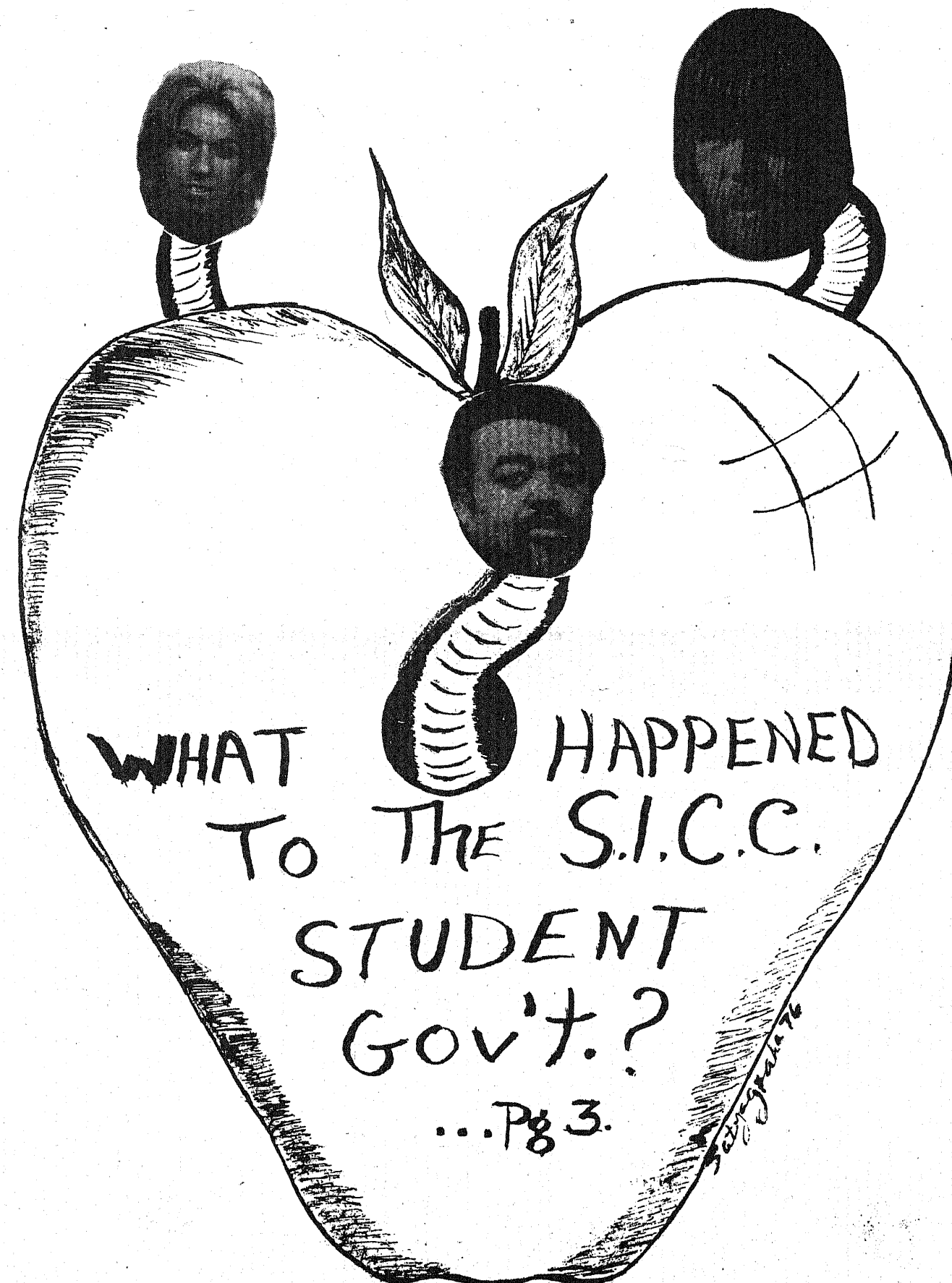


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US ... WE

Dr. Ronald Lee Gaudreau, executive vice-president of the New York City Bicentennial Corporation, dressed in the John Adams costume used on Public Broadcasting System's *Adams' Chronicles*, spoke on "A Conversation With..." series hosted by Dr. Rosalie Reich which was videotaped March 16, 1976. The half-hour show aired Tuesday and Thursday, March 23rd and 25th on cable television in Manhattan and incorporated a slide presentation of Centennial and Bicentennial events, as well as film of the upcoming "Operation Sail" which will send a slew of boats up the Hudson on July 4th.

The graphics division of the Media Production Center produced a variety of placards used at the Board of Higher Education demonstration. The posters, carried by Mechanical Technology students and staff, were reported seen on WABC-TV news on both the early and late news shows.

Photographer Joe Rickard accomplished a colossal feat in reproducing well over 300 slides for Con Edison's Co-Op Program. He also found time to complete circuit-board masters for an experimental digital clock project introduced by the Electrical Technology lab technicians.

Professor Melmed will teach an intensive course in television production, five days a week, for New York University during the summer semester. Twenty students from the School of the Arts are being pre-screened prior to enrollment in the course. At the end of their five-week session, they are to be awarded 18 credit points and efforts are being made to place them in an active broadcasting position.

On Thursday, April 1st, the Media Production Center opened its doors to a crowd of SICC staff and students to celebrate the Center's third anniversary. Well over 250 well-wishers indulged themselves in home-baked goodies and coffee. Special tours of the color television facility were given with added features of seeing oneself on color television or watching the taping of a live magic show by Steve Okulewicz. Among those present at the festivities were the school's President and Deans Leonard Kreisman, Stamos Zades and Abe Habenstreit.

Arrangements are being concluded for future guests on "A Conversation With..." These include Professor George Small, world renowned authority on marine conservation; Rosemary Tung, director of the only Tibetan museum in the western hemisphere; and Richard H. Buford, managing trustee and executive officer of the South Street Seaport Museum. Coordinator of the series is Unit Manager Dan Snyder.

