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TRIAL BY PRESS

Let's talk sense about the events that took place in the Gater office November 6.

The only fact that is known for sure is that a fight occurred.

The only source of information about the incident so far has been from one of the participants, namely the Gater editor and his staff.

We have seen photographs showing a fight in the Gater office. The pictures do not show a premeditated attack on the Gater editor by a group of black students. All they show is a fight. The Gater's interpretation of the pictures is only one of a great number of possible interpretations. We do not pretend to know what happened, but after reading the utter racist editorial by Jim Vaszko in Friday's Gater, we feel that one explanation could be that the fight was provoked by an offensive remark or act that Monday by Vaszko.

What gives the Gater the right to set itself up as prosecutor, judge, and jury of the Black Student Union and to declare that, "we no longer intend to tolerate the Black Student Union as it is now organized."

Who decides which evidence is valid and which is not?

We question the objectivity of an editor who can produce such vicious statements as: "...it (BSU) not only preaches hate, destruction and violence, but practices it as well."

The Gater last week gave us a shining example of journalistic witch-hunting with its trial by press of the BSU. We repeat, we do not know the facts, we are not making any judgments about what happened until the facts are known, but the Young Socialist Alliance calls on all the students at San Francisco State College to repudiate the Gater for this trial by press and for its vicious racist attack on the Black Student Union in Friday's editorial.

The only source of information about the incident so far has been from the Gater editor and his staff. The Gater has shown itself to be as much a part of the racist establishment of this society as the San Francisco Examiner.

We have seen photographs showing a fight in the Gater office. The Gater editor and his staff. Not only has the Gater attacked the BSU, but it has opened up an attack on other student groups: the C.I.P., the Experimental College, and the work-study and tutorial programs. The Young Socialist Alliance feels that an attack on one student organization is an attack on all.

Students on this campus, including black students, pay over \$32,000 a year to support the Gater. The least we deserve in return is accurate and unbiased reporting on the ideas and activities of student organizations. We do not deserve the biased "establishment" reporting that

The Gator -- The Campus "Examiner"

In keeping with its role as the Establishment press on this campus, the Gator has consistently and deliberately distorted and slandered positions and actions of the Students for a Democratic Society. The Gator consistently gives a preconceived distortion of SDS meetings, inaccurately reports SDS activities and continuously misrepresents SDS members.

The slanderous coverage of SDS is mild in nature compared to the racist attacks on the Black Students Union since the inception of that group on campus. Everything that can be said of the Gator's treatment of SDS applies doublefold to its vicious handling of the BSU.

There is a fundamental reason for the kind of "objective reporting" the Gator does on such groups as SDS and the BSU which runs parallel to the kind of "objective reporting" the SF Examiner and Chronicle do in reporting the Vietnam War. As an organ of the powers that be the Gator plays an instrumental role in shaping and controlling student opinion on behalf of the Administration whether the issue be class-ranking, a student union struggle for better wages and working conditions, or war recruiters on campus; in the same way as the national commercial press shapes and controls the news for the benefit of big business interests.

Gator editor Jim Vaszko pales William Randolph Hearst in editorial racism and reactionism. His editorials played on the racism and fears of white students in such a way as to create that allowed President Summerskill to suspend three members of the Black Students Union indefinitely without a campus hearing as a prelude to a general Administration attack on the BSU; in the same way the national press plays upon the fears and racism of white middle-class America to help prepare for bloody attacks on the black community by the National Guard.

If there is going to be a student newspaper on this campus, paid for with students' money, it should be a paper representative of and responsible to those students; not a racist tool dedicated to kicking the Black Students' Union off campus and keeping war recruiters on campus.

JOIN THE SDS PICKET LINE IN SUPPORT OF THE SUSPENDED BSU MEMBERS

AD BUILDING 2:00 PM

S.F. STATE SDS

labor donated

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- On Friday, November 10th, the Community Involvement Program was slandered by the Gater. This is not the first time that the CIP has been the victim of misinformation on the part of the Gater - nor is it the only program to be damaged by the irresponsibility of members of that paper's staff. Friday's edition, however, was a blatant example of how one individual can make a vindictive tool out of this newspaper to strike out at whomever and whatever he wishes without the slightest regard for his obligations to his readers in terms of truthfulness or objectivity.

Mr. Vaszko has misused his powers as editor of the Gater, powers of which we seriously doubt he has the least comprehension. Not only must these powers be immediately withdrawn but we, as members of the SFSC community, must look closely into how such an irresponsible individual obtained such a potentially dangerous toy to play with. As editor of the campus' only daily publication Mr. Vaszko might easily be considered a spokesman for the community. Yet, though he seems to speak for the student body, the students had practically nothing to do with his appointment as editor.

