

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



... I'm already dreading next year's Bonfire.

BATTALION EDITORIALS

Yea, Verily

And in these days there went out a decree that all the land should be tested. And the students were sore afraid. Yea, verily, they panicked. For although the students had been tested before, few had walked the way of the straight and narrow that leads to wisdom.

The ancient papers of the land were read feverishly, for in them were written the great successes achieved by people in the glorious past. For is it not written, that what has been will surely come to pass again!

As the day of reckoning approached, the students could see the error of their ways. But alas, judgement drew near, time grew short, and the smell of the midnight oil filled the air. And although the labors of the students continued both day and night, they knew that the little had come too late.

And there were in this same land masters keeping watch over their tests by night and their flocks by day. Such good watch did they keep that the students came to the place to be tested and the masters did know each by his merits.

And the students went to the tests rejoicing, strong in their Unity, and many in number. Fiercely they did join the battle, and fierce was the battle. For seven days and seven nights did the students labor. They laid to with their slipsticks, using many pounds of lead and rubber, and many tons of papyrus. On the seventh night they withdrew, confident of victory.

But alas, alack, when the sun rose on the fields of battle on the eighth day, the battle had been lost. The students had lost their shirrtails, and feathers were strewn about, and in the palms of their hands they wore the mark of the authors of the tests.

And great was the shame and humiliation of the students. For how could they know that the masters had Unity, too?

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'NEITHER WHITEWASH... NOR WITCH HUNT'

Federal, State Authorities Launch Probes Into Georgia Student Riots

By The Associated Press MACON, Ga.—Federal and state authorities launched investigations Thursday into rioting which erupted on the University of Georgia campus after admission of two Negro students.

The students were suspended and whisked back to their homes in Atlanta by state patrolmen acting on orders issued by Gov. Ernest Vandiver.

Atty. Gen. William P. Rogers disclosed in Washington the Justice Department was "initiating a preliminary investigation of reported mob action yesterday at the University of Georgia to ascertain whether or not federal law violations occurred."

A spokesman for the FBI in Atlanta said Rogers' instructions had not been received as yet "but rest assured we will take action if the attorney general asks for it."

At the same time the Georgia House of Representatives named a special five-man subcommittee to go to Athens, Ga., Friday and check conflicting reports and rumors of recent happenings at the university.

House Speaker George L. Smith II said in a prepared statement he was confident the subcommittee would "neither whitewash the event nor engage in a witch hunt."

The two probes were announced shortly after a federal judge dealt a killing blow to Georgia school segregation laws but took no action to return the two Negro students to the 175-year-old state university.

Nearly 2,000 students, townspeople and others chanted Wednesday night around the dormitory where Miss Hunter had a room. Rock-throwing started with windows being broken in the building.

Then giant firecrackers were tossed, setting grass fires in the area.

There were chants and yells of, "Go home, nigger." As the disorder mounted, police brought tear

gas bombs into play and firemen turned their hoses on the fires.

Cars with out-of-town licenses drove up and their occupants threw copies of a Ku Klux Klan newspaper into the throng.

Dispersal started and Joseph Williams, dean of students, announced the suspension of Miss Hunter and Holmes, who occupied a room off campus, "in the interest of their safety" and that of the "more than 7,000 students at the university."

He said he and his staff would have to judge when it would be safe for them to return.

Are You Safe From Polio? Survey Says 'Maybe Not'

Did you know that more than 37 per cent of the children in Bryan-College Station public schools do not have adequate protection from polio?

And did you know that more than 64 per cent of the pre-school age children in Bryan-College Station do not have adequate protection from polio?

Did you also know that more than 52 per cent of the parents of school children in Bryan-College Station have had no polio shots?

These are figures resulting from an extensive survey conducted in November by a special committee in cooperation with the Brazos County Chapter of the National Foundation.