Professor Melmed's independent production company, Elm-J Productions, Inc., has achieved star billing in various corners of the globe. Not only is he the official display photographer for such renowned stores as Henri Bendel, Bloomingdale, Bonwit Teller, Charles Jourdan, and Lord & Taylor, but he has photographed for Sak's Fifth Avenue and Tiffany's, and shoots fashion models for well-known clothing manufacturers. His pictures have been used in lectures at the Fashion Institute of Technology, Architectural Institute, and at Pratt Institute, and in Japan, Paris, San Francisco and Italy. Photos by Melmed will soon be seen in *Architectural Digest*, *Italian Vigor*, and a book of illus-

trations is being printed in Japan for artist George Stavrinou.

On Sunday, April 25th, Congresswoman Bella Abzug was videotaped as guest speaker in the Presidential Seminar series. The event is available for viewing by the CUNY community and will be on cable television.

At a recent Board of Governors meeting of SICC's radio station WVSI, Mr. Raymond Zwigrat was elected to the position of faculty technical advisor. Prof. Melmed is the representative of the college president's office to WVSI.

The reviews are in on *Journey to the Moon*, the recently completed color television production about lunar exploration and discoveries. The program was made in conjunction with the Physics-Geology Department. Featured guest, Hans Behn, adjunct professor at Wagner College and prominent scientist with Grumman's Lunar Missions Studies, had assisted in selecting landing sites for the Apollo astronauts, and on the program he gave background material which he had provided prior to the lunar landings. Professors Andy O'han and Irv Robbins supplied an in-

depth analysis of what was found and how it differed from earth-bound scientific discoveries, and also what the future holds.

The U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York convened on Tuesday, April 27th on the Staten Island campus. The Media Production Center's crew was on hand to witness and videotape the Honorable Mark A. Constantino confer American citizenship on 500 immigrants as guaranteed by the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Superprosecutor Maurice Nadjari appears to be gearing up to move against heretofore sacrosanct Judges' Club, and none too soon. It's been more than a month since State Supreme Court Justice James J. Leff's controversial report on the political activities of judges and how the state's judicial system permits goofing off for the lazy ones. The report was distributed by State Administrative Judge Richard J. Bartlett to members of the State Committee on Judicial Conduct. And it's been only a little test of Leff's report. Yet my sources within the judicial system do not see any great investigative activity on the part of the leaders of

the state judicial system in response to Leff's charges.

The Leff Report charges that the former presiding justice of the Appellate Division in Brooklyn, George Belkock, held Republican political meetings at the Appellate Courthouse at 45 Monroe Place. Although Belkock is now dead, the question has yet to be answered whether or not other judges and lawyers participated in those meetings. If the attendees were either judges or lawyers, shouldn't they be subject to disciplinary proceedings by the Bar Association (in the case of lawyers) or by a Court on the Judiciary (in the case of judges)?

Even a District Attorney will say whether or not a case is under investigation, but not the Chief Justice of the State Court system, Charles Breitler. Asked last Friday whether he was looking into charges made by the Leff Report, Breitler answered, "I do not comment on any document allegedly received by me that would be under the rule of confidentiality." When I pointed out that the document was in the public domain since *The Village Voice* had quoted it, Breitler

replied, "I will not affirm the authenticity of a document allegedly misdirected or purloined that if it was authentic would be under a rule of confidentiality." After that torturous sentence, Breitler re-emphasized that the supervision of judicial discipline is held under the rules of confidentiality. However, if nothing happens at all as a result of the Leff Report, that cloud of confidentiality is going to wear rather thin.

Somebody at *The Voice's* printing plant apparently knows more about the city's not-so-Cultural Commissioner, Irving Goldman, than I do. In last week's column, the knowledgeable one referred to the agency over which Goldman presides as "this Vultural Commission." Speaking of Goldman, it's curious that the New York *Times*, in its big Sunday round-up on Nadjari's career to date, did not mention that Nadjari is looking into Irving Goldman's affairs. The mere fact that Nadjari is in there may frighten other officials looking into Goldman (namely Attorney General Louis Scoppeta) into speeding up their seemingly forever "ongoing investigations."

Health Department Lists 23 More Health Code Violators

Deputy Commissioner Jean B. Cropper released today 23 names of food establishments which have violated the Health Code.

The Health Department's food establishment inspection system, which has been in effect since July 1971, was modified on September 25th, 1975, in order to enlarge the program to include every restaurant in the city during the current year.

Under the modified procedure, an administrative hearing may be held after the initial inspection instead of after a compliance inspection, as heretofore. At the administrative hearing, a date is set for a final inspection, at which time all violations must be corrected, or the food establishment is subject to being closed by the Department of Health. The policy of publishing the names of violators in the news media after the hearing will continue.

Restaurants are required to post a sign in a conspicuous place informing the customers that they have the right to see the Health Department's most recent reports on all inspections conducted since April 15, 1972.

The following 23 establishments were operating in violation of the Health Code at time of inspection and did not present a valid reason for such failure at the administrative hearing. The most serious violations are listed.

