

Your Man at Batt

by Greg Moses

When Robert Thurmond went to get a ticket for the senior steak dinner, he found a waiting list of 50 people. "I was informed there was a mixup in reservations made by the Former Students," Thurmond said.

Here's the mixup:

"The largest dining center near campus seats 750 (at the Ramada Inn)," explained Pat Morley, director of campus programs for the Former Students Association.

By mid-morning Friday, the Monday banquet was a sell-out (or give-out, since the banquet is free courtesy of the Former Students). Morley said another 750 tickets were given for a Tuesday banquet and a waiting list was started. A third small banquet is planned for Monday for those who are on the waiting list.

Many traffic complaints

We have received many complaints about the traffic situation near the Department of Agriculture Building. Cars exiting from lot 1 have to watch cars coming under the underpass and cars coming off the ramp. Cars on the ramp have to watch both in front, for cars from the parking lot, and behind, on University Drive. (See map below.)

There has been one reported accident in that area, at the yield sign on the ramp, this year, according to College Station police.

The police keep a record of the traffic accidents according to seriousness and location. The intersection by the USDA Building is relatively accident free.

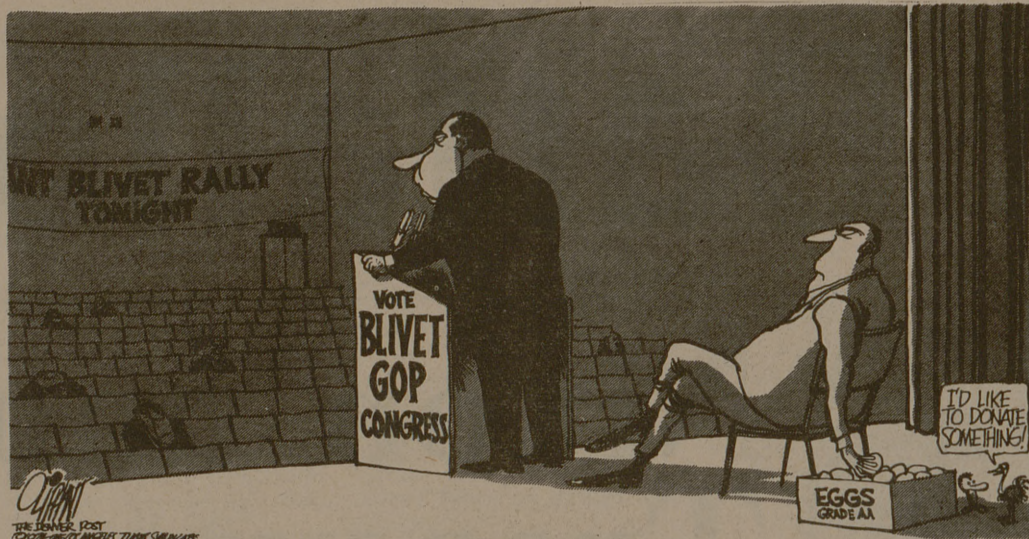
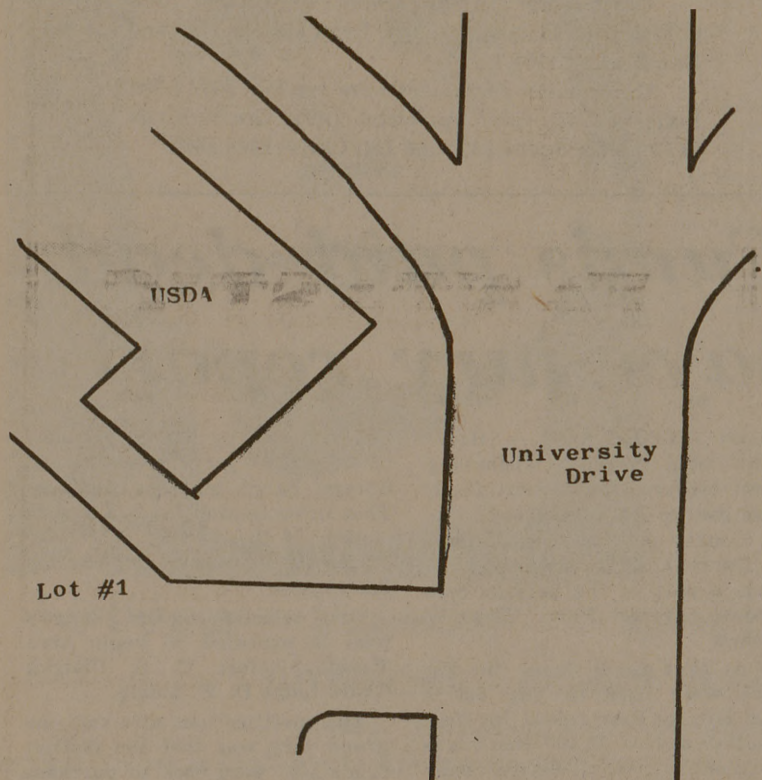
The traffic control devices of farm roads, even those within city limits, are controlled by the State Highway Department. George Boriskie, traffic engineer for the department, says this problem has not been brought to their attention.