Mrs. I. W. Rupel, a member of the National Foundation Board and chairman of the survey committee, said "Apparently after the first big rush of vaccinations following the availability of the Salk vaccine, people became complacent and began putting off the vaccinations."

Initially the survey covered all grades of the A&M Consolidated schools, the Bryan grade schools and Stephen F. Austin High School, and Carver Grade and Kemp High Schools.

Mrs. Rupel explained that the survey was conducted in cooperation with each of the schools involved and that each child was given a form which was taken home and completed by the par-

ents. The child then returned the form to the school which then passed it on to the survey committee.

Translating the above percentages into real figures, the survey showed that 3059 reports were included in the study. Among the school-age group, 1559 students or 24.82 per cent have had less than three shots, and 807 students or 12.85 per cent have had none.

Among the pre-school group, 803 children or 40.2 per cent (all are brothers or sisters of the group in the preceding paragraph) have had less than three shots, and 480 pre-schoolers or 24 per cent have had no shots.

And of course 52.3 per cent or 3598 parents have had no shots. "When we ran the survey, we had no idea that we would find such apathy toward polio immunization. What we need to do now is to conduct a campaign to get everyone in the polio age bracket to begin the series of three polio shots," Mrs. Rupel said.

She added that the committee has received assurance from each of the area schools that individual campaigns will be waged to get children and their parents to take the shots on a volunteer basis.

Following compilation of statistics for the survey, the original forms were returned by the committee to each of the schools concerned so that each form could be made a part of each child's medical record.

"Polio is no respecter of age. It can strike an adult as well as a child. And I should add that when it strikes an adult, the after effects are usually much worse," Mrs. Rupel said. The survey committee, according to Mrs. Rupel, urges that each family contacts its personal physician immediately and begin the series of immunization shots.

She said that the results of the survey will be reported to the local Medical Society at its January meeting.

Social Calendar

The following organizations will meet on campus: Saturday

The Industrial Education Wives Club will hold a PHT Degree Luncheon at 1:30 p.m. in the Triangle Restaurant. The club will also meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. James Bishop, 308 N. 1st St., College Station. Officers for the spring semester will be elected.

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INTERPRETING

Reds Get Ready For 'Big Push'

By J. M. ROBERTS Associated Press News Analyst

The Soviet Union's role in Laos suggests that she and Red China may be playing interchangeable rather than merely complementary roles in Communism's 1961 "big push."

It also suggests that, in spite of their seeming compromise over who shall lay prime stress on "peaceful coexistence" and who shall hold in reserve the threat of force to decide the cold war, the West cannot afford to take an eye off either one.

Right now, although heavily preoccupied with the Soviet Union and Soviet arms in Cuba, and in Laos, the United States' outgoing President and the incoming secretary of state are taking time to emphasize their concern over Red China.

There are two immediate reasons.

One is a suitable but growing inclination in Western diplomatic circles to credit the Soviet Union with a current if not permanent leaning toward continued non-shooting war.

This follows her argument with China over coexistence, and downgrades her triple display—in Laos, Cuba and the Congo of willingness to intervene physically. It is coupled with the impression

that Peiping believes ultimate conquest will require war.

The other reason for America's particular concern with Red China is the approach of a time when U.S. opposition will no longer be sufficient to prevent United Nations recognition.

When the Communist idiom has been sufficiently illumined by deeds to make the recent Communist manifesto really understandable, we are quite likely to find the two leading countries of the bloc playing the same game of expediency quite aside from ideology.

Now that American weapons have been pitted against Soviet weapons in Laos, Western observers will be watching closely to see what Red China, acting perhaps through her associates in North Viet Nam, will do as a corollary in South Viet Nam. Assassins and saboteurs have for more than a year been creating a situation there which is now ripe for trouble.

There can be little doubt that Moscow and Peiping consider this Laotian-South Viet Nam front as one front.

Both lost a long guerrilla war to the British in Malaya, where most of the Communists were Chinese. Neither, in the long run, will be satisfied to let that issue remain settled.



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