

Editorials

It should be made clear that student newspapers such as the *Voice* owe a responsibility to any person or group concerned with and interested in the University. This includes not only students, faculty and staff of the University, but parents, alumni, legislators and other taxpayers to whom the University belongs.

The staff members of the *Voice* realize that the *Voice* is and should be an effective instrument in reaching the majority of the campus community. And therefore, will make every effort to verify the accuracy of information.

The responsibilities of the campus community to its newspaper is to assure that it is representing all view points adequately and impartially. Secondly, the campus community should participate in the production of the newspaper by criticizing, complimenting,



conferring, etc., any material produced. This can only be done if the campus community and other concerned persons, express their opinions through the very instrument which is here to serve them. - *The Voice* -
WE CHALLENGE YOU TO RESPOND!

hundreds of current vacancy notices both at home and abroad.

Sincerely,
**John P. McAndrew, President
Foreign & Domestic Teachers**

The Significance Of The Black Press

By Carlton Taylor

The Black Press has and still is playing a vital role for Black people in America and the world. For example, "The Black Press of America presently serves a population of 27 million in some 80 cities and 38 states. It has a circulation in excess of four million, and some of the papers are based in the most modern buildings, having their own giant presses and other modern equipment." Therefore, the Black Press must be patronized, in order for knowledge to be obtained, and in order for the continuation of Black history to be continuously written.

Next, the Black Press must be supported because, "The Black News Media workers shape the perspective of history while making history more accurate and palatable to our children." In addition, the Black Press can make sure that what happens to black people as a whole whether good or bad, we will know that there is communication from a reliable source. With a reliable source giving accurate reports, we will be able to make reliable and accurate decisions concerning Blacks politically, economically, and socially with confidence.

Also, by patronizing the Black Press, we have the advantage of getting a better opportunity for Black advertising agencies to express and show their products. Therefore, this will enhance the exposure of Black owned corporations, enterprises and stores.

Finally, the Black Press must be supported because it serves a population in America "the second most numerous aggregation of Blacks within the confines of a nation - second only to Nigeria with its population of 61 million... There are 152 nations in the world with populations smaller than the Black American's." As a result, the Black Press is vital which if abused or misused will cause a communication problem among blacks in the professional field and the masses. Therefore, please take time out to support your local Black paper, because it only benefits you, the reader. (Quotes were taken from an article entitled "History of the Black Press" by Westina Thompson. From the magazine "U.S. Blacks and the News," February, 1981).

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I am a student of FSU majoring in Political Science, Concentration in Police Science. I have found that in my classes that the students look at the police force as the enemy. They take a few examples of police brutality and use them to show the police force as a negative force. I am in no way condoning these actions by the police force; however, I do feel one must also look at the good officers. They are not perfect, but most officers do care. Society seems to separate themselves from the police force, and then wonder why they are impersonal. It is time to help the police force instead of viewing them as the enemy.

Sincerely yours,
Carl Haire

Dear Editor,

I am a prisoner on death row at the Arizona State Prison and I was wondering if you would do me a favor. I have been here for quite a while and I don't have any family or friends on the outside to write to so what I was wondering is if you could put an ad in your campus newspaper for me for correspondence. If not in your paper then maybe you have some kind of bulletin that you could put it in. I know that you are not a pen-pal club or anything like that but I would really appreciate it if you could help me.

Since I don't know if you have an actual newspaper, I will just make a small ad and then if you have to change it around or anything go ahead and do what you need to.

Death Row prisoner, caucasian male, age 35, desires correspondence with either male or female college students. Wants to form some kind of friendly type relationship and more or less just exchange past experiences and ideas. Will answer all letters and exchange pictures. If interested write to Jim Jeffers, Box B-38604, Florence, Arizona, 85232.

Sincerely Yours,
Jim Jeffers

Dear Editor,

Please allow us this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to the student body, faculty and staff of Fayetteville State University for the

support shown The Fayetteville Showcase Theatre in our most recent production of "For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When The Rainbow is 'Enuf.'" The overall support that we received as guest artists on the campus exemplified good school spirit.

