

Ticket policy draws fire

Editor:

We have watched this section for the last two days, wondering when the bombshell would drop and surprisingly, judging from the number of people involved, no one has expressed their views.

Saturday night a number of student dates, wives, and friends with student tickets were turned away from the football game because they didn't have I.D. cards.

Wednesday, Mr. Wally Groff of the athletic department made an announcement in the Batt that from now on at all home football games, anyone with a student ticket without an A&M I.D. would be refused entrance.

In almost all cases these tickets were acquired by borrowing I.D. and Activity cards from other students who gave permission to use them, or by buying the tickets from other students.

Mr. Groff and other members of the athletic department have made a serious mistake in turning these people away. Mr. Groff stated that the University was losing money. Perhaps Mr. Groff needs reminding that all of the student tickets were paid for in advance by Student Services charges which amount to \$60 a year per student. If our mathematics are correct, about \$840,000 is collected from students in activity charges per year. We don't know how much the athletic department receives of this amount, but undoubtedly it is substantial.

What difference does it make how a person acquires a student ticket? Is it anymore unfair for a person to borrow another student's activity card and I.D. for a ticket to support the illustrious Aggie football team than it is for the University to collect money from some students who would

not go to any of the activities covered by the Student Services fee? Isn't the great coach Stallings always asking the student body to support the team?

Mr. Groff and Mr. Stallings had better pull their heads out. How many people do they think will come to support a losing team for \$6 a ticket or for any price, for that matter? Almost all of the people with student tickets would not even come to the games any other way. In our opinion, they should throw open the gates and let anyone in free—the stands were far from full Saturday night. If the infamous Stallings continues to lose football games he may find himself at the gate begging people to come in (and to save his job).

So, we would suggest to the athletic department or whoever was involved in the decision that they reconsider this idea of checking I.D. cards, or there may be empty student stands in Kyle Field. A number of students have already stated that they would not come to any more football games if the incident Saturday night is repeated.

Larry Hale '75 L. W. Johnson '72 Art Coinville '74 Ronald Hale '72 Habib Khinbi '72 Tony Carso '72 Roy Beyer '73 Larry Ohls '72 Cris Critchlow '72

My apologies if any names are misspelled, your signatures weren't always clear. See Senate story, page 1.—Ed.

Editor:

We are dreadfully sorry that the athletic department is going out of business because of loss of profit! How can Mr. Groff (Athletic Business Manager) say that the school is losing money when the student tickets have already been paid for in the Student Service fee. Since the student has paid for the tickets beforehand, it should be left to his discretion what happens to it. Mr. Groff should say that the school is losing profit from the resale of tickets not picked up by students. These tickets are resold as date or general admission tickets.

We think that the ticket options should be made available as are

parking permits; that is, on a non-mandatory basis at preregistration time.

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"We're through messing around—this is a conference game!"

Steve Hayes

Skulker talks of people

I think my frenzy must have frightened the Skulker. Maybe we were both embarrassed over our show of emotion. The Skulker much to my amazement began again, right where he left off, but in a much more subdued, almost defeated tone of voice:

"Junk; piles of throw-aways around each drive-in and in front of favorite places like East Gate Lounge and Ralph's Pizza; the great Aggie tradition of removing one's hat in reverence to the dead in one minute and in the next throwing beer bottles along the East Gate entrance to the campus." His voice cracked. "Sorry I can't go on. I think I'm going to throw up and I don't want to do it under a tree."

"I'll get you a paper bag."
"No. Recycle paper."
"We can bury it in the ground. It'll be mostly organic."

"No, I'll make it." The Skulker was a true Aggie.

Dawn was approaching, I heard the first songs of birds. I hurried

my next question, I knew that the Skulker would be gone with the first ray of morning sunlight.

"Look, TS," I pleaded, "Don't you think it would be better if you and SOT would just give up this crusade and work within the system?" Go through proper channels?"

The Skulker replied, "Some young people are satisfied by visiting the local supermarket to watch the bananas turn brown. Others want to live. Different young people act differently under the same circumstances. Adults act differently, too, but not many of them. Most adults are content to allow someone else to plan the fate of their city or state or natural resources. And that someone is often a person who does not understand natural systems. Young people—your high school students and many college students—see the light." At that moment I thought I did see the light, the first ray of sunlight.

I knew the interview was almost over. Fortunately, the Skulker had not yet seen the rays. He went on:

"Young people represent the first generation of Americans concerned with the future of your nation and your world and your fellow man. They see the kind of Earth they are inheriting and they don't like the looks of it. They see that going through channels is like looking at the Grand Canyon through a six-foot tube with a one-inch diameter—you never really get close to the scene and you never really see it all at the same time. The youth of today want a piece of the action. They have the same driving spirit of rebellion as was evident in the founders of our nation. We had one American Revolution. I think another is starting and it will change our channels."

A rooster crowed, and I blurted out one last question: "Where will you strike next? It was too late. He was gone."

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