

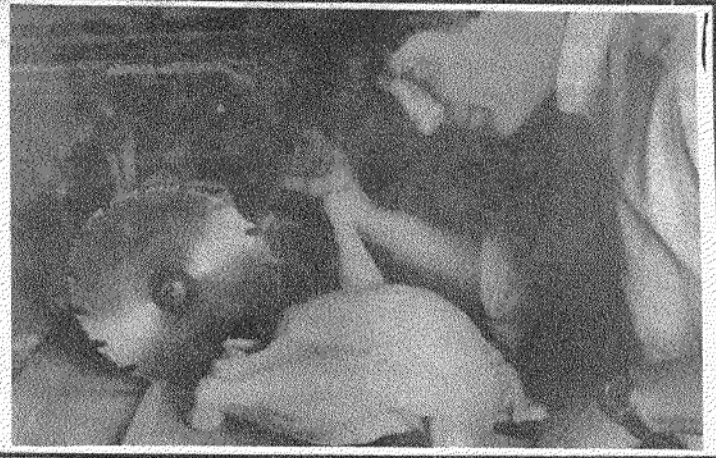
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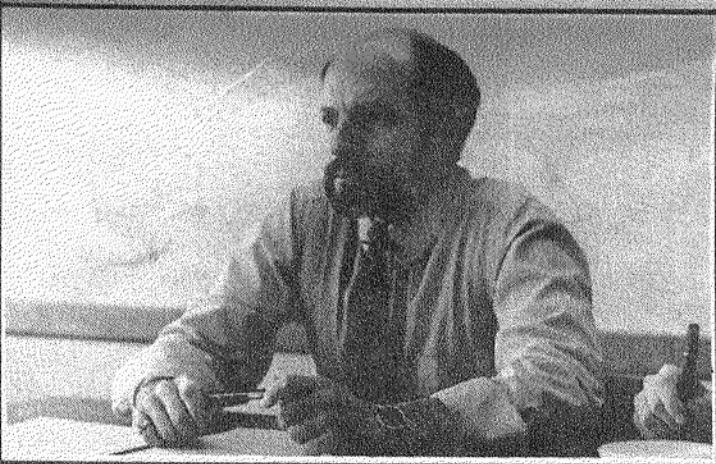


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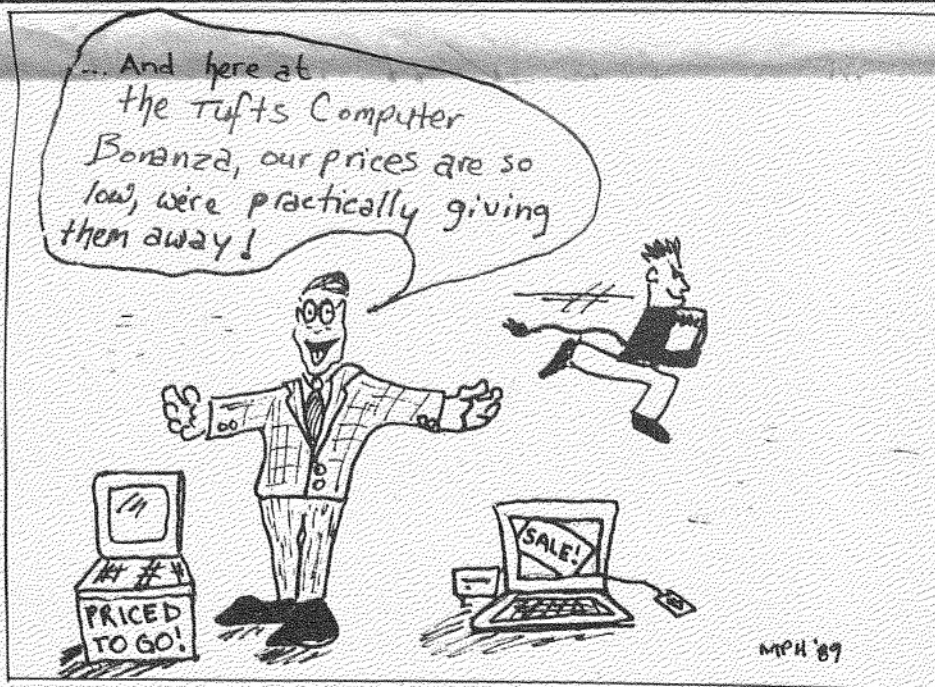
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# FROM THE EDITORS

The Primary Source has come under some criticism for several articles which appeared in its October 1989 issue. These articles all addressed issues of race and were passionate efforts to create awareness of various perspectives on race issues. The Primary Source regrets that the inclusion of so many articles on race in a single issue could have created the impression of targetting. The Primary Source also regrets that some members of some communities took offense with these articles. It never was and never will be the intent of the Primary Source to offend, only to compel a reexamination of certain questionable aspects of race issues and the Diversity Policy which attempts to address them. The Primary Source strives to present its arguments without giving offense. But if in successfully pursuing our chartered aims, if in following our consciences, we must print items which are of a controversial nature, we must not hesitate to do so.



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# Harrowing of Gwynedd

BY CHUCK MARKS

Just a few weeks ago Katherine Kurtz's new paperback hit the shelves. The Harrowing of Gwynedd is the first book of Kurtz's fourth trilogy chronicling the history of a pseudo-Wales. The series, now ten novels and a collection of short stories, describes the interracial wars between the "normal" humans and the Deryni minority.

The world of Gwynedd is a typical medieval fantasy realm. Its history diverges from that of our own when what some have called the greatest tragedy in Western history was averted: Charles Martel was never born. When the Moorish invasion reaches England, a Welsh prince, St. Haldane, unites the principalities and halts the incursion. Centuries later a coup against Haldane's successors places a despotic Deryni regime on the throne. After generations of oppression, St. Camber, a Deryni magician, leads a restoration movement which restores the human Haldane heir to the throne.

The novel opens some twenty years after the reformation. St. Camber and other heroes of the restoration have died. The king is dead and the land is under the rule of the regents of his young son. The trilogy is appropriately titled "The Heirs of St. Camber" and tells of the struggle of the Deryni against the racism of the "backlash."

The human regents remember the Deryni as oppressors and not as liberators. After infiltrating the church, they have Camber's sainthood revoked, his follow-

ers are declared heretics, and his race demon-spawn. Then the church and re-gency join forces to wage a war of genocide.

The novel tells of the valiant struggles of a small group of Deryni scholars to counter the violence of the so-called "scourge of God." The group finds a solution. Through an esoteric magic ritual, the Deryni may become human. The novel examines the dilemma they face. Is any degree of safety worth the rejection of heritage?

Against this conflict Kurtz tells the story of a budding prince. The crippled younger twin of the king, he is slowly developing the Deryni-like powers that are the legacy of his Haldane ancestry. The prince must unite his duty as heir, his inclination toward the priesthood, and his growing ties to the Deryni underground into one goal. Ultimately, he must join the powers of church and crown in an effort to change them from within.

Kurtz once again shows her amazing power with allegory in bringing these important issues to popular literature. One wonders why her works are not stocked on our Diversity bookshelf. Perhaps it's because it is about a truly courageous group of people peacefully working against racism and genocide rather than a peeling mob whining about nearly non-existent prejudice. This moving drama of racism and sacrifice should be required reading for all Tufts students.

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# TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors,

I am a Liberal. I am convinced, however, that the Primary Source has a function here on campus: to discuss issues from a conservative point of view. Admittedly, I usually do not expect to agree with a lot of things you write on, but I do feel that the P.S. is one of the more humorous publications available on campus.

Unfortunately, you do not always stick to the issues. Furthermore in your attempt to ridicule, you do not hesitate to insult, to abuse, to slander, and to offend your perceived adversaries. I do not understand why you have taken this route in the first place. Do you not believe that your arguments will hold when they are dealt with in a serious manner?

Comparing the Judge Bork Confirmation Hearings with McCarthyism (as done by your new contributor Tom M. Iles [sic.]) shows poor judgement. Oh, yes, I agree that it is possible to label the Judge Bork Confirmation Hearings as a travesty of the system, though I think it would be interesting to re-examine the system and its purposes (one might argue that the Judge Bork Hearings was one of the few times it actually functioned well.) But McCarthyism is far worse! What happened then should be considered as one of the gravest events in American History. In the years after World War II, McCarthyism is only equalled by the existence and endorsement of segregation. A paper that has been in the forefront of (and associated with) the Freedom of Speech Movement here on campus, should not show any kind of support (or misguided yearning) for anything the likes of McCarthy, even if it is only in the slightest reference.

I am more concerned with the other comparisons you make: to compare Dean Reitman with V.I. Lenin (I always was led to believe that Stalin was the architect of the Gulag) and Dean Knable with Al Sharpton proves bad taste. But to use the term concentration camp (in reference to Ballou Hall) in such a loose way makes it difficult to take the P.S. serious at all. -- And could you explain to me what purpose it serves to promote Chile as a vacation place as long as Pinochet is in power.

I find it frightening to see that a bunch of Tufts conservatives are not able to discuss their issues and views in a more mature way. Personally, I would find it interesting to read about conservative arguments on South Africa (if sanctions do not work, what does? -- And explain why), the budget deficit (a very important conservative issue, something you have been quite quiet about), the drug "war" (it does not make economic sense to only focus on the supply side, what are we going to do about demand? Since when is it conservative to ask for more governmental involvement anyway?) and why Jesse Helms wants to censure indecent art (what about free speech?)

On a more personal note, I would like to argue that the Primary Source would show great maturity and be more effective if it would stop ridiculing the Liberals, because it would prove your loyalty to the freedom of speech (which you rightfully value) if you would be able to respect a different opinion than yours.

Eric Schliesser, A'93

Mr. O'Rourke,

If your intention in your article "O'Rourke's O'pinions" was indeed "to blather on mindlessly," you certainly succeeded. You seem to have begun with the topic of sexual harassment, swung into the issue of drug use, and the tacked on a moral to the story that is in no way expressed previously in your article. Whatever your political preferences are, -- fine by me! -- but my God! Have you taken English 001 yet? Simply, your lack of thought processing skills and technique of grammar were enough to trouble, worry, and torment me. And, according to your own definitions, freedom from this sort of harassment is my statutory right. If you're going to be editor of a newspaper, please take some journalistic pride in your work!

A Disappointed Reader

Dear Editors,

In response to your question "On what day will the population of East Germany be exactly zero," I don't think it will ever reach zero, for rumor has it that Tufts University is sending special researchers to the GDR in order to "swap ideas" and explore new ways to improve the "Free" Speech Policy.

Regan E. Wadman,

A'93

Dear Michael Flaherty,

I'm presently writing to you because I feel you can be of help to me. The choice is yours. I'm presently seeking correspondence with intelligent women on a friendship basis and of a constructive nature. I would appreciate it if you could publish the below ad in your next outgoing school newsletter. Your help in the matter would be appreciated.

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# The Real El Salvador

BY SANDRA BORGONOVO

Dialogue in El Salvador has come to a dead end. It is always the same story, human rights violations by the FMLN and death squads, repressive government, guerrilla insurrection, and so on. When is this going to end? There has to be a solution. Maybe we can find it by looking back at the decade before the Civil War that began in 1979? But let's look at El Salvador from a different angle, from an economic point of view. I know the word economics is typically taboo for most political ideologues, but how can they pass judgment on what is best for the country without knowing the hard economic facts?

There is no doubt that the fundamental causes of El Salvador's civil war are poverty, injustice and inequality. Yet was it the decline in economic conditions before 1979 that demanded social change? After I answer this question, I will suggest the road which El Salvador should try to take from now on.

In general, the economy was doing extremely well. From 1969 to 1978 the economy grew at an average rate of five percent per annum. Even though this is not impressive for a third world nation, it is still satisfactory. The annual growth rate for all Latin American countries was six percent over the same period and even though El Salvador's growth was below the average, it would be wrong to say that conditions were worsening.

Yes, a positive growth rate is great, but what does that tell us about what is really important—the economic conditions of the people, especially the poor? Thus, it is important to look at food production, wages, and the growth of sectors that provide employment.

Food production is especially important to a country like El Salvador, considering the production of beans, rice, and corn, the three major staples that feed the poor. The production of these staples increased dramatically in the years 1969 to 1979. Bean production increased by sixty-six percent, rice by forty-two percent and corn by eighty-one percent. All three exceeded population growth which was about thirty-nine percent in this decade. Thus it is easy to deduce that the poor were eating much better in 1979 than 1969.

The small manufacturing sector in El Salvador was growing rapidly since the 1950's, mostly due to the creation of the Central American Common Market. Up to 1976, manufacturing output had increased from 14.7 percent of the Gross Domestic Product to 19.7 percent in 1977, which had the effect of creating more jobs. However, manufacturing output declined from 1977 as a result of increasing violence and the destruction of factories by the guerrillas, the kidnappings of key executives, and capital flight because of

financial insecurity. One does not have to be an economist to realize that the decline in manufacturing after 1977 was the result of the violence, not the cause.

Wages are also very important to consider to assess social welfare. Wages increased in nominal terms, yet because of inflation, real wages actually decreased in the decade before the war. Even though there was a ninety-one percent wage increase before the war, the inflation rate of 102 percent bit into the purchasing power of the workers. This points to a decline in the welfare of urban workers.

In rural areas, the wages of rural workers increased by ninety percent for men and 109 percent for women. Taking into account the inflation rate, men's real wages decreased and women's real wages increased somewhat. However for agricultural workers, one must take into account that they do not spend money on food because the farm provides it for them. Thus, the repercussions of a cut in wages in real terms affected more urban workers than agricultural workers.

