

A Student Strike Against Vietnam?

The Battalion recently received an invitation to attend a conference at the University of Chicago whose purpose is to "end the war in Vietnam . . . end the draft . . . end university participation in the war effort . . ."

In a four page pamphlet included with the letter, 180 sponsors from all over the U. S. indicate their approval and support for the conference to plan for a National Student Strike for Peace. The list includes seven people from Texas; three instructors in a Texas university, two students from that university, and three people from one of Texas' largest population centers. At the end of the list was printed:

"There are additional sponsors. The list is available on request."

In addition to the list of sponsors for the conference, the booklet contained an article attempting to explain the reason for a national student strike.

The article began:

"Every escalation of the war in Vietnam by the Administration in Washington brings us closer to a third world war . . . Everyday American soldiers are being asked to kill and be killed in this brutal, unjust and illegal war . . ."

Perhaps further escalation would bring the situation in Vietnam to a climax. And perhaps it will result in a final showdown with Communist China. But if the U. S. pulled its troops out of Asia, a showdown would eventually come somewhere else. If not in Asia, perhaps our own Americas. Communism threatens daily to explode in the face of every free country on earth. Its potential force must be met before it does explode, and the force must be smothered. Communism, especially in Communist China, must be dealt with now.

" . . . American educational institutions will not be centers for recruitment of cannon fodder . . . or development of refined types of killing."

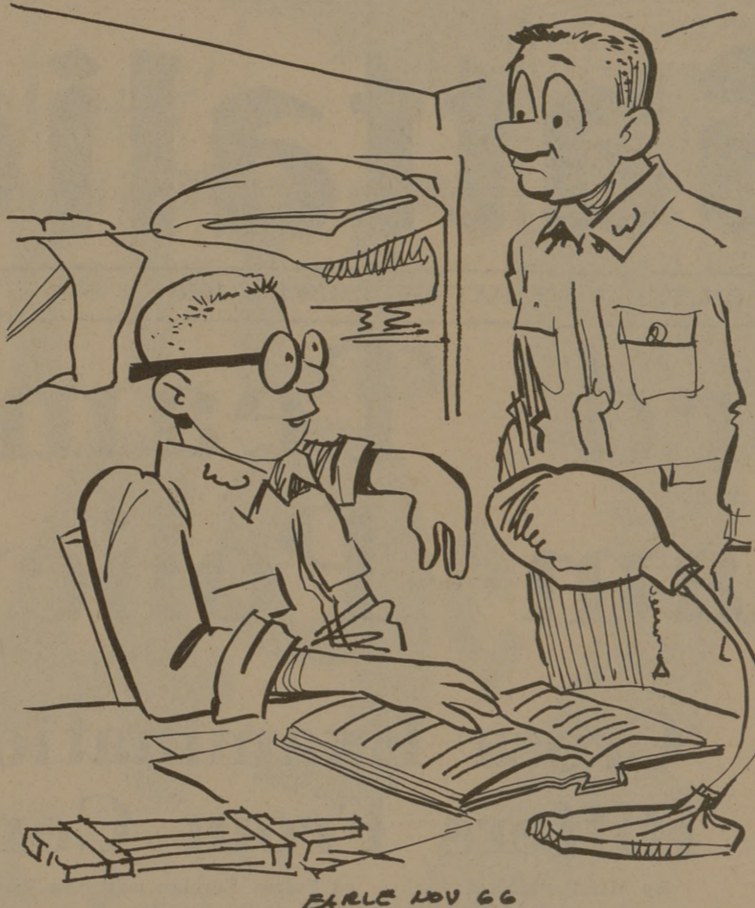
This comment is interpreted as an objection to our ROTC schools. As for "Fodder," which is defined as a food for domestic animals, how can the loss of an American life in defense of country be compared to in such a low vein? And when Americans begin to regret the existence of their military, whether ROTC or active force, then they will be subject to the most refined killer of all: the killer of the spirit of democracy.

Continuing, the article says:

"For the first time, students . . . have opportunity to participate in one unified action against the war, the draft, and the intrusion of the military into their daily lives."