A daily publication can be an extremely valuable asset to our campus, IF IT IS HANDLED RESPONSIBLY and IF IT IS RESPONSIVE TO THE WHOLE CAMPUS. We feel that this can only be accomplished by a complete break with the Journalism Department and an editor elected by the student body.

Steve Davidson
Director,
Community Involvement Program

There is no point in repeating here the charges against the Gater. They have been published and substantiated, republished and resubstantiated for many years, and the Board of Publications has still unfailingly ignored them, or rejected them with undisguised contempt.

Instead, we must understand the role the Gater plays with respect to other events around us--whether war recruiters on campus, student employees drive for better working conditions, or the fact that racism is as strong (though better hidden) on this campus as in any community in the U.S. And the Gater has not only failed to deal with these problems, it has been a main source of many of them.

For the Gater, though it can sometimes afford to be more "liberal" than most, is merely the local house organ of a political and economic system which uses the presses--as it uses all other media--to defend its own ideology, justify its repression of two-thirds of the world's population, and confuse and divide the people with its lies and distortions.

We do not propose that responsibility for the Gater be shifted from one elite in the journalism department to another elite someplace else, but rather that the largest number of students be involved in the struggle to make the Gater directly responsible to the student body. For the problem of the Gater is merely a small reflection of conditions existing nation-wide, and this problem will not begin to be solved until there is wide-spread struggle to solve it, not only on this campus, but everywhere.

PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY
SFSC CLUBS

11/10

THE GATER AND THE FOUNDATION

On November 10, 1967, the Foundation Board, composed of students, faculty and administrators, voted unanimously to send its chairman to the Board of Publications to report the serious inaccuracies in the Gater coverage of the Foundation.

In the past few weeks the Gater has printed articles on the Foundation, its labor contract with the Organization of Student Employees, and its relation to the College Union Project. These articles contained numerous inaccurate and false statements.

Many of the Gater's errors were due to carelessness, but the most serious were deliberate lies designed to create antagonism toward the Board.

The Gater's handling of Foundation news culminated in a November 6, editorial entitled "A Student Money Grab." The editorial charged the Board with irresponsibility and supported the charge with the following statements all of which are false:

- The Foundation "decided to raise wages rather than lower prices."
- The Foundation has made the College Union "more expensive to finance."
- The O.S.E. wage increase has "thrust a new financial burden on the general student body."

The November 6, editorial is but one more example of how the Gater is often used to create senseless antagonisms among students.

Peter Pursley
Chairman,
Foundation Board of Governors

The College Union Council is taking this opportunity to clarify several issues which have been confused by recent Gater coverage of the College Union Project. An editorial on 11/6 and articles on 10/27, 11/2, 3, and 6 are involved. (We retain confidence in the integrity of John Davidson, the Gater reporter assigned to the College Union project, and consider the responsibility for the lies and resulting confusion to be the editorial staff's.)

First, the Gater has stated and implied that the College Union project is in "peril" because of financial problems. This is a lie. The financial problems of the College Union are complicated, but in no way insoluble.

Secondly, the Gater has stated and implied that the SFSC Foundation is no longer a source of funds for the College Union project. This is a lie. The issue is to decide on the most feasible and responsible financial relationship between the Foundation and the College Union.

Thirdly, the Gater has stated and implied that the recent OSE wage increase is responsible for the College Union project's "peril." This is a lie. As stated previously, the project is not in peril.

Fourthly, the Gater used the aforementioned lies to support its political bias during the Foundation Board of Governors' election in October.

In general, we totally disdain Gater coverage of the College Union project and invite interested students to come to our office in Hut C for information.

Margaret Nixon
Executive Secretary

Michael Powell
Chairman

4/13?

EMMA, DEAR EMMA, MY LADY SO FAIR

Remember the pack of lies you read in the Gater concerning O.S.E. the college union, and the Foundation? If you didn't bother to read the Gater in the first place, do not read any further. O.S.E. would like to point out the motivation behind the Gater's callous and vicious attack on O.S.E.

1. O.S.E. supported the Common Interest Slate. The Gater supported the Union Ticket (higher prices)
2. The Gater has consistently slandered student programs which differ from traditional student activities, (Experimental College, Tutorial Program, Community Involvement Project, Work Studies Program, Black Students Union, "Open Process", MA, O.S.E., S.D.P., Progressive Labor Party, Young Socialist Alliance, etc.) In the finest tradition of conservatism, the Gater has attempted to obstruct every student effort to create and utilize new forms of energy.
3. The type of journalism employed by the Gater necessitates the creation of sensational news, which has to be negative and distorted. The only way to produce such news is to attack any organization that is active, O.S.E. is an active organization.
4. Any Union that does not attempt to improve wages and working conditions for its membership should not exist. The Gater has suggested that O.S.E. should not exist.
5. There is a myth which encompasses all Gater articles concerning O.S.E. It is the idea that any student who works his way through college should be kept in a position of financial dependence which verges on poverty. The perpetuation of this myth by the Gater causes working students to be treated as second class citizens.

