

# Boycott!

"Boycott" is not a dirty word. The connotation or interpretation made by some people is that the word is inherently inflammatory. Boycott simply means to stay away, to abstain from using, buying, or dealing with as a means of coercion.

Students are being used by the administration to make money under the guise of providing a student service. The management of the Campus Shop, the high prices charged and the lack of student input into the operation have been a thorn to the average student (alias consumer) for the past several years.

Student government has decided to use coercion as a means of registering this complaint. Economic coercion is a rational, effective and non-inflammatory approach. It can be measured in dollars and cents and accurately reflect student dissatisfaction.

Stay away from the Campus Shop. The administration understands money - especially the lack of it. Protect your interests and those of other students -- Boycott.

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### Today revisited

# Student unrest natural

By JOHN GASH  
Columnist

Recently, a local newspaper ran an editorial claiming that the college campuses are quiet because sanity has prevailed. The editorial further suggested that it was the students at their respective campuses that had kept their sanity.

To make this accusation is to overlook the core of the problem. Students don't demonstrate or march in protest for the hell of it much in the same way housewives don't picket grocery stores or police go on strike just for the exercise.

There has to be a problem to make any group react. Housewives react because the prices of meat and bread are too high. The police go on strike because their wages are too low for the hazards in-

involved and, likewise, students protest because there are issues that they see that both baffle and infuriate them.

A case in point has to be the last year's Cambodia invasion. Just like the housewife who protests the price increases, the students protested the invasion but, unfortunately, this outcry was not accepted by society because of its political tones.

To assume that the violence that followed the Cambodia invasion was justified is to assume incorrectly. Neither, in the same accord, was the Indo-China violence justified. But to assert that the students keep their sanity when they don't cry out against the absurdity and violence is to state that the basic right of peaceful assembly is insane.

Yes, they are correct in expressing that the campuses have been unusually quiet during the last six months. This is so because the causes have become "old hat" - it is unfortunate that we must use that term in reference to death, poverty and injustice and many students are turning to the system for change.

This withdrawal from the so-called streets to the work from within the system can be seen in different lights that come into focus on one conclusion: it is working.

A prime example of this success is the case of Bella Abzug, a newly elected congresswoman from Manhattan. Dressed in old-fashioned and sometime shabby clothes, this fire dragon, who champions women's rights and

peace, turned to the students for support, and with that help and a whirlwind campaign gained a victory in one of New York's toughest precincts.

This apparent move to work within the system is a move in the right direction but let us not label the right to peacefully protest violence as insanity.

## The Gutenberg experiment

# Kick the hippies out, etc.

By HARRY HOPE  
Columnist

Scene: a small room, lit by a single naked light bulb hanging from the ceiling. We see a sour-faced man counting stacks of money, greedily drooling over the smell of U.S. Government printing. One is reminded of Scrooge in the "Christmas Carol." The man is Marion Dancer, director of a campus bookstore and junk shop at a small Southern University.

Two men enter: Douglas Spitsherald, director of Auxiliary Services at the school, and Harried Blunton, vice-president for business affairs.

"Well, that's \$97,576.19 for today," croaks Dancer. "That's a profit of \$84,336.07 - and just on books."

"Good. Good," says Spitsherald. "Shall we divide it now or put it into a good investment-like ARA Slater."

"Now, Doug, you know we already own 46 per cent of the Slater stock," Blunton reminds him. "What do we want more of it for? We agreed that we wouldn't go for 51 per cent until next month."

"Yeah, but you know those snotty kids - they don't like the bookstore, they don't like Slater, they don't like anything about this school. I think it's a communist plot."

"Yeah. Gotta be," replies Blunton, his bowtie atwitter. "As long as we keep the students off our backs, and keep that angel-faced guy in cigars, we can still run this school the way we want."

"Hey. How about we invest in this school? Like, we could build a club for high-ranking administration officials. We just need to re-do that Russell House. Kick those hippies out and we got it made."

"What about a bar? I mean a bar

in the administration building."

"Look, whadda ya want? Rub elbows with those malcontent secretaries?"

