

Listen Up—

Intramural Council Defends Decision

Editor:
I would like to correct a few misconceptions that were brought out in the December 6 letter by the "Moses Hall Public Relations Dept." that was written about the intramural department.

The public relations department said that a formal protest was filed with the intramural department and that it was denied "on the grounds that it was a highly technical nature." True, a protest by Moses Hall was denied by the intramural council, but not because the protest was of a technical nature, but because by the intramural handbook, the player in question was eligible. This decision came about after the council had researched into the events leading up to the protest, and from checking the rules regarding the affair.

As far as the "colorfully written . . . good Aggie bull," the letter that was sent to Puryear Hall, I do not consider a letter

that was as full of profanity and unbased accusations as this one was as being very colorful or "good Aggie bull." Also the intramural council, which is made up of students, did not feel that such a letter was a mature or decent manner in which an Aggie would protest a decision.

By the way, the letter which charged Puryear Hall with paying off the referees, and said that the Intramural Dept. "stunk" worse than Puryear, was not brought up by Mr. Les Palmer, Intramural director, but was handled strictly by the council. Because of the letter, the council asked the dorm president of Moses and the athletic director to meet with the council. At this meeting, the council placed Moses Hall on conduct probation, but there was no personal chastisement whatsoever.

By talking with the president of Moses Hall, it was discovered that there is no official commit-

tee such as the "Moses Hall Public Relations Dept." However, if this department, whom ever they might be, is still dissatisfied with the decision made by the council, we will be happy to discuss the decisions that have been made.

The strength of our intramural program, as of any organization, is no greater than the collective well being of the people that make it up. Often decisions have to be made that go against part of that organization. When this is the case, the test is not whether or not the decision is favorable, but it is whether or not we are mature enough to accept the decision that has been made.

Jerry M. Easterly '73
Chmn., Intramural Council
Mike Ellerbrock '74
Vice-Chairman

Editor:
I don't know who Bill Henry is or where he comes from, but apparently he's no Aggie. My husband and I were among

those "crazy, frozen or sadistic" people who sat through the Aggie-TU game 'til the final gun sounded. My husband (Class of '59) said, "I've never left a game until the final gun sounded and I don't plan to start now."

On the brighter side, my hat goes off to the 'Fightin' Texas Aggie Band.' Their performance at half-time of the A&M-TU game even brought approval from my T-sip relatives. The band was excellent, to say the least.

Mrs. Harvey J. Haas

Refrigerator Return Dates Scheduled

Refrigerators are due Thursday and Friday for students living in the civilian area and Monday and Tuesday for students living in the Corps area and Krueger-Dunn, said Steve Hill, refrigerator manager.

Students have an option of signing a new contract and keeping the refrigerators through exams and into next semester, said Hill.

The refrigerators should be turned in at the Refrigerator Office located below and behind the University Hospital.

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By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
AUSTIN, Tex. — So-called "shield" legislation safeguarding the confidentiality of newsmen's sources has gained a powerful backer, the apparent next speaker of the Texas House.

Rep. Price Daniel Jr. of Liberty announced his support Wednesday for a shield bill in letter which he said were sent to all Texas newspapers and radio and television stations.

NEW YORK—The stock market found its bearings about noon Wednesday after an uncertain start, and ground slowly forward on its current high plateau. Trad-

Scavenger Hunt Starts In B-CS

A Crossword Puzzle Scavenger Hunt is being conducted by the A&M Student Government as part of its recently formed Student Purchase Program.

The contest was designed to benefit students and merchants participating in the special discount purchase program. Thirty-nine stores are participating in the program.

Students may obtain the puzzle and complete rules from the Memorial Student Center, lobby of the library and in the Academic Building.

Clues to the answers are available at merchants' places of business and no purchase is necessary. A person must be an A&M student to be eligible.

First prize in the contest is a \$25 gift certificate, while certificates for \$15 and \$10 amounts will be awarded for second and third place finishers. The certificates will be good at any store participating in the SPP program.

