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According to a report from Bonn, a poll of West Germans (older males, we presume) indicated that 77 percent favored court prosecution for cruelty to animals while about 60 percent favored such action for wife beaters and those who beat their children. —The Militant

"You mean you can get away with murder in this country?"
—Bernard Miller, father of Jeffrey Miller who was killed at Kent State, after Ohio Grand Jury report.

One of the most fallacious myths which students are expected to swallow about Madison is the one which states that SGA is an effective representative of the students and a valid spokesman for student opinion. SGA is neither of these. It is an impotent, administration puppet that makes a mockery out of the democratic process.

Oh, SGA has all the trappings of a democracy—a constitution, division of powers, removal of officers, nominations, elections, etc. They have everything but the power to implement their decisions as the chart on page 2 shows. A "government", by definition possesses authority, and since SGA has none, take the word "government" out of their title and call themselves, instead, Students for the Perpetuation of the Myth That Madison is a Free Society.

"I have lost faith in America. I went through dictatorship under Hitler. They indoctrinated everybody—the courts, the newspapers, and we will have the same thing here if we have men like Rhodes and Del Corso governing us."
—Martin Scheur, father of Sandy Scheur who was killed at Kent State; after Ohio Grand Jury report.

"I'd like to commit suicide but I can't because I have to fix dinner."
—Edith Rosenthal

Madison is not a free society. Students have absolutely no control over the educational process which radically affects their lives. We are at the mercy of a tradition-bound faculty and an administration that cares more about keeping the local community happy than providing us with any semblance of a higher education. The administration and faculty are looking backward to a world more to their liking and trying to mold us in their image. We are being trained to function in a society that no longer exists. The SGA is our only legal recourse and our only defense, but they have shirked their responsibility.

Students know that the SGA has no power, and that they will not fight to get any. That is why there is such a lack of interest in voting, in elections or working on committees. Students know their vote means nothing for Madison is not a democracy—(cont. on page 2)
it is a protectorate. The administration wants to protect us from freedom, from new experiences, from "dangerous" knowledge, and they use their control of the SGA to do it—and so far the SGA has been their willing victim.

All this does not imply that the SGA has nothing to do with its time. They spend months working on proposals for the Board of Visitors to veto in one afternoon. They serve as administration hatchets to punish students for breaking rules, most of which are unfair, unconstitutional, and repressive. Or they plan Big Weekends, which are nice, but there are two other days in the week too—the ones we spend in the classroom. It would be appropriate if the SGA would pay some attention to them also.

Basically, it comes down to this: the SGA is a paper tiger. Its main function is to make administration tyranny more palatable to the students. The SGA does not speak for me, or you, or anyone—and the sooner Madison students realize it the better off they will be.

SGA Branch | Advisors | General Function | Administration Controls
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Executive Council | Dean of Men, Women, and Student Services (p. 15) | Coordinating body of SGA—has authority over all issues before Student Senate (p. 15) | Miller makes recommendations about all SGA proposals that go before Board of Visitors. His opposition can negate any SGA decision.

Student Senate (SGA Legislative Body) | Elected from a slate approved by Miller (p. 15) | 1) Pass amendments to SGA constitution (p. 27) 2) Approves new campus organizations (p. 20) | 1) Faculty Council and Miller must approve them (p. 27) 2) Fac. Council and Miller must also approve (p. 20) (Administration controls over Executive Council also apply to all Student Senate legislation)

Judicial Council | Elected from a slate approved by Miller (p. 15) | Investigate and punish those students who break SGA regulations (p. 15) | If Miller, J. Fox, Reubush, or Bowers thinks that a SGA penalty is insufficient, the Faculty Judiciary Comm. and Miller can make the penalty stiffer (p. 59)

"The SGA recognizes the responsibility of the faculty in matters and questions pertaining to student government and its administration, and that final authority is vested in the President of the College." p. 26

**Freedom of Movement**

Motion test—A West Palm Beach attorney has filed suit against the county school system for conducting a "bra test" of students. To stamp out bralessness, the county school system reportedly sends suspects to the school’s dean of women where they are required to jump up and down. If there is too much bounce, the student is sent home and instructed to wear a bra in the future.

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Image by Lillie Kate Walker

Help me to know my senses
Then I walk with two of me,
That the double vision is merely
The moving image, me.

Take me out of this world of phantasy and
Crush my stubbornness to cubes
Of reality, frozen, hard and staid.