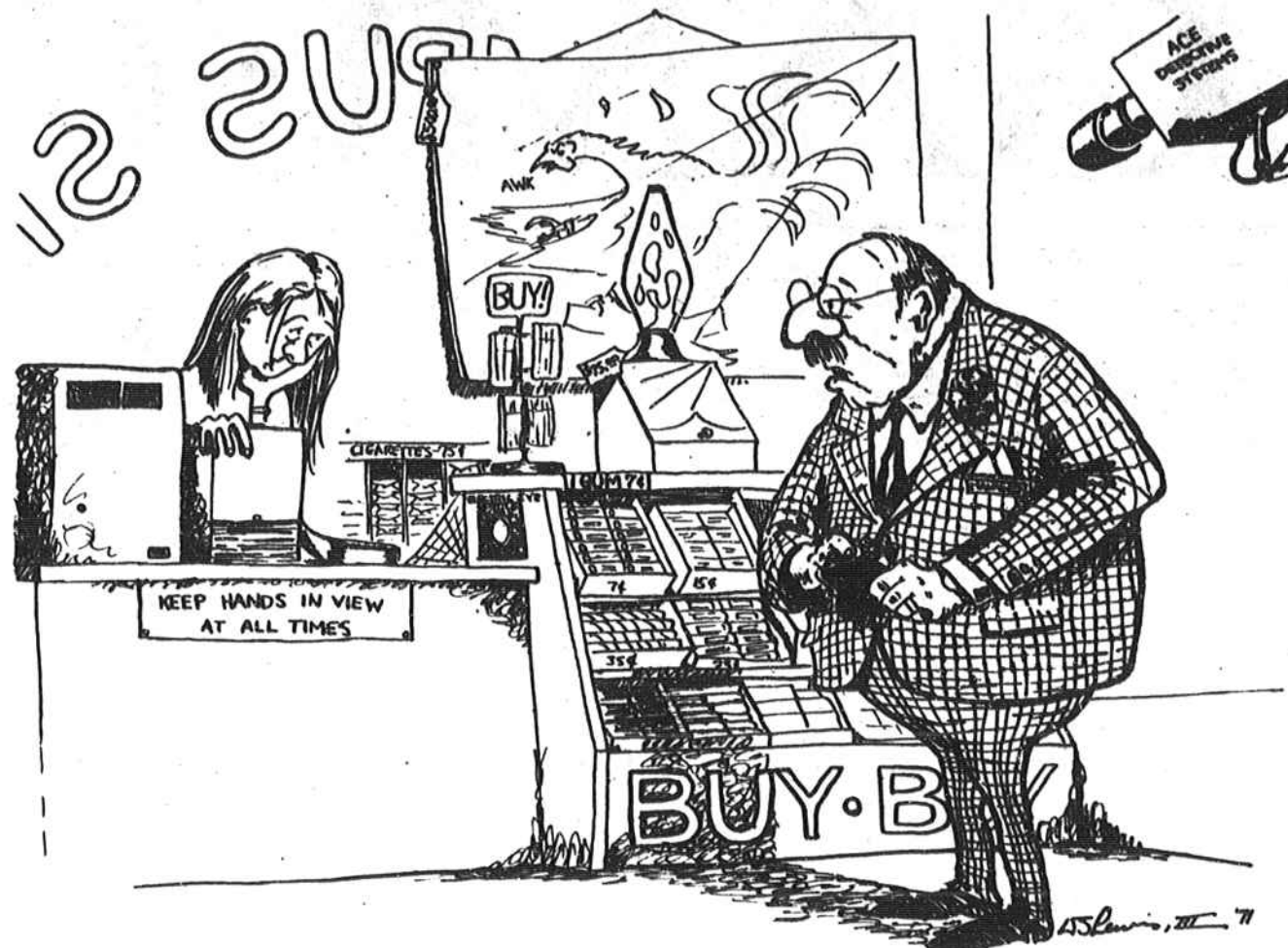
"Which reminds me," interjects Blunton. "How much do we pay people around here?"

"Let's see - base rate is 50 cents an hour. Of course they have to buy their own typing paper and such. That's for professors and everybody. Now, we pay the athletic director about \$30,000 a year - over the table, that is. I don't know how much Pretzel makes on the take. Yeah, and athletes get about \$400 a month, plus tuition and fees, room and board."

"We have to cut some of that. Cut back all the professors' pay to 37 cents, and make them rent out their office space."

"Good, Good," agrees Dancer. "Now, about the campus shop. I figure we sell our \$12.00 books for \$25.18. And order only half of what we need."

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