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Burning the Mid-night Oil

Photo by MICHAEL DAVIS

Even though the spring semester began just two weeks ago, Sterling C. Evans Library shows activity during the week-nights. The library is open Monday through Thursday 7:30

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## Cuadra gets guilty verdict for tampering

By DAINAH BULLARD  
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A six-woman jury Thursday delivered a verdict of guilty of tampering with evidence to Gabriel Cuadra, a former Texas A&M cadet.

The jury also decided on a \$500 fine and a jail term to be decided by the court at a later date, with probation recommended for both punishments.

The verdict ended a two-day trial in which Cuadra was charged with tampering with evidence in connection with the Aug. 30 death of Bruce Dean Goodrich.

Cuadra testified that on the morning of Aug. 31 he tore up a roster that listed the exercises required during the exercise session conducted for Goodrich and John McIntosh. Both cadets were "frogs" — new sophomore members of Company F-1. The session was conducted by three junior members of F-1.

Cuadra said the list contained Corps terms that would be misunderstood by people not in the Corps, so he destroyed the list to protect his outfit and the Corps from further bad publicity.

"I wanted to protect F-1 and the Corps of Cadets from any other abuse by the media," Cuadra said.

Cuadra said he told University Police about the list in a voluntary statement given the morning of Aug. 30. About 8 a.m. on Aug. 31, he was awakened by Will Scott, a detective from University Police, who requested the list, Cuadra said. He told Scott he didn't have the list, but would find it. Then in the next hour, he read several incorrect newspaper reports on the incident, he said.

"I went the first time, and did not find it (the list)," Cuadra said. "I went back to my room and read the newspaper articles. I read several articles about the incident, and they were all mistaken.

"All these people were running around with papers, saying 'look what this paper printed, look what that paper printed, can you believe what's in this?'"

Cuadra said he didn't find the list until John Havel, former commander of F-1, returned from class. When Havel gave him the list, he tore it up, Cuadra said.

When Scott called back about 9 a.m., Cuadra told him the list had been destroyed. He told Havel to tell the Trigon he (Cuadra) had destroyed the list, he said.

Cuadra said he instructed Anthony D'Alessandro, who wrote the original list, to reconstruct the list after the Trigon requested a duplicate. Cuadra later presented the reconstructed list at the conclusion of the Sept. 28 grand jury investigation.

"They (Trigon officials) understood completely why I had thrown it (the list) away," Cuadra said.

"They said it'd be of asset to them to have a copy."

Cuadra said he never intended to keep evidence from the University Police.

"My intent was to keep those words out of the newspapers," he said. "I in no way wanted to hide the list from the police. It never entered my mind."

The jury also listened to statements from Cuadra recorded during the grand jury investigation.

On the tape, Cuadra said he believed that Goodrich, a champion tennis player, was in excellent physical condition. The exercises listed for Goodrich and McIntyre to perform were the same exercises routinely performed by other cadets, he said on tape.

"In my opinion, what happened that night is not severe in any way," Cuadra said on the tape. "We could not routinely conceive of anything happening to anybody."

During testimony, defense attorney Henry Paine pointed to four cadets in the courtroom and asked Cuadra how he felt about them.

"I love them with all my heart," Cuadra said.

Paine then asked Cuadra if he loved Texas A&M.

"With all my heart," he replied. But during final arguments, County Attorney Jim Kuboviak said loyalty was not a defense for destroying the list.

"When you look at the law, no way does it say that it is a defense to do it (break the law) for your friends, for love," Kuboviak said.

The jury deliberated for two hours before returning the guilty verdict. After the verdict was announced, both Kuboviak and Paine asked the jury to recommend probation.

"Any punishment you decide on will not outweigh what Gabe has already gone through," Paine said.

Kuboviak agreed with Paine's statement.

"I believe what Mr. Paine said, that we do have a salvageable young man, with a future ahead of him," Kuboviak said. "I've searched my soul, and I think that probation is the best option for this young man."

Cuadra still faces a charge of hazing in connection with Goodrich's death. D'Alessandro, Jason Miles and Louis Fancher III (former junior members of F-1) also face charges of hazing and criminally negligent homicide.

## Bryan mayor dedicates time to A&M

# Blatchley decides not to run

By KIRSTEN DIETZ  
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Bryan Mayor Ron Blatchley, who announced Wednesday he would not run for a second term, said Thursday he plans to become reacquainted with his wife and friends and "give the University all the time that I can since they gave so much to me."

Blatchley also is director of Student Affairs at Texas A&M.

"While two years doesn't seem very long, if you do things like I do — full speed — then two years can be a very long time," he said.

Blatchley said the time was right to step down.

"I feel very strongly that too often people get trapped into politics by beginning to assume that they're in-

dispensable," he said. "I think we get an inflated opinion of our worth, and then, all of a sudden, we get caught up in that world."

"While you start out saying and knowing you don't want to be a politician, more and more things come down the pike, there are more and more exceptions, and the more and more involved you get. All of a sudden you're a politician, and I don't want to be."

Also, he said, all of the goals he set out to accomplish are finished or underway. Blatchley believes the major project during his term was the passage of the \$31 million bond package passed in January 1984. He also cited the filling of Municipal Lake, park improvements and the widening of 29th Street.

But, he said, "No single individual does anything and certainly no mayor does. It takes a unified effort of a fine council and a fine city staff to accomplish anything. I personally have not accomplished a single thing. We together are beginning to make progress, though."

Blatchley said the biggest challenge that will face the new mayor will be to build on what has been accomplished.

"I think we've begun to rejuvenate a sense of pride, community and maybe even accomplishment," he said. "That's something I felt to be terribly lacking over the past years."