With the above motives the Gater has accused O.S.E. of: (1) causing financial setbacks to the College Union, in spite of the fact that no one involved in the College Union has presented such charges, in fact the College Union Chairman has repudiated the Gater's charge; (2) The Gater has implied that a \$1.85 is a living wage for student part/time work. O.S.E. contends that \$2.25 is approaching a living wage; (3) The Gater has constantly misrepresented O.S.E.'s negotiating intentions with the Foundation. O.S.E. has been willing to settle its differences with the Foundation without resorting to a strike and in fact has accomplished this end.

The Gater has usurped its proper function when it becomes a one-sided power bloc utilizing the power of the press to present an individual's feelings as being representative of the student community. Need you be reminded of the editorial published on Friday, Nov. 10?

A more recent example of lies, halftruths and irrationality appears in the Gater on Tuesday, Nov. 14, 1967, in an article written by Dan Moore, city editor of the Gater. "It isn't possible for Vaszko to differ, for instance with the Organization of Student Employees (O.S.E.) on anything other than political grounds. The only explanation for an editorial against a \$2.25 wage, they think, is because Vaszko is a yellow fascist journalist." The article referred to is evidently a letter to the editor written by Albert Duro published Monday, Nov. 13, 1967. The apparent misrepresentation is manifold: the letter is from an individual member of O.S.E. and does not represent O.S.E., although most members will agree with Al's criticism of the Gater. Moore misquotes the article, it should read "fascist yellow journalism" Moore also says that the quote refers

to the type of journalism most prevalent in the Gator; Moore rationalizes the editorial by Duro as being an attack upon Vaszko's stand against a \$2.25 hourly wage. This again is untrue. Duro and O.S.E.'s criticism of Vaszko's editorial, Monday, November 6, 1967, centers upon the lies and misrepresentation of facts which the editorial states.

Vaszko's editorial accuses 77 students (O.S.E.) of cheating 18,000 students out of a College Union. This misrepresentation has been refuted by the College Union Council Chairman. The article also implies that the 77 students are the only ones affected by the \$2.25 hour wage. The article fails to mention that the students in the Bookstore will receive that same amount. It also fails to mention that all non-student employees in both the Commons and the Bookstore, who are receiving less than \$2.25 per hour will be given an increase up to that amount.

Vaszko says "But he (Dorn Campbell, O.S.E. President) fails to mention that busboys in the culinary union local are getting only \$2.15 per hour." This is another lie. According to the wage scale of Waitresses and Cafeteria Workers' Union, Local No. 48, effective September 1, 1966, under the subtitle Bus Boys and Bus Girls, "2 hours or less (lunch only) - \$6.55, 3 hours straight or less - \$8.00, 4 hours straight - \$10.00." The lowest paid "busboy" is one who works $7\frac{1}{2}$ hours within 12 hours, he receives \$16.80 or \$2.24 per hour. One must keep in mind this contract expired September 1, 1967, and a raise was more than likely granted.

In the same editorial it is implied that the 77 students employed at the Commons are "busboys." Again this is more bull-shit. There are counter workers, salad, and sandwich makers, service fountain people (Hole-in-the-wall), combination busboys and dishwashers, dish-up people, and cashiers. It is interesting to note that these people, according to the above cited reference, all receive higher wages than busboys.

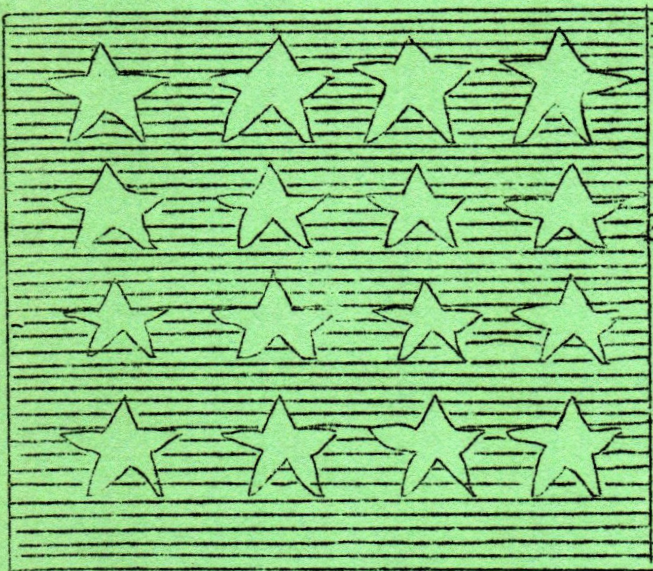
The Gator is upset because we will receive two free meals after an employee has worked "only four and one-half hours." I could cite the above agreement, but I think by now the message is clear.

