

Listen Up—

# Freshman Footballers Take The Rap Again

**Editor:**  
The conduct probation of the three freshman football players just goes to prove the influence that the athletic department has over our administration. If anyone, other than athletes, had committed the same crimes, they would have been suspended from school.

The rules of this school are supposed to apply to everyone and that includes football players. The administration of Texas A&M has come through with another insult to its student body.  
Kevin Hinds '75  
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page article in the October 10 issue of The Battalion concerning damage done to 7 cars by three members of our freshman football team. I agree with Coach Bellard in hoping that these students "would be treated as other students would in a similar case."

In my opinion, other students involved in this sort of incident would have packed their bags and been gone from the campus by this time. No one would be waiting around trying to decide if these boys "can be helped" or what their attitudes reflect toward future conduct.

And I certainly hope that no one, especially Coach Bellard, could "condone actions done by the boys."

Apparently the halos of our dearly beloved and over-protected football players slipped a little. I guess they'll be restored to their original positions soon, though.

Wonder what action would have been taken against three non-football-team students if a similar, unrelated incident had happened the same evening??

Mrs. Albert Prudom

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**Editor:**  
Right off the bat, this letter will sound like a very juvenile matter and gripe, but the actual matter and gripe are just as juvenile.

A group of students went to eat the evening meal at Sbsa Dining hall. We enjoyed a pleasant meal, and yes folks, we even bussed our own trays. Several of the members of our group had our glasses (the plastic non-biodegradable kind furnished us by Sbsa before the meal). As we approached the door leading out of the dining hall, those of us who had the plastic cups in hand were informed that we would not be permitted to walk out with the glasses.

After recovering from the ini-

tial shock at such a statement, I asked why; and was informed that this was the new policy being adopted by Sbsa. I again asked the question "Why?" and was told by the white capped gentleman at the door "I really don't know. All I am supposed to do is to stand by this door and let no-one out with a glass in his hand."

I told him that all I had in my hand were four empty cups. When I was informed that I would still have to throw my cups away, I kept on asking why. Finally Mr. Powell came over and asked what the problem might be. I told him, and received the same answer from him.

After discarding my four harmless and non-bio-degradable cups into the nearest trash receptacle, I walked out; I then found occasion to bring the matter up with a member of the food board and was informed that this action would save the student money in the long run. (I might add that this is talking about walking out of the dining hall with drinks in the cups.)

In no way shape or form am I attempting to run down anything about Sbsa dining hall. The food is real good, and the people running the cafeteria are very helpful, and the people who serve and wait on tables put up with a lot of hell from the students with only a smile or a non-committal look in return. Sbsa Hall does damn good to serve close to 50,000 meals in the average Monday through Friday week, and continue the quality with which it is served.

Again let me repeat that I am not running down Sbsa. I just consider it a shame that something as trivial as this might come up. If the glasses are to be thrown away anyway, the average student can find many uses for these cups, like drinking cups, or for some, spittoons.

Maybe some reasonable explanation can be given other than "This Is The New Rule And We

Are Enforcing It." Fred West '75

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