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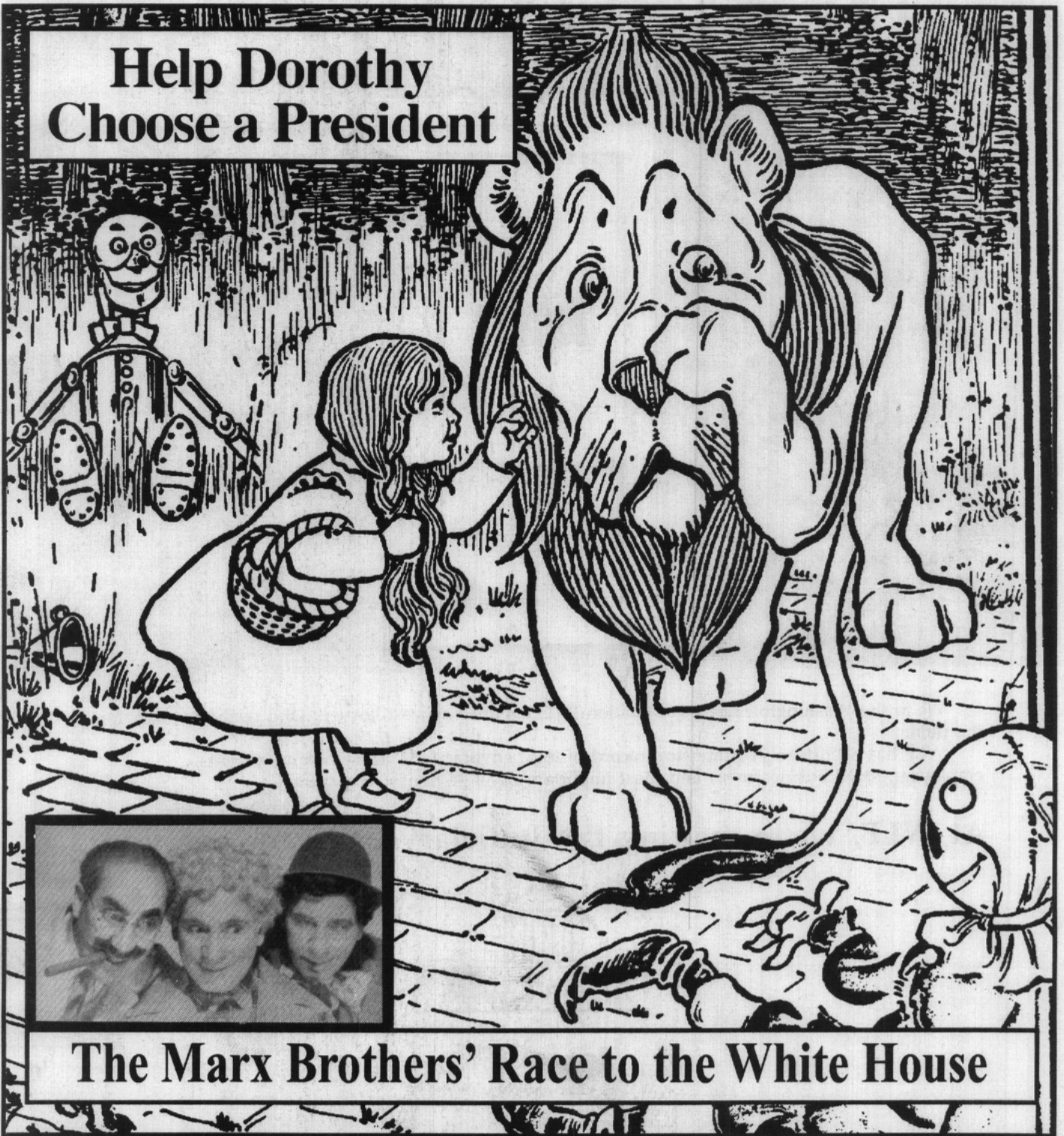
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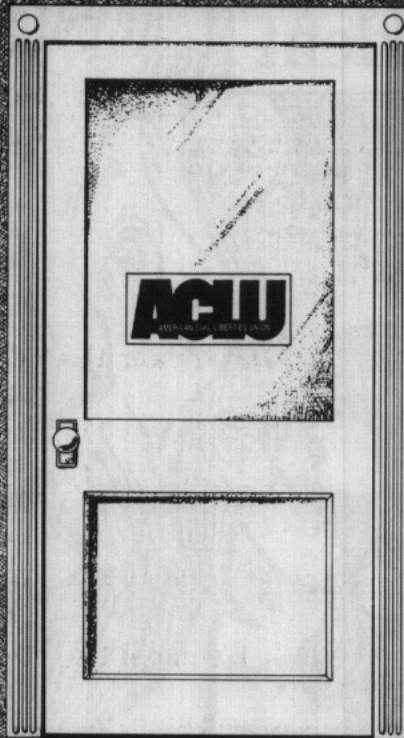
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FROM THE EDITOR

When I was a little girl, I heard the story about the bumblebee. You see, it seems that based on wing size and body weight, bumblebees cannot really fly. The story goes something like this: Once there was a bumblebee and he was flying happily along, playing with butterflies. All of a sudden he came upon a very old and bitter grasshopper. The grasshopper was envious that he could not fly and knowing that the bumblebee should not be able to, but could, he called to the bumblebee and asked him to sit and talk with him a while. The bumblebee came to rest on the nearest flower and the grasshopper proceeded to explain to him why he could not possibly *really* fly. The bumblebee said "I can fly" and tried to launch from the flower, but, try as he might, he could not fly as he had before, and the grasshopper sat there shaking his head seemingly sadly and secretly happily at the state of the poor earthbound bumblebee.

The moral of this rather simple story is that if no one ever tells you that you cannot do something, you have no reason to believe that you cannot. When I was little, the story made me feel sad for the bumblebee and angry at the grasshopper for being so mean-spirited. Now however, I only pity the bumblebee for letting a bitter, earthbound creature keep him from soaring to the heavens.

This may seem like a harmless children's tale but it bears a striking resemblance to the modern women's movement. Groups such as the National Organization for Women (NOW) and Planned Parenthood are harmful to women in that they do not seek to promote women, they seek only to emphasize their oppression by men. They use as their reasoning that men use their strength, both physical and societal, to prevent women from achieving positions of stature in the patriarchy. By stressing this they attempt to instigate a reversal of policy. However, they succeed only in disheartening those women who might have tried to succeed.

The modern feminist movement is dangerous. Through its propaganda and complaints it undermines the confidence of women both in themselves and in their sex. It leads them to believe that it is a waste of time to try to attain their dreams and that they will only be banging their heads against the glass ceiling. Through their bitterness, the modern feminists attempt to destroy the cordial (business and social) relationships which can exist between the sexes with the fear of sexual harassment suits and statements such as "All men are potential rapists." This destruction makes men less comfortable with women, and women therefore less welcome with men. Through the intervention of modern feminists, women are worse off than before.

Another flaw in the feminist ideology is the misconception that picketing, lobbying, marching on Washington, and becoming more visible as an oppressed group will gain support for their cause. Due to their tactics, the word feminist has become a derogatory term applied to women who dress like men, do not shave and offer the extermination of the male sex as a rational solution to over-population. In a freshman English class I once had the unfortunate opportunity to sit through, the professor asked the women in the class which of us would call herself a feminist. Considering that the traditional definition of feminism means one who favors equality of the sexes, it is surprising that we were all reluctant to raise our hands. This becomes much less surprising if one considers the illustrious group described above to whom we now apply the term. After much discussion, some of the women in the class were persuaded to raise their hands and others of us were willing to state publicly that while we did not consider ourselves feminists in any modern sense of the word, we did believe that women were capable of performing the same mental tasks as men, as well as they or perhaps even better. But the fact that women in general choose not to identify themselves with the feminist movement is a poor reflection on feminist groups, like NOW, which claim to speak on behalf of all women.

If the feminist movement's true goal is to help women, they should stop talking about how oppressed they are and start talking about how capable they are. They should encourage women to work hard (as men do) and succeed instead of berating and discouraging them when they try to. They should make feminism the goal of all instead of making "feminist" a label to avoid. And most importantly, while they are grounded, they should let the bumblebees who fly continue to fly and be an example that if you believe in yourself, you can soar as high as you like.

Letters

To the Editor:

I'm wrong.

I have read a few of your issues (cover to cover) and I see some important challenging opinions and issues trying to surface.

You want "competition" for Christmas; just what would be competition to your journal (excuse me, *The Journal of Conservative Thought* at Tufts University).

I agree that life and political action on this campus can be so lacking in humor... so why be so humorless? You continually whine about the "whining" of minority groups that are trying to assert their identities on campus. You bash your opponents by belittling their physical appearance. What's your point?

I enjoy the humor of your quotations, and your assertions that the "Reagan-Bush team" engineered the collapse of the Soviet Union, or that Planned Parenthood is an organization that has no interest in the "true rights" of women (you don't seem to define them).

What aren't exciting are your articles that take the tone of the article on the Kwanza holiday. You seem to want to deny "African-Americans" the right to experiment with their own symbols, to synthesize new American culture out of preceding African and American words and ideas. Sure, these symbols taken from Africa cannot be said to represent the diversity of African cultures - but that isn't even the point.

You claim to be interested in ferment - this claim doesn't ring true. My point is that your points aren't being made.

Seasons Greetings,
Warwick Young, SMFA student.

To the editor:

I'm writing from the University of Delaware. We have a quaint but liberal as hell campus so we greatly appreciate your little ray of hope (*The Source*). Anyway, PC is of course a raging issue on campus, and I've noticed a few things about PC that I feel most conservatives overlook.

I'm going to use abortion as an example to explain what I'm talking about, but my theory can be applied to all issues. As you may already know, the press is generally pretty biased when the issue of abortion rises. The way they do this is almost subliminal, but the fact remains that they constantly represent pro-life unfairly. What has made me so aware of this is that in vol. 10 number 3 of *The Source*, you too have done the same injustice to the pro-life groups of America. What is being done is we are being referred to as Anti-Abortion (which is what *The Source* has referred to us as), but this whole title thing as ANTI makes us look like the bad guys (and we aren't the bad guys!). Notice that pro-choice never refers to themselves as pro-abortion. Of course that would be a very unwise decision, but they do continually tag us as ANTI abortion which makes us sound oppressive when in reality we are freeing millions of children's lives with the idea of abortion being illegal. In other issues they may just be using labels that have negative connotations such as anti, and although it might sound like a meticulous thing to be worried about - it really isn't! Most Americans take things at face value (I know I'm generalizing....) and when they see "anti" in front of something they already start with a negative feeling.....

So maybe this labeling thing sounds picky, and I do admit that it is playing the PC game -- but dammit, if we have to be PC, then we are going to be PC for both groups, besides if you don't play the game -- you can't win.

A Comrade in the Right,
Jesseca L. Davis
Newark, DE

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Commentary

National Health Care

In all the idyllic discussion of health care the one issue which has never been mentioned is prevention. Not preventative health care, but preventative lifestyle. Americans are continually abusing their bodies to an enormous extent. They lack exercise, they smoke, eat unhealthy food, and take drugs. These things and more lead to early health care problems. As only the healthy can earn revenue, it is inevitable that the healthy will pay the health care costs of the unhealthy. This leads to those who spend their time, energy, and money eating right, exercising, and generally staying healthy paying not only for their own health, but for the care of those who have spent their lives sitting on a couch, smoking a cigarette, and drinking a beer. Universal health care is inherently unfair. It demands that one group trade their life's work for another's life.

JFK

The general thesis of Oliver Stone's latest film, *JFK*, is that the CIA spearheaded a right-wing, military conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy before he could pull out of Vietnam. Far-fetched as the theory is, Stone naturally has the right to both hold it and present it publicly. His means of expression, the mixing of real newsreel footage with his own re-created footage (both black/white and color) and dialogue, is completely innovative. Filmed and edited in un-Hollywoodlike home-movie style, Stone thereby gives great force to his theory. But the film does not merely provide visual pleasure. Certainly, it may be said that Kevin Costner, as the heroic Jim Garrison,

gives his most energetic and powerful performance, far more commanding than his acting in last year's *Dances With Wolves*. In *JFK* he is supported by equally convincing secondary performers and cameos, and the screenplay, more a series of speeches than anything else, provides an overwhelming source of information without ever losing sight of its goal. Certainly, the film has been rewarded with great critical acclaim, despite the controversies, and it can only be hoped that it is duly rewarded with the Oscar for Best Picture. Likewise, Oliver Stone deserves equal recognition for putting together one of the most daring and brilliantly made films in recent memory. Indeed, it far surpasses his success with *Platoon* and, regardless of all the rhetoric coming out of Washington, sets before the American public a theory which should so easily be dismissed. Yes, *JFK* may be seen as a propaganda tool, but isn't it about time we got a look at those CIA documents, investigated a little further, and found out what really happened to President Kennedy? At worst, *JFK* can be no less deceitful than the Warren Commission; but at best, it contains a scary truth which Washington would rather not face and a scandal so corrupt as to force a re-evaluation of our entire political and military infrastructures.

Regulation and You

At last! A recent news magazine has given several examples of how American companies and special interest groups try to skirt the competitiveness of the free trade system by asking the government for exclusive control, hence regulation, of their respective industries. To free market advocates, it comes as no surprise that these industries have higher prices,

lesser quality, and lesser overall performance than they could have if they had operated on free market principles. A particularly good example is the dairy industry. Because of regulation and subsidies, milk prices are 11 to 21 percent higher in New York and New England than in milk states such as Wisconsin. It just shows that consumers get the ultimate shaft in both paying unnecessary higher product prices and unnecessary taxes for the milkers to make their product.

