

AP Answers Draft Questions On War

By STAN BENJAMIN
WASHINGTON (AP) — Draft calls are climbing again as the armed services face the task of replacing the two-year men drafted at the start of the Vietnam build-up in late 1965 and early 1966.

Concern over the draft was cited repeatedly by editors responding to a recent Associated Press Managing Editors Association survey of what readers are talking and worrying about.

For youngsters about to turn 18, for older youths wondering when they may be called and for parents with sons in those categories, here is a wide-ranging guide to the draft.

Who is being drafted now, how many draftees go to Vietnam, who is being deferred — the answer to these and other questions posed by The Associated Press come from Selective Service headquarters in Washington and the Department of Defense.

Q. Precisely who is being drafted now — what age?

A. Most inductees are between 20 and 21. In recent months, the average age has been 20½.

Q. Is marriage or fatherhood ground for deferment?

A. Neither is ground for deferment without further qualification. If a man maintains a bonafide family relationship with a child or children he has ground for deferment whether or not he is actually their father. As for marriage, it is frequently a factor in deferment on grounds of hardship.

Q. What are those "other subjects?"

A. The National Security Council has not yet identified any other graduate studies.

Q. Do a student's marks mean anything?

A. Class standings and grade averages do not determine deferments. But the student must be "satisfactorily pursuing" his studies.

Q. What does "satisfactorily pursuing his studies" mean?

A. He must be steadily earning credits toward obtaining his degree in normal time.

Q. Are students being drafted out of college?

A. Dropouts, including those who have failed to earn their credits, may be drafted but we are not taking satisfactory students out of college.

Q. What constitutes a hardship case and how is it handled?

A. The regulations provide for deferment for "any registrant whose induction into the armed forces could result in extreme hardship to his wife, divorced wife, child, parent, grandparent, brother or sister who is dependent on him for support, or to a person under 18 years of age or a person of any age who is physically or mentally handicapped whose support the registrant has assumed in good faith." The term "extreme hardship" is not defined.

Q. How big are draft calls expected to be in 1968?

A. We are not in a position at this time to comment on the outlook for the next fiscal year but calls so far this year totaled 34,000 for January, 23,300 for February and 39,000 for March.

Q. How does this compare with last year?

A. For the first half of 1967, the calls were at a relatively low level, averaging about 15,000 per month. In the last six months of 1967, the average rose to about 22,000 a month.

Q. Will the calls balloon when it becomes necessary to replace the two-year men rushed into uniform at the beginning of the Vietnam build-up?

A. With the Army now in the midst of a major replacement cycle for draftees originally inducted in the calendar year 1966, we can expect a relatively high level of draft calls to be required through June. Beyond that it is difficult to project because of variations in enlistment and re-enlistment and because planned military force levels also affect draft calls.

Q. How are draft quotas set for each local board?

A. Each local board reports how many men it has available for induction. Each state adds the reports of its boards and gives a state total. A nationwide ratio is calculated between the total draft call and the total number of available men. Each state and local draft board is then required to draft that same percentage of its own available registrants. In other words, the number drafted by any board is the same in relation to the number available to that board as the national call is to the number available nationally.



CYCLOTRON VACUUM CHECK
Acceleration of particles in Texas A&M's cyclotron requires the machine be evacuated of virtually all air molecules. The cyclotron vacuum system is the responsibility of a crew of technicians, which includes Harry M. Elmendorf of Houston, who received Air Force training on pumping equipment. He checks a vacuum gauge directly under the accelerator chamber. Stainless steel pipe (right) is part of the accelerator's ion source.

AF Veteran Wants Service Career

A Texas A&M sophomore with four years military service has his sights on the university's ROTC program, an Air Force commission and career.

Harry M. Elmendorf of Houston, an aerospace engineering major, entered Air Force enlisted ranks following 1963 graduation from Houston's Wesbury High School.

A PHYSIOLOGICAL training technician at the School of Aerospace Medicine, Elmendorf works as a vacuum technician for A&M's Cyclotron Institute while studying. He works 40 hours a week, attends class 25 hours and has a 1.9 grade point ratio (3.0 is perfect).

"The hours are unusual," remarked the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed H. Elmendorf, 5431 Lybar, Houston. "I've been on a midnight to 8 a.m. shift. My wife Anne is getting used to it." They have a one-year-old daughter, Debra.

Harry is from a family of Aggies. His father was in the class of 1938, graduating in 1948 following World War II service. Ed Elmendorf was assistant sports editor to Harold Schwertiz at the San Antonio Light.

Harry's younger brother Dave is an outstanding freshman student. The "fish" football standout had all A's last fall and posted the top academic average of 440 AFROTC cadets.

AN OLDER BROTHER, Patrick, works at the NASA Manned Spacecraft Center and plans to enroll as an A&M undergraduate next fall.

The well-built former All-Houston football end said he hopes to enter the Air Force as an officer after graduate degree work at A&M. He takes the Air Force Officer Qualification Test in mid-February, preparatory to entering the AFROTC program as a junior.

The AFOQT is prerequisite to an advanced ROTC contract. Elmendorf says he wants a 1-P

'Quotations From Chairman LBJ' Draws Much Attention In White House Circles

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some of President Johnson's closer advisers are scrambling these days to obtain copies of a new red-covered volume called "Quotations From Chairman LBJ."

The midget-sized 189-page paperback is patterned after a similar-looking volume, "Quotations From Chairman Mao Tse-Tung," which has enjoyed popularity in some hippie and collegiate circles.

When one of Johnson's key aides saw a reporter with the book, he fairly snatched it away for his own perusal. Just about everyone around the White House, it seems, wants to get hold of it.