It is most people's impression and initially mine that the quality of life must have been plummeting during the period before 1978, but actually it wasn't. Life expectancy grew from fifty-four years to sixty-three years. Life expectancy increased more than six years in only one other Latin American country. There was also a decline in the death rate of about 30.3 percent and a dramatic reduction in infant mortality, from 63.5 percent in 1969 to 50.3 percent in 1978. Literacy also improved by 1978, from forty-nine percent in 1969 to sixty-two percent in 1978.

What is most surprising is the evidence that in this decade there was actu-

ally a reduction in income inequality. (Sorry Latin American Collective, and by the way the notion of fourteen families in control of the country is a myth). For example, in 1969, the richest twenty percent of households in El Salvador received fifty-two percent of the country's total income. From 1961 to 1969, the annual rate of growth of income of the richest twenty percent was four percent a year, while the middle forty percent increased at 10.5 percent and even the poorest forty percent at 5.4 percent. The income inequality gap was inarguably narrowing, and it did continue to narrow in the 1970's. The last statistic, according to the World Development Report of 1989, estimates that the highest twenty percent of the population in 1977 had 47.3 percent of total income. Even though this figure is high, when compared to other Latin American countries it is lower. For example Mexico's richest twenty percent held 56.1% of income in 1977, Peru's richest had 60.5 percent in 1972 and even Costa Rica's richest twenty percent had 54.8 percent of the country's total income.

Furthermore, improvements in social welfare were due to government policy. Expenditures on public health during 1970's averaged about 14.8 percent of the total budget, which is the third highest percentage of the nineteen Latin American countries. Expenditures on education were 27.4 percent of the budget which was the fifth highest percentage of the nineteen Latin American countries.

In view of this, it is obvious that economic conditions were improving before the war. Even though real wages decreased, all other economic indicators, especially those of food production, spend-

ing on public health, infant mortality, death rates, and income distribution show that Salvadorans did enjoy some increase in welfare. Improvements in the indicators mentioned above cannot happen without a simultaneous improvement in the living standards.

So what happened? If economic conditions were improving, why resort to war? The problem was that things were not happening fast enough. Furthermore, the standard of living is sometimes so low that these substantial gains in welfare are not enough.

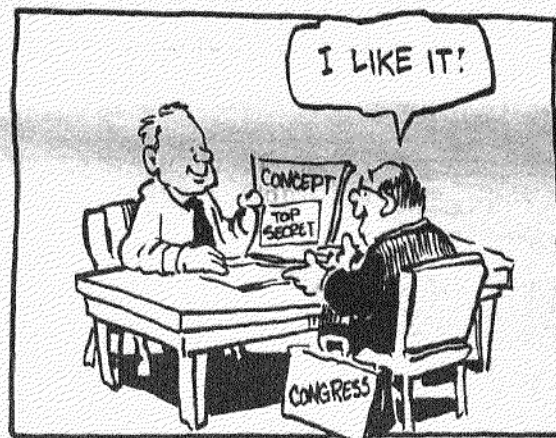
However, El Salvador was making progress, even though the 1970's were hard years for the world economy. The economy still continued to grow despite the two oil shocks which were so detrimental to the Salvadoran economy. Other exogenous factors included the interruption of trade with Honduras in 1975 as well as the return of 100,000 Salvadorans from Honduras. In addition, the population growth of El Salvador aggravates the situation. It grew from about 3.2 million in 1968 to about 4.4 million in 1978 and is now estimated at about five million. El Salvador's area is about 21,000 square kilometers, making it one of the most densely populated countries in the world. Analyzing these factors, El Salvador was lucky not to experience a decline in social welfare in the decade before the war.

Unfortunately, the war did happen and still continues, and the welfare of the people has never been worse. Welfare spending in 1980 had gone down to 4.7 percent of the national budget and spending on education had decreased to 17.1 percent. This is due to the increase in spending for defense which grew from 6.6



*Oops! Wrong bunch of fun-loving Communist insurgents*

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# Nicaraguan Quagmire

By JANINE DURBIN

The revolutionary Sandinistas, promising democratic reform, re-establishment of basic rights, and freedom from oppression for all Nicaraguans, enjoyed the active support of the United States as they fought against the dictatorial Somoza regime. But as the revolutionary dust cleared, the Sandinista regime's promises were thrown aside as the government engulfed itself promoting communist insurgents in neighboring nations, discouraging opposition, and antagonizing the United States, a former ally. The United States was forced to support this totalitarian regime. As the injustices to the Nicaraguan people increased, the United States became more alienated by the government. The U.S. realized it could no longer support this oppressive government and still adhere to its democratic principles. As the resistance to the Sandinista administration consolidated, the democratic forces asked for U.S. support. The U.S. had to make a decision whether to continue the status quo which allowed the abuses to exist, or to aid the opposition movement which wanted to revive the original revolutionary ideology. After economic and diplomatic pressure failed, the U.S. was forced to support the Contra movement in hopes that it would put enough pressure on the government to reform its ways.

Although the overthrow of Somoza was well-received by the U.S., our government disagreed with the new regime over the issue of military aid. During the first two years of the new government, the U.S. sent \$118 million in economic assistance to Nicaragua. But this was not good enough for the Sandinistas who also wanted more arms from the U.S. Our refusal to send more arms to a country that after two years of civil war had been saturated with arms, was the watershed in the progressively more antagonistic relationship between Nicaragua and the U.S. The Sandinistas turned to the Soviets who were more than willing to lend military assistance to the region. The U.S. did offer to send military advisors and to allow a number of soldiers to train at a U.S. base in Panama, but the Nicaraguans refused. As the arms build-up continued, neighboring nations began to feel threatened. Costa Rica and Honduras became disillusioned with the Sandinista regime and withdrew their support. Various leaders that were part of the Sandinista regime; Chamorro, Robelo and Pastora, also realized the change that had subverted the revolutionary government and soon withdrew their support also. No longer was the Sandinista government attempting to fulfill its original platform, instead it was nurturing the same seeds of destruction that had caused the down fall of the Somoza regime.

Nicaragua fed the opposition movement in El Salvador that was becoming increasingly hostile towards the legitimate existing government. The Salvadoran insurgency, FMLN, looked to the revolutions in China, Vietnam, Cuba and Nicaragua as examples to follow in order to bring about a communist coup. Nicaragua provided M-16 guns and other military equipment to the rebels, while also acting as a channel for Soviet weapons brought into El Salvador. Cuba also played a large role in supporting the insurgency of El Salvador. Training high ranking El Salvadoran military personnel was a major role for Nicaragua, not to mention encouraging and organizing guerrilla warfare for the FMLN to carry out against the government.

This hostility towards the Salvadoran

government was accompanied by hostility towards Honduras and Costa Rica. In Honduras, the Sandinistas supported terrorist acts carried out by a minor insurgency group. They also helped build a communist infrastructure with the help of Cuba which would be eventually used to overthrow the existing Honduran administration and replace it with a military communist regime. Nicaragua also trained members of the Revolutionary Front, a clandestine communist organization that has engaged in terrorist acts since 1980. The situation in Costa Rica was peculiar because this country, unlike many other Latin American nations, has had a long tradition of stable democratic governments. Despite this, the Nicaraguan Mission of aiding revolutionary movements in all of Central America included Costa Rica. Since 1981, Costa Rica has been the victim of terrorist acts that have been directly linked with the Nicaraguan Sandinista regime.

Thus, the U.S. is justified in supporting the Contra movement which hopes to topple the regime through democratic elections and end the encouragement and support by Nicaragua of revolutionary communist insurgents. It is worthwhile to remember that aid to the Contras was started a year and a half after Nicaragua began aiding the revolutionary insurgency in neighboring nations. A provision in the Organization of the American States (OAS) Charter says that member nations may use force because "every act of aggression by a State against the sovereignty or political independence of an American State shall be considered an act of aggression against the other American States." Had the U.S. not given aid to the Contras, it would have allowed the aggression by the Sandinista regime to continue unchallenged, while allowing the destruction of the right of self-determination of the Nicaraguan people.

Every since President Carter, U.S. foreign aid has been linked to human rights. A country must prove its guarantee of human rights to its citizens before it can receive aid from the U.S. Such was the case in Nicaragua but, unfortunately, it became more difficult to prove that no human rights abuses were occurring. Aid to the Sandinistas was finally cut off when the transformation of the regime from a democratic revolution to a communist totalitarian regime became apparent. Aid to Nicaragua was also linked to an end to Nicaragua's support of anti-establishment movements abroad. As the news about Sandinista aid to El Salvador became public, a \$75 million aid package was denied them.

Although abuses exist on both sides, human rights violations became a major complaint on the Contra opposition as the government implemented a state of siege. This included violently quieting all resistance. A token independent political party was established which served as the key to continued vital economic and political aid from the free world. The government also took over the Somoza newspaper Barricada and used it as a propaganda device, although about eighty percent of the population was illiterate. Miskito Indians in the region were rounded up and their homes destroyed. Employees at the U.S. embassy were humiliated as they were forced to answer questions about their involvement with the embassy. Some of them were strip searched and tortured.

Foreigners cannot obtain true numbers of the human rights abuses that go on in the nation because the country has been totally closed off to the world. Foreign reporting is obsolete. The United Nicaraguan Opposition (UNO), made up of vari-

ous Contra groups and headed by Cruz, was formed to help put an end to human rights violations.

Perhaps the greatest abuses were carried out against the Catholic Church which had influence over the majority of the population. The Church espouses the causes of liberty, democracy and human rights. This is the reason for increased hostility by the government. The regime tried to weaken the power of the Church by creating a Popular Church but little among the faithful has attached itself to it. Force has been repeatedly used to prevent the public from attending the Managua Cardinal's masses. It has also deprived the Church of a means of communicating with its followers. Foreign priests were expelled, as well. After the March 22, 1985 announcement by Bishop Obando y Bravo of Managua for increasing dialogue between the factions, the Vatican elevated him to the position of the Cardinal which shows the Vatican's support of the Church and what it stands for in Nicaragua.

Not only has the Church expressed interest in creating some sort of dialogue between the sides but so has the Contra movement and the U.S. Immediately following the publicity of Sandinista aggression, the U.S. did not suddenly begin aiding the Contras, but rather, it tried other methods to encourage change. In February of 1985, the civil opposition proposed a plan calling for talks which was to be accompanied by the restoration of civil liberties, amnesty for political prisoners, and guaranteed safety for participation in

politics of the opposition. Later, the armed opposition announced another plan which was to be mediated by the Church which gave its support for the plan. President Reagan proclaimed his adherence to the plan and agreed to withdraw military support for the opposition of the Sandinistas accepted the restoration of human rights laid out in the original plan. The Nicaraguan government has made it clear that it does not want to reach reconciliation in dialogue, but rather, by violence. An economic embargo was also used by the U.S. to pressure the Sandinista regime to reform. This, too, failed to budge the regime.

Therefore, the U.S. government, in its attempts to adhere to democratic principles, was and is forced to support the armed opposition in Nicaragua. It does this because the Contra movement is promoting the ideology that proclaims liberty for all the Nicaraguan people to decide their destiny. They are not advocating structural change but are, rather, working within the limits of the present structure to re-establish the freedoms that have been denied the Nicaraguans by the Sandinista administration. The Nicaraguan armed resistance, fueled by the hope of prosperity for all, continues to struggle against extreme odds to challenge a dictatorial communist regime that refuses human rights to its citizens.

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## CRYPTIC CORNER: Tusan Intervention

By CHUCK MARKS

Once upon a time there was a country called Tusa and another, which I'll call Pon. Now Pon was under the rule of an evil military dictator, a sort of homophobic, sexist, Capt. Kangaroo. This dictator was into occasional killings, murders, sales of contraband, and various other oppressions.

Tusa, on the other hand, was a relatively democratic state. The people of Tusa were generally weak-kneed whiners, but when they heard about a popular revolution in Pon, they decided to do something. Because Pon was a vital part of their current trade routes, they justified aiding the rebels by saying they were protecting their mercantile interests.

So the Tusan troops went in flexed their military muscles. The puny Ponish army was no match for the Tusan military arm and the battle was quick and relatively bloodless, for the Tusans that is. Then the Tusan leaders looked around for a native Pon to whom they could turn over the rule of the tiny nation. So, of course, there were about twenty or thirty Ponishmen all shouting that they were the "chosen" leader of the people.

Then the Tusan leader set up elections, which were followed by some rather interesting results. For instance, one village of about a thousand provided

fifteen hundred votes for each candidate. Finally the Tusans just got fed up and imposed martial law.

This, of course, did not sit well with the Ponishmen. They began to rebel. The Tusans, in order to prevent intervention by more oppressive foreign powers, finally turned the controls over to the strongest pro-democracy leader, said "The hell with it!" and went home.

Unfortunately things didn't work out as well as the Tusans had hoped. The new leader imposed martial law and became a parasite, living in luxury, off the hard work of the people.

The story is a familiar one. Unfortunately its lesson hasn't been understood by the people who cry out against oppression in foreign lands. Popular support for foreign intervention has always been tenuous, whether the intervention is in Panama, the Philippines, Hungary, or Russia itself. The media has tended to make any kind of intervention an opportunity for witch hunting. Before the people follow their media advisors perhaps they should decide what exactly it is they want, isolationism or imperialism.

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## Stolen Platform

By TOM MILES

The old Massachusetts Republican Party no longer exists, in case you had not noticed. It has been replaced by a New Massachusetts Republican Party. The party of the Old Guard, the leather arm chair Republicans, is gone, and in its place has appeared a new vibrant party of the working man and woman. The new GOP is led by entrepreneurs - men and women who have made their own fortunes and are consequently concerned with economic liberty. Their credo, of course, is no new taxes, and surprisingly, this message may resonate in the upcoming election year in the state that was George McGovern's one and only.