The Economy

In the eagerly awaited State of the Union address, President Bush laid down his plan to jump start the economy. Including cuts in the capital gains tax, reduction in defense spending, and the re-

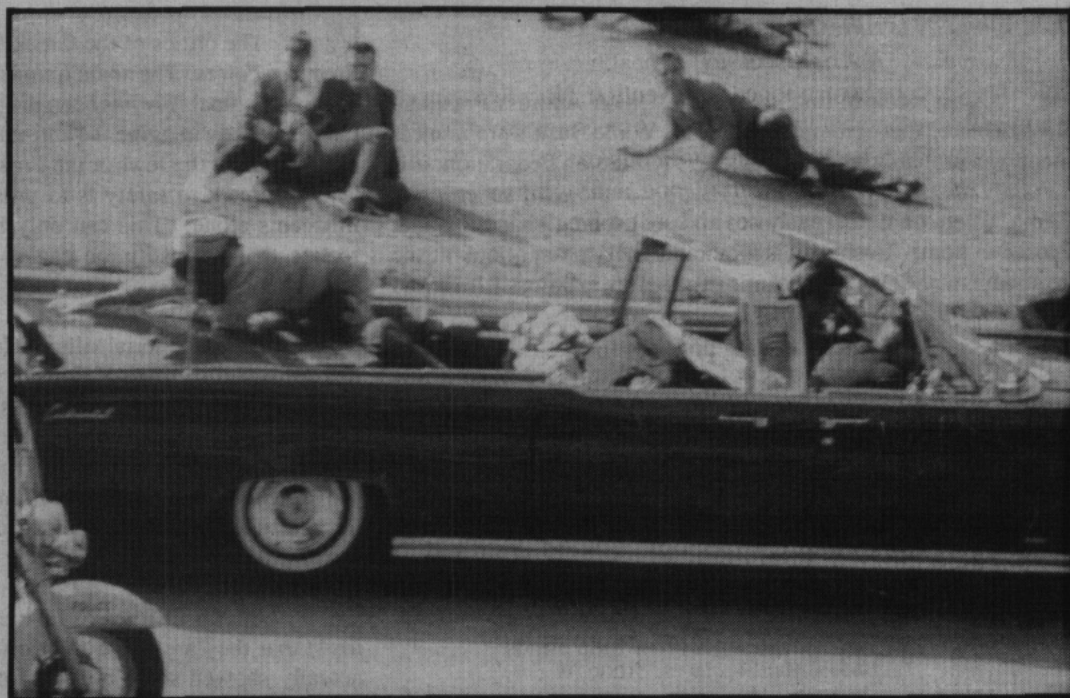


laxing of regulations on IRA's for first time home buyers, President Bush hopes to revive his tarnished image.

The Democrats criticized President Bush's plan because it gives breaks to the rich and gives little to those who are being hardest hit by the recession. Unfortunately this attitude reflects the typical Democratic hypocrisy of destroying the country through high taxes and blaming the executive for not spending enough. If the people of America have learned anything in the last two years it is that socialism does not work. For forty years we have been battling the communists of Soviet Russia. Wouldn't it be ironic if, after winning the fight abroad, we lost it at home? Algier Hiss must be dancing in his grave.

The Palm Beach Rape Trial

When the verdict was announced on CNN last month, the woman's movement received a slap in the face -- which was broadcast live across the nation. It was not the "not guilty" verdict that was the problem, but the fact that feminists across America had spent so much time and energy pushing for a guilty verdict in a case that had very little evidence to do so. Many problems arose throughout the trial, such as the failure of the accuser to recollect important moments during the night that the alleged rape took place, and the failure of the prosecutor, Moira Lasch, to stimulate the jury enough to decide the case in her favor (not to mention the mistakes she made in calling up several of the accused's relatives, who only made the accuser look more like a liar). The prosecutor's case was also shaken by the fact that the state's star witness was paid a substantial amount of money to appear on a tabloid news show, exploiting her friend's predicament for her own personal gain. Instead of the public receiving a message that date rape was no longer to be tolerated, they instead were told that women should not bother to report similar incidents to the police, for they will only be made to look like fools, tramps, and jilted lovers out for revenge. Perhaps if the media had not turned this case into a tabloid circus, if both the accused and the accuser's names had been held from the public, and if the women's movement had picked a stronger case to use as an example, this message would not have been sent.



National Defense

In a seeming reversal of Republican policy, George Bush announced massive defense cuts during his State of the Union Address. The cold war may be over, and we may have won it, but the Soviets were never our only enemies. During the last gasp of Russian Communism, the People's Republic of China was ploughing down its citizens in Tienanmen Square. The euphoria over winning the cold war must not lead us into the isolationism that gave Europe the power to draw us into World War II. The United States of America, from the days of Teddy Roosevelt's "Soft Walk", has been a military superpower. For the safety of the American people it must remain a superpower. We can never again allow a foreign people to dictate policy to the American government.

Haiti and New World Order

The true meaning of President Bush's New World Order is increasingly being made clear. The democratically elected president of Haiti is still waiting for US aid for his war torn country. Unfortunately for President Aristide, Haiti has no oil wells. The hypocrisy which has attached itself to Bush's world vision should be intolerable to the American people. American lives can be put on the line for a totalitarian monarchy half a world away, but for the democratic allies of our own back yard, there is nothing. Since we are already shipping Haitian refugees back to their homeland, the least we could do is give them the means to defend themselves.

Month in Review

Comedy is allied to Justice.
--Aristophanes

Last week in his State of the Union Address President Bush declared that communism is dead. While Bush's pronouncement was probably true if applied to the Russian Federation, it is certainly mistaken if he means it to apply to the semi-superpower China, where civil liberty abuses and socialism go hand in hand. Closer to home, Bush probably should have taken a look at the candidates in the Democratic primaries before making such a broad generalization.

Recently a great wail of protest has arisen from a few members of the Tufts community over Dean Knable's rejection of TCU Senator Andy Salzer from a position on the committee to hire the new TGLBC coordinator. While her choice of the obviously more competent TCU Vice-President Constantine Athanas is to be commended, her stated reasons are to be condemned. According to Knable, Athanas was chosen solely on the basis of his heterosexuality. This kind of affirmative action, although consistent with University policies, is deplorable. But, of course, as Emerson said, "A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds."

Recent revelations about the TCU Senate bring to light its practice of allocating secret funds during closed sessions. While scandals of the Contra-funding variety immediately come to mind, we can at least take comfort in the Senate's emulation of the executive rather than the legislature. So far there have been no midnight pay raises that we know of.

A recent advertisement in the Daily invited students rushing fraternities to "Relax. Be yourself and have fun," because they were "not on trial here." While relatively innocuous in itself, the advertisement proved misleading. While not on trial, the Greek organizations are surely being hunted down like Salem witches. In the end the advertisement may prove self falsifying when the authors are brought up on false advertisement charges.

The critics of the Greek system have continued to show their true colors. The abandoning of a system of personal morality for group culpability has been the plague of the twentieth century. One can easily imagine the anti-Greeks of Tufts crying out for the elimination of the Jews or the Trotskyites in other times or places. The only path to safety is to prosecute criminals and leave the innocents alone. This can only be done when the collectivists realize that no institution can be responsible for the action of individuals.

As famed serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer goes on trial, rumor has it that Tufts Office of Equal Opportunity has been attempting to recruit Dahmer for next year's freshman class. It seems the Diversity goons failed to fulfill their quota for mentally deranged (oops! emotionally differently abled) students. Dahmer would prove a good catch because he is undoubtedly neither homophobic nor racist. In fact, he frequently has homosexuals and minorities over for dinner.

Amidst charges of lip-syncing, New Kids on the Block insist that they are doing their own singing. From a group that actually showed some musical talent this attitude might be expected. But why would anyone, even the group itself, lay claim to this music?

Presidential candidate Bill Clinton is fending off rumors that he has been picking blossoms outside of the marital garden bed. While a lesson in just how far someone will go to make a buck, the incident also reveals a disgusting aspect of the American media. Not the slime of the tabloids, but the unsufferable waste of time the media spent debating whether or not the issue was a legitimate one to cover. The media spent more time interviewing each other than interviewing both Clinton and Flowers.

Now that President Mayer has officially announced his intention to retire, rumors of his successor abound. Joining the ranks of Mike Dukakis and John Sununu as suspected replacements is the recently unemployed Mikhail Gorbachev. Mr. Gorbachev is especially attracted to Tufts for its ban on all parties.

This week marks the beginning of Black History Month. While we at the Source have no objection to the genuine celebration of one's culture, we wonder at the length given to this particular event. After all, Tufts Asian-Americans get only a week, and Native Americans and Europeans are lucky if they get to share Thanksgiving Day.

I guess George Bush doesn't like sushi any more than broccoli.

Senator Kerrey has released a campaign advertisement likening international trade to a hockey game. While we know hockey must be a big game



in Nebraska, one wonders if he would advocate fist fights between Japanese and American businessmen. Instead of a penalty box might we suggest cabinet positions? The advertisement only serves to make Kerrey look like the fool that he is.

TCU Senator Andy Salzer recently made an appearance with hair of another color. On a political level, we think Salzer has made a big mistake. By dying his dark hair blond he is advertising his latent yearnings to be a part of the Aryan Supremacy. For a politician representing the oppressed, trying to look whiter is definitely a mistake. Besides, his dark hair goes better with his new dress.

This week the Justice Department decided that the refugees from Haiti sequestered at Guantanamo Bay were not political refugees and could be shipped back to their homeland. While this decision has raised cries of discrimination from those who object to unlimited asylum for Cubans, there is a greater question. Why shouldn't the US return political refugees as well? After all, the person we really want to return to Haiti is President Aristide.

After a semester of concerted effort by some of the most prominent student leaders to block the imposition of a World Civ requirement, TCU Judiciary member Lowell Reiter thought he could single handedly reverse the faculty decision with a single letter to the Daily. While Reiter's hubris is something to which we have grown accustomed, one hardly expected him to be this thoughtless (well, of course, we did, but we're just trying to be nice). If he was really interested in helping the students he might have helped the joint effort last semester. Instead, he has waited till now, and his antics have become useless grandstanding.

Hopes of the US Olympic team bringing home all the golds now that the Soviet Union has been flushed down the disposal of history have been dashed by the prospect of a unified team from the thirteen non-Baltic republics. In view of this apparent unity it is probably time for the US State Department to rethink its policy toward the former Yugoslavian states. After all, the Slovenes and Croats will probably not be much competition.

Last month the Faculty of Arts and Sciences passed a resolution making a World Civilizations class a graduation requirement. Although students complained bitterly about the additional requirement hampering their academic freedom, they really have little about which to complain. A class in which curiosity is discouraged as racist and creative writing is a valid substitute for a critical essay can hardly be any more challenging than educa-

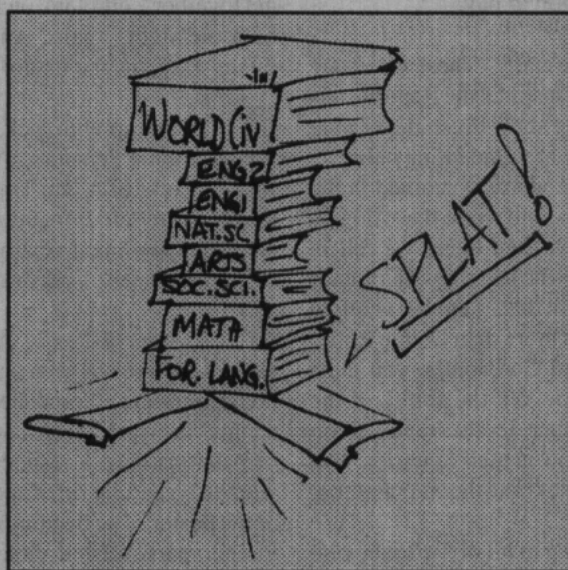
tional. Besides, Professors are already talking about making the class more rigorous by substituting television watching for lectures. Future Tufts students have little to worry about, except falling asleep in class more often.

Later this spring, student activists will be bringing the AIDS quilt to Tufts. While we applaud the sentiment of these students, we must wonder about their timing. The quilt will not arrive until early April. By that time the weather should be warm again and no one will really need all those extra blankets.

Recently two students were suspended for cheating on an examination last semester. Apparently a sophomore convinced a freshman to take several exams for him. While academic dishonesty is to be condemned, the incident is rather ironic. After an extra year at Tufts, (One would hope that a year at Tufts would make a student smarter.) sophomores are less intelligent than freshman. No wonder seniors are having trouble finding jobs.

The Australian Olympic Basketball team refused to play against the American team out of fear of catching AIDS from Magic Johnson. Obviously the Aussies misunderstand the meaning of a full court press and a rim shot.

It seems that Senator Bob Kerrey has been making use of his personally customized campaign van. It is equipped to show videos to the passengers as they speed across New Hampshire in Kerrey's campaign tour.



We at THE SOURCE have learned the names of the films the Senator has been watching. In order to take a peek into the tastes of one of the Democratic presidential candidate we hereby present Senator Kerrey's Top Ten Favorite Films to Watch in the Bobmobile:

10. Where There's a Will There's an A
9. Oliver
8. The Manchurian Candidate
7. An Officer and a Gentleman
6. Black Widow
5. Carrie
4. I'm different. You're different. We're all okay.
3. JFK
2. Long Dong Silver: The Sequel
1. Deathwish

The word is definitely out, President Bush did order the attempt to kill Saddam Hussein by custom-made "bunker" bombs. Given one more day before Bush ended the ground war, the Air Force would have succeeded. But, thanks to Bush, the flyboys only bombed two of five of Hussein's 200-foot deep bunkers. Now, after

Month (cont.)

a year of a messy situation, Bush has authorized the CIA to formulate and carry out a plan to destabilize the region, that is, "encourage" the overthrow of Hussein. His current actions will stir some controversy and result in rightful questioning of why Bush didn't use the first method and opportunity if it was cleaner and quicker.

More scandal rocks the TCU Senate as it is revealed that Senator Pete Mutharika has a library fine approaching two hundred dollars. At first one might expect that this would weigh heavily on Mutharika's conscience, especially since he serves on the committee on Administration and Budget in the Senate. However, one can easily see why he has let the fine grow so large. Library fines are an oppressive arm of a capitalist hegemony, and as a communist, Mutharika is obviously under no obligation to pay.

...Then the angel said unto us, the staff, "These words are right and true. The Lord God Jumbo who inspires the Republicans has sent His angel, THE PRIMARY SOURCE, to show his students what must shortly happen. And remember, ye are graduating soon!"