There are many more instances of lies, distortion of figures, not to mention the many errors of inaccuracy, to list them would take up the whole pamphlet.

O.S.E. is tired of being slandered, is tired of Gator meddling in Our internal affairs (oh yes, this has also taken place), is tired of the Gator's attempt to squash our organization with lies and rhetorical bull-shit. We are so tired, in fact, that we would like to see a change in the Gator. How about you?

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INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST



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THE

CAMPUS CRISIS

AND U.S. SOCIETY

DICK BROADHEAD

HISTORY GRAD, ISC

SANDY YOUNG

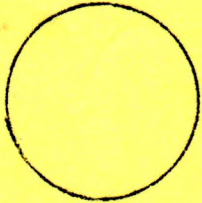
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WEDNESDAY NOV 22

1PM - 2PM

CHECK LAWN POSTERS ON WEDNESDAY FOR ROOM

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PROCESS

NOV 30 '67

An OPEN PROCESS **SUPPORT RALLY** will take place at

12:15 today at the Speaker's Platform. Speakers for OPEN PROCESS will include Bill Barlow and Greg deGiere of the O.P. staff, ex-chairman Bob Fenster of the Board of Publications, and Sharon Presley of the conservative Society of Liberterian Activities.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

There will be a general meeting of the Students for a Free Press at 2:00 p.m. today (place to be announced at the noon rally).

THE HEARING BOARD MEETS TOMORROW, FRIDAY, AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, so we need to plan action TODAY.

POLITICS AND PROCESS

By PHIL GARLINGTON

In suspending the AS-subsidized underground weekly, Open Process, President John Summerskill took the logical step dictated by the hard facts of California politics. Under unrelenting pressure from reactionary politicians in Sacramento and Chancellorville, the president this week bowed under the yoke of Max Rafferty and Ronald Reagan, suppressed a student newspaper, and suspended two student staff members, without hearings or due process.

As pressure outside the campus mounted, Summerskill found that he not only had to submit himself to the ire and outrage of Rafferty and Reagan, but also had to suffer the sniping of a two-bit Peninsula politician, Leo J. Ryan, who has turned Open Process into a money-raising, tub-thumping campaign issue for his re-election to the Assembly.

Naturally reluctant to smear his own hands with the blood of Open Process, Summerskill first attempted to persuade the Board of Publications to do his hatchet work; twice he convened this body in emergency session to press for suspension, but when the BOP expressed its intent to follow due process, Summerskill plunged the knife himself. With a meeting of the Trustees scheduled this week, the president had to be assured the media would carry reports of his firm stand against dissidents, even if his actions were high-handed and unjust.

In short, Summerskill came to realize this week that it is not his job as president to represent the interests of the students and the faculty, nor to maintain a campus open to the expression of ideas; he is here to carry out the orders of his superiors in Sacramento. Despite his well-known and oft-expressed liberal leanings, he now realizes he is the servant of the state, not the protector of the students.

Looking at the issue dispassionately, the printing of a few lines of erotic verse hardly justifies the vehement expressions of indignation that have swept the faculty and administration since the appearance of the latest Open Process.

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GARLINGTON (continued)

The students at S.F. State have reading matter available to them on campus that includes publications which are frequently sexually explicit: The Barb, Oracle, Realist, even Playboy occasionally indulges its readers with an outlawed Anglo-Saxonism. Nobody can realistically expect students here to be shocked by Jefferson Poland, nudism, or what passes in contemporary society for obscenity.

Open Process was not the victim of student wrath; it suffers at the hands of purblind Sacramento politicians who see nothing inconsistent with the suppression of student newspapers and the concept of free speech and a free press.

Tactically, the suppression of Open Process and its editor is sound from the administration's standpoint. Summerskill can be almost assured of looking strong in Sacramento without suffering campus consequences such as the disturbances that have shaken other colleges over issues such as race and the war. He feels confident he can capitalize on the indifference and apathy of a jaded student body.

The only thing that can save Open Process from the grave is concerted action by students who are willing to make their displeasure with the peremptory, cavalier, and politically motivated actions of the administration against their paper known both to the campus and the community.

Speak up. While you still can.

BASICS:

THE STUDENT'S RIGHT TO LEARN

by Del Sonsten

At 4:45 p.m. on November 28, Blair Paltridge and Jeff Poland received a call from Dean Reddell's office informing them that they were being suspended by President Summerskill...that they were to come to the administration office to pick up the letters of suspension...that John Summerskill was leaving immediately to meet with the Trustees in Los Angeles and could not be seen until he returned from that meeting...

No legal hearing. No channel for redress. No concern for negotiation or reconciliation. When Blair Paltridge was selected by the Board of Publications to be editor of Open Process, he told that body that to the best of his ability he would make O.P. a medium worthy of the diverse and complex talents of student and faculty expression.