| Name | Violations |
|--|---|
| 1. China Sur Restaurant 15 Avenue B Manhattan - Restaurant | Rat excreta on cellar floor adjacent to walls. |
| 2. K.M.T. Restaurant 205 Allen Street Manhattan - Restaurant | Fresh and old mouse excreta on the kitchen and storage room floors. |
| 3. Mr. Antonio Morales 11 Avenue D Manhattan - Grocery | Utility sink with hot and cold running water not provided. |
| 4. Canario Restaurant 1875 Lexington Avenue Manhattan - Restaurant | Live roaches in cellar. Open sewage drain line in rear of cellar kitchen near stairs. Mouse excreta on kitchen and cellar floors. |
| 5. Caprice Restaurant 58 Avenue C Manhattan - Restaurant | Roach infestation in kitchen and at front counter. Toilet facilities are not available. |
| 6. Mr. Jose Peralta 308 East 2nd Street Manhattan - Grocery | Toilet facilities not provided. Utility sink with hot and cold running water not provided. |
| 7. Mr. William Pena Mojica 68 - 2nd Avenue Manhattan - Restaurant | Rat excreta on floor throughout premises including cellar. Dishes, glasses and utensils not being sanitized, in that, gas burner booster is inoperative and immersion basket is not provided. Temperature of sanitizing water 155° F. No food protection course certificate. Roach egg cases on shelves behind counter. |
| 8. Mr. Juan Roldan 2353 - 2nd Avenue Manhattan - Candy Store | Roaches on floor and shelves at front counter. |
| 9. Mr. Jose Antonio Diaz 19 Avenue D - Manhattan - Grocery | Toilet facilities not provided. Utility sink with hot and cold running water not provided. |
| 10. Ponce De Leon Restaurant 171 East 116th Street Manhattan - Restaurant | Flies in restaurant and kitchen. No food protection course certificate. |
| 11. Ting Fat Take-Out Chinese Food 759 New Lots Avenue Brooklyn - Take-Out | Roach infestation in toilet room. |
| 12. Baker's Grocery Store 813 March Avenue Brooklyn - Grocery | Utility sink with hot and cold running water not provided. Mouse excreta on floor behind refrigerator. |
| 13. Sue's Place Fruit and Vegetables 154 Watkins Street Brooklyn - Fruits & Vegetables | Running hot water not provided on premises. |
| 14. W & J Fish Market 778 Franklin Avenue Brooklyn - Fish Market | Live roaches on premises. |

BROOKLYN SCHOOL BOYCOTT

- 15. Sica Grocery Store
100 Grafton Street
Brooklyn - Take-Out
Handwash sink not provided with hot running water. Gas-fired range and grill not hooded & vented to outer air.
- 16. Beverly Food Center
169 Belmont Avenue
Brooklyn - Grocery
Running hot water not provided on premises.
- 17. Netells Bake Shop
4815 Church Avenue
Brooklyn - Bakery
Fresh mouse excreta on cellar shelves and floor. Unapproved flexible tubing used on floor gas burner.
- 18. Lydia E. Mendez Sanabria
396 Belmont Avenue
Brooklyn - Grocery
Mouse excreta on the premises. Hand wash sink not provided with hot running water.
- 19. Mr. Carlos Irizarry
150 Tapscott Street
Brooklyn - Grocery
Sanitary garbage receptacle with tight fitting cover not provided at serving counter. Mouse excreta on premises.
- 20. Torres Grocery
41 Blake Avenue
Brooklyn - Grocery
Operating without a N. Y. C. Health Department permit. Mouse excreta on premises.
- 21. Ms. Miguel Navarett
3060 Fulton Street
Brooklyn - Restaurant
Operating without a current New York City Health Department permit for conducting a restaurant. Fresh mouse excreta on storage shelves behind the counter. No food protection course certificate.
- 22. Ogden Food Service Corp.
(Bronx Theatre)
438 East 149th Street
Bronx - Candy Stand
Mouse excreta on shelves of candy counter and in storeroom.
- 23. Cup & Saucer Lunch Corp.
3513 White Plains Road
Bronx - Restaurant
Glasses not being sanitized at fountain, in that gas burner booster is not provided. Temperature of sanitizing water 140°F.

The following 14 establishments had their final inspection. The results are as follows:

| Name and Address | Type | Disposition |
|--|------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Towne Deli 150 East 46th St., Manhattan | Restaurant | Violations Corrected. |
| 2. Maria's Bakery 3086 Wh. Pl. Rd., Bronx | Bakery | Violations Corrected |
| 3. La Higuana Restaurant 244 E. 14th St., Manhattan | Restaurant | Closed |
| 4. Pierre's Restaurant 1022 Ave. of Americas, Manhattan | Restaurant | Closed |
| 5. Vouliagmenes 1026 Ave. of Americas, Manhattan | Restaurant | Closed |
| 6. Randy's 1522 Bergen St., Brooklyn | Restaurant | Closed |
| 7. United Grocery 1892 Fulton St., Brooklyn | Grocery | Closed |
| 8. I & G Restaurant 2150 Fulton St., Brooklyn | Restaurant | Closed |
| 9. Negron Grocery 2560 Pitkin Ave., Brooklyn | Grocery | Closed |
| 10. Burdier Grocery 2578 Pitkin Ave., Brooklyn | Grocery | Closed |
| 11. Parkway Food Center 1534 Eastern Pkwy., Brooklyn | Grocery | Closed |
| 12. Parkway Food Center 1534 East Pkwy., Brooklyn | Grocery | Reopened 4/8/76 |
| 13. Russo Pastry Shop 2454 E. Tremont Ave., Bronx | Bakery | Reopened |
| 14. F.J.S. Den Inc. 11-13 Cebrá Ave., Staten Island | Restaurant | Reopened |

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R. O. T. C. PROTEST

R.O.T.C. GOES FLAT
by Art Zollo

Enraged by the decision made by Student Government Chairperson Leon Wallace to let ROTC recruit on campus, a large contingent of students gave the ROTC jeep four flats. This was done, according to one student, "as a symbolic act to demonstrate the flat out lies the Army spreads to the public in their commercials and in statements by the Pentagon; also to show

