

Listen up

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"No offense, Squirt, I just wanted to be sure that you weren't Howard Hughes!"

Convicted congressman's full voting membership to undergo examination

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Ethics Committee Thursday agreed to examine "the appropriateness" of convicted Rep. John Dowdy, D-Tex., remaining as a full voting member of the House.

The agreement came at the request of Reps. Charles Wiggins, R-Calif., and Jerome Waldie, D-Calif., who had asked the committee to investigate the bribery charges on which Dowdy was found guilty and sentenced to 18 months in jail and a \$25,000 fine.

Rep. Melvin Price, D-Ill., chairman of the committee, refused to say, however, if it would look into the facts of the bribery charges against Dowdy or only at the constitutional aspects of the House's action relating to a member in trouble.

There was no time deadline put on the committee's examination and report of recommendations to the House but Price said the probe would continue "as expeditiously as is consistent with the

sensitivity of the case."

Asked if the committee had accepted Wiggins' and Waldie's request for a probe of the Dowdy case, Price said, "I think we've honored their request."

The most freshman member of the Ethics Committee, Rep. Floyd Spence, R-S.C., came out first after the one-hour, 15-minute meeting and said the members had unanimously reached an agreement, but "I don't think it means a whole lot."

"They had to argue about a lot of words, like 'appropriate' and 'looking into it,'" Spence said.

Price issued a three-paragraph statement and refused to go beyond it.

The statement said:

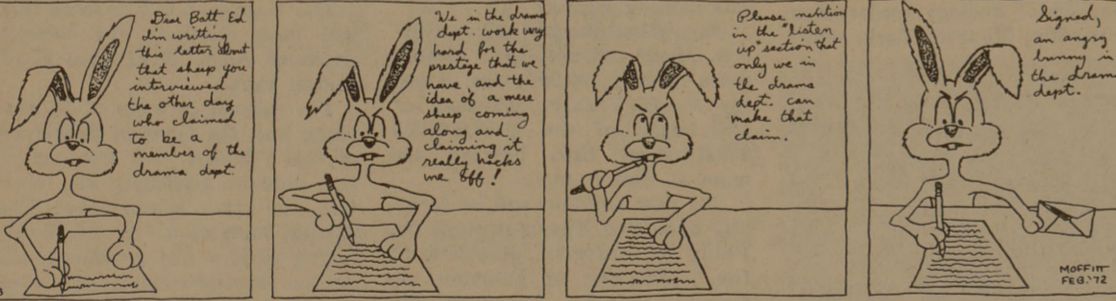
"The committee, by a unanimous vote today, agreed to continue to examine and report to the House its recommendations with respect to the appropriateness of John Dowdy, member of the House of Representatives from the state of Texas, to continue as a fully entitled voting member of the House of Representatives in the 92nd Congress.

"The examination will continue in accordance with established House and committee rules and will focus on the precedents and constitutional aspects of the case.

"Given the many completely unique matters which must be examined in depth, it is not possible for forecast when the investigation will be completed. However, the committee will pursue the assignment as expeditiously as is consistent with the sensitivity of the case."

- ### Bulletin Board
- Tonight**
Chess Committee will meet in room 3C of the Memorial Student Center at 7:30. Tournament will be held.
 - Judo Club** will meet in the Judo room of G. Rollie White Coliseum at 5.
 - Monday**
Zero Population Growth will meet at 7:30 at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Jersey St.
 - Fort Bend HTC will meet in room 3C of the Memorial Student Center at 7:30.

AARGH!



...John R. Moffitt

Dear Editor:

I find the new comic strip (if that's what you call it) "Aargh!" drawn by John R. Moffitt to be disgusting, vulgar, and anti-Corps. At a military institution such as Texas A&M with its great tradition of producing officers and Southern gentlemen, such a depraved, distorted form of journalism has no place. Prof Earle would never think of having the characters of "Cadet Slouch" exemplify anything but the best of Aggie traditions, while "Aargh" perverts them. Today's strip about Aggies dating sheep might make some father force a future Aggie to attend TU or someplace else where the guys date only girls and don't become real men as those who have attended have become.

If this "sickie" Moffitt is a student he should join the Corps and get straightened out as to what A&M traditions are really like. If he is on the staff, he should find another position at some other college which doesn't have as much pride in its fine institutions as A&M does; or if he is not connected with the college should not appear in a news-

paper by Aggies and about Aggies.

Paul Richard '70
Thanks, Moffitt needed a little excitement this week anyway —Ed.

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Dear Editor:

One of the more disgusting aspects of TAMU life is opening "The Batt" and finding a picture depicting destruction of a natural resource. I am referring to the February 29 issue showing a group of students skinning rattlesnakes.

It is ironical and somewhat hypocritical that such a picture should occur in a student publication of a land grant and a sea grant university which supposedly is concerned with conservation and wise use of our natural resources.

Rattlesnakes and all wildlife are resources which should be carefully conserved (trees are also included in this category). Rattlesnakes perform several functions which are beneficial to man; some men return the compliment by participating in rattler round-ups.

