

# THE BOURBON & TOBACCO GAZETTE

## FAMOUS EDITORIAL POLICY STATEMENT

BOURBON & TOBACCO GAZETTE is a new journal of campus opinion sponsored by the University of Kentucky Students for a Democratic Society, on the grounds that no one else would be likely to. Fascinating articles on any important subject by virtually anyone will be thoroughly considered for publication. Letters to the editor, no matter how critical, stupid, or repulsive are very likely to be printed. In order to maintain this high standard of journalism, we request that you read each issue of the BOURBON & TOBACCO GAZETTE several times, in no particular order. We wish merely to say in conclusion: Hello there, friend, and welcome back to Realityland.

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### DEMOCRACY IN GEORGIA, U.S.A.

The political freedom of all Americans was diminished by the Federal Court in Georgia, when it voted 2-1 to uphold the refusal of the Georgia legislature to allow Julian Bond to assume his rightful seat in the Georgia House of Representatives.

According to the court, the views of Mr. Bond are "at war with national policy," and therefore he could not take the oaths to defend the national and state constitutions.

The statement of the majority of the court is concluded in a language which makes it quite clear that 1) Bond is being penalized for voicing unpopular (in White Georgia) political opinions (in this case, opposition to U.S. policy in Vietnam); and 2) the court explicitly supports this punishment for political dissent.

One would have thought that in America, at least, the case would never arise where a man, legally elected to a public office, would be denied the right to serve his constituents on the grounds

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### REVOLT IN THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

About three months ago, the student editors of Stylus ("The Campus Literary Magazine") were compiling their fall issue. However, the "Faculty Advisory Board" found that one of the stories selected for publication contained naughty words and concerned one of those hush-hush subjects. Therefore, BOOM!!, a thunderbolt from Mount Olympus quickly snatched the story out of the publishers' trembling hands. The student editors promised immediate action. "After all, we're not children, I don't think, maybe, I guess. The time has come, or is fast approaching slowly, when something must be done because if things don't get better, they're bound to get worse unless they stay the same!" Now, only three months later (after all, a good reaction takes time!), the student editors seem ready to take action immediately in the not so distant future.

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BERKLEY AND U. K.?

BY: Margaret Wadsworth

It is surprising to see the amount of opposition among U.K. students to the Berkley protests. Perhaps this opposition can be attributed to a careless reading of the press coverage of the incident. The idea that the revolution at Berkley was entirely the work of a few beatniks or Communist agitators looking for a cause would be funny--if there were not people who believed it. A careful study would reveal that the list of organizations united in publicly protesting administrative policies includes: the Young Democrats, Young Republicans, CORE, California Students for Goldwater, and the Campus Civil Liberties Union, as well as leftist groups from SDS to DuBois Club. This hardly suggests that the protest movement was strictly a radical fight or that only leftist organizations stood to gain from the "revolution".

The fact that there was such a wide spectrum of participation in the protest should raise a point to critics, namely: When so many varied groups unite against something, there must be a serious reason for their discontent.

What are the reasons that united the Berkley students against the University administration? 1) A general repression of the students' political organizations under stringent and erratically enforced rules; 2) a dissatisfaction with the casual attitude of the University toward its students' welfare; and 3) an objection to the policy of in loco parentis. As the conflict between students and administration spread, the protests grew to include objections to the unfair treatment many of the demonstrators were receiving. Obviously, these administrative policies affected a majority of the students, not just the leftists.

As to the methods of protests: sit-ins and similar demonstrations were last-ditch efforts employed, when all forms of negotiation had been frustrated by the administration.

The Berkley "revolution" is still going on quietly. But the difficulties of the Berkley students are not our first concern. It is time to take a hard look at our own problems. The situation at U.K.

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A REPLY

( to critique of Stylus, p.1)

Well, uh, I, uh, gee, what can I, uh, SAY? I'm, uh, speechless. Oh, uh, for heaven's sake!

Well, Purple soapboxes are in this season and I'll be g-d d--ned if I don't wish I could afford one. (I hesitate to use obscene words for reason of, uh you know, uh, Censorship, Public Opinion, uh, er, uh, my mother, etc., etc.) But "there is some sh-t I will not eat" (a quote from clean old e.e.).