And if a wisp of metallic melt
Steals its way on my street,
And a small stream flows, help me not to drown.

The Great Snaked Bird
Dear Sisters:

It is evident from your article on abortion docs and doctors (7/31/70) that women are still very dependent on male doctors for advice concerning women's medicine.

Most male physicians want women to expect major surgery when they seek abortion care; likewise, they would have us believe that the most beneficial position in which to give birth is horizontal. Until women seize the knowledge which will enable them to determine their own reproductive lives, we will be at the mercy of gynecological procedures based on the physician's convenience.

All abortion procedures (except, in most cases, hysterectomy) should be done under a local anesthetic. Abortions in the first 10 weeks of pregnancy are office or clinic procedures, and should cost less than $75. An amnio-centesis (saline injection) can be performed in a clinic or office, providing the specialist has access to a hospital; this method induces abortion within about 12-36 hours after the injection, and hospitalization is not necessary until that time.

Why are women submitting to the whims of the medical profession in the areas of abortion and obstetrical care? Until women begin their own abortion clinics, abortion care will cost $75-$800 in the first 10 weeks in New York City, as it does now. Rather than continue lining the pockets of the AMA, why not "get it together" and bring humane practices into the field of female medicine?

Sharon Simms
/Assoc. to Repeal Abortion Laws


"Their basic assumption," Mrs. Friedan told startled members of a Senate Subcommittee on Nutrition and Human Needs, "is that a woman's time is worth nothing, that she fulfills herself by doing chores for others that nobody in the world would do for money.

"All of their planning is based on the moronic concept that a woman's biggest thrill is making her kitchen sink and husband's shirts snow white, so they give her machines that could be operated by inmates of institutions for the feeble minded or robots and tell her she has a happy home."

The result, Mrs. Friedan said, is that women are sealed off from the world into city apartments and suburban dream houses--"planned by men to keep women and children out of sight"--where they become so alienated that their environment helps breed hostility and even violence.

A crucial need, she said, is for good and readily accessible child care centers so women "who see nobody over three feet tall all day" can pursue their own lives.

"Numerous studies indicate there is an enormous physical effect on women living in isolated sexual ghettos, city or suburb," she said. "We need a new set of standards for human life and dignity that will provide maximum freedom for self-development for both women and men."

---off our backs

BROKEN MAN

ALL STRONG OUT.

SHALL WE PUT YOU TOGETHER

WITH PASTE OR LOVE?

Kathleen Himmer
Baker University
THE FAILURE OF SGA?

In her letter to The Fixer, Gwen Fireck raised the issue that was our concern when we proposed a Communications Council. That issue is the failure of SGA to establish a Communications Committee in more than just name.

Gwen mentioned SGA's study of liquor in dorms. SGA is still working on this and will probably raise the issue in the future. That was not our complaint. We believed that Tell It should have raised the issue with the students while research into the legal and other aspects was underway. Instead, we were told to wait until SGA was "ready" to raise the issue with the administration. Further, we were told to raise no controversial issues without getting SGA's approval.

This is SGA's failure. We learn what SGA is doing, and much of that work is constructive. But SGA gives this information to the students once it is "cut and dried." Tell It could have been used to mobilize student opinion around what SGA wanted to do. It's time to stop springing issues on students and the administration.

It's time to mobilize student opinion for action.

Tell It was a workable ideal. In wrecking our ideal of its purpose, SGA perpetrated the impression that it is either afraid of the administration or is working against students in cases where students disagree with the administration.

We resigned from that committee, as we went other concerned staff members, Tommy Drocker, Julia Guill, Nancy Nible and Gwen Fireck. Remaining are some very concerned people, but they are subject to SGA's limitations and thus, they can print information but cannot increase frank communication. Now you know why we resigned. We were not able to really serve the students. We were not willing to be just an advertising agency for SGA.

We believe you want responsible change. So we suggest--SGA get with it.

SGA, take positions and mobilize student opinion.

SGA, stand up if the administration rejects or delays on your requests. Again, mobilize student opinion.

SGA, communicate with all students, do not just talk to yourselves.

SGA, get it clear, there will be no following for anything on this campus unless, for once, you lead.

SGA, students are losing faith in you, and the administration knows it can push you. Are you going to make yourself visible? Are you going to stand up with the students?