Write: District Engineer, Texas Highway Department, 1300 N. Texas Ave., Bryan, to register complaints on any traffic situation.

"If someone wrote us directly we would be happy to look into a situation," said Boriskie.

No lot 60 refunds

Parking fines for lot 60 are not being refunded, says Chief O. L. Luther. Thursday's Batt article on lot 60 quoted Ron Miori as saying students should appeal the lot 60 tickets and that refunds were being given.



Listen Up

'Decent service' lacking, says SG Radio manager

Editor:

The recent articles about Student Government Radio have prompted me to put forth my views concerning SGR's failure to provide decent service to the A&M students and community.

I do not disagree with anything that has been reported. I have not been misquoted. This semester, Student Government Radio has been the poorest example of a radio station I have ever seen or heard. The blame should be put on several people, myself included. I have not put forth the effort I should have this semester, part of the reason being grades and health. Perhaps I should have worked more with the station, but there just wasn't time. This is not to say I didn't work at all. Darrell Brogdon and I spent the entire spring break, working until the early morning hours constructing the new studio.

I think much of the blame lies with the Student Senate and the overwhelming abundance of very poor equipment. When you can't sell advertising because the sound is so poor that the prospective advertisers can't even tell what song is playing, something is wrong. And we didn't receive much help (none, to be exact) from the Student Senate in the way of money for new equipment.

I am truly sorry that SGR "went down the tube." A student-operated radio station is an invaluable asset. Maybe in the future the Student Senate, the administration and the students of A&M will recognize the need and the value of a student radio station.

John Herndon
SGR Manager-Program Director

No solution

Editor:

"Bear" Bryant Brundett, whose

letter appeared in The Battalion on April 5 must not assume as he does, that the "silent majority" or anyone else sides with him on his solutions for rioting, looting, streaking, etc. . . . Perhaps his solution for streaking would work, but I can't find words to express my horror when I read his honest suggestion that riot situations could be easily and abruptly stopped if "someone caught a bullet." He really believes that "some unlucky individual must be made an example." Just a human life or two . . . to save a color TV or two . . .

Bear's values need to be reassessed as do those of the people who side with him. He is sincere in hoping that streaking will not "black the eye" of A&M. Let's hope that he and others who agree with him do some serious thinking about how his solutions could black the eye and the heart of A&M and humanity.

Several "unlucky individuals" at Kent State "caught bullets." Examples they were!

I truly hope that Bear does not represent the ideas of those at A&M.

Maryanne McNamara

For the staff

Editor:

I'm writing this letter on behalf of the staff of Student Government Radio.

Just about everyone knows the

station is off the air for the time being. Why? Because the equipment is shot. It's a definite candidate for euthanasia.

Both the staff and the radio governing board have attempted numerous times to see that the equipment is fixed. Midwest Video Corp. is responsible for the upkeep of the station but their efforts are hardly commendable. The station's signal points this out pretty well.

When the equipment starts faltering the station personnel begin to lose the incentive necessary to keep the station running. This has happened to the staff, particularly me.

Doing the news is a lot of work. It's disheartening to listen to one of the newscasters deliver a newscast when all of the static gets more attention from the listeners than the news that Georges Pompidou of France is dead.

I've lost a lot of incentive myself. But I just don't have control over the equipment. Rather it sort of controls the station.

Regardless of the scope of the situation I'm still going to try to keep a half-decent news department going. I've got a lot to learn from my mistakes and maybe in September we can look for a definite improvement in the station overall.

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News Director
Student Government Radio

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