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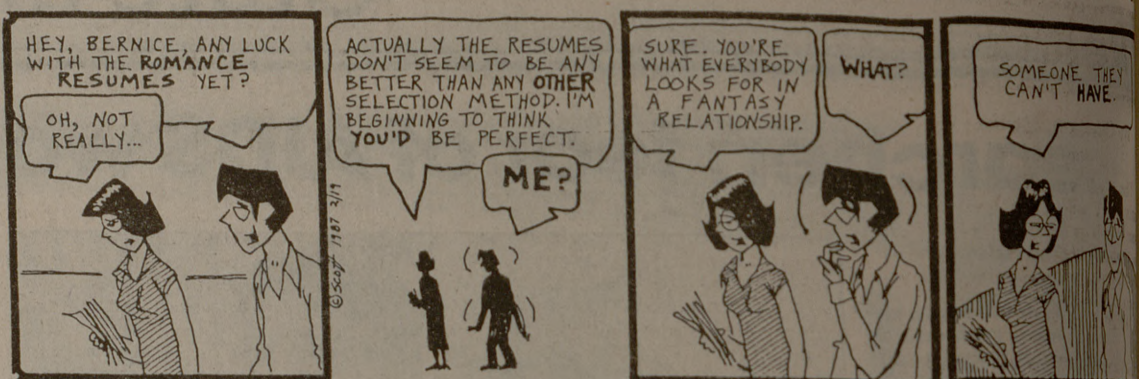
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**Battalion opinion page editor speaks on abolishment of Corps**

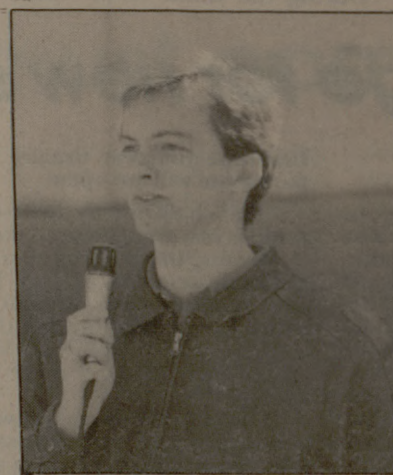
By Kent Hawes Reporter

"I feel that the image created by the Corps of Cadets distorts the image of A&M as a whole, and therefore will prohibit it from gaining national academic recognition," said the opinion page editor of *The Battalion* at Wednesday's Fountain Forum, which was held in front of Rudder Tower.

Mike Sullivan, a senior journalism student, addressed comments and questions from a crowd of about 25 people at the forum. Most of the comments dealt with a column Sullivan wrote in the Jan. 28 issue of *The Battalion*, which proposed the need for the abolishment of the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets.

Sullivan's comments drew hot debates from an audience composed mostly of students and members of the Corps. The discussion was dominated by two members of the Corps and three non-uniform students. A former student dressed in a military uniform also voiced his opinion against Sullivan and *The Battalion*, saying they "perverted the news."

Sullivan, originally from Illinois,



Mike Sullivan

said A&M is perceived as a military academy instead of an institution of academic excellence. He said he has spoken with professors and friends who agree that "the basic image of A&M is the Corps of Cadets, because it is so unique, and if you want it (A&M) to grow to a world-status university," then the Corps should be abolished.

Sullivan noted that only 13 members of the Corps are coming into the military each year, resulting in a comment from one member about the Corps' training future military leaders. Sullivan suggested that the Corps' program would have less influence on the University's image. Sullivan said the Corps forms only a small part of the University community, yet the entire student body at A&M said the majority — not the — should rule.

Lambda Sigma began sponsoring the debates in Fall 1984 to provide the chance to speak on a subject which may be of interest to students. The forum is a weekly event sponsored by Lambda Sigma, a sophomore honor society. Last year, the program was the Lawrence Sullivan Ross Symposium and was the front of the Academic Building.

Traci Carnahan, sophomore chairman for Sullivan's Symposium, said the debate was moved to the Rudder fountain because of greater student interest.

**High court says state on target with TECA**

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that the state had a legal and legitimate reason to require all educators to take a literacy exam to keep their teaching certificates.

In a unanimous decision, the high court said a teaching certificate is a license and not a contract, therefore the state can change the rules concerning the license.

"Teacher testing is a rational means of achieving the legitimate

state objective of ensuring that public school educators meet specified standards of competency," Justice Robert Campbell said in his opinion for the court.

The Texas Examination of Current Administrators and Teachers, approved as part of the 1984 school reform bill, was given to 202,000 educators. Eventually, 99.1 percent of the teachers and administrators passed the test.

Jim Butler, Texas State Education Association's executive director, said the state Supreme Court was expedited. He said TECA believes educators should be paid what they do on the job and not on a paper-and-pencil test.

U.S. Secretary of Education William Bennett, in Austin with House members, said he would get a copy of the TECA test and that the test was worthwhile.

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