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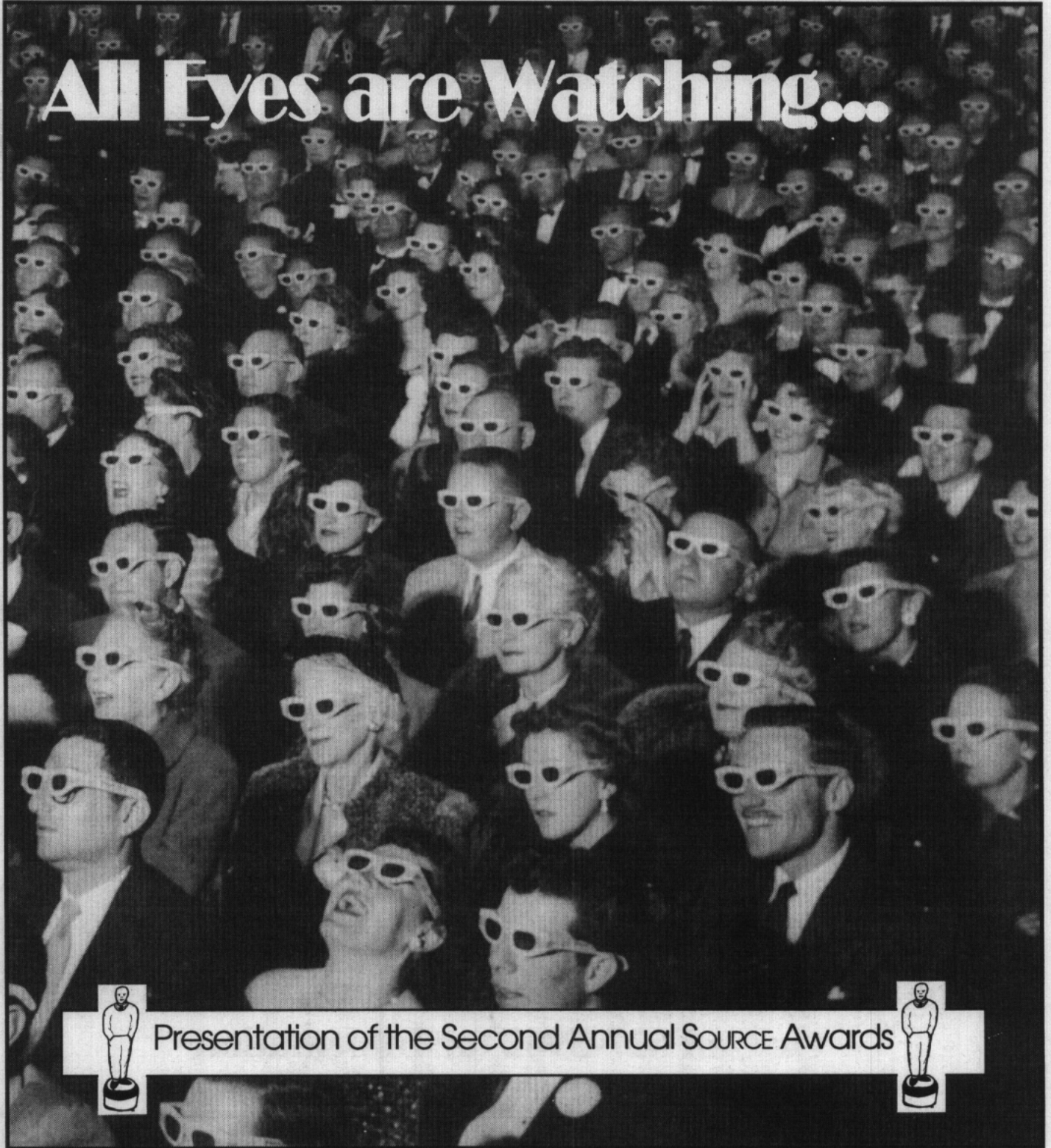
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## FROM THE EDITOR

Praise for the TCU Senate is uncommon in this publication, but credit must be given where it is due. In a refreshing departure from its obsession with petty PC politics and egotistical power mongering, the Senate has directed its focus toward restoring and protecting the academic merit and integrity of Tufts University. Last Sunday, the TCU adopted Senators Jill Adelman and Seth Lowe's recommendation that Tufts expand its embarrasingly inadequate religion department.

The present condition of the Religion department is abhorrent. According to the TCU resolution, the department used to have four professors, but three retired by 1976, and have never been replaced. Despite repeated requests for replacements over the course of nearly two decades, Dr. Hunter is currently the department's only professor.

Twenty-seven students major in Religion this year; eight students are religion minors, and 476 total are enrolled in Religion courses. By comparison, departments with approximately the same number of majors and enrolled students—namely Geology and Philosophy—have three full-time professors. The religion department at Wellesley College has nine professors; and Dartmouth's, Smith's and Brown's each have ten.

The quantifiable interest in Religion courses demonstrates that it is not a lack of demand that explains the university's neglectful treatment of the department. More students are majoring in Religion this year than ever before.

Nor can the administration justify the Religion Department's conditions on academic grounds. Religious studies are a critical component of a liberal arts education. The world's governments, civilizations, and philosophies have been shaped by religious faith. No study of international relations, sociology, or psychology is complete without a thorough examination and understanding of religion.

Financial constraints are also inadequate to excuse the disintegration of the Religion department. Over the past twenty years Tufts has witnessed an explosion in the "interdisciplinary" programs. Women's Studies, American Studies, the Experimental College, Peace and Justice Studies, and World Civilizations—not to mention a department for virtually every ethnic group—have all boomed since the 1970s. Clearly, new academic fads have been given priority over the traditional canon.

Neither lack of interest, relevance, nor resources undermines the university's religion department. The department has been underfunded because Tufts has been consumed by what Stephen Carter has described as a "culture of disbelief." A haughty attitude toward religious faith prevails at Tufts.

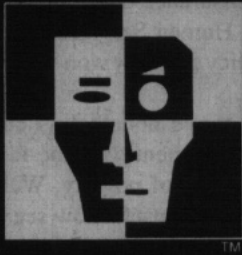
This scorn for religion is tied to the secular and anti-traditional agenda of the political left. Consequently, it is not surprising that the faculty often disregards spirituality and trivializes religious devotion. Further, professors in the classroom often and unabashedly display outright contempt for "institutionalized religion" and group forms of faith and worship. The importance and necessity of studying religion, however, is hard to deny. No amount of scorn or contempt can change the significant and formative role religion has played and continues to play both in the United States and in the world at large.

Fortunately, students are attempting to compensate for the faculty and administration's narrowmindedness and lack of good sense. Although Senate resolutions tend to carry little weight, the TCU should be applauded for its efforts.

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# Commentary

## The Will and Testament of the Trustees

The Board of Trustees voted Saturday to sell the University's \$2 million in Hydro-Quebec bonds. The decision followed months of pressure from various campus political groups including the ECO and the Watershed Collective, which is not even recognized by the TCU Senate.

ECO has cloaked its political viewpoints on Hydro-Quebec in the deceptive garb of a desire to "educate the Tufts community," while the Watershed Collective has recently staged protests at the private residence of Chairman of the Board of Trustees Nelson Gifford and President John DiBiaggio's office. In addition, a group of activists spuriously calling themselves the "University Water Management Department" distributed pamphlets employing scare tactics under students' doors. They intended to sway opinion against Hydro-Quebec.

It is the responsibility of the Trustees to act in the best interests of the University, which currently faces such issues as low endowment and lack of need-blind admissions. As a result of their decision, however, Tufts stands to lose potential future benefits of its \$2 million investment should Hydro-Quebec continue to be successful. Although Gifford made a point of stating that the decision was "the will of the Trustees," it would seem that the Board was in truth influenced by the leftist groups. By bowing to the political ideology of a group of protesters, the Trustees have sanctioned the kind of irresponsible and radical behavior that the environmentalists have displayed.

ECO and the Watershed Collective, and even the pamphlet-distributors supposedly not affiliated with either group, have demonstrated that they possess considerable political influence. Perhaps they should use it in a more constructive way by proposing an alternative power source rather than simply condemning the existing ones.

## Another Head on the Hydra

In an effort to restrain the insatiable appetite of the welfare state, the Weld administration on March 3 barred Medicaid from paying for fertility treatments. The state, by financing fertility treatments, had been encouraging people economically unable to sustain themselves and their children to have more children who would be provided for by the taxpayers.

Proponents of welfare have responded angrily to the reform. They make an argument which has become commonplace in this era of statism—that already existing government regulations and

rules make it necessary for the welfare state to remain unwieldy and self-perpetuating. "State law mandates that these family planning benefits be included in private insurance policies," said Michael Gallagher of the Massachusetts Human Services Coalition. "It's unfortunate we are adopting a policy that now won't do the same for poor people."

The Weld administration's move nonetheless comes in response to growing public disillusionment with the failure of the state's attempts to solve the problem of poverty. Weld's reform reveals that many residents of Massachusetts now see that paying women to have children they cannot care for will increase poverty instead of eliminating or reducing it. These advocates of curtailing welfare voice concern with the way the state's tendency to reward indolence results, not surprisingly, in the creation of more indolence. In a similar vein, reformers express dismay with the con-

tinual expansion of the unproductive sector of society at the expense of the productive. Weld's changes indicate that maybe, just maybe, these concerns are beginning to be addressed.

## From the Jaws of Freedom, Economic Collapse

Russian President Boris Yeltsin recently rejected the advice of his top financial advisers who recommended privatizing state monopolies. Advisers Yegor Gaidar and Boris Fyodorov resigned last week, unhappy with Yeltsin's desire for a government managed economy. In a speech to both houses of the new Russian Parliament, Yeltsin had said that while he supported free markets

and reform, Russia still needed state intervention to function economically.

