

## Town Meeting on Vietnam

# Students blast US policy

Arguments for and against US policy in Vietnam were served up as food for thought at a noontime Town Meeting yesterday.

While most of the audience lazed in the warm weather, dozens of listeners contributed shouts, challenges, catcalls, and derisive laughter at some of the speakers.

Target of the most negative audience reaction at the meeting was Paul Becker, a law student.

After emphasizing the need for "reading and research before talking," he analogized South Vietnam as "a baby out in the middle of the street" and the Viet Cong forces as "a large truck heading towards the baby."

Becker depicted the US as a "passerby able to save the baby."

He asked the crowd, "If you were the one walking down the street, what would you do?"

Some members of the audience answered him with hissing and one coed asked, "What makes South Vietnam a baby? They have the right to decide things for themselves and to vote whichever way they want for themselves."

Referring to research again, Becker mentioned an agreement made at the Geneva Conference in 1954 splitting Vietnam between north and south at the 17th parallel.

"In 1962," he said, "the International Committee

South Vietnamese told the International Committee's special commission of infiltration and subversion in the south, and an investigation showed that there was, indeed, communist subversion.

"We cannot afford a stalemate," he continued. "The South Vietnamese have been fighting for a long time and they're tired. We must give



them an incentive. If we lose South Vietnam, then we lose the entire Southeast Asia."

The law student emphasized that the "threat" is to the "free world, to free speech."

Another speaker, Robert Pilgrim, was a merchant seaman in Vietnam in 1954 and said that he'd spoken with the people there.

"The feeling," he said, "was that there was no possibility of coping with the forces of the rebellious Vietnamese."

He expressed the majority opinion yesterday as he stressed public dissatisfaction at the government's "war by euphemism, clouded by such terms as 'retaliation' and 'escalation.'"

Eugene Peters, a junior majoring in Philosophy, had another term for the US policy: "A big, war-oriented posture" exemplified by the air strikes

this whole thing to everybody."

Kent Seavey, in Vietnam last year as a member of Special Forces, supported US policy, warning that "if we withdraw, Cambodia will go to Red China, the Congo will be lost, and Sukarno will launch an assault into Malaysia."

Whether the United States

should hold onto what we have — and 'we' can mean anyone economically interested in the area."

Still, he concluded, "If they sent me back there, I'd go gladly."

The Town Meeting was co-sponsored by the Humanist Forum and ATAC (The Alliance Towards an Active Campus).

on North Vietnamese air bases.

"This involves not only Southeast Asia and the United States," he opined, "but all the peoples of all nations on the earth."

When another speaker stopped after a few moments because "I'm so furious I can't even talk anymore," dozens of students laughed until they were challenged to "come up here and explain

remains or not, Seavey said, "the war will continue."

There is no stable government and the people there haven't had enough education at this point, he continued. If there were an election now, North Vietnamese leader Ho Chi Minh would be elected, he said, but "he doesn't want China's or anybody else's problems. He only wants to take care of Vietnam."

Asked about his own point of view, Seavey said, "We

**THE FIRST** Town Meeting of the spring semester featured an open debate of US policy concerning Viet Nam. Paul Becker, a law student, is shown here speaking in support of present US policy.

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### Treutlein vs AFT policy

# Strike plans blasted

Former American Federation of Teachers (AFT) president, Theodore E. Treutlein verbally scathed Federation strike plans and leaders recently.

Treutlein, who resigned from the AFT presidency in 1962 protesting "the direction the organization was taking," has now charged the AFT with attempting to "capture" the faculty and he urged professors to support the Academic Senate.

The criticism came after Robert Hall, president of the state-wide AFT council and SF State assistant English professor, announced that the teacher's union was seeking a strike sanction for a one-day walk out protesting a 1.8 per cent cut for senior professors.

Treutlein called for a faculty meeting to discuss the pay cut issue and asked that the entire faculty have a voice in any decision made concerning the strike.

"If the faculty wants to demonstrate,

this should be a decision reached by the faculty," Treutlein said. "The AFT is not our faculty agent. I oppose having the AFT group ask the Labor Council if it can get a strike sanction, and I resent very much having the AFT, through its spokesman, Robert Hall, threaten to shut down the campus."

"Mr. Hall was present at our last faculty meeting. He did not ask the faculty if the faculty wanted to strike. He did not challenge the President's moderation formula when he could have done so," Treutlein said.

In the meeting, held February 8, college president Paul Dodd urged faculty members not to participate in public demonstrations.

The president's statements were later criticized by Hall.

"But the AFT response to President Dodd's well-intentioned remarks voices

the assumption that an appeal to moderation in this time of stress is a semantical device to hide cowardice, Treutlein said.