The Mass GOP, which the Wall Street Journal once called one of the weakest opposition parties this side of the Iron Curtain, is facing its best opportunity in over a decade to capture the governorship. The two decade domination of state government by the Democrats has, as each GOPer will assert, led to corruption, cronyism, and abuses. This arrogance of power seemed to reach its pinnacle, or perhaps nadir, during the presidential election of last year, in which the current governor based his campaign on the claim that he could do for America what he had done for Massachusetts. What Candidate Dukakis was referring to was the Massachusetts Miracle, that period of phenomenal economic expansion in the first half to this decade which resulted in double-digit revenue growth. These funds in turn permitted the enlargement of existing systems and the creation of new programs. Thus, Massachusetts seemed to be truly miraculous; it was able to support government services without hampering a booming economy. With the best of both public and private worlds, the spectacular condition of the state was the springboard from which Governor Dukakis sought to capture the Democratic nomination and ultimately the Presidency. Unfortunately for the Democrats, by the time of their Atlanta convention, the state's economy had already begun cooling, and the fiscal chill was reflected in revenue shortfalls. With the complicity of the Democratic majorities in both houses of the state legislature, the problem was addressed in a piecemeal fashion in order to avoid embarrassing the Governor-turned-Democrat nominee, and it eventually developed into a full-blown crisis.

The solution the Democrats finally decided on was the one they usually decide on - new taxes. Current GOP candidate for Lieutenant Governor Peter Torkildsen counts five rounds of tax increases plus a major fee hike since this past summer. The result of all these taxes is, according to GOP activists, the heaviest

fiscal mismanagement have not convinced the financial community. As the media repeatedly insists, the Massachusetts' bond rating has sunk lower than any other state's, except Louisiana's. Meanwhile, Governor Dukakis' approval rating has plunged to below twenty percent, lower than President Nixon's at the time of his resignation and President Carter's in early 1980. And to think, just eighteen months ago he had a more than ten point lead over Bush in the polls! All this grim news for the state Democrats creates a window of opportunity for the Mass GOP.

Yet, this window of opportunity, no matter how widely the Democrats have helped throw it open, still does not ensure that a Republican will be sitting in the Corner Office on Beacon Hill come January, 1991. In fact, the GOPers must overcome a potentially major obstacle before achieving that goal. The GOPers may not be able to clearly distinguish their political positions from those of the Democrats. In a state of two and a half million people, only 400,000 are Republicans, meaning that for any GOP candidate to take office, a significant number of Democrats must defect and vote against their party's candidate. Consequently, a GOP candidate cannot afford to be zealously ideological in his espousment of conservative principles. Instead, the requirements of winning dictate that he must move towards the center. Some GOP candidates have already begun to do so, such as gubernatorial candidate William Weld, who claims that he would not seek to limit abortion access, and his running mate, Paul Celucci, who is openly pro-choice. To be socially liberal and a fiscally conservative seems to be emerging as the winning combination for the New Mass GOP.

As the distinction between Democrat and Republican proposals becomes blurred, the Democrats may employ several ruses to extricate themselves from electoral doom. First, they may claim that GOP legislators were not constructive in attempting to find solutions to the fiscal crisis and that they have no realistic alternative proposals. In this manner, the Democrats seek to raise the specter of the old GOP, the GOP of sacrificial lambs and skeletal closets. Thus, the GOP would be marginalized as a fringe group.

The opposite of this tactic is to adopt GOP proposals. The Democrats have, in fact, begun this intellectual dishonesty. State GOP leaders constructed a three page list of ideas that Congressman and Democratic state party chairman Chester Atkins borrowed from proposals put forth earlier by GOP legislators. If this scenario continues, the Democrats will claim that their candidates have learned the lessons of fiscal responsibility and, unlike their GOP opponents, possess indispensable experience in government. Thus, the

not drink a drop of milk. As I mentioned before, agricultural workers get free food on the farm. The result of this act of deliberate sabotage was that there was neither milk for the workers to drink nor milk to be exported.

It is precisely the war that has prevented the advent of favorable conditions for production, savings, and investment. The average businessman realizes that the conditions of security and confidence are non-existent and stops taking business risks. His logic and creativity are that of a speculator who does not plan to reinvest his earnings in renovation and an increase in productive capacity, and it is specifically this domestic reinvestment which allows for an economy to expand.

El Salvador must be given peace.



## Apology of a Conservative

By JAMES ELLMAN

There seems to be substantial confusion on campus over what makes a conservative tick. In the following short apology, this author will attempt to explain what he believes in, why he opposes liberalism, and why conservatives at Tufts have such antipathy towards the current diversity policy.

First, this conservative should explain his views on race. His heartfelt belief is the following: that all people are equal, and that the color of their skin, their sexual orientation, or the slant of their eyes simply makes no difference. To group people together by this criteria is wrong and racist. If this belief makes this author "unsensitive to racial issues" so be it. This Tufts conservative will never accept that a man's skin color matters for anything.

Secondly, this conservative's views on man and group. While each human is not necessarily GOOD, he is certainly not EVIL. The failures of single citizens in our society do not particularly worry this author. What is to be feared, however, is the group, the organization, the government. When this author thinks of the group, the Inquisition, the German Nazi Party, communism, and the Dukakis Administration come to mind. In contrast, the idea of the individual conjures up images of Henry David Thoreau, Harriet Tubman, and Plato. Individuals do not initiate wars, start pogroms, or engage in mind-deadening propaganda. This author will always support the rights of the individual over the hegemony of the group.

The preceding two paragraphs

Democrats project an image of a GOP which is unable to govern effectively.

The main strength the Mass GOP has in countering these attacks is its newness. The influx of people from all age, ethnic, and income groups, people who previously never considered themselves Republican into the GOP has furnished the party with enhanced vitality. This energy is evidence of the fact that the Mass GOP

This is a very easy thing to say and not a very easy thing to do because of the opposition of the left wing rebel group. Because it completely lack popular support, the FMLN continually attempts to acquire its power by force. It is about time that they realize that they do not have the support of the country, as evidenced by the three percent of the votes they received in the 1989 June elections while Alfredo Cristiani, the president, received fifty-four percent of the votes despite guerilla attempts to disrupt the election. The time has come for the FMLN to incorporate itself into the democratic process, one which they continue to undermine.

Furthermore, the FMLN must abandon its Marxist-Leninist ideals. They do not work. A communist system is

sketch out only part of this author's beliefs on the tenets of conservatism. There are many others here who think similarly. Conservatism has nothing to do with being white, heterosexual, Christian and male. That is why women, Jews, Latin Americans, gays, and Asians can be and are, conservatives on this campus.

Whenever the diversity policy attempts to split us, segregate us, and sow the seeds of anger among us, conservatives balk. Whenever certain groups attempt to infringe on the rights of the individual in order to create the "correct campus climate," conservatives balk. Whenever certain groups attempt to change the curriculum so as to control what the individual LEARNS and thus, THINKS, the conservatives balk. These trends will not change: this author and those who think like him will always stand up when free speech is threatened, will always be wary of SOFA's effort to become hegemonic on this campus, and will always speak out when one group demands that its special needs deserve special considerations.

Some are fond of calling conservatives bigots, racists, or fascists. They are wrong, and attempt to discredit our opinions simply because we are in the way of their social and political agenda. We will hold fast to our beliefs concerning the virtue of the individual and the equality of all people. These beliefs will guide us through the dangerous shoals of this school, and will allow us to emerge untainted at the end of our four years in the diversity zone that is Tufts University.

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is no longer the party of a self-interested elite. That title has become reserved for the Democratic Party.

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percent in 1975 to 26.8 percent in 1987 of total government expenditures. GDP has decreased from 5 percent growth to -1.4 percent growth per year. Furthermore, investment in manufacturing has gone down because of the increase sabotage of plants, as well as farms. For example, in the beginning of 1988, the FMLN slaughtered the cows on a farm. They (i.e. Mercedes Salgado, the FMLN representative asked to speak at Tufts by the Latin American Collective) claimed that the milk was for export and thus not for the workers who were being exploited. There is a clear lack of logic in this argument. Obviously the owner does not have a shotgun at the workers' heads to make sure that they do

economically unviable, and creates worse poverty than an economy based on the free market. Even the Soviet Union, with its immense resources has been forced to enter an era of profound restructuring of its national economy. Communism is an economic disaster. In this context, the war that the FMLN is leading is a violent exercise in futility because application of the communist model to an economy is obsolete. President Cristiani said in his first message to the country that the Marxist war has no future. The only solution is democracy, and peace which will lead to economic prosperity and a better way of life for the Salvadoran people.

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## Wounded Ashkenazi Or, Another Diversity Casualty



By CHUCK MARKS

After a long and grueling Saturday fulfilling my duties in the Source sweat shop, I decided to relax for a while and hang out upstairs in the WMFO office. Perhaps I should have known better, but the few DJ's I do know I consider good friends. However, instead of the welcome I had expected, I was promptly presented with a record: Deutschland Uber Alles.

I have long felt confident in my Emersonian self reliance and have always spoken my mind. Till now I have never felt the need to explain myself to those who did not understand. But this incident has shaken my being to its very foundations.

Till now I have jokingly called myself a racist, sexist, homophobic fascist. If I had any idea that people might acknowledge even the remotest possibility of these things being true I would never have said them. I am not a racist, I am not a sexist, I am not a homophobe, and I am most emphatically not a fascist.

It is difficult to describe my emotions at the time of the presentation of that record. I felt both pity for the ignorance which was displayed and an urge to

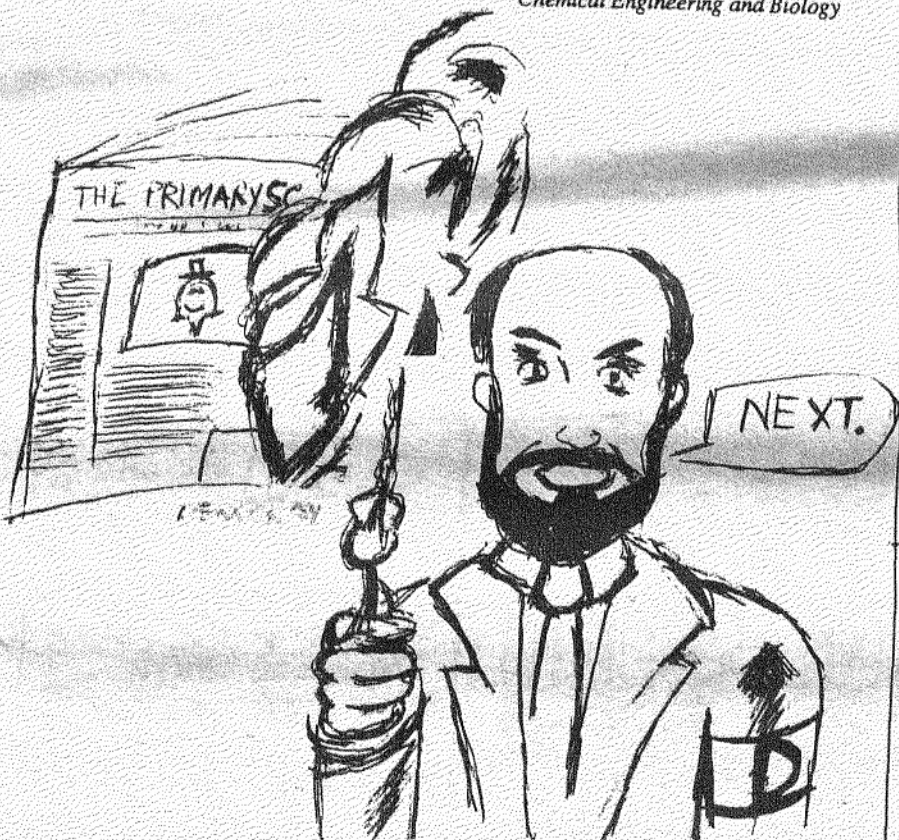
break the record and shred the offender's throat with the shards. I constrained my emotions, merely commenting that this person was lucky I had such a broad ranging sense of humor.

It has been too few hours since the incident passed and I hope my readers will forgive me for the disheveled state of my thoughts. I find these thoughts rearranging themselves in patterns I find all too familiar. This person has hurt me and I feel the need for vengeance.

However, while my psyche may be hurt and its wound may bleed for quite some time, I have not let this overcome my humanity. Call it hubris if you will, but I will bear this stigma regardless of its weight. I will not go fleeing to some institutional, aggrandized babysitter.

Instead I will accept the cold hard fact that there will always be some who will misunderstand. I am tempted to say "Yes, Deutschland Uber Alles" and crow that my Ashkenazi blood shall overcome even this, but the triumph over prejudice and ignorance is not the triumph of one people, but of all.

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## Return to the Family

By NICK LAMBROU

Over 2000 years ago a man had a vision of the perfect city-state. In this meritocracy there were perfectly equal opportunities for success. There was no sexism. Men and women fought side by side in battle and their only commitment in life was to the state. To ensure no favoritism in this meritocracy, children were taken from their mothers at birth and were placed in public daycare centers. To guarantee primary devotion to the state families did not exist. Men and women had sex with different partners at will. This was a perfectly efficient state envisioned by Socrates in the Republic.

