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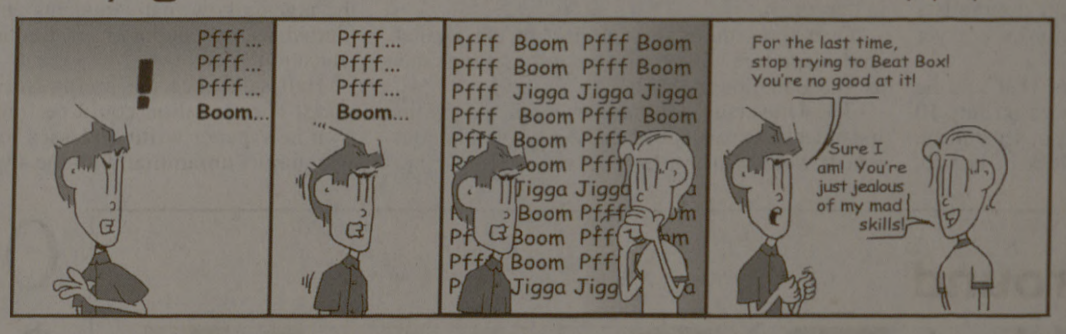


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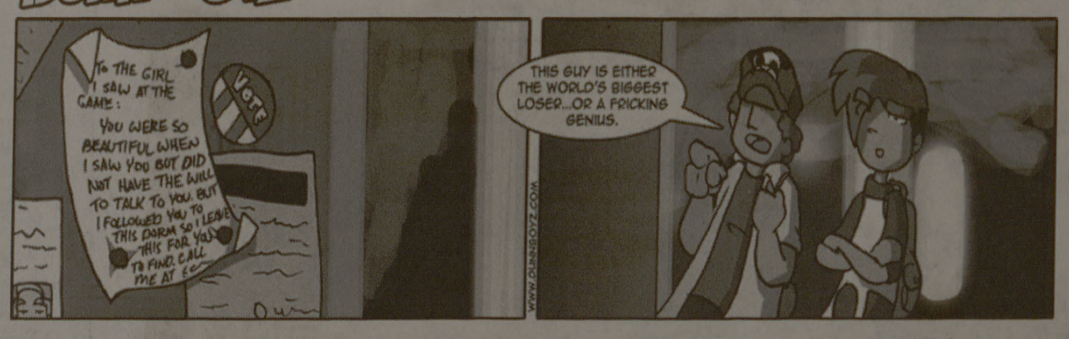

## Journalism

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Johnson said he believes a degree from A&M will maintain its value despite the closure of the department.

South said there has been a nationwide movement towar defining journalism education, started by the president of Columbia University.

Four of six schools that A&M is striving to emulate in the Vision 2020 plan do not have journalism programs, Johnson said.

Overall, Johnson said a budget reduction on $400,000 led him to the decision to cut the department.

"If I wouldn't have cut it from journalism, I would have had to cut from political science, psychology or English," he said.

However, the College of Liberal Arts Web site also cites "University priorities" as a factor in the decision.

Kempe and Hall questioned why A&M has focused on eliminating journalism.

"I don't know why they're centering on journalism," Kempe said. "Other departments like mathematics and psychology are not as well known either."

Hall said the recommendation seems to point to a train of thought detrimental to the field of journalism.

"(They must be thinking) let's give up on having journalists," he said, "and just make engineers."

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Academic Convocation begins at Cushing

Texas A&M's 2003 Academic Convocation will begin today at 1:40 p.m. in front of the Cushing Library. Faculty and administration will march across campus to Rudder Auditorium. Viewers will be addressed in the auditorium at 2 p.m. by James J. Dunderstadt, president emeritus of the University of Michigan.

### Former chancellor of Germany to speak

Helmut Kohl, former chancellor of Germany who oversaw the fall of the Berlin Wall, will give a lecture to students today during his visit to Texas A&M.

Kohl will receive the first annual George Bush Award for Excellence in Public Service from the Bush Foundation. According to the Bryan-College Station Eagle, the recipient of this award is chosen by former President George Bush.

Kohl held his office as chancellor from 1982 to 1998, when Social Democrat Gerhard Schroeder was elected.

The ceremony will begin at 6 p.m. today in the Annenberg Presidential Conference Center at the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum. Free tickets can be through the Memorial Student Center box office.

### Freshman elections start tomorrow

Freshmen elections will take place today and tomorrow, starting at 9 a.m. Wednesday and running through 5 p.m. Thursday.

Members of the Class of 2007 can vote online at vote.tamu.edu. Candidates running for the offices of president, vice president, treasurer, social secretary and freshman senator have posted profiles that can be viewed under the election guide at election.tamu.edu.

If necessary, runoff elections will be held next week, Oct. 9 and 10.

### Al-Qaida supporters convicted in Belgium

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — A court Tuesday convicted 18 Muslims — including one planning to blow up a base believed to hold U.S. nuclear weapons — for involvement in a European terror ring recruiting for al-Qaida and the Taliban.

The defendants were sentenced to up to 10 years in prison.

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