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Chicago Seven Att'y William Kunstler Speaks At UK

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William Kunstler, defense attorney for the Chicago Seven, threw a number of sarcastic barbs at the principals in the Chicago conspiracy trial and called on students to "resist illegitimate authority" at a rally outside the Student Center Saturday afternoon.

Kunstler had no problem relating to the highly partisan crowd of 500-700 which roared as he rattled off some of the "revolutionary" acts cited in the indictment.

"Tom Hayden was charged with spitting at a policeman, letting the air out of a police car and throwing a sweater at a cop. Then there was the Charade A Go Go stink-bomb plot and the conspiracy to kidnap the deputy police chief."

Kunstler said even the jurors, none of whom had gone to college, could not believe the prosecution's charge that the defendants attempted to use molotov cocktails to blow up an underground parking garage.

Jury Criticized

Kunstler gave a personal description of a few of the jurors, saying one "squatted like a toad" and another "could have been dead except that she left the jury box each day." He summed up the jurors as "straight out of middle America."

Kunstler saved some of his more scathing remarks for the prosecuting attorney, Thomas Foran, whom he pictured as having no control over the witnesses. "Isn't it true, Mr. Hoffman, that you stated 10,000 people would fornicate on the shores of Lake Michigan?" Abbie answered, "I never used that word."

Kunstler implied that even Foran didn't believe the prosecution witnesses who said the protestors attacked the police. He said Foran saw the major violence and two weeks after the trial said "the police were relieving their frustrations. After the beatings were over, the police were smiling."

'American Way'

Four jurors wanted to acquit the defendants but gave in to the majority. When asked why there wasn't a hung jury, Foran, according to Kunstler, said "the government spent a lot of money on this trial. They deserved results. We compromised. Isn't that the American way?"

After entertaining the crowd with the "absurdities" of the courtroom, Kunstler got down to the heart of his speech.

"People have found that the courtroom is no longer a place that demands respect just because a judge says 'quiet'. The court has to earn respect."

He said he hopes defendants in future political trials will speak out and not be intimidated by the verdict in Chicago. "Things are going to get tough. Adolf Hitler used the courts just as Julius Hoffman does—and it was all perfectly legal."

Student Power

"You have the power to turn the university upside down like they did at Columbia, if that is necessary. You have the power to break that draft in half. You have the power if you only knew it. You are the new enemy of the republic."

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Smith Releases Platform; Bright Suggests SG Structure Change

By JERRY LEWIS
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The invisible SG candidate team of Gary Smith for president and Dan Crabtree for vice president made a "half-way" appearance Sunday night at the final SG sponsored open debate.

Neither of the two candidates have actively participated in the election campaigning so far.

Dan Crabtree, who has been ill for the last two weeks with mononucleosis and unable to participate in the election campaign, released his and Smith's platform.

His running mate was not present at the debate, but a campaign statement for Smith was released to the Kernel over the weekend.

In describing the team, Crabtree noted that "Gary is an Abbie Hoffman in sorts in contrast to my Spiro Agnew style."

In his campaign statement, Smith held true to his description in saying that "it is time for a new leading man in the UK Student Government scene of the Great American Guerilla Theater of the Absurd."

'Student Involvement'

The platform of Smith and Crabtree was divided into four main sections: academic affairs, athletic affairs, student affairs and student involvement.

The last section entitled student involvement places an emphasis on students taking an active part in University and community affairs, noting the two candidates would encourage and support student volunteer pro-

jects which would make a "unified student body in a better community."

The seriousness of the platform in contrast to Smith's campaign statement which calls for a "bipartisan committee to study and then table all problems until at least 1972" was a prelude to the rest of Crabtree's speech.

'Quirk Of Fate'

"If by some quirk of fate Gary would not have enough votes to win," Crabtree said "there is one candidate of the remaining four whom I favor vastly above the others."

He asked the audience to consider what that candidate and his party has to say. (Bill Dawson is the only presidential candidate associated with a party, the Student Issues Party.)

In other developments in the SG election race, Steve Bright, candidate for president, drew attention at the debate to a new plank to his platform calling for a General Student Assembly giving all attending students voting power in the student government.

Greek Democracy

This plan, based on the Greek Democracy concept, would handle any issues raised by interested students desiring to take an active part in the particular matter.

Some of the points of the plan are:

▶ Any UK student could attend the regular meeting of the general assembly and would have the right to vote.

▶ Elected students would serve in the president's cabinet, and one student, the Speaker of the Assembly, would be elected to direct the business of the assembly.

▶ All meetings would be well publicized and all orders of business would be announced in advance in order to encourage concerned students to vote on matters pertaining to them.

▶ Provided it is submitted in advance of the meeting, any motion may be presented by any student for the assembly's consideration.

▶ After stressing that "the only qualification for full participation is concern," Bright stated that he would strongly encourage the plan entitled "The Politics of Participation" only if it were obvious that no better alternatives existed and that the student body were in support of the proposal.

Lack Of Interest

As the other candidates for SG president, vice president, and representatives spoke, there seemed to be the common concern about lack of interest by students in the campaigns.

Jerry Springate, independent candidate for representative, noted that "We have four more candidates here at this debate than we do people," and by the end of the candidates' speeches more than half of the original 60 people had left the room.

"There are more people outside going to the movie," said Doug Stewart, SAR candidate for representative, "than in here listening to the speeches."

Stewart noted however that he couldn't blame the students and called the presidential candidates, "post-adolescents running for a political play-pen."

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Kernel Photo by Dave Herman

Kunstler On Campus

William Kunstler, attorney for the Chicago Seven, spoke to a crowd of approximately 700 Saturday afternoon. Kunstler related incidents which occurred during the Chicago conspiracy trial, spoke on student power, and discussed the new resistance.

Greek Sheet

Futrell Denies Creating The Document

By RON HAWKINS
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In the midst of charges and counter-charges, it has been discovered that a "Greek sheet" has been distributed to several UK Greek houses.

Whether it is a true "Greek sheet" or not, the slate has been posted by some presidents of Greek houses. Meetings have reportedly been scheduled to announce the slate.

A number of sorority presidents contacted said the Greek slate was mailed to them in a Student Government envelope with metered postage.

Student Government President Tim Futrell denied last night that he had anything to do with a Greek sheet. Steve Bright, candidate for SG president, has claimed that Futrell drew up the Greek slate.

"I cannot remain silent while such preposterously false statements are being made," said Futrell in his statement. "To me, Bright's charge is a dishonest, desperation claim, the kind of which has characterized his demagogic campaign."

Futrell said he intended to vote for independent and Greek candidates.

Futrell speculated that the Greek sheet "came from that ironic alliance of Bright and Juul—since it appeared to be an attempt to embarrass Ched Jennings."

Despite all attempts to deny the existence and validity of the Greek sheet, the slate is evidently being taken seriously.

If Bright did distribute the Greek sheet as an effort to embarrass Jennings, it may backfire if it is accepted by the Greek community, Futrell said.

Focus

The annual Focus program begins tonight with Dr. Gene Mason on "Politics of the Future" and Dr. Dean Jaros on "Awareness of the Environment." Dr. Donald Nugent will speak on "Witchcraft and Mysticism" and Dr. Clifford Creemers will discuss "Moonrocks" at the Tuesday session. Both programs begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center Theatre.