Happy is the man who heeds the words contained in the Month In Review! It is we who heard, saw, and wrote these things. And when we had heard and seen and written them, we fell in worship at the feet of THE PRIMARY SOURCE who had shown us humor and Pagemaker. But he said to us, "No, not that! I am but a fellow conservative with you and those who read more than Comic Relief and the Month In Review. It is the Lord God Jumbo you must worship." Then he told us, "Do not throw out the copies of the Source, nor shalt thou recycle them. Rather, let the liberal go on doing stupid things, and the radicals wallow in their fantasies. But let the Conservative persevere in his goodness and the staff member be true to his duties."

For our part, we give this warning to all of Tuftonia who are listening to the words of prophecy in this issue: should anyone add to them, as has been done to the *Dartmouth Review*, the Lord God Jumbo will add to him the plagues prescribed by the Left. Should anyone attempt to take away from these words, as has been done by the administration, the Lord God Jumbo will take away from him his financial aid.

Amen. That is the Month In Review and we are OUTTA HERE, YEA VERILY!

-- from the Book of Diversity,
Revelation 22:6-21

To bring up again that most communist TCU Senator, Pete Mutharika introduced at a recent Senate meeting (a.k.a. gathering of the minds) a resolution expressing support for a new, equally communist idea. The "Tufts World Fair," as it is called, would bring together different organizations on campus, pair them up randomly, and have them jointly put on a performance or set up some sort of booth. Now this sounds rather uninteresting at first, but think of the many possi-

bilities for entertainment. Hillel and the Islamic Society could reenact the Six-Day War. The German Club could invade the French Club, only to be fought back by, yes, the Primary Source (though we wouldn't actually want to be involved in this farce). TUTV could film it, the Jackson Jills could provide the soundtrack, LCS could, well, volunteer. MUST and People Organized for Knowledge could have a think-tank, only to be run over by real tanks from the Chinese Culture Club. The TLGBC, the IGC, and the Classics Department could get together and have a great big Bacchanalia (but, of course, the Irish Society would have to be invited, too, because they'd come anyway). The Entrepreneurial Society could oppress and exploit some Latin Americans. The Catholic Center could burn all those heretics in Tufts Christian Fellowship. And, all the while, those annoying, self-righteous liberal groups could get together, complain, picket, scream, shout, and maybe even take back the night...again. And then we at THE SOURCE could laugh at them. Hey, maybe its not such a bad idea after all.

Fed up with lack of leadership and strict confidentiality imposed upon Senators, TCU Historian Jessica Foster decided to join the ranks of Adam Tratt and others and quit her post. It seems that none are safe from the current recession. Rumor has it that Jess has been spending the extra leisure time that she has cruising around in her brand new Volkswagen Cabriolet.

Ban the Bowl! A wonderous new idea to end violence against women has been put forward in posters that suspiciously do not show who authored them. In those posters, which appeared on campus the week before the Super Bowl, the sentiment that the men of America have a responsibility to reverse the violence against women by getting rid of sports was subtly expressed in the rhetoric of the poster. The banning of sports is decidedly NOT the best way to end sports-related violence against women. After all, would someone suggest that the best way to end plagiarism is to eliminate term papers? Well, on second thought...



The Burden of World Civ

David Baur

Before the Christmas break let out, the Liberal Arts and Jackson College faculty voted to create yet another requirement for Tufts University. By a vote of 58 to 41, the World Civilizations requirement has become reality for the incoming class of 1996.

Tufts has always held diversity to be important and feels that adding a multicultural dimension to the curriculum adds to a student's education. Many feel that the World Civ requirement will help further these goals. According to Steven Hirsch, a Classics professor who advocated the change to the current curriculum, the requirement will provide "students with some sort of a foundation for global citizenship." But the question remains, will the additional one course, possibly two in the future, lead to these enlightened ends?

Tufts is determined to be the Diversity capital of academia. The word diversity assaults pre-freshmen as they fill out their Tufts application and try to compose eye-catching essays to impress the admissions officers. Indeed, diversity is a noble concept, but is the new World Civ requirement diversity overkill? Incoming students already groan at the unheard-of six semesters (read: three long years) of the language/culture requirement which is supposed to expose all liberal arts students to another culture up close. The World Civ requirement, then, is basically the fourth year extension of the culture requirement. Obviously, the already comprehensive culture requirement has been deemed insufficient.

The World Civ requirement is going to attempt to move almost a thousand students per year through a course that had previously been taught in classes of twenty. Now the

broad surveys of the world's societies will be team taught in auditoriums. There are serious doubts as to whether a large auditorium is going to be suitable for such a course. Will a professor be able to impress multiculturalism on a class of three hundred nameless faces? Possibly a better avenue to

topics to choose from. In the case of the language requirement there are enough possible languages to choose from to learn that one would not be locked into learning a language one did not want to (granted, many feel that learning ANY foreign language is too much, but you can't have it all)

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have followed would have been to conduct one of the World Civ courses on a scale of a hundred or more to determine whether the course can be effective. Instead the university is going to plunge into it with fingers crossed.

Looking at this year's course listings I noticed that there are only six courses in the World Civ department, which further break down into three two-part courses. Thus, unlike any of the other student requirements, there are basically only three

The choices for World Civ are *A Sense of Place, Time and Calendars*, or *Memory and Identity*. Take your pick or roll a die. It all seems the same to me.

It seems rather curious to note that it was only last year that both the Portuguese and Religion departments were threatened to be eliminated due to a budget deficit. This year, tuition remission benefits for faculty are being reduced. I'm forced to wonder whether it is the best time to be creating a new requirement which will need to be greatly expanded while the religion department is hanging on by a wish and a prayer to its only tenured professor. Furthermore, World Civ courses will be taught by currently employed professors from various other departments; therefore, they will be spending time and effort away from their own respective disciplines. Also, the question of whether or not there will be teaching assistants for the large lectures needs to be addressed. I hope that other courses will not be jeopardized due to these added demands on the university.



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Constitution Constipation

Chuck Marks

Last week two members of the now Outlawed Out Front Party, Carl Hycyszyn and Mark Guertin, gave a copy of their incipient constitution to the editors of THE PRIMARY SOURCE. They kindly passed it on to me for a review. While the document proved amusing, it does not have a lot to offer the Tufts community. It has many of the faults of the current TCU constitution and creates many new ones. Aside from the usual constitutional mistakes such as referring to non-existent institutions and documents or granting favors to special interest groups, it makes some very serious errors.

Most mistakes are engendered by a confusing ambiguity which pervades the document. For example, the constitution defines a member of the TCU as one who has paid his student activities fee. However, only TCU members in "good standing" may hold office in the government. The difference between a member of good standing and a mere member is not made clear, and one can only conclude that paraplegics may not hold office. Is this because the elevator in the campus center doesn't go to the second floor where the Senate office is located, or is there a more sinister motive?

A similar confusion is involved in the outlined election of the TCU president. According to the proposed constitution, the Senate shall nominate two candidates to "participate in a campus wide election of the TCU president." Nowhere is it mentioned that these candidates shall run for office, campaign for someone else, man voting stations, or count votes. Apparently, they merely participate. Nor is any mention given to the elections being limited to only the nominations of the Senate. This is more significant than it seems because the two nominees and the Elections Board are the only people who are granted permission to participate in the election. The only indication of who may vote is that

it is a "campus-wide" election, which I suppose means that one candidate casts a ballot in Wren and the other in South, with the Elections Board breaking any resulting tie vote.

Under the section regarding hearings of TCU Judiciary it is stated that no

forbidden to judge, unless, of course, he never went to hearings, viewed evidence, or passed judgement. In the event that the justice did not involve himself he could then participate. Though, of course, as soon as he did participate, he would be ineligible to be involved.

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member of the TCUJ may participate in a case in which he is "in any way involved". At first glance this seems to rightly deny the justices the power to rule on matters in which they have a vested interest. But since participation must involve the participator,

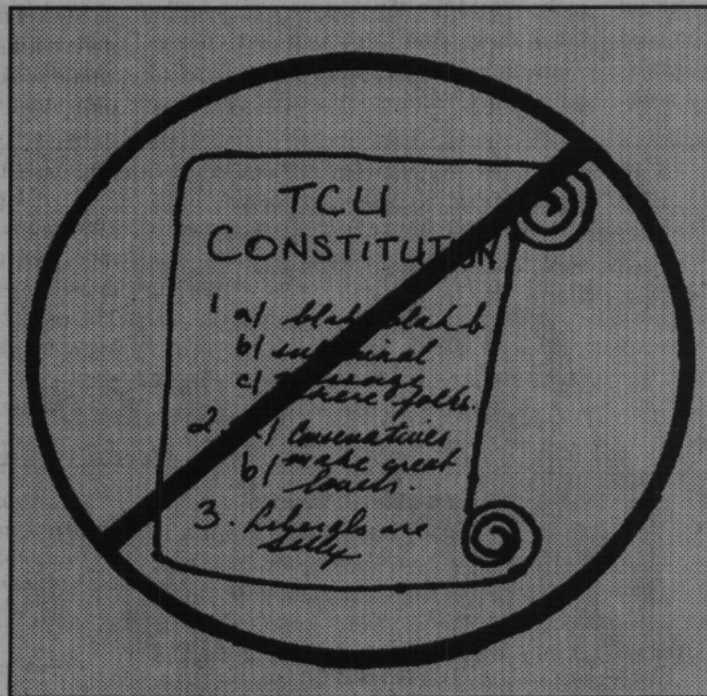
Additionally, like the last constitution to appear in a referendum here at Tufts, the proposed constitution fails to establish itself as the sole constitution. If this constitution were to pass it would not eliminate the current one, but merely amend

it. The errors and confusions in our government would not be eliminated (and I am fairly certain that that is the intent of the framers) but doubled. But perhaps all knowledge of the old constitution could be conveniently lost in a Stalinist purge of the old government.

However, in addition to these errors which one might attribute to poor writing skills or functional illiteracy, there are greater problems with this constitution. One of these problems is the general philosophy behind its construction. In essence it merely recreates the current student government without changing it in any substantial way. If the current student government were the best anyone could come up with, humanity would probably have stuck with monarchy.

A system in which there is next to no competition for offices, and which sees the resignation of such a significant portion of its members each year can hardly be the

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this clause forbids anyone from participating as a judge. One might suspect that the authors meant merely to prevent judicial bias, but the inclusion of the otherwise unnecessary phrase "in any way" forbids this limited interpretation. Thus a justice is

The Constitutionality of Abortion Laws

Regan Wadman

This past year, a new generation of students, unlike any other that have attended this university, began their academic career at Tufts. You see, the class of 1995 is the first of the generation of students to have "survived" the 1973 Supreme Court ruling, *Roe v. Wade*. For almost twenty years the supporters of the ruling (the pro-choice movement) and those opposed (the pro-life movement) have waged an all-out battle, which peaked at Wichita, Kansas where over 2000 Operation Rescue members and other pro-life demonstrators were arrested for blocking access to an abortion clinic. However, the day before the nineteenth anniversary of the Supreme Court's landmark decision, the Court announced what could come to be the overturning of the precedent: They will hear the Pennsylvania case.

For those who are not aware, Pennsylvania law demands that before an abortion is performed, the woman must first be given counseling, obtain her husband's consent (if she is married) or parents' consent (if she is under 18), and wait 24 hours. In an appeals court, the provision concerning husband's consent was thrown out. According to the January 22nd *Boston Globe*, although, "the Pennsylvania attorney general...had asked the court to state categorically whether *Roe v. Wade*...remains the constitutional standard...the court said only that it will review whether a federal appeals court erred by upholding all but one provision of the law."

Technically speaking, the Pennsylvania law is not restrictive enough to overthrow the 1973 ruling, although the ACLU, who is arguing the case, believes it is. Nationwide, many doctors who perform abortions believe in counseling a woman to inform her of other options, and several even insist on a 24 hour waiting period so the woman can think about her decision.

Roe v. Wade. Most experts have narrowed the group down to four, the weakest of which is the Pennsylvania law. The others include:

Guam This law is the strictest of the four, outlawing abortion unless the woman's health is at stake. This law does not make any exceptions even in cases of rape or incest. Not surprisingly, the 1990

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Although many believe that a spouse's consent is not necessary, it is not illogical that this condition was included in the law. After all, the fetus is still a product of both the male and the female, and therefore the husband should have a say in the future of his child. Still, the law does not restrict any category of abortions (i.e., it does not restrict abortions to cases of rape, incest, health, etc), so it is highly unlikely that this case will have a dramatic effect on the 1973 decision.

Ever since the nomination of Clarence Thomas to the Supreme Court during the summer, both pro-choicers and pro-lifers have started an "abortion law watch" to predict which laws will threaten

law was deemed unconstitutional by a federal district court, but has yet to be heard by a court of appeals. This could be because of its almost over-restrictive nature, but were it to continue through the judicial system, it would provide the perfect backdrop to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, and even make the new ruling stricter than anti-abortion activists originally intended.

Utah This law, passed in January 1991, allows abortions only in the cases of rape, incest, danger to the mother's health, or in the case of a serious defect in the fetus. The term "serious" is stressed in order to avoid loopholes (last year Maryland passed

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most efficient government possible. There are obvious changes which must be made at the very foundation of the student government, not the least of which is getting rid of the ridiculous name: Tufts Community Union. Commune governments went out with Gorbachev.

The greatest fault of the proposed constitution, however, is not in its failure to create a viable government, but its abuse of the English language. A constitution should

be a work of art that will stand for generations. This one is littered with Politically Correct language neutering the indefinite third person and emasculating perfectly acceptable nouns. Most importantly the document fails to flow with the grace and ease of a decent piece of prose. It is chopped into little bits and strung together in a sterile outline. Can you imagine James Madison writing:

We the people of the United States, in order to:
A) form a more perfect union.
B) establish justice.
C) insure domestic tranquility.

D) provide for the common defence.
E) promote the general welfare.
F) secure the blessings of liberty to:
1) ourselves.
2) our posterity.

Do:

A) ordain.
B) establish.

This Constitution for the United States of America.

Of course not, and thank God for that.

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BUILD YOUR OWN AGENDA

We at THE SOURCE have noticed a bit of fuzziness in the agendas of this year's Presidential candidates so we now present a handy dandy "Build Your Own Agenda" worksheet.