This has not been the intent of the editor alone; it has been the express concern of the entire O.P. staff from its inception. If we have failed anywhere it has been in not being more radically committed to fulfilling that function (and because more members of the college community have not made use of the paper). But what is really implied by that commitment is the willingness to learn. Paltridge as an editor is committed to the open process as a medium of student learning. Obviously, in a society where higher education is set against a background of systematic oppression and violent suppression, the student's freedom to learn is in serious question.

In light of the absurd and tragic political action of suspending students for the expression of ideas that are alien to the political forces outside the campus, can any student feel assured of any real learning experience while attending this institution? And this is, surely, what we are all involved in. To learn what is most relevant to each of us in order to survive and to create a sane world for our children. If this is true, then we must act now in order to assert every student's right to learn whatever he can--even at the risk of making a few mistakes now and then.

OP RALLY —
THURS NOV 30 12:15
SPEAKERS PLATFORM

STUDENTS FOR FREE PRESS
PLEASE SIGN PETITION
SUPPORTING OPEN PROCESS

DO YOU SUPPORT FREE SPEECH?

During the War Crisis Convocation, this campus voted for Free Speech. In accepting the petition from Students to Keep the Campus Open, President Summerskill said that he believed in an open campus wherein many divergent views could be expressed.

But on November 28 he yielded to outside political pressure by suspending Open Process and two of its staff members. In so doing he not only contradicted his own earlier statement; he also violated Resolution #22, passed by the Convocation, which states, "No member of the campus community shall be suspended, expelled, or dismissed for the exercise of any civil right."

We don't know who might be next to go. If President Summerskill's action sets a precedent, any time political pressure is put on him from outside the campus to do so, nothing will keep him from violating our rights of free speech, free press, and due process.

Nothing, that is, unless we do something now to let him know we don't like it. We came here to be educated, to be exposed to all points of view, and to learn to be citizens of a free society. We didn't come to be "protected" from anything someone else has decided is "offensive."

If you favor freedom of the press on this campus, sign the statement below and return this sheet to the Students for a Free Press table, in front of the Commons.

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PROMISE THEM ANYTHING BUT GIVE THEM DO . PROCESS

Vol. 1 No. 2

DEC 1

SUMMERSKILL HAS RETURNED FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING IN LOS ANGELES

*****LET'S WELCOME HIM*****

11AM--Peaceful picket line in front of the administration building.

12NOON--Rally on the steps of the administration building after which we will send a delegation to see Summerskill while we wait outside his office.

2PM--Paltridge and Poland appear before the Board of Appeals in AD 162. We will maintain a vigil outside, then hold a general meeting at its conclusion where we will discuss the outcome and plan future strategy.

EDITORIAL--by Peter Shapiro

"I am an educator. If I can't do what I came here to do then I am getting out."

The speaker was John Summerskill. He was not making a plea for academic freedom. He was not protesting outside interference with the college. He was asking the BOP to suspend Open Process.

Summerskill may consider himself an educator, but he has pretty peculiar ideas about what constitutes education and what his responsibilities as an educator are to the rest of the academic community. Censorship is not education. Letting yourself be manipulated by outside political pressure, placing the interests of an electioneering state assemblyman over those of your own students and faculty is not being an educator.

It has been said that Summerskill is under a lot of pressure. We can sympathize. We're all under a lot of pressure these days. What sets Summerskill apart from the rest of us is that he has more to lose.

Blair Paltridge and Jeff Poland have their hearing before the Board of Appeals today. It is not open to the public. Each defendant is permitted one advisor. They are completely in the dark about what the nature of the proceedings will be. They are "accused of" "unethical conduct"--a charge so vague they will have a hard time defending themselves against it. It makes one wonder who is being unethical. It took a threatened lawsuit by the ACLU to grant them even the privilege of a prompt hearing.

Chancellor Dumke was unusually candid at the Board of Trustees meeting Wednesday. Linking Open Process with the anti-war movement on campus, he suggested there was no place for either at S.F. State. Clearly an inch of erotic poetry is not at issue here. The issue is whether this campus is to be a whipping boy for power-hungry politicians, or whether it is to be an educational institution. If you're here to get an education you belong in front of President Summerskill's office this afternoon. Your education is at stake.

B.O.P. APPEALS TO SUMMERSKILL
TWO BOARD MEMBERS RESIGN

Chairman Bob Fenster and Septt Harrison have resigned from the Board of Publications in protest of the Open Process suspensions.

Meanwhile, the Board passed a resolution yesterday asking Summerskill that they be permitted to conduct their previously-planned hearings against Blair Paltridge, "in an atmosphere free of prior administrative action."

Translated from the BOP's customary gobbledegook, it means they'd rather do it themselves, Mother.