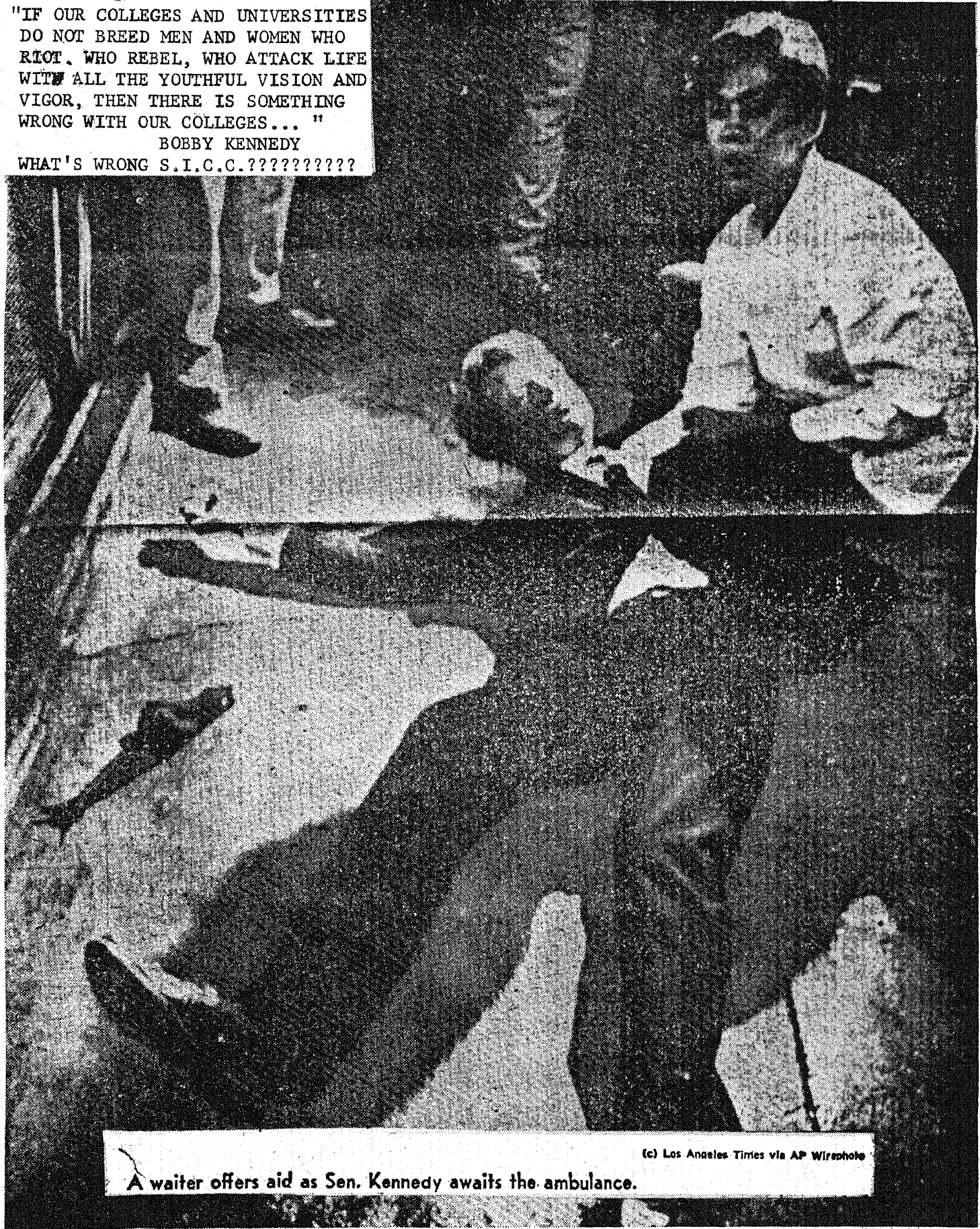
A STORY (continued)

anguish and shrank back in pain with his hands covering his face. The other Kroy Wen police immediately grabbed Elia.

Outside, a member of the armed forces shouted in a microphone on the podium from which he spoke. He proclaimed that a new society is being formed and all are welcome to join. "A society of which all Aciremans could be proud. Our people are the greatest on the face of the earth." He announced, "And so is our nation." The roar of the crowd followed. There were the voices of over 15,000 people simultaneously chanting *Right On, What we need is law and order!* Again the crowd replied in

their regimental replay. *Right On, Right On, Right On!* It was blurred but it was still distinguishable. A feverish pandemonium now existed among the people.

Upon the 4th floor of the school's Student Union there was a battered and bleeding corpse. Over the radio came music from an underground radio station. The song *Ohio* was playing lower in volume that usually played in the office. The D.J. interrupted to announce that Elia Ehler had been found dead by the police from an overdose of drugs. The D.J.'s voice cracked, "We know what really happened, Elia. To us our nation." The roar of the crowd followed. There were the voices of over 15,000 people simultaneously chanting *Right On, What we need is law and order!* Again the crowd replied in



"IF OUR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES DO NOT BREED MEN AND WOMEN WHO RIOT, WHO REBEL, WHO ATTACK LIFE WITH ALL THE YOUTHFUL VISION AND VIGOR, THEN THERE IS SOMETHING WRONG WITH OUR COLLEGES..."
BOBBY KENNEDY
WHAT'S WRONG S.I.C.C.???????????

A waiter offers aid as Sen. Kennedy awaits the ambulance.

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that Leon Wallace's inflated ego prevents him from acting in the students' interests. After the protest, a letter was delivered to Student Press stating, "Although we have chased ROTC from campus, Leon Wallace unfortunately remains."

MAY DAY 1976

May Day, International Workers Day. Since it was born in 1886 with a nationwide strike by a half-million American workers for the 8-hour workday, May Day has become the holiday of the working class all over the world, the day we reaffirm our deep determination to fight all exploitation and oppression and not stop until we end them.

May Day 1976. America is in a deep crisis. Ten million workers unemployed, while those of us with jobs are hit by brutal speed-up and wage cuts. More production and more profits are the exploiters' plan to get out of their crisis. Make the working class pay.

And all the while, our rulers bombard us with talk of Recovery and calls for National Unity and Bicentennial Spirit. Things are not getting better; they are falling apart. Our neighborhoods are decaying. Hospitals, schools, firehouses closing. High prices and small paychecks. Cutbacks in unemployment insurance. Our streets are unsafe, and we are caught between drugs and crime and police terror. Recovery of the bosses' economy means only more of the same, and the growing danger of yet another war.

class who produce all that is good in this society, we won't live like this and see our children sacrificed after us. We have nothing in common with the capitalists. They own everything and they produce nothing. They run this society for their own profits. "We will fight them as we always have, and we will not stop as long as they ride on our backs."