The Russian President's vacillations and ambiguous statements indicate that he is torn between the undeniable need for free enterprise and escalating pressure from ultra-nationalists and former communists who oppose liberalism. The difficulty that Yeltsin and his country are facing is a sad commentary on how damaging 70 years of totalitarian statism have been to the Russian people. Unfortunately, sound institutions of private property cannot emerge overnight. The transition from a socialist economy to a market one is therefore, of necessity, a painful one. Loss of the old securities that the government provided, however minimal they may have been, requires people to suffer until the complex and sophisticated apparatus of free societies has had time to develop. Unluckily, but not surprisingly, all of this means that a relative increase in the influence of forces advocating a return to the old system characterizes the interim period. Economist Grigory Yavlinsky of the Russian Parliament exemplifies this dynamic, as he opposes the lifting



of price controls and the privatizing of industry because he fears it would take too long for the beneficial affects of these actions to appear.

No one knows what kind of action the West can take to facilitate the desired emergence of capitalism. The hope had been that "shock therapy" would tip the balance in favor of free enterprise. It has become increasingly and alarmingly clear, however, that in a nation as large as Russia, both the amounts of money required and the damages already wrought by nearly a century of socialism are too great. Consequently, it is with fingers crossed and breath held, that the West beholds the Russian political battleground and the horrors of centralized planning.

### The Long Arm of the Law

President Clinton's tendencies toward fashionable behavior and twisted rhetoric rise to new heights with each passing day. Consequently, it is not surprising that he and his administration are at the forefront of the movement to eradicate cigarettes from the country. And, as one might expect, the President and company blame tar-induced lung cancer on capitalism and "the system," although smoking in fact tends by chance to be more common in European and Asian countries, where the public sector plays a larger role in society.

Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders recently lashed out at cigarette companies in her latest report on smoking. With paternalist overtones, Elders assailed a straw man—cigarette companies' advertisements, which, she declared, convince teenagers that smoking will give them a sexy and successful image. Elders also noted, although not on any scientific or empirical grounds, a relationship between smoking and higher risks of drug and alcohol experimentation, poor academic performance, engagement in unsafe sex, and suicide attempts.

In recent days, commissioner David A. Kessler of The Food and Drug Administration also expressed the conviction that government should play a more substantial role in reducing smoking. Kessler suggested that companies exploit innocent consumers with the use of nicotine and that the FDA therefore has, under current law, vast regulatory and restrictive powers over the cigarette

industry.

The Clinton administration believes that the government, rather than families and individuals, should determine how American citizens live their lives. As a result, it advocates a further expansion of the powers of the state in order to combat the "problem" of smoking. If recent changes—such as higher taxes on cigarettes, imposing non-smoking laws on private property owners (restaurants, employers, etc.)—are any indication, the movement to reduce smoking will in large part be characterized by the tyrannical and intrusive social engineering of big government bureaucrats.

### Smoke Gets in Your Eyes

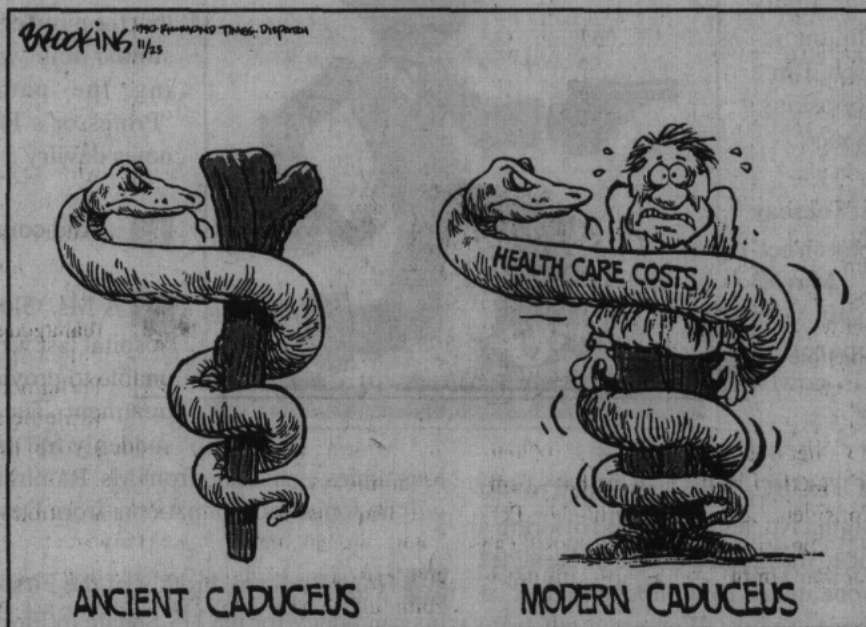
The Environmental Protection Agency recently suggested further restriction on chemical manufacturing. A new ruling will require chemical plants in the United States to, within three years, cut by 88% the amount of toxins they emit. The Chemical Manufacturing Rule will, according to EPA officials, reduce toxic emissions by 500,000 tons a year.

President Clinton has pledged to create millions of jobs by the end of this year. By imposing new regulations on private companies

he will create a few hundred more bureaucratic positions in Washington. It is unlikely that private companies, however, will respond to the new and cumbersome regulation by hiring more employees. In addition, the American chemical industry will have increased incentive to relocate abroad. Cleaning up the air we breathe is a noble cause. Nevertheless, it is surprising that EPA Director Carol M. Browner and President Clinton do not realize that the proposed legislation is far too drastic and radical. Furthermore, this legislation

comes at a time when the economy is starting to show real signs of recovery. These "reforms" threaten to choke off a still anemic recovery and destroy one of the nation's most successful industries.

While this move is required by the Clean Air Act of 1990, the President and the Congress have the power to nullify this act with new legislation. Unfortunately, they have not recognized that more regulation, while it may sound beneficial, is actually quite harmful to the operation of a market economy. These new regulations will eliminate high-paying and productive American jobs while giving the government still one more despicable notch on its regulatory scorecard.



# Fortnight in Review

*Comedy is allied to Justice.*

--Aristophanes

**PS** The University of Massachusetts, Amherst bookstore has stopped carrying *Playboy*, *Playgirl*, and *Penthouse*— not, reportedly, because of PC protests, but because of diminished sales. We never thought we'd say this, but maybe the free market isn't perfect after all.

**PS** UMass has also stopped carrying *Golf World* and *Arizona Highways*. Then again, maybe it is.

**PS** To commemorate Tufts' Intercultural week, in Carmichael, Dewick, and MacPhie, TUDS recently offered an "International Cheese Board," complete with "a sampling of cheese from around the world." The Dean of Students office expectedly described this endeavor as "many foods, one meal."

**PS** When asked who the *real* Hillary is, First Lady Hillary Clinton responded "Hillary is a mensch. I'm a real mensch." Pardon us for asking, but isn't that spelled with a *w*?

**PS** Prime Time viewers last Tuesday were delighted to pornography on network TV. On ABC Mariel Hemingway swapped spit with Roseanne Arnold. Apparently "Beauty and the Beast" is now a sitcom.

**PS** Speaking of porn, the TLGBC, VP Bernstein, Provost Gittleman, Chi-O, AOPi, Sigma Nu, and others are offering a skin show of their own. "Due to the graphic nature of the slides used in the production, no one under 18 will be admitted" at tonight's "Images of Violence Against Women: a powerful slide/lecture presentation." Yeah, we're going for the social commentary, honest.

**PS** The mother of all bureaucracies, the US Postal System, is doing what all government agencies do best: begging for money. This week the USPS is expected to ask for a three to six cent hike in the first class mail rate. Hopefully they didn't send their request through the mail.

**PS** A Boston zoologist left for Brazil last week, equipped with

only an oxygen mask and a shotgun, to hunt a six-foot-long sloth. According to the Associated Press, the behemoth is "huge, smelly... cries like a human being," and is "the biggest mammal in the Amazon." Must be a feminist.

**PS** Top Ten Failed Fraternity/Sorority Theme Parties:

10. ZBTaxidermy
9. AOPi=r<sup>2</sup>
8. Alpha Phi— All for just 20 bucks
7. Sigma Neuterization Night
6. Mocktail Party
5. AEPI: Beer with Bruce, a night with Dean Reitman
4. DU: Pin the Tail on the Pakistani
3. Also DU: No Rum for the Dum
2. DTD against THC
1. Theta Chi Drink from the Sink



**PS** New Mexico state highway officials have rejected a request to change the name of Route 666 over concerns that the number connoted devilry. In a similar vein, we recommend changing the name of Tufts' own "Professor's Row" which also connotes devilry... and stupidity.

**PS** ...And communism.

**PS** A Ms. Gloria Ramirez died in a hospital last week after workers were unable to provide her with necessary treatment. The six hospital workers suddenly fell unconscious from nox-

ious fumes emanating from Ms. Ramirez's body. The hospital will no longer accept patients from Dewick Dining Hall.

**PS** Hugh Rodham, brother of the First Lady, has announced his candidacy for the US Senate in Florida. When asked why he had never registered to vote before 1991, Mr. Rodham replied, "I didn't see the need for it." We can only surmise that Hugh saw the impending threat of his brother-in-law in the Oval Office and registered Republican.

**PS** Stumping on behalf of his wife's health care plan, President Clinton recently told GM workers in Baton Rouge about his old pick-up truck, an El Camino. According to Bill, the truck's back was lined with astro turf, but "I won't tell you what for." That would explain the nasty rash on Jennifer Flowers' back.



**PS** Speaking of pick-up trucks, while walking to hers from a park in Beaverton, Oregon, skating champion and slugger extraordinaire Tonya Harding reported being pushed to the ground and spraining her wrist. Harding claims to have been a victim of an attack. Why would someone mug Harding? She doesn't have any gold... or silver... or bronze.

**PS** When curious reporters asked Ms. Harding about the alleged attack, the blonde tersely responded, "I'm feeling OK. Can't you guys get a life or something?" Spending so much time on ice seems to have made Tonya frigid.

**PS** An exhibit titled "The Dixie Cup: An American Original" opened at Lafayette College last month. Doesn't that make you feel superior?

**PS** Our wholly unreliable, forever anonymous, and probably wrong inside sources report that Dean Knable might resign at the end of the year. Call it wishful thinking, but here are the Top Ten Activities for Knable After Resigning:

10. Gas station attendant
9. Burger King waitress
8. Tufts Professor
7. Clinton cabinet position
6. TCU President
5. *Daily* copy editor
4. WWF
3. Playing the tuba for WMFO
2. Baby-sitting for John Fee
1. Getting a graduate degree

**PS** Smile! Only 1048 days left in the Clinton administration.

**PS** Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders recently delivered this doozy: "Obviously our Medicaid System had to be developed by a white male slave owner because our present system supports healthy, uneducated people which can only be slaves." In a related note, President Clinton has announced that neither intelligence nor the ability to speak English is still required for cabinet officers.