A lot of good work is being done, a lot of good work was wasted and a good opportunity was thrown away when the Communication Committee was strangled. So what is next?

You can do it SGA, you're coming along this year, but why not get up and really move? Show us where you are--get off your ass!

Tony Miller
Resigned Associate Editors--Tell It

"SGA has answered the recurring question, 'If you have a problem, why don't you come to SGA with it? The logical answer is that SGA simply does not get anything done... (SGA is) a student government that pays only lip service to the practice of providing legitimate and desired channels for student protest."

--Lewis H. Sword (May 13, 1970)


--The Militant

Dave Mason, ALONE TOGETHER (Blue Thumb/Stereo/BTS19)

As I remember it, Dave Mason was always either the black sheep of Traffic (sometimes about personality conflicts with Stevie Winwood) or the almost unheralded guitarist on many of Delaney and Bonnie tours and recordings.

None of which is true anymore. Seems that his Along Together on Blue Thumb has received rave reviews from the critics and SOLD!!

You might want to think of Along (Cont., page 5)
the rhythm section of bassist Carl

"Only You"

Mason. Looking at the credits on all these albums you will show that "the rhythm section of bassist Carl Radle and drummer Jim Keltner and the entire D&B "friends" horn section on nearly every track.

Of course, nearly everyone knew Mason could write. "Feelin' Alright" and "Only You Know and I Know" are already classic status. "That Alone Together" proves is that 34 minutes of Mason's guitar, vocals, and songs just isn't enough.

There really isn't any reason to say that any song is better than any other on the album. About the only disappointment is that Mason didn't include and un- Trafficked version of "Feelin' Alright".

I won't mention the multi-color ed disc or the fold-out cover because this record doesn't need any gimmicks to make itself known.

By David Greisman

Harry


Forward-looking gift: For that relative or friend who's gloomy about the future of our planet, the Neiman-Marcus Xmas catalog is offering an 80-foot, $550,000 ark. Four-year delivery.

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HITCHING PARTNERS wanted. Go cheap to LI, NYC area at Thanksgiving. Call Becky 4327.

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The Fixer staff (especially the artist) wishes to apologize to Julian Ney for not crediting him for the poem "Sustenance" which appeared in last week's paper. We are sorry, Julian.
The FIXER welcomes faculty support (as always), but we would be crazy to expect any.

PEACE.

Lewis H. Sword

Harambee has elected new officers. They are: the executive committee, Mary Donohue, Sarah Schaefer and Cindy Walsh; treasurer, Nora Stone; secretary, Judy Reed; vice-president, Debbie Barr; and president, Jay Rainey.

I started making wine with stuff I could scrounge while in a one room apartment in the city. Following are my own Super Simple directions. They’re guaranteed to drive dedicated wine makers up a wall but they do produce results. Anyway, they’re a beginning, and beginnings are the most important part.

You can make wine out of almost any fruit. In fact, you can make it from just about anything that grows. I have used grapes, peaches, plums, strawberries, cherries, and my favorite—honey. Honey wine is called Mead, the so-called wine of the gods. It’s cheap, easy, and good. Here’s how:

Get a gallon jug, preferably glass, but plastic will do. Clean it out good. Smell it. Someone may have kept gasoline in it. Wash the jug with soap (NOT detergent), rinse with baking soda in water and finally, rinse with clear water.

Put a pint and a half to two pints of honey in the jug, (the more honey the stronger the wine), fill with warm water and shake.

Add a pack or cake of yeast—the same stuff you use in bread—and leave the jug uncapped and sitting in the drinks overnight. It will foam at the mouth and the whole thing gets pretty sticky at this point.

After the mess quiets down a bit, you’re ready to put a top on it. NOT, I say NOT, a solid top. That would make you a bomb maker instead of a wine maker.

What you do have to do is come up with a device that will let gas escape from the jug, without letting air get in. Air getting in is what turns wine mixtures to vinegar.

One way to do this job is to run a plastic or rubber hose from the otherwise sealed mouth of the jug, thread the free end through a hole in the cork and let the hose hang in a glass or bowl of water. Or you can make a loop in the hose, pour in a little water and trap the water in the loop to act as a seal.

Now put your jug of brew away for about two weeks until it’s finished doing it’s thing. It’s ready to bottle when the bubbles stop coming to the top.

Old wine bottles are best. You must use corks (not too tight) to seal the wine as they will allow small amounts of gas to escape. The wine is ready to drink just about any time.