Two emergency BOP meetings called with short notice by Summerskill failed to produce suspensions of either Paltridge or the paper. The Board set a date for future hearings against Paltridge, at which time he could answer charges against him according to the canons of due process. Since Paltridge is no longer a student, however, the BOP has neither jurisdiction over him nor the authority to consider his dismissal as editor of Open Process. In a word the Board has been emasculated.

In his statement of resignation, Harrison told the Board, "The Board of Trustees is going to do our work for us. So I'm not needed." Fenster went farther. He told the Board members they should all resign if they had any conscience or dignity left.

It probably makes very little difference whether they do or they don't. Summerskill acts as if they weren't there at all.

PUBLIC HEARING by Fenster

Here's the line-up for the puppet show. There's Raegen the puppet-master pulling the strings. Then on down the line Rafferty and Dumke and Summerskill start dancing. Will you dance for Raegen?

I hereby challenge every professor and student on this campus who does not stand up in defense of Open Process, free speech, and student rights. I challenge Summerskill to suspend me for being "offensive to the academic community."

They're cracking down on us. Not all of us. Just those who have ideas and opinions. Those who oppose the war, those who oppose racism, who oppose suppression of free speech, who oppose usurpation of student rights. One by one they're going to pick us off. They took many of us in Oakland. They took four black students last week. They took an entire paper this week. Who's next. Look around you; are your friends disappearing?

BACK TO NORMALCY!!!

"By no stretch of the imagination could publication (of Open Process) be approved by any person claiming to be normal." --Assemblyman Leo Ryan.

How does it feel to be a deviate?

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As a result of the suspension, our funds have been cut off. We need money to put out these daily mimeographed handouts, so give what you can. Donate at the Students for a Free Press Table in front of the commons.

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TIRED OF TILTING AT WINDMILLERS?

Professor Gerassi was hired by the International Relations Department with full knowledge of his political beliefs and was allowed to teach in accordance with these beliefs.

On Wednesday, December 6, 1967, Professor Gerassi took an action in furtherance of his beliefs, by joining with students in asserting their right to enter the Administration Building to press for their demands.

Immediately thereafter Professors Windmiller and Whitaker, despite their professed belief in academic freedom recommended the suspension of Professor Gerassi, thereby denying students their right to continue classes with him. This hypocritical action exposes their willingness to allow freedom of expression only so long as nothing is done to make such expression effective.

The charge against Professor Gerassi is "unprofessional conduct." These gentlemen apparently believe that living one's convictions is unprofessional, and they prove it by not living up to theirs - violating academic freedom and disregarding the interests of the students. Isn't this typical of our campus liberals? This is the same Windmiller who initiated the docking of pay from members of the International Relations Department faculty who left the campus to participate in Oakland Stop-the-Draft-Week activities.

Show your opposition to the Windmiller-Whitaker-Summerskill syndrome--the people who lull us with find sounding words and clobber us when we act.

- 1) Demand that Gerassi's suspension be lifted and that he be retained as a permanent member of the I. R. Department.
- 2) Boycott all of W & W's classes this week.

MOVEMENT AGAINST POLITICAL SUSPENSIONS-S.F.S.C.

12/12 /

General Notes on Meeting Conducted during Administration Building Sit-In, MAPS, Tuesday, December 12, 1967. 1:30 pm to 4:10 pm

primary demand the reinstatement of Black students. Due process second. Racist attitude of country imposed problem on Gater. Once 11%, now 3% black enrollment.

5th and 14th amendment to U.S. constitution read aloud.--double jeopardy involved.

problem of losing 2-S deferment because of suspensions.

two main factors involved in suspensions: admin's violation of law & racism behind violation.

Legal terminology, "due rprocess" and "double jeopardy" misleading because are terms devised by the same system which represses. ACLU said as point of law there was no discrimination: true, as a "point of law". Law does not account for injustices done to black people.

individual racism vs. institutional racism.

we don't have right--if court ~~shd~~ were estab. shd be black people and profs who adjudicate. Objection: that differentiates black from white.

But white people not in position to judge black peopl

we shd worry abt our rights taken away; we shd say how we handle the case.

we shd suggest in a case of criminal proceedings that institution does nothing at all until court deci decides

(Summerskill appears, willing to meet with delegation

clarify ideas on five demands: see our position in relation to liberation struggle around the wrld --"open campus" means maintain status quo--main emphasis on what goes on in this country and world, we shd support it. Form position of what we do if we had a judicial court.

(discussion on whether delegation shd be sent to Summerskill.) (Jon, Alex, Sherry, Hari, Jan, Greg, and Susan selected as delegation) (Happy Hour Glenn Smith appears, "requests" deliberations be removed from hallway, and accuses demonstrators of blocking hallway. Dem. refuse to move, instead spread out and line the ~~hallway~~ walls. Press continues

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blocking hallway.) (Delegation in. Monitors ~~appoint~~ appointed)

Discussion continues: ~~the Gater~~ what is the universit
y--we shd say that the institution used to correct
social ills...student control of curricular ~~activities~~
~~a~~ committee...as long as we make ideal institution,
we ought to decide on degrees.