May Day 1976. The working class is saying more and more we won't let them dump their crisis on our shoulders. We will fight every last abuse, on the jobs and in our communities and across all of society. We will not be slaves, chained to their machinery free only to work for their profits or to starve. In cities all across the country, the working class is marching on May Day under the slogans that say this—

**Fight Don't Starve
Workers Unite to Lead the Fight
Against All Oppression
Down With the System of Wage Slavery**

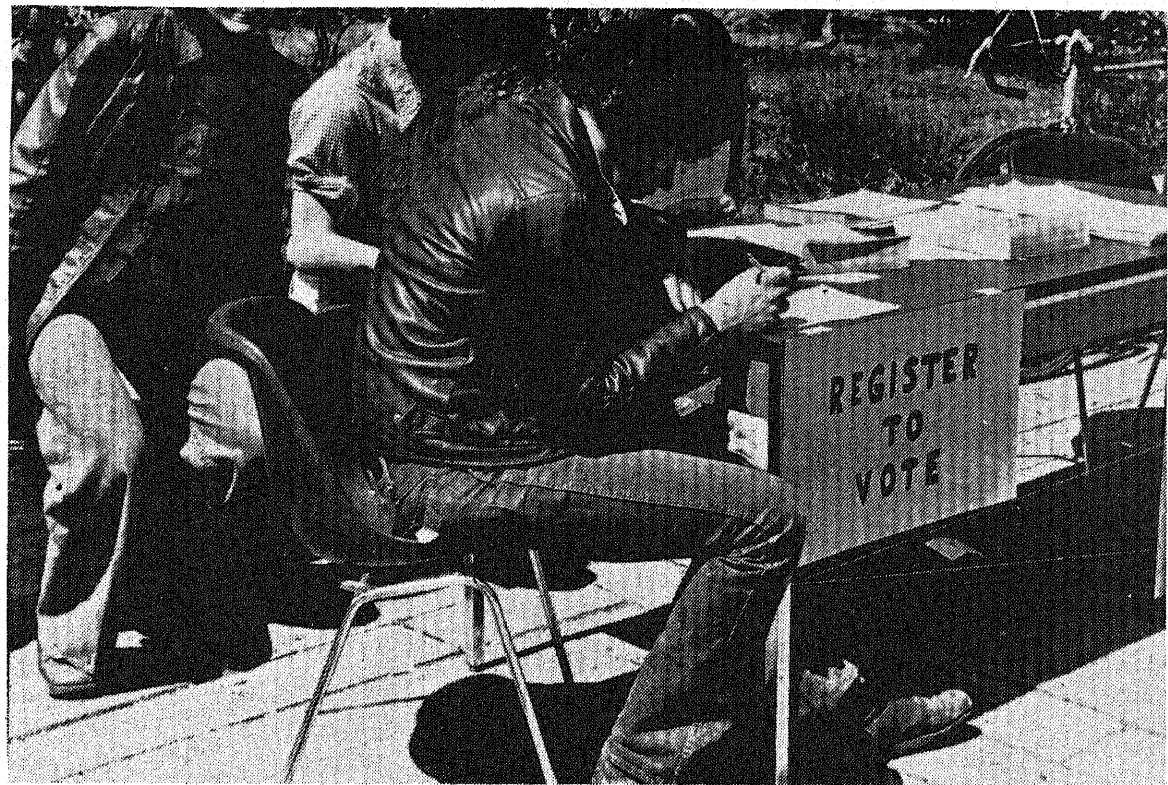
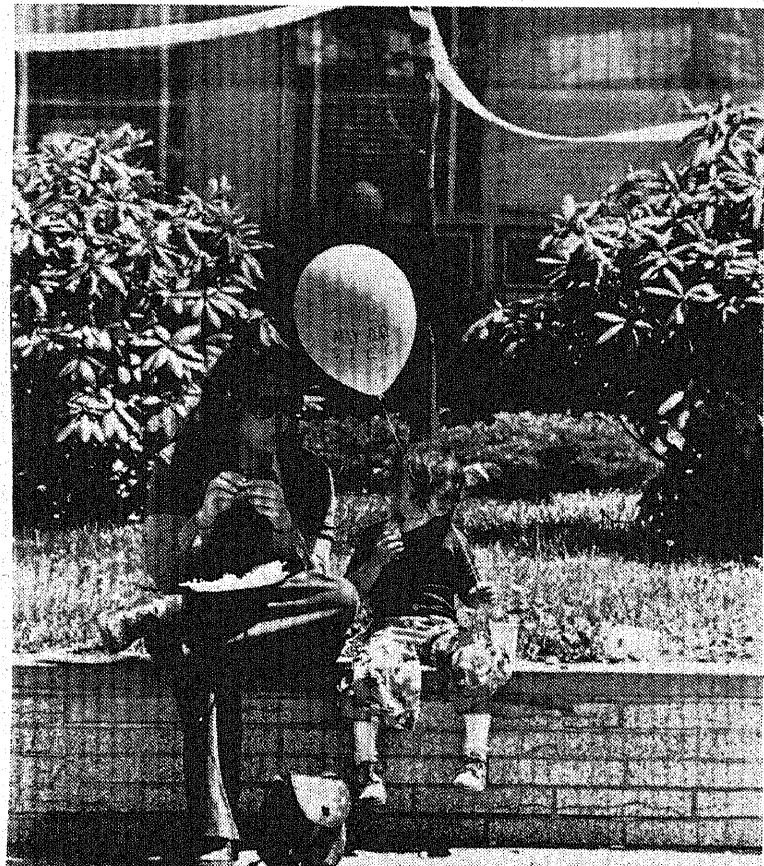
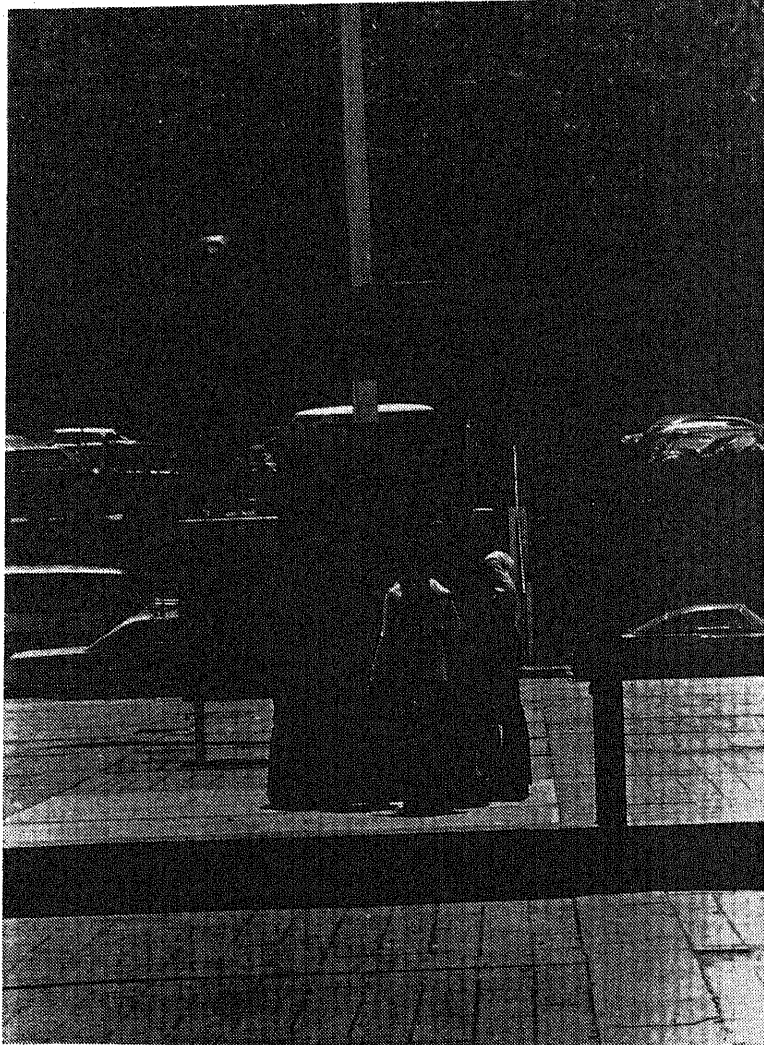
Look around. Everywhere the workers are demanding jobs. Where a couple of years ago the word was that you could not fight layoffs, now there are strikes and actions against them across the country. Workers in 30 cities demonstrated for jobs recently, and the Unemployed Workers Organizing Committee nation-