You can use the same process with fruits or whatever, except that you’ll have to extract the juice and, maybe, add some sugar.

Gary Miller, The Berkeley Tribe

PCP is Sernyl, a horse tranquilizer and peace pill that is sometimes called angel dust or smoked parsley. It makes you hallucinate but it is not a true psychedelic. In large doses it can make you crazy or at least very paranoid and sick. It is addicting and can cause permanent brain damage, but it will get you very stoned. All I can say is stay away from PCP.

The Berkeley Tribe
Ali wins: Even if boxing is disgusting, one has to admire Muhammad Ali who scored a third-round knockout over Jerry Quarry in a heavyweight bout in Atlanta Oct. 26. In commemoration, we publish this poem, written by the champ himself:

Hell no
I ain't going to go
Clean out my cell
And take my tail to jail
To jail
Without bail
Because it's better there eating,
Watching television fed
Than in Vietnam with your white folks dead.

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Mr. Speaker, I regret the refusal of the U.S. Information Agency to release the results of a poll it commissioned in several countries to determine world reaction to the dispatch of American troops into Cambodia.

I had hoped that Mr. Frank Shakespeare, director of the USIA, would agree that the American people should know the results of this poll, which they paid for and which has considerable significance if we are to make intelligent decisions about the validity of the President's policies in Southeast Asia.

It is very hard to understand how national security could be jeopardized by telling the public the results of this poll, unless it is assumed that national security is best served by protecting the American people from facts. But we do not make such assumptions in this country, and with good reason. In a democracy the formulation and implementation of sound policy depends on the public's having access to basic information, especially information they pay to collect.

That is why I have favored for many years the release of all polls taken by the USIA. If there are occasions when they should be kept secret, these should be the exceptions rather than the rule. That is clearly not the case with the poll we are talking about today.

We usually know whose interest is being protected when agencies of the Government say it is not in the national interest to release information that could have no conceivable effect on national security. It is rarely the public interest, the only interest about which the Government should be concerned.

I call upon the USIA to change its policy regarding the release of these polls. There is, may I repeat, no valid security reason nor any requirement under the law that they be concealed. As a beginning, Mr. Shakespeare should act immediately to provide the American people with the results of the particular poll I have mentioned today.

Soviet sources reported scientific evidence that smoking diminishes the sexual drive of men 40 and over and, in some cases, as young as 30.
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Ralph Waldo Emerson

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HARAMBEE MEETING
6th Annual Film Festival—Teacher Evaluation
NO REPRISMENTS

I have asked Kathy Tullous, Bob Garber and Tony Miller (all elected SGA officials) where their $450 mimeo machine is. None know. Kathy said when she saw it last it "was in two pieces." Bob added that SGA was going "to buy a new one."
Tony said he would take my written questions to Bev Trainham, president of SGA. He delivered my inquiries at a SGA meeting. Tony said she read the questions, "saw who wrote them, tore them up and threw them into the trash can." No answer was forthcoming from the president of SGA.

But I do not believe the Student Government Association when they say they want to represent the entire student body. Bev Trainham expects every student to be thankful for SGA's long record of gutless non-actions. If, as happens on rare occasion, SGA does back the students, it is not because SGA has taken the lead but rather the students are so far ahead of their government that silence would show them for what they are, popularity poll winners who are used by the administration to pacify the student body's demand for change. (I HAVE A PLAN.) Year after year our desires and hopes are smothered by an inactive SGA and finally killed (without a cry from our elected officials) by our Stalinistic administration.

But to keep the students from realizing their actual position, the administration, aided by SGA, gives students something to which to point when change is being discussed by the students. (Girls may smoke in the halls, girls may stay out a few hours longer, males may have long hair, slacks may be worn by the girls, there's a cut free system—but your teacher may penalize you for absences, etc.) Things are granted which have nothing to do with the supposed education we are receiving at Madison. At the same time they rid our campus of every excellent teacher who does not agree with Madison's 18th century concept of education. (Teachers who read from the back of the class time stand a better chance of remaining than the educator who makes his students use their minds.)

We can continue to allow SGA to subvert our earnest desire for constructive change, or we can demand that they start to respect the opinions of the majority of students. Hopefully SGA will not ignore us again, for if they do it will surely signal the end of any respect the students may still hold for the Student Government Association.