

Student body gives opinion

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Sports Illustrated magazine published an article about the Texas football team and the university in general in their Nov. 11 issue. The story briefly outlined some of the many traditions unique at A&M and gave a rundown of the Aggies' progress through the Arkansas game. The incurring loss to SMU by Old World caused rumors to fly that the Sports Illustrated jinx had been broken. The jinx is credited to the magazine because of its head again. The jinx is said to be broken because of the article before they appear in the magazine often seem to have reverberated following the article. A random survey was taken to determine how the student body felt about the article. Most of the students commented they were pleased to see A&M gain national recognition and pub-

licity. Sophomore biology major Nancy Gardner read the story in the barbershop. "I was proud to see something in there about us. It represented our traditions really well and I thought it was favorable towards A&M."

Pat Focht, a sophomore economics major, said "I was surprised it was in there. No one pays attention to Aggies until they assert themselves. They have to show they are better all around."

"I was so tickled for us to be mentioned in Sports Illustrated," said freshman journalism student Pat Haines. "It flattered us."

"I believe it was a good deal because we received national recognition," said Doug Reinhart, a freshman in political science. "It's about time, we've been down so long."

A comparison was made by a few students between the current story and a previous article done by Mademoiselle magazine. According

to first year chemistry major Peggy Hughes the Mademoiselle story was "an infuriating article. It acted like we were country bumpkins. It was just one cut after the other."

Agreeing with Hughes was Cindy Walters a junior horticulture student. She said, "I had a bad experience of the feeling of the school at all." In contrast she believes the Sports Illustrated article "would give other people the right idea" about A&M.

As for particular details included in the three page feature some students such as Van Gardner, a junior horticulture major, complimented the pictures. Others, like agricultural engineering student Dan Miller, enjoyed the Aggie jokes. Jimmy Clack, a freshman in civil engineering, liked the paragraph about how the names suited some of the Aggie players.

There were a few unfavorable comments however, especially from

the women's side. Walters disagreed with how the story "depicted women as Maggies" because of the "bad connotation" involved with the title Maggies.

Walters also disagreed with how the article "gave the wrong impression of the student body" by the pictures. One of the pictures showed a Corps sophomore, his date and Reveille, the Aggie mascot. Walters argued that this may have given the idea that the student body was all Corps.

Despite these few criticisms, the general opinion of the article was a favorable one. The timing of the story proves what having a successful football team can do for a school's publicity.

One Aggie summed it up by saying, "You never heard anything about us, until we started winning." Jinx or not, Sports Illustrated apparently won't lose any readers at Texas A&M.

Tech has to move ball against Baylor

LUBBOCK, Tex. (AP) — Texas Tech coach Jim Carlen said Monday that his Red Raiders are going to have to do something to Baylor this Saturday that no one else has been able to do this year—and that's move the football.

"Nobody has really moved the football on Baylor," Carlen told a noon press conference. "Baylor's defense plays real well together and with a lot of enthusiasm. I credit much of Baylor's defense success to Corky Nelson, Baylor's new defensive coordinator. I wish he had stayed in Tyler."

Carlen went on to say he wasn't surprised at Baylor's win over Texas. "They were playing in Waco, and when you have a quarterback like Neal Jeffrey, you have a lot of

fire-power. Jeffrey is the best quarterback in the Southwest Conference. He can throw over or under coverage and off-balance."

Carlen indicated that Seminoole sophomore Don Roberts would start at quarterback and George West junior Cliff Hoskins at fullback against the Bears after their performances in a 28-0 win over TCU last Saturday in Lubbock.

"Roberts generated our offense against TCU when he came in for Tommy Duniven," Carlen said. "We'll play the hot hand and right now Don has it. Hoskins earned his starting spot against Baylor with his play against TCU (102 yards on 13 carries)."

The game will be a crucial Southwest Conference tilt as Baylor is 3-1 in SWC play and Tech is 3-2. Tech already has accepted a bid to the Peach Bowl, but that would change if it gets a Cotton Bowl bid.

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