

# CONTROVERSY RAGES OVER BEST METHOD TO PROVIDE MEN FOR ARMED FORCES OF NATION

By Jack Rider

Now blown into full national debate is the issue of how best to provide the manpower needed for the nation's armed forces.

If the Vietnamese War has no other benefit than to force this issue to resolution in one fashion or another it may have served the nation well in the long run of history.

The most painful duty of any nation, and especially of a nation of free men, is to secure sufficient men to defend that country against all enemies — foreign and domestic.

In the free nation the happy solution would be a completely volunteer armed force, comprised of the flower of the nation's manhood, who stood ready in an instant to spring defense of their precious freedoms.

Unhappily it never has worked that way, and never will. Washington had far more European troops under his command than American, and if it had not been for the French pursuit of their own selfish ends in aiding Washington's small band of poorly-equipped troops the American Revolution would have been a mere footnote in the

history of Great Britain under the heading of minor rebellions.

So it is necessary for governments of free men to conceive of ways to deprive large segments of their population of their freedom in order to protect the freedom of the entire nation. This is no easy job.

## Three Alternatives

There are three alternatives presently being debated in the United States.

First, to keep on muddling through with the system that supposedly has "served us well," which is inaccurately called The Selective Service System.

Second to turn to a completely professional, highly paid volunteer service.

Third to institute a true system of universal military training.

Neither of these solutions is perfect, and each has advantages over the other, and it is the duty, and hopefully the immediate responsibility of congress to weigh these three alternatives and decide which is in the best interest of our nation, both immediately and in the long run.

It is true that the present system has served us well. It provided the manpower which turned the tide in World War Two, in the Korean Conflict and even now in the Vietnamese War.

But the major weakness of the present so-call selective service system is that it must reach into the pool of young men who reach the age of 18 each year and pick only a small percentage. And it is this discriminatory chore that it has to perform that has dragged the once respectable name of Selective Service into the gutter; since there obviously is no fair way to send one young man off to war, while leaving another at home to enjoy the good life.

This has come to be bitterly true since the ability of young men to avoid being tapped in that minority who have to go is based on two factors: Money and brains, often money without brains.

An automatic four-year deferment is granted to every youth who has the mental capacity to attend any certified college or university, and the money to pay the bills of higher education.

Each year 1,750,000 young men reach the age of 18 and the average number being drafted into the armed forces runs to

less than 500,000 per year.

Enlistments swell this number slightly, but military authorities know very well, as do members of congress that a very large per cent of these volunteers become volunteers because they prefer to choose their branch of service as a volunteer rather than to take it like it comes as a draftee. In short, without the draft the number of volunteers would drop almost to the vanishing point.

So the conclusion seems logical and obvious that in order to keep pressures strong enough to get any appreciable number of volunteers there must also be some forced system of military service. This is one argument against the proposal to have a highly paid professional system of volunteers, since many leaders believe, and with some good reason, that it would be very difficult if not impossible to secure the manpower needed for a smaller professional force with the disciplines and dangers inherent in military duty.

The present discriminatory system is blamed for a very large part of the unrest and violence and disaffection that is suffered by a growing per cent of the teenaged and early twenties group in our nation. The unpopularity of the Vietnamese War is also a factor in this unrest, but the war itself would be less hated if there were a feeling among the youth, and the older citizens that anything approaching fairness was being exercised in sending men to this hateful duty.

This brings up the third alternative of true universal military service; which has had strong support for a long time, but not strong enough support to ever put it into law.

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### County Commissioners Approve Hiring One More Lawyer to Assist in Effort To Kick Sheriff Yates Out of Office

Monday the Jones County Board of Commissioners passed the following resolution: "It being brought to the attention of the board that Sheriff Brown Yates was being represented by several attorneys. Horace Phillips made a motion authorizing James Hood, County Attorney, to associate one additional lawyer to assist in the trial of Sheriff W. B. Yates," seconded by W. D. Eubanks.

Under the laws covering such matters the taxpayers of the county must pay attorneys on both sides of this controversy. The controversy began after a group of colored teen-agers "broke-bad" at the annual Jones County Agricultural Fair and did some small damage to equipment and several cars around the fair grounds.

Yates, who released the youths that were arrested by other officers, has been accused by five fair officials of being drunk every night of the fair.

A highway patrol sergeant from Kinston and several others from Jones County have signed affidavits alleging Yates' drinking on the job.

The matter will be the first case to be heard at the March 3rd term of Jones County Superior Court.

In less controversial matters the board voted to extend the time for tax listing to February 15th and appointed Delmus Brown to a three-year term on the County Watershed Commission.

### PVT. IRVING IN VIETNAM

Marine Private First Class Alfus C. Irving, son of Mrs. Catharina Hill of Route 1, Pollocksville, is serving with the First Battalion, Fourth Marines, Third Marine Division in South Vietnam. As part of the division's new mobile posture, his battalion has been conducting sweep and clear operations throughout the northernmost tactical zone of the republic.

### STILLEY AT INAUGURAL

Seaman Apprentice Donald W. Stilley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne J. Stilley of Route 1, Trenton, participated in the Presidential Inaugural Parade. He was one of 240 Coast Guard recruits in the last two weeks of training at Cape May, N. J., who formed the Cape May Recruit Regiment in the parade.

### First Semester Honor Roll for Jones Central High

The following principal's list and honor roll list is being released for the first semester by Principal William H. Bowen, of Jones Central High School.

Principal's list, eleventh grade: Marlene Jones.

