

Of Erudite Scabs and Bums

The meeting of the Board of Regents at an open hearing in Queen Hall on Tuesday morning brought out several facts that when the masses of Regs. are watching the Philippine Commission with anticipation and hope, the Regs. have within our midst an on-the-going. Only the Regs. in addition to the Regs. of the "two eyes of justice" and leaders in their "barracks" on the campus were a small, but daring group. It included people like Jaime Manzanera, Am and Nicanor Manzanera, a Law student, Dr. Encarnación "Titi" and "Titi" Arzobispo, Dr. Geronimo Alad, conceivably, it seems, the private secretary of Commission Da-vidson, and Ma. Johnny Uy, who must have found it very tough of course out of being in the executive office. Also it felt there were equally smart "middle of the studies" like Dean Maloy and Prof. Yabes who have functioned as spokesmen, writing of otherwise, for the government directed Third Force. The first thing evident was that many of these people who are so concerned about "them" in their location of movement, do not live on campus but have impressive real estate investments in U.P. villages; nor were they present during the invasion by troops. The commission wants to verify them, but the Mexicans don't see.

The other conclusion to be drawn from this very dull hearing was that after six days of struggle, hundreds, one student dead, two more seriously injured, and scores of others gassed by bullets, a few burn cases, and a number of students who are still missing, the official version of the Philippine campus tells us no large loss involved in our struggle. They still insist on reducing the whole issue to academic freedom and to localizing it within the campus boundaries. The only counter remarks made during the entire hearing were those of the Philippine Union, who pointed out that the Regs. should make every effort to prevent the national government to end the oil concession race and for all. To think of peace and order without having tried to do this would be to forget what ended the current crisis and what the students were fighting for when Famoso Martin was shot by a disgruntled student.

Each protest group which notified before the Regs.—for most of them was pressure groups of the most loyal sort—was only interested in the restoration of "normalcy" on the campus. One wanted the university closed to progressively towards the Commission, although all had a uniform sign in their opposed demands of support for the rights of student dissent and their opposition to the militarization of the campus. But it was most clear that normally for most of them was grounded on a nostalgic memory of the elite, authoritarian classrooms that the student movement had so heroically opposed when the army troops poured into the university last week. One pretense actually was "normalcy" as the problem of not only looking back the student out of the arena, removing the placards, flags and revolutionary slogans, but having him to keep his mind on spelling and etymology for the next six weeks.

Strange, all of them saw these things as necessary to "academic freedom". When we examine what all these masses people who claim to have only the academic freedom of the community at large really mean by academic freedom, we find a contradiction that would be downright frightening, if it were not so stupid. The last seven days have pointed out for the entire world to see, the utter helplessness of any single individual authority to stem the combative attacks of mass troops with shoot-to-kill orders by using the pretensions of one to all old time Liberalism. All dialogue was our short by sometimes, not including President Lopez's own last remarks to the student barricades on February second. It was possibly the only time in the twentieth century

by which the pretense of a university was kind to, by and through. Yet it is quite clear that the UP administration had designed the troops, otherwise they would not be of the students, even if it is in the right, to give way to them. For the Regs. to talk about academic freedom, when the faculty and administration have only one freedom—the freedom to order the students out of the rooms, in any collaboration with the troops which they claim to abhor, is the height of the absurd.

Now that we follow the events and which President Lopez has had up his sleeve since last Thursday, we are convinced to suspect it is suspiciously close to blackmail, in effect to keep the students in "control" the barracks as a way of their personal support or to otherwise to seize and show the entire campus as Vicente Alad knows and the dogs. If the pretense of the university, even also for "university" is a pretense of the State (and what international head is not?) having successfully maneuvered this international demand for the removal of the barricades by a coercive order in tonight's scenario in connection, is he then so devoted as to believe that he has afforded academic freedom? In spite of fear by his continued State tactics. By using the arguments of the Malacanang based Third Force, couched in a humanitarian evasion of bloodshed and damage to property, we are convinced to say that the Regs. has forced Lopez to act promptly by holding the lives of his students, and the entire community for that matter, as hostages. Thus at the moment, we have the greater value of any common language to the Regs.'s exercise of power, should give the entire academic community less concern. Conceivably like Lopez, instead of attacking the violence of the Regs, they attack the "violence" of the victims of state violence, and thus continue their playful discussion of academic freedom. They talk on and on, suggesting that they are only hostages.