But main concern is racism & ~~a~~ suppression of student
anti-w ar movement and the black liberation movement,
because student power would result in reactionary
power...

concentrate on another newspaper, because we can't ge
get rid of racism in the Gater...we ~~need a non-~~
~~editor paper~~ we need a non-editor paper and an
open forum paper... Shd not serve interests of
editor, shd be nonpartizan type and staff open to
students with divergent views on campus

open staff: editor can be dismissed for arbitrarily
cutting one point or another and general statement ~~th~~
that racism be denied

NO COPS ON CAMPUS.

who calls cops on--nbr one man.² Complete campus auto
nomy from trustees and ruling that we declare
all actions by trustees null and void. 3. econom
ic minority admitted to SFSC regardless of grades
and college takes respons for their education.
(Gerassi suspended on grounds of endangering
students)

Gera ssi made formal grievance to AFT because he
was suspended with pay which punishes students and
not him. Made motion that that be reversed
because Jan 8 is ~~formal~~ deadline for formal pay.
Students all received A- from Gerassi and they have
legal grounds for complaint if they don't get A-

Recommendations on Gater:

Get rid of Vasko

open forum paper of divergent views
headlines followed up by editorials of different
students

paper analyzing Gater

multi-perspective paper vs. perspective paper like
Gater

delegate a committee.

Committee: Paper no longer serve interests of the
s tate, administrators, status quo

editor: non-partisan person, not in charge of
editorial policy. Staff open to divergent views
of campus--write articles, use community of
reporters as area ~~of~~ for organizing, opn staff

with right to dismiss editor. General statement, ~~xxx~~
racisms not tolerated

Position on racism: confront it at all points in
paper. Gater controlled by elected students by
whole student body.

equal time for divergent views on editorial page.

need for objective reporting. Opinions,
editorial articles allowed. Counter-Gater.
multiperspective gater because no mouth-piece for
particular ideology needed

ADMISSION: Any member of economic minority group,
particularly Black people, shall be admitted to
SF State regardless of grades. College has respon
to make sure that econ minorities are represented
on campus.

STATEMENT ON FUNCTION OF UNIVERSITY

PROPOSALS

five demands reiterated
condemn any suspensions for political and/or
obscenity/smut charges. No susp for other than
academic reasons

no restrictions on school pubs except by students
and general statement of values, such as that
condemning racism

access to

That any groups of 100 have paper and mimeograph
machine

POLITICAL HARRASSMENT

tenure-suspensions
hiring and firing of professors
student-faculty rights vs. state-administrator
school controlled by joint student-faculty rather
than bureaucratic administrators whose interests
are not the same as the masses of students
Gerassi retained as full professor in IR.
Court of student appeals to grant tenure to fac-
ulty.

Docking of salary not allowed for participation
in demonstration. ~~Question~~ (education not
only in classrooms & prof teaches not only in
classroom; docking of pay for purely political
reasons

recommend defense funds, bails, lawyers, compensa-
tion for faculty and students, student lawyer;
that SF State become center for opposition to war
in Vietnam; train community organizers

That statement made to define function of university

Student control of curricular committee
Credits given for social activity, demos, community
organizing (MAIN CONCERN IS RACISM, NOT STUDENT POWE

I. Student Board as a Court of Last Resort in Case of Firing, Suspensions, and Tenure

- 1. any prof may appeal to this Board
- 2. college shall take no action until this board has decided
- 3. decision by secret ballot
- 4. Board shall consist of x student members appointed by faculty and x plus 1 members elected by those persons taking classes from the prof in question
- 5. no retrial or double jeopardy
- 6. Hearings shall be open ~~only if the defendant~~ or closed only if the defendent so desired

II. No Docking Of Pay

- 1. students consider the faculty wise enough to be able to spend ~~their~~ time constructively
- 2. Education is not confined to a classroom, hence it is impossible to dock pay on ground of nonperformance of duty.
- 3. No docking of pay or suspension from duties for political reasons

III. Bail, Defense Funds, Lawyers and Compensation f for Faculty and Students Be Provided for Defenses for a Political and Civil Cases

IV. Personal Lawyer to Be Hired By Students for Students

V. No Student Suspensions for Other than Academic Reasons

VI. All Files on Student Matters are to be Closed.

VII. Student-Faculty Open inquilry on any matter. This meeting may be called b faculty, or by any group of 100 students. Records will be kept for public viewing.

ON THE GATER, A lex

The purpose of this paper will be to serve the interests of the students, not the administration, faculty, state or the federal government.