Honor roll list:

Ninth grade: Minnie E. Jones, Stan Jones, Ivey Riggs and Donna Potter.

Tenth grade: Bonnie Banks, Lydia Creagh, Barbara Henderson, Murray Jones, Janie Meadows and Larry Thompson.

Eleventh grade: Peggy Bryan, Frank T. Bender, Debbie Jenkins, Lois Jones, Tommy Provost, William Pruitt, Susan Morgan, Louis Toler, Michael Thompson and Gregory Strayhorn.

Twelfth grade: Jay Bender, Tony Criscitiello, Bobbie Davis O'Toole, Jackie Hammond, Janice Jones, William Hawkins, John Mallard, Sherwood McDaniel, Carolyn Mills, Wanda Mills, and Storma Thomas.

### Ten-Week College Credit Art Course Being Offered by ECU in Jones County

A 10-week college credit course, Art 370G, Arts and Crafts, will be offered in Jones County beginning Monday, February 17, 1969, by the Division of Continuing Education of East Carolina University.

It will be taught in three-hour sessions at Jones Central High School each Monday evening through April 18, 1969. Each session will meet from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Janet Fischer will be the instructor for the course.

Pre-registration for the course is desired. If the class is not filled by pre-registration, a student may register at 6:30 p.m. on the night of the first class meeting.

Art 370G carries three quarter hours of college credit which may be used toward teacher certificate renewal or for degree credit if the course fits into the student's degree program.

Tuition is \$33. Textbook cost is extra.

For pre-registration or further

### Honor Roll for 3rd Grading Period At Jones Central

The following principal's list and honor roll list is being released by Jones Central principal William H. Bowen. The principal's list is all A's, the honor roll A's and B's.

The principal's list is: eleventh grade, Marlene Jones.

The honor roll by grades is:

Ninth grade: Minnie E. Jones, Stan Jones, Phillip Moore, Ivey Riggs, Donna Potter, Rhonda Stilley, Debra Yeomans and Donald Wiggins.

Tenth grade: Bonnie Banks, Bill Bender, Lydia Creagh, Vickie Davenport, Barbara Henderson, Murray Jones, Janie Meadows, and Larry Thompson.

Eleventh grade: Peggy Bryan, Frank T. Bender, Debbie Jenkins, William Pruitt, Jennifer McCoy, Susan Morgan, Gregory Strayhorn, Michael Thompson, and Louis Toler.

Twelfth grade: Jay Bender, Dalton Ange, Tony Criscitiello, Paul Daugherty, Ben Dillahunt, Jackie Hammond, Janice Jones, William Hawkins, Sherwood McDaniel, Gilbert Norris, Michael Parker, Joyce Lewis, Carolyn Mills, Wanda Mills, Dianne Murphy, and Storma Thomas.

And Murray Jones whose grade was not listed in a corrected release.

### Missionary Conference Underway Rest This Week at Faith Baptist Church

Faith Baptist Church, located 3 miles east of Trenton on highway 58, will conduct a five day missionary conference beginning on Wednesday, February 5, and continuing each night at 7:30 p.m. through Sunday, February 9.

There will be seven different missionaries presenting the work of seven different mission fields. The schedule will be as follows: Wednesday, Don Bennett, Missionary to Brazil.

Thursday, Russell Gordon, Missionary to the Amazon.

Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Christensen, Missionaries to the Jews.

Saturday, J. B. Williams, Dep-

utation Secretary for Baptist-Mid-Missions.

Sunday, 11:00 a.m., Dalton Heath, Missionary to Liberia and a native of Cove City.

Sunday, 6:30 p.m., Mrs. Gladys Baines, Missionary to the people of the hills of Kentucky will give a missionary challenge to the ladies.

Sunday, 7:30 p.m., Mr. and Mrs. Richard O'Neil, Missionary to St. Lucia.

This should be a most unusual and interesting missionary conference. Many of the missionaries will be showing color slides and objects from the area they are serving and there will

### Chief Judge Hangs Judicial Albatross Around Judge Walter Henderson's Neck

### Two Civil Suits Filed in Jones Court During Week

Jones County Clerk of Court Rogers Pollock reports the filing of two civil actions in his office during the past week.

Eastern Gas and Oil Company of New Bern filed a claim and delivery action against William Strayhorn of Trenton route 1 under which it seeks to recover a television set, a refrigerator and freezer.

In another action, William C. Ollison is seeking to force the Combine Insurance Company to pay \$650 with interest from February 1968, which he alleges the company should have paid under a policy he was holding.

Chief District Judge Harvey Boney of Jacksonville has signed an order designating District Judge Walter Henderson of Trenton to hear all domestic relations and juvenile cases in the four-county district.

Henderson, the only non-lawyer among the four judges elected last fall in the district, has been given his judicial headache from now until such time as the chief judge changes his mind.

Henderson's schedule calls for hearing such cases in Onslow County on the first and third Thursday of each month, in Duplin County on the second Thursday of each month and in Sampson County on the fourth Thursday of each month.

Henderson is also ordered to hold court each Friday in Jones County at which time he will hear all non-jury civil and criminal cases in the county, as well as all domestic relations and juvenile cases.

The order also places Henderson on 24-hour duty to answer emergency situations in the four counties that may arise in the domestic and juvenile categories.

Superior Court judges and lawyers in general consider domestic relations litigation the most difficult affairs coming before any court so the lawyer judges of the Fourth Judicial District have decided to turn this most difficult kind of case over to non-lawyer Henderson.

be a different missionary speaker for each service.

Rev. George H. Malkmus, pastor of the church, advises that these services are open to the public.