TAX CUT

(choose one)

- a) social security
- b) capital gains
- c) middle class
- d) corporate

MILITARY POLICY

(choose two)

- a) troops in Europe
- b) land-based missiles
- c) Stealth Bomber
- d) nuclear subs
- e) SDI

ABORTION

(flip a coin)

- heads) pro-life
- tails) anti-abortion
- other) pro-choice

FOREIGN POLICY

(choose three)

- a) support Yeltsin
- b) extort money from Japan
- c) recognize Croatia
- d) derecognize China

HEALTH CARE

(choose one)

- a) useless
- b) unworkable

TOKEN INVASIONS

(choose one)

- a) Iraq
- b) Grenada
- c) Vermont
- d) Panama
- e) Harvard

CAMPAIGN SLOGANS

(choose one)

- a) Just Do It
- b) Gotta Have It
- c) Just for the Taste of It
- d) Don't Worry Be Happy
- e) Finger Lickin' Good

Correct answers will appear in next month's SOURCE.

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a law allowing abortions if the child had any genetic defect-- it was purposely worded as such to permit abortions because the fetus was not the desired sex, or even because he had the wrong hair color). In cases of health there must be doctor's certification, and in cases of rape or incest the incident must be reported to the police. This law, however, has never been enforced because a lawsuit was filed soon after it was passed. It would probably be one of the better cases to overthrow *Roe v. Wade*, simply because not only can it stop abortion as a method of birth control, but it could also possibly prevent victims from leaving rape and incest cases unreported, a major problem in this country.

Louisiana Until the Supreme Court announced its decision on the Pennsylvania law, the Louisiana law was by far the most (in)famous of the four laws, the latest to be passed, and the most likely to overturn *Roe v. Wade*. The law allows abortion only if the fetus or mother's health is in danger

(which is to be determined by a physician other than the one terminating the pregnancy). In the case of rape or incest the crime must be reported to the authorities within seven days, and the woman must be examined by a physician to determine if the pregnancy occurred before the rape. It is also one of the first laws to severely punish physicians for performing abortions without meeting these requirements. The law was deemed unconstitutional a week after it was passed through the Louisiana legislature. Supporters of the law tried to run it through the judicial system in order to beat the Pennsylvania law to the Supreme Court, but Pennsylvania crossed the finish line first.

Yet the first person to cross the finish line first is not necessarily the winner. As mentioned before, the Pennsylvania law does not seem to have what it takes to defeat the 1973 decision; there is a good chance that restrictions similar to the "gag rule" ruling passed this summer will be passed once more, but the other three are more likely to reverse *Roe v. Wade*. Should the

pro-choice movement be concerned? Definitely: according to the Boston Globe, an almost identical Pennsylvania law was heard before the Supreme Court in 1986. The 5-4 ruling declared the law unconstitutional. However, times have changed, and so has the court: three of the five majority justices have since retired, being replaced with conservative Justices Kennedy, Souter, and Thomas. Justice Kennedy has publicly opposed *Roe v. Wade*, and although Justices Souter and Thomas have yet to rule on a case involving abortion, they are both believed to oppose the 1973 ruling as well.

It is no longer a question of whether or not *Roe v. Wade* will eventually be overturned; now it is just a question of when. More important is which law will succeed in doing the job. The class of 1995 is the first of a new generation; however, when the pro-lifers finally achieve their goal of making abortion illegal, the class of 2010 will be the last.

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Special Section

As a public service THE PRIMARY SOURCE has sifted through the reams of documents to give you a completely unbiased summary on each of the presidential candidates. This section should be extremely helpful when playing the The Presidential Contender Dart Game.

Clinton: Arkansas Governor and accused adulterer, Governor Clinton wants to institute mandatory public service. He has received plenty of press of late, but it has centered on his extramarital affair, not his platform. But despite the new scandals, Clinton remains the front-runner, both in popularity and in campaign contributions. As the conservative in the Democratic field, he also sheds off the liberal motif of his party. Surely, this will attract mainstream America rather than repel it, as Dukakis managed to do in 1988.

Harkin: Harkin is considered a populist. He wants to start an Infrastructure Program that would build roads, bridges, pipes, and dams across the country. Not surprisingly he is well liked by the Unions. Though he may prevail in his native mid-west, his new-New Deal platform won't exactly garner much support anywhere else. But if he focuses on the economic plight of the under-class and lower middle-class, especially regarding increased inflation, he may well become a household name around the country, bringing back memories of 1932. After all, people want to work and that's just what he's advocating: the rebuilding of America and the reemployment of its workers.

Kerrey: Nebraska Senator Bob Kerrey's pet issue is health care. He recommends a substantial tax increase to fund minimum health insurance for every American, and under this proposal the rich would share a greater part of the burden. Though this itself is not terribly popular, he is a fairly likable candidate, and his Vietnam experience (Medal of Honor and leg injury) defends him from the "wimp" factor commonly invoked by pro-military Republicans. A logical compromise for the Democrats, as he is a moderate somewhere between Harkin and Clinton, he could attract the support of younger voters who have swayed to the Republican side since 1980. Unfortunately, his platform is weak, balanced on health-care and his call for "fundamental change" Unless he gets organized quickly, he will fall from contention.

Tsongas: Massachusetts Senator Tsongas is back in the political world after fighting cancer for three years. Essentially, he is the pro-business Democrat, supporting tax breaks for corporate investment and research and development, and advocating substantial retaliation against the unfair trade practices of Japan. With this platform he avoids the usual pro-spending, pro-tax Democratic mold, but his lack of name recognition will not be helpful to his candidacy once he leaves New England.

Brown: Jerry Brown's past jobs include California governor, priest, and close "friend" of Linda Ronstadt, though not in that

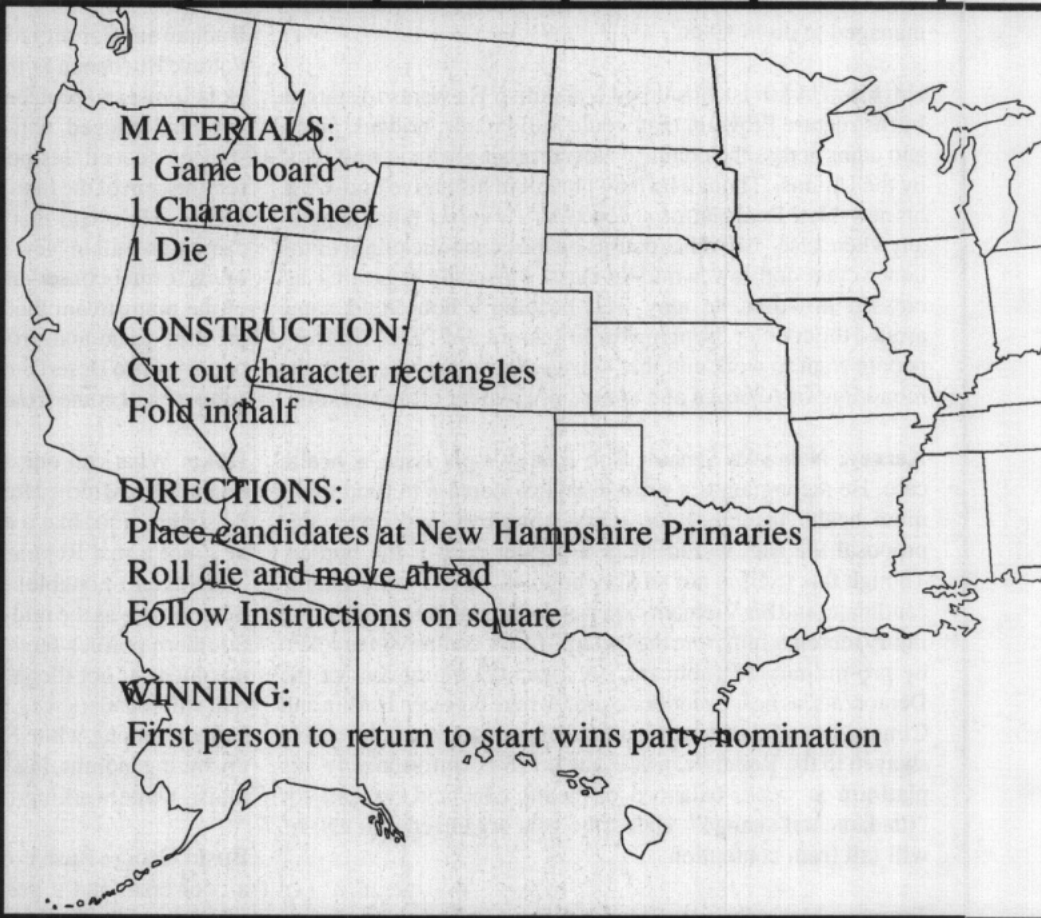
order. He supports term limitations for Congress and refuses all campaign contributions over \$100, but that's about it. Naturally, he's not doing so well in the contribution battle and any popularity he has now is due primarily to a national name recognition from years past. He says he's anti-Washington establishment, but that's hard to believe from someone who has spent most of his life in high-stakes politics.

Buchanan: Conservative columnist and television personality, Patrick Buchanan is the conservative's ombudsman. He is an isolationist and protectionist, but has run into some controversy over his alleged anti-Semitism and pro-Nazi war criminal stances. Indeed, his policy of "America First" is frighteningly reminiscent of the like-named pro-Germany organization of the 1930s. He's said that his experience with real people on the campaign trail in New Hampshire has turned him against some of his former conservative beliefs, but nevertheless, he's so out of the mainstream that even conservatives, most of whom are pro-free trade and pro-intervention, won't support him. His opposition to Desert Storm remains harmful, and most likely, his support will come from Republicans fed up with George Bush.

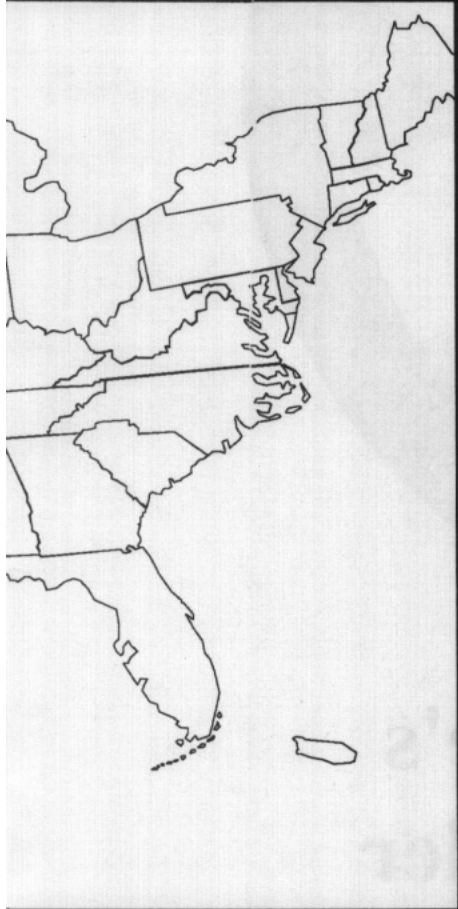
Duke: What can one say about a former neo-Nazi and KKK Grand Wizard turned Republican Presidential candidate? Though he sounds a lot like a hard-line conservative, everyone knows he's not a real Republican. His repentance of fascist beliefs remains questionable considering harsh anti-Semitic statements made as late as the mid-'80s and his new brand of pro-Christian Southern politics seems to hide a latent bigotry. Certainly his unethical, if not illegal, financial dealings don't help him, but one still wonders why he receives so much press coverage and support among white Southern voters. He'll make a stir in the upcoming months, but he won't exactly find favor outside of his racist, white working-class bastion.

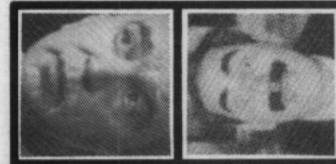
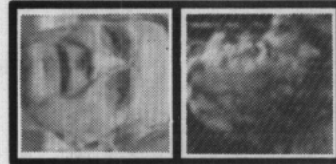
Bush: George Bush is our President. He's a snazzy dresser, has a cool boat, and a peach of a wife. If he focuses on foreign relations with Russia and the Gulf War, he may easily win reelection. Unfortunately, the economy remains in despair and his proposed reforms may not take effect until after the election. A few months ago he seemed like a sure thing, riding immense popular support from all segments of the electorate. Now he's wounded and highly vulnerable to Democratic candidates advocating immediate change, and it may even be difficult to ward off Buchanan. But despite all this, the War looms large in his Presidency and his recent proposal for a tax cut, combined with the preponderance of a conservative mentality in America, will meet with favorable support come election time.