wide petition for Jobs or Income is gathering tens of thousands of signatures.

In our shops, there is growing resistance to being ground down in the name of increased productivity—sitdowns, slowdowns, walkouts, strikes. Some 80,000 miners wildcatted for the right to strike. Auto workers in New Jersey walked out over forced overtime on top of layoffs. Singer workers sat down against a piece rate cut. For two months workers at National Lead have been on strike—turning down a contract that means layoffs for 300 and speed-up for the rest. Every shop floor is a battlefield between the workers and the bosses.

Every day there are marches and rallies against hospitals or firehouses or schools closing. The bankers and politicians who run New York have a three-year plan to lay off thousands and slice services to the bone. And cities across the country are planning the same. This is being met head on by the anger of working people. City workers in San Francisco are striking over pay cuts, and the police lines stay up around the clock at City Hall to protect Mayor Beame and his banker friends.

As the rulers of the two superpowers, the U.S. and U.S.S.R. increasingly square off, threatening to unleash a world war, there



is a growing cry of We Won't Fight Another Rich Man's War. We won't kill our fellow workers in another country. Our fight is against those exploiters who once again would send our brothers and sons and husbands to kill and die for profits.

May Day 1976 comes at a time when the workers movement is on the rise. It is a time to build even stronger, to unite more closely and take stock, and to strengthen our organization, to point out where we are and where we are going.

1976 will be a year of more vicious attacks from the capitalists, and of more fighting back, victories and growing strength. We are hit this year with a double dose of poison—the Bicentennial and the presidential elections—telling us to give up our struggles. They say 200 years

under the yoke of the capitalists have been like heaven, and allow us to pick the man who will deliver four more of the same.

Fellow workers, we have the power to change things. Within our movement lies the seed of a decent life for all people, the seed of a future free of the exploiters and their system of rule.

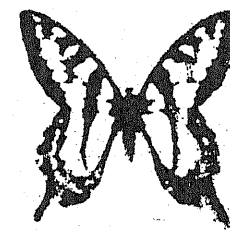
This year, we must build even more, joining with and building on all the battles our class is waging. We will fight our enemies tooth and nail—for jobs, against speed-ups and wage cuts, against cutbacks, against another rich man's war, and against every abuse and insult we are forced to suffer. And on their 200th birthday party in Philadelphia on July 4th, we will join with working people everywhere to say, "We've Carried The Rich For 200 Years—Let's Get Them Off Our Backs."

Rusty Keys

They said
I'd get over it
but four months
have passed
and I'm still
checking the mailbox,
hanging onto rusty keys
from lost locks,
trying to preserve their shine.

I think about it
more than now and then,
and I wonder
when that moment arrives
will I know which way to turn
the keys
if they fit.

A. J. Puma



"WHAT'S IN A NAME"

No matter what
season you'll have.
A smile, you'll find
things quite successfully,
in which you set out
to do.
You've read books
from front to back,
and the daily news
too.
Your feedback
was completely
bitter.

Names, Names.
Words are not
sticks and stones
that could harm
your bones.

But!

What's in a name?
The game we play.
What's in a name?
The food we buy.
What's in a name?
The clothes we wear.
Names, Names.

I'm not to blame!
Webster isn't either!
But, perhaps, the ones
wrote it, before our
time.

The handwriting on the
wall, no one will
know for sure, unless,
they would read

the "Bible"
With faith.

It's in a song that
someone wrote,
"That love don't love
nobody."

It's in a song that
someone wrote,
"Beauty is only skin
deep."
If you are for real,
and find, there is
no need for pill.
Then let these few
words, I say,
Intoxicate your
fruitful mind....
"It's in a song,
It's in our hearts"

It's in a song that,
love don't love
nobody.
It's in a song, that,
Beauty is only skin deep.

But, I love you
to the bone.
You make me think,
the way you walk,
and that's what makes
me strong.

The way you talk, I
suppose, is what lifted me
above my mental block.
That love goes far past,
the look of things.
It's out of the reach
of doubt.