The cover features a portrait of the chief executive dressed in Mao-style military tunic.

The quotations range from a remark Johnson is said to have made 15 years ago—"I'm not smart enough to make a president"—to a one-sentence final chapter, titled "Ultimate Reflection" which cites a phrase Johnson often has used: "I'm the only president you've got."

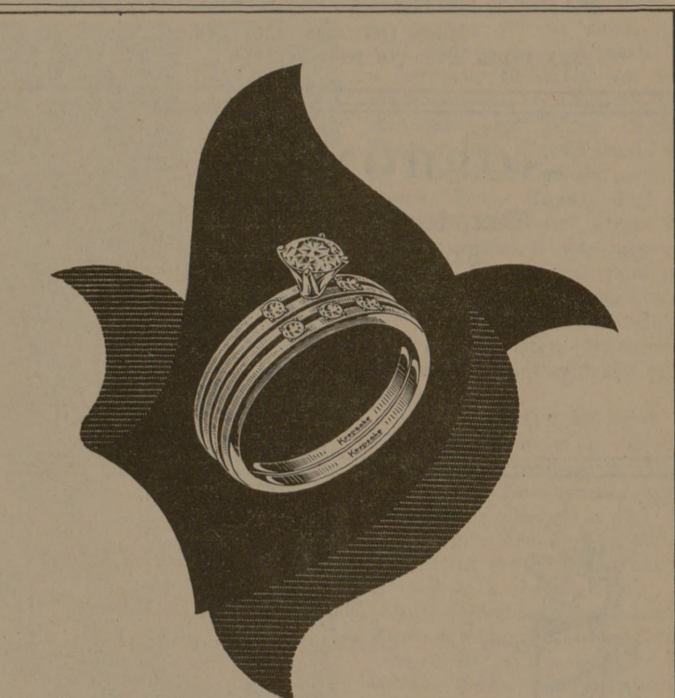
Published by Simon and Schuster, the \$2 book is the product of Jack Shepherd and Christopher Wren, who list themselves as "translators" rather than editors.

In a preface, they urge workers, peasants, students, housewives and Republicans to "memorize and digest the exhortations of Chairman Johnson." The preface cautions that "No effort has been made to rework these heroic thoughts into grammatical English."

Some quotations, culled mostly from the official record of the President's public appearances, are serious and inspirational. Others are humorous and occasionally ludicrous. More than one, it seems apparent, has been wrenched out of context for maximum effect.

In retrospect, one rib-tickler is the statement Johnson made at his Texas ranch on Aug. 1, 1965: "Mr. Peter Hurd and Mrs. Hurd are here from New Mexico spending the weekend with us. They'll be going back when they have had enough of it." On the following page is the remark attributed to Johnson after he viewed a presidential portrait by Hurd later: "That's the ugliest thing I ever saw."

Tad Lincoln once persuaded his father to attend a popular extravaganza featuring a soldiers' chorus. While President Lincoln watched his son left the presidential box, changed into uniform and on stage with the chorus. His father laughed.



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Puerto Rican Wins A&M Chess Title

D. M. Perez-Fernandez of Puerto Rico bested faculty and student competition alike to take the Texas A&M chess championship.

The graduate student in physics won five matches to take first place trophy in the annual Memorial Student Center chess tournament.

Second place went to Dr. Dušan Djurić, meteorology professor, and Dr. Steve Pejovich, economics professor, won third. The three chess champs emerged from a field of 16 entries, according to Norman Gabitsch of Brownsville, MSC chess committee chairman who directed the tourney. He is a junior physics major.

Bulletin Board TODAY

The Bell County Hometown Club will meet on the steps of the Memorial Student Center at 7:15 p.m. for the club picture.

The Aggie Christian Fellowship will sponsor a talk and discussion on "What Should You Do With Your Life" by Dr. McIntyre of the Cyclotron Institute at 5:30 p.m. in the YMCA.

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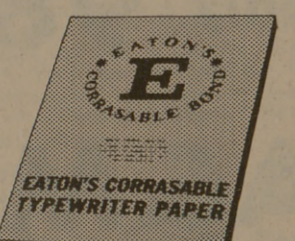
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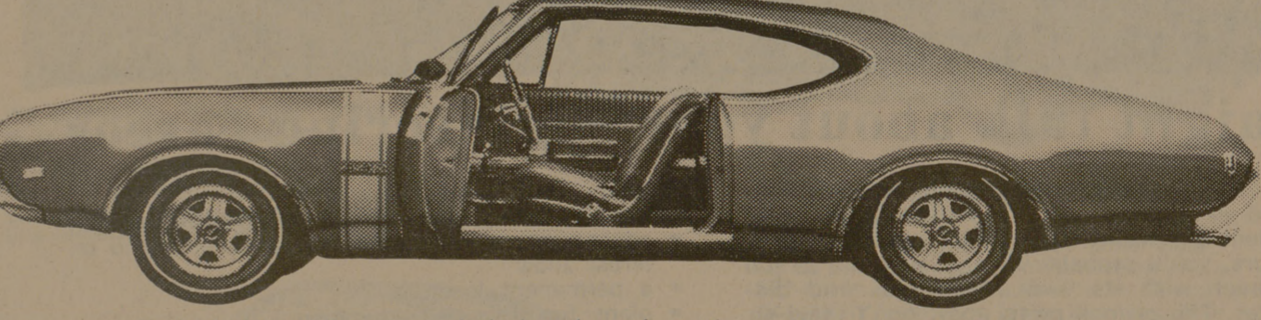
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