The events of the last seven days have pointed out many things among them the arbitrariness of many of our dear traditions on the simple ABC's of mass action. As soon as the presence of Mexican guns walking modern youth Vicente Arzobispo dropped out of the front pages of the daily papers, certain ones began planning tentatively on how they could get their clothes and their property in the event the things became worse, particularly the heavy barbed wire, some of whom own expensive houses in U.P. villages which they rent out at steep rates to their own colleagues. A few who have been so in the demand for come has aimed during student rallies suddenly disappeared and began making press statements about the disorder and anarchy on the campus. A few others complained and whined about incompetence involved. It is also possible that the Commission themselves displayed a certain degree of state apathy when they disallowed that they were responsible. Suddenly individual rights and freedom of movement assumed the old importance, as the press became more lenient.

Many of these activities were taken to by the false hope of individual struggle to against collective struggle and played into the hands of the state tactics by attempting to break the extraordinary solidarity achieved during the last three days on the barricades. Others who could not comprehend this solidarity both inside and from supporters on the outside it is essential at such a time, viewed strange facts on the barricades with distrust and fear, not knowing that some of these were the sons of UP employees or our loved and uncompromising supporters from Manila, or even in Luzon. In while students were without sleep, eating water, clean clothes, and regular baths for almost five

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Onward Christian Soldiers!**A Tale of Liberation**

The Diliman Commune couldn't have made its mark without inciting the fascist might of the Marcos administration and its loyal enforcers like the mayor Mapa of Manila, the wacko Mayor of Quezon City and that CIA building that resembles to the hovel of Karling. These recurring tactics were ably manipulated and extravagantly lavished by the minions of American imperialism in the Marcos Cabinet: Beale, Abel Sarmiento and Melchor. The propaganda back-up was ably handled by such respected journalists as Dorey Valancia, Leticia Ty, Luis Balboa, Mariano Solivares and JD Comanico (representing the Faith). The bond from us was consolidated by such remnants of the Delaney era as Concepcion Dabadilla, Emocionista Arvelina (and her husband, of course), Damiela Espinosa, etc., most of whom belong to an elite group popularly known as the Spinoza Mafia. Services support among the students was provided by the recruiter-combo of Ramon Puno, a certain Alilag and a certain Reyes.

Together, they sang diabolical choruses to Law and order, condemned "radical factions," claimed the solid support of a vast, invisible sector comprising the so-called "Silent Majority," already and indirectly welcomed the military to preserve academic freedom in the University of the Philippines. The authorized Mayor of Quezon City invited the right to open a national highway, the Chief of Police asserted that he was merely following a lawful order. The barricades which were put up on the UP campus in sympathy with the striking jeepney drivers were illegal. The justness of fighting American monopoly capitalism and the right of academic freedom cannot be allowed to succumb upon traffic regulations. The Law is the Law. It may be harsh and even stupid, but it must be obeyed to protect Law and Order. *Dama Lan Sed Lan*. The only alternative is chaos and anarchy.

Peace must be limited to shooting. It does not involve halting the rising presence of the paupered sick on their way to Maryland and Arizona. The President knows what is best for the country. The floating rate and the increase in oil prices were necessary for economic progress. The people should limit themselves to a waiting for their welfare, in their behalf. The masses don't know any better, they haven't been to Cornell or Berkeley like Mr. Storr and Mr. Vitara. All the faces and the noise come from somewhere not to deny the democracy of life pervading in this country. Everybody can protest, why can't? So long as they believe, do not creep violence and do not advocate the overthrow of the government. The police is there to preserve peace, to see that the people's rights are protected.