And now to step up on my own old soapbox (painted #9 Envy Green):

First of all, the student editor-in-chief (yours truly) did not promise immediate action. The student Stylus editorial board decided not to do so in fairness to those persons to be published in the Fall Stylus who might not agree with a decision we might make. Hence, had I resigned in anger and taken my own work from the issue, and if others of the board had acted similarly, there might well not have been a Fall Stylus. And I don't wish to see Stylus destroyed (nor on the other hand do I wish to see it made impotent). And now Stylus has been published, put on sale, and reviewed; and the student board can now meet to formally debate the issue. Several times a date for such has been set only to have to be cancelled for one or more reasons (such as tests) among the various (5 in number) members. It is necessary that all 5 members meet together so that an attempt can be made to establish a unanimous course of action that would be agreeable to all. A new date for a meeting has been scheduled and if there are no unforeseen obstacles, such will be held.

I don't speak for the other board members (and couldn't except in a very general way, and specifics are what are important here). Also I will reserve making my own personal stand public until such time as the student board has met among its members and again has met with the faculty board (if such is decided), so there can be no mis-understanding on anyone's part. I promise that such will be done (the latter at least, attempted), and this will be done before I will begin work on the Spring Stylus.

With thanks for hearing me out,  
Joe Nickell, Stylus editor

PROPOSAL FOR A  
UNIVERSITY REFORM WORKSHOP

SDS will sponsor a University Reform Workshop in the Spring, at which students can meet in small groups to discuss what they consider to be the major problems at U. K., and to decide on specific courses of action for dealing with these problems.

The following areas of discussion have been suggested:

I. In Loco Parentis:

This is the principle of parent-replacement by which the university (the deans, AWS, etc.) regulates the private lives of the students. Some questions that need to be considered are: Should a university have the authority to set curfew hours for women students, to establish standards of dress, or to require that dorm residents purchase meal tickets (particularly Cooperstown residents)?

Are students given proper legal counsel in discipline cases? (Too often the students may be treated as though they are child-wards of the university, with the university assuming absolute power of discretion in judging and punishing, as though the student did not have the same rights as other citizens confronted with legal prosecution.)

II. Democracy on the Campus:

This involves an analysis of the decision-making structure and method of selection of the Student Congress, Student Center Board, and AWS. Do they accurately represent the attitudes of their constituents? How much authority do these governing bodies actually have? How much should they have? Do they really act on behalf of the students, or are they prone to reflect the attitudes of the university Establishment? Do they encourage students to choose for themselves, or do they tend to reinforce pressures from student conformity?

What about censorship on the campus? Should the faculty be able to censor Stylus and control the programming at WBKY? Is there budding policy of censorship in the new regulations for posting material on Student Center Bulletin boards?

Finally, should the university and its

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sirs,

It is about time someone responded to your attack on the President, as printed in your recent issue of May 16, 1927.

In the first place, President Coolidge genuinely likes Indians, and that is not just put-on. If you saw the blankets he keeps you would know what I mean. In addition he is an honorary member of the peyote cult, and well-known for the odor of goat cheese in his hallucinating.

Secondly, it is not true that the President was weaned on a pickle, as you allege. It was a skinless wiener, and has nothing to do with his "peculiar" facial expression.

Your suggestion that President Coolidge resign in favor of Harding is beneath comment. You beast.

I doubt that you have the guts to print this letter.

Yours,  
Mary Worth

Editor's Note: We think Miss Worth is confusing our little magazine with another journal of similar name (Town & Country), published out of Scarsdale, N. Y. What do you think? Let us hear from you.

(Many of you will remember Alston Fitts for having taught English at U.K. in 1963-65. Presently he is finishing his Ph. D. at the University of Chicago, where his Tuscaloosa accent continues to amaze.)

Dear Friends,

Two recent incidents with regard to the ambiguity of being a Southerner:

--Dining at one of the local dorms, I was introduced to a Bostonian, who noted my accent and promptly treated me with the exaggerated respect usually reserved for Ivy League Negroes: "I don't see why you worry about your exams," he said, "for the University of Chicago to admit you at all, you must be brilliant." (on the second thought, he said "Someone like you".) A literate Southerner (to him) was like a dancing bear or a woman preacher; as Dr. Johnson observes, one marvels not at the skill, but at the fact

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that the feat is performed at all! Alas...

--Lunching in the basement of Calvert House I saw, and introduced myself to, the priest who was shot in Hayneville (Fr. Richard Morrisroe). He was still on crutches, and still has six (or more) pellets imbedded near his spine, and spoke as though with difficulty. He told me that he remembered meeting a number of kind people in Alabama (while in the hospital there, that is), and that he hadn't gone down to solve Alabama's problems but to try to understand Chicago's (his parish being composed of largely Negroes who have migrated from the Deep South) problems. He had known John Daniels, my classmate at Harvard, only slightly...and all his mildness and forbearance only twisted the knife in my wound....