As ugly and as distant as this world seems to us, if we replace the word "state" with the words "wealth and independence", we describe an attractive ideal held today. In our age similar demands are being made in the name of wealth, independence, rights, and individual freedoms. These qualities, however necessary to man's well-being, have been expanded to a point at which it results in a solitude between men and women. We have witnessed a dramatic deterioration (some would say evolution), of the family unit, with marriage and child-rearing becoming second priorities to the individual ambitions of parents. A quick look at the most recent divorce statistics should provide some evidence of this. Marriage has become a matter of convenience, or inconvenience, and raising children has become as much the duty of babysitters and daycare centers as it is of the parents, if not more. At one time, a woman would have been ostracized for leaving her child in the care of someone else. Today, it is not only accepted, but it is widely encouraged.

The age of feminism has taught us that women should rise above their oppression and be free to prosper and to develop themselves in the workforce, on equal terms with men. The infant mortality rate has fallen, women have been living longer lives, and economic changes have made it desirable and often necessary for women to work. Many women have become economically successful and have proven that they can accomplish anything that men can accomplish, provided they are given the opportunity. They have achieved their independence.

It is this independence which is viewed as one of the essential ingredients in everyone's personal freedom, but the costs of this independence must be recognized. By definition, a family is established on the foundation of love and is bound together by commitments. These commitments are consciously accepted by each member of the family, and it these commitments which keep the family together. When one member of the family begins to stretch his/her independence to the point where fundamental commitments are broken, the family falls apart.

Deciding where the grey line between independence and detachment should be drawn is a personal matter, but today's high divorce rate and number of single parent homes, shows that the line is being crossed too many times by too many people. Perhaps the reason is that many people don't believe divorce is harmful or even worth being concerned with. Many

psychologists even try to justify divorce by claiming that it is better for the children rather than having them live in unhappy homes. It is true that a solution needs to be found for a child in an unhappy home, but divorce only perpetuates the problem. As Allan Bloom, professor on the Committee of Social Thought at the University of Chicago, writes: "to children, the voluntary separation of their parents is worse than death precisely because it is voluntary." Through divorce, children are taught that love and trust are never certain.

Unfortunately this is not the worst of what results from divorce. In all cases the result is greater poverty. For the majority of black "families" whose father has been absent since the time of conception, there is monetary poverty because the father is simply not available or willing to offer any money. The mother, who is unable to afford the cost of daycare, stays at home. This is the leading cause of poverty among blacks, and even the elimination of all racial discrimination can do nothing for this problem. For the majority of middle class whites who have suffered through divorce, the result is a poverty of time. The mother who can afford daycare spends her time pursuing a full-time career in order that she may offer "the best" for her children. As it turns out, the time she has with her children to enjoy the benefits of her hard work becomes sadly limited.

A remedy needs to be found to stop this cancerous trend in our society. If any cure is to be found it must begin within the family and between the parents. Both the father and mother must recognize their fundamental obligations to their children and consequently to themselves. This entails necessarily placing the family above all else.

Many parents will still claim to do this and yet both will be leading full-time careers during the first years of their child's life. This is an abandonment of their child and a relinquishing of the joys of parenting to the babysitter or daycare center. During the first years of a child's life he is in need of at least one of his parents at all times. When the choice needs to be made between which of the two parents should fulfill this duty, the mother has the greater obligation.

After developing for nine months inside of his mother, a child is born and is immediately given to the mother's breast to nurse. It is an entirely natural attachment between mother and child. Not even the bottle can replace this relationship. The bottle only nominally satisfies the child's physical needs, it does nothing for a child's emotional demands. By asking the father to replace the mother during the child's first years is to break this most pure and natural bond between mother and child, replacing it with what is hoped to be an equally natural bond.

It is this failure to recognize the fundamental distinctions between the sexes which has led today's family into its sad state. In striving for their personal freedoms, parents need to redirect their ambitions towards the family because they may find that too much freedom and too little dependence can soon lead to poverty and solitude.

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# Another Primary Source Top Ten List

Editor Micheal K. Flaherty researches Our Census of the Ten Most Annoying and Appalling People, Places, and Things at Tufts University

The Primary Source has frequently been accused of cruel, mean-spirited, and unsolicited character assassination. Although we have always refuted these allegations, we here shamelessly place before our readers a list of the ten most vexing, insidious, and contemptible Tuftonian features. We offer no apology. In the spirit of scientific inquiry, we have applied a complex mathematical formula in our rating process in the spirit of Spy magazine. We have used four variables: inbred contemptibility (C), mitigating factors (m), bonus points (b), and the presidential score (P). The last is simply what we at the Source would expect an hypothetical T.C.U. Senate President to say about the feature in question. In calculating the annoyance factor we take the square root of (m) squared plus one and subtract the root from twice the presidential score and multiply the difference by the product of (C) and (b). This value is divided by the Flaherty Finagle Factor and then rounded to the nearest whole number.

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## Free Speech Movement

**Inbred Contemptibility:** Seeking out almost as much press as the TCU Senate, these free speech demagogues managed to polarize the campus and make people abhor something as precious as free speech...4  
**Mitigating Factors:** They really steam the TCU...15  
**Bonus Points:** In rescinding the policy, President Mayer made Bruce Knable look silly...20  
**Presidential Score:** "OOOh. OOOh. These guys really make me mad. How dare they encourage thought other than mine. I am the omniscient, omnipotent TCU president. Worship me!"...4  
**Total Score:** 73

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## Jeffrey Martian

**Inbred contemptibility:** See our last issue...9  
**Mitigating factors:** Are you serious?...0  
**Bonus Points:** This guy makes reading Politica feel like you're white water rafting...14  
**Presidential Score:** "I love it. It's better than Cats. I'll read it again and again. Worship me."...17  
**Total Score:** 104



Courtesy of the Observer

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## Ballou (Campus Kremlin)

**Inbred Contemptibility:** The mindless dogmatic indoctrination which emanates from Moscow on the Mystic needs little elaboration. The only thing University leaders "administer" is mental poison aimed at brainwashing the many tabulae rasae which attend this vacuous institute of higher re-education. General Secretary Bruce Knable issues counterproductive decrees aimed at fulfilling his/her every whim, while the dean's office Politburo rubber stamps them. The masses are then inculcated with this hate and resisters are sent to the Probation Gulag for any counter-revolutionary thought. Even as Gorbachev overthrows totalitarianism in Eastern Europe, the Great Helmsmen of our campus Kremlin roll forward with it...10  
**Mitigating Factors:** Czar Mayer still holds veto power over these Boston Bolsheviks...7  
**Bonus Points:** War is Peace. Slavery is freedom...2  
**Presidential Score:** "Communism failed in Russia because they didn't have me. Worship me you laboring fools!"...5  
**Total Score:** 150



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## Wimin's Collective

**Inbred Contemptibility:** Name any person, place, or thing, animal vegetable or mineral, and these gals will improvise about its inherent sexist nature. From Captain Kangaroo to the Bunker Hill Monument, it's all sexist, phallic, and oppressive to these fun-loving vixens...18  
**Mitigating Factors:** They hate men so much procreation is only a remote possibility...12  
**Bonus Points:** They couldn't find a date on a calendar...1  
**Presidential Score:** "I am Wimin, Hear me strong. Down with the patriarchy, up with the TCU President. Worship me you sexist pigs, worship me damn it!"...7  
**Total Score:** 199



Peace and justice the East German way

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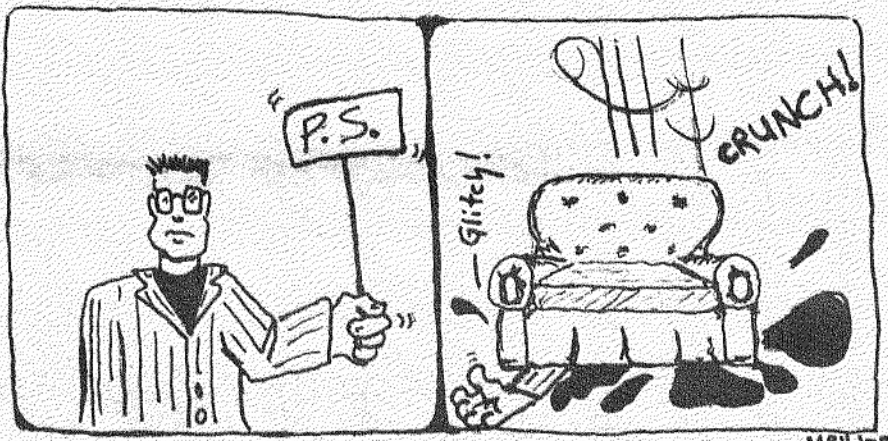
## Peace and Justice Studies

**Inbred Contemptibility:**  
**Q:** Is Communism dead?  
**A:** In Eastern Europe, call in the coroner, but at Tufts it's thriving in the Peace and Justice Studies program. The syllabi for these classes read like the Communist Manifesto and the department charter like Das Kapital. The most condescending aspect of this subversive propaganda is the ridiculous implication that people who are not in the program are opposed to peace and justice...15  
**Mitigating Factors:** Easy A if you remember these liberal untruths: "Contras baby killers, Sandinistas - Saints; Israel - fascist imperialist running dogs, P.L.O. - peace-loving choir boys with Keffiyehs; America = Bad, Russia = Good."...8  
**Bonus Points:** Nothing like a little liberal white guilt to get you through the semester...4  
**Presidential Score:** "Diversite-- C'est Moi! I am Peace. I am Justice. Lay down your arms and worship me!"...7  
**Total Score:** 271

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## Homophobophobia

**Inbred Contemptibility:** The paranoid and pitiful fear of being labelled homophobic is leading this campus down the primrose path toward the destruction of academic freedom and integrity. Mediocrity is the current rule of law in the creation of new academic courses, tossing bones of appeasement to the special interest lobbies out of an irrational desire to avoid this label. What's next? Homophobophobia--the fear of being labelled homophobic? ...15



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## S.O.F.A.

**Inbred Contemptibility:** Students organized for awareness, Tufts newest ad-hoc committee, was singlehandedly inspired by the "ignorance" of our last issue. These concerned students are "organized for awareness" about social engineering and the dangers of the evil conservative menace. The philosophy of this group is simple: "If you don't agree with us - You're racist!"...31  
**Mitigating Factors:** None. Inexcusable knee-jerk patronizing fools...0  
**Bonus Points:** Cool recruiting jingle - "If you got the cause, we got the time."...13  
**Presidential Score:** "Me - You're asking me if I'm in SOFA? I AM SOFA. I am Awareness. I am Diversity Incarnate. Get down on your knees, you heterosexual racist slob and Worship me!"...4  
**Total Score:** 351



# MONTH IN REVIEW

□ Political scientists are fortune-tellers on a national and international scale. In the past, one could always rely on eastern bloc hardline regimes for failsafe predictions. Now, one of our editors, historian by aspiration yet taking a leap into the unsafe grounds of political analysis, predicted slim chances for reform under the new East German leader, Egon Krenz, in last week's Observer. Three days later, Krenz promised drastic reforms in an unprecedented television address to the eastern half of the German people. So humiliated, this editor will return his endeavors to history, a much more reliable science, and steer well clear of politics in a world gone crazy.

□ With every year a new class is brought to Tufts with its own ideas, thoughts, and feelings about what is lacking here. We would like to congratulate Deborah Uri J'93 for taking the situation into her own hands and starting Tufts Sex Talk in an attempt to "fill the sexual awareness void" at Tufts. We too have noticed voids needing filling in this area and offer our encouragement and support in her extracurricular endeavors.

□ Tass, the official Soviet propaganda rag, has recently released the following special report. During the recent renovations of Lenin's tomb, twelve foot aliens with three heads each descended in a flying saucer and desecrated the tomb. Representatives of the State Morgue have confirmed that a tissue sample was taken from the corpse of the great revolutionary. Tass's special extraterrestrial correspondent hypothesized that the sample was taken for cloning purposes. This theory was substantiated when the Soviet Air Force tracked the escaping saucer to a small New England college campus where a Lenin look-alike is rumored to be an administrator.

□ In the near future, on an as yet unspecified date, the Primary Source will be holding a Clothing Day. Anyone who wears clothes on this day will be announcing to the world "I am a conservative." We would like to apologize in advance for any fatalities that may occur when an ill informed liberal may inadvertently wear clothes and be torn to shreds by a rabid diversity mob. Our purpose is only to put people in a position where they will have to make a snap decision: to strip, or to bear the stigma of being labelled a conservative.

Around The Liberal Household with New Nifty Ad Hoc Committees

1. SOFA: Students Organized For Awareness
2. COUCH: Committee to Undermine Conservative Heterosexuals
3. LOVESEAT: Leftist Organization of Various Ethnic Striving to Eradicate Anti-diversity Thought.
4. LAZYSUSAN: Loopy And Zealous Youths Searching Under Stones for Anti-liberal Nogooodnicks.
5. DRESSER: Dean Reitman's Erudite Students Striving to Emasculate Rightists
6. WORKBENCH: Worship Only Reitman and Knable; BELieve No Conservative Harangues
7. CARPET: Conservatives Are Racists. Purge the Evil Terrorists
8. FUTON: Feminists United To Obliterate Neoconservatism
9. BONG: Bigots Only Need the Guillotine
10. WRAPSKIRTS: Women Regarding Anything Phallic as a Sadistic Killer of Innocent and Righteous Tuftonian Sisters

OBSERVER SEARCHES INTERNALLY FOR WESSELL MASTRUBATOR

Masturbators on campus tend not to be very quiet. They also tend not to be anonymous. Nearly a month after the masturbator was first reported in Wessell, no one has come forward to take credit for choking the chicken in public.

Rumors have emerged that a member of the Observer staff may have been responsible for the indecent exposure. An Observer editor was quoted as saying "Initially I thought, 'Boy, I hope that it's not some (Observer member's) stupid attempt to gain publicity.'"

