This letter is being sent to the Student Body Presidents' of the Southwest Conference, their school newspaper editors, and the chairman of the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship Committee. My intention is simply to call to your attention the conduct of our Conference Sportsmanship trophy recipients this year, Rice University, in a recent basketball game with Texas A&M.

I feel that the conduct displayed by many Rice students including their cheerleaders, was far from a good example of what I consider mature college students to be, much less sportsmanship trophy recipients. The level of immaturity displayed by these students was disgraceful not only to their University, but far more important, it was a disgrace to our Conference.

I will not attempt to describe their actions, for by doing so would only degrade myself. However, I am hoping that in future years, a closer consideration be given during the selection process of the recipients of this trophy. If this is not done, I feel we should remove this award from our Conference, since it presently appears to be little more than a farce.

Your consideration of this let-

ter, and your observance of the mane person would have disposed actions of the Student Body of Rice University is requested.

John Sharp, President Student Senate

* * * Editor:

Recently my husband and I went to the Bryan Municipal Animal Shelter in prospect of finding a canine pet.

Not only was this building difficult to locate, but its appearance was appalling. Not more than the size of a large tool shed, we found it difficult to believe that animals were within its walls. The nauseaous smell proved us wrong. As we walked to the rear side of this so-called building, we came upon a most unusual sight. Piled on top of one another were three puppies. Their bodies lay lifeless and limp. We didn't approach them any closer than necessary to find that their little bodies (not newborn, either) had been uncared for, if not abused. One of the bodies was so undernourished that its skeletal system revealed itself more than that of a homeless scavenger

I find it hard to believe that all three puppies, undoubtably from the same litter, died of natural causes by coincidence. Nevertheless, what decent, hu-

A. Your chances of being draft-

Q. What about the next lot-

A. Plans are now to hold a standby lottery early next year,

even though the draft authority

probably will expire. Plans at this

time are to give the usual mental

and physical exams to men with

Q. Are there any prospects for

A. President Nixon is sticking

by his promise of a zero draft

by July 1, 1973, and all sorts of

lures have come into being to

try and achieve this. There were

two pay raises for the military

last year, especially for low rank-

ers. The military is trying to

provide better living conditions

both for barracks and family

housing. Many of the old chores,

such as KP and grass-cutting,

are being turned over to commer-

Q. I do not have a student

deferment although I am in col-

lege and will graduate in June

1973. If my draft number comes

up in January or February, what

uate before being called

A. You'll be permitted to grad-

ed are considerably less.

low numbers.

cial operations.

a Volunteer Army?

of them in such a manner?

Why, may I ask, does the City of Bryan have an Animal Shelter if for no other reason than to prove its incapability for the care of and proper disposing of the city's homeless animals?

Mrs. Cynthia von Ross A good question. We shall look into it .- Ed.

What do I have to do to get off campus? I'll be a junior next fall and after two years in the dorm I need the change. Since I'm not getting married and I'm not sick, I've been told my chances of getting off are nil. It seems with several dorms as victims of the destruction derby and with the increasing influx of freshmen, that juniors should be released. Will the University change its

policy soon? Robert Trenton '74 No-Ed.

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Rice vulgarity

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In the fall of 1947, Jimmy K. B. Nelson, co-editor of The Battalion, developed the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship Committee. Each year, presentation of a trophy to the outstanding school in the league is made at the Cotton Bowl.

Nelson explained the basis for awarding the trophy in a story in The Battalion in the spring of 1948:

'The trophy will be given as recognition for the conference school whose student body and athletic teams display the best sportsmanship in connection with intercollegiate athletic contests and their associated activities."

The committee meets twice a year to vote for the trophy, once in the spring and once at the Cotton Bowl. The results are tabulated together to determine the winner.

The 1971 conclave in Dallas made an unforgivable error in bestowing this award on Rice University.

Aggie fans who travelled to Houston Tuesday night for the A&M-Rice basketball game were treated to a display of crudeness, immaturity and vulgarity unequalled anywhere in the conference.

The Owl student body was indiscriminant in their abuse—they spread their vocal filth evenly among the referees, Texas A&M, and Aggie coaches and players. There were no qualms regarding choice of language or objects of the insults.

What was more appalling than the verbal diarrhea itself was the fact that the Rice cheerleaders made no attempt to stop their followers. In several cases, the cheerleaders led the assault.

It is shameful that a school with such an academic reputation disgraces its excellent record in this way. It is shameful that a school which conducts itself in this way is a member of the Southwest

It is even more shameful that the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship League chose Rice as the recipient for the 1971 trophy. This action makes a mockery of what was intended to be an honorable

Rice's poor self-control is not restricted to Autry Court. This fall's football game was filled with the same antics. When the Owl student body showed up for the basketball game in G. Rollie White Coliseum last winter, they didn't leave their bad manners at home.

In Tuesday night's display of vulgarity, only sympathy can be had for Rice University. Their athletes, coaches and alumni deserve better. So does the Southwest Conference and the Sportsmanship Committee. John Curylo

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WASHINGTON (AP)-Here are some of the questions that 19year-olds involved in Wednesday's draft lottery might ask and the

expected to be called in 1973? A. Draft Director Curtis W.

Tarr says he has no idea now. But it's expected to be far below last year's No. 125. Another factor is that the draft authority expires in mid-1973 and is not expected to be extended.

Q. If I don't get drafted under this lottery what happens?

A. You keep the number you gory on Dec. 31 and can't be to a draft, if there is one, in the year you drop the deferment.

Q. If I am drafted when might

Carter, Doran contributing to publication

Dr. Edwin Doran Jr. and Dr. George F. Carter, geographers, contributed chapters for a new book, "Man Across the Sea," a scholarly publication dealing with problems of pre-Columbian con-

Dr. Doran, head of the Geogra-

Q & A Draft information

least 30 days notice to report. Q. How do my chances in this lottery compare with my chances if I had been in last year's lot-

Q. What is the highest number

received as long as you're exposed to possible draft, normally up to age 26. If you are not drafted next year and you are 1A you drop into a less vulnerable catecalled short of a major national emergency such as World War II. If you have a deferment and keep it you would be vulnerable

I be called?

phy Department, is author of a chapter entitled "The Sailing Raft as a Great Tradition."

Dr. Carter, distinguished professor of geography, wrote a chapter headed "Pre-Columbian Chickens in America."

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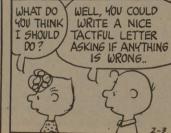
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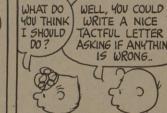
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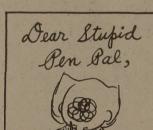






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