

U.S. Must Offer More, Says Ex-Green Beret

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Don Duncan, a well-built, handsome former member of the Green Beret, special forces in Viet Nam speaking before a capacity crowd in the Student Union Ballroom Thursday evening, said we must offer to the people of Viet Nam more than just anti-communism.

"If the only reason for being in Viet Nam is to hold back Chinese influence than we had better get out. Because as the bombing has increased and the casualties have grown so has the Chinese influence grown stronger," Duncan said.

Duncan, a decorated hero who served 18 months of combat duty in Viet Nam and six years with Special Services, said he would like to see our government start helping the Vietnamese people. He said our government has made several unsuccessful attempts at aiding them, but only by giving money to corrupt governments.

Aid Programs

Americans seem to feel "we can cure a country's ills with aid programs conducted through governments or regimes that are responsible for those ills . . . that we can pour money into a corrupt government and that this is going to uncorrupt them and save the people."

Duncan said, "many say we can't get out of Viet Nam now because we would lose a lot of prestige. But imagine," he said, "what it looks like to people in places like Guatemala, Colombia, and Venezuela to see us destroying the people of Viet Nam in the name of anti-communism and the status quo. How much prestige have we gained?"

"You don't have to be a great American observer to see there is a need for change," Duncan said.

Should Pull Out

Duncan said our country should try anything possible to pull out of Viet Nam. "We are going to have to talk about negotiations not in terms of unconstitutional negotiations," he said, "because any student of unconditional negotiations can see they're very conditional (such as our legal right to be there.)"

Getting out of Viet Nam, Duncan said, would be a physical impossibility. "It took us two years to get all that stuff in Viet Nam and we're not going to get it out in two days."

Duncan said that there has never been in his mind a doubt that the United States could gain a military victory in Viet Nam in six months, if they wanted to pay the price. And that price, he said, would be the elimination of the Vietnamese peasants.

"As a Lesson"

"If we can't do anything else in Viet Nam, I would like to see it as a lesson," Duncan said. "We have lost 2,200 lives in Viet Nam this past year in the name of anti-communism, which is a very negative reason to die," he said. "Ours is a great country, and for the sake of our national soul I say we must get out of Viet Nam."

Throughout his speech, Duncan didn't condemn U.S. military or the U.S. Army Special Forces. "Our military," he said, "is a vehicle of our society, and you don't condemn or judge a vehicle. You condemn the driver."

Duncan praised Sen. Wayne Morse as being a "rare and courageous congressman who has been fighting a lonely battle for a long time."

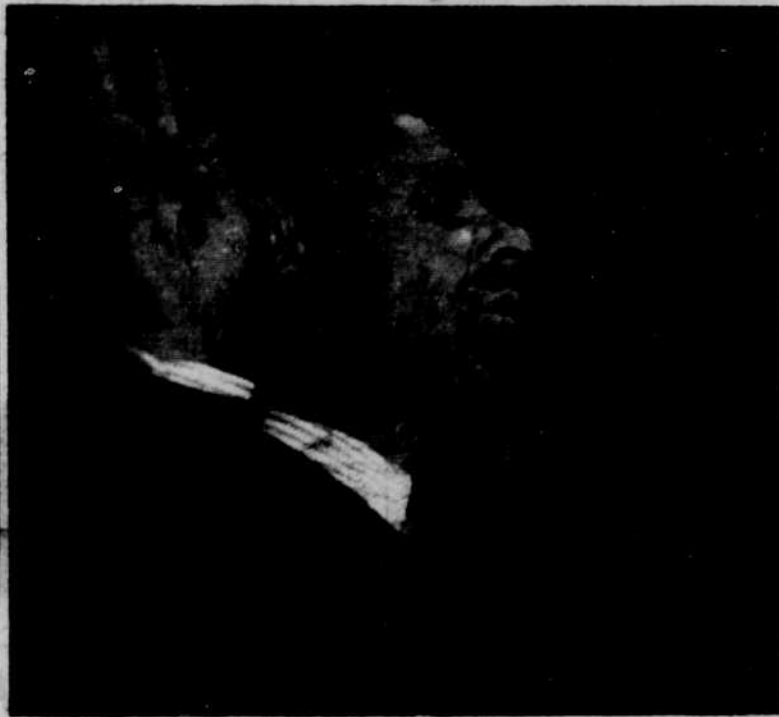
"Guilt by Association"

Duncan said of current attitudes, "We have a lot of fears in this country and one of them is that of guilt by association. It's long past the time that we should get over that feeling."

"It's time that people stood up and said what they had to say. We're all amateurs, but when you look at what the professionals have done to the country I think it's time for the amateurs."

Duncan said there is a feeling going around that if a person talks to a Communist he is automatically a Communist. "I've talked to a lot of Trotskyites or Trots or whatever you want to call them, and my talking to a Communist doesn't make me a Communist any more than my talking to a Negro makes me a Negro."