The Observer staff searched internally for the Wessell-Whacker, but the perpetrator did not turn up. The woman who was 'exposed to' was called in and stated that "None of those guys down there at the paper looked quite the same as the guy in the library if you know what I mean." TUPD's investigation now centers on the Daily. For now, anonymity stands.

□ Conservophobia. Think about it. Just for a moment, think about it.



### Tufts Police

**Inbred Contemptibility:** These yahoos are rather unfortunately charged with protecting our lives from the neighboring Social Darwinist hell. Instead of worrying about assault and the upward swing in computer theft, they dedicate their service to breaking up dry parties that are the threatening equivalent of an Eagle Scout inauguration to become more "well-rested." Well-rested for what? All that campus raping and pillaging that goes on during the open block? ...23

**Mitigating Factors:** They keep the Big Dipper in business. ...5

**Bonus Points:** They look really "bad" with those guns and snazzy uniforms...9

**Presidential Score:** "So you thought that I'd just roll over and die when I was the last one you picked for kickball? Well, hah! I'm somebody important now. These cops like me and I can have them shut down your elitist fraternity parties anytime I want. Worship me!" ...6

**Total Score: 451**



### Tufts Daily

**Inbred Contemptibility:** These J.V. journalists ramble on endlessly about such gripping areas of concern as profiles of insignificant student leaders and the TCU Senate. Even more compelling are those Op-Ed pieces about the Tufts golf team's coaching philosophies and the Chris Ball "In Exile" column which leaves every reader dangling in anticipation from week to week. While they seem to have plenty of room for this journalistic masturbation, they turn down any "controversial" pieces written by anyone who exceeds the Daily's maximum requirements for intelligence and a sense of history. The gaping liberal bias of this newspaper could not be cov-

ered up with plaster of Paris and a bulldozer. By turning down "controversial" articles in fear of a liberal backlash, the Daily Worker has demonstrated all the courage and determination of the Italian Army in World War II...37

**Mitigating Factors:** Calvin and Hobbes, Doonesbury, Jumble, Crossword. Period. Nothing more...11

**Bonus Points:** The letters page starts lots of cool scandals...8

**Presidential Score:** "How about that file photo they have of me at the Trustees banquet. You know the one with my glasses, my new suit, and my hair spiked just perfectly? Some say that's the best I ever looked - and that's saying a lot. Worship me."...5

**Total Score: 472**



### TCU Senate

**Inbred Contemptibility:** Everyone knows these resume-obsessed publicity mongers. Ever since these obsequious brats were chosen to take their school's gerbil home in the fifth grade they have been addicted to their childish and autoerotic conception of petty bourgeois authority. These administration puppets dedicate their time to posturing on inane issues (e.g. the safety shuttle), creating sub-sub-subcommittees, and kissing up to all administrators and any whining special interest group with an acronym. In reward, these bickering opportunists fantasize about power, authority, influential jobs in public service, actually having people care and think they're

important, and lots and lots of publicity...48

**Mitigating Factors:** Centralized time and place of Senate meetings (Sunday nights, large conference room, campus center) make it delightfully possible for one strategically placed grenade to eradicate all the bitching and moaning of an entire campus...21

**Bonus Points:** None. They're all useless...0

**Presidential Score:** "I am King. I am everything to these people. Hah. Worship me!"...3

**Total Score: 502**





## A Philosopher Awry

By OAKES SPALDING

In 1974, the young Harvard philosopher Robert Nozick, created a stir with his first book *Anarchy, State, and Utopia*. In it he argued for a version of natural rights libertarianism, a view which had lately fallen into disrepute in serious philosophical circles. The claim was that only the minimal state was justified, the only legitimate function of government being to offer protection against force, theft, fraud, and so on. The State had no business using its coercive apparatus to force some of its citizens to aid others (for example, through redistributive taxation). Nor did it have any business forcing individuals to act or not to act in certain ways for their own good (for example, through anti-drug laws).

Nozick instantly became a hero to libertarians (while becoming sort of a curiosity in the philosophical community), and his book became one of the bibles of the libertarian movement. For a while, Nozick himself was actively involved in the movement, representing Massachusetts as one of the delegates to the 1976 Libertarian Party national Convention.

His second book *Philosophical Explanations*, published in 1981, was well received by philosophers, but was somewhat of a disappointment to those who expected a further defense or amplification of his views.

Was Nozick still committed to his earlier politics? There were signs that he was not. He published nothing further on political philosophy, and dropped out of the Libertarian Party. Then in 1986, *The New Republic* revealed that Nozick had recently taken his landlord to court for violating the Cambridge rent-control laws, certainly strange behavior for a libertarian.

With the publication of his third book *The Examined Life* (the rate of production here is precisely one every seven-and-a-half years), it's finally official: Robert Nozick has renounced libertarianism.

As somewhat of a libertarian myself, I suppose that I have a duty to dislike the book. But ideological consideration aside, disliking *The Examined Life* isn't too hard. Good philosophy it is not.

Indeed, one of the strange things about Nozick's political conversion (or reconversion--before *Anarchy, State, and Utopia* he was a socialist) is that the arguments he uses against libertarianism (if one can be so charitable as to call them arguments) are ones which the earlier Nozick would have had a field day either refuting or exposing as incoherent.

here is Nozick making the main claims:

The libertarian position I once professed was seriously inadequate, in part because it did not fully knot the humane considerations and joint cooperative activities it left room for more closely into its fabric. It neglected the symbolic importance of an official political concern with issues or problems, as a way of marking their importance or urgency, and hence of expressing, intensifying, channeling, encouraging, and validating our private actions and concerns towards them... There are some things we choose to do together through government in solemn marking of our human solidarity, served by the fact that we do them together in this official fashion and often also by the content of the action itself... the libertarian view looked solely at the purpose of government, not at its meaning, hence, it took an unduly narrow

view of purpose, too... the point is not simply to accomplish the particular purpose--that might be done through private contributions alone--or to get the others to pay too--that occur through stealing the necessary funds from them--but also to speak solemnly in everyone's name, in the name of society, about what it holds dear.

There are a number of possible interpretations of the above. On one interpretation, it's not enough for say, 75 percent of society to make private contributions towards making sure that the homeless are all adequately fed, even if the goal of 75 percent of society--making sure that the homeless are all adequately fed--is realized through the private contributions. Rather, it is necessary for that 75 percent of society to force the other 25 percent (at the point of a gun) to contribute also. Thus the majority has the urgency of its concerns "validated". This is collectivism, at its rawest, and most ugly.

But Nozick rules out "stealing" the necessary funds, and later he writes "I think someone who conscientiously objects on moral grounds to the goals of

and also my life." the goal here is apparently to meditate on "the important things in life" (also the title of the course Nozick teaches at Harvard.) but this is just a cover for Nozick to show us (O.K., let's get nasty) how good he is at saying something profound or clever on a wide range of issues only marginally related. the by now familiar flippant Nozickian prose begins to grate when it becomes clear that unlike *Anarchy, State, and Utopia* and *Philosophical Explanations*, the flippancy seems to exist for its own sake--there's no argument underneath.

To be fair, there are a few discussions of value, such as for example, the short meditation on the well known Problem of Evil (how could an all-good, all-powerful, all-knowing God allow there to be evil in the world?). But the valuable is outweighed by the just plain embarrassing. For example, in the chapter entitled "Sexuality" the following sentences occur:

*The penis can be made to feel a welcome errand in the vagina; it can be kissed lovingly and unhurriedly; it can be made to feel nurturative; it can be delighted in and known for itself; in more exalted moments its fantasy is to be worshiped almost. Similarly, the sweetness and the power of the vagina can be ac-*

*knowledged in its own right, by tender kissing, long knowing, dwelling in the tiniest crevices and emitting those sounds this calls forth.*

I find it impossible to read this with a straight face. (Perhaps this is my loss, who knows?) More to the point, I just cannot fathom the thought of Robert Nozick, author of two previous respected works of philosophy, past chairman of the Harvard Philosophy Department, and lecturer to graduate students and freshman alike, sitting at a desk writing with a straight face. How does Nozick think his readers will respond? With earnest, studious attention?

The transition of Nozick from respected libertarian analytical philosopher to collective new-age sex therapist, is now complete.

We note in conclusion that during the writing of *The Examined Life* Nozick was supported in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Let us rejoice that by taking money from the poor and giving it to tenured Harvard professors we may all jointly and symbolically affirm the value of philosophy.

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public policy should be allowed by the society to opt out of that policy insofar as this is possible..." the view of government here seems to be of a non-coercive body merely responsible for coordinating the voluntary actions of large segments of society. A few sentences later, however, Nozick explains that while individuals would be allowed to earmark where their tax money went--so that they could avoid directly supporting policies which they objected to on moral grounds--they would not be allowed to simply withhold their taxes.

But why not? What if someone objected on moral grounds to all of the policies that their government was funding through taxation? Or what of someone objected on moral grounds to the idea of coercive taxation in the first place? those individuals would then be subject to coercive taxation ("stealing"). What is it about that state of affairs (the addition of coercion) which would allow us to "mark our human solidarity" or enable society to "speak in everyone's name"? What is it about that state of affairs which would be so noble?

Politics is only one of the topics which Nozick tackles in *The Examined Life*. the book begins with a declaration: "I want to think about living and what is important in life, to clarify my thinking--

### Apologeticus Poet's Heart Unbosomed

*Explaining a rhyme mocking Diversity's WILL,  
The saddened poet takes up his quill,  
The verse was a protest plain and clear,  
With a dash of humor to bend the ear.  
Its didactic straightforward, though the words inane,  
There was no malice intended, manifest or arcane.  
At finding my humble words did offend,  
My poet's heart did sunder and rend.  
Yet, in good conscience no apology can I make,  
Though in anger doth the whole world quake,  
Though steeped in humor, my words were sincere,  
And I shall never let my mind be molded by fear.  
My quill and ink, paper still shall meet,  
With rhymes and foets according to beat.  
I protest inequality wherever it may stand,  
Especially when it is seen as great and grand.*

- Chuck Marks



# Guerilla Satirist

BY JAMES ELLMAN

Can Conservatism be funny? You bet - just ask P.J. O'Rourke, the original Republican Party Reptile. O'Rourke's writings have won him political acclaim for his insights into world politics and his ability to find humor in the strangest places. The Wall Street Journal has even gone so far as to call him "the funniest writer in America."

P.J.'s popularity was evident when he spoke on October twenty-fourth at the Boston Public Library's Rabb Room which was filled to capacity by a crowd of four hundred fans. Young and old, rich and poor, student and yuppie, waited for the "Guerilla Satirist" to appear. O'Rourke was speaking to support his latest book *Holidays from Hell*, which was recently released in paperback. In 1984, P.J. became bored of writing humor in an office and before the coming of the "big sleep" he decided to find out, "why the world is such a god damned mess?" Four years of travelling to the worst war, riot, and poverty zones in the world resulted in *Holidays from Hell*, and O'Rourke's ability to proclaim that "War and Chaos makes the world tick."

O'Rourke spoke for close to an hour on his first "hell holiday" in Lebanon in 1984, "before kidnapping was really in vogue." While elucidating the audience on the state of that beleaguered nation in the past decade, P.J. made observations that cannot be gleaned from the nightly news: "Cocaine is cheap and plentiful in Beirut... I have to admit I tried some. Lebanon is not exactly a Just Say No environment... You would be crazy not to have a gun in Lebanon, but actually I assure you, all the crazy people there have guns too."

O'Rourke then moved on to a Q&A period where he fielded questions ranging from El Salvador, "a stasis of

disgustingness, the Philippines, "the garbage is better now, to that day's conviction of Jim Bakker, "forty years in prison, it might be a good deal. If I was married to Tammy..." O'Rourke rapped up by telling the crowd of his next book on the U.S. Federal Government which has the working title: *Your Government. What the Fuck Is It Doing and Why Does It Cost So Much?* Finally, P.J. was cheerful and extremely approachable as he engaged in a session of "stunt signing" of admirers' copies of his books.

For those who are interested in O'Rourke's writings, but are unsure of what constitutes a Republican Party Reptile, the author's wacky words should suffice: "I think our agenda is clear. We are opposed to: government spending, Kennedy kids, seat-belt laws, being a pussy about nuclear power, busing our kids anywhere other than Yale, trailer courts near our vacation homes, Gary Hart, all tiny Third World countries that don't have banking secrecy laws, aerobics, the U.N., taxation without tax loopholes, and jewelry on men. We are in favor of: guns, drugs, fast cars, free love (if our wives don't find out), a sound dollar, a cleaner environment (poor people should cut it out with the graffiti), a sound military with spiffy uniforms, Nastassia Kinski, Star Wars (and anything else that scares the Ruskies), and a firm stand on the Middle East (raze buildings, burn crops, plow the earth with salt, and sell the population into bondage).

There are thousands of people in America who feel this way, especially after three or four drinks. If all of us would unite and work together, we could give this country...well, a real bad hangover."

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*Why not live in a tree?*



*The Republican Party Reptile in one of his more demented environs*

# DIVERSITY BOOKSHELF

BY ANDREW P. ZAPPIA

*Second in a series of articles reviewing the books displayed on the Diversity Bookshelf in the Tufts Bookstore*

Of the many issues on the agenda of social consciousness, South Africa must rate among the most popular. It seems that liberating the blacks of South Africa has become a major concern of Americans of every racial and political background. But for some, the fight for freedom in South Africa is not a new crusade; for some it was a life long struggle, a heart breaking struggle. The late Alan Paton, a white South African, a liberal politician, an author, and a saint in the eyes of the oppressed South Africans, is the man to whom I allude. Some forty years ago, he wrote a novel about what was then a curious country, an unknown land. His novel is entitled *Cry, the Beloved Country* and only the Bible has sold more copies in South Africa.