**PS** At least Elders is not the nation's only ignoramus. The Chicago-based International Center for the Advancement of Science Literacy reports that 80% of Americans don't know

enough about medical concepts to make intelligent choices about their own health care. Better trust that decision to a more competent entity, like the federal government.

**PS** Actually, we think that only 43% of Americans are *truly* ignorant.

**PS** Ms. Lorena Bobbit, who was recently released from a Virginia mental hospital, had this to say about her newfound freedom: "Well, I have already been to McDonald's today. The next stop is Disney World." We at THE SOURCE have a word of advice for Mickey and Company: keep Minnie away from your mouse.

**PS** TUDS continues to boycott Chilean grapes and Colombian coffee for political reasons. Why do they boycott USDA graded meat?



**PS** At Notre Dame David Hungeling and Matt Orsagh were elected student body President and Vice President respectively on a platform promising a Grateful Dead concert and daily harassing phone calls to administrators. Why can't *our* student government ever do anything productive?

**PS** At Williams College the environmental group is called

the Purple Druids. They don't bathe.

**PS** In Zwolle, Netherlands a band of bosomed bandits has made off with thousands of dollars of stolen goods by entering stores, baring their breasts, and pilfering items while storekeepers gawked. The criminals have been described as big and bouncy.

**PS** A burglar recently broke into Prince Charles' apartment at St. James' Palace and stole some of the heir to the throne's heirlooms, including tie pins and cuff links. Rejoice, Charles: You're no longer one of the world's ten worst dressed men.

**PS** Yale Law School has forbidden food and drink in its law library to combat the infestation of rats and squirrels. As of yet no action has been taken to rid the library of the true vermin: lawyers-in-training.

# Demobilizing the Woman Warrior

Anna Papadopoulou

The Clinton Administration has been sending clear signals lately that liberal advocacy of an egalitarian agenda of leveling is now more important than military necessity and two centuries of tradition. Bill Clinton's former Secretary of Defense, Les Aspen, recently moved to place women in combat. In April 1993 he announced his policy of ordering women into military aircraft and ships. Today, women are undergoing training to be combat pilots and crew members for aircraft carriers and other fighting ships.

These changes come as a result of feminist demands for what is perceived to be career advancement opportunities. Some feminists also entertain the notion that service in combat will mean promotions for them. In my view, however, the purpose of the armed forces is to fight and win wars, not provide employment opportunities. Many other job alternatives exist and most of them do not put women in harm's way.

Women have been cherished and protected by every known civilization. It is dishonest to suggest that men and women have the same physical capabilities. In spite of egalitarian rhetoric, women do not have "an equal opportunity to survive" in modern combat. There are undeniable differences in speed and strength between men and women, and women will always be in greater danger than men in battlefields. War making is not something to experiment with. It is the most physically demanding and mentally straining job in the world, one whose price is often death.

The question, however, is not whether women are physically capable of fighting, because I'm sure many women have great physical stamina and well-developed war skills. The question concerns whether or not women should be introduced into a domain so traditionally confined to males.

During Desert Storm, five women were killed and two taken prisoner by Iraqi forces. One particularly gruesome incident involved the capture of Major Rhonda Cornum, who was captured after her helicopter was shot down over Iraq. Subsequently, she was "violated manually, vaginally and rectally" by

her captors. Having women in the line of fire exposes them to such obscenities and assaults. Male prisoners, on the other hand, would never have to deal with this sort of ultimate humiliation and brutality. Male

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prisoners might be beaten, whipped, or tortured, but not raped.

Women in battlefields do not only put themselves in danger. They also threaten the integrity and reduce the strength of the unit if they have to be discharged for family or pregnancy reasons. One should not ignore the fact that the presence of women in battlefields can present many sexual complications between the two sexes. Mixing the sexes in such a setting undermines the adhesive glue that keeps men working together in life-and-death struggles. Introducing women also undermines the spirit of macho camaraderie that holds the military together.

Throughout history many women have been known to help in the defense of their homelands. Russian women, for example, served in combat positions during World War II. Even further back in time, during the Greek Struggle of Independence of 1821, Greek women blew up ships, smuggled ammunition, and even armed themselves with guns in order to carry on fighting so that the men could take a few minutes to eat.

When evaluating these acts, one should consider the somewhat restricted position women held in the conservative Greek soci-

ety of those days. Women have indeed proven to be brave in times of war, but as soon as peace was restored they would leave the military, return home, and let the men once again fill the ranks. Women acted as soldiers only when the need was so dire that the very survival of the nation was at stake.

Defending your home and invading foreign territory are two fundamentally different things. If the very survival of the country depends on it, then it is reasonable to expect everyone—even women—to join in the combat. However, when a military movement is expansionist or interventionist, there can be no justification for sending women into armed combat.

Consider the case of Israel. During Israel's war of independence of 1947-49, it was discovered that women's presence on the battlefield destroyed unit cohesion and morale. Also, interestingly enough, it was noticed that the Arabs fought more fiercely against units containing women. Today, women in Israel receive basic defensive training only and are withdrawn before combat operations begin.

I come from a small Mediterranean island whose sovereignty has been violated too many times in the course of history. This is why I feel that the security of a nation is the only possible justification for ever sending women into combat. In other situations, however, permitting women to enter the armed forces ends up undermining morale among the troops and exposing women to needless sexual assault and violation.

*Miss Papadopoulou is a sophomore majoring in Geological Sciences and minoring in Ancient Greek.*



# Nominees for the Second Annual SOURCE Awards

The **Flip Flop Award** acknowledges the most radical shift on a position. This year's nominees are: **Associate Dean of Students Bruce Reitman** for once imposing speech codes, but today championing free speech when trying to cover his tail after a personal attack on Michael Stickings; **Bobby-Ray Inman** for accepting the Secretary of Defense nomination, but then recoiling upon realizing he would have to work with President Bill; **Mahopela Pete Mutharika**, a one-time radical leftist who has recently been transformed into the refreshing voice of reason at *The Tufts Daily*; and **Aldrich Ames**, the CIA officer turned communist.

**Bruce Reitman** earns a second nomination for this year's **Foot-in-Mouth** award for the aforementioned attack on Michael Stickings, in the presence of three SOURCE editors. The other toe-throating nominees include: **Nancy Kerrigan** for her on-camera derisive remarks about Olympic gold medalist Oksana Bayul; **Vice President Al Gore**, who recently told Americans that our nation's motto, *e pluribus unum*, means "out of one, many;" and **Michael Stickings** for calling himself a "Burkean conservative," although he once wrote, "I do not deny that the gay and lesbian civil rights movement is a legitimate cause."

Following up on Candice Greenberg's triple-nomination performance of last year, **Bruce Reitman** receives his third nomination for **Person in Most Need of an Enema**. Competing with Bruce for the coveted title are: campus communist kingpin **Dean Royer**, who received a nomination for the same award last year; Surgeon General buffoon and condom freak **Joycelyn Elders**; and ECO/Watershed Collective guru **Andrew Epstein**.

At a university that wastes money like the federal government, it is difficult to narrow to only four the number of candidates for **The Biggest Waste of University Funds**. Nonetheless, the nomination committee persevered, and offers as 1993-1994 recipients: **The Experimental College**; **Dean of Students Bobbie Knable**; the \$1.4 million renovation of **President DiBiaggio's Luxury Palace**; and Tufts' new

## Drug and Alcohol Counselor

In a rare departure from our trademark satire and sarcasm, THE SOURCE academy presents the nominees for this year's **Best New Idea** prize. They are: Beloved concrete pachyderm **Jumbo II**; the university's decision to **slash funding for the Center for Environmental (mis)Management**; the proposal to **renovate Wessell Library**; and **California School Choice Proposition 174** (vouchers).

And because, at Tufts, there are 100 bad ideas for every good one, we present the nominees for the 1993-1994 **Worst New Idea** award: Figure skater **Tonya Harding's** scheme to **cripple rival Nancy Kerrigan**; the new **commie rag**; the Trustees' **Divestment from Hydro-Quebec**; this year's "**lowest tuition increase in years**;" and of course, Hillary Clinton's medical socialization plan., euphemistically called **National Health Care**.

Unfortunately, there are no nominees for the **Best TCU Senator of the Year** award.

Virtually everyone has some claim to victim status in modern American society, but the **Victim of the Year** award honors those who endure oppression beyond the everyday. Our nominees: knife-wielding feminist heroine **Lorena Bobbitt**; Long Island Railroad sociopath **Colin Ferguson**; figure-skating badboy **Tonya Harding**; and inept and currently unemployed former New York **Mayor David Dinkins** who, of course, lost re-election because America is an inherently racist society.

# 1993-1994

1993-94 marks the inaugural of **THE SOURCE Crook of the Year** award. The nominees are: **The Trustees** for continuing to waste our money with reck-

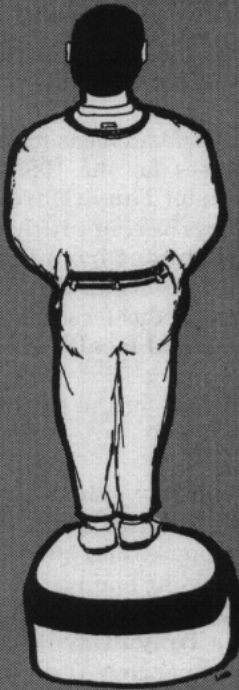
less abandon; **President Clinton** for, well, the same reason (but on a MUCH larger, mandatory scale); **The Watershed Collective** for breaking every university rule it could in campaigning against Hydro-Quebec; and the Butcher of Waco herself, **Attorney General Janet Reno**.