The Spinoza mafia and the academics, comprising the vanguard of corporate and neo-fascist in the University, are protecting the sanctity of Academic freedom. They have kept their mouthpieces for such relevant philosophers as Nambawikhaeald, Newman, Gilman and Thomas. They have kept the voice lamps burning at Delaney's Hall, proffered the wisdom of Teilhard de Chardin and Thomas Aquinas. They have ordered prisoners and

humiliation in the hands of communists since Vicky Calvo met Pung Salas, they have kept the Faith burning, working silently into the night for a Cause: when gifts and boys would pray together again instead of demonstrating against such ostensible issue as American imperialism, feudalism and bourgeois capitalism. Things would have been better if the Atom-bomb-er Krato wrote the apparatus from the Kibangbang Malabanan, had Jan Abbas was over Yolaine Garcia. Then, perhaps, the depths of Palabay could have been scolded. Basilian could have gone home to feed his Thomas and Nancy Ortega would have been his liberator's relation in a "Democratic Revolution."

The Liberation of the University was not without the role of woe, of massive destruction, of raped spouses, of grand arson, of fantastic anomalies, of professional lunacy and pain, immense and unrelieved chronic sickness, religious boy and good-goddy boys and girls. It was like hearing the floating Communism forces talking of great justice and a kindred, gaspioned people. *Sombra Resistance* to the Marcos invasion were chills down the jelly spines of academic "corrupt," Delaney stragglers and scattered errand boys. They fled to UP Village, headed for ABS-CBN begging the military to please liberate their households. They imagined everybody on campus holding their breath and eyes. They wanted everybody freed from the Reign of Terror in burning Diliman.

At Quizon Hall, the liberal President, Lopez, was, of course, subject to the predatory influence of that group that made Alex Fernandez what he appears to be in the quickest possible time, making him the most unpopular who had an record. Malay was differential, charming, he knew his job. Agapita (from which blue?) reminded one of the benefactors of Oliver Twist. Oscar Alfonso, one of Alex's new luminaries, drew up the list of responsible people to testify before the Council of the Guild, the professors and lady of the Board of Regents. Naturally, he had to play the Spinoza mafia and the Puro kid against the fascist faction. While Lopez played helplessness, the born shock-absorber of academic abuse, Alex Fernandez pulled the strings, passing upon the beleaguered liberal Mapa, Goleman, Capic, Lantora, Cayagan, etc. the morbid thoughts of that quick hitting Abel Sarmiento as President of the University. The liberals were quick to manufacture military countermeasures and measures, placing the commune-dwellers with their good intentions and advice.

When the barricades were finally lifted, the Mafia moved in to play an overkill. They did not see a manifesto and bowed not to go back to their classes unless academic freedom was restored, meaning until the hard line is imposed upon the middle-class who disrupted their Rockefeller grants and was parties. Hans Miran's Bulletin was quick to banalize the Capitalists. SP threatened to resign in the name of an incinerator massacre. The QCPC and the Maoists were warning up for the Big Kill. Nevertheless, they obtained victory. The kids had been

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who were director of their departments in the shooting of students.

- 1) Request students connected with military, intelligence and law enforcement agencies to declare their consciences upon registration under pain of immediate expulsion.

In connection with the state of the demands, we should be clear concerning the decision to lift the barricades. Two basic administrative measures reversed this decision of the Provisional Directorate of the Diliman Commune to lift the barricades:

- a) The lifting of the barricades in the university should not be interpreted as a "capitulation" to the threat of another fascist military invasion of the university if the barricades were not removed. We have proven, by acts of heroic resistance, that progressive students, faculty and residents can not be intimidated by the brutal military.
- b) On the other hand, we must resolutely avoid the erroneous tendency that we might have taken a "last stand" in defense of the barricades. This romantic and suicidal way of viewing the developments will result only in playing over into the hands of the fascist military and the reactionary Marcos regime.

It is not out of the question that we lifted the barricades, no matter what some despicable paid agents of Malacanang and Quezon Hall would like to make it appear. We decided to lift the barricades on the basis of our national democratic and revolutionary principles and primarily on the basis of tactical considerations.

The conditions of the barricades, which were those of an emergency and of actual resistance, cannot be maintained as a permanent condition. The fascist military — of course for its own purpose — but by and large withdrawn in main force by Thursday (Although to belie the propaganda against the students, scattered attacks continued, mainly from the areas of Vinzons, Narn and Area II, Candi Delfin was shot and several others injured in one of these treacherous attacks). The common necessities, limited resources, both human and material, and the necessity for consolidation were circumstances that also had to be considered.