I do not pretend to review this book for its literary merit, it has for forty years been internationally recognized as a masterpiece. The question which concerns me is whether or not the Diversity Bookshelf is its proper home. Alan Paton was a school teacher by training, and for a few years a prison warden. He saw before him a disturbing South Africa, a land in-

festated with racial hatred, a land rife with greed and poverty. And while traveling in the United States, he sat down in a San Francisco hotel and began to write his novel. It is a simple tale in many ways. It centers on a Black priest, Kumalo, who is struggling to reunite his family in a South Africa destructive to the very fiber of the black community. During his travels to Johannesburg, he discovers a land of shanties and crime. His very own son is one of those criminals, murdering the son of a white planter who lives near Kumalo's village. The son pays with his life and the fathers of the stricken sons join together, in their grief, to aid the starving people of Kumalo's village.

I would defy anyone to read this novel and not be moved by its sincerity and its poignant portrayal of a people in distress. It is a novel not of a class struggle against oppression, but of remorse for a

corrupted land. Alan Paton wrote this novel before Apartheid, but not before the race hatred that brought Apartheid to fruition. The book is not political, it does not assail individuals or institutions, it does not blame. It only mourns. It is in this respect, that this book differs from its Diversity Bookshelf companions.

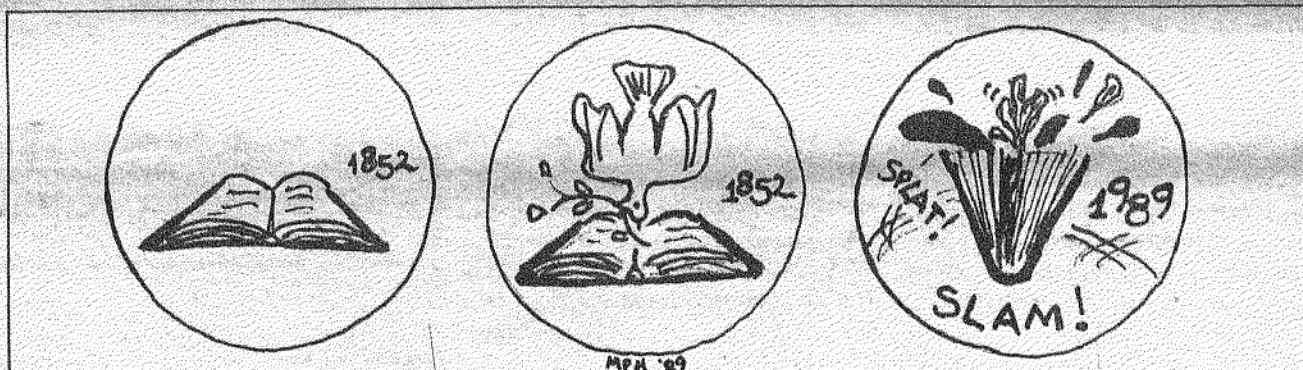
*Cry, the Beloved Country* is a moving and historic novel, but it is not really diverse by Tufts definitions. So many of the books on that shelf talk of class hatred, of class struggle. So many say that white people all think a certain way and women all think a certain way. Those books say that because Alan Paton thought divestment would only hurt the oppressed blacks, he is insincere in his calls for equality. Having Paton's book displayed in such company degrades his novel, makes it worth less, not more.

Such is the central problem with

the Diversity ideology of Tufts University. This ideology does not support differing ideals as much as it bolsters an agenda. And those who do not succumb to its agenda are given a label, like racist, fascist, or sexist. If Alan Paton were a student at Tufts he would not be honored for his noble values, for his eloquence. He would be attacked, as are all who dare to disagree with Tufts Diversity.

*There is a proper place for books that call for class revolution and race hatred, but that proper place should never be labelled "Diversity". And to place a book which does not call for those things in such company creates a false perception of the work. It is a bad association and one which affronts Cry and its author.*

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## Oath of Fealty

BY MARK ROLLINS

Recently, on a visit home, I attended an Eagle Scout presentation at which my cousin received his award. Being a very patriotic group, the Boy Scouts led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. I don't often get a chance to publicly confirm my loyalty and I shamefully admit it had been a while. I was not prepared to find that the words "born and unborn" had been added after "liberty and justice for all." Of course, I quickly recognized the addition as a political message. This, as you may well imagine, infuriated me. Thus, when I received a request for an article from Andy Zappia I sat down immediately to express my opinions on oaths and citizenship.

The oath of fealty is an ancient and revered tradition. It probably began when Joe Caveman said to his buddy, "Hold the big guy down while I hit him on the head with a rock and you can have the second best campfire." Since then it has become more refined.

In medieval Europe it was expanded into a complex political system of Feudalism. Just as brain-bashing racks became siege engines and cavalry, the oath progressed from a primeval grunt to an exchange of promises and a touching hand-holding-and-check-kissing ritual.

As mankind grew up, people lost the need to place their faith in kings and fiefs and began to pledge themselves to more intangible things. Those who have led lives transcending the mundane experiences of their fellows pledged their lives,

fortunes, and sacred honors. However, for those of us who are limited and earthbound can merely pledge our allegiance.

For too many, repetition has all but destroyed the meaning of the oath of fealty "to the flag ... and the nation for which it stands." But now a new phenomenon has arisen which not only diminishes, but distorts. The Pledge of Allegiance which every child in America learns to recite even before the Preamble to the Constitution or the Gettysburg Address, is being amended.

Like the medieval oaths, the Pledge is an exchange. The exchange is the essence of citizenship, privilege for responsibility. The concept of that "unalienable rights" must be taken and fought for by the individual who wants them is basic to our civilization and is presented as the foundation of our oath, unconditionally.

When a person decides to add to this Pledge he shows that he doesn't understand what he is saying and his oath becomes meaningless. And this, in turn, detracts from the meaning of those pledges

given with full knowledge and understanding of the exchange. To a person who gives allegiance to a "nation... with liberty and justice for all" there is no thought of who are "all". Semantic quibbling aside "all" are "all" and any qualification implies that some are not.

While well intentioned, the added words are not only unneeded but detrimental through their implication. By adding "born or unborn" we segregate the "all" tacitly claiming that "some are more equal than others."



## On the Right

William F. Buckley, Jr.

The vicissitudes of foreign affairs are so overwhelming as to leave breathless critics with the sole alternative of complaining that President Bush and Jim Baker have no national "strategy." That criticism can be made in a polemical courtroom, but we should look at some of the problems they are facing before plunking down a facile answer to all of them.

-There is China. China, celebrating the fortieth anniversary of the People's Revolution, lacking only people to celebrate it. Those who came close enough to Tiananmen Square to qualify for admission needed to be searched and identified. There they could quietly ponder forty years, including the period during which a hundred flowers were supposed to bloom, for every one of which about ten thousand Chinese were killed. Then the Cultural Revolution, which was the greatest assault on culture until Pol Pot decided to eliminate literacy from Cambodia. Followed by a general relaxation of controls that came to a sharp end last June when young Chinese began to take literally what they had thought of as encouragement to democratize their Revolution. The United States has simultaneously to paw the ground with legitimate indignation at the brutality of the June repression while studiously avoiding any geopolitical rupture of a kind that would accelerate the banners of Sino-Soviet affection. Not at all easy, not at all.

-The Israelis invented the word chutzpah and there ain't nobody in the world who can practice it the way they can. The sequence goes as follows: 1) Our secretary of state issues a speech telling the Israelis they must really cut back on

planting fresh settlers in the West Bank, against the terms of the Camp David Accords. The United States then puts extra pressure on the Soviet Union to release Russian Jews who are anxious to leave. But once the Jews receive their visas, the great majority wish to settle down--not in Israel, but in the United States. Israel does not like this because it needs a Jewish population to guard it against being dysgenically overwhelmed by Arabs, who procreate with the speed of light. So.... we contrive to reroute the Russian Jews to settle in the West Bank. We can only assume that when Jim Baker heard that one he stomped out of his office and ordered a hot dog.

-And then there is Colombia. Two weeks ago President Bush tells all the world that in his war on drugs, Colombia will figure critically. After all, Colombia is the hotbed of the cocaine export trade, and Colombia has suffered most drastically from the effort to reduce, indeed to eliminate, that export. The man who would be president- and had a good chance of becoming president- was assassinated. The minister of justice finally, well, just plain gave up once his family was threatened several times. There is, in much of metropolitan Colombia something like a de facto curfew, so militantly in control of the streets is the drug-merchant class. And last weekend the news came in that the Colombian population is tiring of the fight. That there are politicians there, increasingly popular, who are saying: The hell with it. "Let's grow the stuff and ship it out and let the United States worry about Americans who want to poison themselves by paying for it. That's their concern, not ours. Ours is to do what can save our republic." What do Bush-Baker-Bennets say in reply to that?

-Now the Soviet Union seems to be coming apart. It can't feed its own population, or clothe it, or, for that matter, keep it sober. And then there is the centrifugal dynamism, growing, growing, to the point where little Latvia simply announces that it is going to go independent, which is something like, oh, Nantucket announcing that it is going to leave the Union. This, plus thousands upon thousands of East German refugees--and the East Germans are the spoiled member of the satellite empire--rushing through the hole in the Wall, via Hungary, to breathe freedom in West Germany. We can't stop them and won't, obviously; but the State Depart-

ment does worry that the deterioration in control of Gorbachev's country would--well could--convulse Eastern Europe. And after that? What is our strategy then? If you have an answer to this, call Jim Baker, collect.

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# Levantine Atrocities

BY NISSAN RACLAW

*They slaughtered my uncle and his sons. They killed him as I was looking on, and they raped my best girlfriend and killed her husband... What they did to us could not be worse...they simply took them to the nearby valley and opened automatic fire on them.*

*(They) tried to force me to try to give a sermon in praise of (them). I refused. On my return home from prayer, my young son was missing. Some days later, the boy's mutilated body was brought to me...*

*They subjected the village to heavy fire in order to teach its inhabitants a lesson. They then turned first to my house, burst in, tied me and my wife up; after they raped my daughter before our eyes, they shot her, leaving her naked body with the breast cut off on the threshold of the house.*

No, these are not stories of the Holocaust. These are stories told by Lebanese civilians about the 'glorious' Palestinian Liberation Organization. If only these were the exceptions to the rule.

To quote John Nasser, 49, a Maronite priest: "I want to shout out to the whole world that the comparison should be made between Nazi crimes and the deeds of that bloodthirsty animal band, the vile organization they call the PLO."

...or Salo Safro, 65, Mukhtar of a village near Tyre: "The terrorist are just like Nazis."

Lest one believe that these quotes are representative merely of anger about internecine fighting in the 'Paris of the Middle East', or some sort of Arab 'coexistence' -- is it any wonder that Israel is hesitant to consider 'coexistence' PLO-style?, then it is worthwhile reviewing the Palestinian record of attacks on U.S. or allied targets:

1. In the four September 1970 Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine hijackings there were several Americans held hostage (a Pan Am 747 and a TWA 707 were among the planes hijacked).

2. A Black September squad of the PLO took over the Saudi Arabian embassy in Khartoum on March 1, 1973. Among the hostages were Ambassador Cleo A. Noel and his deputy, Curtis Moore. The terrorists demanded the release of several Palestinians in Jordan and Israel and the release of Sirhan Sirhan, the man who shot and killed Robert Kennedy.

March 2, after U.S. refusal to deal, the Arabs murdered the Americans and one Belgian.

3. In June of 1975, U.S. Army Colonel Ernest Morgan was kidnapped by the PFLP.

4. Two members of the PFLP, in conjunction with the Japanese Red Army, unsuccessfully attempted to destroy a Shell oil refinery in Singapore on January 31, 1974. Seven days later, five PFLP members invaded the Japanese embassy in Kuwait, and held twelve hostages. The terrorists demanded that a plane be flown to Singapore to help their comrades.

5. PLO terrorists hijacked a Lufthansa jet to South Yemen on the twenty-second of February, 1972.

6. On September 5, 1972, a Black September squad murdered eleven Israeli athletes in the Olympic village in Munich.

7. On October 29, 1972, two Black September terrorists hijacked a Lufthansa jet, demanding the release of those murderers still alive following the Munich massacre.

8. A time bomb planted by George Habash's Popular Front, another PLO faction, was discovered in Berlin's Jewish Community Center on November 9, 1969.

9. 26 people were injured when a bomb planted by Sa'iq'a (a PLO artillery unit) exploded in a Jewish restaurant in Paris in March of 1979.

10. Three Fatah members and two

Egyptians were arrested on suspicion of planning to blow up a synagogue and the Israeli embassy in Egypt in February of 1981.

11. Abu Nidal terrorists attacked a synagogue in Vienna with hand grenades and sub-machine guns on August 29, 1981. Two people were killed and four were wounded.

It would be impossible, although illuminating, to list all of the PLO attacks on U.S. or allied targets, but the above selection should suffice.

Now we come to the issue of possibly letting PLO Chairman Yassir Arafat into the United States at any future time. I say yes, we should let Arafat into the United States, and handcuff him as soon as he steps off the plane. His arrest would be in perfect accordance with the U.N. draft resolution which reads:

*The General Assembly...calls upon all States urgently...to deter and prevent acts of international terrorism and to take effective measures to deal with those who perpetrate such acts...and to prosecute and punish those perpetrating such acts...*

Some have suggested that those factions of the PLO committing terrorist acts have, in fact, no connection to Arafat. If that's the case, then the U.S. has no reason to be conducting talks with the PLO, for Arafat's so-called "renunciation"

of terrorism simply means that Arafat himself won't shoot or kidnap anyone. Therefore, Arafat has no business at the U.N., for he isn't truly in control of the PLO, nor does he represent the Palestinian people. On the other hand, if he is in control of the PLO, then no terrorist act by a PLO faction can be considered unrelated to Arafat. In any case, he's got no business at the U.N.