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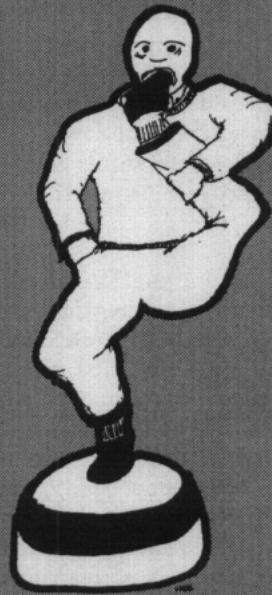
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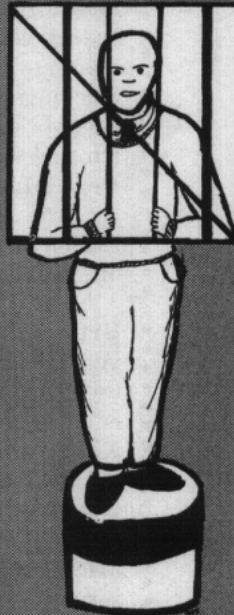
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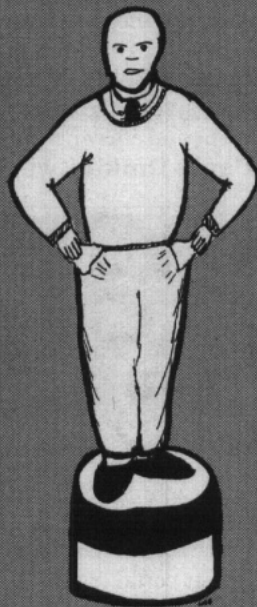
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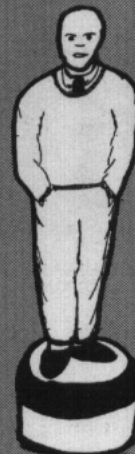


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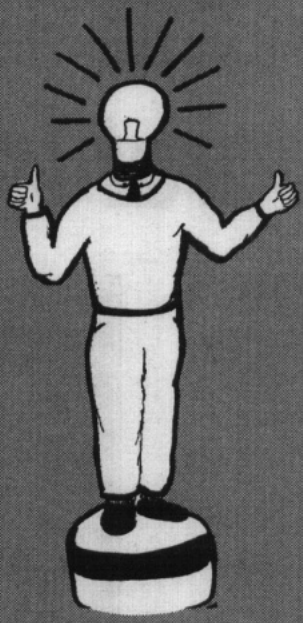
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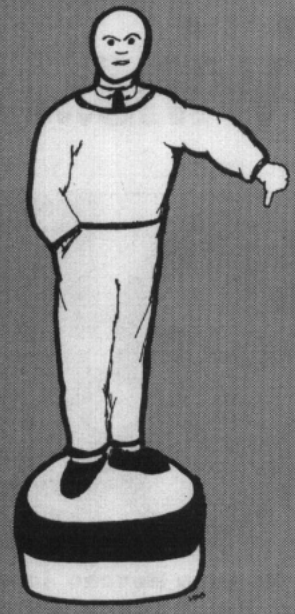


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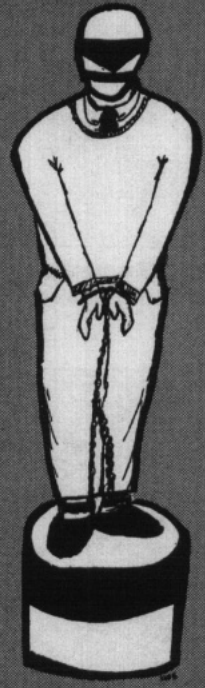
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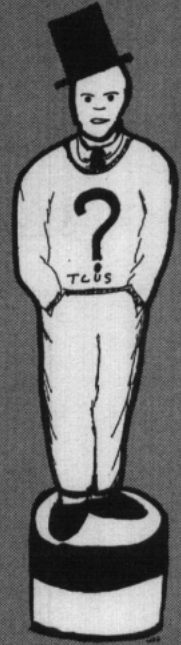
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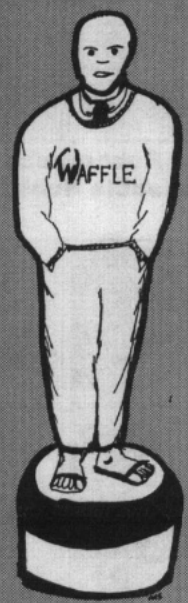
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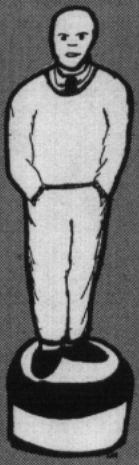
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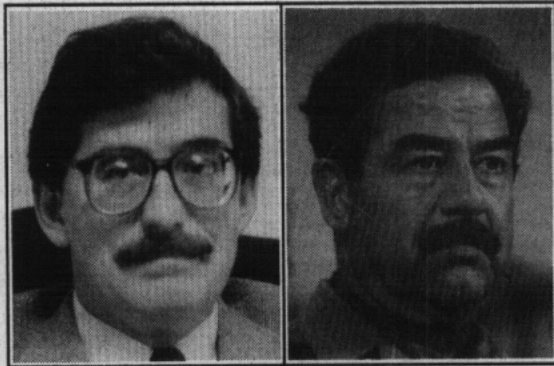
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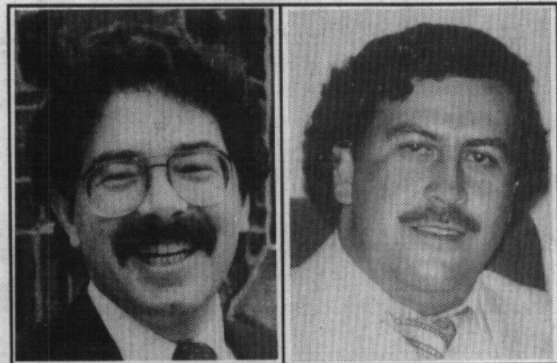
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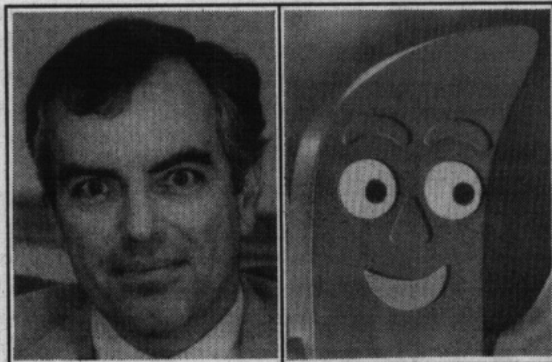
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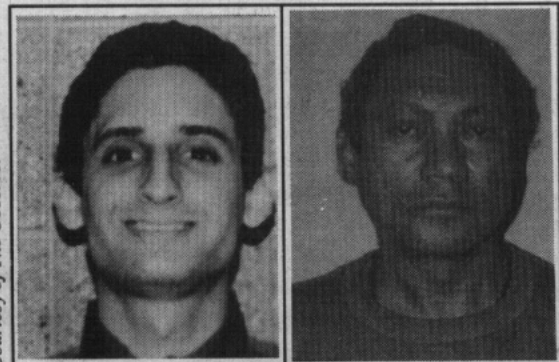
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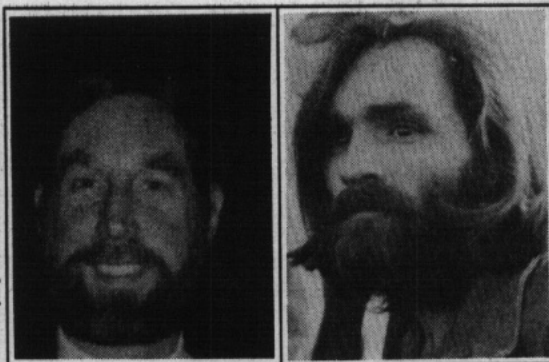
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**Newsweek Columnist George Will...  
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# The Foot of the Pig

Colin R.P. Delaney

We won the Cold War a few years ago, apparently bringing about worldwide peace and safety. With the defeat of the Iraqi army, the freeing of most of Eastern Europe, and a perceived collapse of communism, American liberals have voiced their demands for a peace dividend. They call for less spending on defense, and perhaps the dissolution of the Central Intelligence Agency, while recklessly wasting the money saved on social programs from National Health Care to paying hen-pecked husbands to stay home with their new babies for a year. A recent incident of espionage, however, serves as a reminder of the tentative and inconsistent nature of the existing peace. Given that nature, the need exists for stricter punishment of treason and elimination of the excessive bureaucracy in the CIA in order to refocus efforts on beneficial defense related projects.

A counter-espionage investigation, exposing a high-ranking Soviet agent in the CIA paints a very different picture of warmed-up relations between the United States and Russia. The Federal Bureau of Investigation arrested CIA officer Aldrich Ames and his Colombian-born wife, charging them with treason on behalf of both the Soviet Union and the Russian Federation. The Ames case brings to light the game that pits spy versus spy.

Aldrich Ames ranked considerably higher than a "mid-level official" who worked at CIA Headquarters in Langley, Virginia. He was privy to information containing the names and identities of agents for the CIA both in Washington and Moscow, as well as the covers of CIA officers (American citizens) operating overseas. Ames eventually landed the post of Chief of CIA's Soviet Counterintelligence wing. From 1983-85, he worked to prevent the KGB from learning the identities of CIA's agents.

At the same time, the KGB recruited him. As part of his duties, Ames debriefed a KGB defector named Vitaly Yurchenko in 1985. Yurchenko was a fabulous resource for the CIA and one of the highest ranking officers ever to defect. The penultimate act

of Yurchenko's defection was a request to be taken to the Georgetown eatery *Au Pied du Cochon*. As soon as his CIA guard went to the bathroom, Yurchenko walked onto

money.

The Ames case has thrown the White House for a loop. President Clinton and mouthpiece Dee Dee Myers spouted accusations at the government of Boris Yeltsin, saying that this case could jeopardize future relations. Knee-jerk reactionaries called for re-examination of aid to the former Soviet Union and demanded caution as friendly relations get friendlier.

Even during today's apparent peace, the Russians continue to spy on us while we do the same to them. We should continue to gather intelligence on political movements within Russia as well as intelligence concerning economic activity. Efforts to recruit agents that will deliver information about military movements and technological advances should also continue. Furthermore, it should come as no surprise when we uncover spy rings.