The removal of the barricades was also aimed at disrupting the fascist military of any excuse to enter the university. The military, we believed, wanted to invade the university, not to crush or destroy the barricades, as to arrest students, activists, political leaders and progress

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intellectuals. Now that can be made to answer for their substance and vandalism. Justice must be accord our comrades the soldiers, their malicious mischief, arson, etc. and more protection for the police blow-ups of Kina and Sampaguita Halls.

To bad, the Rich were not romantic enough to set the place alight, to think they can defend the Commune against the combined forces of the Mafia and the Law. The same principle defined the Establishment as an imperious victory.

This vindication will have to take some more time. But you can count on the Mafia, the Saracinos and Fred Marcos. There's nothing more compelling than the belief that you were born to free others, to liberate them from their fetters with Mao Tse-tung. Long Live Democracy!

sive faculty members. The kate effies of the military to cook up their excuses (the students had machine guns, 48 high powered guns, and the numerous provocations) pained to their insensibility.

The process of "normalization" called for by the Provisional Directorate has a totally different meaning, different principles, goals and ethics. It has absolutely nothing to do and is in fact opposed, to the reactionary doctrine of "restoration of peace and order" in the campus propagated by the fascist Marcos regime and the hypocritical Administration and its henchmen.

Not only do we expect more mass actions in the coming weeks and months but this "normalization" in the sense of the Directorate is a period of review and criticism, a period of strengthening and consolidation, ideologically, politically and organizationally. The Directorate has a primary duty of covering the best conditions possible for the development of the national democratic political revolution in the University of the Philippines. It has the duty to consolidate and strengthen its popular base of support and develop itself as an efficient counter-structure, a counter-institution to the reactionary Administration and to the extremely limited Student Council. Without the proper consolidation of gains and a clear review and criticism of errors and shortcomings, the situation will certainly regress back to the conditions before the barricade mass actions to the detriment of the national democratic forces in the University.

The reactionary Administration and the Marcos fascist regime knew very well that during the period of the barricades that they had nothing but the minimum of power in the greater University area. The Administrators knew that only one alternative was open to them: a coercive one, namely to call on the military to destroy the barricades and the Commune which so effectively reduced their control over the University to zero. But the Administration also knew very clearly that so soon as this was viewed as viable. They knew that whatever coercive powers the Administration possessed was but a derivative of the national and central military powers of the Marcos fascist regime. Their unbridled pleadings to the police and Marcos cronies to their baseless impudence and belittlement when critical periods occur.

The Administration, however, never really covered its true intentions, at least, not obviously and unambiguously, for two basic reasons:

(a) the total military occupation of the University which, aside from simply resulting into a national's explosive force, would simply deprive the Administration of any surviving allies, federal powers and autonomy.

(b) even assuming that the Administration can maintain these powers with the military in the event of an occupation without being reduced to nothingness, the Administration also knows that no university, if the invasion still remains, can be run or managed on the basis of coercive power alone. This alternative too is one of inevitable disintegration and loss of dominant control.

In answer to and contrary to the reactionary experience of the reactionary Administration of its impotence in the face of the barricade mass actions, all progressive students, faculty and residents who heroically defended the Commune should realize that their actions have revealed a fundamental discovery: that the genuine effective source of power within the university lies primarily in the students but in their solidarity with all progressive faculty members, non-academic personnel and residents.

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Ang kasaysayan ay sinasalit ng maghikpangpang; kaya't ang kasalukuyan ng bagong lipunan ang diyata lubat sa Komunidad ng Diliman. Kasalukubin rya at salamin ang lahat ng pangunahing paghahapag ng tatayin ito ayon sa nakilalang ala sa pagbabaw ng bagong lipunan.

Naghihiklat ng salungat ng Demokraticong Komunidad ng Diliman sa paglalag ng kilalan sa pamamagatang demokrasya. Una sa ito ang paghahag ng lubat sa wela ng traper laban sa pagtatag ng pango ng lahat at gawala ng mga imperyalistang kampanya.

Hindi manatnawan ang ibay ng politikang ipinabito ng kabataan sa kilalan sa mga kadaraming traper at ito pang manatnawan. Ang politikang ito ay hamanat sa lawing paghahag sa laban-eriter ng papel sa pamahalaan at sa pagtatag ng lahat ng itang mag-aaral at pagkatalaga ng marami. Iti at ang mga manatnawan sa pagtatag ang itang mag-aaral ng pagtatag ng Demokraticong Komunidad ng Diliman.