Even if one were to suggest that the attacks by the PLO on Western targets were not terrorism, but attacks on symbols of oppression by freedom fighters (try that one out on the families of Robert Stethem, Leon Klinghoffer, or William Higgins), that still does not excuse the war crimes of the PLO committed against the Lebanese people. I suggest that Yassir Arafat be barred from entering the United States indefinitely.

For war crimes of 45 years ago, Kurt Waldheim is presently barred from entering the United States; the same ought to apply to Arafat and the PLO's war crimes of a mere decade ago, not to mention the ongoing acts of terror against American interests and allies.

Nissan Raclaw is a freshman.



## Classified Advertisements

### PERSONALS

**To the drunk Jewish nun,**  
I can't believe you made such a fool out of yourself. I'd be surprised if "freshman cutie" doesn't hate you.  
-- the even better Catholic girl.

**Max,**  
Du lieber Liberaler, kehre auf den RECHTEN Pfad zurueck!  
-- Dein Erzkonservativer.

**Steph,**  
I still think it's worth it, let's make a sincere effort.  
-- Love, DCG

**Mary Robinson,**  
Quincy Market, Sunday brunch, Geo lab -- Doctors' kids have all the fun. I thank you for all the good times and hope we have many more.  
-- Your favorite Editor

**Dave, Mike, Debbie, Denise,**  
Thanks.  
-- MRM

**Dave Gold,**  
Perhaps you should write your cartoon in the same state you make passes at my junior staffers.  
-- the Editor

**Dave Gold,**  
I take it back. In the daylight I see it more clearly. Jeffrey Martian is not 'fair.' It's atrocious!  
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**Liberals One and All,**  
Defamation is the last refuge of non-thinkers.  
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You'll never get to Florida alive.  
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-- the guys of Hayes House

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When are you going to stop using that 'Chuck Marks' pen name.  
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You guys are great!  
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A donut without its hole is a danish. Sweetness without a beer is a Scooter.  
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What the Hell are you doing? We're worried about ya'.  
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Any trace of intellectual honesty. If found, please return to Rob Moscow.

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Solace on this liberal-infested campus.  
Thanks again guys.  
MAH

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My sanity.  
MRM

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## Don't Blame It On Us

BY TOM KAUFMAN

*Ed. Note: This is the "infamous" piece that the Daily refused to run.*

*Racism: Hatred or intolerance of another's race or other races (Random House Dictionary)*

The trend that has developed among many minority communities nationwide is to blame growing racial tension on "white" society. On this campus, popular thought takes an additional twist. Here conventional wisdom often dictates that the people who incite racial problems are "conservatives" -- namely members of The Primary Source. Many here often misinterpret attacks on the inconsistencies in the administration's "diversity policy" as unwarranted attacks on innocent minorities. The idea that conservatives condone or intentionally "promulgate" racism is factually unfounded. I hope to show that the preponderance of the apparent increase in racial tension can be attributed to three groups: The residents of surrounding towns, the minority activist groups, and most of all to the administration itself.

The first spreaders of racism are angry local juveniles who often come to our campus on occasional weekend evenings. This is not to say that all neighborhood youth are bad, but certain negative elements like to assault random students, terrorize Tuftonia's women, and howl racial epithets through their car windows. Many on campus try to pin these attacks on conservatives. The fact of the matter is that the perpetrators of the majority of the racial crimes are not Tufts students who are unenlightened and full of spite.

The second instigators of racial tension are overzealous activists among the members of certain "oppressed groups." The defensiveness of these groups causes them to see race as the only rationale for conflicts between members of different races. These people will often interpret some wrongdoing to them as a racial attack for the sole reason that the "attacker" belongs to a different racial group. There is no denying that cases of racial wrongdoing exist, but a plethora of cases have occurred where racism was misrepresented as the cause of conflict. A recent example happened in the Math Department.

A Jewish student claimed that the Math Department practices an anti-Semitic policy because they would not reschedule a test from the time surrounding the Jewish high holidays to another day. If the student practiced her religion, she would not be allowed to study because the day before the test was Yom Kippur. From the sound of the complaint, one would think the KKK creates departmental policy. It turned out that the student left much information out of her statement -- she knew the date of the test months ahead and could have prepared her study schedule around it. The reason she could not make up the exam had nothing to do with anti-Semitism. In fact, the faculty member whom the student accused is Jewish himself. This fact is irrelevant though. Even if he were an Irish Catholic conservative, his identity would not make him guilty of racism.

Another example which occurred last year had to do with the Safety Shuttle. A young black woman accused a Safety Shuttle driver of being a racist because he would not drop her off until he first delivered some white students even though the black woman had boarded first. On the surface, this looked like blatant discrimination. It turned out that the girl was mistaken. The driver had picked her up on the street, en route to a scheduled pick up, and standing shuttle policy is to deliver scheduled passengers before non-scheduled ones; not whites before blacks.

Incidents like the above work against the cause of combatting racism. With each new false cry of wolf, less villagers will run to save the sheep. Perhaps one day a wolf really will come and no one will be willing to fight against him. This is not to say that blacks are sheep, or sheeplike, before I am accused of this. More false alarms continually make the greater populace cynical and unmotivated in befriending the true victims of crimes. What these wolf cries show me is that something on campus has cause people to be extremely oversensitive to race as a cause of all the evils in the world. Why is this happening? The answer lies in the example our community leaders set for us.

The administration constantly looks for ways to be more "diverse." The

Senate leaders and deans of students want a campus where racism of any degree is extirpated. This is a truly noble cause; all educated people with any sense of justice would like a "color blind" society. The leaders lose their nobility of cause when they take their methods straight from totalitarian techniques. They look under every rock, analyze every overheard conversation, and read every T-shirt, looking to kill racism. It gives them a feeling of intense satisfaction when they find a supposed "racist" and punish him. The problem is that their methods are unjust.

A few weeks ago, a student saw a friend walking by with a red bandanna over his head. As a joke, he called to his friend "Hey Aunt Jemima!" Aunt Jemima is famous for her red bandanna. Unfortunately a black woman overheard this remark and assumed it was a racial denigration. Dean Reitman was behind her one hundred percent and put the malicious male on probation, disregarding the fact that there was no evidence that the boy aimed the remark at the girl. Reitman's illiberal and heavy handed policy is that the school cannot allow people to say things publicly which can be interpreted as offensive, regardless of whether the offense is intentional or accidental. Is this a standard that educated members of a free society want? Who knows when you may say something that may accidentally offend? Tufts is an institution of education. Punishing people who unmaliciously say offensive things is not an act of education; it is pure ignorance.

The worst part is that the effect of administration policy is to foment racism. Let me qualify this. Deans Knable and Reitman tell minority groups "We are here to protect you from racism." Unfortunately, in the Jemima case, the administration convicted an innocent man of a terrible crime. The unjust punishment may very well cause him to resent the woman who brought him up on charges. This could easily expand to a hatred of all blacks who the boy sees as militant. Perhaps his attitudes will rub off on his friends, or people who hear about his unfair punishment. So, are the deans protecting the minorities or causing them to be targets of misguided rage?

If the administration stopped here, they would simply be misguided, but they sink to the level of the malevolent. When organized groups criticize their methods as being unconstitutional, the administration rationalizes this to racism. "Logic" tells the administration that such groups criticize them because they want to freely harass minorities. It is analogous to McCarthyism. People disliked governmental policies of the time; ergo, they had to be democracy-loathing communists. This distorted logic makes everyone who does not take the administration's word as gospel look like a racist, creates a handy scapegoat, and establishes the illusion that racism is rampant among the conservative community. The deans are content, for they have found the villain, the true cause of racism.

The fact of the matter is that most people here at Tufts are not racist. If you do not believe it, go onto the quad and shout some racially insensitive remarks. Neither conservative nor mainstream Tufts student will join you. Racism is socially unacceptable to all educated people. Yes, racism does exist here, but at far lower levels than in the outside world. We are educated to know that racism is ignorance.

Before this piece is labeled as a trivialization of racism at Tufts, let me hasten to say that this is not my goal. There are conflicts of which racism may be the cause, but in this country a person is innocent until proven guilty. The community's attitude should not be to shoot first and ask questions later. We must still address the problem of racism and stop it where it exists. However, sweeping condemnation of innocent people, overzealous and racially charged incidents, as well as misguided administrative policies actually perpetuate racism. Most who think along the above lines seek a scapegoat on whom to blame racial problems. The administration may believe it has isolated the "undivided germ," but the germ is nurtured. If left unchecked, it will decimate our hallowed University.

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## Combatting Racism

BY MATT NYMAN

The recent polarization of opinion on racism here at Tufts has made me ponder the issue considerably. Because I am associated with the Primary Source and the conservative side of things, I was most troubled by the recent outlash against the Source.

First, let me say that I am a white male. My perspective may be blurred because I may be a benefactor of a white-dominated society, and I may not understand the pain and outrage of minority communities, but I am still human, and I understand basic human needs and goals - equality, freedom, and justice. These ideals are not white ideals. They are universal. It is true that in America whites have manipulated these societal goals to suit themselves, often in an outrageous manner - slavery, the principle of separate but equal, and general social discrimination - but all the same these ideals are universal; they are the end goal.

So, how do we go about achieving these ideals? Certainly racism helps to

prevent the realization of these ideals. Thus the elimination of racism must be a goal of our society. Let us use the definition of racism used frequently in many of the campus media: power + prejudice = racism. This is a questionable definition to begin with because many would argue that racism has nothing to do with power, rather, it is the belief that some races are superior to others, causing the subsequent discrimination based on that belief. These individuals would argue that power does not enter into the equation at all. However, I accept this definition of racism if we remove its ambiguity by prefixing prejudice with racial. Thus: power + racial prejudice = racism. With this minor change, which I am certain few would dispute, I accept the definition.

Racism as defined here is certainly a huge problem. The vast majority of people in power in America are white, and certainly significant numbers of these whites are prejudiced against minorities. Thus racism is prevalent. Therefore it is important to find the source of this racism in order to destroy it.

Of power and prejudice, which concept causes racism? of power and racial prejudice, which is the evil? Many would argue that power is the evil, for it allows the strong to discriminate against the weak. However, those in power will try to maintain power. One may argue over whether this is good or bad, or whether we can even do something about it, but that is not the concern of this essay. I argue simply, that once you remove prejudice from the equation and leave only power, discrimination based on nothing other than the maintenance of power remains. Thus, power without prejudice is not linked to racism.

In consequence, the part of the equation relevant to racism and the eradication of racism is the factor of racial prejudice. If those who are in power have racial prejudices, they will try to restrain the development of those whom they are prejudiced against. Thus, if you eliminate racial prejudice, you eliminate racism, and

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# Racial Injustice

By ROB MIRMAN

Looking out his dormitory window, Tom saw a friend, Mike walking up the side walk. Mike was wearing a bandanna around his head. Instantly, Tom made the connection to Aunt Jemima, the character on syrup bottles and pancake mix boxes who wears a bandanna. As James, Tom's roommate, joined Tom at the window, Tom yelled out the window, "Hey, Aunt Jemima!" James followed the thought through with, "Nice hat!"

Across the quad a black student, Jen, overheard this exchange, and would soon drag Tom and James into a very unexpected and unwanted situation. Although the names have been changed to protect all those involved, this incident did occur on Tufts University's Medford campus. Jen had no legitimate reason to be offended, but because of her complaint Tom was tried under Tufts University's racial harassment policy and unfairly placed on probation level I.

Why was Jen offended by the public reference to Aunt Jemima? In an open forum in an English 001 class on the Tufts campus, one student reminded the others, "Aunt Jemima has black connotations". Aunt Jemima is a black character that sells syrup and pancake mix. Being a black character, Aunt Jemima most certainly does have black connotations.

Certainly a phrase is not offensive merely because it refers to blacks. If this is true of Jen, she lacks a fundamental pride in her race and herself. As a black student noted, although there are terms that refer to blacks and are offensive, these terms are separated from those like "Aunt Jemima" by the meaning behind them. Aunt Jemima has no hidden meanings. She merely sells syrup. In fact her position as the symbol of a successful company indicates the public does not find her offensive.

However, people can warp the meaning of words. Calling a black child boy will not offend him like it would offend a grown black man. Again the word "boy" is not an evil word. However when someone calls a black man boy, the word comes with a derogatory intent. Did Tom say, "Aunt Jemima" with a derogatory intent?

After the incident took place, Jen talked to her R.A. about it. Later, Jen's R.A. told Tom and James they had offended someone. Tom and James explained they had not intended to offend anyone. They told

Jen's R.A. the comment was directed at one of their friends, not at Jen. Tom explained he was merely making fun of his friend's strange (to Tom) choice of dress. In fact, they had been unaware of Jen's presence at the time. But, they were still sorry they had offended Jen, and offered to apologize immediately. Coming before any threat of disciplinary action, this offer demonstrated Tom and James' sincerity. They never intended to be derogatory.

Tom and James were finally brought together with Jen in a meeting with Associate Dean of Students Reitman. During this meeting they apologized to Jen. At the meeting's conclusion Reitman said it was Jen's decision to press charges if she felt it necessary. The apology meant nothing to Jen. She pressed charges.

The offense Jen felt did not come from the words themselves; "Aunt Jemima" is not offensive. It did not come from Tom or James. Not only was the comment not directed at Jen, but it was not intended to offend anyone. Additionally, a black student observed that if Tom and James "wanted to use a derogatory [term], they could have thought of something better [more offensive]." The elimination of the phrase itself, Tom, and James leaves only one possible source of offensiveness remaining, Jen. Jen placed the derogatory connotations on "Aunt Jemima" herself.