The AFT response, if it truly represents the views of its members, is surely an example of primitivism in thought. By implication this type of thinking exalts the vendetta spirit which in other social situations results in killing," Treutlein said.

"The alternative to the AFT way is not inaction," he concluded. "We will need more time to attain our objectives of a better system, but surely we can trade a little time to avoid the bitterness of warfare. The advantages of moderation are also that we need not surrender our minds to a politico-economic orthodoxy nor our bodies to a planned program of labor management strife."

### Geography professor found dead Sunday

Alfred R. Sumner, 55 year-old professor of geography, was found dead in the bathroom of his Atherton home Sunday morning, an apparent suicide.

Sumner's wife, Margaret, found the body about 9 a.m. on the bathroom floor, the throat cut with a razor blade. He had been dead about five hours.

Sumner left no suicide notes, but had apparently been despondent after a stroke he suffered a year ago left him with a speech impediment, according to Deputy Coroner Joseph McPheeters.

Sumner, who joined the SF State faculty in 1953, received his B.A. from Yale in 1931, his M.A. in 1933 and Ph.D. in 1949, from Clark University.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, SF State assistant professor of anthropology, and two children.

### Rallies planned

Three days of on-campus rallies protesting the war in South Vietnam will be staged this week, the Humanist Forum announced yesterday.

An "Anti-War in Vietnam" rally will take place at the Speakers platform from 12 to 2 today. Off-campus speakers will be at the same place at the same time Wednesday.

A student peace vigil will take place in the Quad from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday.

# Letters to the Editor

## Insert 'excellent'

Editor:

I have just finished a complete reading of Insert and would like to commend you and your staff on the level of content which the magazine affords the campus in its third edition. I was particularly taken with the articles on credentialing of teachers, overseas students, and the features about people, both students and faculty. However, to mention these is not to compare unfavorably any article in the issue, for I benefitted from and enjoyed reading each one.

The entire staff is to be complimented for the excellence of Insert, January 1965.

Glenn P. Smith

Assistant to the President

## Lovers 'n flowers

"Heart to Heart"

(Written especially for my wife)

All sorts of flowers — from me to you,  
But love lasts longer — than flowers do!

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For your always on my mind!  
The days and nights—go drifting by . . .

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The moon and stars tell a story,

Like lovers land — in all its glory!

Wherever you are — There's your heart and mine,

"Love is stronger"—Than two hearts combine!

I feel safe—when you are with me,

We'll never part—as you can see!

It's you and I, "Heart-to-heart,"

A true love—shall never part!  
Blessings came from the Lord above,

When we both met—we fell in love!

Your Valentine,  
A. Navarra

## No 'breast beating'

Editor:

In response to the dubious distinction of having been referred to in the Gater twice within the past two weeks, I would like to respond to your letter writer Mr. Kite.

Mr. Kite did quote me correctly, as did the Gater reporter who quoted me originally. (This in itself is a remarkable achievement in contemporary journalism.) But Mr. Kite's criticism of some of us students and faculty who are "too calm and intellectual" — relevant to Mr. Rockwell's appearance on campus — is, I believe, misdirected (to use a polite term).

I assume that most of us committed to the search for knowledge believe, among other things, (1) that the first step to understanding is knowing, and (2) that knowing should be the basis for doing. My purpose in attending the Rockwell performance was to assess the effectiveness of the man as a leader of a radical movement. That Mr. Rockwell's aims are totally repugnant to me is beside the immediate point. (Parenthetically, I have long been actively involved in resisting fas-

cism in its various forms, particularly by my work in the American Civil Liberties Union. It is for this reason as a democrat that I believe as fervently in freedom of speech as I do in resisting fascism.)

In order to take effective action against people like Rockwell, one should "know your enemy." I was fearful as a civil libertarian that Mr. Rockwell might present a real threat to our democratic future. After my experience I doubt that he does. The issue is as simple as all that; and such was the implication of my remarks. This does not mean that I will therefore lower my guard against fascists of all kinds, including Rockwell; but simply that I hope that they will remain as ineffectual as Rockwell apparently is. If this hope is to be realized, it will be by virtue of listening carefully, assessing objectively, and then acting vigorously and effectively — not by hysterical denunciations or emotionalized breast beating.

Carlo L. Lastrucci  
Professor of Sociology

## Official notices

### Thesis Topic Deadline

To qualify for a master's degree at the end of this semester, candidates must file the subject of their thesis or creative work in the Office of the Dean of the Graduate Division, AD 172, no later than March 12, 1965. The subject must have prior approval by at least two supervising faculty members. Forms for this purpose are available in AD 172.

