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### Along The EDITOR'S BEET

Over on the coast there's dissen- sion brewing between those who want rain and those who don't and there's even talk of a lawsuit against the rainmakers. The controversy has reached this part of the country where farmers half-jokingly, half-meaningly comment that the rain- makers might have something to do with the recent downpours that caught some of the hay down.  
Local softball players, too, have brought the rainmakers into their conversations when they refer to a game that failed to bring out a crowd because of rain, threatened

rain or extraordinarily cool weather. The situation might become inter- esting if the comments continue and such a case would hit the courts. The rainmakers contend that seed- ing the clouds will affect only a small area and has no effect what- soever on atmospheric conditions that might cause wind or storms sev- eral hundred miles away.  
Local records show that rainfall here this spring has been about average, but that the moisture has come in "bunches"—a lot of rain for a brief period on two different oc- casions, but actually not as many rainy days as in some past years.  
One of the most inspiring discus- sions we have heard for a long time was Wednesday noon at the Cham- ber meeting when the Universal Military Training versus Selective Service vote came up. There was no actual arguing, no insults and no

animosity, but two opposing views expressed in informal debate. The arguments were good, too, on both sides. Those in favor of UMT had the largest number of speakers and finally won the vote 15 to 5, but we still wonder if there was a change of opinion before the vote was cast.  
We were among the five minority voters, but like several others, failed to put in our two cents worth during the discussion.  
Clifford Mink, Tom Jones, Lew Herriman, Jerry Fleisy and Clyde Snider all presented sensible, well-thought-out arguments in favor of UMT, while Henry Hartley and Ted Morgan were left to defend the present Selective Service method of building the armed forces. The two latter speakers presented their views more by asking questions than by direct statements, but their reason- ing was sound.  
We have the unbounded faith in the American people, young and old, to be certain that they are ready at all times to defend this nation. We are among those who fear compul- sion as much as we fear an enemy from abroad and sincerely believe that a stronger, more efficient fight- ing force can be built from the nucleus of volunteers trained in peace time and men drafted and accepted as volunteers in the event of an emergency.  
We are now at war and those young men facing the draft are go- ing through the same uncertainties experienced by young men before and during the two previous world wars. The uncertainties and the in- terrupted schoolings and careers are part of the payments for our form of government. We don't believe that youngsters should have to face those same uncertainties when and if the world is at peace.  
Young men should have military training, however, but in times of peace it should be on a voluntary or semi-voluntary basis, such as ROTC or the National Guard. During an emergency—not during all-out war—the semi-voluntary basis could al- low a choice between various means of receiving training. During war time, or a police action such as we are now experiencing, the draft works effectively. During peace time, it is the responsibility of parents, especially fathers, to encourage their sons to receive some kind of train- ing if it's nothing more than learn- ing to live with others, learning to take care of themselves and under- standing the importance of good citizenship.  
The military is much like fire— it's invaluable when used properly and we would be helpless without it, but to allow either the military or fire to become master would mean eventual destruction. A personal ex- perience that is disasteful even to recall involved a danger as lethal as the enemy. Wasted manpower and destroyed medical supplies and other materials were seen while men a few hundred miles away were dy- ing because they lacked both man- power and medical supplies.  
It was civilian influence, even dur- ing war time, that brought a change in such activities we witnessed in only one small unit. It was civilian influence that changed "military training" consisting of picking up cigarette butts in lieu of training with weapons and gas masks to ac- tual training that taught men how to take care of themselves.  
From the military standpoint, such actions cannot be questioned, but a draftee or an ex-national guardsman serving as a soldier in time of war has enough of the civilian remaining in him to be influential in changing such outrages even dur- ing all-out war.  
It is true that there is strength in numbers, but it is also true that a chain is only as strong as its weak- est link. A strong army and navy might be likened to a Chamber of Commerce. In Nyssa between 25 and 40 individuals voluntarily attend the weekly meetings and take part in civic affairs. They are not forced and they receive no glory.  
Just suppose a law should require every business man to attend the regular weekly meetings. Would the Chamber be stronger and more ef- fective?  
We wonder.

Friday evening Christ Ambassa- dor 8 p. m.  
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