

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"Just because it's against th' rules is not enough for me! I'm cold and I'm getting out!"

Bulletin Board

TONIGHT
 Junior Class Council will hold an organizational meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Room 2C, Memorial Student Center.
 Accounting Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the MSC.
 Engineering Technology Society will meet in Room 303, Fermier Hall, at 7:30 p.m.
 Laredo Hometown Club will have meeting for election of officers at 8 p.m. in Room 3C of the MSC.
 Student Chapter of Associated General Contractors will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 127B of Zachry Engineering Center.
 Ag Eco Club meeting will not be held tonight.
 The Go Club will hold an organizational meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Room 2B of the Memorial Student Center.
 Go, an ancient Chinese game, is very popular with the Japanese and in western Europe. National championships and high-level tournaments are held in several Asian countries.

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Listen Up—

Ag Footballers Hit Again

Editor
 Notably Aggie football represents A&M just as much or more than the students or the alumni. It has been my experience that upon meeting someone and telling them, "I'm an Aggie," you will be confronted with one of four replies: (1) an Aggie joke; (2) "Are you in the Corps?"; (3) "Do you know so and so?"; (4) or "Who beat you last weekend?" I want to comment on the last reply; "Who beat you last weekend?"

I thought that what has been happening over the last four years was somewhat of a coaching problem. I have since discovered what a gross mistake we have made. Our problems are not with the coaches, we have the best available, records have proven this—our problems are with the team's attitude. Comments on the team's attitude and game performance are long overdue and a couple of things need to be said. To have the material and to have the coaching, but lack the will to win makes football a fool's game.

In the Sunday edition of the Bryan Eagle, Jerry Waggoner, the sports editor, expressed his opinion of the Saturday night game: "Embarrassment apparently means more to the U.S. Military Academy than it does to Texas A&M." Well, I'm from Texas

A&M and I am tired of being embarrassed and I don't think there is one person in our 16,000 enrollment that isn't embarrassed. We are tired of people saying "poor Aggies," and we are tired of having someone who does not care represent our school on the football field. Aggies are winners and we are tired of losing.

It's terrible to generalize and trademark a whole team as "losers" when some of the team pours their guts out to win—but it is the team that takes the glory or the blame and the team that suffers for a few apathetic teammates. Everyone at this university is part of the team, the 12th man, and we are tired of losing because some of our football teammates are apathetic and don't care. Not everybody has the ability to play college football.

If we all did there would be 16,000 students working out every afternoon and giving that whatever it takes to win. The team is the chosen few to represent all Aggies, students, faculty and alumni. In short we are very disappointed in the players' performance.

Army proved on the field where it counts that pride meant more to them than to the Aggies.

Maybe the team needs to do a little soul searching. If the players do not have enough confidence in themselves, get some—some-

how. If you are giving 100% effort—give 200%. If you don't feel embarrassed—be ashamed. Help us prove Texas A&M has character and there is a little something more to this school that others do not have. Show us you want to play. Come on team, give us something to be proud of.
 Blake A. Cathey '74
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Editor:

The practical solution to the A&M bicycle problem becomes obvious after a little serious study. Every day we observe some accident or near-accident involving two students, one on foot and the other mounted. Logic tells us that since the pedestrian is the most physically vulnerable traveler, he must be given the advantage in a confrontation with a cyclist.

Therefore, any full-time pedestrian who is able to display treadmarks upon any part of his (or her) person shall proceed to Campus Police Headquarters and select from a fleet of twelve a suitable sledgehammer; taking this, he shall be put at liberty to demolish the unregistered bicycle of his (or her) choice.

The result—one more satisfied pedestrian and one less mechanical menace (the scrap metal may be sold to repair sledgehammers and to build bicycle paths.)
 Bill Thompson

Public Safety

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 nized in 1935 and, with the Texas Highway Patrol, were placed under the DPS.

Controversy over their existence has raged since claims of brutality were lodged against the Rangers following their actions in settling a Mexican-American labor strike in Zavala County near Crystal City.

