

Reynolds' Rap

by Mike Reynolds

The University of California at Berkeley hasn't been getting the best publicity in the world for the past week.

Student demonstrations culminating in the arrest of more than 800 people for participating in a sit-in demonstration in the administration building of the university tend to give the casual reader the idea that this is just another bunch of beatniks or weirdos seeking recognition.

The wirephoto widely used showing a bearded demonstrator could not have helped in the presentation of the truth.

There is a rational side to the protest and it deserves a hearing.

On Sept. 19, the university closed a "free speech" area at the corner of Bancroft and Telegraph streets on the south edge of the campus. For years, students had used this area—thought to belong to the city of Berkeley—for impromptu orations and as an outlet for organizing off-campus political activities, such as civil rights movements.

The discovery that the "free speech" area belonged to the university brought a prompt ruling that prohibited students from soliciting funds for political activities or advocating particular political causes while on campus.

"State law in California says that the University of California may not participate in partisan politics, although this rule applies to the university more than to its

individual students," said Jim Willworth, assistant editor of the Daily Californian in a special article for the Kansas City Star.

"The campus administration, then, felt the safest course of action was to eliminate student political activity in the newly discovered campus area," Willworth continued.

The students began their protest with petitions to the administration and some peaceful picketing. The administration struck back with suspensions for violation of the solicitation of funds—ruling.

Things went from bad to worse, communications between the protest groups and the administration broke down and the sit-in was the result.

"The students agreed with the cause for which the group was fighting but they did not always agree with the measure used, was the opinion expressed by Willworth and Jim Bow, also of the Daily Californian staff.

California is a melting pot, a seething political cauldron, whose atmosphere is different from any other in the United States.

The two student editors seemed to feel that this difference, coupled with the unrest that has swept the state following the Republican convention and the general tone of state politics, were the real factors behind the dispute.

Possibly it made the students a little more conscious of their right to participate in political affairs. It is all speculation.

But, someone needs to speculate about the dispute and its causes immediate and secondary, to ease the tensions if they should crop up again. The students felt they were right and could not stand idly by. The administration felt it could not be intimidated.

The battle had no winners.

Bulletin Board

TUESDAY

American Institute of Chemical Engineers will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 105 of the Geology Building.

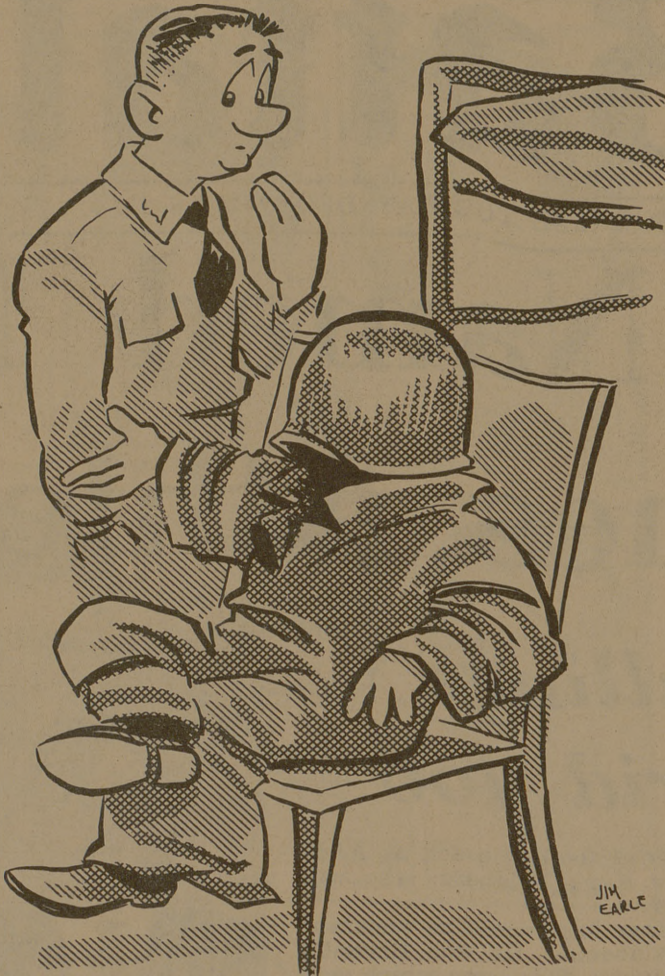
Soil and Crop Sciences Wives Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. T. E. McAfee at 314 Fairview in College Station for a Christmas party.

