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We Stand Humble

Professional and student members of the press have vocally added their support to the Red and Black, censored student paper at the University of Georgia.

The Red and Black, according to a story by the Associated Collegiate Press, was censored by the university administration because of an anti-discrimination editorial which aroused a powerful regent of the school. The paper is still being published.

"When the two top editors resigned last month, two more moved up to put out the paper under strict faculty supervision. Then the second pair also quit, leaving the Red and Black now in the hands of a former assistant sports editor and a reporter; All copy is read by a faculty adviser before being published.

"Typical of Northern college reaction was the Augustana (Ill.) Observer, which titled its anti-censorship editorial "That Old 'Suthun' Charm."

"From Florida came support from the Rollins college Sandspur: ". . . we hope they continue to publish—perhaps under the name 'The Black and Blue.'"

It is at moments like this that we are proud of our journalistic profession. And we would like to add our voice to all those indignant voices who cry out against such a strong arm, fascist method used to stifle freedom of expression and traditional editorial freedom of opinion.

There is something so simple, so basic in freedom of speech and freedom of the press that we cannot visualize retaining any of our highly vaunted personal freedoms if this should be the first to go.

We think the incident of the Red and Black goes much deeper than a surface illustration of defense of a newspaper's right to express its editorial views.

This is an example of youth stretching out, growing up and grappling with problems as they meet them—problems which are vital to our lives and dreams and goals as members of this great mass of humanity known as America.

We have spent many searching hours trying to determine if there really is something wrong with our generation. We have often wondered if our college campuses were truly barren. We have sometimes doubted that our generation has guts or ideals.

We can only stand humbly by and offer congratulations to those college students who did have the guts and the will power and the ideals to say what they thought and stand up against such a censorship order.

We can only offer our sincere hope that there will in this nation always be a Red and Black, speaking out freely, frankly, courageously.

All In the Family



"I don't know how they found out about your real financial status—but some of th' 'brothers' were a little 'put out.'"

Letters to the Editor

We Can't Go Along

Emerald Editor:
We, the forward broad minded individuals and true champions of American democracy, cannot go along with your contradictory reply to my remarks of Feb. 23, 1954, "Wake Up America."

First, I am a member of a Greek Lettered Organization which, by the way, is an American Democratic organization that fully embraces the principles of our true democracy. We have no idiotic racial clauses. Not only are we National but also International. I am much more aware of the fight over Racial Clauses than you have indicated you are.

Mr. Frear, you are upholding fear and ignorance on one hand and repudiating it on the other. If you believe in a principle, how can you profess to be unbiased by supporting your or any organization whose policies are directly opposite? I say the organizations that profess to be American and Democratic should bring the issue up in their National work shop and VOTE on it regardless of the outcome.

Again I say stop hiding and face facts: We are now a World Neighborhood!

We don't infer to refight the Civil War, as many Southerners have done over the ages. However, we request action and not "lip service" be given to the matter.

How do you know the Southerners will secede if a vote is carried out?

Your column was so filled with ambiguity that I do not know whether you are trying to uphold geographical sentiments or Democratic Principles.

Name withheld by request

Meeting Disappointing

Emerald Editor:
The meeting Tuesday night which considered racial and religious discrimination was most disappointing. Statements made by some present to the effect that there was no discrimination on campus, and also that minority groups were being coddled, show an extreme lack of understanding or interest in the problem.

Those who oppose the present investigation have skillfully, or perhaps inadvertently, confused the issue. The presence of discriminatory or "white" clauses in Greek letter societies and the general problem of discrimination have been considered as one. This is quite wrong.

Those who favor abolishing discriminatory clauses have never claimed that it will automatically solve all racial problems. Without doubt it is one prerequisite. But many people feel, and the writer agrees, that such clauses are unjust, immoral and

Rennie Will Direct KWAX Comedy

Gordon Rennie, senior in speech, will direct the radio workshop drama "If You Want Anything, Just Yell," being presented today as the weekly show from KWAX over KOAC.

