

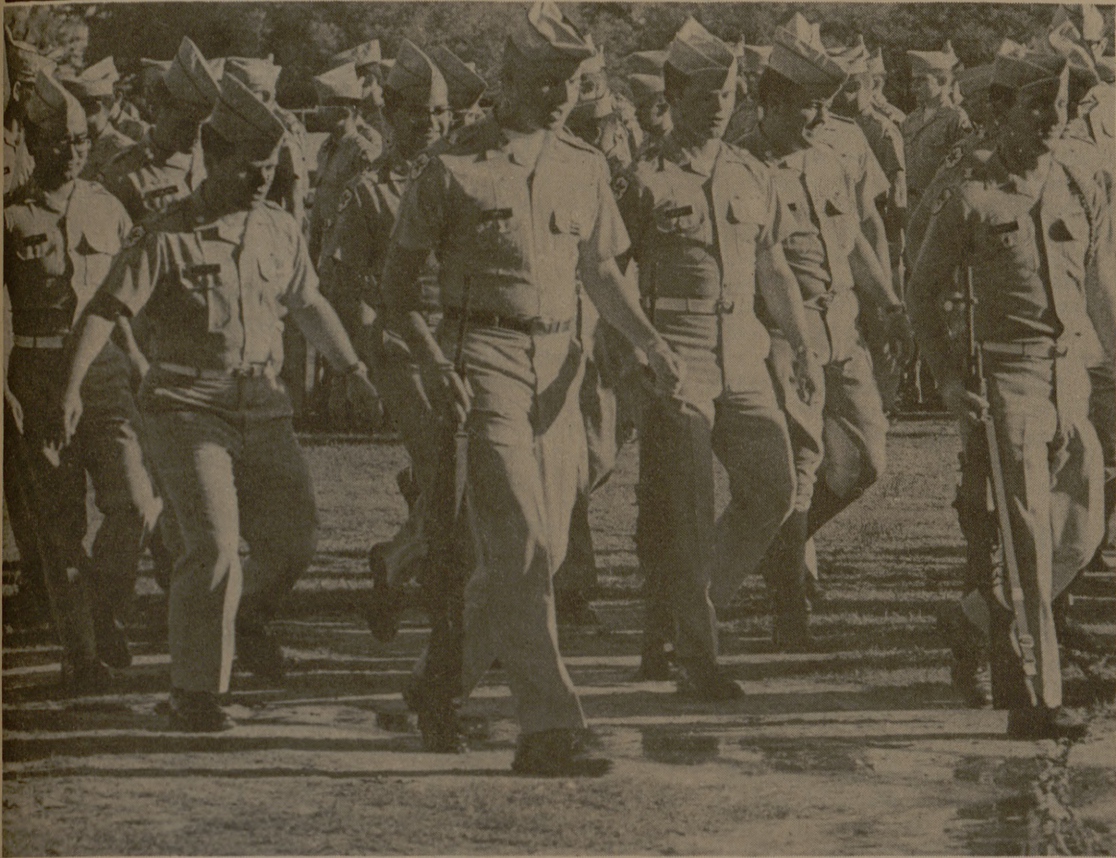
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CADETS ENCOUNTERED MUD on the Drill Field Tuesday as they practiced for this weekend's review. Their remarks were anything but kind as they encountered the soupy stream from a broken pipe. (Photo by Hayden Whitsett)

Calley leaves jail on Nixon's orders

FT. BENNING, Ga. (AP)—Lt. William L. Calley Jr. walked out of the Ft. Benning stockade Thursday night, released by order of President Nixon pending appeal of his conviction for murder at My Lai.

The 27-year-old Calley, blinking in the glare of television lights, left the stockade at 7:55

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p.m. EST, a little more than 24 hours after he was sentenced to life imprisonment.

A single uniformed guard is assigned to accompany Calley night and day, sharing the convicted murderer's bachelor quarters. Calley's status changed from that of confinement to the stockade to one of confinement to his own quarters.

With the guard, he will be free

to come and go for such essential things as work, laundry, business or legal conferences and so forth.

In Washington, a Defense Department spokesman said Calley would continue to receive full pay until all his appeals are exhausted.

Defense lawyers had pressed for freedom for the 27-year-old Calley pending outcome of appeal of his sentence. But they lodged their request with the post commander, Maj. Gen. Orwin Talbott. The President's intervention appeared to catch the Army

here by surprise.

Nixon directed that Calley be freed from the two-room officer cell area in the stockade. The White House said Nixon acted on his "own initiative."

Calley had been kept at the stockade under heavy guard since his conviction by a six-man military jury Monday of the premeditated murder of at least 22 unarmed Vietnamese men, women and children at My Lai, March 16, 1968.