Semper Fidelis Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Biological Sciences Building.

Oceanography & Meteorology Wives Club will meet at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Barbara Haaden at 504 Kyle in College Station.

CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle



"I'm curious to know how this week's gonna turn out. Talent shows, basketball, SCONA and four quizzes—I'll know what I'm made of when it's over!"

— Sound Off —

Editor,

The Battalion:

Aggieland has many friends and I would like to tell you about one of the most "gung-ho". He's my eight-year-old cousin who attends Mound Elementary School in Burleson. His name is Blake Carpenter.

Blake and his younger brother, Stevie, came to A&M with his parents for Final Review of 1964. I carried the American flag during the ceremonies and Blake carried the flag cases. He really enjoyed taking part and when he left he definitely took the "Spirit of Aggie" with him.

Last summer Blake entered "Buddie's Scribble Contest" in his hometown with the scribble, "A&M", because he couldn't make the ampersand. The object of the contest was to enter a scribble which "Big Jim" Hester could not illustrate with a cartoon in a maximum of 60 seconds. "Big Jim" attempted to draw three A&M cadets marching from the "A&M" scribble, but failed to complete it in time. Blake won. A pair of skates, a snub-nosed revolver and a racing car set were given to him. His mother received a card table with four matching chair's for her son's victory.

Blake's spirit has already been a boon to him. And it will grow and be of great value to him through life. He plans to enter our ranks and become a full-fledged Aggie in 1974.

Richard Watson, '65

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Editor,

The Battalion:

The present program of "Academic Excellence" here at school must really be bearing fruit in other areas if the school can afford to turn down money. Take the matter of the lockers in DeWare Field House. There are approximately 200 lockers in the locker room available to the student a "day" lockers. In all the time I have been playing handball and using the lockers I have never seen over 30 lockers in use.

Yet the school cannot afford to rent 20 or 25 of these lockers to people who play handball and cannot get a locker in G. Rollie White Coliseum. So 175 or more empty lockers sit there taking up space and collecting dirt. Don't let that fool you though, they are serving a "useful" purpose. They look good for visitors.

Just don't fall for their nice empty look though and try to use them. If you do, your lock will be sawed off, your gear confiscated, and you will get "locker service" in the coliseum. So before you knock the administration, remember that they are doing such a good job that there is money left over to buy purely ornamental facilities.

James H. Armstrong, '64

— Job Calls —

WEDNESDAY

Pan American Petroleum Corporation — accounting.

Mason & Hanger — Silas Mason Company, Inc. — chemical engineering, electrical engineering, industrial engineering, mechanical engineering, chemistry.

U. S. Forestry Service, Department of Agriculture — range management, civil engineering, landscape architecture, business administration.

Northwestern University, School of Business — School of Business Administration.

Universities Develop 'Peace Corps' Courses

By Intercollegiate Press
Madison, Wis. — The University of Wisconsin and the University of Hawaii have "joined the Peace Corps" in what Peace Corps Director Sargent Shriver called "a new approach to education for international service." He announced in a joint news release that both universities:

1. Intend to develop a new sequence of courses on the graduate and undergraduate level to better prepare Americans to serve effectively overseas;
2. Establish a new graduate degree in international service when the course development has advanced sufficiently to permit this;
3. Establish summer study-service internships in domestic social problem areas;
4. Seek out faculty particularly qualified in areas of study which relate to international service and establish Affiliate or Adjunct Professorships to encourage expert participation in this program on a continuing basis;
5. Engage in research activities designed to explore the problem areas of international service; and
6. Provide special educational opportunities and academic credit for Peace Corps Volunteers who have successfully completed their service.

"The Peace Corps," according to Shriver, "is particularly pleased with these proposals and intends to develop an expanded and continuing relationship with the Universities of Hawaii and Wis-

consin in several areas which relate directly to the Peace Corps program."

The Peace Corps will seek the assistance of these two universities in its recruiting and career counselling efforts, he reported. This type of full involvement and cooperation will also result in a student body more interested in and better prepared for international activities, Shriver said.

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"YOUNGBLOOD HAWKE"

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LAST NITE
"BLACK LIKE ME"
&
"QUICK GUNS"

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By Charles M. Schulz