The comedy will be broadcast at 4:30 p. m. over the University hour. Included in the cast are Dick Hiatt, graduate in speech; Jean Smith, sophomore in liberal arts; Jack Dugan, sophomore in speech and Bob Moore, junior in music.

IVCF Meeting Slates Talk on Christianity

Paul Byer, Inter-Varsity staff member for the Pacific Northwest, will lead a discussion on "Christians Convinced About What?" during the regular meeting of IVCF tonight at 7 p. m. in the Student Union.

Byer will be available for personal counsel and discussion today for all interested Christian men. Contact Jim Piske, 3-1434, for information.

certainly have no place in a democratic country where every man is presumed to have equal rights. Their presence in honor societies is particularly undesirable, and while the writer has no proof that they exist at Oregon, it is quite likely, as they have been present at other places.

Discriminatory clauses in organizations associated with the University of Oregon can be eliminated. Shortly after World War II, arrangements were made at the University of Washington whereby all institutions recognized by the school were compelled to eliminate discriminatory clauses in their charters within a certain period of time. Similar legislation was enacted later at Oregon State College.

Fraternity delegates to "summer work shops" have had a chance to discuss this problem for over one hundred years, yet little has been done. Those who defend these clauses, which are of general concern, would do well to make vigorous efforts to eliminate them, rather than refuse to admit that there is a problem. It only takes an amendment to the school constitution.

Dick Korvola

(Ed. note: According to the office of Dan Poling, dean of men at OSC, Oregon State has taken no action against such discriminatory clauses.

Shortly after the close of World War II, Amherst college at Amherst, Mass., did eliminate organizations containing racial clauses. Some Greek organizations removed such barriers from their written laws and placed them in their chapter ritual. Some organizations moved off campus.

At the University of Wisconsin, the Committee on Student Life and Welfare passed such a ban against discriminatory clauses in student organizations and allowed these organizations until 1969 to effect removal of the clauses. To our knowledge, no action has yet been taken by the groups.

A similar movement recently was promoted at the University of Michigan by a student group. Alexander Ruthven, president of the University, qualified the ban in that it would not be "retroactive" and would not affect groups already organized on campus. The University would refuse to accept any new organization with a racial clause.

This has to a large extent been the pattern adopted on many college campuses. We understand Linfield college at McMinnville, when it decided to organize Greek organizations, on campus, stipulated that these would not include organizations with a racial clause.

New York State University, a broad of regents governing vocational and educational schools in the state of New York, placed a ban against such racial clauses on the campuses of the state. However, the ban specifically exempted Cornell, which is the only school affected by the organizational ban in the system of schools controlled by the New York board. No other schools had such living organizations on their campuses.)

SU Board Alters Meeting Slate To Twice Monthly

The Student Union Board adopted a plan of semi-monthly meetings to be in effect for the rest of the year at their regular meeting Wednesday. Seven more meetings of the board will be held this year, five regular meetings and two special meetings.

A joint Oregon State-Oregon board meeting is scheduled for next Saturday at Corvallis at 3 p.m. Klara Dietmeier, senior in English, will head the Oregon delegation to the meeting.

Treasurer Bob Koutek's report on the present embossograph plan was approved, but a further and more detailed report was requested for the next meeting to see if the present plan was working successfully.

Directorate chairman Sandra Price announced that a personal hour for Student Union committees is scheduled for Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Donna Schafer, special attractions committee, reported that 1489 persons attended the George Shearing concert. The board still lost money on the concert although it was more successful than the Dave Brubeck concert.

The report of the dance committee was presented to the board by Phyllis Pearson, chairman. According to Miss Pearson, most of the dances held so far have been successful and some traditional dances have been established. Spring term dances will include terrace dances and the Duck Pre-view dance. Changes were made in the dance committee budget to allow more money for the remainder of the term.

A tentative schedule for the process of selecting board members for the coming year was suggested. Petitions called for March 30. The executive committee will review this schedule and submit it to the board at a later date.

Andy Berwick, chairman of the board, announced plans for a joint board-directorate meeting scheduled for March 3.

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