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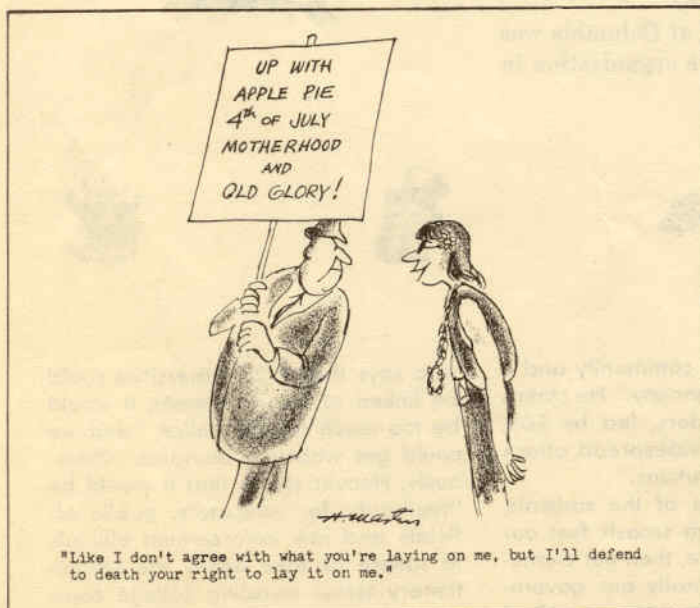
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The Mistic has become one-sided and does not represent the majority of the students and faculty at MSC. Therefore, we, the members of the Iota Alpha Fraternity, deem it our responsibility to remove from the hands of the public a paper that has brought discredit to the campus of MSC.

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Anarchy on the Campus

No one who knows anything about the subject denies that there are things that need correction in our colleges. Like all institutions, they are run by human beings who make mistakes.

But because ours is a free society, there is great diversification among institutions of higher learning, so that they can learn from each other; mistakes can be rectified peacefully; and there is freedom of choice for students among so many and so varied schools—all factors glaringly missing in the sort of totalitarianism which rampaging students knowingly or unknowingly seem bent on bringing to America.

Those who have given close attention to this subject feel that some perhaps mistaken policies have been aggravated by the terrific growth of the colleges in recent years on the one hand, and on the other hand by administration suffering from what one informed observer called the "prevailing liberal syndrome" which believes in permissiveness, freedom without responsibility, and the notion that there are no fixed standards of behavior, morality and ethics.

In addition, there are educational observers who think we have gone a little crazy on the idea that everybody, regardless of qualifications, bent or desire, should be college-educated, thus loading on the colleges students and courses which do not belong there. Some authorities blame this trend on the failures

of the public high schools, many of which, under the influence of so-called "progressivism" during the past three or four decades, have not done their proper job and thus force colleges to become what are called "glorified high schools."

But whatever is wrong with our institutions of higher learning, certainly anarchy by a comparative handful of so-called students, aided and abetted by outsiders, is not the way to correct it. In fact there is a growing suspicion that this weird manner of trying to change college-administration policies is merely a front for the destruction or seizure of colleges by lawless and/or revolutionary elements in which many innocent students get involved.

The suspicion is more than just that in the minds of some authorities, and they point to three factors. Two of them involved the Columbia University episode. One was revealed in an excellent story by a New York *Times* reporter when the president of Columbia finally got back into his office. The president looked around and exclaimed: "My God, how could human beings do a thing like this?" His office was a shambles, desks and chairs smashed, filth everywhere. A policeman picked up from the floor a symbol of the word "education"—a wrecked book—saying: "The whole world is in these books; how could they do this to these books?"

The other factor at Columbia was that the most active organization in

the disgraceful disorders there was Students for a Democratic Society, which has quite a record for backing communist causes. The newspapers reported that whether this outfit had anything to do with it or not, there was found painted on one college wall: "Lenin Won, Fidel Won, We Will Win."

The third factor which leads many to suspect that dissatisfaction with college-administration policies is merely a front for the taking over of the colleges by revolutionary elements using tactics, as John Chamberlain pointed out, of the Hitler youth movement, is the fact that with the hundreds upon hundreds of colleges in America and their wide diversity, no student has to attend a college whose rules he does not like.



The FBI Is Diggin In

The state is set for a crackdown by police on campus dissidents. J. Edgar Hoover has warned local police departments about campus revolutionaries in the September issue of the Law Enforcement Bulletin, the magazine sent to nearly every police department in the country. Hoover writes that "revolutionary terrorism" on the campus "is a serious threat to

both the academic community and a lawful and orderly society." He claims that New Left leaders, led by SDS, "plan to launch a widespread attack on educational institutions."

The ultimate aim of the radicals, Hoover writes, is "to smash first our educational structure, then our economic system, and finally our government itself." Hoover cites a radical

who says that if 25 universities could be linked to the movement, it would be too much for the police, "and we could get what we demand." Ominously, Hoover states that it would be "foolhardy for educators, public officials and law enforcement officials to ignore or take lightly the revolutionary terror invading college campuses."