Calley had led a relatively free pattern of life since being indicted for murder Sept. 5, 1969,

FRIDAY — Clear to partly cloudy. Winds northerly at 15 to 20 m.p.h. High 58, low 41.

SATURDAY — Clear. Winds northeasterly at 10 to 15 m.p.h. High 67, low 42.

Blacks can't be stopped: Cobbs

By BRUCE BLACK
Battalion Staff Writer

The United States has reached a point in history where black people are responding as they have never responded before, Dr. Price Cobbs told students Thursday night. "And you can no more stop us than you can stop a rushing river."

Speaking before the fifth Ethnic Studies Seminar presented by Great Issues, Cobbs, author of the novel "Black Rage," said that the time has come to stop telling Blacks to change their ways of living.

There is a sickness of racism with us now which has been here since the birth of this nation, Cobbs said.

"It is this kind of sickness that still has us in Vietnam while several people in high places talk

about things like winning and losing," he said. "To me, they sound like boys arguing on a school playground."

"This country is now literally warring on its young," he continued. "It is generally impossible for a country to survive when it loses the support of its young people."

Young people today consider their school experience and think it worthless. Cobbs said. "It is the school which the black rage most readily identifies with."

Students see themselves being put in a track which promises to pay off, and then doesn't, he explained. Too many students feel that they have been educated or mis-educated for a society that it not for them.

Those values which the black person relates to were supposed

to be dropped when he entered school, Cobbs said. But he finds that he must be made even more acceptable for the white society."

"I have no doubt that on the campus here, black students have trouble admitting themselves in a white society," Cobbs stated.

He pondered the possibility of Blacks considering themselves for selection of the Cotton Queen.

"As I looked at the Corps of Cadets," he continued, "I could not help but think that this in some point in history was representative of American education responding."

"After the first Soviet space shot, U.S. education responded frantically," he added. "Now it's the environment that the student is responding to. . . . But somehow we always seem to step around the problem of Blacks."

"Would you really say that Blacks are asking too much too fast?"

"When I came to A&M, I was met by a group of Black students, taken on a tour of the campus, and attended a sociology class; And I have yet to meet any member of the A&M administration," he said. "Not that I'm hung up on a red carpet treatment, but I'd just like to say hello."

This, Cobbs said, is another form of complacency toward the Black.

"The time for complacency is over," he said. "The time is over when we praise ourselves for having a Black at our tea party or having four black students in a sophomore class. We must recognize the hopes and aspirations of oppressed people and make them our own."

Dining hall changes planned

By BRUCE BLACK
Battalion Staff Writer

There may be some changes made in student dining facilities, Fred W. Dollar, director of the Department of Food Services, says.

Dollar proposes a "shopping center" style of dining, in which each student will have a wide selection of meats and vegetables, while still maintaining a balanced diet.

"I'm trying to get a system where the student can eat what he wants to," Dollar said, "and not the old system where he eats what he has to."

"Over the years Texas A&M has had lower board rates than any other male school," he con-

tinued. "But I really think the students are willing to pay a little more and get better facilities."

The civilian menu planning board, comprised mostly of students and headed by George McKirahan, agree with the proposal, Dollar said.

But the Duncan planners, headed by Bert Kinkead, say that the corps of cadets wants to keep their traditional family style of eating.

By adopting the new style of dining, Dollar says the size of the kitchen will be reduced, thus enlarging the eating area.

"Other schools cannot do this because of their shape and size," he said. "We can."

By increasing the number of items per meal, the dining halls can eliminate some of the need for cooking single items in such great quantities.

Many students are not satisfied with the dining halls at present, complaining that the meats are too greasy, the bread stale, the food tastes bland, and often the roast beef is discolored.

There are also many students that believe that the food served in the dining halls has been the cause of stomach pains, vomiting and diarrhea which has struck the corps area several times this year. Dr. Kenneth L. Nelson, M.D., director of the University Hospital, however, explains that these instances are caused by a highly contagious stomach virus, which has struck the entire community, and not just the area surrounding the dining hall.

"We have determined that no illness could have been caused by the food being served to the students in the dining halls," Nelson said.

Dollar holds that the food served to the board student is the best that can be bought by the funds provided.

The food is comprised only of USDA (U. S. Department of Agriculture) choice vegetables, USDA good grade meats, and USDI (U. S. Department of Interior) inspected fish.

A buyers board, comprised of Dollar, managers, chefs and other dining hall personnel, sample the products by tasting each item after the labels have been removed, so they will not be influenced by name brands. They make their selections based on quality and the price of each item.