I hope that in the future The Batt will be more discriminating in its selection of pictures and

Weekend movies irrelevant, not worth the time or money

Several years ago, the word "irrelevant" was bandished about all across the country. It became what is known as a "buzz word" and, subsequently, lost most of its meaning. If you want to know what the word irrelevant is supposed to mean, you have your pick of two irrelevant movies this weekend. The Honkers is filling the screen at the Palace, and Cisco Pike is at the Campus. Both of these flicks are so mediocre that I strongly advise you to save your money or buy a good paperback with it.

The Honkers stars James Coburn — in one of his first really offensive roles, Slim Pickens, and Lois Nettleton. There is also a

small part written into the script for Larry Mahan — a real rodeo champ. This tells you what the flick is about — rodeo. Unfortunately, this film is what is called an "exploitation flick". This means that the movie doesn't have anything to say about "rodeo" — it also has nothing to say about the reality of the life-style rodeo competitors, the American Indian, sex, cars, drugs, or anything else. However, this does not keep this movie from exploiting all of the above (if you saw the previews of this film, you saw it all!) The only redeeming point of the film was some of the photography of rodeo events — and if you saw J. W.

Coop, this stuff looks like something Coop's film editors left on the floor.

James Coburn is beginning to run a little thin on his reputation for "cool". From him to Slim Pickens is a downhill slide. Slim was actually once a rodeo clown — the part he plays in the film — and he tried out for several such parts in Hollywood in his early career. The story goes that the producers rejected him for the parts because he didn't "look like" a rodeo clown. Now, at last, Slim has hit the screen as a rodeo clown, but he has gone the Hollywood producers one better. He not only doesn't "look like" a rodeo clown, he can't act. All in all, the movie comes off something like "the roar of the crowd" and deserves a film G.P.R. = 1.0.

Nor is there any relief in Cisco Pike at the Campus. It stars A&M's favorite Kris Kristofferson, Karen Black (remember 5 Easy Pieces), Gene Hackman, and Viva (Andy Warhol's Superstar! Remember, Bang! Bang!) Cisco is also an "exploitation" thing. Unfortunately, exploiting Kris What's-his-name around this campus is like selling cow-patties at a rodeo grounds. To be completely honest, I was hoping that I could say something tacky about Mr. K's performance (you know, to sort of even the score for the evening he gave me a while back), but NEVER in my wildest dreams did I think he would be SO bad! (Compared to him, Joe Namath doesn't look so bad!) So, if you want to pay \$1.50 to hear 4 Kristofferson songs played as background music, you'll enjoy Cisco Pike. Otherwise . . . you will probably agree that this film deserves its 1.0.

Missing man honor formation scheduled for Saturday flight

A flight of Air Force F-4 Phantoms in the "missing man" formation will fly over A&M's parade field Saturday to signal the start of Military Day review activities.

Flown in honor of prisoners of war and men listed missing in action in Southeast Asia, the formation consists of four planes in a "V." An empty slot next to the flight leader signifies the "missing man."

Air Force Col. Robert F. Crossland, professor of aerospace studies, said the flight will be over the Memorial Student Center drill field at precisely 2 p.m.

It will approach the campus from the west.

Members of the 45th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron from Bergstrom AFB near Austin made a photo recon flight over the campus Wednesday. They

promise the Saturday missing man pass within plus or minus three seconds of 2 p.m., when the Military Day Corps of Cadets review is scheduled to begin.

After the review, the defending national champion Fish Drill Team will march in exhibition and the Army Parachute Team's famed Golden Knights will provide a precision free-fall demonstration.

Colonel Crossland said the Air Force F-4 flight will come from the 67th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, the only such unit west of the Mississippi River. The 67th is commanded by Brig. Gen. Walter G. Daniel. The 45th TRS is headed by Lt. Col. Dannie Waddle. The director of operations under whom the flight was arranged is Col. Gustav B. Klatt, a 1950 A&M graduate of Houston.

Gripes about Moffitt, snake killers

Richard J. Baldauf
Using a picture of something does not condone the practice. If such was the case you would never see a war photo, car accident, murder story or anything else distasteful. We provide information and providing it does not support the particular subject.

The photograph lets you know that such practices were taking place on campus. Now you can oppose them if you wish. You wouldn't have known of it if we hadn't printed the photograph —Ed.

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Editor:

Next Tuesday the students of Texas A&M will be confronted with the opportunity to improve not only student government, but all of Texas A&M. You will be presented the opportunity to vote for or against a new constitution for the student body. I urge every student to consider the advantages of this proposal, and to vote for the constitution.

There are those students who

are against the measure because it represents progress. Those students who are formed of the benefits of constitution, corps and alike, know that it is a desperately needed proposal. For once is one issue that all students should be united for.

Opposition against this proposal constitutes opposition against only student government, against you as a student. The student must VOTE and I urge you to vote YES for the constitution next Tuesday.

John Sharp

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By Charles M. Schulz

WELL! WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THAT?

HERE'S THE WORLD WAR I FLYING ACE, ZOOMING THROUGH THE AIR IN HIS SOPWITH CAMEL!

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