That does not mean we should allow them. The United States must never willfully divulge national security secrets to any foreign powers, and should react strongly when American officers are discovered as acting as spies for the enemy. The punishments the Ames face if convicted are simply not severe enough. Life imprisonment and a quarter million dollar fine amounts to not much more than a slap on the wrist when compared to the crime committed. Ames cost many American agents their lives and compromised innumerable officers. He compromised the national security of the United States and was paid handsomely for it. Treason of this order must be a capital offense, punishable by execution.

In an age when the actions of foreign governments are less and less predictable and uncertainty about the enemy exists, intelligence gathering has the utmost importance. The Middle East remains a hotbed of ethnic strife. The events surrounding the massacre of muslims praying at a West Bank mosque threaten to stall the shaky

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Wisconsin Avenue and straight back to the Soviet Embassy. After only a few months with Ames, he defected back to the Soviets, and the CIA had one of its greatest failures of the 1980s. Suspicions have also arisen that Ames' revelations to the KGB cost many officers and agents their lives and bungled many foreign operations run from Langley.

The Ames' lavish spending attracted the attention of the FBI counter-espionage



investigators. He drove a Jaguar and owned an expensive home in Arlington, VA. Leads uncovered by the FBI point to large sums of money deposited into accounts around the world on behalf of the Ames and Rosaria Ames' Colombian mother. The FBI has reportedly traced the electronic wire transfer records back to KGB and Russian accounts. The only apparent motive for Aldrich Ames to desert his country was

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# Dirty Water

Steve Seltzer

Throughout his public career, Bill Clinton has managed to avoid the political downfall that could easily have resulted from past allegations of scandalous behavior against him. He may not, however, survive the trail of corruption that emanates from the Whitewatergate scandal. White House counsel Bernard Nussbaum has already resigned in the wake of the revelation that he improperly met with federal officials that were overseeing the investigation of Clinton. Indeed, the President has much to hide, as special prosecutor Robert Fiske will soon discover.

Fiske's appointment followed two rather suspicious events. The first was the suicide last July of Vincent Foster, the deputy White House counsel and personal lawyer of the Clintons. The other was the discovery that White House aides entered Foster's office five hours after his death and removed the Whitewater Development Company files. Many people suspect a connection between the

suicide and Whitewater. Furthermore, the Clintons clearly attempted to deceive the public in their attempt to avoid disclosing the files.

The media and the public have not demonstrated significant interest in Whitewatergate. The public should be outraged at the Clintons' deceptive tactics because the First Couple had good reason to behave in such a way. A close examination of the scenario reveals that Clinton abused his political power, ultimately costing the taxpayer. Investigative reporting by the conservative journals *The American Spectator* and *Commentary* reveals an intricate web of corruption.

## The McDougal Connection

Clinton's relationship with James McDougal is integral to the Whitewater scandal. The two met in 1968 at the re-

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election campaign for U.S. Senator William Fulbright. Eventually, the Clintons and McDougals became close friends. In 1978, when Clinton was Arkansas attorney gen-

McDougal to expand his deposit base. When federal regulators finally did catch on to the deposit growth, McDougal had to obtain new investors to pay off the old ones. In essence, he had to pretend that he had money that he really didn't have. His solution, apparently, was to write fictitious checks. The overdraft scheme worked as long as the regulators did not discover them. McDougal, therefore, maintained parallel institutions that were inaccessible to the auditors. Whitewater Development was an investment made by the Clintons to aid McDougal in his scheme.

In 1984, the Arkansas Housing Development Agency rented space from Madison, paying it over \$200,000 over more than three years. This was done against the will

of agency officials, so the question arises as to whether Clinton as Governor improperly channeled state business to McDougal and Madison.

Bill Clinton himself even solicited Madison Guaranty business for Hillary. He convinced McDougal to order a retainer for Hillary's Rose Law Firm. No one denies that Hillary

started drawing the \$2,000, but the White House denies that Bill had anything to do with it.

Eventually, Madison Guaranty needed more money. The net worth of the thrift had always fallen short of the required minimum. To boost it, McDougal decided to obtain preferred stock, which would bring him more capital without diluting his control. The Rose Firm (acting on McDougal's behalf since it already had the retainer) sent a letter to the securities department, headed by Beverly Bassett Schaffer, formerly



eral and making his first run for governor, the McDougals and Clintons entered into a real estate venture, the Whitewater project. The foursome bought 230 acres along the White River from 101 River Development, Inc.

Whitewater Development Corporation was only one part of McDougal's savings and loan (thrift) defraudation scheme. McDougal's Madison Guaranty Association would get involved in various ridiculous real estate projects with investors' money. These plans did not even have to make profits, as McDougal would alter his books so as to inflate perceived profit, thus regulators were tricked into allowing

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McDougal's lawyer. The letter reminded the securities department of Hillary's involvement. Even though Madison was already in trouble with both state and federal authorities, the request was granted. Apparently, Hillary displayed improper influence.

Oddly enough, the stock was never raised and Bill Clinton tried to obtain funding for Madison. Clinton pressured David Hale, the founder of a private lending company into making an improper loan of \$300,000, backed by the Small Business Administration. The loan was subsequently to be put into McDougal's wife's advertising company. She then deposited \$110,000 of Hale's loan into the Whitewater account, where it was used as a down payment on 810 Ozark acres Whitewater bought in October 1986 for \$550,000 from International Paper. If this was a loan from Susan McDougal's company to Whitewater, then the books and tax records of both entities should show it, along with repayment. If they do not, then tax laws may have been violated. Coincidentally, Clinton had just provided tax breaks for International Paper in order to prevent it from moving out of state. Fiske should investigate allegations that the opportunity was made available to, and the price of this property accounted for, Clinton. It turns out that Whitewater voided the transaction.

### The Payback

The question then arises as to why Bill Clinton would put his neck on the line for McDougal. In December, 1980, Hillary received a loan of \$30,000 to build a demonstration house at Whitewater. It came from Kingston Bank & Trust, of which McDougal was one of the purchasers. Hillary proceeded to sell the house, repurchased it in

default, and sold it back for a gain. Later on, a Clinton lawyer claimed that Hillary's \$30,000 mortgage was a Whitewater debt, not the responsibility of Mrs. Clinton.

Another very suspicious check, dated March 22, 1985, funnels a "commission" of \$30,000 into Madison Real Estate, a subsidiary of the thrift that a former officer said was used as a conduit for funds. This check was cut less than two weeks before a fund-

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raiser for Clinton that has drawn a lot of interest. In April, 1985, McDougal sponsored a gathering in the lobby of Madison Guaranty in Little Rock to raise the \$50,000 Bill and Hillary borrowed to donate to the campaign. About 50-100 Madison employees and stockholders gathered and contributed about \$35,000. It was later discovered that some \$12,000 of the sum was in the

Madison also made numerous substantial loans to Clinton friends and supporters. A large number of these recipients did not put back their loans. Madison subsequently folded at \$50-60 million. Ultimately, the taxpayers have to pick up the slack for these people who used their political connections to obtain loans.

In addition to the preceding favors, the Clintons received numerous other similar breaks as a result of their investment in Whitewater Development. Clearly, James McDougal and Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan illegally provided both Bill and Hillary Clinton with political and personal finances. The Clintons had no choice but to use all of their political power in order to bail out McDougal and his outlandish schemes. Whitewater Development itself was a concoction that contributed to the wasting of immensely large sums of taxpayer dollars, as Madison was bailed out as a part of the savings and loan crisis.

### The Big Picture

The American public should have learned more about the Whitewater scandal than it has to this point. Put simply, the President and First Lady of the United States knowingly and willingly took part in a scandal that the American public had to finance. The Clintons have been implicated as criminals, yet most Americans do not appear to grasp that. President



form of cashier's checks from Madison. One of the alleged contributors claimed he never made such a donation. These cashier's checks turned up at the Clinton campaign account in the Bank of Cherry Valley, which recently received a subpoena in the Whitewater affair. It would make sense that the \$30,000 commission check is part of this money trail.

Bush's son, Neil, was well recognized for sitting on the board of an S&L that the public had to bail out. The media has not covered the Clintons' involvement in Whitewater in the same harsh manner that they have Neil Bush. When Fiske finally

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does confirm the Clintons' criminal behavior, the media will have no choice but to provide the American public with a complete account of it.

Not only have the Clintons stolen from the public, they have tried to deceive the entire country. There should be outrage at the fact that the Whitewater files were taken from Foster's office only hours after his suicide. The Clintons finally release the files, but they had plenty of time to destroy any incriminating evidence. The Clintons would not have secretly taken back the files if they did not have something to hide. These actions should come as no surprise, however, given the way Bill Clinton abused his political power in order to help out a scandal at the taxpayers' expense.

Some people may question the relevance of the Whitewater scandal to Bill Clinton's ability to govern. Others may argue that Clinton's transgressions occurred over ten years ago. However, Clinton's

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Arab/Israeli peace negotiations. And today, no less than 40 wars rage around the world. The world is far from a safe and secure place.

But American liberals have got their hands on the purse strings of the federal government and are pulling them in all the wrong directions. The perennial liberal mistake of raising taxes to solve the problem of deficit spending is accompanied by a few obligatory cuts. The budget cuts thus far, and those scheduled to take effect after President Clinton leaves office, primarily target America's fragile strategic defense networks.

Like any government department, the CIA admittedly spends some money inappropriately. Funds that are wasted on supporting a bloated bureaucracy could be better spent sponsoring projects that truly do ensure national security. The CIA needs to revamp its structure to make it more agile and less management reliant. People in Aldrich Ames' position deserve fair compensation. More importantly, the officers who work in the field gathering our intelligence and risking their lives every minute of every day, do so almost entirely for love

criminal actions are bad omens for current policy. During the presidential campaign, Clinton harshly criticized bank regulators in a New Hampshire swing. He now has a major proposal to reorganize bank supervision, consolidating the existing agencies into one panel. This proposal has caused Republican Congressman Jim Leach to scrutinize Whitewater. Leach, and others, fear that Clinton is trying to make federal regulation subservient to the executive so that he can abuse his power for personal and political gain.