Yours,  
Alston Fitts

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Several arty things happened recently. First, the "Panorama of Greek Art". What can I say? There were several weeping clowns. The "Breck Girl", in pencil, was there, as was the "Pslmolive Girl". There was an interesting piece of cast aluminum, non-representational sculpture which was cleverly entitled "Duck" (after all, what's in a name?). The show might well be the ultimate camp statement.

Except for the brilliant Greek show, it must be admitted that the "Student Center Art Committee" has done nothing but screw up. Mere mediocrity could be tolerated, but just plain silliness is embarrassing. Giving "local artists" a place to display is nice, but if we have no local artists, we're hurting. The present show the "State Career Award Contest Exhibit", is a case in point. If the Student Center Committee has a sight defect, it might consider giving the controls to someone else (i.e., the Art Department). It is unfortunate when a state-supported art gallery, which can afford to shape popular taste, does nothing more than reflect it at its worst.

The Student Art Committee in the Art Department resumed its activities. But, after roaring noisily enough to force several embarrassing revelation out of the art faculty last semester, the students now seem much more placid. Perhaps, like

most movements of its kind, once having gained a little recognition, they suddenly become immune to the shit that bothered them before.

That should be enough constructive criticism for one issue. Incidentally, a Ricci show opened last Sunday in the Fine Arts Gallery and a showing of student drawings and small paintings is coming soon to the Reynold's Building Gallery. And there are always laughs available at the Student Center.

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SPORTS COLUMN

This week's sport, picked by orange-picker D. J. M. in Sarasota, Fla., is a navel orange with two navels, apparently the offspring of an ordinary navel orange and a clump of hairy ragweed.

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PERSONAL ADS

Wanted: a date for the Founder's Day Ball. Must be no taller than 4 ft. 2 in. and have a single breasted tux. Call 252-2200 and ask for The Operator.

Davy, let's forget about what happened. Hilda.

For P. N.: It's under the Chinese rug; get rid of it. R.

For Sale: A love philtre, guaranteed to work if taken internally while riding a Honda in Miller Hall. See Barbara in the Alumni Gym.

Hilda, I have gone and become a monk somewhere. I think you know why. (You are a fiend.) David

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UNIVERSITY REFORM WORKSHOP (Cont'd)

students encourage and sustain social organizations if they discriminate against Negroes and Jews in selecting their members?

III. Making the Academic Scene:

The problem in general is that the U.K. student seems to have been assigned a totally passive role in relating to his education. What about establishing a means of faculty and course evaluation by the students? Can students have a significant role in determining course requirements? Are enough teachers really prepared to tolerate student dissent from "official" position in the classroom? What about the growing impersonality of the university (of the Law School) as it expands, and the increasing tendency of teachers to teach less and research more? etc.

In addition, this committee will discuss the possibility of forming a Free University of Kentucky (similar to the Free University of Pennsylvania discussed in a recent Kernel editorial). Is such a university desirable, and if so how could it be established and operated?

IV. Miscellaneous:

Why not establish a student-owned coop book store? What about other student owned enterprises, such as cafeteria, cooperative residence houses, etc.? How about a permanent U. K. coffee house?

How is the activities fee spent? Who decides how to spend it, and on what grounds? Should the athletics fee be made optional? What about graduate students taking six hours who don't get ID card? How about a vastly expanded program of financial aid to students? etc., etc.

Conclusion:

The need for a program of campus reform is clear. The Kernel has already commented on a number of these problems, but neither the Kernel nor the B & T C can do more by themselves to solve them. The concern and the answer must come from the students through intensive discussion among themselves and with the faculty and administration. The purpose of the workshop is to bring students together

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AID TO THE ANGUISHED

by: Phil Bare

Well, first I'd like to say how wonderful it is to be writing for the Bourbon & Tobacco Gazette again. They'r a lovely group of people and it is just great to be writing to all of you wonderful people again and I just hope you missed me half as much as I missed you! Oh, I've received so many letters from anxious, troubled readers that I just don't know where to begin; well, I guess I'd better stop blabbing and get at those letters.