It is our position that the war, the draft, and the intrusion of the military into our lives are not the happiest of moments. But it is the duty and privilege of an American to serve his nation. We are not pleased with a draft notice, but we were sobered by it. We do not become ecstatic at the idea of fighting in Vietnam, but we understand its importance to all free peoples.

As to attending the Conference to plan a Student Strike for Peace, we cannot participate. Not because we are opposed to a nationwide student strike, but because we are opposed to a letdown of this nation by its university students and educators. The responsibility of the university campuses is to stand for America — not against it.



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Town Hall Presents Fred Waring Dec. 7

"The First Fifty Years," Fred Waring's 50th anniversary show starring the Pennsylvanians, is scheduled Wednesday at Texas A&M's G. Rollie White Coliseum. The Memorial Student Center Town Hall presentation is set within the frame of Waring's familiar "Sleep," his theme song for five decades on radio, recordings, concerts, films and television.

Nonetheless, the show has some surprises, says Town Hall Chairman Sammy Pearson. It features soloists, skits, choral comedy and orchestral numbers drawn from the harvest of Waring's half-century musical career.

A company of 50 young and veteran performers comprise an orchestra and choral ensemble of the musical show. Featured as soloists are the lovely soprano, Karen Kopseng, Miss North Dakota of 1965; singing comedy team Linda Wicker and Jim Wheeler; Cordovox virtuoso Donna Dee Anderson; deep-voiced Leonard Kranendonk and banjo-humorist Bobby Day; and com-

edian-drummer Poley McClintock, original member of the four-man band that started Waring on his musical career in Tyrone, Pa.

The range of music for the A&M performance goes from popular classics to Broadway tunes, chorales and folksongs, vignettes and the latest in novelty tunes.

Tickets are available at the MSC Student Program Office. Season tickets are acceptable.

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International Club Elections Tonight

Officers will be elected at a meeting of the International Club at Texas A&M tonight, announced acting president A. A. Quraishi. The 7:30 p.m. meeting in YMCA second floor meeting rooms is open to all persons, he emphasized.

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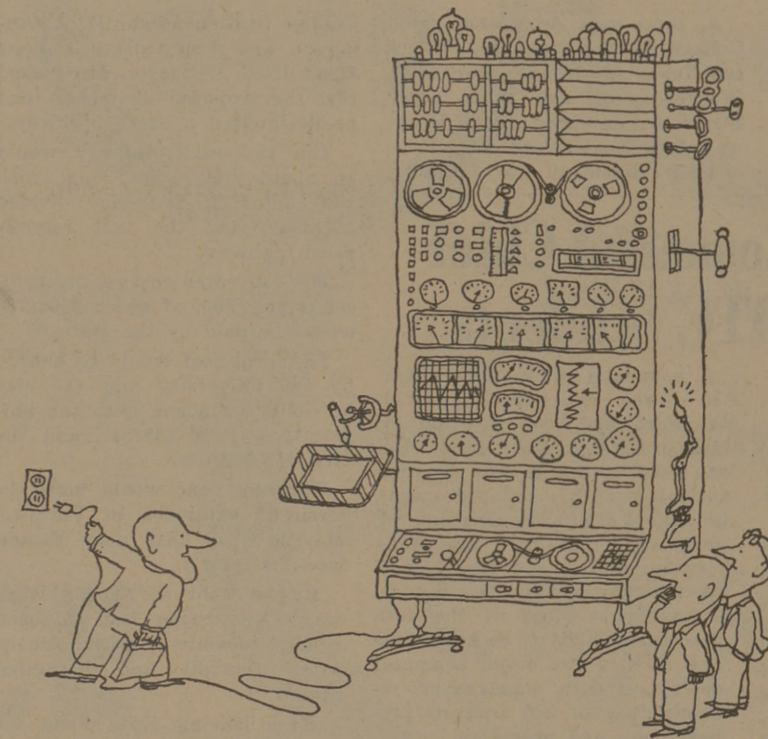
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P. S. By the way, the girls play here!

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