The United States has just started to emerge from a recession intensified by the near collapse of the savings and loan industry and the severe weakening of the banking system. This condition resulted from the unwise legislation of the late seventies and early eighties. Bills from that time period distorted the incentives of the regulatory system. Instead of deregulation they provided a government subsidy for foolhardy investments. The problem was compounded by political interference on behalf of the worst elements of the financial industry. Clinton's connection with McDougal shows

of their country. A man cannot raise a family on a CIA salary. This needs to change, lest qualified candidates decide not to pursue the most honorable job of all. Money wasted on useless Langley bureaucrats and political appointees, should instead reward those employees who *earn* their pay.

Today, policy wonks redirect the nature of the CIA. Over the last few years, the CIA has started focusing more of its efforts on gathering intelligence concerning the economic health and strength of other nations. But the anticipated 10% cut in the Agency's roughly 30 billion dollar budget (the actual figure is still classified) is expected to emasculate the Company's economic information gathering efforts. Previously, the CIA used the UN and other organizations to confirm figures that its officers had developed. But Congress is prepared to now rely wholly on these supranational organizations to provide us with information vital to national security, according to a strategically placed official in the office of the President.

Any change of this sort would take money away from one of the few government agencies that deserve taxpayer dollars in order to spend the money on defunct social programs left over from Johnson's bankrupt Great Society. It would also trans-

fer the sovereignty of the state to an authority controlled partially by our enemies. This ridiculous budget cut has catastrophic ramifications that can put America at a severe intelligence disadvantage compared to our allies. The fact that our enemies might have an edge on us is simply terrifying.

And so, the agency that gathers the nation's information on its enemies and its friends is operating on anemic budgets while fifteen-year-old ghetto children are breeding a class of undereducated underachievers as they receive government handouts. The results? The security of the nation is shot on two sides. We are creating a welfare state at home and cannot even afford to keep tabs on our enemies.

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The simple case of a spy recruited right out of the ranks of the counterespionage branch of the CIA has shed light on a host of problems ranging from America's false sense of security to foolish budget decisions. A mistake is not bad, if learned from. But policy makers never seem to let history act as their guide. Perhaps Aldrich Ames can teach a lesson to Congress and American liberals. More likely, they will never listen.

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# Tufts: Keeping Alumni in the Dark

Joseph V. Belle, E'43

## Quo Vadis, Tufts?

Tufts University, where are you headed? What are you doing? Where is the Tufts of yesterday, the Tufts of honor, principle and human values? The evidence is now overwhelming that Tufts is descending into oblivion and a self-imposed destruction. I wish to chronicle the events that provide the evidence; should there not only be grave concern for the graduates to be, but, also, for the graduates who are. With the descent into relativism, secularism, hedonism, humanism, even paganism, a Tufts diploma, which attests to a Tufts' academic degree, becomes a meaningless piece of paper. My chronicle will be concerned particularly with a possible conspiracy to place a shroud between the truth and Tufts' alumni. What is known on the campus, respecting events and new innovations in policy, is hidden from alumni.

In May 1993, I attended my 50th class reunion; It was an occasion for renewing old friendships, and, I hoped, a continued devotion to what I always have considered a noble institution. But a pall has descended over that experience because many subsurface events and policy innovations are occurring at Tufts which are leading to its demise as a great university.

At commencement 1987, Tufts granted honorary degrees to Ms. Gloria Steinem, the "high priestess of barren womanhood," and Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun. The Justice authored the Court's decision, *Roe v. Wade*, which has put America in a moral turmoil and resulted in the slaughter of well over 30,000,000 Americans. The sole reason for this slaughter is that the babies cannot be seen in the womb and the bearing of a child is inconvenient and disruptive to our sexually obsessed society. The fact of innocence and dependency has had no bearing; astonishingly, in a recent minority decision of the Court, Justice Blackmun has pronounced, "From this day forward, I no longer shall tinker with the machinery of death." I

objected to these honors in a letter to the winter 1988 issue of Tufts' alumni magazine, *The Criterion*. My objection was based on the logic that when Tufts honors a per-

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sonage such as Steinem and Blackmun, Tufts honors their philosophies. In an editor's note in the Spring/Summer issue of *The Criterion*, the editor stated that my letter sparked several responses that have gradually strayed from *The Criterion's* focus on current events at the university. No further letters would be published. This opens the singular source of news to alumni to the

for your interesting letter." Is this a symbol of respect and concern for alumni views?

My next letters to Tufts took the form of direct appeals for sanity to the new presi-

dent, Dr. John DiBiaggio. In a letter dated March 11, 1993, I summarized the alumni debate about the honors to Steinem and Blackmun and stated my hopes that under President DiBiaggio, the university would transmit a healthier and more moral message to

students and alumni. In a letter dated March 24, 1993, I returned the invitation to Dr. DiBiaggio's inaugural, and stated to him that I would not lend my presence to any occasion that honors a personality with the amoral and secular agenda of Dr. Donna Shalala; I added the observation that Dr. Shalala does not represent that nobility of character which should be a hallmark of

Tufts. In a letter of mine dated April 2, 1993, I advised President DiBiaggio that I planned to attend the 50th reunion of the Class of 1943, and hoped similar personages should not be honored. Although I very well may be an obscure alumnus, my days at Tufts, 1939-1943, were not without contribution to the university. President DiBiaggio did not honor me, a 50-year alumnus, with any response to anything. As seems to be his policy of non-direct involvement in administration, he turned my letters over to Provost Gittleman which, in my mind, is a grievous error in alumni relations and respect, as well as normal courtesies. Subsequent events evince a further descent into the absence of sanity and good reason.

(Indulge me in an anecdote. At our 50th reunion, at the Pre-Pops Buffet, I had an occasion to meet, and speak directly with, President DiBiaggio. I asked him whose idea it was to have Dr. Shalala as keynote speaker at his inaugural as Tufts' president. He said, "Mine; she's a personal



question: What is the mission of the alumni publication? What news will it focus on? Is it, or is it not, a forum for alumni? In a letter to the late President Mayer, May 23, 1988, I stated these objections and requested that, as a matter of honor, the honors be rescinded. Dr. Mayer's response: "Thank you

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friend of mine." We must remember that at the University of Wisconsin Dr. Shalala was the prime advocate of speech codes and political correctness. She is a premier advocate in the Clinton administration of unlimited abortion rights, gay rights, school-based value-free sex education, universal condom distribution and many other aberrations that plague our society. Consistently, it is reported that Tufts administration, in a letter to Mr. Clinton, formally endorsed his plan to lift the ban on gays in the military. One might conclude that Tufts now suffers from the "Shalala Syndrome".)

"Diversity" is a favorite word of Tufts' administrators. But what does it mean? There are many possible interpretations but nothing clear as to how it will be applied. In the draft of the Mission Statement for Tufts University (draft dated March 29, 1993), there is a statement that "diversity is an explicit goal and should be reflected in the composition of students, faculty and staff—and in our relationships to the world. This will be manifested by recruitments and retention of people from underrepresented groups."

Is this quotas? What does it do to personal merit and achievement? What does it do to Tufts' academic reputation? I contend that all of this should be explained to alumni; it has not received a passing word.

I am in possession of a piece of true revulsion which emanated from the Tufts Health Education Program. It is a sex conduct survey, with all the gory details of any and every conceivable act of sexual perversion. I asked President DiBiaggio, by letter of June 21, 1993, whether he endorsed the survey; no response from the president of the university. I asked that it be published in *The Criterion* in order that alumni learn the reality of events on campus. It was not published.

(Too shameful for alumni to know about? But not too shameful or intrusive for students?)

Most revealing was my correspondence with Provost Gittleman. My correspondence with President DiBiaggio (which is his wont) was turned over to the Provost for response. Two letters of mine and two of Provost

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Gittleman were published as a "Dialogue" in *The PRIMARY SOURCE*. Whether from embarrassment or true concern, Provost Gittleman took umbrage at the publication of the "dialogue." He considered his letters as private letters to me although President DiBiaggio asked the Provost to reply, presumably, as formal responses to my queries.

Provost Gittleman acted as an apologist for the commencement honors program of Tufts stating that it honors people of walks of life, from all political perspectives, religions, races and ideologies. He also stated that people are honored because other people nominate them and consider them worthy. (This, presumably, was the reason for honoring Blackmun and Steinem.) My response to the Provost was that such a stance is no stance at all and that honoring every and any philosophy, on the part of Tufts, represents a Tufts' espousal of *anything*, everything and nothing—all at the same time. In effect Tufts tries to please every philosophy and, therefore, espouses none and very well discards the traditional values which brought Tufts into being. This certainly opens to question whether Tufts can so continue to flourish—or even exist.

The next development was a letter to the editor of *The Criterion* requesting that alumni be informed of several campus developments. Among these were:

The Tufts Health Education Program Sex Survey Questionnaire.

The reasons for canceling the campus debate on "gays in the military."

The mission and results of the experimental Bridge/Metcalf communal living project.

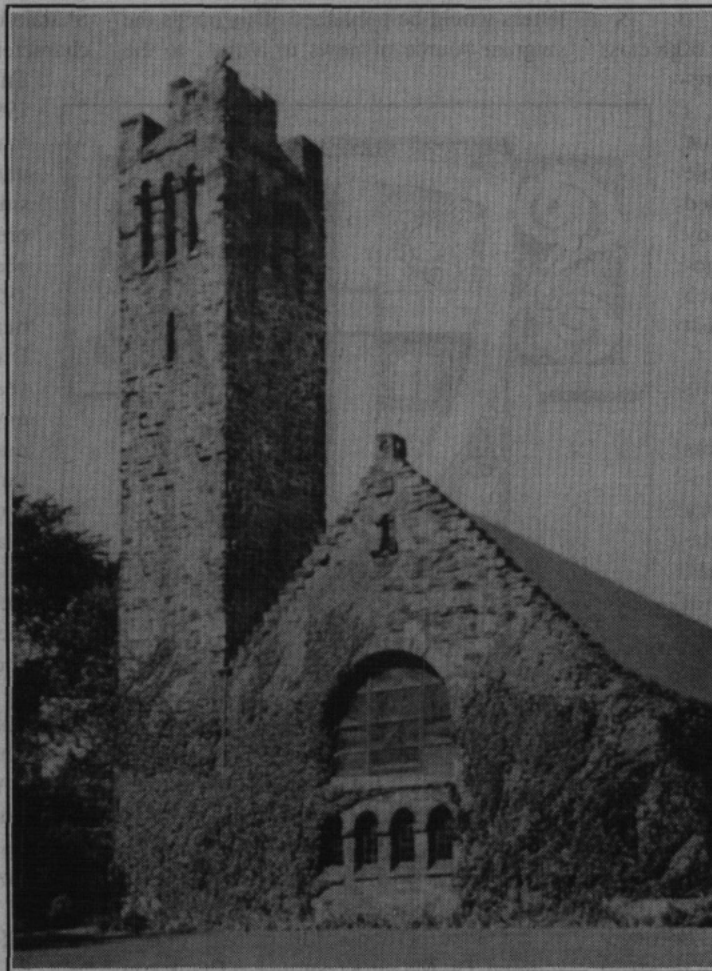
The mission and function of the Health Education Program.