Balancing two jobs was hard at times, but Blatchley said he tried to avoid conflict. He credits an understanding and helpful staff in the stu-

dent affairs department and said he worked lots of nights and weekends.

"There are no hours to Student Affairs," he said. "It's nights, weekends, holidays and everything else. The same is true of being mayor."

"I tried not to lose sight of the fact that the University pays my salary. I felt like I needed to get my job done here first and foremost and then do the other."

Student Affairs director since 1979, Blatchley said many of the skills he learned as director have helped him as mayor, such as organizing time, dealing with people and organizational problems and developing a sense of timing.

As director, Blatchley said his biggest challenge now is preparing for proposed budget cuts.

## Weinberger blocks missile purchase

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger is blocking the purchase of a new Air Force missile system until the service can find some way to control skyrocketing costs soaring into the billions.

Weinberger's decision, summarized in a memo written earlier this week by his top deputy, William H. Taft IV, not only delays acquisition of the AMRAAM missile but suggests there is a possibility the program might actually be canceled.

While the order also left open the option of starting acquisition of the new air-to-air missile late this summer if its problems can be fixed, it said the Air Force should consider

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the feasibility of a more cost-effective solution.

AMRAAM—the Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile—has been under development since 1981 and purchases were to have begun this year. Designed by the Hughes Aircraft Co., it is supposed to become the super missile of the 1990s for Air Force as well as Navy jet fighters, capable of knocking enemy fighters out of the sky at long range.

As proposed, a fighter pilot could use the radar on his plane to detect enemy aircraft at long distances. He would then "fire and forget" the AMRAAM toward the enemy plane, with the missile using its own small radar to home in on the enemy plane.

The program has been plagued by development problems and contract overruns. Cost estimates have more than doubled, with each mis-

sile now projected to cost more than \$400,000. The Air Force and Navy together hope to acquire roughly 24,000 of the missiles at a cost projected to exceed \$10 billion.

Weinberger's decision, as summarized in Taft's memo, directed the Air Force to establish a committee "to define and evaluate the feasibility of alternative methods for reducing AMRAAM production costs."

In the meantime, all purchases "will be deferred until the Air Force can show that AMRAAM production costs have been contained," the memo concluded.

Scott Rayburn, a spokesman for Hughes Aircraft in Los Angeles, said company officials had not seen the Taft memo or been contacted by the Air Force on the matter.

## Yippie/Yuppie ideas collide in debate at A&M

By ANN CERVENKA  
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Abbie Hoffman

Abbie Hoffman and Jerry Rubin, two radical activists of the 1960s, debated in Rudder Theater Thursday on the extreme differences between the Youth International Party (Yippies) of the 60s and the Young Urban Professionals (Yuppies) of the 80s.

The two men, co-founders of YIP, were famous in the 1960s for their radical tactics protesting American political policy and the Vietnam War.

However, in 1982, Rubin joined the "establishment" that he had opposed for many years.

As an entrepreneur, Rubin emphasizes the importance of capitalism with a social conscience. He said our challenge is to use capitalism to form a positive society by eliminating social problems.

"Why stay around in the sandbox of the 60s when you can be in the White House of the 80s," Rubin said. "I have evolved; I am an entrepreneur."

However, Ronald Reagan represents the 19th century, Rubin said. "He is not a friend of the entrepreneur."

He predicts that the Yuppies will be the dominant electoral force in 1988.

"The Yuppies will elect the president of the United States in 1988," he said.

Too much emphasis is placed on Yuppies as consumers, he said. "I see them as achievers. There's nothing wrong with enjoying life," Rubin said.

"Our future is going to be greater than our past. Abbie Hoffman is still living in the past. I respect him as an activist, however his message to this

generation and to you is a message in the past."

Hoffman, in his introduction, said "I want to thank Texas A&M for doing to the Longhorns what I plan to do to my opponent tonight."

Hoffman began his attack on Rubin by saying "not all of us have embraced that materialistic consumer world with the gusto of Jerry Rubin."

Hoffman has changed as well. He used to be famous for his statement of not trusting anyone over 30.

"It's people under 30 I don't trust these days," he said. "The campuses of America have turned into great hotbeds of social rest. The life at Texas A&M is about as exciting as hospital food."

Hoffman said he is not against entrepreneurship, but not everyone has the "recipe" for it. Many people are becoming wealthy, but the

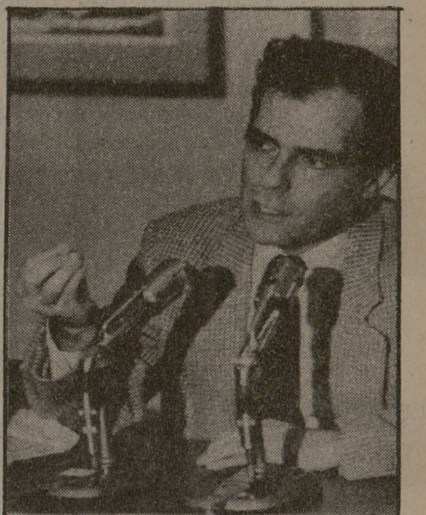
United States still faces social problems, he said.

Hoffman said the Yuppies are a myth. "Only a small percent of the baby-boom generation are actually young urban professionals," he said. "As a society of 250 million people, we are not going to make it one by one. We are going to have to work collectively."

Hoffman encouraged people to think about social problems such as world hunger, but to work on a local level. His emphasis is on the "we" generation, instead of the "me" generation.

At the end of the debate, audience members asked questions of the two men, resulting in shouts from students and arguments between Hoffman and Rubin.

About 1,500 people attended the debate.



Jerry Rubin