"No financial or other forms of assistance are received from local, state or federal agencies," Dollar said. "With funds derived from board fees, the department pays all costs of food, labor, maintenance, construction, utilities, garbage disposal and insurance."

Still, funds are stretched as far as possible, and the department

tries to follow the suggestions of the students, Dollar said.

"The students have voted to cut out the Sunday evening meal and add a ten-ounce steak to the menu each week," he said. "This will probably go into effect next year."

"We still hope to have a little money left over for construction and renovation of food services for the board student," Dollar continued. "For example, Duncan Dining Hall is in need of \$60,000 worth of new bakery equipment for next year, he added."

The department will soon have to contend with a new dining area in the dormitories which are under construction east of the corps dorms.

"This dining area will be like the proposed shopping center style I'm trying to obtain for Sibisa in the next year or two," Dollar said, "though they will not be as sophisticated."

He would like to see the corps eating in the cafeteria during the weekends and to discontinue use of Duncan Dining Hall on all but football weekends.

Review seeks staff for fall

Writers and photographers are needed by "The Review" for next year, staff member Gary Aven announced. The magazine for the Colleges of Education, Architecture, Business, Science, Geosciences and Liberal Arts prints essays, articles, poems, satire and fiction pertaining to life at A&M, by assignment or freelance, Aven said.

Those interested should contact Brant Dennis at Dorm 12, room 409, phone 845-4293 or drop a note in his box in the Memorial Student Center Student Programs Office.

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Texas Senate asks full, quick pardon for Calley

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Texas senators overwhelmingly adopted a resolution Thursday asking for a full pardon at once for Lt. William Calley Jr., convicted of the murder of Vietnamese civilians at My Lai.

Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes said, "I think he should be pardoned."

The conviction, Barnes said, has "got to create a low morale among the men wearing the American uniform in Southeast Asia."

Gov. Preston Smith said in a statement, "We hope, and urge, that every area of appeal is used by those representing Lt. Calley to be absolutely sure that justice is done in this case."

Two similar resolutions were referred to a committee in the House as legislators reflected the furor across Texas at the conviction and life sentence assessed Calley.

Midland Sen. W. E. Snelson said a constituent who tried to send him a telegram telephoned instead because the Midland Telegram office had a four hour backlog.

Sens. Jim Bates of Edinburg, whose son was a combat Marine for 13 months in Vietnam, and A. R. Schwartz of Galveston shouted at each other over Bates' resolution calling the Calley conviction a "true disgrace to the United States" and requesting a pardon.

The resolution described Calley as a "dedicated military leader" who has "served our country with dignity." It said his conviction was "one of the gravest injustices" ever inflicted.

An amendment by Sen. Mike McKool of Dalls said Calley was being made a "scapegoat . . . for higher officers."

Schwartz said Calley's "plight should be carefully considered, and I would be as merciful as anybody." But he asked, "Should we pass judgment on the propriety of the Calley trial and military justice?"

"I do," replied Bates. "He carried out orders, in my opinion."

"Would you say he was perhaps a sacrificial lamb?" asked Sen. Charles Wilson of Lufkin, a graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy.

"Certainly he is," replied Schwartz. "The army would cover up My Lai like a latrine ditch if they thought they could get away with it."

Those opposing Bates' resolution were never able to muster more than six votes out of the 24 senators present. The resolution finally passed on voice vote.

It goes to the House.

435 pints of blood donated by Aggies to Wadley bank

A&M students donated 435 pints of blood Tuesday and Wednesday in support of research and user programs of the Wadley Institutes of Molecular Medicine in Dallas.

W. E. Bristow, technical director of Wadley's blood bank division, said the 13-year total for the Aggie Blood Drive now stands at 5,741 pints.

He presented plaques Wednesday at the conclusion of the two-day drive to representatives of the Student Senate and Xi Delta chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity. They cooperatively sponsor the drive, which went in 1969-70 to a twice-a-year format.

Plaques accepted by Marion J. Craig of Brownfield for APO and Roger Miller, Senate vice president of Hamilton bore engraved inscriptions on a Maroon background. An outstretched hand with a drop of blood in the palm

adorned the plate.

"A Gift of Life," heads the inscription. "In recognition of the outstanding role which the Student Senate (or APO) of Texas A&M University has played in providing for the blood needs of fellow A&M students and their fellowmen through the blood donor program. Oct. 14, 1970, March 31, 1971. (Signed) N. O. Hill M. D., Blood Bank Division, Wadley Institutes of Molecular Medicine."

Donors receive cards that enable them to receive blood from the Wadley bank in case of need.