The recognition, as a valid student organization, of the Tufts Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Community.

The reasoning and justification of Tufts' formal support of Mr. Clinton's plan to lift the ban on gays in the military.

This letter was not published.

I addressed a letter to President DiBiaggio, of July 27, 1993, respectfully differing with him in giving my letters to the Provost for response, and for not respond-



ing himself. In it, I quoted from a column by Jeff Hart about Harvard University and cited an implied comparison to Tufts:

"People who do not conform were hissed down in class, ostracized, and declared guilty of some "ism"—racism, sexism, elitism, Eurocentrism, phallocentrism, you name it."

Of course, no acknowledgment from President DiBiaggio.

On June 29, 1993, I had written to Mr. Nelson Gifford, Chairman of the Trustees of Tufts College, complaining of some of the events at Tufts, particularly the Tufts Health Education Program sex survey. In reply, Mr. Gifford advised me that he would take it upon himself to discuss with other Trustees my position on traditional values versus Tufts' position of openness to all conflicting philosophies. If they decided a change was necessary, an announcement would appear in *The Criterion*. I sent this information to *The Criterion* for publication. In neither case did anything happen.

I sent another letter, in the same general vein, to Mr. Gifford on Sept. 28, 1993. In response, giving some apparent acknowledgment to my concerns, he encouraged me to continue to state my views in letters to *The Criterion*, presumably to get reaction from alumni. *No letters* have ever been published.

I have sent further letters to Provost Gittleman, but I have received no responses from him. When he stated umbrage at my publicizing his earlier letters, he told me that I had lost his trust!

In a letter to Mr. Gifford, dated Oct. 13, 1993, I reminded him of his promise to discuss my views with the other trustees. In the letter, I quoted from an article by an eminent president of an American university, implying its application to Tufts:

"I can walk into any school, anywhere, and in a short time tell you which direction the current is flowing by the interaction of the students and faculty, by the conversation, by the decisions made, by the priorities followed. I can tell whether the current is moving toward what is moral, what is holy, what is edifying, what is the fruit of the spirit: love, joy, patience, kindness, peace, Godliness, and self-control; or whether that current is mov-

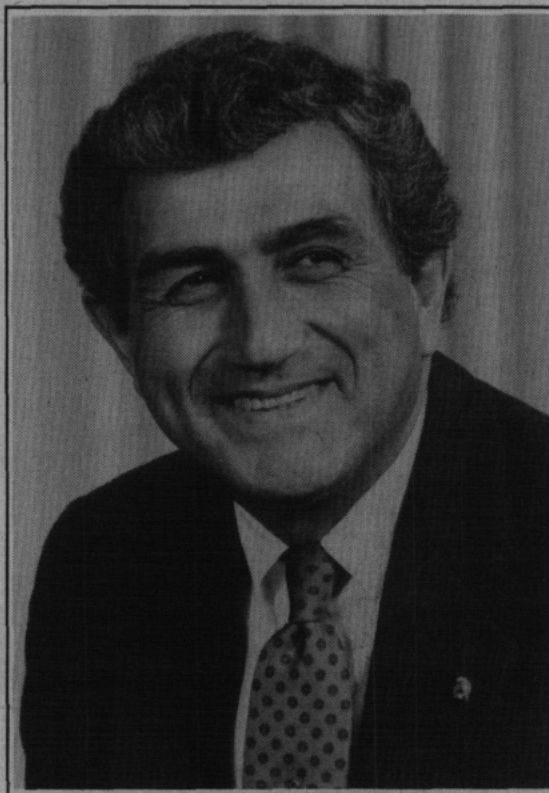
ing toward what is immoral, toward the flesh: envy, drunkenness, orgies, factions, selfish ambitions, rage, discord, debauchery, and the rest."

An apt description of the Tufts' campus? Probably so; yet no response from Mr. Gifford.

Again, on Nov. 27, 1993, I wrote an-

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other letter for publication in *The Criterion*. You can be assured it was not published. I made particular references to a statement by a Tufts faculty member that it is not the business of the university to support the



**President John DiBiaggio**

U.S. Government (a hypocrisy considering the U.S. grants received by Tufts). ROTC members were described as "unintelligent, trained killers with a bestial mentality who owe no allegiance to the university". Of course, this was incident to the election by Tufts' faculty *not* to commemorate Veter-

ans' Day 1993. The same mentality prevailed in 1969 when Tufts' administrators banned the ROTC from the campus. (Tufts does not deem our country worth defending; but it is a worthy source of financial grants?)

I tried, again to no avail, to inform alumni about conditions at Tufts by a letter dated Dec. 10, 1993. In the letter,

attempting unsuccessfully to bring matters to the needed attention of fellow graduates, I made the following points:

Dr. George Rizzone, Director of Campus Health Services, proudly declared that Health Services is now able to provide oral contraceptives

(some of which are abortifacients) at the reduced price of \$5.00 per cycle.

A woman student was reported as saying she was "thrilled" at the reduced price (one must wonder if her supporting parents were equally "thrilled.")

The Dec. 1, 1993 issue of *The Tufts Daily* announced Tufts' participation in "World AIDS Awareness Day." The ad contained the misleading statement that "AIDS can be prevented by using condoms or latex dams." The ad referred to Tufts Sex Talk, a recognized student group which advocates safer sex and contraceptive technology.

My letter of Dec. 11, 1993, I sent a copy of this letter to *The Criterion*, to Mr. Gifford, chairman of the trustees. Of course, no response.

My letter of Dec. 18, 1993, I wrote to Mr. Ron Brinn, Director of Alumni Relations. I informed him of my having learned that the Office of Alumni Relations was to take over publication of *The Criterion* (retitled *The Tuftonian*), and I recommended to Mr. Brinn that the new *Tuftonian* be less an organ of Tufts' administrators and more an organ of Tufts' alumni/alumnae; I also recommended a regular column, "Alumni Views." No response from Mr. Brinn.

On Dec. 22, 1993, I again appealed to Mr. Gifford to correct the moral depravity which permeates Tufts. I referred to him an article, in *The Washington Times*, by a 50-

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year alumnus of Yale who stated that under discussion is the formation of a powerful national association of alumni of colleges and universities to monitor these schools and to encourage alumni to react to the assault by the advocates of "political correctness." Of course, no response from Mr. Gifford.

On Dec. 29, 1993, I wrote to one of the campus chaplains recommending a regular column in one of the campus publications, titled "The Chaplain's Column." No response.

Possibly most indicative of the depravity with which we must all be concerned, is the report (and recommendations) of The Task Force on Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Issues which was published by Vice President Bernstein. Vice President Bernstein stated that the report should be disseminated throughout the Tufts community, including the Trustees. It is very obvious that the dissemination was not to include alumni. The report should shock anyone of maturity and good reason. Its logic (if any) has been devastatingly discredited by an article in *The Daily*, Feb. 3, 1994. The report has been ripped asunder by an article in the Feb. 9, 1994 issue of THE PRIMARY SOURCE.

On Jan. 25, 1994 and Feb. 20, 1994, I wrote my most recent letters to Mr. Gifford. In the first letter, I asked the Chairman of the Trustees of Tufts College whether the Trustees, even passively, support what transpires at Tufts. I asked Mr. Gifford whether or not, with honor and nobility, he agrees with the direction Tufts is going in. In the second letter, I stated my dismay at his passivity, referred to an imperative and massive program of correction by alumni/alumnae, and sent him a copy of Tufts' most recent atrocity, the ad in *The Tufts Daily* announcing the perfidious session, at the Campus Center, Feb. 15, 16, and 17, ("everybody's doing it") on National Condom Week. In anger, by letter dated Feb. 20, 1994, I sent a copy to President DiBiaggio and asked him the very well disrespectful question as to whether he would encourage members of his family to attend the sessions.

On the whole matter of informing

alumni of what transpires at their *alma mater*, I had a long telephone conversation with Ron Brinn, the Director of Alumni Relations, on Jan. 26, 1994. I confirmed the gist of our discussions by a letter to him the

*ship?*

I asked Mr. Brinn if he would join a crusade for sanity at Tufts. I used as an example of insanity a copy of the Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Task Force Report.

So that I, myself, might undertake a crusade to inform Tufts graduates, at my request, Mr. Brinn promised to send to me a copy of the Directory of Tufts Alliances throughout the country and the world.

I have received no response from Mr. Brinn; neither have I received the direc-

tory. Evidence, indeed, of a "cabal?"

The measure of the value of Tufts is whether, knowing what transpires, a parent, either with a child presently at Tufts would keep him or her there; or, indeed, whether a parent would send to Tufts a child *en route* to a college education. I seriously doubt it.

It would be an insanity to me. I am a father of children and grandchildren whom I adore because of their innocence, goodness, and the love they give without strings and with the spontaneity of inbred virtue. If I should ever importune my own children to send my grandchildren to Tufts, I would be cosigning them to an atmosphere of moral aberrations and depravity. *I would be guilty of perpetrating on them a great moral evil.*

Certainly of most concern should be imparting the truth to Tufts greater family, the alumni and alumnae. Quoting a perceptive and very wise friend of mine on the campus:

"Alumni will respond if they are made to feel that there are opportunities to respond. They must be informed by other than the disingenuous "pap" fed to them through alumni publications. Tufts cannot afford to ignore them any more than politicians can ignore irate constituents."

