



"Have you noticed how much more comfortable uniforms are than civilian clothes?"

## Three Observations

Three brief comments on three complex situations (details, page 1):

The League of United Latin American Citizens' denunciation of San Jacinto Day "quaddings" would be almost humorous if it weren't apparently sincere and if it weren't involved with such a touchy issue as treatment of Mexican-Americans. Either the complaints of "harassed" Mexican-American students to off-campus listeners have been distorted and exaggerated, or Dean James P. Hannigan, Col. Jim McCoy, Corps Commander Hector Gutierrez and this newspaper staff are totally unaware of a major problem on this campus. (It should be noted that the people in that list have generally been the ones to whom similar problems are presented first.)

The arrest of an SDS member and two associates for burglary early Saturday will probably have far-reaching effects, depending on the Civil Liberties Union's examination of the case. One point seems clear: Quotes from Campus Security Chief Ed Powell such as those in Monday's Bryan Daily Eagle ("We're working on the assumption that the door was locked," "You don't have to catch them stealing anything if you catch them before they begin to steal") will do little to dispel notions that paranoia is setting in around here.

We're not any fonder of violence or threats of violence than are the System directors. But neither are we fond of closed-mindedness. Refusal even to consider student grievances because of the terms in which they are couched may not reflect paternalism; but it can, and probably will, be interpreted as such, and very little good can come of that.

Perhaps, however, the sudden furor will provide the impetus to release the Black Studies curriculum plans from their apparent oblivion; perhaps the "orderly, constructive change" the directors advocate will be easier to achieve now that the problems have come to light and the directors know that people care about them. For the sake of this university and its students, we hope that is the case.

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# Constitutional Convention Is 'Only One State Away'

By JOHN CHADWICK  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)—Action by only one more state legislature is necessary to kick off a king-sized dispute in Congress over the Supreme Court's one-man, one-vote rulings.

The legislatures of 33 states now are listed as calling on Congress to convene a constitutional convention, one short of the required two-thirds.

Senate Republican Leader Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois, spearheading the drive, said Monday he expects a 34th state to join the move soon.

"WE'RE WORKING on it," he told a reporter, but he declined to say which state legislature he is counting on.

Aides of Dirksen said it appears the number of state legislatures petitioning for a convention to draft a constitutional amendment to undo the Supreme Court rulings may reach 38 this year.

The Iowa legislature became the 33rd last week.

This prompted Sen. Joseph D. Tydings, D-Md., to issue a statement Monday saying "If one more state calls for a constitutional convention, we could face a constitutional crisis unparalleled in the history of the Republic."

ARTICLE V of the Constitution provides that "on the application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the several states Congress shall call a convention for proposing amendments."

But it doesn't specify how delegates to such a convention should be chosen.

When and if a 34th state legislature acts, Dirksen plans to introduce a resolution providing for the convening of a constitutional convention — the first since the Constitution was drafted in 1789.

AT THE SAME time he plans to introduce a constitutional amendment that would permit factors other than population to be taken into account in the apportionment of one branch of state legislatures.

It also would extend this to city and county councils, school boards and other units of gov-

ernment and permit a variation of as much as 10 per cent between the most and the least populous congressional districts in each state.

If Congress were to call a constitutional convention it would stipulate whether amendments adopted at such a convention would require ratification by three-quarters of the state legis-

latures or whether they could be validated by conventions in three-quarters of the states. Article V leaves this option to Congress.

Ratification by state legislatures has been the method used on all past amendments and there is no general agreement among lawyers on the machinery for setting up state ratifying conventions.

## Pulitzer Prize Winners Named

NEW YORK (AP)—The Los Angeles Times won the Pulitzer Prize for meritorious public service Monday. A Times correspondent, William Tuohy, was awarded the prize for international reporting.

Edward T. Adams, 35, of the Associated Press, won the prize for spot news photography for his picture of a South Vietnamese general shooting a Viet Cong prisoner in the head.

Other awards:  
Local reporting general—John Fetterman of the Louisville Ky. Times and Courier-Journal.

LOCAL REPORTING, special—Albert L. Delugach and Denny Walsh of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

National reporting — Robert Cahn of the Christian Science Monitor.

Editorial writing—Paul Greengard of the Pine Bluff (Ark.) Commercial.

Cartooning — John Fischetti of the Chicago Daily News.

Feature photography — Moneta Sleet Jr., of *Ebony* magazine.

Other Pulitzer winners in the arts field were:

History—Leonard W. Levy for his book "The Origins of the Fifth Amendment."

BIOGRAPHY — B. L. Reid for "The Man from New York: John Quinn and his Friends."

Poetry — George Oppen for his volume of verse "Of Being Numerous."

General Nonfiction — (1) Rene

Jules Dubos for "So Human an Animal" and (2) Norman Mailer for "The Armies of the Night."

Fiction — N. Scott for "House Made of Dawn."

EACH INDIVIDUAL prize carries a cash award of \$1,000. The newspaper receiving the meritorious service award gets a gold medal.

The prizes have been awarded annually since 1917. They were established in the will of Joseph Pulitzer, founder of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and publisher of the New York World, who died in 1911.

The trustees of Columbia University select the winners, based on recommendations by an advisory board. Panels of judges nominate winners in each category.

## STUDENTS

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cent of the Corps members are of Mexican descent.

"No cases of harassment have been reported to my office by Mexican-American students," commented Dean of Students James P. Hannigan. He added that the administration at A&M "is proud of its Mexican-American students, who have produced several student leaders in the past," and that he could not see any credibility in the LULAC report.

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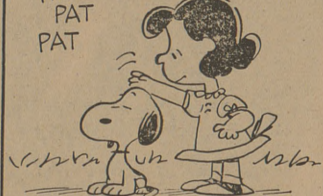
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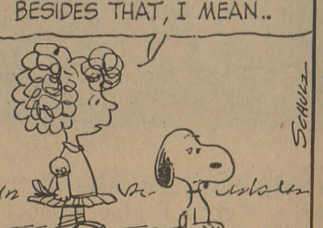
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