

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"It must be nice being a graduating senior!"

## Russia blames Pakistanis for starting Indian war

WARSAW (AP) — The Soviet Communist party leader, Leonid I. Brezhnev, blamed Pakistan for the India-Pakistan war Tuesday and insisted the fighting must be stopped without interference by outside powers.

Another traveling Soviet leader, Premier Alexei N. Kosygin, said on winding up a visit to Norway that he has no intention of mediating in the conflict for the time being.

The Soviet premier was credited with playing a major role in stopping combat during a 1965 war between India and Pakistan over Kashmir. The Kremlin is allied with India in the present war through a friendship treaty,

while Communist China backs Pakistan.

Diplomats in Warsaw interpreted Brezhnev's comments as a direct warning to China to keep out of the five-day old conflict even if India should rout the Pakistani forces and succeed in setting up an independent government in the rebel province of East Pakistan.

"The Soviet Union stands decisively for ending of bloodshed, for a peaceful settlement of problems, taking into account the just right of nations without any interference from outside forces," Brezhnev said.

The Soviet leader, addressing the Polish Communist party congress, said the war resulted from

Editor:

The December 1 issue of The Battalion printed a letter from a John P. McMinn whom I assume to be a student (as well as more than a bit prejudiced for sheep and goat ranchers). In his letter Mr. McMinn suggested that some areas involved in this endeavor sustain losses to coyotes (all predation?) of 50-60 percent. If one is to place such figures before the public, it would be essential, I believe, to substantiate these figures, particularly as a recent study (Wiley and Bolen, The Southwestern Naturalist, 16:151-170, 1971) is in contradiction to McMinn's contention. Further,

### Bulletin Board

Tonight

Freshman Class Council will meet in the Physics building, room 306, at 7:30.

Wheelmen will meet in room 002 of the Services building at 7:35.

Orange County Hometown Club will meet in the Memorial Student Center lobby at 7:30.

Thursday

Austin Hometown Club will meet in room 2A of the Memorial Student Center at 8:00.

Panhandle Hometown Club will meet in room 2B of the Memorial Student Center at 7:30.

Beaumont Hometown Club will meet in room 103 of the Plant Sciences building at 7:30.

this study (which was carried out in west Texas and eastern New Mexico) documents what I have long held to be true: when a rancher encounters a predator feeding upon livestock carcasses, he assumes that said predator killed the livestock. Any competent wildlife ecologist or serious observer of nature could tell these ranchers (and often have) that most predators will readily feed upon carrion. Finally, any ranchers that would allow predators to consume 40-50 percent of their lamb-kid crop are grossly negligent.

I would suggest that whatever livestock fall prey to coyotes and other predators are but a small part of the losses through stillbirths, disease, etc. The problems of wool growers stems, I believe, from the severe competition of

synthetic fibers, not in the small losses to predation. For good insight into the livestock-predator relationships, I suggest that Mr. McMinn should consult the paper cited above.

Keith A. Arnold

Editor:

With the end of this semester near at hand and the new spring semester approaching, Xi Delta Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega the national service fraternity of Texas A&M University is once again seeking new members to our organization. I heartily suggest that anyone interested in serving his campus, community, and country should look into joining this organization.

A list of just some of the projects undertaken by A.P.O. this

past semester runs like this:

- Gift-Pax Distribution
- Blotter Distribution
- Campus Chest Collections
- Grove Dance
- Campus Tours
- Drill Field Flags
- Scout Troops
- Ticket Exchange
- Aggie Sweetheart Dance
- Hospital Clean-up
- Bonfire Concession
- Student Voter Registration
- Aggie Blood Drive
- Peace Corps Recruitment
- Senior Bowl Concessions
- Bengla Desh Clothing Drive
- Graduation Ushering

This spring promises to be bigger and better than ever. Anyone interested in joining should write to either Michael Bunch at 407 South Highway 6, College

Station, Texas or Michael J. Kelly at W-3-F Hensel Apts., College Station, Texas 77840.

Thank you,  
Michael J. Kelly '73

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Editor:

I would like to thank everyone for voting in the Freshman Elections. A total of 1200 students voted in the elections which was one of the best turn-outs for a Freshman Class Election. I would also like to invite everyone to the Freshman Class Council meeting Wednesday night, December 8, 7:30 in the Physics building, room 306. If anyone has any suggestions, questions, or comments pertaining to the Freshman Class please feel free to call me at 845-3275.

Terry Brown  
Freshman Class Pres.

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## Again Cambodia invasion stalled

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) — Enemy forces kept up pressure near Cambodia's capital with rockets, guns and mines Tuesday. South Vietnamese forays met little resistance in the eastern part of the country.

There was no fresh word from Kompong Thom, 80 miles north of Phnom Penh, where 10,000 Cambodian government troops and thousands of refugees are reported marooned after a Cambodia offensive collapsed last week.

In Saigon, Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker and Gen. Creighton W. Abrams met with President Nguyen Van Thieu. The presence of Abrams, commander of U.S. forces in Vietnam, suggested the Cambodians' plight might have been among subjects discussed.

Both the United States and South Vietnam have been providing air support to the beleaguered Cambodians but have been unable to reverse the rout of forces northeast of Phnom Penh or break the siege of towns on the capital's northeastern outskirts.

U.S. ground forces are forbidden to enter Cambodia, and

thousands of Saigon ground troops in eastern Cambodia are more than 70 miles away from the chief trouble spots. The South Vietnamese are probing in a north-south corridor between the Chup and Mimot rubber plantations — both reputed sanctuaries for North Vietnamese or Viet Cong divisions.

Fourteen enemy rockets hit the Phnom Penh area Tuesday and one smashed two houses and wounded three civilians in a slum at the western edge. There were no reports on the effect of three rockets that hit near the Phnom Penh airport and 10 fired at a command post 12 miles west of the city.

In addition, enemy infiltrators have damaged a bridge 14 miles southwest of Phnom Penh and mined key roads to the north in an apparent effort to disrupt communications.

Two reinforcement battalions linked up briefly Monday with troops at besieged Phnom Penh Baset, 14 miles northwest of the center of Phnom Penh, but were driven back.

The Phnom Penh Baset garrison includes about 50 survivors from the 200-man force at Bat

"bloody suppression of the basic rights and clearly expressed will of the population of East Pakistan and the tragedy of millions of refugees."

"He was clearly warning China, who is allied with Pakistan, not to interfere in the conflict," one Western diplomat said.

Brezhnev's warning on the India-Pakistan conflict came in a speech to the Polish Communists in which he also gave his blessing to the new Polish leader, Edward Gierek.

Gierek, who took power last December after bloody riots over food prices, has pursued consumer-oriented policies designed to relieve dissatisfaction among Polish citizens.

Doeung, two miles away, which was abandoned before dawn Monday.

One enemy prisoner told interrogators he belonged to the enemy's 5th Division, which usually operates in eastern Cambodia 90 miles northeast of Phnom Penh, said Lt. Col. Danh Kroch, commander of the Cambodian relief force.

If true, that would help explain the lack of major resistance to a 25,000-man South Vietnamese drive launched into eastern Cambodia on Nov. 22.

### Bonfire insurance forms available

Students injured while working on the Bonfire can now file claims for insurance, according to John Sharp, Student Body president.

Sharp said that forms are available from him or from the Student Senate office in the Memorial Student Center. The insurance is funded by contributions and the senate.

Applications should be in before Christmas, Sharp said.

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