lay off three of the youngest hands, and from here it is a downhill road for Marvin and his life-style.

Palance is the first to give it up, getting married and moving into town. Next to go is Marvin's girl (played by Jean Moreau), who moves to another town forty miles away. And finally, the ranch itself is shut down, victim of hard times that Marvin cannot understand.

He is offered a job performing as a cowboy with a Wild West show in the East, but turns the offer down, saying "I'm not spittin' on my whole life."

There is the whole philosophy of Monte Walsh, symbolizing his attitude against progress and his determination to continue the life he was brought up to.

Monte Walsh exemplifies the true cowboy, content to live only the life of bacon fried over a

sagebrush fire and cornbread downed with burnt coffee.

The film shows the conflict undergone by Marvin in coping with the fact that his kind is a secluded lot, far removed from anything in contemporary society. One day at the ranch, he and Palance are sent to the outer fringe to deliver some fencing supplies.

When they arrive, they find an old man mending the fence. He is one of the "old ones," a cowboy past working on the range and forced to spend the remainder of his days doing odd, lonely jobs.

They listen to the old man re-

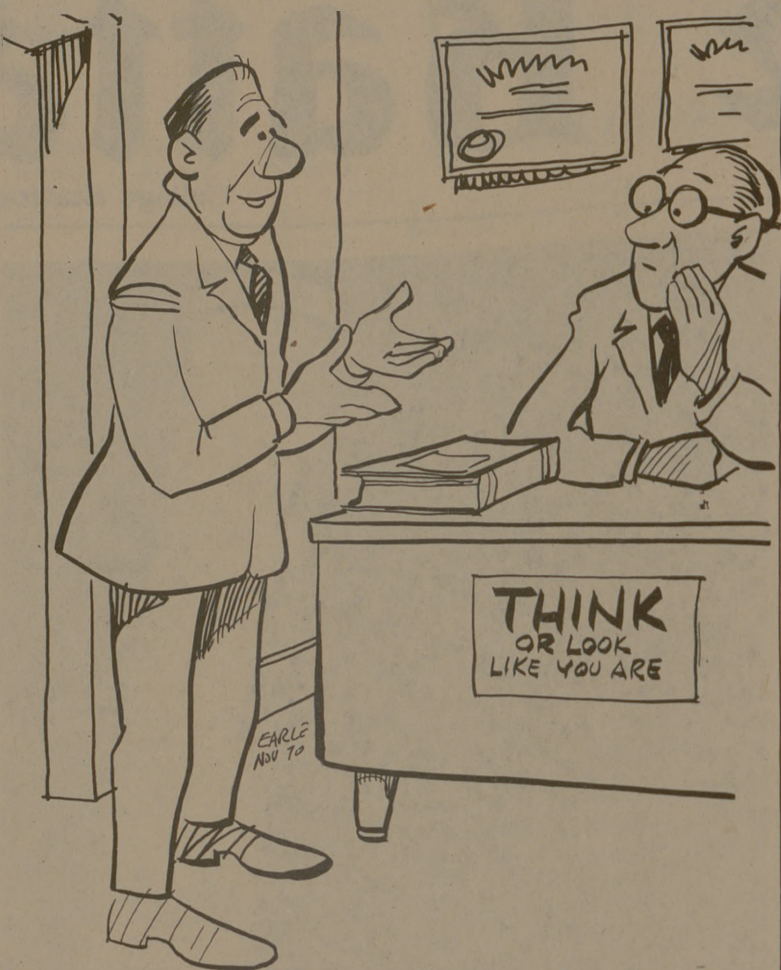
count some episodes from his life and, when he has finished, he says "I've had a good life," and bends down to resume fixing the endless fence in his life.

The incident forces both of them to realize they will one day face the same fate when they too become too old for the range.

Later, during a round-up, the old man comes galloping down a ridgeline on his horse and is thrown off to his death. All the hands gather around the body and mourn the death in their own sort of way. One says that he lost his head, another one suggests they

ought to go see about the horse. It is a crude sort of respect they have among themselves, but it is very binding one and they all share in it.

Lee Marvin plays the part of Monte Walsh with a genuine sense of realism and perception for the part, and responds to his situation with the intensity and purpose that you would expect from someone of Monte Walsh's type. The film is strikingly involving for a western, one in which you get caught up in the nostalgia and urgency of the time it portrays.