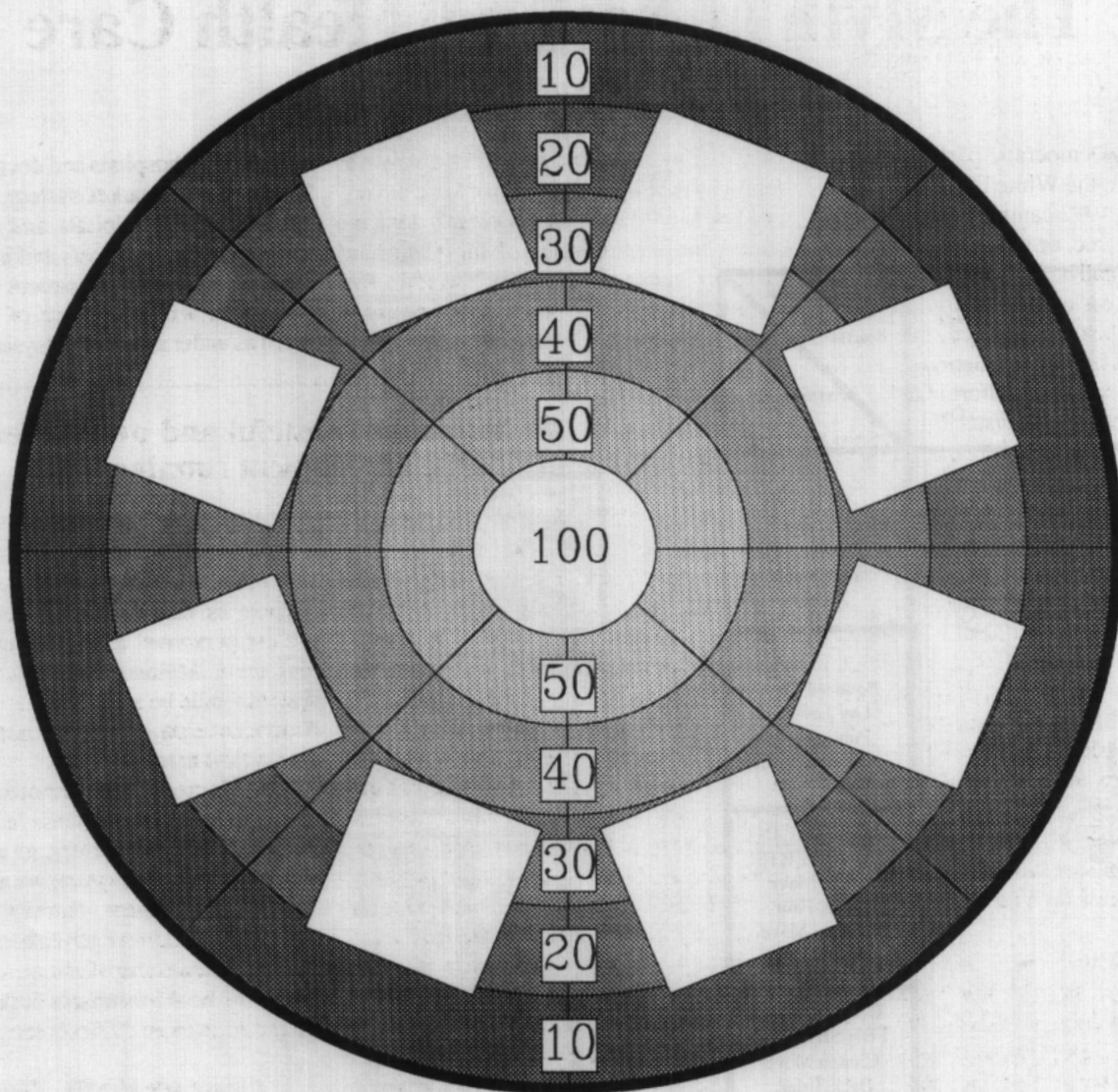
Candidates' Q

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<p>Health Care Plan- NOT! Move Back Three</p>	 <p>MATERIALS: 1 Game board 1 CharacterSheet 1 Die</p> <p>CONSTRUCTION: Cut out character rectangles Fold in half</p> <p>DIRECTIONS: Place candidates at New Hampshire Primaries Roll die and move ahead Follow Instructions on square</p> <p>WINNING: First person to return to start wins party nomination</p>					
<p>Recant Desert Storm Move Ahead Three</p>						
<p>State of the Union Address. End of Turn.</p>						
<p>Name Appears In KGB File Move Back Four</p>						
<p>Left Iraq Too Early Move Back Two</p>						
<p>FRANKING PRIVILEGES! "FREE" PUBLICITY! End of Turn</p>	<p>Call Mario A Mobster Move Back One</p>	<p>Special Interest Endorsement End of Turn</p>	<p>Senatorial Duty Takes Precedence NOT! Roll Again</p>	<p>Lee Atwater's Dead Bush Back One Others Ahead Two</p>	<p>Bill Casey's Dead Bush Ahead Two Others Back One</p>	<p>Big Carr Donat Brov End of Othe Ahead</p>

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			<p>Bounced Check! Lay Low Until Public Forgets End of Turn</p>
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The Primary Source's Presidential Contender Dartboard

How to Play: Once you have finished playing Candidate's Quest on the preceding pages, cut out the remaining game pieces and tape them into the blank spaces on the dartboard. Continue to hurl darts at their faces until your candidate wins the nomination or until the others die of blood loss.

The Myth of National Health Care

C.R. Weinkopf

The ailing Democratic party, desperate to reclaim the White House has a new weapon in its 1992 campaign arsenal-- socialized medicine, or as its proponents euphemistically call it, 'National Health Care.' Due to the recession, fewer Americans can afford to buy health insurance. The Democrats are right in faulting George Bush for his lack of a solution; unfortunately their answer will only aggravate the problem. The US already spends more on health care than any other country-- more money is not the solution. To better the US health care system we need *less*, not more government intervention.

The real flaw of socialized medicine is economic. If medical treatment is made 'free,' Americans will go to the doctor more often, buy the most expensive prescriptions, and opt to have surgery even if it is not completely necessary. The demand for medical treatment would skyrocket, or become "infinite" according to Mr. Norman Macrae of *National Review*. The government could not cap medical spending because of the constant increase in demand for treatment.

The British National Health Care System exemplifies the impossibility of effectively funding socialized medicine. British health expenditures account for a staggering six percent of England's gross domestic product. However, the system is still unable to meet the infinite demand, and hospitals are forced to ration physicians by wait list. Those seeking more specialized operations, such as heart surgery, are usually prioritized over those seeking equally important, but more mundane procedures--such as appendectomies. Many patients are often kept waiting years before receiving proper care. Ironically, American proponents of socialized medicine point to the British system as a model to be emulated.

Those supporting national health care also view the

Canadian system as exemplary. However, a report by the Frasier Institute of Vancouver, cited by Mr. Ed Rubenstein, clearly demonstrates the inadequacies of the Canadian plan. In Canada one is put on a wait list for an average of 23.7 weeks for coronary bypass surgery, 16.3 weeks for a hysterec-

tomy, and 14.1 weeks for disc surgery. Furthermore, the state of Illinois alone houses more magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) machines than all of Canada, and until recently there was only one CAT-scanner in all of Newfoundland (population of 575,000); with a two month waiting list.

The Canadian system would be even less efficient in the U.S. because of the greater percentage of elderly American citizens and inner-city residents. Recent studies conclude that the difference in percentage of elderly citizens alone would make an American national health system at least twenty percent more expensive than its Canadian counterpart.

The cost of a socialized medicine program would be further increased by the mediocrity and inefficiency it would breed

in American hospitals and doctors' offices. Within a free market system, in order to attract clients, hospitals and doctors are forced to minimize costs and improve procedures. Yet when the patient is no longer concerned with the price of health care (such as under a socialized system) medical

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officials will lose all incentive to trim costs and operate efficiently. Hospitals would become as wasteful and overstaffed with useless personnel as the government running them. Maintaining a bloated medical system would be a tremendous drain on the American taxpayer; in effect, national health care would hardly be 'free.'

Increased government involvement in health care decreases competition, hence quality. Conversely, to improve the national health care system we must further remove government, thereby increasing competition. Current government involvement (Medicaid and Medicare) and regulation of the health insurance industry makes competition more difficult for smaller car-

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Nazism and the New Germany

Michael J.W. Stickings

In Germany, in true cyclical fashion, history seems to be repeating itself. Bands of Nazis are once again terrorizing the many foreigners and non-"Aryans" who inhabit the country. According to John Marks in a recent *U.S. News & World Report* article, "New Germany's Old Fears," in Hoyerswerda, once part of East Germany, these skinheads attacked residents of an *Auslanderheim*, a foreigners' home, with rocks and Molotov cocktails, as the foreigners attempted to escape in cars and buses. This was done to the applause and cheering of a Hoyerswerda crowd. The mayor, brought in from West Germany to help in the democratization process, reportedly said that he "was utterly shocked."

This incident is not isolated. It has been reported that in 1991 alone, as of October, there had been over 900 acts of Nazi violence. *U.S. News & World Report* reports that dozens of these residences for foreigners have been attacked, the choice of weapons being everything from bottles to baseball bats. On the buildings themselves swastikas have been painted next to the word *Hass*, "hate." In one of the more serious incidents, a Ghanaian man seeking political asylum was burned to death, his only crime being his race.

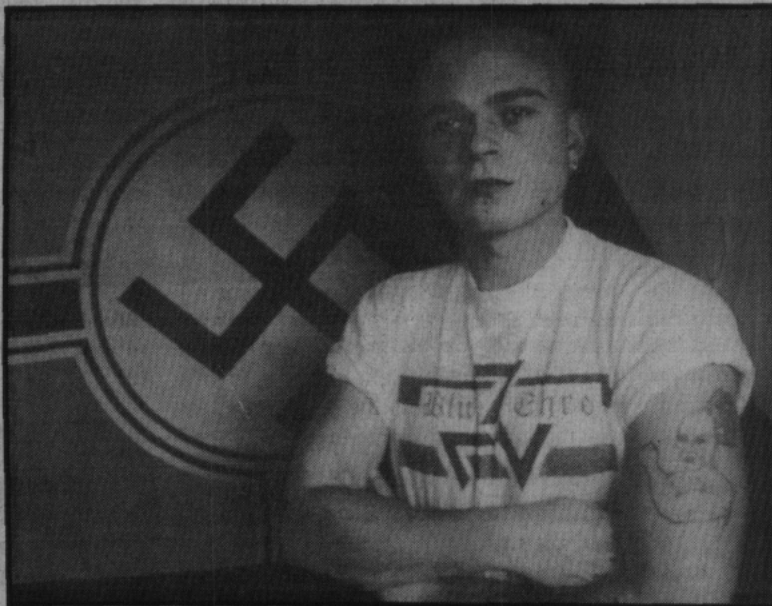
The mentality now highly prevalent in Germany is frightening. According to the *U.S. News & World Report* article, sixty percent of the population, according to polls, sympathizes with the reasons behind the attacks. Ninety percent favor stricter immigration laws. And the lack of action on the part of the Bonn government seems to suggest that the politicians realize the negative implications of getting too involved. It has even been suggested that the police secretly sympathize with the Nazi attackers. This lack of response from elected officials and law enforcement agents suggests a tacit approval and an unwilling-

ness to contradict public opinion. Politics is winning out over humanity.

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During the Reformation Martin Luther vehemently protested against papal authority over Christendom. He saw the Pope not as the earthly bridge to God but rather as the anti-Christ. He advocated a belief based entirely on the principle of personal faith rather than one based on good works and Catholic worship. Where Catholics supported the idea of free will (the idea that we may choose the path to salvation), Luther damned all humankind, believing



that the omnipotent God might, if He so chose, save the wretched creature who showed personal faith.

Unfortunately, this belief may have caused two significant tendencies to have

been engraved into the German mentality. Firstly, by opposing Roman (papal) authority, Luther somewhat justifiably gave authority, if not a new divine right, to the many German princes. Secondly, by suggesting the inherent evil nature of humankind, he provided a certain justification for subjugation.

During the mid-16th century Luther even suggested that peasants revolting in his name be shot down like dogs. They were.

Again, any truth contained here is highly questionable, but nevertheless, in looking back, it is not surprising that democracy, individualism, and capitalism succeeded more favorably in Calvinist and Catholic territories than in Lutheran ones. Calvinists supported greater religious and secular unity, and a more widespread proliferation of rights (despite their insistence on Puritan morality and conformity). Catholics, as mentioned, supported free will, and it was in the stringently Catholic northern Italy that capitalism and republicanism first entered the post-Classical world, during the late Middle Ages and early Renaissance.

But if Lutheran doctrine is indirectly responsible for the growth of fascism and hatred in Germany, then it is difficult to explain the socialist tendencies of Scandinavian countries, which also happen to be predominantly Lutheran, and the fact that southern Germany never converted to Lutheranism. As a result, it cannot be assumed, from historical evidence, that Lutheranism was the sole cause. So with

Lutheran doctrine as a basis, Nazism must be placed in its historical context. Perhaps then, another reason can be found for its inception.

It may generally be assumed that original Nazism, legitimized by Hitler's political ascension in 1933, was an outgrowth of the unsuccessful attempts to reorganize Germany after World War I. With its victory, the western alliance attempted to establish a more submissive, calm, and democratic Germany, in the form of the short-lived Weimar Republic. Despite the collapse of personal savings, brought on by allied occupation, a rise in right-wing violence, and the non-cooperation of the Communists, this government survived until the Depression.

But the economy could not survive the great collapse of the early '30s, nor could it survive the reparations burden paid to the victors. Spurred by the crash on Wall Street and the downfall of the Austrian Credit-Anstalt, the world plunged into economic catastrophe. In Germany, 5.6 million people were unemployed by 1932. In the much larger United States, then at the height of its depression, the number was only about twice as large.

With both Germany and the rest of the world in panic, Hitler was named Chancellor by President Hindenburg in 1933. Soon afterwards he received dictatorial powers, and once in that position he was prepared to implement the doctrines outlined in *Mein Kampf*. Thus began the Nazi era.

And, just as Hitler gained power as a result of the depression, he was kept in power because of it, as other nations became more isolationist. The re-militarization of the Rhineland was successful and the League of Nations, deeply weakened by America's non-involvement, was impotent and could not provide counter-measures. Even the British government, under the



leadership of Prime Minister Chamberlain, found it easier to negotiate peace with Hitler. Soon after the Nazis stormed into Austria and Czechoslovakia, receiving no definitive responses from the West until they marched into Poland.

In Germany today one can observe some of the same economic and social hardships. In Hoyerswerda, according to *U.S. News*, "the environment is polluted by massive brown-coal works." Children are afflicted with bronchitis and the women have a severe rate of breast cancer. "From the north comes the constant reek of coal smoke, from the south the stench of a factory that renders down animal carcasses."

Essentially, the city is inhabited by coal miners. In 1955, the East Berlin government "built an enormous array of housing complexes for 70,000 coal miners and their families." The residents were brought in from around the country and the result is a population destined to lack unity and strength: "Despite the colossal buildings, Hoyerswerda seems like a community of transients, a virtual tent city."

