

## EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Since time began, man has progressed in many ways. Has he progressed more as an individual or as a group? Essentially, man is the same now as when he lived in caves.

Man was only concerned with the welfare of himself and his family's. He would do anything to protect himself and to get what he wanted. Is this concept the criteria of today's man? YES—this is man's self preservation. Today, man deviates or breaks from this pattern when taking advantage of others. It is in this area that man as an individual has "progressed" most. Man used to kill to get what he wanted but he has "developed" his methods. He now threatens, blackmails, steals and uses modern propaganda psychology.

Let's look at man as a group. When man has made a mistake in doing something or in failing to do something, his conscience bothers him. Is this feeling stronger when men are together? We say man today is more humane but, take for example; how many people would contribute to charities if their contributions were not tax deductible. This seems that man is not willing to do anything for anyone at his own expense!

Man as a group has progressed more in science and warfare than in any other area. He has reached the moon, he has replaced worn and injured organs of the body, invented machines to do his thinking for him and created the automatic living organism on earth in a matter of hours!

When man's progression is compared with his degradation, many of us would have to agree that man has "progressed"—backwards!

### Student Center Under 'Attack'

Since Saturday, November 4th, the house we rented for a student center has been under "attack." These students and faculty members have donated their time and energy towards cleaning and painting the student center. They are: All the S.G.A. officers, the presidents of the freshman and sophomore classes; Harold Gambell, Larry Harrison, Roger Eller, Pansy Lyles, Jim Beaman, Gerald Pruitt, Roger Caudill, Wayne Luffman, Mary Jane Call, Mr. and Mrs. Mayes, Hayden Johnson, Greg Williams, Jim Harris, Virginia Blevins, Carolina Knox, Rebecca Kennerly, Marie Wingler, Marie Cashion, Thorton and Sharon Long, Becky Landreth, Larry Handy, Danny Bingom, Jimmy Hinchter, Mr. and Mrs. Hepler, Mr. Wiles and The "Hog."

# The Cougar Cry

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## Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

The Cougar Cry should be the voice of the entire college, informing the students of all college and student functions and activities, but does it serve these purposes?

It is the opinion of this committee that the Cougar Cry does not cater to the entire student body.

It is also our opinion that the S.G.A. is falling into the same category. Meetings have been scheduled at a time that, due to classes, is inconvenient.

We feel that measures should be taken to correct these discrepancies so that we will not have another issue like the last one. The S.G.A. meetings should be scheduled at non class hours so that all representatives can attend.

Yours respectfully,  
 The Committee For Better Student  
 Recognition and Participation

Dear Committee Members:

Thank you for your letter which showed your strong feelings towards our paper. I referred to "our" paper, and that is just what it is. The school paper was formed because everyone felt that the entire student body would participate in it and benefit from it. You must admit that the paper is the only way of communication between the College Parallel division and the Vocational-Technical departments. I had hoped that everyone had understood this.

The Cougar Cry has expressed its desire to have news from the Vo.-Tec. department, but since reporters from the paper, who represent the Vo.-Tec. division have not given news to me, the College Parallel people have had to fill your spaces for you.

I agree that this is an injustice to you, but to be honest, I have not received one article from the Vo.-Tec. department that I did not put into the paper. In case you do not know who the reporters are for your department, they are Debby Lomax and Vallery Richardson. You are also represented by Linda Watson, Hal Dean Byrd, Jim Harris, Thorton Long, Martha Johnson and Shirley Steelman. All of these people are in the Vo.-Tec. department and they are on the newspaper staff. There are seven people from the Vo.-Tec. department and six people from the College Parallel division on the staff. You out number us by one! These people cannot put anything in the paper unless you have contributed an article to them or your division has done something that is of interest to the other students.

Stating this matter simply, if you will give us something to go into our paper, it "will" be printed. This has been the paper's intent from the beginning, but apparently this was not understood.

If you want more proof, here it is. I have counted all the articles in the three issues of the paper and there were five articles about the Vo.-Tec. department; six articles concerning the College Parallel division, and twenty-six articles which were of interest to the "entire" student body. I feel that you have made a false accusation.

In reading the title of your committee, I notice you stand for better student participation; you should practice what you preach. If everyone was a better participant, I am sure that we could really make this school go places.

Sincerely, The Editor