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| 2:30 3 (5) Edge of Night | 8:00 3 (5) Movie—The Art of Love | 15 (12) Misterogers' Neighborhood (NET) |
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| 15 (12) Misterogers' Neighborhood (NET) | | 8:30 3 (5) Doris Day |
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| 6:30 3 (5) Brady Bunch | | 11:30 3 (5) The Law and Mr. Jones |
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| 7:00 3 (5) Nanny and the Professor | | |
| 15 (12) Civilisation (PBS) | | |

Bulletin Board

TONIGHT
Society of Iranian Students will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Room of the MSC. International Adviser Robert L. Melcher will give a talk and answer questions. Robert Elliot, a Peace Corps worker who was in Iran for three years, will give his observations.

American Association of University Women B-CS Branch will meet at 7:45 p.m. at the Hillel Foundation Building at Jersey and Dexter. Techniques for community change will be discussed.

Finance Association will meet at 2 p.m. at 400 S. Ackard in Dallas for a field trip to the Federal Reserve Bank in Dallas.

SATURDAY
Game Club will meet at 9 a.m. in room 3D of the MSC.

SUNDAY
Rainbow Girls will meet at 12:30 p.m. at the Ramada Inn to hold their Grand Cross Mystic Banquet. Those interested can call Mrs. Hansons by noon Thursday at 823-8157.

TUESDAY
Rugby Club of A&M will meet at 8 p.m. in room 310 of the Engineering Building to discuss exhibition schedule and Lone Star Beer tourney.

Petroleum Engineering Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 211 of the Doherty Building. R. O. Frederick will speak on small business management.

Range and Forestry Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 112-113 of the Plant Sciences Building.

American Marketing Society

will meet at 8 p.m. in rooms 3B-C of the MSC to hear Will Masters from Sanger Harris in Dallas.

WEDNESDAY
Laredo Hometown Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 108 of the Academic Building to select a sweetheart and discuss Christmas party plans.

Texas A&M Sports Car Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the old College Station city hall, 101 N. Church.

THURSDAY
Sociology Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 2C of the MSC to hear Dr. Donovan of the Genetics Department. All sociology majors will meet at 6:45 on the steps of the MSC to have Aggie-land pictures taken.

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TONIGHT—8 P.M.—MSC BALLROOM

FALL FILM PRESENTS

The Marx Brothers In HORSE FEATHERS

The Marx Brothers gallop through a campus in their own lunatic style. While chasing co-eds and pestering professors, they manage to turn a football game into a rollicking riot.

Because of a different contractual agreement from the rest of the series this film can be shown on a single admission basis for those who do not hold season tickets. Therefore single admission tickets will be available at the door.

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YOU KNOW THAT FUNNY-LOOKING FRIEND OF YOURS WITH THE BIG NOSE? WELL, HE JUST WALKED BY HERE FOLLOWED BY A BIRD. THEY LOOKED LIKE THEY WERE GOING SOMEPLACE

SOUTH! WOODSTOCK CAN'T FIND HIS WAY, BUT HE FEELS HE HAS TO GO SO HE WON'T UPSET THE ECOLOGY... SO SNOOPY'S SHOWING HIM THE WAY...

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In
"MONTE WALSH"

CAMPUS

TODAY—1:15-3:16-5:17-7:18-9:19

"DARKER THAN AMBER"
With Rod Taylor

SNEAK PREVUE
SUNDAY 7:15 P.M.

QUEEN

TONITE & SATURDAY NITE
7:15 - 9:15 p.m.

"ALL ABOUT EVE"

SKYWAY

DRIVE IN THEATRE

EAST SCREEN AT 6:15 P.M.

"SOLDIER BLUE"
With Candice Bergen
At 8:30 p.m.

"THE LOVE GOD"
With Don Knotts

WEST SCREEN AT 6:10 P.M.
Plus 2 Late Shows

At 6:10 p.m.
"LADY OF MONZA"
At 8:00 p.m.
"SPENCER'S MOUNTAIN"
At 9:50 p.m.
"HIGH SCHOOL BIG SAT"
At 11:30 p.m.
"HIGH SCHOOL CEASAR"

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All 3 In Color
No. 1 At 6:10 p.m.
"IMPASSE"
No. 2 At 8:00 p.m.
NUMBER 1"
No. 3 At 9:50 p.m.
"LAST WOMAN ON EARTH"

CIRCLE

TONITE AT 6:15 P.M.
"BEYOND VALLEY OF THE DOLLS"
With Donna Reed
At 8:30 p.m.
"100 RIFLES"
With Raquel Welch

ADDED ATTRACTION SAT.
"RALLY AROUND THE 'FLAGS BOYS'
With Paul Newman

By Charles M. Schulz