- 1. The Gater is to be a student newspaper with absolutely no faculty or administration control or advisorship.
- 2. It will be the general and the absolute policy of the Gater that no racism be expressed in its columns by the staff members.
- 3. The Gater editor will be a ~~manager~~ manager, elected by the general student body, and charged with the technical production of the newspaper, not to be charged with editorial policy.
Regarding content, the editor's function will be to insure that the varying viewpoints of the issue be given fair and equal representation.

4. The staff will be open to all students and will be ~~responsible~~ responsible to represent the divergent views of the campus. The staff will be charged with presenting factual reports and analysis. They will also be allowed to advocate personal viewpoints.

5. A definite percentage of space will be allotted to the presentation of views by non-staff persons.

6. The general staff has the rights to teach and implement decisions in order to carry out the above policy statements.

7. There shall be no censorship of student publications. Any complaints regarding content of the paper will be referred to a duly constituted student court.

8. Any group of one hundred or more students shall have access to paper and a printing press or mimeograph machine, without restriction of content and free of charge.

(delegation returns. Summerskill decided: no ~~request~~ reinstatement for Gerassi, separation of Gater and journalism dept., willing to reopen hearings on four suspended students provided he consults with them, their attorneys, and "some other people"; willing to write a paper on racism, with MAPS assistance. These points discussed, general sense appeared to be to reject them.)

ADDITIONAL PROPOSAL ON STUDENT COURT OF LAST APPEAL: That faculty take no action against students on board

proposal, ~~to~~ adjourn to ecumenical house. After discussion, proposal approved.

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MOVEMENT AGAINST POLITICAL SUSPENSIONS

DEC. 22 & 23, 1967

To all California campus anti-war groups:

It is now apparent that for the last few weeks the anti-war movement has been under a new and intense attack. Student leaders all across the nation have been suspended and expelled from school for minor infractions of rules or simply exercising their constitutional rights of free speech and organization. In all cases there has been no recourse to due process within the university structure or legal redress. Court fights are almost always unsuccessful but perhaps given months of expensive court fights we may gain protection from the arbitrarily harsh punishments of university administrators acting in complicity with the warmakers. But we must act now!

We at Berkeley call an emergency meeting of all college and university anti-war groups in California. We must seek methods for the protection of our leadership and defense of student political rights. We invite all interested persons to attend a conference in Berkeley on December 22 and 23 to discuss the current crisis and formulate a common defense.

Mass disruption alone has not protected our leadership or student political rights. Now we must formulate new tactics and form a united front against this attack against our movement. Unless we are able to mobilize and act, our leadership will be destroyed and our rights oppressed.

Yours in Victory,

M.A.P.S.

2001 Milvia
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all campus anti-war organizations invited

Friday 12 pm to Sat 3 pm

\$2 Registration Fee
Agenda mailed on request.

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A PROPOSAL TO THE MAPS CONFERENCE

December 22, 1967

-- The STUDENT COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK Berkeley Office

Those of us who have been organizing the SCN have done so with the belief that the student movement has to build on its past defeats and grow from its successes. We believe that national consciousness and national action are the only effective courses available to the movement now, and that discussion and organization should be aimed in this direction. These imperatives and the historical realities we face in America today have brought us to move in certain directions. We intend to provide what the national press claims to provide but fails to provide: -- accurate, meaningful news. We want to make possible the kind of national action and coordination to the student movement which we feel is necessary for its very existence. We are working to change a nation; suppression is coming from national sources and we have to respond nationally. As our prospectus states, we are hoping to join together with other national movements as it becomes possible to expand communication world-wide.

In addition we see our work as a positive move on our own, as students, to build new structures which are effective, independent and revolutionary by their very style of existence.

We present ourselves to you hoping that our efforts will benefit yours and that you will lend your support to our work. We see the SCN and groups such as MAPS as parts of a national movement

which we hope will come to function as a whole as it has already begun to do. In this light, we ask that you vote us your support and that you use our facilities where they are available and work to establish centers at your home colleges and universities.

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PETITION TO REINSTATE PROF. GERASSI

A special committee appointed by the Academic Senate at the request of President Summerskill held a hearing on January 2 to consider the charge of the alleged unprofessional conduct of Professor John Gerassi. This committee of his peers having heard seven hours of pertinent evidence, including testimonies of numerous administrators, recommended that Professor Gerassi be retained. President Summerskill ignored this committee and asked the Chancellor to fire Professor Gerassi, which he did on January 10. This puts the lie to Summerskill's talk of democracy, due process, and campus autonomy.

We, the undersigned, recognize Professor Gerassi's right to teach on this campus and demand his immediate reinstatement.

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3. <i>James E Podell</i>	<i>(FACULTY)</i>
4. <i>Phil Sandin</i>	<i>8380</i>
5. <i>Starr Goode</i>	<i>64189</i>
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