Entries must be in the Student Programs Office of the MSC by 5 p.m. Students may call 845-1515 for additional information.

ing was active. Almost without seeming to try, the market also boosted the Dow Jones average of 30 industrials to another all-time closing high of 1,027.54 on the day's gain of 4.59 points.

That put it over Monday's record closing figure of 1,027.02 by a fraction, and wiped out the 4.07 points it had lost in Tuesday's moderate profit-taking.

DALLAS — Representatives of most of the nation's major Protestant and Orthodox churches set up Wednesday a new cooperative organization, more broadly representative and with greater stress on basic beliefs.

At the same time, they reinforced their role for speaking out on public questions with moral implications.

DETROIT — Chrysler Corp., which raised its prices an average of \$20 a car on Oct. 17, boosted them another \$40 Wednesday, thus using up virtually all of a \$60.10 increase the Federal Price Commission approved for the auto firm.

Chrysler said the \$60.10 grant was necessary to defray costs of federally required safety, bumper and emissions control items on its 1973 cars.

WASHINGTON — Some self-styled moderate Democrats disaffected with the "New Politics" of the McGovern campaign announced Wednesday plans to form a new organization they hope will appeal to "common sense liberals."

"Come Home Democrats," say full-page ads to be carried in Thursday editions of The Washington Post and New York Times at a cost of \$14,000.

CHICAGO — The Big Ten withdrew Wednesday from its United States Olympics Committee membership, the first athletic conference to follow the break

by the NCAA with the Olympic group in October.

The action was announced as Big Ten faculty representatives and athletic directors concluded their three-day winter business meeting.

AUSTIN, Tex. — "Six per cent of the 63,000 state employees may be affected by alcohol abuse or alcoholism, costing the state of Texas in excess of \$5 million annually," Gov. Preston Smith said Wednesday.

Smith has invited deans of state agencies and departments to a meeting Dec. 11 at which a proposed state employee alcoholism program will be discussed.

Dan Rather

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"Any president, secretary of state or secretary of defense?"

"The press does not do this enough," he emphasized.

Rather also took issue with the idea that "conservatives do not get a fair shake from the media." The Political Forum speaker said liberal tags applied to newsmen are unfair.

"Reporters see a side of life that most people, especially politicians, don't see," Rather noted. "And who is down at the police station from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.?"

Most reporters come from the wide middle spectrum of our society, he said.

"It's my job," Rather explained, "to bang on doors and want to know why the doors are closed. My theory is that there are no bad questions, just bad answers."

"Criteria by which reporters survive are fairness, accuracy and speed," Rather said, "and I'm willing to live with that."

People may feel pinched at being caught in the middle of the press-administration conflict, but Rather contends there is no better place to be.

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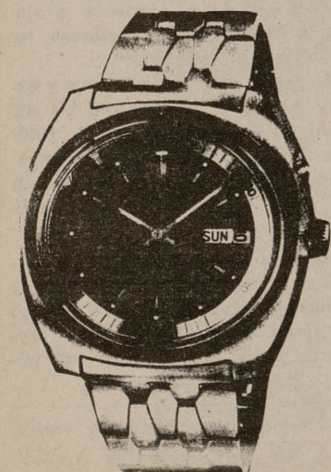
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The program will be greatly varied to include music from Bach to Brahms, from Sibelius to Norman Della Joio, with some Harry Simeone and Less Brown.

Marion L. Conover, director, organized the "Joy Choir" as an expansion of the music program of Dallas Christian College three years ago. Since that time, they have been well received throughout the southwest. Mr. Conover is a graduate of Lincoln Christian College, Lincoln, Illinois, and has completed the work of Master of Music Education at North Texas State University.

Miss Bonnie Provine, accompanist, is a graduate of Millikin College, Illinois, and is presently working on her Masters Degree at North Texas State.

The public is cordially invited to attend.