Heartbreak will never,
be acquainted at my
doorstep, for the
presence of you
is welcome.

The rest of my life
will be contented,
because I know in our
behalf,

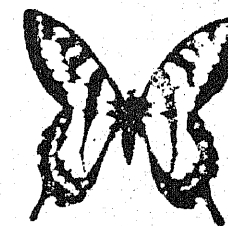
that we are tempted by
the sight of flesh.
And the weakness
is standing outside,
trying to get in,
but, does not know the
secrets we share.
If it's in a song,
It's in your heart.

Then, I can truly
love with love,
and beauty, can surely
go beneath the
skin, within the
depth of our

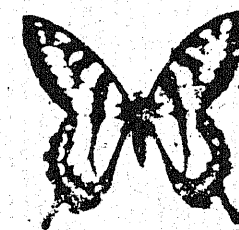
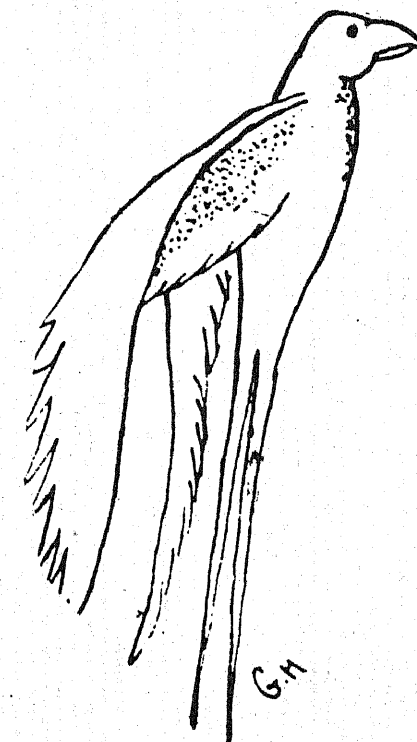
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By MILTON EVANS



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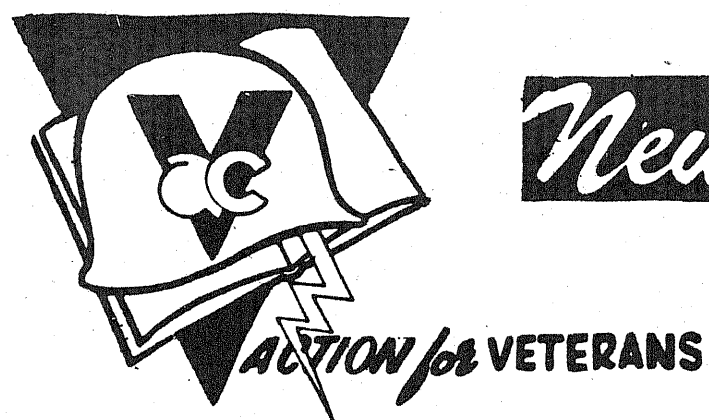
Chatting with an apple
about the way life ought to be.
But when I took a zesty bite,
the apple smiled and laughed at me
'cause it was rotten to the core.
I won't eat apples anymore.

But Burnt Bananas are my friends.
There's no need to make amends.
Burnt Bananas are my friends.

Pick a pear, pick a peach
and listen to the words they say.
But if you dare to eat them up,
They'll bite you first and run away.
Some fruits need a talking to.
Some fruits are afraid of you.

But there's no need to make amends.
Burnt Bananas are my friends.

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News

MURPHY CAUGHT IN LIE BOOED BY N.Y. VETERANS

Congressman John M. Murphy of the 17th Congressional District (Staten Island, Southern Manhattan) was caught "either blissfully ignorant of his own position or in an outright lie to get votes" at a veterans' meeting in Wash., DC, yesterday, Professor John Peters, director of the SICC Veterans Advise-ment Center and Legislative Chairman of CUNY's Veterans' Coordinators Council, has charged.

The meeting, to attract support for an extension of GI educational benefits for Post-Korean and Vietnam Era veterans, drew over 300 vets from New York City who met with the N.Y. Congressional Delegation. Here is how Rep. Murphy's "lie or ignorance" happened, according to Professor Peters.

Hundreds of veterans traveled by bus from New York and met with the NY Congressional dele-

gation to gather their unified support for an extension of the time limitation for GI Bill educational benefits which are scheduled to terminate on May 31st. Nationally, over three million veterans will be affected and approximately 30% of the 20,000 vets currently enrolled in CUNY will be affected.

The meeting, which was held in the Gold Room of the Rayburn House Office Building at 5 p.m., Monday, May 10th, was attended by most of the members of the NY Congressional Delegation.

Congressman Lester Wolff, a member of the House Veterans Affairs Committee, introduced members of the delegation who were all met with applause from the audience. Rep. Wolff then presented a status report on actions pending which would provide for an extension beyond May 31st. Statements and questions were exchanged between members of the delegation and the veterans. Prof. Peters, in his

statement to the Delegation, referred to two letters he had received from Presidents of the Metallic Lathers Union and the Municipal Tractors Operators Association supporting an extension of the delimiting date. Prof. Peters said, "Unless an extension of the time limitation is enacted immediately, most Post-Korean and early Vietnam Era veterans may be forced to leave school due to a lack of funds. To take away their unused entitlements during a period of high unemployment would clearly be unfair to them and their families. Many of these vets have lost their jobs due to the state of the economy and are being forced to attempt to find new jobs and develop new skills. They are in need of their educational benefits now more than ever before." He concluded that, "We must bust the delimiting date."

Rep. Murphy, who was not present for most of the meeting, finally entered the room at 6:15. He was the only member of the Delegation who was greeted with boos from the audience. On April 28th, Murphy had voted against a budget amendment that would provide funds in the fiscal year '77 budget to pay for the extension should it be passed.

One vet in the audience yelled, "Who do you represent, Congressman Murphy, Staten Island or the State of Maryland where you live?"

When the disruption quelled, a Richmond County vet said to Murphy, "I understand that you stated ten years is enough time

for anybody to get an education." Murphy responded, "I didn't state that. I know that it may take someone a long time to complete college."