The force has been compared to a Texas F.B.I. Its duties include enforcement of law in cases of major crime, mob violence and during times when local officers need assistance.

Director of DPS four years, Col. Speir has been in continuous service with the department since 1941, except for service in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

The Gilmer native and East Texas State honors graduate joined DPC as a highway patrolman and worked up to the rank of major and commander of the Midland Region by 1957. Speir became assistant director in 1962 and was appointed acting director upon the death of the late director, Col. Homer Garrison Jr., in May, 1968. He was made permanent director the following September.

Col. Speir is past-president of the Texas Police Association and the Austin Rotary Club.

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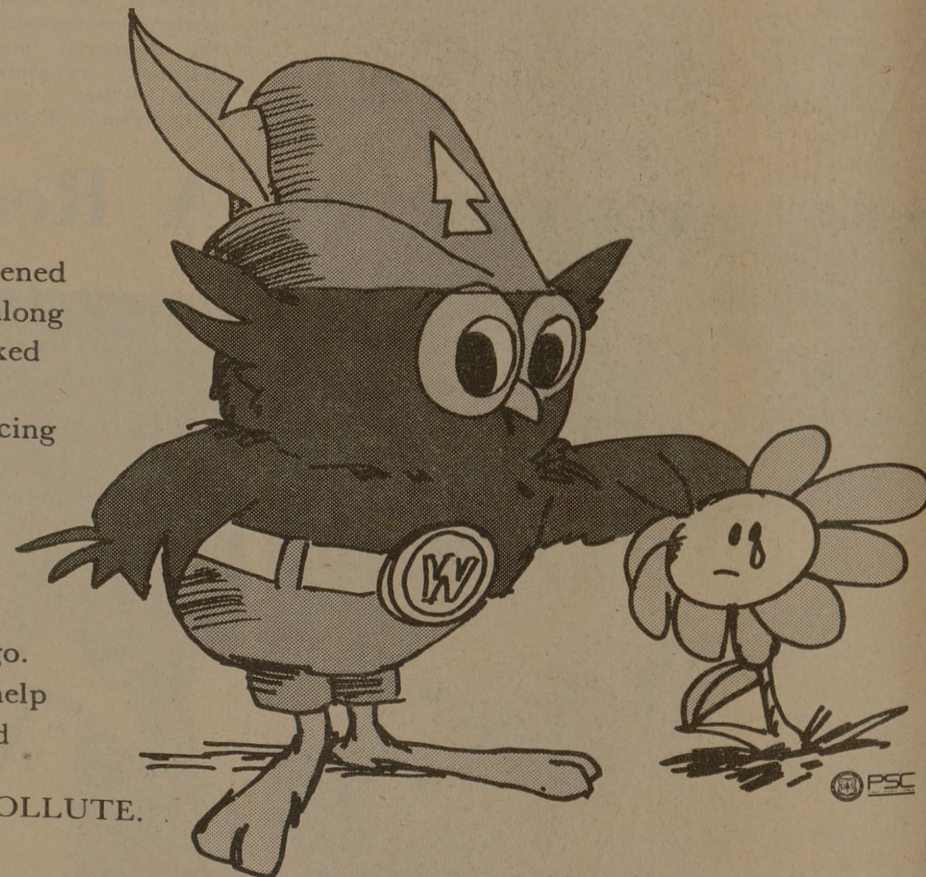
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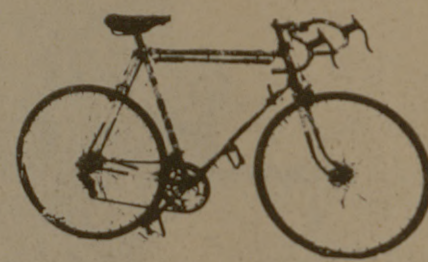


Everywhere you look, our environment is being threatened by pollution. Wild flowers along our roadsides are being picked rather than admired. Smog is killing trees, it's forcing birds to find new homes. Fish are running out of clean water. Just what's being done about it? A lot. But we've got a lot more to do, a long way to go. Let's all do our part. And help keep the birds, animals, and flowers alive.
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