Bristow said that of the 5,741 pints contributed by A&M students, 2,226 have been used by Aggies. The drive originated in 1959 to assist the hemophilic brother of faculty member Dr. Dave Fitch. From 1959 to 1962 all donations went to hemophiliacs.

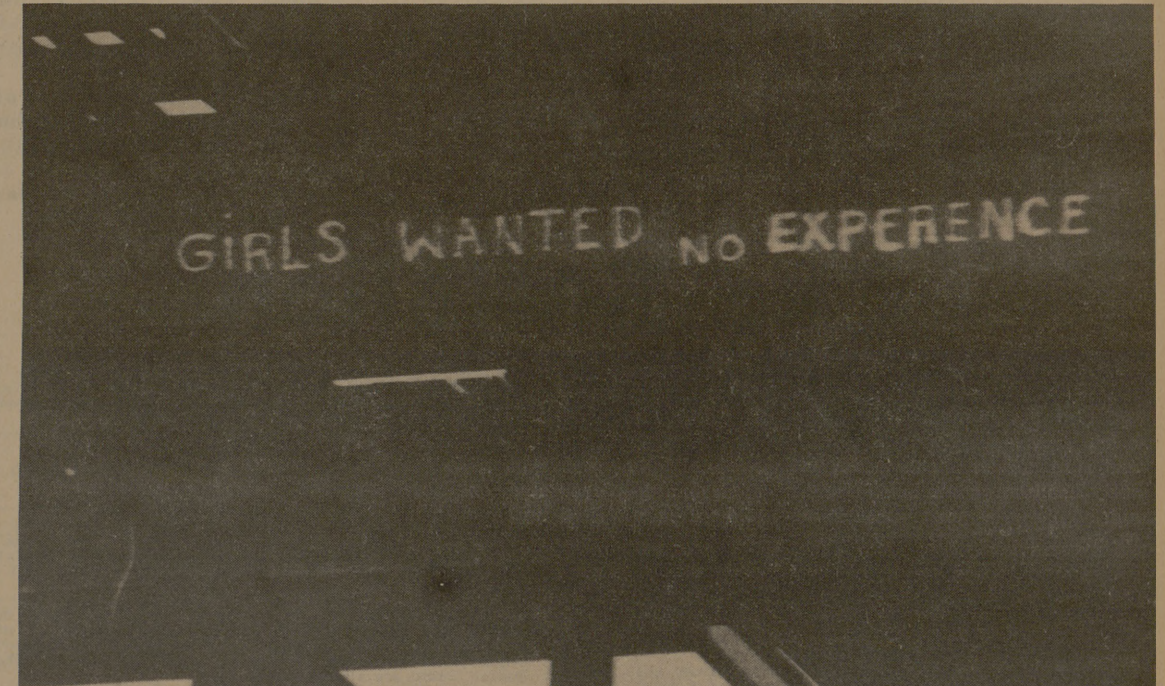
Bristow also noted that between

1963, when records began, and last October, the Aggie drive had 38 per cent rejects due to medical history reasons. He said standards are being revised and in certain cases, asthmatics and other respiratory problems can make donations.

The program has had other benefits for A&M. On one drive, a Wadley nurse met an A&M student she afterwards married.

Janis A. Kohlhaas of Corpus Christi was in the Wadley technical crew another year. She later enrolled here and is now a second year veterinary medicine student.

An APO spokesman said winning civilian dorm and Cadet Corps units (based on percentage contributions) will be determined by card counts and announced in the near future. Top percentage contributing campus groups will receive signs to display on their residence halls.



THEIR SENTIMENTS MAY BE RIGHT but their spelling isn't when it comes to putting signs on the girders of the new Oceanography-Meteorology Building. Just who put the sign up is unknown but it was probably a workman or a creative Aggie. (Photo by Alan-Jon Zupan)

Saturday cleanup to begin at 8 a. m.

College Station's Saturday cleanup campaign is gaining strong support, according to Mrs. John Sandstedt, chairman of the Beautification committee.

More than 25 groups and volunteers will be covering the streets of the city, picking up trash and discarded items piled along the curb by citizens.

Mrs. Sandstedt said that the once-a-year free pickup of large items, such as stoves and washing machines, will be held this weekend. Arrangements for pickup should be made in advance at city hall, Mrs. Sandstedt said.

She also said that citizens could use the new sanitary land fill two-tenths of a mile south of Highway 6 and the by-pass on a personal basis.

Organizations helping with the drive are: Army Reserve, Kiwanis Club, Lions Club, A&M Garden Club, Mens Garden Club, Community Knights of College Station, Community Improvement

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