Can we but conclude that a cabal of silence, a concrete wall of silence and disinformation, prevents alumni from knowing the truth? Printing this entire treatise in *The Tuftonia* would disprove my contention.

*Mr. Belle graduated from Tufts College of Engineering in 1943.*

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following day. I must summarize the discussion and the letter as follows:

He did not sound aware of controversial events and policies that trouble people of reason.

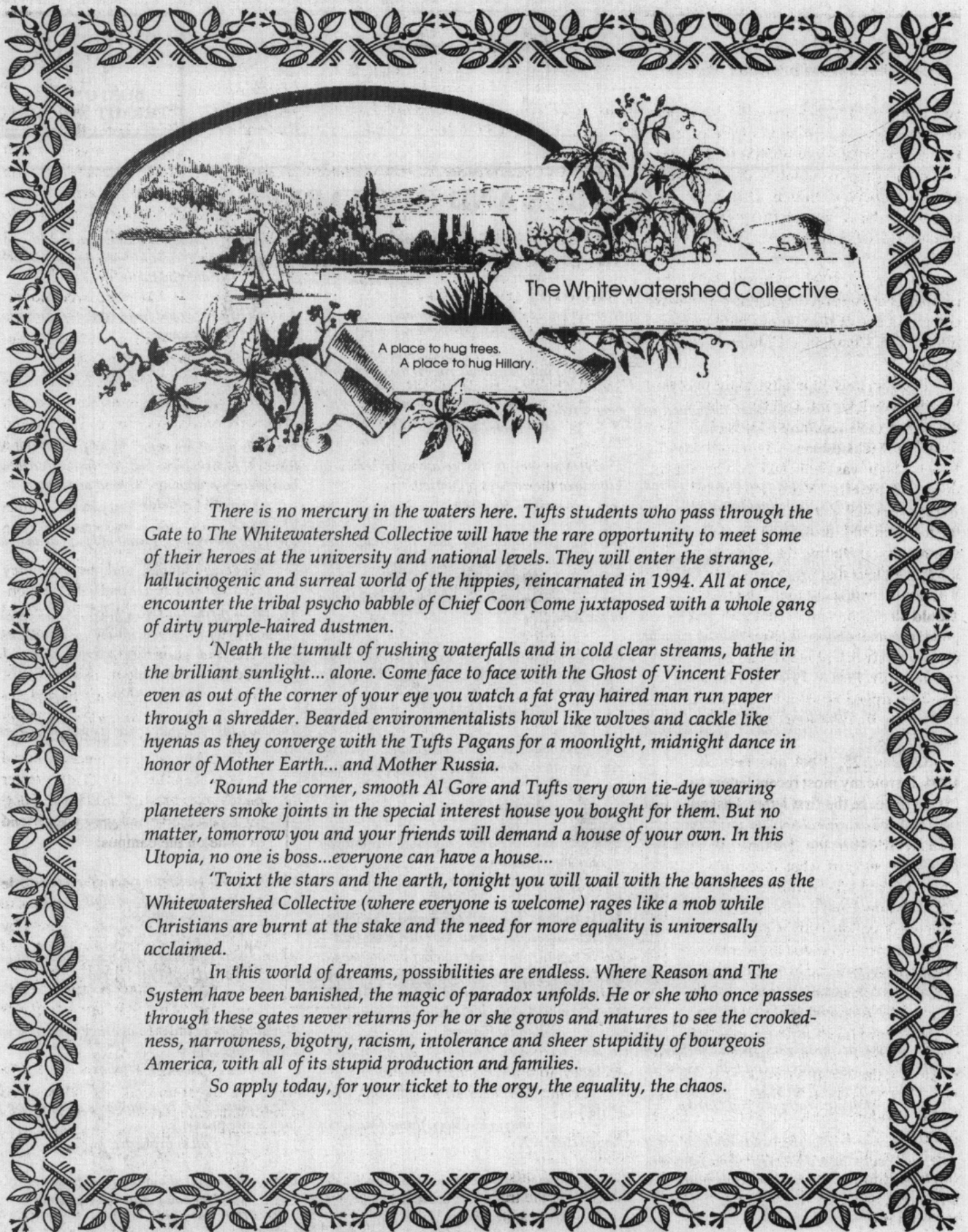
He was vague in his concept of the purpose of the alumni paper (*The Tuftonia*).



**Joseph V. Belle, Class of 1943**

He seemed reluctant to use *The Tuftonia* as an alumni forum for honest debate.

Are the administrators of Tufts concealing the truth from alumni, particularly the truth in matters to which the alumni might take umbrage? What conceivable reason might Tufts administrators have for concealing the truth from alumni, a group whose loyalty and support are crucial to the survival of Tufts? *Is there a cabal of censor-*



*There is no mercury in the waters here. Tufts students who pass through the Gate to The Whitewatershed Collective will have the rare opportunity to meet some of their heroes at the university and national levels. They will enter the strange, hallucinogenic and surreal world of the hippies, reincarnated in 1994. All at once, encounter the tribal psycho babble of Chief Coon Come juxtaposed with a whole gang of dirty purple-haired dustmen.*

*'Neath the tumult of rushing waterfalls and in cold clear streams, bathe in the brilliant sunlight... alone. Come face to face with the Ghost of Vincent Foster even as out of the corner of your eye you watch a fat gray haired man run paper through a shredder. Bearded environmentalists howl like wolves and cackle like hyenas as they converge with the Tufts Pagans for a moonlight, midnight dance in honor of Mother Earth... and Mother Russia.*

*'Round the corner, smooth Al Gore and Tufts very own tie-dye wearing planetears smoke joints in the special interest house you bought for them. But no matter, tomorrow you and your friends will demand a house of your own. In this Utopia, no one is boss...everyone can have a house...*

*'Twixt the stars and the earth, tonight you will wail with the banshees as the Whitewatershed Collective (where everyone is welcome) rages like a mob while Christians are burnt at the stake and the need for more equality is universally acclaimed.*

*In this world of dreams, possibilities are endless. Where Reason and The System have been banished, the magic of paradox unfolds. He or she who once passes through these gates never returns for he or she grows and matures to see the crookedness, narrowness, bigotry, racism, intolerance and sheer stupidity of bourgeois America, with all of its stupid production and families.*

*So apply today, for your ticket to the orgy, the equality, the chaos.*

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## NOTABLE AND QUOTABLE

*In vino veritas.*

—Roman proverb

*Defense is no longer protection of one's own society, but the threat of senseless violence against another.*

—Tom Clancy

*God created man, and, finding him not sufficiently alive, gave him a female companion to make him feel his solitude more keenly.*

—Paul Valéry

*It is a damned poor mind indeed that can't think of at least two ways of spelling any word.*

—Andrew Jackson

*Better that a girl has beauty than brains because boys see better than they think.*

—Unknown

*A louse in the cabbage is better than no meat at all.*

—Amish proverb

*Thanks to the Interstate Highway System, it is now possible to travel from coast to coast without seeing anything.*

—Charles Kuralt

*Trust your husband, adore your husband, and get as much as you can in your own name.*

—Advice to Joan Rivers from her mother

*But what is freedom? Rightly understood, the universal license to be good.*

—Hartley Coleridge

*I talk to myself because I like dealing with a better class of people.*

—Jackie Mason

*I will not be as those who spend the day in complaining of headache, and the night in drinking the wine that gives it.*

—Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

*The prelude to Tristan and Isolde reminds me of the Italian painting of the martyr whose intestines are slowly being unwound from his body on a reel.*

—Eduard Hanslick

*Live in danger. Build your cities on the slopes of Vesuvius.*

—Nietzsche

*Nietzsche was stupid and abnormal.*

—Leo Tolstoy

*It has been said that democracy is the worst form of government except all the others that have been tried.*

—Winston Churchill

*Every man sees in his relatives a series of grotesque caricatures of himself.*

—H.L. Mencken

*Getting kicked out of the American Bar Association is like getting kicked out of the Book-of-the-Month Club.*

—Melvin Belli, after being kicked out of the ABA

*America is a large, friendly dog in a very small room. Every time it wags its tail it knocks over a chair.*

—Arnold Toynbee

*An archeologist is the best husband a woman can have; the older she gets, the more interested he is in her.*

—Agatha Christie

*Well, if I called the wrong number, why did you answer the phone?*

—James Thurber

*SDI is America's security guarantee if the Soviets should—as they have done too often in the past—fail to comply with their solemn commitments. SDI is what brought the Soviets back to arms control talks at Geneva and Iceland. SDI is the key to a world without nuclear weapons.*

—Ronald Reagan

*Being named as one of the world's best-dressed men doesn't necessarily mean that I am a bad person.*

—Anthony R. Cucci, former Mayor of Jersey City, NJ

*She was so wild that when she made French toast she got her tongue caught in the toaster.*

—Rodney Dangerfield

*If you don't miss a few planes during the year, you are spending way too much time at airports.*

—Paul C. Martin

*A stitch in time would have confused Einstein.*

—Unknown

*Providence protects children and idiots. I know because I have tested it.*

—Mark Twain

*Reminds me of my safari in Africa. Somebody forgot the corkscrew and for several days we had to live on nothing but food and water.*

—W.C. Fields

*I will not eat oysters. I want my food dead—not sick, not wounded—dead.*

—Woody Allen

*The liberty of the press is a blessing when we are inclined to write against others, and a calamity when we find ourselves overborne by the multitude of our assailants.*

—Samuel Johnson

*The only thing that ever sat its way to success was a hen.*

—Sarah Brown

*We didn't starve, but we didn't eat chicken unless we were sick, or the chicken was.*

—Bernard Malamud

*The man who sees both sides of a question is a man who sees absolutely nothing at all.*

—Oscar Wilde

*After a year in therapy, my psychiatrist said to me, "Maybe life isn't for everyone."*

—Larry Brown

*Not doing more than the average is what keeps the average down.*

—William M. Winans

*The greatest love is a mother's, then a dog's, then a sweetheart's.*

—Polish proverb

*Guys are so anal about their heterosexuality.*

—Unnamed drunken freshmyn