And, indeed, the unification so rejoiced by millions of Germans is only inflicting greater harm on the economy of the struggling city. Unemployment, never a

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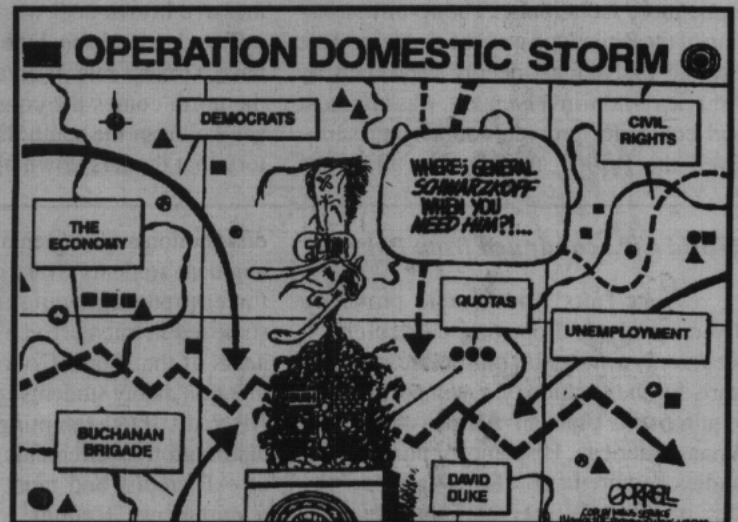
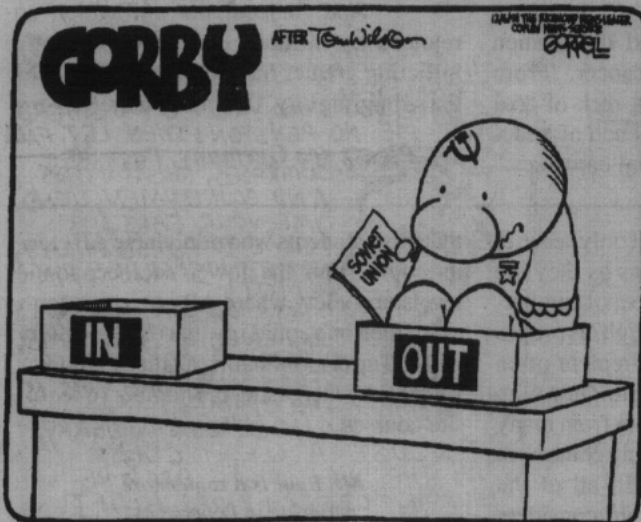
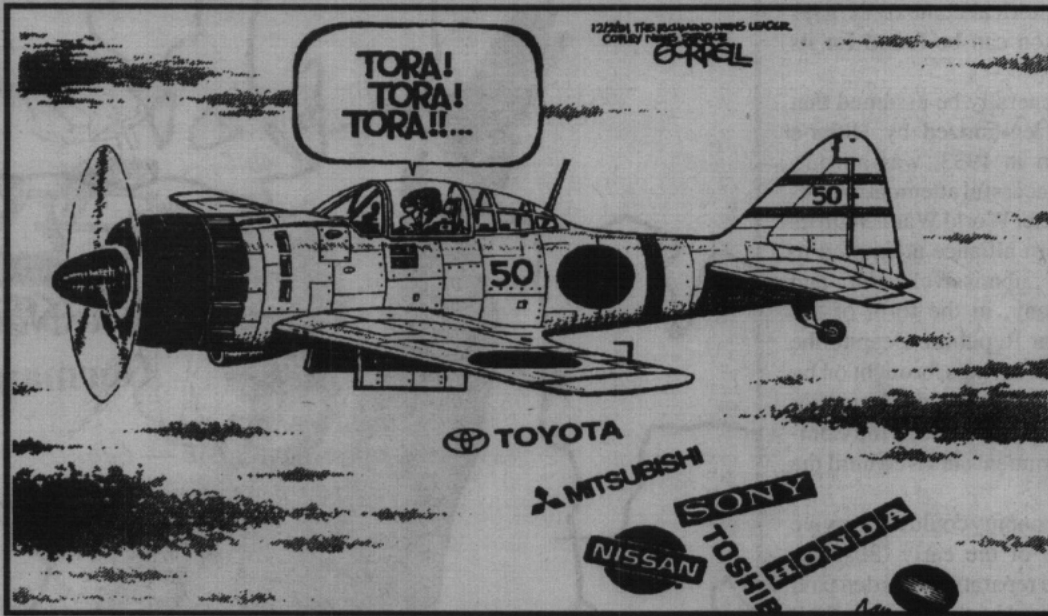
In Tufts' endeavor to provide a diverse and mind-opening curriculum, it seems only a matter of time before lobbying starts for the creation of a women's studies requirement, then an African-American, Asian-American, Hispanic, or homosexual studies requirement. However noble the idea of diversity may be, overwhelming

distribution requirements will only serve to augment students' frustrations as they are forced to take a growing number of cumbersome requirements. Even though, as proponents of the World Civ requirement often mention, many students come to Tufts with AP credit (thus exempting them from many distribution requirements) many come with no AP credits and must fulfill all of the requirements. Hmmm... If one considers

that most students who don't have AP credits come from the lower socioeconomic levels of society where AP programs don't exist, then one could say that the World Civ will end up discriminating against the poorer students by increasing the number of requisite courses.

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Comic Relief



PRIMARY SOURCE CINEMA
PRESENTS:
THE LAST DAYS
OF
M.S.G.



W- THE MARXIST COMRADES, HAND IN HAND
GOING TO COLLECTIVIZE THE LAND.
THUS TO GO ABOUT, ABOUT:
THRICE TO THAINE, AND THAICE TO MINE,
AND THAICE AGAIN
CITIZENS GET ZERO AND THE STATE GETS NINE.

M- COMRADES I BESEECH YOU
TELL ME MY FATE,
WHAT IS NEW
I CAN NOT WAIT.

W- DOUBLE, DOUBLE TOIL AND TROUBLE
FIRE BURN, AND COULDRON BUBBLE.

A- BEWARE THE IDES OF DECEMBER
MICHY REMEMBER:
MICHY! MICHY! MICHY! BEWARE BORIS
BEWARE THAT WILY RUSSIAN—DISMISS ME—

W- DOUBLE, DOUBLE, BOIL AND BUBBLE
YOU BETTER LISTEN MICHY BECAUSE YOU'RE IN TROUBLE.



M-NYET MY AUTHORITY IS
STRONG,
THAT APPARTITION IS WRONG.
BORIS IS A LOUD DRUNK
A FORMER POLITBUROPUNK.



ENTER BORIS



M- RAIS'DAMONA, RAIS'DAMONA,
WHAERE ART THOU RAIS'DAMONA?

M-O SHUSH WITH THE BILL AND SWALLOW A PILLLOW, WENCH.

BILL

EXIT RAIS'DAMONA



M- CORDELIA, I MEAN BORIS,
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
SHOULDN'T YOU BE FLOATING
IN THE RIVER
DRUNK OF BEER?

B- NYET MICHY.
YOU MUST GO.
YOUR PRESIDENCY IS MERELY SHOW.
OPEN YOUR EYES AND SMELL THE COFFEE,
QUIT NOW AND SELL YOUR LIFE STORY,
DO A BARBARA WALTERS INTERVIEW,
BECAUSE ONLY THE WEST LOVES YOU
I GIVE YOU 24 HOURS TO MAKE UP
YOUR MIND
LEAVE WITH HONOR OR CONTINUE TO
FACE THE RUSSIAN PRESS WHICH
IS ALL TOO UNKIND.
READ THE WRITING ON THE WALL,
YOUR TIME IS UP, ASK BUSH, GIVE
HIM A CALL.

AFTER THE CALL TO BUSH
M- TO RESIGN OR NOT TO RESIGN, THAT IS
THE QUESTION
WHETHER IT IS NOBLER IN THE MIND TO SUFFER
THE ACCUSATIONS AND GRIPEs OF OUTRAGEOUS
FORTUNE
OR TO TAKE ARMS AGAINST A BLACK SEA
OF TROUBLES. AND BY OPPOSING
END THEM.
TO RULE, TO TRAVEL—
NO MORE.
BLOW, WINDS OF
CHANGE, AND
CRACK YOUR CHEEK!
RAGE! BLOW!
POOR NAKED



WRETCHES! WHERE'S O'R YOU ARE
THAT BIDE THE PELTING OF THIS PITILESS
NATIONALISM,
I NEVER GAVE YOU FOOD, CALL'D YOU SMERD,
YOU OWE ME NO PENSION; THEN LET FALL

EXIT BORIS



OLIVER STONE
ENTER OLIVER

O- STOTT!
STOP! THERE IS
A MILITARY-GOVERNMENT
CONSPIRACY GOING ON.
GORBACHEV WOULD HAVE
PULLED OUT OF AFGANISTAN
IF HE REMAINED IN OFFICE.
THERE'S A CONSPIRACY!

(BEING CARRIED AWAY)
THERE'S A CONSPIRACY!



ENTER BORIS
AND HIS ALLIES

B- SAVED YOU AGAIN, THIS IS
TWICE YOU KNOW.
SORRY MICHY, BUT YOU
MUST ALSO GO.

EXIT MICHY



B- COMRADES, MUSCOVITES
AND COUNTRYMEN, LEND
ME YOUR EARS,
I COME TO PRAISE MICHY,
NOT TO DISPARAGE HIM—
NOT!

LET'S FACE IT, BALDY
SCREWED UP BIG TIME.
NO FOOD, A COLLAPSING
INFRASTRUCTURE, THIS IS
THE CRIME.
ACHOO! DON'T WORRY,
IT'S JUST A SLIGHT COLD.
BY THE WAY, WHERE ARE THE
LAUNCH CODES? I KNOW I LEFT
THEM RIGHT HERE. FINIS.

Taxes in a Classical Liberal Economy

Ted Levinson

Two hundred years ago Benjamin Franklin wrote that the only two certain things in the world are death and taxes. So far this statement appears to be accurate. Franklin also preached moderation when he wrote, "Eat not to dullness. Drink not to elevation." Regrettably our government has yet to hear this adage. Taxes should only pay for our defense and national infrastructure where it is more efficient than private enterprise. High taxes, such as we now pay, limit our economic freedom and distort the market. Taxes perpetuate a massive gov-

ernment bent on paternalistic policies and redistribution of wealth. We have become subservient to our government while we were once its master. We must return to Classical Liberal principles to restore our freedom. It is evident that without liberty in the economic realm, individual liberty is impossible. According to Hilaire Belloc, "The control of the production of wealth is the control of human life itself."

By imposing burdensome taxes that consume nearly forty percent of our income, government has infringed on one of our most sacred rights, the right to "The Labour of his Body and the Work of his Hands." Taxation is coercion, merely an institutionalized form of property confiscation. Our government recklessly abuses the power of taxation. Unlike a private firm, government faces no competition and little incentive to minimize cost. Actually, many bureaucrats try to maximize cost and size to insure their security. Tom Bethell characterizes the State as "an institution whose outputs have less value than its inputs." These inefficient economic agents use their power to meddle with the lives of individuals. Big government is anathema to Classical Liberal causes. To curtail government, to return the market to its natural state, and to reclaim our liberty, we must lower and reform the tax system.

Our economic liberty is being eroded by an insatiable government that

taxes away nearly forty percent of our property. Taxes diminish private choice and consumption, and crowd out investment. Taxes lower the savings rate and impede economic growth. Although the government injects the tax money into the economy, the government is far less efficient than individuals. Too much money goes to maintaining the bureaucracy and not enough to fostering growth. Examples of government waste include the Rural Electrification Administration, an outdated agency that continues to receive federal funds even

though it serves almost no purpose today. In the market economy dollars can be viewed as "economic votes." Aggregate expenditures on goods and services tally their desirability. When the State levies taxes, private individuals lose a portion of their power to make their wants known and to satisfy them. Our government gains the power to plan economic activity in a way that may not be consistent with what the market would do. It is apparent that the more taxes a state collects, the greater the degree of central planning that exists. Although by no means socialistic, the United States exhibits many characteristics of a centrally planned economy. The state is the largest economic agent, property and contract rights are limited, and burdensome taxes are levied. As the central thesis of F. A. Hayek's *The Road to Serfdom* explains, central plan governments are at war with their citizens because individuals are prevented from implementing their personal economic plans. Our government has ceased to be within our control. In his paper "The Tax System and a Free Society", Oswald Brownlee surmises that "The survival of freedom may depend upon lower marginal rates of income taxation than now exist in the United States."

Of more serious consequence than the magnitude of taxes is their effect of distorting the market economy. Ludwig von Mises refers to taxes as, "devices for the destruction of the market economy." By tampering with the market, government distorts prices and manipulates consumption patterns. High taxes divert energy from production to finding loopholes and shelters in the tax code.

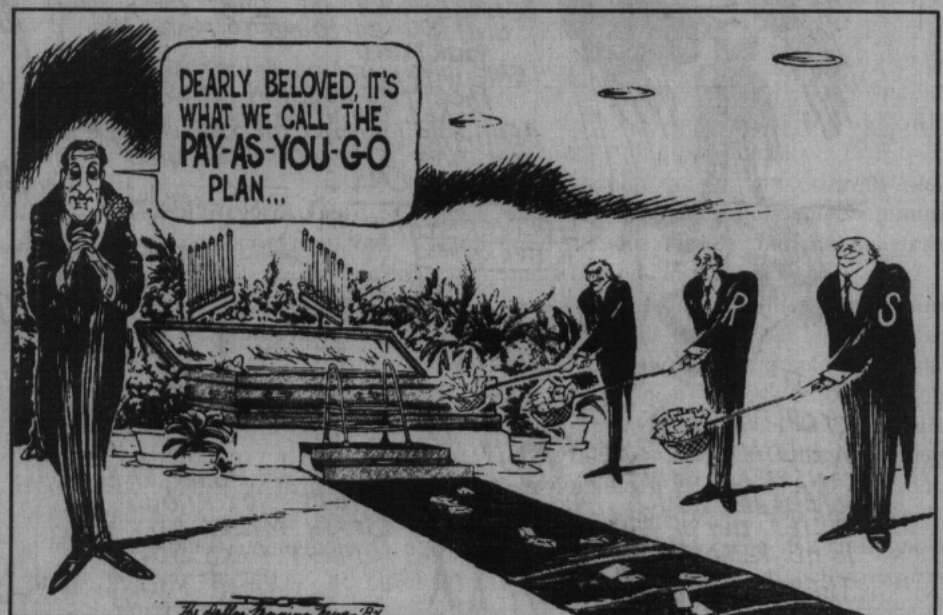
High marginal rates also destroy the incentive to produce. The most productive members of our society are taxed at such a high level that the government al-

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most gains more from their labor than they do. This practice is in direct opposition to the Puritan work ethic that is responsible for so many of our economic successes. "Any system that penalizes success and accomplishment is wrong. Any system that discourages productivity, discourages economic progress is wrong." A high progressive tax system is the surest way to curtail economic growth.