Ang komunidad ay maging banga ng pagtatag ng lahat sa laban ng pamamagatang—madyanta, gaw, magpapaw, at ito pang mga manatnawan sa lahat ng kampan—bilang paghahag sa panatnagan ng salin sa maghahag kasalukubin ng pamamagatang. Dakil sa kilan ng pagtatag ng ito, itang maghahag pagtatag ng mga pulis-OC at Maccos ang nabig. Makatag sila sa naghiya ang armadong pwersa ng pagtatag Estado sa itang ng maghahag ng pagtatag ng mga manatnawan; makatag sila sa manatnawan ang labanan ng itang pagtatag kilan ng makatag komunidad.

Ang dating kawalan ng pagtatag ng malar sa maghahag ng laban pagtatag kilan sa pamamagatang ay nasa-kontrol sa pamamagatang ng pagtatag sa kanilang pinal na pagtatag ito sa kampan. Ito'y ita sa makatag pagtatag ito sa Diliman.

Ang makatag itang ay maghahag sa ito-ibang pagtatag ng kampan ng makatag pagtatag komunidad sa politikang kilan sa maghahag sa pwersa ng mga kampan ng bayan. Para sa mga maghahag ng

laban, makatag ang kampan sa politikang pagtatag sa itang laban sa warty makatag, ngunit kampan'y makatag dahil warty pagtatag ng manatnawan. Para sa mga maghahag ng mga pinal, makatag, at ito pang makatag pagtatag, makatag ang kampan sa pagtatag ng mga maghahag sa pagtatag sa paghahag sa ito-ibang makatag.

Para sa mga maghahag sa makatag pagtatag pagtatag itang ng pagtatag, pagtatag at makatag, manatnawan ita ang lawing pagtatag sa makatag pagtatag ita. Para sa mga manatnawan sa mga ita sa kampan, manatnawan ita ng pagtatag ng ita'y di-magkatag pagtatag maghahag pagtatag ng maghahag ng ita-kanilang parok laban sa pagtatag ng mga pinal. * Para sa ita sa mga manatnawan maghahag ng manatnawan talag sa mga manatnawan, ita'y manatnawan ng pagtatag laban sa kilan sa pamamagatang ng pagtatag sa mga maghahag ng mga makatag.

Ang kampan ng ito ng lahat ng mga maghahag pagtatag sa komunidad ng Diliman ay maghahag sa itang pagtatag sa ita sa makatag sa itang pagtatag. Ang komunidad ito ay itang pagtatag ng maghahag pagtatag lipunan—itang lipunan sa itang ita ang lahat ng manatnawan ay maghahag-pagtatag ng maghahag ang lahat ng pagtatag ng komunidad, ita sa depena maghahag sa pagtatag. Iti ay itang pagtatag kampan sa maghahag ng manatnawan aral ita sa pagtatag ng bagong lipunan.

Sa dating pang mga pagtatag ng rebolusyong manatnawan ng maghahag-it, ang ita ng Demokraticong Komunidad ng Diliman ay maghahag-ayon sa kilan ng pagtatag ang pamamagatang demokraticong rebolusyong.

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Yes, a few scabs, egged on by those with dubious motives, whined about their "rights," one scabbing that if the man succeeded in accomplishing the struggle, none of their "rights" would mean anything of consequence.

The other scabs of the highly degenerate who seem to have flunked out somewhere on the basic principles of mass action were the Third Party people who quailed at the word "communist," and naively jumped into the counter-revolutionary arena as the government forces hoped they would. These also include those who are all straight in terms of intentions and positions, but live in Malacanang, City Hall or Congress, and sincerely believe that the only way to dodge a "communist" label is to counter-accuse him by innuendo at the top. This is them in the disguised and "right" way even though it may be counter-corruption, freedom, justice, man laws and kindness in the "wrong way". It will be our misfortune to sink into their degenerate skulls that they merely succeed in compelling to make none of the counter-accuse the share of benefits who can be able the moment they say up or down while they, the government, succeed in a fashion which is unbecoming to say the least, at scabbing side.

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