Brian McDonnell, President of the New York State Collegiate and Concerned Veterans Association, stood up and quoted from a letter Murphy had written on February 11, 1976 to John V. Raschella of 29 Truman Street, Staten Island, in response to his inquiry about the extension. McDonnell quoted from the letter, "I [Murphy] feel a decade is adequate time to complete an education taking into account a veteran's readjustment period and intractable circumstances which might prevent him from enrolling in an institution on a fulltime basis." Rep. Murphy had no comment! The audience, however, did with voices saying, "He [Murphy] just said he didn't make that statement. Obviously, he lied."

Rep. Wolff, in an attempt to save the situation, told the audience, "As a whole, the New York Delegation always supports veterans' legislation when it reaches the House floor for a vote." He expected that the Delegation would again do so if and when legislation extending the termination of GI Bill educational benefits were to be presented.

VETS CLEAN UP VANDALIZED HISTORICAL SITE

Ichabod Crane is resting much easier today after members of

the staff of the Veterans Advise-ment Center of SICC conducted *Operation Clean-Up* on Saturday, May 1, 1976, at his resting place in Asbury Church of the Nazarene Cemetery in Bulls Head. Professor John M. Peters, the director of VAC, in announcing the plans stated, "This historical cemetery has been the site of disturbing vandalism."

Few Islanders seem to be aware of the fact that Colonel Ichabod Crane, veteran of the War of 1812 and the Mexican War, was a resident of Staten Island. Washington Irving, who had served during the War of 1812, decided to use one of the strangest names he had ever heard as the main character in *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*. Author Irving had met then Captain Crane at Sackett's Harbor during 1814.

Looking for a place to spend his declining years, Col. Crane came to Staten Island, purchased property and erected a house which still stands on Crane Ave.

Operation Clean-Up was part of the VAC's continuing community outreach program. Prof. Peters, who is a member of the Citizens Committee for New York City, stated that the involvement of student veterans in this project is in line with the objectives of community voluntary "self-help" efforts. George Loos, a VAC counselor, coordinated the project with Pastor Singh and Mr. Ken Klien, caretaker of the grounds.

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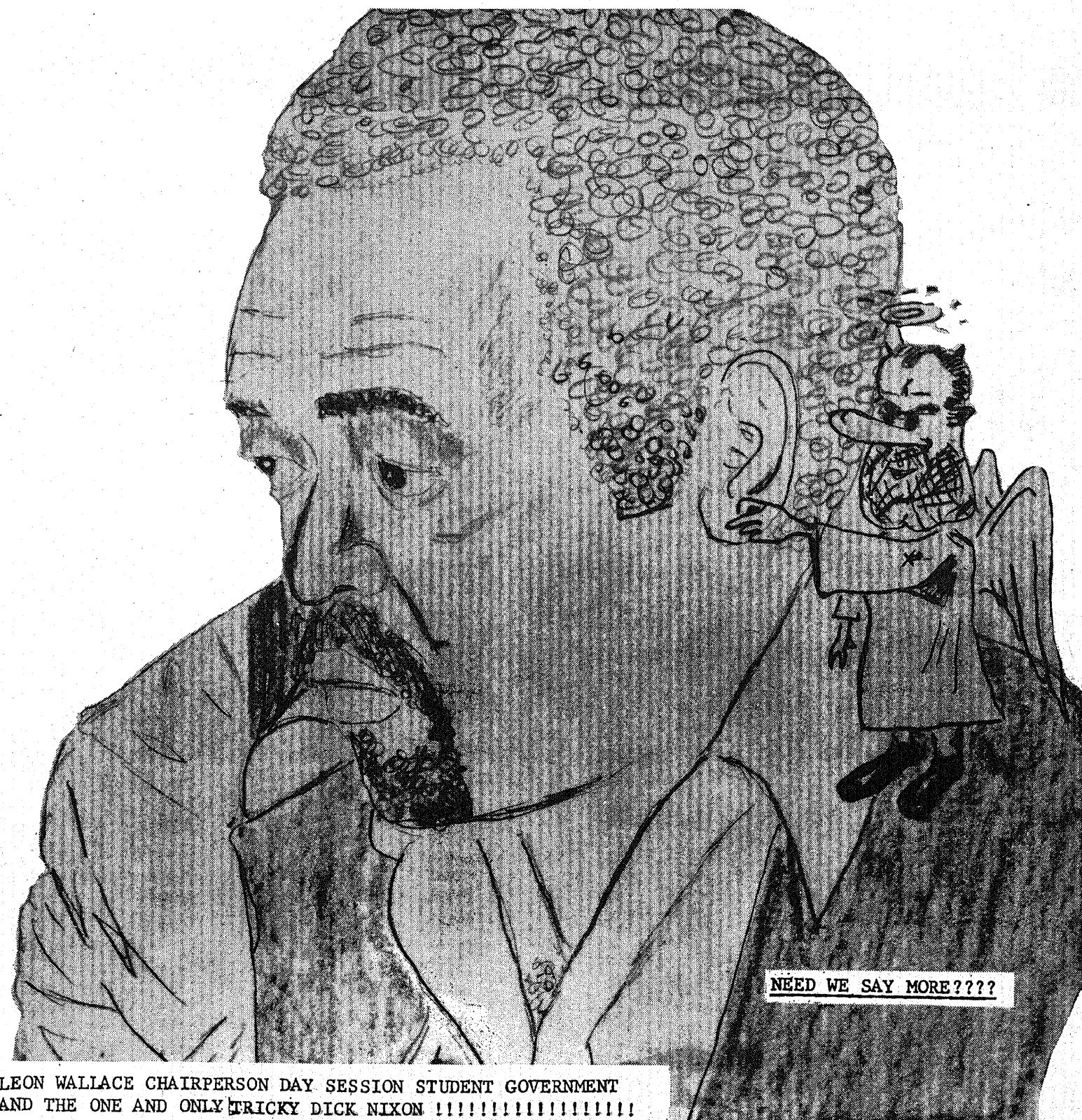
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