

Air Force Should Follow Army Commission Plan

The Army-Navy-Air Force Journal's estimation that the Air Force will only accept 7,000 officers during the next fiscal year makes the commission situation here more doubtful than ever before.

This figure includes all officers, not just AFROTC cadets. If the Journal is right, this means that many students who would have received commissions will not get them.

A total of 16,000 students taking Air Science will be graduated in June, according to Air University figures. In December Air University stated that it intended commissioning 8,500 of these students.

The December figure for AFROTC cadets outnumbers this latest prediction which includes all officers by 1,500. To meet the Journal's number, the cuts in student officers would have to be great. And A&M is only one college out of hundreds which now offers Air Science.

The Air Force plans to give the surplus graduates certificates of completion. These students will enter the service as enlisted men. After two year's service they will be offered a commission. But during those two years, they will not hold the privileges they expected when signing their contracts.

However army surplus cadets may receive a much more attractive reward for their ROTC training, according to the Journal. The Army expects a 10,000 surplus of students graduating from colleges this June.

The Army plan would commission these students. They would serve as little as a 90-day indoctrination period. Then they would go into active reserve units as civilians for the remainder of their two year's service.

It would be fairer to AFROTC students, if the Air Force would also adopt such a plan. Much of the trust and respect the service has lost in colleges would be regained.

Blood Center Praises A&M For Cooperation in Donating

The Waco Blood Center recently praised A&M for its cooperation in the November blood drive. The compliments appeared in a recent edition of The Longhorn Trail, published by the Center.

In that drive, A&M students and faculty donated 258 pints of blood. Sixty-five of these were used to replace blood from the center used to save Cadet Charles Arnold's life. Arnold was seriously injured last semester in a car wreck near Waco.

The magazine stated that the center's work here "was a joy for the nurses, custodians and all concerned." It explained that the blood unit had more donors than it could

take. "The operation was coordinated beautifully and the Bloodmobile crew is looking forward eagerly to our next visit to College Station," the magazine said.

"The 'esprit de corps' demonstrated by the students and faculty was in line with the time-hallowed A&M tradition. Each student wished to be the one to repay for Cadet Arnold."

Another blood drive will be held March 2. We hope the student body will show the same interest that it did during the November donations. No more worthy cause exists than one which helps human life.



SAVED BY VET—Bobby Ray of Lubbock listens to the breathing of Terry, his pet monkey, who stopped breathing for eight hours after a veterinarian had given him anesthetic to pull some teeth. Three hours of pullmotor respiration by the fire department failed, but another veterinarian, Dr. H. M. Byrd, applied artificial respiration and revived the monkey.

Registrants Urged To Learn Rights

(Editor's note: This is the final of a series of 10 articles on the draft laws and how they affect persons of draft age.)

Ignorance of the law excuses no one. That is something everybody has heard, and it applies to a draft board's deliberations and actions, as well as to any other agency set up to administer public law.

The law makes it the responsibility of the individual registrant to do everything that the law requires of him. The law requires him to do these things within a certain time limit. If he doesn't do them, he can lose many privileges and rights given him under the law.

"It is the duty of every man registered with a draft board to be alert and protect his rights under the law," advises Brig. Gen. Paul L. Wakefield, state director of selective service.

"Certainly it is the moral responsibility of parents to have their

sons make themselves aware of the necessity of complying with all provisions of law and regulations," he says.

"It is too bad that registrants, parents, and employers often sleep on their rights until it is too late, or extremely difficult under our regulations, to do anything about their cases," he says.

Wakefield says that sometimes a registrant, parent, or an employer never request anything at the board until after an order to report for induction is issued.

Registered men, parents, and employers should begin to concern themselves about the selective service law and regulations immediately after men register, Wakefield points out.

The state draft director reminds all registrants, their parents, employers, public officials and citizens in general that the doors of Texas draft boards are always open to tell the people how to get information and help with draft problems.

Job Calls

Feb. 5—Firestone Tire & Rubber Company will interview spring and summer graduates at all degree levels in business administration, economics and agricultural economics. They will be interviewing at this time for prospective sales trainees.

Feb. 5—Archer-Daniels-Midland Company will interview chemistry (organic), chemical engineering and business administration majors. Chemists would go into research work, chemical engineers would go into plant operation and management, or process development and engineering work and business administration majors would go into sales.

Feb. 8—Graduates in the electrical, mechanical or industrial engineering fields at all degree levels will be interviewed by Western Union Telegraph Company. At this time they have openings in their Operating, Plant and Engineering, Development and Research and International Communications Departments. These openings are in the south as well as in all other major sections of the country.

Feb. 8&9—Chance Vought will interview aeronautical, architectural, civil, electrical and mechanical engineering majors at all degree levels, and advanced degrees in mathematics. Applicants will be considered for direct assignment in their fields of specialization, and will be eligible for placement in one of their training programs of the Engineering organization to participate in the research, design and development of military aircraft.

