

BATTALION EDITORIALS

Demands Upon Education

The report of the Governor's Committee on Education Beyond The High School is indeed a welcome glimpse into the efforts of the administration to face problems arising out of the economic and technological demands of our time.

The fact that an attempt has been made to face the problems at all is indicative that responsible people realize that unless the number of trained persons in Texas increases significantly, we face the bleak prospect of having large segments of our population become literally unemployable.

Twenty years ago, the majority of Texans lived in rural areas, today almost 70 percent live in metropolitan districts. The trends toward urban and industrial dominance are destined to intensify. As these trends continue in years ahead, better education will become the critical ingredient of accomplishment for the individual and the state.

Apart from the main recommendation to establish a strong central coordinating board for public education beyond the high school, there was the recognition by the Committee that Texas has a long and difficult path ahead if it is to achieve the desired goal of eminence in education. This is particularly the case when it comes to financing.

The Committee came to the conclusion that it will be necessary to either place all institutions of education beyond the high school in Texas in a priority category in the State's budget or, in the alternative, to procure the required funds through a dedicated tax.

Clearly, however these are only recommendations. Legislative enactment will be the final proof of the pudding.

Governor Connally has indicated that he has been against a dedicated tax but "might wind up recommending it."

Let us hope that the administration and the state legislature see fit to vindicate the earnest efforts of the Committee.

BOOK REVIEW

'Dallas, Public And Private'

By WARREN LESLIE

By RAYMOND HOLBROOK Associated Press Writer Because it is the site of the assassination of President Kennedy, Dallas has become the most discussed, criticized and analyzed American city of the decade. Much of what has been written has been superficial, fragmentary and emotion-charged and often based on impressions rather than knowledge.

Hence, Warren Leslie's "Dallas, Public and Private" takes on importance because its scope, depth and careful analysis brings the city into clearer focus and puts into perspective the setting of the tragic events of Nov. 22-24, 1963.

Leslie, a newspaper reporter and advertising executive during his 17 years in Dallas, is neither an apologist nor a muchraker. He is, rather, a thoughtful and concerned citizen who, with sensitivity but not emotion, seeks the answer to the oft-asked question "Why did it happen in Dallas?"

Not content with the who and what, Leslie seeks the why of Dallas. "Without important natural advantages, it is an improbable city, man-made as the lakes around it; it is the creation of the citizens. It has not been

pushed in any given direction by circumstances it could not avoid," he says. "Instead, it has been shaped as few cities have ever been by men, and much of the psychology of Dallas traces back to this. And men taking credit for what the city is, must also take the responsibility for what it is not."

It is the people who have made Dallas what it is—and is not—that is the chief concern of the book. There is the Citizen's Council, the select group of Dallas leaders with the power to say "yes or no." Those are the men credited by Leslie for much of the city's physical growth but whom he says are incapable of providing it with moral and spiritual leadership.

Then there is the group which Leslie terms "the absolutists," who feel that they alone possess wisdom, patriotism and virtue and who insist that others conform with their views. And then there is the "compulsive right-wing woman" whose legions shoved and jeered Mrs. Lyndon Johnson and berated Adlai Stevenson.

Some Dallasites will probably disagree with some of Leslie's emphasis and interpretations but there is little likelihood that his

CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle



"... And we have this civic, moral responsibility to be concerned about the nomination of a candidate, but our teacher has no political responsibility! With class and all the assignments, how can we keep up with the convention?"

Inevitable Realignment

By VERN SANFORD Texas Press Association AUSTIN, Texas—New preliminary steps, inching Texas toward the inevitable realignment of congressional and legislative districts, were taken last week.

Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr asked that the federal district court at Houston allow time for the legislature to redraw the districts in its session next year... as the court had done earlier with congressional apportionment.

In view of U. S. Supreme Court decisions that both houses of the state legislature must be selected on the basis of population alone, Carr concluded there is little doubt that Texas districts would be declared unconstitutional.

Meanwhile, in Fort Worth and Dallas a committee of the Texas Legislative Council held its first public hearing seeking advice on how congressional districts should be redrawn.

A parade of witnesses was heard before the committee recessed briefly. It will move to Houston for its third hearing on July 17. A fourth hearing will be held in San Antonio. Committee spokesmen have indicated they may go to West Texas, then perhaps return to South Texas for further testimony.

A session of the full Legislative Council, research arm of the Legislature, is scheduled for July 27 in Austin. At that time, the Council is expected to decide whether to broaden its own study

to include the explosive, close-to-home problems of rearing the state's House and Senate districts.

SCHOOL FUND State Board of Education raised the per student apportionment of state available school fund money to local districts from \$78.50 to \$81.50.

This \$3 per capita hike represents an overall \$7,600,000 raise in available fund aid to the districts for 1964-65, based on a current estimate of more than 2,500,000 students.

Comptroller Robert S. Calvert estimated the fund for the coming school year at \$218,300,000. Board allocated \$10,500,000 to finance the cost of purchasing and handling text books. This left \$207,700,000 to be distributed on a per capita basis.

This increase means no increase in overall state aid. Allocations to all but the few prosperous "budget balance" districts for salaries and operations will be decreased by an amount equivalent to the available fund boost.

New HS Students

W. T. Riedel, Superintendent of A&M Consolidated Schools, has announced that all new students moving into the A&M Consolidated Independent School District should contact the Superintendent's Office, beginning July 13.

Pre-registration will assist the school in scheduling classes and ordering necessary supplies and textbooks.

Board also agreed to name a study committee to look into a proposal for a \$1,400,000 junior college at Pampa.

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