

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"I'll admit that those pocket calculators are cute, but what's going to happen when the profs learn you can work twice as many homework problems and quiz problems?"

## Politics Is For Everyone

This is definitely going to be a good semester for politics at A&M. What started out to be a relatively unexciting term of monotony has quickly changed into an almost 'them vs. us' slate of political aggressors.

With the System's board of directors sanctioning political gatherings and campaigning on campus, students should begin to see more than the regular grind of campaign posters.

Two students have filed for positions on the College Station City Council in a decided effort to put more student input on the council since A&M's enrollment comprises the bulk of the local community. Also, apartment dwellers aren't getting all the fair shakes they might possibly get if a student was on the Council to recognize their problems.

After several years of having the 18-year-old vote lawmakers and leaders all over are beginning to realize that youth does have something to say, if not verbally, through the ballot box.

Another interesting race is beginning to develop with five students having already filed for the top spot in A&M Student Government and possibly more after this paper went to press this afternoon.

One thing is still standing out as alarming, however. There seems to be a lack of interest in running for the positions other than the top posts in Student Government, the Graduate Student Council and class officer ranks.

Could this mean that students are growing tired of crying, "We want student input!" or is this just because the current leaders have failed to recognize their constituency thus entailing apathetic feelings toward themselves and their positions?

We hope that neither is the case because this is an exciting time to live and take part in running governmental affairs, both for constituency and for those supposedly doing the leading and lawmaking.

It is truly unfortunate that all students can't meet with student leaders everyday to discuss problems, but student leaders aren't just interested in themselves as many would like to think the majority is and they are interested in helping others with their problems.

The Battalion receives complaints all the time from students not knowing what is going on in Student Government and who are the falsely labeled "Big Men on Campus".

A complaint to us will not automatically make a student more knowledgeable about campus politics; only a concerted effort to get involved with the program will do that.

If you're interested in finding out who will be doing what for whom next year on campus and the city, contact the candidates (whose campaign signs no doubt will begin rapidly appearing everywhere). They can only expand their scope of what is going on through us, the students, if we talk to them and tell them what we want from them, not them telling us what they want to do for us or for themselves.

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Editor: We, the soon to be former residents of Hughes Hall, being of sound mind and body do hereby declare this to be the last will and testament of Lloyd H. Hughes Hall. To those females moving into this low rent district, we bequeath the following high class features:

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13. Sbsia's connoisseur's delights

14. Rumble and roar of the 3:15 a. m. Cannonball Express  
With tears in our eyes, fond memories and heavy hearts, we the undersigned do hereby relinquish this dorm to the Mmmmagies.

Rick F. Howard  
John C. Bethancourt  
Jim S. Sutherlin  
Steve Metzertin  
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Editor: We feel that Town Hall really outdid themselves on Military Weekend with Freddie Hart and the Heartbeats. The lines outside G. Rollie were so long we waited an hour to get in, only to count the overflowing crowd on our fingers. Even Ralph Nader drew a larger crowd. The students pay for the attractions that appear for Town Hall, therefore the majority rule should determine what concerts came to A&M. Texas A&M University use to have a majority of "kickers" but the fact is this university has changed and "kickers" concerts are now a waste of the students' money. TAMU must keep pace with the rest of the colleges and universities throughout the country and STOP supporting these dinky-dink concerts that hold so very little interest. The Town Hall committee could possibly combat this letter with the fact that there is a lack of funds available to bring big names to A&M. The non-kickers at TAMU feel that Town Hall

should combine their resources by cutting out the cheap concerts and bring several big names to A&M. By big names we do not mean "Flash Cadillac."

R. Craig Johnson  
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## Student

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realize they do nothing. "I at least hope the winner of the election will be forced to examine the structure and approach his term with an idea of what good he can do for student government." The structure of Student Government is perpetuated by those who win because, Copp said, "If you become president you have to say the whole office is worth a damn. Otherwise, you'd destroy your whole ego trip." Copp discovered this when he won an election at Clemson four years ago—"That got student government out of my system." Previously, he was active in high school government—running 11 times, losing 11 times. Copp feels his main qualification is not serving after he was elected president of his church fellowship in the seventh grade. "I had a crush on this girl and went to fellowship every week to see her," the non-candidate candidate said. "They elected me president, I broke up with the girl and I never went back again."

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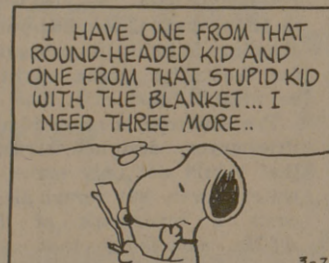
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