

Calls Davis "Top Patriot"

Hester Blasts Viet War

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The retired U.S. Army general who spoke at the anti-war festival here last weekend said Monday he considered Rennie Davis one of the top patriots in the country today.

Brig. Gen. Hugh Hester, in an interview in his Durham hotel before speaking at Duke University, said a real patriot doesn't have to wave the flag to be loyal to his country.

"Patriotism is in the heart of man," Hester said.

Still speaking of Davis, one of the Chicago Eight, Hester said it was Judge Julius Hoffman and not the defendants at the Chicago conspiracy trials that did injury to justice in the United States.

Hester, 75, is a 34-year veteran of the Army, including meritorious duty in both world wars. He has been honored by both the U.S. and France.

The short, balding general lives in St. Petersburg, Fla., and travels around the country speaking on American foreign policy.

Hester said the power of the President of the United States is the greatest power in the world, and former President Lyndon B. Johnson "could have stopped it (the war) and only gotten a whimper from the military-industrial

complex." He said President Nixon's present policy of Vietnamization is more immoral than the Americanization of the war.

"Killing people by proxy is more immoral than killing

them directly," Hester charged.

"By letting stooges do the killing," Hester said, Nixon hopes to take pressure off the American people.

He claimed the President is counting on the fact that the American public is dulled

enough to accept any immorality.

"If we continue our present course," Hester said, "there exists a very real threat of World War III and an end to man."

He added that even if the President averts that, he still faces the same end Johnson met.

Hester said military conscription is totally unnecessary.

"There is no lack of patriotism among the youth of this country," he said, "and there never has been."

"Unnecessary conscription is a vile form of involuntary servitude," he charged. "There should be only volunteers in military service."

Hester said he was trying to conserve "that which is decent and inherent in our Declaration of Independence and our Constitution."

"I am confident I am supporting the best interest of my country," Hester said.

NROTC Closing May Effect UNC

The closing of five Navy ROTC units in northern universities may have some affect here, according to Capt. V.J. Anania, commanding officer of the UNC ROTC unit.

ROTC will be terminated at Dartmouth, Harvard, Brown, Columbia and Tufts universities, Capt. Anania said, and negotiations are still being conducted at Yale and Princeton universities.

Anania said the units will be discontinued because of a continual decreasing enrollment at the schools.

Even though all ROTC units are staffed for an enrollment of 400 midshipmen, he explained, the schools were graduating few officers.

The affect here and at other universities with an NROTC unit will be a slight increase in enrollment, Capt. Anania said. He added that enrollment in

southern schools have continued to be high.

Even with the closing of the units in the northern universities, NROTC is not on the decline, according to Capt. Anania.

He said that 225 schools have inquired about the possibility of getting a unit for their campuses and 135 schools have officially applied for a NROTC unit.

"The Navy does not plan to place any more units," Anania said, "since it is getting a sufficient number of officers for the size of the future Navy."

He said that under law, NROTC is limited to 10,225 midshipmen in all schools, with a maximum of 5,500 of the total under scholarship.

With a total of 54 units in the country, the Navy hopes to reduce the number to 40 to 45.



Hester Speaks To Students . . . at anti-war festival Sunday

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Blackmun Nominated By Nixon

WASHINGTON—President Nixon Tuesday nominated Harry A. Blackmun, a federal appeals judge from Minnesota, for the Supreme Court seat he has twice been unable to fill with Southern nominees.

White House Press Secretary Ronald L. Ziegler said the President "has a great respect for Judge Blackmun's legal ability and his judicial skill and his judicial temperament."

"He considers Judge Blackmun a strict constructionist," Ziegler said.

Postal Raises Approved

WASHINGTON UPI—The House gave final congressional approval today to a \$2.6 billion pay raise for postal workers, other government employees and servicemen, retroactive to Dec. 27.

Amended to make sure Congress' 10,000 own staffers weren't left out of the increase, the bill was passed overwhelmingly by the House

and sent to President Nixon for his signature.

The 6 per cent across-the-board raise was negotiated by Nixon administration officials and representatives of striking postal workers in New York and other big cities, and Nixon had pledged in advance he would sign it.

Abortion Bills Dumped

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Bills to liberalize Florida abortion laws went into both houses Tuesday and were almost immediately dumped into a Senate subcommittee over the angry cry of "travesty" from the state's only woman senator.

The Judiciary Committee voted 8-5 for a subcommittee study of all bills, including one identical to the measure that passed the House and two

Senate committees before dying under the heavy judiciary sledge-hammer last year.

"It's a travesty," complained Sen. Beth Johnson, R-Cocoa Beach, cosponsor with Sen. Robert Shevin, D-Miami, of the long-debated bill to allow abortions in cases where the life or health of the mother is affected or where pregnancy resulted from rape or incest.

Koepchne News Delayed

BOSTON—A federal judge issued a temporary restraining order Tuesday barring a state court from "making public in any way" documents from the secret inquest into Mary Jo Koepchne's death in Sen. Edward M. Kennedy's car until settlement of a dispute over distribution rights.

U.S. District Judge Andrew A. Caffrey said he would

rule promptly on a petition by Sidney R. Lipman of Revere, court stenographer at the four-day closed-door inquest last January, asking that he—not Suffolk Superior Court in Boston—be made distributor of the documents.

The transcript of testimony had been set for release at 11 a.m. Wednesday.

Collect Those Beer Cans

Empty beer cans worth \$50?

That is what they could be worth at UNC Earth Day, April 22, when students in dormitories, sororities and fraternities clean up Chapel Hill.

The "Trash-In," with its \$50 cash prize, is one of several events scheduled during Earth Day. The contest is being sponsored by UNC's Environmental Teach-In Committee which also has scheduled workshops, exhibits and other events for UNC students April 21-22.

The contest begins April 15 and continues to April 22, when the trash will be measured and the prize awarded to the living group with the greatest volume of beer cans, according to Scott

Madry, student coordinator for the "Trash-In."

The cans, Madry said, will be dumped in Polk Place, in front of South building. The "Trash-In" has the support of the University which has agreed to have the cans removed by the physical plant the following day.

"In the general problem of garbage, the "Trash-In" is pointing out one small part—non-returnable cans," Madry said. "It is hard to imagine all of the cans used every day. We are running out of space to put them."

"Governmental action always seems to come too late. But this problem is like a bullet—once it is fired, it is too late," the freshman sociology major said.

What are some solutions? "The cans could be recycled," Madry said. "A good percentage could be remade or used again instead of being sent on a one-way trip out of the factory."

Madry said the committee

picked beer cans because they are common and can be found all over, not just on campus.

"We not only wanted this to be a fun thing but something which could help the whole community," he said.

"The response so far has been great. All but two of the groups contacted agreed to go along. By April 15, we hope to have 100 percent cooperation."

What about area residents who would like to participate in the "Trash-In"?

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