Taxes also interfere with supply/demand mechanisms and the pricing mechanism. In California, unequal taxation of water has led to a misallocation of this precious resource. While residential consumers are heavily taxed for using water, agricultural consumers receive water subsidies. This means that farmers receive more water than they would be willing to pay for without the subsidy, and residential consumers receive less water than they would be willing to pay for. The supply/demand mechanism is so skewed, that the government has instituted strict water rationing in homes. At the same time, rice farmers receive plenty of water to inundate their rice crop. After harvesting these farmers are paid to destroy their crop. Equal taxation of water would serve to ration the water fairly between farmers and residences according to their willingness to pay.

The unequal distribution of taxes alters prices, causing them to no longer reflect the true value of goods, but rather the value that the State assigns to them. In the international marketplace high taxes destroy the Ricardian theory of comparative advantage. High taxes diminish the competitiveness of our nation's industries in the global market. Sweden, which has some of the most significant taxes, has had to devalue the kroner several times to remain competitive internationally. Favorable tax laws have become as important in determining comparative advantage as productivity, wages, and natural resources.

Hong Kong, a four hundred square mile country with a harbor as its only natural resource, has proven that low taxes foster economic growth. Hong Kong's taxes do not exceed about fifteen percent, and annual growth has consistently topped seven percent. Bordering China, a country with one fifth of the world's population and abundant resources, but a planned economy, Hong Kong's skyscrapers are a testimony to prosperity that freedom from onerous taxes

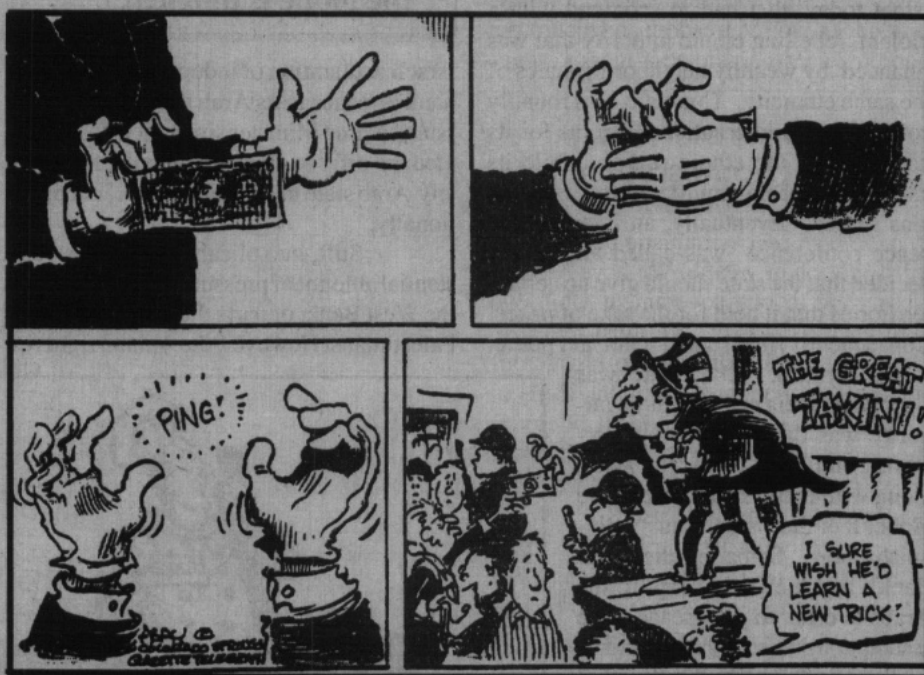
breeds.

Thus far this article has dealt exclusively with the direct effects of taxation. Taxes slow economic growth and distort the market economy. Taxes also wreak havoc indirectly by fueling big government. Classical Liberalism denounces concentrated power that intrudes into people's private lives. Government uses taxes to reduce our liberty through paternalistic policies and income redistribution.

Many taxes serve moral rather than fiscal purposes. Through taxation our government diverts consumption away from certain goods it considers to be harmful or immoral. These taxes influence our behav-

myopic to plan for our own needs. This forced saving is a tax; one that degrades our intelligence and compromises our freedom. By permitting governmental paternalism we are divesting ourselves of responsibility and entrusting ourselves to the State.

Our government also uses taxes to redistribute income. Acting like Robin Hood, the government steals from the rich and gives to the poor to correct the inequalities caused by the market economy. This tax policy confuses rules with outcome. It is reasonable to expect fair rules, but ridiculous to expect an equal outcome. This illogical act of normalizing wealth destroys the market economy, breeds tyranny, and



ior and treat us like children, incapable of making our own choices. "sin taxes" try to add value to the impartial market. The result is inevitably "poorer and less satisfied people." Consider alcohol, cigarettes and gasoline. Although legal, the State dissuades its consumption through heavy taxes. Consumers are punished financially for purchasing these products. This practice grants the government the power to manipulate what is consumed, and thus produced. This is a challenge to our freedom of choice. Where government once prohibited alcohol by legislation, it now prohibitively taxes it.

State paternalism is evident in the Social Security system which implies that the government must withhold a portion of our salary for our old age since we are too

confiscates our liberty. While deciding how the economic pie is to be divided, welfarism shrinks the pie.

Professor von Mises notes in *Human Action* that, "The inequality of incomes and wealth is an inherent feature of the market economy. Its elimination would entirely destroy the market economy. Income redistribution nullifies the axiom of income commensurate with work and lessens the impact of incentives, a necessary ingredient in a market.

Furthermore, welfarism "concedes to the government the ultimate power - the power to grant or withhold from him the necessities of life as the government sees

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Peace By Peace

Nissan Raclaw

A slogan often touted as the formula for peace in the Middle East is "land for peace". Under this plan the Israelis would relinquish certain territories held presently by them in exchange for a peace agreement with the surrounding Arab states. The formula, however, is a flawed one. History shows that appeasement in the international arena is a formula not for peace, but for war.

There once was a country, like Israel today, that had to contend with a violent, rebelling ethnic minority that was financed by wealthy neighboring states of the same ethnicity. This state was roundly condemned in international forums for its handling of the ethnic rioting, while its citizens were being murdered and its civilians stoned. Eventually, an international peace conference was called and it was decided that the state should give up certain territories that it held for the sake of peace. Consequently, that state did not get peace, it got turmoil. That state was Czechoslovakia and its ethnic minority was the Sudetenland Germans. Similarly, the Arab states, along with many states around the globe, feel that Israel must relinquish Judea, Samaria (the West Bank), and the Gaza Strip to the Arabs in order to gain peace. The assumption that, somehow, decreasing Israel's defensible borders will bring peace to a strife torn part of the globe is illogical. Peace will not depend on the reorganization of borders. The behavior of the Arab states in the past prove this.

Prior to the Six Day War of 1967, Israel did not control those areas that the Arabs now say is the obstacle to peace, yet the Arab states still attempted to, in the language of the times, "push Israel into the sea." Even prior to that, at the time of the declaration of independence of the State of Israel, the surrounding Arab states launched a war to crush the reborn Jewish state. Furthermore, every Arab state, with the relatively recent ex-

ception of Egypt, has maintained an official state of war with Israel since its inception. No Arab nation, again except for Egypt, has officially recognized the right of Israel to exist. This record is not exactly one that inspires confidence in the peaceful intentions of the Arab states. In contrast, the

the Palestinian people are not the actual concern of the Arab states. The record shows that the states of the region care not a whit about the Palestinians, except insofar as they can be used as a bludgeon against Israel. For example, the sheikdom of Kuwait, the number two financial backer of the

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Israeli declaration of independence offers a hand in peace to its Arab neighbors. Every Israeli Prime Minister since then has reiterated the offer to sit down with the leader of any Arab state to negotiate peace, unconditionally.

Still, inexplicably, there is a substantial amount of pressure on Israel to give the West Bank, or parts thereof, to the Arab Palestinians. However, the human rights of

Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO), recently expelled 400,000 Palestinians, many of whom were born in Kuwait. When confronted with the issue, the Kuwaiti Ambassador to the US said that "if you in the USA are so concerned about the human rights of the few hundred thousand Palestinians in Kuwait, we will be happy to fly them over to you, free of charge. You will then be able to give them American citizenship." This certainly is an odd attitude coming from one of the PLO's major supporters, yet it illustrates an important point. Namely, that the Arab states support the Palestinians only so long as they are a threat to Israel.

Consequently, the only logical understanding that can be concluded is that the Arab states plan to use any land that they gain from Israel to further their goal of exterminating Israel. This is made obvious by the statements of PLO leaders in the Arabic press. For example, the number two man in the PLO has said that the initial plan is to set up "our tents in those areas our bullets can reach" and to then use those tents as a base from which to shoot further, "with the help of Allah, we will expand to the north, south and west." In fact, this statement was codified into the PLO's "plan of stages" as adopted in 1974. The plan called for the establishment of a Palestinian state



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Ronald Reagan Contest

In celebration of Ronald Reagan's birthday we will present an official PRIMARY SOURCE tee-shirt to the person who correctly answers the following questions and first returns his entry to THE PRIMARY SOURCE, Mayer Campus Center.



1. Ronald Reagan was born in ____
 - a. Dixon, IL
 - b. Tampico, IL
 - c. the local hospital
 - d. a test tube
2. How many people did Ronnie save as a lifeguard?
 - a. 38
 - b. 69
 - c. 77
 - d. 109
3. Ronald Reagan attended ____
 - a. NYU
 - b. Chico State
 - c. Eureka College
 - d. Chicago University
4. Reagan majored in ____ and was a brother in ____
 - a. Physical Education, DU
 - b. Horticulture, Theta Chi
 - c. Pre-Law, AEPi
 - d. Economics, TKE
5. How many of the four Reagan children were graduated from college?
 - a. 0
 - b. 1
 - c. 2
 - d. 3
6. Ronald Reagan and Nancy both appeared in the movie ____
 - a. Behind the Green Door
 - b. Hellcats of the Navy
 - c. Halloween Part 7
 - d. Knute Rockne, All American
7. Ronnie's favorite food is ____
 - a. tofu in a pita with alfalfa sprouts
 - b. quiche with warm goat cheese
 - c. macaroni and cheese
 - d. a blood rare steak and a baked potato
8. The town Ronald Reagan is located in ____
 - a. Nicaragua
 - b. El Salvador
 - c. New Guinea
 - d. Cuba
9. How many soviet leaders served during Reagan's four terms?
 - a. 1
 - b. 2
 - c. 3
 - d. 4
10. Who first called Ronald Reagan's economic policy "voodoo economics"?
 - a. Jesse Jackson
 - b. John Madden
 - c. George Bush
 - d. Nancy
11. Which U.S. President played in a college football game that Ronnie announced?
 - a. Gerald Ford
 - b. Jimmy Carter
 - c. Teddy Roosevelt
 - d. John Kennedy
12. How old will Ronald Reagan be on February 6, 1992
 - a. 21
 - b. 65
 - c. we don't recall
 - d. 81

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in the West Bank, to be used as a forward base of a major offensive against the Jewish state, aimed at its annihilation. This plan can be perceived even in the fact that the symbol of almost every Palestinian organization contains a map of the present-day state of Israel, not just the West Bank or the Gaza Strip.

Clearly, the borders of Israel are not the main issue. The fundamental problem is that the Arab states of the Middle

East, except for Egypt, refuse to recognize the right of a Jewish state to exist, in any configuration within that area. It is for that reason that the formula of land for peace is flawed. The first step for real peace to be achieved is for the Arab states to officially announce their recognition of the right of a Jewish state to exist in the region. Border permutations are a secondary issue, but how can Israel negotiate border disputes with a people that denies them the right to any borders at all?

True peace is a function of a fundamental change in attitude on the part of one or the other of the parties to a dispute. Until that happens, the Arabs and Israelis will attain only an absence of war, not peace. To achieve anything, the slogan "peace for peace!" should be adopted, rather than "land for peace" which implies that peace can be bought.

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Women and Religion: Trashing Tradition

Barbara E. Walton

Traditional western religion has always been a target of modern feminism. Attacks have ranged from pinprick insults, like the current fad of "inclusive language" (changing words and phrases to remove "masculine" connotations) to wholesale rejection, à la Mary Daly ("Beyond God the Father"). The three reasons most frequently cited are (1) women cannot relate to the "male" God of western religious tradition, (2) religion has ignored women's historical experience, and (3) religion has been used to justify a patriarchal social structure.

The first reason is fundamentally flawed in its assumption that the God of western religion is male. Quite to the contrary, God is considered incorporeal. Medieval philosopher Moses ben Maimon, or Maimonides, in fact declared it a sin to refer to God as male or female, or in any corporeal terms. Human beings are considered to be a combination of animals, who have sexuality but no personality, and God, who has personality but no sexuality. God is considered transcendent, beyond the body. But wait, I can hear someone in the back yelling, "That in itself is sexist, since women are more tied to their bodies than men are, and divorcing oneself from the body is a

masculine idea!" Nonsense. Men and women have the same relationships to their bodies. It's just the reproductive function of the bodies in question that differs. Men can be gluttonous; women, ascetic. It is an individual worldview, not a sex-related one. That God is referred to in liturgy as "He" is

Finally, feminists often argue that religion has been used to justify the patriarchal power structure which they perceive in society. Of course it has. So have a lot of other things, including psychology, history, and philosophy. This does not discount any of these fields as hopelessly misogynist, it

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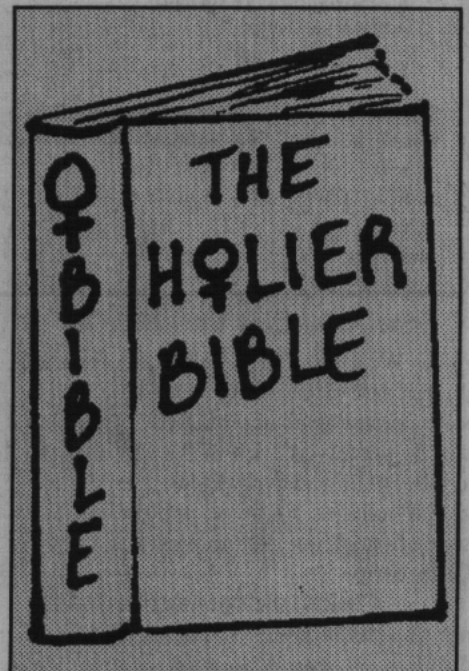
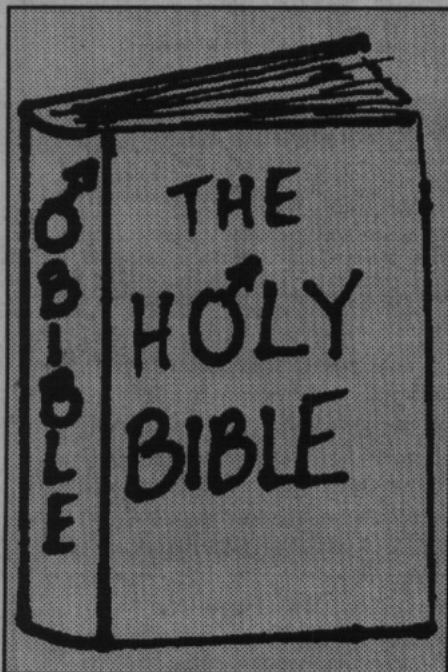
a matter of grammar (when gender is unsure, the masculine form is used), not a value judgment. This, of course, could lead to the discussion of whether or not the language itself is sexist, a petty but frequently debated issue, which, since it is essentially unrelated to the present discussion, will be ignored.

