

WATER FOR A FLAMING CROSS

ON THE UNIVERSITY RIGHT

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White Robes, Cross burnings, torture and murder; ignorance developed to new heights; fascism in America - these and other descriptions are, in almost every mind, the conceptualizations that are created when one thinks of the Ku Klux Klan. Mere thoughts of the Klan are to the decent person like a nightmare drawn forth from the recesses of his mind and which fill us with feelings of terror and abject disgust. That the Klan is still in existence, and in fact growing in strength in Canada, as well as the United States, in the North as well as the South, that it still flourishes, still terrorizes, still brutalizes and seeks to inflict its perverted will upon those whom it sees as its enemies (and that list is a long one including Blacks, Jews, Catholics, Republicans, etc.) and deprives them of their natural, or if you believe God-given, rights to "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness", is nothing short of criminal. There is not enough rope available in the still Free World to inflict the solution to the problem of the KKK that was in my mind the night those rascist

bastards murdered four more victims in Greensboro, North Carolina, a few weeks ago, but I wish there were!!

No matter how much pleasure may be had in seeing every last robed coward swinging gently in the breeze, as rational beings we must choose another path. First we must consider just what causes human beings to act like savage beasts, surrendering their humanity in the night by the light of a flaming cross. Second, we must seek ways of vaccinating our society against the various diseases that groups such as the KKK, or the Nazi Party, or so-called "Marxist-Leninists" (or Maoist-Stalinists if you will), have polluted our race (the one and only human race that is!) with.

Third, we must act as individuals, or groups, in our political, civic, religious, and other organizations, to see to it that in every situation the rights, the basic undeniable human rights, of each and every human being are forever ensured. This last point must be stressed once again - each of us must act; no one is spared the responsibility of action in the defense of our sacred Liberty, for should liberty die, so too

will our humanity be buried with it. I am reminded now of the greatest prophet of our time, the Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King Jr., who had a dream - a dream of a day when "all God's children, black and white, rich and poor, Catholic and Protestant, Jew and Gentile" would be able to share in the blessings of liberty and bathe in the clear baptizing waters of peace. Dr. King's dream must be our dream, but not only that - it is up to us to make it into a reality.

In response to the problems presented in the beginning of the last paragraph, there are no easy answers, but there are indeed answers. One of the things we must put aside is our dogmatic assumptions of any sort, political, philosophical or religious. There must be no place for the fanatic - fundamentalist or ideologue - to become a parasite upon the mind of man. Once free from dogmatic bondage, we must - we will - become able to view things more clearly in the light of Reason. No one will be our enemy for any reason because hostility, mistrust and hate will have been justifiably destroyed. Once this most difficult first step has been accomplished, then we must move

on to the second difficult step, that is the "vaccination" of humanity so that the ills which once plagued it may never return again. We cannot act here by laws against dogmatism, or then, like some of our Red "friends" (right Albania?), we will begin to see things that are freedom incarnate, and within the full rights of individuals as being "anti-reason", as they (the Reds) claim things to be "anti-revolutionary". But rather the price is much greater than a few laws; the price is eternal vigilance and education. But more than that, it is an honest commitment by each one of us to treat everyone as an equal, subject to the same Rule of Law, and entitled to the same rights as ourselves. So, in conclusion, I must once again stress, risking redundancy, that we - you and I - must act before it is too late, or by our inaction we will eternally hand over all we claim we cherish - our liberty, our dignity, and our humanity - to the likes of the Night Riders (KKK).

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OPEN READINGS

Interested students or anyone else who knows how to spend a few hours productively, stay tuned. Yes, the open readings are still being held; last week was held back in the interests of the Symposium. So, it's back to action this week - the message is the same - anything about anything. Please note: we have only two weeks left to go, Tuesday November 20 and then Tuesday November 27. Following this, Tuesday December 4 will be the scene in Duffy Ampitheatre of a debate on capital punishment moderated by Dr. Colin MacMillan. Yes, reserve each Tuesday night for the next three weeks for different and important kinds of education.

BIG NEWS.....

Friday Nov. 23 - important meeting for all members or majors of the English department

Where - the barn at 2:30
Come sip a few and we'll settle a few matters in style.



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INTRAMURALS

MEN'S INTRAMURALS
HOCKEY

It's astonishing how far this league has come in three years. The league consisted of four teams in 1977. Last year its membership doubled. However, this year it is down to seven teams. The reason is that Deacon club was given the axe. I suspected that would happen because those organic smoking "Hippos" on the team could not handle the rough and tough pace of the league. Also, league President Vince Mulligan got fed up with their feeble minded excuses for not attending their games. For the rest of the teams it looks like it's going to be a good year. Be watching in next week's paper for a brief run down on the league this year.

JUNIOR CLASS PUB

Friday, November 16th, 2:30 pm
Panther Lounge
Featuring

RICK BROWN

Good Beer Drinking Foot Stomping Music