

**Adjutant staff writer,** Jon Van Houten, rushes to meet a Thursday deadline.

**Excalibur staffers** Paul Furr and Scott Ware discuss ideas for this year's book with adviser Major Zemp.





## Who says we're nerds?

Debates and other academic competitions such as the Challenge Bowl, the Model UN and the Science Olympiad add incentive for intellectual effort beyond tonight's homework. A similar incentive can be found in the challenge of writing a weekly column for the newspaper or working on a layout for the yearbook. These can be some of the most helpful experiences in a student's career. Cadet participation in these activities are restricted by the many other demands of military school life, but they should be an important part of every school's offerings.

**Block C member** Roger Haigney wonders if there's something wrong with the drinks, but Ian Osborne isn't worried.