The allegation that religion ignores women's historical experience is partially valid, but does not acknowledge two important facts. First, women have not had a great deal of historical experience. It is only recently that women have become involved in decisions and actions of historical significance. The past cannot be changed by wishful thinking. Those women in the past who have earned a place in history are not disregarded in religious or secular history, they are simply not a common event. Perhaps, as society becomes more egalitarian, women will be better able to write themselves into future history books, but it will not become apparent overnight. Time is a slow but effective editor. The second unacknowledged fact is that women do not have a universal experience in history. The experience of a Christian woman in Italy would have very little in common with that of a Jewish woman in Germany. To claim that their single biological similarity in some way grants them a mystical experience of sisterhood is ludicrous at best. At worst, it adds fuel to the fires of sexism, indicating, as it does, that the most important thing about a woman is that she is female.

merely indicates that they can be used in any way which their advocates choose. As with history, it will take time, and patience, to outgrow that phase.

The western religious tradition holds great promise and great comfort to its adherents, male and female. There is no reason to approach it as a great beast which must be maimed or killed for the sake of the future.

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**"I wonder what she looks like
in her skivvies."**



"It's this long."



"This long!?"



**"Bang! Bang! You're dead.
Fifty bullets in your head."**



**"You shouldn't have called Stalin a ninny.
Now he's not talking to us."**

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problem under the Communist government, has afflicted ten percent of the workers; rents, also never a problem, are being hit hard by inflation.

The result is an environment in which racism and nationalism can survive and grow. Some Germans seem to be looking for scapegoats, much like they blamed the Jews for the collapse of '30s. Now they are taking out their anger and resentment on the Vietnamese, African, and other foreign workers throughout the country. Germans do not want a racially integrated nation; officials have even said that Germany has never been an immigration country and will never become one. With a weakened economy, brought on by unification and the capitalization of the eastern territory, Germans refuse to pay for the welfare of non-Germans. And it looks like the majority will have its way: Bonn is planning to send back to Africa some of the Hoyerswerdan workers and, no doubt, politicians wary of reelection will advocate stricter immigration laws.

But finally it must be noted that the neo-Nazi movement is not characteristic of

Germans as a whole. Despite polls opposing liberal immigration and asylum-granting, most Germans fully support the European unification movement and, in general, the economy has been doing exceptionally well. Certainly, many Germans must realize that a new era of fascism would only reverse the strides which have been made over the past few decades and plunge the nation into a new political catastrophe.

As of now, the violence remains largely isolated. However, World War II and the Holocaust must never be forgotten, nor fully forgiven. Certainly, Germany can be commended for its international economic vigor and its quick acceptance of democracy (albeit under the aegis of the West). But the West, specifically France, Great Britain, the United States, and Canada, as well as the U.N., must keep a watchful eye on the political developments in Germany. Alongside the overly idyllic visions of a European superpower, the West must remain cautious of a renewed German nationalism and political might. A lot can change in 50 years, but a lot can stay the same.

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fit." The welfare tax takes from a man, "the personal responsibility for caring for his material needs...it also takes from him the will and opportunity to be free." We must remember that the people created the government and not the reverse. To give the State the power to feed us or starve us is to deny us our natural and inalienable right to life.

Just as effectively as military force, taxation has stolen our liberty. "Liberty has always been threatened by the encroachment of power, power which seeks to suppress, control, cripple, tax, and exploit the fruits of liberty and production." It is imperative that we wage war against high and unequal taxes to curtail government and restore our liberty. President Hoover said, "True liberalism is found not in striving to spread bureaucracy, but in a force truly of the spirit proceeding from the deep realization that economic freedom can not be sacrificed if political freedom is to be preserved." Classical Liberalism must triumph against taxes and Statism. At risk is not only our prosperity, but also our liberty.

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BE HONEST. WRITE FOR THE PRIMARY SOURCE.

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riers. Therefore only a few large carriers can provide health insurance. This lack of competition raises insurance prices making it less affordable to both individuals and employers.

A National Center for Policy Analysis study cited by Mr. Mark D. Hughes indicates that Mandated Health Insurance Benefit (MHIB) laws are the worst sort of unnecessary government regulation of the health insurance industry. According to the study, MHIB's mandate that all insurance packages cover certain diseases and health care services. In 1970 only thirty such laws existed, however today there are over 1000 in every state. MHIB's force individuals to buy insurance packages covering service they may never need, such as chiropractors,

psychologists, and marriage counselors. MHIB's also force couples unable to have children to buy newborn infant health coverage. Many do not need coverage for drug rehabilitation or AIDS treatment, but they still must pay for it.

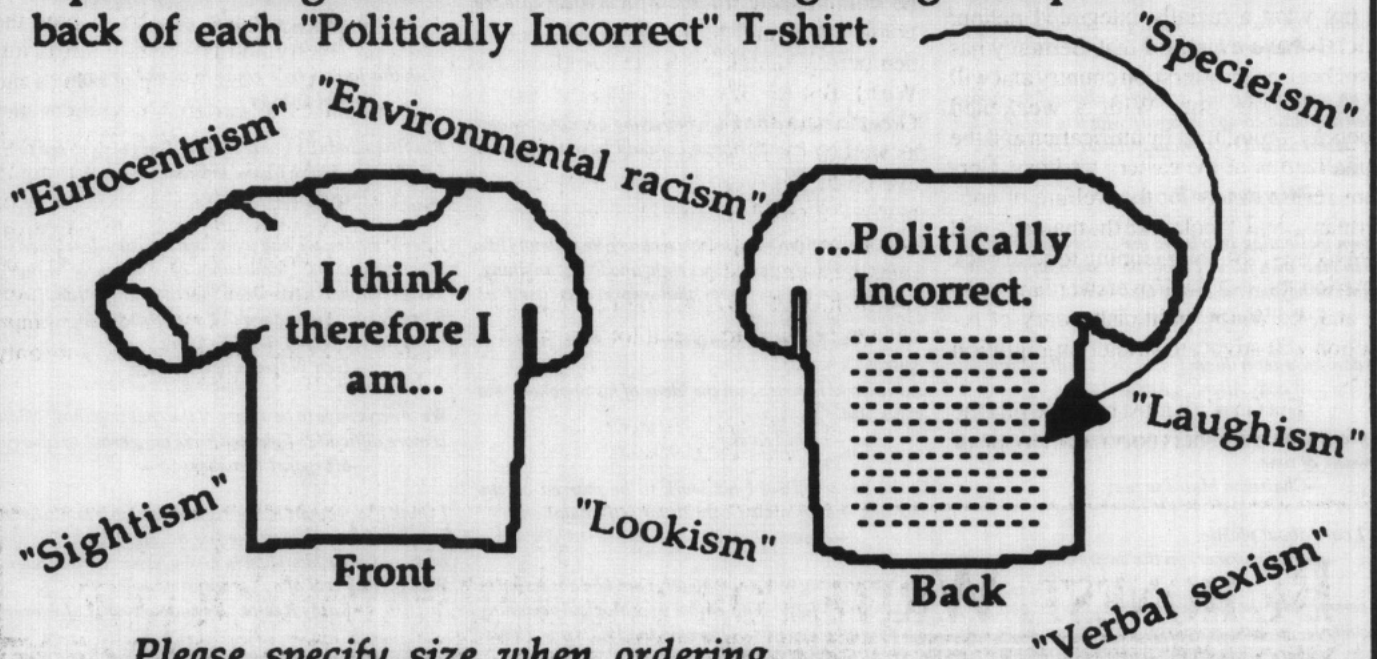
Paying for coverage they do not need dissuades many 'low risk' Americans from buying health insurance. However, because MHIB's subsidize the insurance costs of 'higher risk' groups, more 'high risk' people buy insurance. This creates a vicious cycle: more 'high risks' own insurance than 'low risks,' causing a rise in prices, which causes even fewer 'low risks' to subscribe. This subsidization would exist to a much smaller extent without MHIB's, hence health insurance would be affordable to many more Americans.

Especially in this time of recession, the US health care system needs less, not more government intervention. National health care programs, such as Senator Bob Kerrey's (D-NB), would have a crippling effect on the economy and the quality of American health. A common buzz phrase for the proponents of socialized medicine is 'the US is the only industrialized power without national health care.' This is true, however, the US also has the best, most innovative health care system in the world, without the wait lists of Canada or England. In order to make US health care even better, government interference should be eliminated, not escalated.

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NOTABLE AND QUOTABLE

No, no.

—John Sununu, when asked by SPY magazine in what he thought was a real job interview whether he minds traveling.

A woman is only a woman, but a good cigar is a smoke.
—Rudyard Kipling

If, as an organic chemist, you were allowed to choose the ten aliphatic compounds with which to be stranded on a desert island, you would almost certainly pick alcohols.
—Morrison and Boyd

My own inclination is to leave the Serbs and Croats to stew in their own juice! I think they are both mad and cannot see beyond the end of their noses.
—R. W. Seton-Watson, 1928

Why don't you get William F. Buckley to kill the spider?
—Woody Allen, '1 Annie Hall

The need to shit after eating does not mean that eating is a waste of time.
—Chairman Mao Tse tung

Like I care about plastic.
—Joe Swimmer, on the environment

I am committed to the classical doctrine that the optimum adjustment - private property, production for profit and by private ownership, and regulation by a competitive economy - brings not only maximum prosperity, but also maximum freedom.
—William F. Buckley

In a very real sense the economists of the 1980's are illiterate in basic principles of their own discipline, even if in a quite different manner from those of the 1950's. Their motivation is not normative; they seem to be ideological eunuchs.
—James Buchanan

Wherever the standard of freedom and independence has been or shall be unfurled, there will be America's heart, her benediction, her prayers.
—John Quincy Adams

The Cold War didn't end, it was won.
—George Bush

With us, to avow poverty is no disgrace. The true shame is in doing nothing to avoid it.
—Funeral Oration

To maintain our rights against equals, to be politic with superiors and moderate towards inferiors is the way to safety.
—Pericles

The tragedy of [Nazi] Germany is an object-lesson in the dangers of allowing academic life to become politicized and professors to proclaim their "commitment." Whether the bias is to the Left or Right the results are equally disastrous for in either case the wells of truth are poisoned.
—Paul Johnson

If I had to choose between betraying my country and betraying my friend, I hope I should have the guts to betray my country.
—E.M. Forster

When the average man loses his money, he is simply like a wounded snake and strikes right and left at anything, innocent or the reverse, that represents itself as conspicuous in his mind.
—Theodore Roosevelt

Stalin seeks to strike, not the ideas of his opponent, but at his skull.
—Leon Trotsky

Stalin never allowed his work to be marred by the slightest hint of vanity, conceit, or self-adulation.
—Joseph Stalin

Race poisoning was a completely common obsession in the time of Hitler's youth, rather as ecological poisoning became an obsession of many in the 1970s and 1980s.
—Paul Johnson

It is a terrible paradox that most European Communist leaders and activists who lived in the USSR perished, while most of those who were in prison in their native lands in 1937-38 survived.
—Roy Medvedev

It's like someone's trying to pull a fast one way too quickly.
—TCU Senator David Brinker

My breast operations were a nightmare. They were really botched in every way.
—Cher

History's no easy subject. Even in my day it wasn't, and we had so much less of it to learn then.
—Ronald Reagan

I think God made all people good. But if we had to take a million immigrants in, say, Zulus next year, or Englishmen, and put them in Virginia, what group would be easier to assimilate and would cause less problems for the people of Virginia?
—Patrick Buchanan

The citizen of the United States who is compelled by law to devote something like ten percent of his income to the purchase of a particular kind of retirement contract, administered by the government, is being deprived of a corresponding part of his personal freedom.
—Milton Freedman

With this look, who's going to think I'm gay?
—Mel Gibson

Pat [Buchanan]'s going to win. I'm going to see to it. I don't care where I have to break in.
—G. Gordon Liddy

After Vietnam, we had a cottage industry developed in Washington, D.C., consisting of a bunch of military fairies that had never been shot at in anger [and] who felt fully qualified to comment on the leadership abilities of all the leaders of the U.S. Army.
—Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf

We always have to be aware of the enemy within, which is more difficult to fight and more dangerous to liberty.
—Margaret Thatcher

I think if a woman has a right to an abortion and to control her body, then she has the right to exploit her body and make money from it. We have it hard enough. Why give up one of our greatest assets?
—Kathy Keeton, on nude pictures of women

Rosie, you need to wax your face again. The hair's coming out.
—Tom Arnold, to Roseanne

The sad fact is that any pedestrians who insist on their rights while crossing a street soon tend not to have anything left at all to argue about.
—Andrew Howard, on the perils of auto traffic in the U.K.

Good gossip is just what's going on. Bad gossip is stuff that is salacious, mean, and bitchy — the kind most people really enjoy.
—Gossip columnist Liz Smith

I'm certainly going into this as a dog eat dog fight, and I will do what I have to do to be re-elected.
—George Bush

I like to use the term 'manipulation of the genitalia.' Don't ask me why.
—Police Lt. Bill Stuke, when asked if Pee-Wee Herman was masturbating in an adult movie theater

I think John Sununu is a very bright man — at nuclear engineering.
—Edward Rollins