In response to a question from the audience about glorifying the war in Viet Nam with the record and song about the Green Beret, Duncan said, "It's an obvious attempt to glorify something that's not very beautiful." But, he said, it (the song) is not the worst thing he (S / Sgt. Barry Sadler) has ever written."



DON DUNCAN

Casey Strikes Out

Co-op to Keep Selling 'Playboy'

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Tim Casey's motion to discontinue the sale of Playboy magazine in the Co-op was defeated 4-1 at Thursday's Co-op Board meeting.

Casey's motion was tabled at the last meeting to give Board members more time to think about the issue.

Dennis Keller, Board chairman, said that he voted against the motion because he thinks "no official body has the right to censor any sort of literature. We represent the students—we aren't here to try to impose any moral code on the student body."

Board member Vic Kucera said that although he thought a "great deal of the content in the magazine is good, if I were running my own store, I'd vote not to sell it . . . but we're representing the students." Kucera voted against the motion.

Suzanne Gowdy also voted against the motion although she "agreed with what Tim said. The students run the store. I have heard a lot of people say that they think the whole thing is silly; I have not heard anyone say the magazine shouldn't be sold, but I have not heard any good arguments for the magazine, either."

Sandy Reece said that she voted against the motion because she thought it was "incongruous to the Conduct Code."

Keller said that he wasn't "for Playboy because of any economic benefit to the Co-op." He pointed out that the store sells many magazines at a loss.

Casey said that his motion was based on his own personal belief. He said that he felt that one of the responsibilities of his office was to open discussion within the Board. "But," he added, "the issue was made public through the Emerald."

"The younger generation, ourselves and the people following us, tend to follow the crowd, whether it's right or wrong," Casey said. "I'm not questioning the individual's right to a certain opinion but I'd rather see someone sit down and determine exactly what his opinion is, instead of following the crowd."

"A lot of people," he continued, "are afraid to express their own views, especially when their own personal opinions are contrary to general public opinion" (Continued on page 2)

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By Senate

Board Control Bill Tabled

By LARRY LANGE
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At its first meeting of spring term, the ASUO Senate tabled a motion that would have placed Student Union Board decisions subject to its review.

The bill, sponsored by Jim Beat, men's off-campus representative, and Phil Semas, men's co-op representative, was aiming at creating a stronger student voice in the Board's decisions—especially with regard to political activities.

It would have made all decisions of the Board "subject to final review by the ASUO Senate before they are sent to the President of the University for final action," and provided that "any Senate action on the Board decision" would be the official recommendation sent to President Flemming's office.

"If the Senate takes no action, that shall indicate approval of the decision of the Board," the bill also read. It provided that any of the Board's decisions could take effect "provisionally," before the Senate reviewed them.

SHIFT IN AUTHORITY

In presenting the bill, Jim Beat explained it as a shift in final policy authority, from the Board to President Flemming, whom he felt was reluctant to "over-turn any decisions made by a student-elected group." He argued that in this way the students would gain a stronger say in the Board's action.

Mike Donahue argued that the Board should maintain its autonomy. "There is a certain amount of expertise necessary in dealing with its problems," he said. "They're (the Board) familiar with them, and they're the ones that should handle them."

Donahue said that final decisions "should be with the Board. We (the Senate) can voice our objections through a bill or a letter to Flemming."

Semas maintained that the bill would "allow the experts to run the programs, but it would give the student-elected groups a chance to pass on motions concerning the terrace, the lobby, or recreational facilities."

Semas was referring to recent controversy over two of the Board's most recent decisions—restriction of the table-scheduling in the lobby because of "traffic problems" therein, and limitations on the use of the terrace for tables and political demonstrations.

The latter decision sparked an opposition so strong that the Board retracted it entirely. The lobby decision has withstood its critics.

STRUCTURE AND MAKE-UP

The controversy has raised questions about the structure and make-up of the Board, and many have claimed that it does not represent student interests.

In an effort to straighten out its relations with the student body, the Board has held hearings this week, and has heard several suggestions for changes in its structure and representation of students.

Senator-at-large Marvin Feuerberg spoke for the bill: "The policies of the board are very explosive. Some groups were very angry because of the hearings—almost to the point of holding a sit-in."

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TWO EXUBERANT foreign students, Narumol (Tic Tac) Dilokwanich of Thailand (left), and Moty Askhouria (right) of Iran, lean down to kiss Eugene Mayor Edwin Cone. Cone signed a proclamation honoring the University's International festival in special ceremonies Thursday.

Today Last Day To Pay Fees

Today is the last day to pay registration fees for Spring term. Courses may be added or dropped through April 15. After April 15, course changes may not be made unless special permission is granted.