### Grad Record Exam

Registration for the graduate record examinations scheduled to be given on Saturday, March 20, closes on Feb. 26. Registration forms are available in the graduate division office, AD 171. The Aptitude Test is one of the requirements for admission to classified graduate status in programs leading to a master's degree or an advanced credential. The Area Tests or the Advanced Tests are required for advancement to candidacy in a number of fields. Students should consult the "Graduate Division Bulletin" to determine the requirements in their graduate major. Students signing up for these examinations must be currently enrolled, must have been enrolled in the college within the last year, or must have received a permit to register for the subsequent semester.

### Master's Candidacy

Students who expect to earn their master's degree at the end of this semester must submit contract programs to the office of the dean of the graduate division, Ad 171, on or before Feb. 26. Before being filed at the office, the contract programs must be approved by the candidate's graduate major and related field advisers, and by the graduate committee of the candidate's major field. A candidate is required to complete at least six units of his contract program after submitting it to the dean of the graduate division.

## SF Symphony Orchestra needs students for chorus

Students with any vocal experience, who would enjoy singing Beethoven's Ninth Symphony with the San Francisco Symphony, are urged to

join the Choral Union.

Auditions, under associate professor of music John Toms, will be held throughout the week. "It's not difficult, you don't have to be an opera star. All you have to do is enjoy singing," says Toms.

Thus far about 200 have signed up for the Choral Union, but many more are needed. This year's program will include Beethoven's Ninth, May 31 at the Opera House, and at SF State, Britten's "St. Nicholas" April 6, Bach's "Magnificat in D" and "Requiem" by Garbirlle Foray May 25.

Choral Union rehearsals are held every Tuesday and Thursday from 12 to 1 in CA 107.



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## Choir program tonight, Handel, Brahms, Vivaldi

The first spring program of the SF State A Capella Choir, will be given today at 8:30 p.m. in the Main Auditorium.

Under the direction of music professor John Tegnell the choir sings four Lieder for mixed voices by Johannes

Brahms, and several English rounds by Thomas Warren, Henry Harrington and Henry Purcell.

Also included in the program will be the combined Choir and Collegium Musicum presenting "Dixit Dominus" by George Frederic Handel. The Collegium, under Walter Haderer, will also perform Vivaldi's "Concerto Grosso in F Major."

Tickets for the concert are 50 cents for students and \$1.00 for the general public. For additional information contact the Creative Arts Box Office, JU 5-7174.

## Gater briefs . . .

- A Capella concert in Main Auditorium at 8:30 p.m.

- Women's Recreation Association meeting in Gym 217A at 12 noon.

- Budo Club Karate in Gym 125 at 12:15 p.m.

- General Semantics Forum meeting in Ed 302 at 12:15 p.m.

- Student Association for Chinese Studies meeting in BSS 134 at 12:30 p.m.

- Collegiate Christian Fellowship meeting in Gym 216 at 12:30 p.m.

- Phi Mu Alpha meeting in CA 236 at 1 p.m.

- Christian Science Organization testimonial meeting at Stonestown YMCA at 1 p.m.

- Newman Club open house at St. Stephen's parish hall at 8:30 p.m.

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## A presidential beef with a prayerful breakfast

By TOM CARTER  
Managing Editor

AS President Joe Persico returned from the nation's capitol last week "shocked and surprised" that a breakfast with the President turned out to be a "revival meeting."

Persico, along with 40 other student body presidents from colleges throughout the nation, attended a Presidential Prayer Breakfast, February 4, in Washington, D.C., at the request of government representatives.

The purpose of the breakfast and related events was to discuss the "brotherhood of man."

However, the events were sponsored by International Christian Leadership, Persico learned when he arrived in Washington. According to Persico, the reception, breakfast and seminar turned into a revival meeting of testimonials by government officials and discussions based on the assumption that all in attendance were Christians.

Persico said he felt "misled and misinformed" about the events and protested the way they were run in a letter to the President, February 8, which said in part:

"I received the invitation to attend the breakfast and the Student Body Presidents' Seminar from Senator Frank Carlson of Kansas. Since it was on his stationery and in his senatorial envelope, I assumed that the breakfast was being sponsored by the government.

"I did not find out until the day of the breakfast that it was sponsored by International Christian Leadership. Had I been aware of this . . . I would not have attended, for I question the legality of contributing public monies to a sectarian event."

Persico added that he thought the events were to serve as a forum for discussing the

spiritual needs of mankind.

Persico professes no religion or creed and is an agnostic.