Dear Phil,

I just bought a new madras skirt (subtle browns and dark blues) and I'm havin a terrible time trying to decide where tohem it. I have nice knees and I hate hide them, but I don't want people to think that I'm nothing but a common tramp. Is two inches above the knee too much?

Sincerely yours,  
Charles westerfield

Dear Charles,

It certainly is! There's a big difference between sex-appeal and raw exhibitionism! (Which reminds me, for all of you kids going to the Founder's Day Ball. I've been invited to stand at the head of the reception line and give last minute advice on dress. So I'll see all of you swingers there! well, on with those letters.

Dear Mr. Bare,

My boy friend and I have been going very happy together for three years and it was wonderful, but in the last six months or so he has gotten more and more mean to me. He hits me and says to quit following him and that he hates me. Last night he tried to bite off my ear lob. Do you think its all over between us?

Signed,  
Worried

Dear Worried,

What this boy needs is understanding. Just show him a little patience and see if he doesn't come out of it. There's no reason to destroy your relationship just

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AID TO THE ANGUISHED (Cont')

because your man has a few temperamental moments!

Well, here I am at the end of the page already! One last word to "confused". Yes, peeing in the Student Center Grill is a P.D.A., even if you were properly signed out of the dorm.

Well, I guess I'd better stop, but don't you kids forget to write me about all your problems! Adress your letters to: Phil Bare, Box 5026, University Station, Lexington, Ky.

I'll be seeing all of you kids next week, so, until then, keep swinging!

Love and Kisses,  
Phil

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DEMOCRACY IN GEORGIA, U.S.A. (Cont'd)

that he failed to agree with a specific policy favored by the national government.

The legitimacy of political dissent is not a "dangerous luxury," which America tolerates reluctantly and with suspicion. It is, rather, built into the heart of the American political system (two opposing parties--surely such an arrangement cannot presuppose continual unanimity on matters of national concern!). It is because we cherished the rights of any individual to believe what he likes and to be true to his beliefs, that we began the Bill of Rights with the First Amendment guarantees of freedom of conscience and freedom of political expression.

It is because we are not so innocent as to think that perfect wisdom is even likely to be embodied in the policy of any single government, that we guarantee all citizens the freedom to submit the policies of our nation to hard scrutiny, and to criticize or even rebuke our government when the citizens think it necessary. The peculiar "politics of consensus" of the Johnson Administration has given birth to a strange child indeed, in the Georgia Court's decision that if a man basically disagrees with some government policy, he no longer qualifies to serve in the government on any level. This is surely an obvious non-sequitur. The irony of this stand, which has already been pointed out by other writers, is that if this criterion were strictly applied, perhaps the entire Georgia

Legislature (as well as Senators Russell and Talmadge) would have ceased to exist some years before, when virtually its entire membership was bitterly opposed to the national policy of desegregation and equal rights for all citizens regardless of color.

It is necessary to argue, in 20th century America, that we must not prevent the expression of views critical of government policy? That such criticism is not unpatriotic or subversive, but rather the leaven essential to the intelligent functioning of a democracy, is surely too obvious to require prolonged defense.

In any case, it is quite clear that it is not really the sanctity of the Great Consensus which the legislature and the courts are upholding here. They are quite willing to try and sabotage national policy when it suits them. What they are really doing is using this line as a gimmick to penalize a man who believes in an idea that is unpopular with the White Establishment in Georgia--and who is a Negro besides. How delicious for them, to be able to slap down the "peace creeps" and the "uppity niggers" with a single gesture: that'll show them what it's like to disagree with the government in Georgia.

That the decision of the court will stand seems to us unlikely. The decision has been appealed to the Supreme Court, and we hope and expect that they will waste little time in striking down this noxious and (dare we say it) un-American attempt to trample on the rights of Americans to disagree with their government without forfeiting their rights as citizens.

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CONTEST ANNOUNCED

Complete the following sentence, in fifteen words or less, sending all entries to Box 5026, University Station, Lexington, Kentucky:

I think my Freshman English teacher should be chosen Bat-Teacher of the month because.....