Jen's R.A. definitely made it clear to Tom and James that one must be careful what one yells out one's window as it might offend someone. In "How to handle a Racist", an article in Ebony magazine, Mervin Aubespin, president of the National Association of Black Journalists recommends a victim of racism on the job should try to resolve the problem with the offender verbally. If unable to do so one should then take the problem to a supervisor. (Ebony, November, 1984, "How to handle a Racist" p.54) Taking this attitude in her case, Jen should have been happy with getting her message across and dropped the issue.

Jen should not have felt slighted because the remarks were not directed at her, were not offensive, and were not intended to offend. However, she did feel offended. In Ebony, experts "emphasize that though you may be the victim of a racial slur or slight, that in no way diminishes who and what you are. Self-esteem and racial

pride...are important weapons in fighting racism..." (Ebony, p.52) Jen should not have let Tom's comments damage her self-esteem or racial pride. Jen did not pursue the issue further to reach Tom or James: she had done that. She pursued the issue because she was vengeful for the damage done to her self-esteem. When Jen filed a complaint of racial harassment she did not act as she should have.

The University's harassment policy as detailed in the Pachyderm defines racial harassment as a subjection "...to ridicule, threats, repeated annoying acts or other forms of harassment because of...[one's]...race..." (1989 Pachyderm, p.47)

While Tom and James were ridiculing Mike's hat, they were definitely not ridiculing Jen; they were actually unaware of her presence, henceforth not directing their comments to her. "Hey, Aunt Jemima, nice hat!" is not a threat. It implies no further action and lists no conditions. And while Jen found it annoying (unjustly so) it was not a repeated act.

The Pachyderm's reference to "...other forms of harassment..." is at best misleading. As harassment is simply persistent annoyance (Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary, Merriam-Webster, 1988 p.552), this is a restatement of, "...repeated annoying acts..." (1989 Pachyderm, p.47) This is an error of redundancy. Tom and James are Victims of Tufts policy even more so than victims of Jen's vindictiveness.

"The aim of this policy is to inform everyone of the standards of the community and thereby avoid violations." (1989 Pachyderm, p.49) Tom and James were not guilty of harassment as defined in the Pachyderm, and as the Pachyderm is the self-confessed informant of policy, they were not guilty of violating any policy which they were supposed to know about.

Associate Dean of Students Bruce Reitman explained Tom's probation in the Thursday, October 12 issue of the Tufts Daily:

"Although the panel didn't find evidence to support the accusation that the student intended to offend the woman, panel members nevertheless decided that he still had no right to make his remark a public one by shouting out the window and not knowing who might hear it and be offended or hurt."

According to Reitman the students were disciplined for not knowing what to say, or when to say it. The University's harassment policy does not mention this as a

to understand their ignorance. However, I am saddened and upset about the acceptance of prejudice on the part of many minorities on campus.

The recent events in the media prove my point. The Primary Source publishes an article and poem of questionable merit because of their possible prejudice against blacks. Student leaders and the administration fly into outrage over the prejudice of the white males on the staff. This is good. Over the next few weeks, many letters of equally questionable merit appear in the campus media. These letters blatantly express a prejudice against white males. The campus fails to respond. Now I ask you to compare the two. Is not the ignorance of the writers equal?

If I have both power and prejudice, then label me a racist. I will not argue. If I am prejudiced, then work with me to eliminate my ignorances. But don't tell me that I alone am prejudiced because I am white and I enjoy a privileged position in society. You are then prejudiced against me, and your hypocrisy disgusts me.

A university is supposed to help everyone break down their rigid patterns



violation at all. Since the repeal of the speech policy, no other University policy deals with this issue. Tom was punished without violating any University policies.

Although Tom was not guilty of any violation, the University did punish him. The Pachyderm sets an outline for determining the consequences of violating policy, which vary from warnings to expulsion. The first factor in the outline is "How great was the potential harm, emotional or physical, to the victim? How intimidating was the incident? Were several people involved in the planning of or actual harassment?" (1989 Pachyderm, p.49) Not even Jen can accuse Tom of intimidation or potential physical harm from his remote upper floor window across the quad. It's difficult to believe that being compared to a syrup lady could crush one's confidence level. Additionally the incident was unplanned.

The other factors involved in the sentencing of offenders are, "To what extent should the individual(s) responsible for the offense have anticipated the potential harm to the victim(s)? Did the offense include an element of threat so that the victim felt justifiably menaced physically? Was this a first offense of the person(s) involved?" (1989 Pachyderm, p.50)

There was no way for Tom to predict the potential harm to Jen because not only was he unaware of her presence, but he did not think the phrase, "Aunt Jemima", would offend anyone. From his window on the opposite side of the quad Tom was not in the position to physically menace even the meekest of people. And Tom has no prior offenses.

If the University had followed the policy it sets in the Pachyderm, Tom's punishment would surely have been the lightest available (a warning), if he had been punished at all. By placing Tom on probation, rather than giving him a warning, the University strayed from its own policy. Tom did not violate any facet of the racial harassment policy. Tom did not fulfill a single section of the University's outline of consequences. The University let Jen's vengefulness be Tom's judge and juror, almost completely ignoring University policy. Rather than protect Tom from an accusation, the University's policies were reviewed off-handedly as an innocent man was punished.

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of thought, not target those whom it wishes to correct. The administration and student leaders, along with the members of the community, need to realize that all communities have their prejudices and none of them are good. In this I am simply questioning the double standard employed at Tufts today. Prejudice in any form should not be ignored, no matter what the socioeconomic situation of the prejudiced individual. The eradication of racial prejudice must be pursued with a discussion among groups which strives toward an elimination of all racial distinctions. This is the goal of a university climate - to challenge all peoples' assumptions, eliminate bias which is unfounded, and work toward a common understanding.

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the problem is solved. The people in power certainly will manipulate the system to their liking, but the racial component of the control would be gone, and our goal would be achieved.

So how do we eliminate racial prejudice? Not only those in power who have these prejudices. Prejudice is bias formed without legitimate basis. Are not all individuals capable of racial prejudice - Whites, Blacks, Asians, Hispanics? Prejudice in any form is harmful, whether or not one has power. The dominance of whites in society is indefensible, for surely it is founded on racial prejudice. However, we simply view racial prejudice as universally predominant, and we feel that the white male cannot be singled out simply because he has more power.

Now this is where it gets controversial. Many people, including myself, think that this university, especially its administration, encourage one double standard while striving to eliminate others. As racism is defined here, as power + prejudice, then certainly only the white male is guilty. Should a university focus in on one

prejudice? Then why are the minorities here? Are they here simply to accuse the white male of injustice? Are they not here to learn of their prejudices as well? Minority prejudice is just as ignorant as majority prejudice. Everyone runs around screaming "racism! racism!," when a better approach in an academic atmosphere should actually be a discussion on the elimination of racial prejudice on all sides. However, if we try to eliminate white prejudice without eliminating minority prejudice, is this not prejudicial and ignorant in itself? This is the hypocrisy. Targeting an individual group is creating the exact problem that the university is trying to solve.

Should an academic center simply allow minority prejudices to remain because the minority has been oppressed? Although I am a straight white male, and I am unable to understand the pain and anguish and fear that blacks, women, and homosexuals feel, that does not eliminate my feeling that prejudice is wrong. Prejudice at this university is openly visible in all of the groups on campus. Yet it is the white male prejudice that is assaulted, as though it alone is the moral wrong. The outrage against white prejudice helps whites



# NOTABLE AND QUOTABLE

This is one of the great evils of Welfarism - that it transforms the individual from a dignified, industrious, self-reliant spiritual being into a dependent animal creature without his knowing it.  
- Barry Goldwater

We want a peace in which freedom and justice will prevail, and that - given the nature of Communism - is a peace in which Soviet power will no longer be in a position to threaten us and the rest of the world. A tolerable peace, in other words, must follow victory over Communism.  
- Barry Goldwater

Like it or not, the great and inescapable task of our epoch is not to end the Cold War but to win it.  
- Eugene Lyons

He looks like Captain Kangaroo on acid.  
- Richard Jeni, on C. Everett Koop

Have a nice house over there, and a lot of ways to hopefully be helpful in that side, from the East wing side of things.  
- George Bush, marching orders to his new Cabinet

I say let Mr. Wright peddle some books and drive a nice car if he will stop bankrupting banks and busting the budget with \$200 billion dollar favors to his Savings and Loan friends.  
- Donald Devine

Those who can, do; those who can't, teach.  
- H.G. Wells

There is just one thing wrong with Chicago. It is 1000 miles from the Hill.  
- Carl P. Hubbard, C'09

Certain politicians sitting on their dry-goods boxes though the United States could remain isolated. The United States is in the world and can't get out of the world.  
- George L. Cady

Who rules Eastern Europe commands the Heartland.  
Who rules the Heartland commands the World Island.  
Who rules the World Island commands the World.  
- Halford MacKinder

Compromise is the arch-rival of coherent public policy.  
- Kim Quaile Hill

In 1980, when we had a surplus in our trade in goods and services of about 9 billion dollars, total U.S. employment was under 101 million. Today [1985] we have a trade deficit...and total employment is over 108 million - the highest in history. It is said that we have "exported jobs". But where are they?  
- Allen Wallis

The university, like our society, demands that you think fast, run fast, and write fast.  
- David Breines

I should have felt it sheer hypocrisy not to have voted for myself.  
- Konrad Adenauer

The art of politics consists in knowing precisely when it is necessary to hit an opponent slightly below the belt.  
- Konrad Adenauer

Tragedy elicits admiration as well as pity, because it combines nobility with guilt.  
- Reinhold Niebuhr

I've always wanted responsibility because I want the power responsibility brings.  
- Sam Rayburn

The American Dream is not to make everyone level with everyone else, but to create the opportunity for all people to reach as high as their God-given potential allows.  
- Jack Kemp

Conceiving the defense of freedom, like freedom itself, to be one and the same, we hold all constituents and peoples in equal regard and honor. We reject all insinuation that one race or another, one people or another, is in any sense inferior or expendable.  
- Dwight D. Eisenhower

## SEPARATED AT BIRTH

Courtesy of the Observer



Criminal chronicler Prof. Jay Cantor



Criminal killer Bernhard Goetz

Courtesy of the Observer

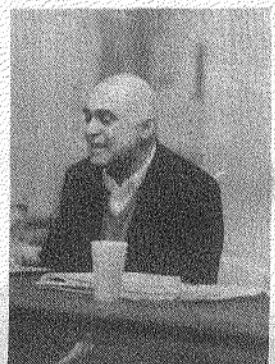


Billy Jacobson's idol Billy Jacobson



Toddlers' idol Big Bird

Courtesy of the Observer

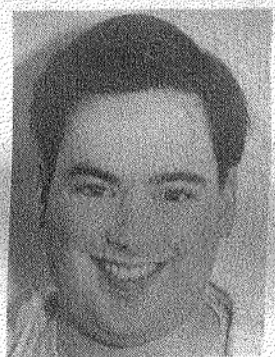


Athletic Director Rocky Carzo, Mr. Lean



Super-cleanser Mr. Clean

Courtesy of the Daily



Malleable editor Steve Clay



Malleable Pillsbury Dough Boy

Can't you understand, it's very simple to me, People everywhere just want to be free.  
- Sly Stone

Archeology thrives on wars and the dead, like the hyena or the hawk.  
- Yehuda Amichai

My goal is simple. It is a complete understanding of the universe.  
- Stephen Hawking

I think we've got a generation of young people coming in - I think we'll be in safe hands. I think America will be in safe hands.  
- Ronald Reagan

If you don't want to work, become a newspaper reporter.  
- Mark Twain

That awful power, the public opinion of the nation, is created by a horde of ignorant, self-complaining simpletons who failed at ditches and shoe-making and fetched up in journalism on the way to the poorhouse.  
- Mark Twain

Congress is a body of men with tongues so handy and information so uncertain that they could talk for a week without getting rid of an idea.  
- Mark Twain

But 'Tufts does not consider itself a surrogate parent,' lies the Pachyderm proudly on page 45.  
- Bill Shein

The people against this policy are a little more vocal and a little more literally prolific.  
- Billy Jacobsen

It's time to get loud.  
- Wally Pansing

The zones and stuff may be crazy, and may not work.  
- Bruce Reitman

I was very dissatisfied with the policy, and I don't think it would have held up in court.  
- Jean Mayer

I wish they had discussed this with me before they had printed it in the Pachyderm. I didn't even know what people were talking about. It's embarrassing.  
- Jean Mayer

We were trying to define community standards.  
- Bobbie Knable

You can't turn to a bureaucracy to make people believe things - that's censorship. The university has one mission: free inquiry. It cannot step in to regulate thought. It think it's clear Tufts made a strategic error.  
- Bard College President Leon Botstein

Don't worry about my ministers. I am at least 75% of my cabinet.  
- Konrad Adenauer

Acting is not the most noble profession in the world, but there are things lower than acting - not many, mind you, but politicians give you something to look down on from time to time.  
- Spencer Tracy

I have lived with two teenagers for years...I kept my cool. I haven't bugged out. I'm still in Fat City.  
- Lyndon Johnson, trying to groove

Sex has never interested me much. I don't understand how people can waste so much time over sex: sex is for kids, for movies - a bore.  
- Alfred Hitchcock

You don't have to explain what you haven't said.  
- Calvin Coolidge

The best among us will do the most repulsive things once we are smitten with a presidential madness.  
- Mark Twain

The great struggle of our time is an ideological one.  
- Dwight D. Eisenhower