"The seminar was concerned with Christ, Christianity, and the power of prayer," Persico wrote. "In a discussion of the brotherhood of man, this leaves out three-quarters of the world and at least one-quarter of those of us who attended."

Further in his letter he said, "Each speaker who addressed us spoke of his experiences in Christ. We were told that by praying to Christ our decisions would be heavenly-inspired . . . Non-Christians received no time, except through a few questions we were permitted to ask, to propose alternatives to Christianity as a means of developing a brotherhood of man."

Persico said the seminar opened with the pronouncement of the moderator that all attending were assumed to be Christians and that they would proceed to discuss the brotherhood of man through Jesus Christ.

Persico objected and suggested that "humanity as the base of brotherhood" be substituted because some attending were Jews or agnostics.

Persico was also disgruntled that the "small" breakfast was attended not by just the 40 student body presidents, government representatives and the President, but by more than 1000 assorted guests.

Another purpose of Persico's trip was to speak with Joe Hagen, director of Community Action, to check on the disposition of SF State's request for a \$73,000 federal grant for the AS tutorial project. The director was unable to determine whether the student legislature's December request would be granted.

## Capitol-bound coed wants Viet peace

A 22-year-old SF State coed left Tuesday for Washington, D.C. to participate in a demonstration calling for settlement of the Vietnam "war."

Sue Witkovsky, a representative of the local Women for Peace, said her group is "not making any judgments as to who is right or wrong . . . we believe, however, it makes

sense to stop shooting and start talking."

The women have made appointments with Chairman J. William Fulbright and other members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and California's senators, Thomas Kuchel and George Murphy, to discuss the problem.

## AS plans indoctrination program for new trainees

A program for training interested students for AS government positions has been announced by Robert Rinaldo, director of AS Personnel and Training.

Under the program, leadership training and information regarding the workings of student government will be made available to students wishing to serve on various boards in AS positions.

To qualify for these positions a student must have a GPA of at least 2.25 and should be carrying over six and a half units. Interested students, including those who may qualify at some later date, are urged to pick up applications in Hut T-2 as soon as possible.

During the training program, which will last several

weeks, speakers from different branches of the AS government and school administration will speak.

Areas of interest which will be covered by the program are International Student Affairs (ISA), publicity, the Tutorial Program, the AS Justice Department, and campus activities such as dances, entertainment, festivals and lectures.

### Infernal Machine

Jean Cocteau's infrequently performed play, "The Infernal Machine," will be presented Feb. 18, 19 and 20 by graduate drama students in the Little Theater. Tickets are on sale in the Creative Arts box office.

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# Gator rally whips Hayward

By JERRY LITRELL  
Gator Sports Editor

**HAYWARD**—The SF State Golden Gators returned to the friendly confines of the Bay Area last Saturday night and posted a 91-82 Far Western Conference win over Cal State Hayward.

The Staters sheepishly brought a four-game losing streak into Foothill Gymnasium Saturday after losing all four games on their recent Midwestern tour—one each to Southern Ohio, Akron and Valparaiso Universities.

Against the Hayward Pioneers the Gators played a timid first half and found them-

selves on the short end of a 42-35 intermission score.

But they shook loose from their daze during the second half and got better and better as the game progressed.

Everett "Goose" Adams, shackled by a severe cold and held to only four points in the first half, exploded for 19 more in the final 20 minutes to lead the San Francisco offensive attack.

But it was the steady floor work of senior forward Terry Stogner that acted as a quieting agent on an otherwise jittery Gator team.

The court-wise veteran continued his surprising offensive punch by scoring 18 points and was the leader on several fast breaks, a sight not too often seen lately by Gator fans.

## 11-POINT SPLURGE

At one point during the second half the Staters rallied from a 64-61 deficit, scoring 11 straight points. After that it was just a matter of running out the clock.

The only thing that enabled the Gators to start the rally was the rebounding, both offensively and defensively, of center Jon Crawford and for-

ward Joe Galbo.

The Gator win overshadowed a tremendous performance by Pioneer forward Howard Foster, who tallied 30 points and kept the Hayward five in the game until State's 11-point rally.

## LEWIS SCORES

The coup de grace was applied by guard Denny Lewis who scored 10 points in the final 11 minutes to turn back any Hayward bid for an upset.

So the Gators go into the second-to-the-final week of FWC play in second place

with a 5-2 mark. Chico edged Nevada, 60-59, last Saturday and both those teams are in first place with 7-2 records.

Friday the Gators travel to Humboldt State and then Saturday move on to Chico for an important duel with the Wildcats and their sensational center, Bill Jones.

## GATER SPORTS

Jerry Littrell, Editor

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