

BATTALION EDITORIALS

Yes, Let's Rewrite!

There is a strong possibility that much more will come from the meeting Monday between representatives of the Corps of Cadets, the Corps Staff and Commandant Col. Denzil L. Baker than any of the group imagined when they filed into Guion Hall for the 90 minute, plus, session.

We feel that the most significant thing to emerge from the exchange of opinions was the suggestion and by Cadets that the Articles of the Cadet Corps be rewritten and the apparent agreement by Col. Baker that such action would be desirable.

We can only add that tomorrow would not be too soon. It is time that everyone in the Corps know what is expected of them and what they can expect of others in the Corps of Cadets. However, the writers of the revised articles should not stop at simply clarifying the relationship of one Cadet to another, but a definite chain of command from the Board of Directors to First Sergeants in each unit should be established and the relationship of various bodies and individuals relative to their positions of authority within that chain of command should be clarified.

It would be advantageous for those who will be appointed to pen the revised articles—and we certainly hope that it will be a representative group, both in the sense of positions and classes—to approach their monumental task with a positive attitude. It would be well not to go into the job by seeking to only remove the wrongs of the Corps—we feel this has been the only approach used in the past. We suggest that many hours be devoted to studying those things that must be included in the articles for the future in order for the Corps to survive in the inevitable changing times and to grow with the changes.

It can be done. Good luck on a difficult job.

CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle



"I think we'd better discuss your problem of being tardy to your 8:00 classes."

Congressional Redistricting  
Action Finds Little Support

WASHINGTON (AP)—Only two states — Georgia and Maryland — have moved to place themselves more in line with the history-making "one man, one vote" edict of the Supreme Court.

Leaders of many others adopted a ho-hum or "who, me?" attitude, hoping to put off action until 1965 or later or waiting for court action applying specifically to their state situation.

There were indications that a flood of lawsuits would be not long in coming. Residents of metropolitan areas, especially burgeoning suburbs, have long felt short-changed in the selection of members of the House of Representatives.

The high court ruled Monday that the states, in the selection of members of the national House, must see that each congressional district is substantially equal in population.

The court acted on a complaint from residents of the Atlanta, Ga., area. The residents pointed out that their congressional district number 823,680

persons while the rural 9th District of Georgia has 272,154.

Even before the Supreme Court spoke, Georgia had moved to revamp its congressional district lines. On Jan. 13 Gov. Carl E. Sanders convened a special session of the state legislature. It is expected to pass a bill by Friday night.

Sanders said: "The Georgia Assembly will and should act rather than leave us in an unenviable position of having 10 congressmen forced into a state-at-large by the Supreme Court."

Bulletin Board

WEDNESDAY  
Baha'i World Faith will meet in the YMCA Building at 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY  
Rio Grande Valley Hometown Club will meet in Room 208 of the Academic Building at 7:30 p.m.

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— Sound Off —

Editor, The Battalion:

point I feel that needs to be brought to the attention of some students of this institution concerns behavior and appearance at Silver Taps. Although perhaps contrary to the current trend of thinking, there are traditions on this campus worth retaining. The most eminently justifiable is Silver Taps. The wearing of tennis shoes (some without socks), T-shirts, and blue jeans does not constitute the proper dress for this traditionally sacred ceremony. Is it too much to ask students to refrain from leaning against bicycle racks, buildings, and trees while supposedly paying their last respects to a departed Aggie? Silver Taps is an impressively solemn final rite of respect for a fallen comrade and should under no circumstance be so inexcusably desecrated.

Lu Worsham, '66  
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Editor, The Battalion:

I heard once of a man named Gulliver. He laughed at all the little people. They tied him up. Some people wield a club; others a toothpick. High school students ask me of the academics here. I tell them it's the best. High school students ask me about the Corps of Cadets. I can't answer them. I don't know any more. And they must be in it if they enroll. I think it's time we turned over our whole cards. I think it's time we leveled with each other.

I feel confident I could recruit ten freshmen plus each fall from the Big Bend-Trans Pecos area in far West Texas. But I won't send a young man into a situation I know absolutely nothing about. Especially if he relies on my word. This might have an element of truth in it which is not limited to myself — were the figures checked?

Let us step off the middle of the fence and get this show on the road. A few answers straight from the shoulder might do more good than expected. A few jabs will be thrown, but everyone knows who holds the knockout punch and the club. Believe it or not, there are boys waiting to go to school here.

There's nothing wrong with being knocked down — but to lie there, that's the disgrace. Let's get this mess cleared up.

W. R. McAffee, '64  
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Editor, The Battalion:

Like many Aggies I was surprised to read in The Battalion that for all practical purposes Religious Emphasis week is dead. Even though this tradition is not used by 100 per cent of the student body, I feel that if just one person is helped by it then it is more than worth while.

I have heard many reasons for its discontinuance including: too much expense and disagreement between the different local churches. I can't see where either of these is cause to let Religious Emphasis Week slide.

The only expense would seem to be that of guest speakers. I feel that local clergy could lead discussion groups and carry out the other functions as ably as the guest speakers have in the past. If guest speakers are considered necessary I am sure that funds could be found, perhaps much the same way club aid works, certainly Religious Emphasis Week is as worthy as many of the organizations and functions that Exchange Store profits are used for.

As for disagreements between churches I can't see how this is a factor when each person is free to go to the church of his choice. There would be no need for agreement except on calendar dates.

I strongly urge that something be done to put this tradition back in its proper place of importance. If this is not possible then I feel that we should at least get a more complete explanation as to why it can't.

If the University and local churches can't do anything about it then perhaps we can on a student level. Like all humans, Aggies have many faults but I have never heard his devotion to God and Country questioned. Let's not let this tradition die, there aren't enough left as it is now!  
Nick McGuire, '64  
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Editor, The Battalion:

In reference to the letter written by Randall W. Bland — the

typical young liberal with a big mouth and a small brain. Do you honestly believe that a college degree determines a man's intelligence? Could this be true considering that you yourself will receive that cherished sheepskin this year

Not only do I doubt your intelligence and your maturity, I think your sense of humor is warped. Unless the ICBM improves tremendously, we might all die laughing as we try to get them off their launching pad in the event of war. Just for the record — how many ICBMs have been fired without any delay in the count-down? Of course you have established your patriotism by considering the Articles of Confederation a joke — do you get a chuckle out of the Constitution also — or have you bothered to read it?

Since you apparently don't like to be referred to as a Socialist or Communist — just what name would you apply to a person who advocates complete government control, recognition of a country whose goal is to "bury us" and makes jokes about our heritage? Would not a skunk smell the same by any other name?

Mr. Bland, you said that the Conservative movement was not patriotic but a revolution of hate, bigotry and ignorance. Why not examine your letter for patriotism, love, open mindedness and intelligence.

Jerry Morrow, '63

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