Feb. 8&9—Monsanto Chemical Company will interview men trained in mechanical or chemical engineering, or chemistry, at all degree levels who finish this spring and summer. They have available some two-hundred positions of various types for college graduates at all Monsanto locations with the exception of the Western Division on the West Coast.

Feb. 9—The Owens-Corning Fiberglass Corporation will interview spring and summer graduates in mechanical and chemical engineering, industrial education, business administration and economics. They have a general training program for ultimate assignment in sales, production, engineering, process control, purchasing, research and development.

Feb. 10—The Hughes Tool Company will interview mechanical and

industrial engineering majors at all degree levels who graduate this spring or summer. College graduates are first employed as Junior Engineers with assignment to a practical Engineers Training Program involving on-the-job training in successive phases of product design and manufacture.

Feb. 10—The Sperry Gyroscopic Company will interview graduates at all degree levels in mechanical, electrical, industrial and aeronautical engineering, physics and mathematics. They have openings for qualified men in such fields as aerodynamics, chemical analysis, electrical measurements, etc.

Feb. 10 & 11—General Electric representatives will interview spring and summer graduates at all degree levels, as follows: On the 10th, chemical engineers and chemistry majors will be interviewed for various G. E. programs. Also on the 10th, business administration, economics and agricultural economics majors will be interviewed for candidates for their Business Training Course. On the 10th and 11th, electrical, mechanical and industrial engineering and physics majors will be interviewed for various phases of work with G. E.

Feb. 10&11—Casma Aircraft Company will interview mechanical, civil and aeronautical engineering majors at all degree levels. The graduate engineer going to work (See JOB INTERVIEWS, Page 5)

Letters to the Editors

Editors The Battalion: Tonight, Tuesday, while at Silver Taps we witnessed one of the most discourteous acts a person can do. This person wore his fatigues hat while Silver Taps was being played. Perhaps this was due to ignorance or to forgetfulness but in either case we think that a person should have more respect for the occasion.

Jack Collins '54
James Collins '54
Joseph Robisheaux '54
Tom O. Moessler '54



New Delhi Doctors Study 'Wolf Boy'

NEW DELHI, India—(AP)—A gaunt, snarling lad dubbed the "wolf boy" is providing medical authorities in Lucknow with the twin problems of keeping him alive and determining his background.

The doctors said today the boy, who walks on all fours, wags down raw meat and laps water like an animal, is 9 years old. With his hair long and matted, he was found mysteriously in a railway freight car Jan. 17. Though definitely a human, doctors conjecture that he was reared by animals.

The boy was removed to the Balmampur Hospital in Lucknow, in north-central India, where symptoms of a serious circulatory ailment were noted.

Much against his will, he is being fed cooked meat, milk, porridge,

fruit juices and pancakes, as well as the raw meat he likes. Despite more than two weeks of hospital care, however, he still lies huddled weakly in his bed, giving an occasional snarl and trying to bite attendants. He cringes from light. He shows little interest in his surrounding until raw meat is produced. This he devours avidly. The hospital superintendent, Dr. D. N. Sharma, said massage will be used in an effort to restore the boy to normal human shape. "He has serious contracture of the muscles of the limbs and flexion at both elbow and knee joints," Dr. Sharma said. Surgical reconstruction to enable him to walk upright is planned after the massage treatments build up his physical strength.

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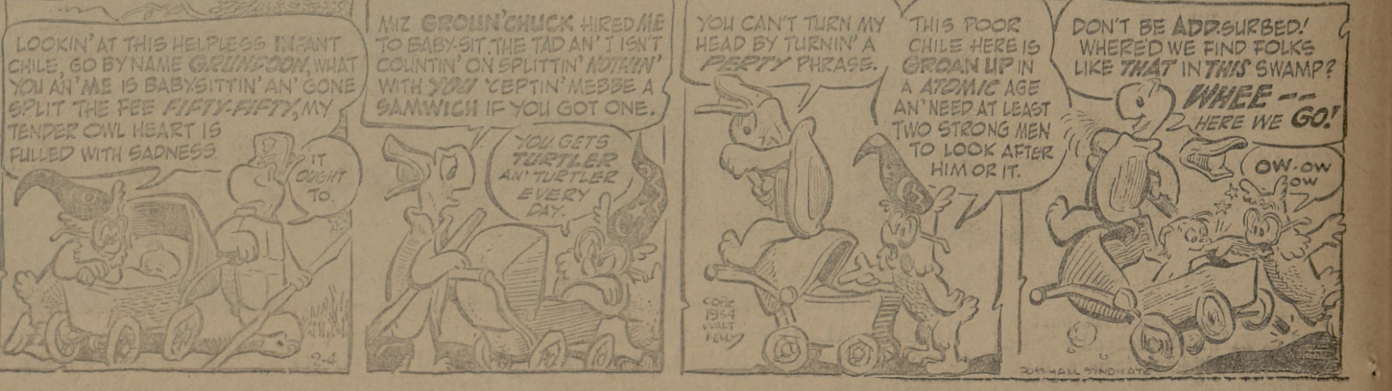
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