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BERKLEY AND U.K. (Cont'd)

is in some important respects different from those at Berkley. The administration policy toward political freedom has thus far left us alone and we have no reason to object to it. This University's emphasis on free political expression has eliminated one of the major reasons for student protest at Berkley. Certain of U.K.'s policies, however, are not so different from those of Berkley. For instance, we are subject to a set of unclear social rules which are not made plain to us until someone notices we have violated one of them. A student can be harassed and threatened by an administrative official, and the student's failure to know his rights and those of the official can result in his being forced to withdraw from the University to escape the pressure. There are no rules compelling an official to tell you the truth about what can and cannot be done to a student and in a case of harassment U.K.'s rules are so nebulous that it takes legal advice to distinguish a mere threat from what actually can be done. The unfortunate thing is that officials have so much power, little responsibility to others in the administrative structure, and none at all directly to the students. A student can be (and a surprising number of them have been) railroaded out of U.K. under just such a system. Most of these students, had they known their rights, would have realized that they were legally qualified to remain here.

Another gripe is that student disciplinary boards operate like the administration, i.e., arratic expression of vague policies. You never know who or what board you may be made to answer to and what offenses are considered sufficient to make you responsible to them. Moreover, the rules which they uphold are not clearly defined and not at all publicized. The only way to make sure something is a rule is to break it, and even then you cannot be perfectly sure.

These same boards operate on a system that is entirely unlike the courts, and frequently terribly unfair. For instance, you may be summoned without being told what charges are being brought against you. You are subject to double jeopardy. These and other infringements of student's basic rights as citizens are common.

Anyone who has been through registration, had an advisor, filled underclass requirements or taken a course with some hundred other students can testify that U.K. shows no sign of giving a damn about the individual welfare of its students. Heaven help anyone, and especially the students in dormitories who encounter in loco parentis at U.K. Interestingly enough, your parents may really care whether you are satisfied with your classes or not, but feel you are old enough to drink in your room if you want to, or stay out after 10:30 on weeknight. The University doesn't care much whether your botany course makes you desperately unhappy. That's to fill a requirement. But, O Boy, just let a dorm girl come in at 10:35 some Monday night.... The University goes into a fit of maternal concern for her welfare and feels a few good, strong threats are in order to protect her in the future (Heaven knows from what!!).

Committed to a Berkley? No. But we are committed against the absurdities of U.K. social policies. One thing we can learn from Berkley is that to fight these things and orient the University toward the welfare of its students--all of its students-- all of the students must support reforms to guarantee their being treated as American citizens with all the rights which this status entails.

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INSIDE NEWSNOTE

It was learned from a highly-placed authoritative source in the Centennial Office that George Lincoln Rockwell, the original choice for main speaker at the Founder's Day Program withdrew his acceptance upon learning that there would not be sufficient time for his singing group (the Nordic Ninety) to perform with him.

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AN ARTICLE OF GENUINE SOCIAL CONCERN

BY: Staff

(To be reprinted in March 18 issue of the Bourbon & Tobacco Gazette.)

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Bom Annoy"

--by a talking chimpanzee in the Grill.

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AWARD OF THE GREEN COMMODE  
for Feb. 16

The Green Commode award goes this week to the Bureaucrat at the University of Kentucky who decided that all Coopers-town residents must buy semester meal tickets; even though the cafeterias are already overcrowded and all Coopers-town apartments are equipped with modern kitchens. For this remarkable achievement, the winner (when we track him down) will receive a green commode (Crane's, model 1279-C, in green walnut with strontium levers) to use as he prefers

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America is proud to add Hugh Hefner's name to the list of the great philosophical thinkers of the Western World. Good going, Hugh!!

Editorial Staff:

- Philip C. Bare
- Robert Frampton
- Lee Sharp
- Alan Shavzin
- Margaret Wadsworth

UNIVERSITY REFORM WORKSHOP (Cont'd)

so that discussion of specific topics can begin. Meanwhile, this newspaper will serve as a vehicle for the planning of the workshop, for raising issues, and proposing solutions. Readers can voice their complaints, analyze problems, and suggest answers by writing to the Bourbon & Tobacco Gazette, Box 5026, University Station, Lexington, Kentucky.

The basic issue behind all the questions raised here is this: Should the ordinary student at U. K. participate actively in formulating the decisions which determine the qualities of his life at the University, and the scope of his education?

We believe it is time the student began to think for himself.

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FILLER!!

We appreciate the good intent of the Kernel in getting on SDS's tail for not having been provocative enough this new semester. This complaint is a refreshing change from the advice our mothers and fathers, teachers, dept. heads, deans and Fellow Students have been passing on to us.

We agree with the Kernel:  
Let's get on the stick!

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The next issue is expected to be published February 22, or thereabouts. Keep looking forward to it. Meanwhile, send all your contributions (articles, letters, etc.) to:

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University Station  
Lexington, Ky.