

Listen Up —

Coldness, Animal Cruelty Charged

Editor:
I would like to ask Mr. Krenzke why he feels it is necessary to begin "training" for pre-registration. I have never felt it necessary to begin training for either the fall or spring semester. And I have never spent more than 45 minutes to get pre-registered for either semester. I will admit summer sessions are a different matter but I assume Mr. Krenzke is not talking about the summer since he refers to pre-registration.

Has he ever spent three hours in line to register for a single class only to find that the one course he really wanted had no open sections and therefore have to find a new course to take? And then have to rearrange his entire schedule and sections so as to fit the new course? I doubt it, and until he has he has no real reason to gripe.

The present system is very easy and quick to use. The only possible thing that needs to be added is a means to choose the time and prof you want, that would really make the computer pre-registration procedure fantastic.

B. Richard Kuss '72
Martin Michalka '73
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Editor:
"What did he call you? BUFO—what's that?"
"A buffo is a first semester Singing Cadet."

"What's a Singing Cadet?"
That's about the average comment. Sometimes I wonder if there are many people on this campus who actually know about the Singing Cadets.

After an average of four-to-five minutes of explanation I stop to think why more people don't know about them. Christened "Singing Cadets" by name in the mid-1930s, this male singing group has developed into an important part of public relations for TAMU. When touring parts of Texas they set a standard, they build a reputation for A&M to those who have only heard of Aggies, not seen them. Granted they have a lot of fun,

they put in a lot of time in preparation for appearances.

Surely, people, a lot of life is a party. But, can you have a good party without working to prepare for it? Forty-one men I know would not say yes. These Singing Cadets do represent A&M, its traditions and its people. It sure would be nice if those people knew about it.

Scott Keltner
★ ★ ★

Editor:
I would like to reply to Mr. Name Withheld. The Battalion, April 17, 1973, reference his note to Fouzi Ben-Ali: First, I would like to apologize to our Arab students for the cloddish remark by Mr. Withheld, "you are somewhat unwanted guests here..." Let me assure you, that Mr. Withheld must speak for himself, or at best for a minority of the students. I do not consider his statement to be in the best interest of Texans in general, and Aggies in particular.

Furthermore, I feel Mr. Fouzi Ben-Ali is entitled to a balanced news coverage of the situation in the Middle East, particularly from us who do stand for democratic news dissemination and fair play. While I do not condone the sort of violence being practiced in the Middle East, be it Israeli or Arab, I want to reiterate that our foreign students should be exposed to unbiased news reporting, and above all should be encouraged to speak their minds, rather than being rudely admonished to shut up and leave. Finally, I want to state categorically that I am neither "Pro Arab," nor "Pro Israeli," but definitely "Pro Democracy."

Anton F. Bautz
Major, USAF Ret.
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Editor:
I am stifled, depressed like the people who are my friends. Upon thinking, I find that it is the people with whom we are surrounded who stifle us. There is unbelievable prostitution flourishing in all the colleges, brown-nosers who can't move in freedom

because of trying to please professors, beings who cling to grades like drowning animals because they can't handle doing things because they want to. The terror and hysterical paralysis of this university smacks of high school popularity contests and honor societies, of placing grade points above personal integrity. I have yet to feel a general warmth among any group of people on campus.

Incidental labels like race or sex or any other are irrelevant; they void efforts to preserve human dignity and personal sanity. Human is all that is real; rejection of human is rejection of one's own relevance. I am so hurt and sorry that the people I know have given up trying to touch people; the reason is that the others run and babble like scared turkeys.

The cold that emanates from A&M is from a desperation that all is not right, and the resulting stagnation is apparent in the empty faces and non-sensical conversation. Regurgitation of professors is not doing what one feels. To have peace, one must do the things he/she feels. If we all see that each person suffers to learn peace, then we will be able to help each other live that peace.

Suzanne Hitt
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Editor:
I always thought A&M was one of the greatest schools in the country in its department of animal care and knowledge until late one night, when I happened to see inside the rooms under the Animal Science Pavillion.

There, I saw chickens in stacks of cages in a room with rats running everywhere. I went around the pavillion and looked in through the windows of the lighted rooms and saw rats everywhere. Big and small, they were in cages, in feed racks, running along the floor and sitting on window ledges.

Is there a purpose for this, or

is it a lack of a care on the part of the Animal Science Department? If anyone would care to see this "Overpopulation of rats" he can just look in the windows of the rooms adjacent to and underneath the Animal Science Pavillion at about 11:00 some night. If there were enough people who had some compassion for those chicks and chickens, maybe something could be done.

Pam Bilderback
★ ★ ★

Editor:
It has always been said that the Aggie muster takes place in every part of the world wherever there are Ags. Well we would like to add our names to that list on April 21, 1973 at Patch Barracks in Stuttgart, Germany.

All we would really like to say is that muster will always be a loved and cherished part of our lives and wish God's speed to all those traveling to musters every-

where as well as everyone at A&M.

Lt. Richard Glomski '71
Lt. Timothy Leftwich '71
Lt. Payne Harrison '71
Lt. Jimmy Dunham '70
Lt. Timothy Patrick '70

Bonner

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She noted that women have different problems in different locations.

She said rape is a major problem in Austin.

"If a woman is raped in Austin," she charged, "it will cost her \$40 to prove it. She is taken to the emergency ward of the hospital for a physical examination and they won't treat her unless she can convince them that she will pay \$40 or she pays them in advance. This is the only crime I know of that the victim has to pay to prove it happened."



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by Jim Earle



"What makes them so valuable was the trip to Florida where the photography was performed."

Ex-Governor Gets 3 Years For Bribery

CHICAGO (AP) — Federal Judge Otto Kerner was sentenced Thursday to three years in prison and fined \$50,000 for taking bribes while he was governor of Illinois.

A federal judge sentenced Kerner to three years on each of 12 counts and ordered that they be served concurrently.

Kerner was the first active federal appeals judge to be convicted and sentenced for a crime. Theodore J. Isaacs, a long-time associate, also was sentenced to three years in prison and fined \$50,000.

The two were convicted Feb. 19 in U.S. District Court of conspiracy, bribery, fraud and income tax evasion. Kerner also was convicted of perjury.

Judge Robert L. Taylor told Kerner before sentencing: "In 23 years on the bench, this is the most difficult trial I have ever had. Now comes the most difficult part."

Kerner, 64, a two-term governor of Illinois, said: "I have said all I can say. I do not envy your position."

The judge ruled that Kerner could be granted parole at any time during his term. He and Isaacs were allowed to remain free on recognizance bond pending appeal.

Kerner replied, "Thank you, I do not intend to run away."

Prior to sentencing, Judge Taylor dropped five of the 17 counts on which Kerner was convicted. Originally, Kerner faced a maximum sentence of 83 years in prison and fines totalling \$93,000.

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