We greatly enjoyed working with all of you and invite you to participate in our future productions. Again, a very special thanks to the Fayetteville State University family.

Sincerely,
**Clyde MacMillan Joyce Malone
Artistic Director Executive Secretary
for
Fayetteville Showcase Theatre, Inc.**

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Foreign & Domestic Teachers Organization needs teacher applicants in all fields from Kindergarten through College to fill over five hundred teaching vacancies both at home and abroad.

Since 1968, our organization has been finding vacancies and locating teachers both in foreign countries and in all fifty states. We possess hundreds of current openings and have all the information as to scholarships, grants, and fellowships.

The principle problem with first year teachers is **where** to find the jobs!

Since College Newspapers are always anxious to find positions for their graduating teachers, your paper may be interested in your teachers finding employment for the following year, and print our request for teachers.

Our information and brochure is **free** and comes at an opportune time when there are more teachers than teaching positions.

Should you wish additional information about our organization, you may write the Portland Oregon Better Business Bureau or the National Teacher's Placement Agency, UNIVERSAL TEACHERS, Box 5231, Portland, Oregon 97208.

We do not promise every graduate in the field of education a definite position, however, we do promise to provide them with a wide range of

"Aging, Raging Reagan"

Dr. Manning Marable/From *The Grassroots*/February, 1983.

It is no political secret that I find President Ronald Reagan incompetent, inhumane, and insensitive to the interests of Black, poor and working people. His bizarre and boistrous behavior on the nuclear arms race, his vicious cutbacks in human services, and his patently absurd statements on a wide variety of policy issues indicates beyond any reasonable doubt that he is unfit to occupy even the lowest public office.

As Reagan's third year in the presidency begins, it is clear that the "chickens are coming home to roost." As his conservative programs have taken effect, many sectors of the American political economy and society have also come to realize the inherent failure of Reaganomics.

Two weeks ago, a public opinion poll commissioned by the *New York Times* and CBS was released which illustrates the drastic decline in support for the Reagan Administration. When asked, "Do you think that Ronald Reagan is a strong leader?", 78 percent said "yes" in January, 1981; only 53 percent said "yes" last month. When asked, "Do you think that Reagan is in control of what goes on in his administration," only 35 percent of those polled said "yes." 41 percent stated that they approved of the way Reagan is handling his job, but 47 percent said they disapproved. According to the *Times*, "Reagan's new approval rating of 41 percent is the lowest since he took office. And it is down 26 points from the approval rating of 67 percent that he had after three months in office."

More devastating still was the forthright rejection of American workers, poor people and many middle class elements of the basic tenets of Reaganomics. When asked to suggest ways to reduce the size of the federal government's \$200 billion deficit, 63 percent demanded that "the Government reduce proposed spending on military and defense programs." Only 38 percent accepted Reagan's proposal to increase Federal taxes. And a meagre 29 percent urged the government to "reduce proposed spending on programs for the poor." About six out of ten told pollsters that America under Reagan was going "off on the wrong track."

But Reagan's bad news does not stop here. Now his principal backers, the big corporations, are going public with criticisms of the administration's policies. Five former Treasury Secretaries, both Republicans and Democrats, and 500 corporate leaders recently formed a new organization, the Bi-Partisan Budget Appeal, which has urged the president to cut next year's military budget by \$25 billion. Meanwhile, business confidence in Reagan drops by the month. A recent Gallup poll asking corporate leaders "how much confidence do you have in Reagan to do or recommend the right thing for the economy?", indicates that only 27 percent reported "a great deal." This contrasts with 58 percent a year ago.

The reasons for Reagan's growing unpopularity are not difficult to discern. Between January, 1981 and last month, the gross national product declined from -0.4 percent to -1.8 percent. Consumer debt increased from

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