

Editorial Opinion

Ole Miss Incident: Disgrace to Nation

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"Two, four, six, eight; we don't want to integrate!"

This "cheer" came from the mouths of from 5,000 to 8,000 angry Mississippians as they surged onto the grounds of the University of Mississippi campus last week awaiting the arrival of a 29-year-old Negro, James H. Meredith.

This reception typifies the three receptions which Meredith has received in his attempts to enroll in the "all-white" state university of Mississippi.

Angry mobs yesterday awaited Meredith's fourth attempt but their waiting was in vain for the Justice Department called off this attempt because, in the words of Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy, such federal action was necessary to prevent "major violence and bloodshed for the citizens of Mississippi."

Mississippi Gov. Ross Barnett maintains, in a manner of fanatic emotionalism, that his state reserves the right to control education within its boundaries. Barnett says this "right" entitles the state to determine not only "how" to educate, but "whom."

The federal government, however, supported by a Supreme Court decision, claims that Mississippi does not have the right to refuse university admission to an academically qualified student because of race, religion or creed, under the provision of the Fourteenth Amendment.

Thus ensues the bitter state vs. national government battle which is not likely to end until the federal government forces the issue.

Such a move was made last night when Barnett was cited for contempt of court and given until 11 a.m. Tuesday to comply with the court order or subject himself to arrest and a \$10,000 per day fine until he complies.

We wonder how much effect this move will have on a man who has vowed he would go to jail before complying with the court's integration demands.

We feel that the national government must curb this crisis immediately. It is a disgrace both to the state of Mississippi and to the entire nation.

Today the University of Mississippi appears on the front page of almost every newspaper in the country and in most other countries in the world—the Soviet bloc included.

We are appalled at this situation where a student who meets all of the stated academic requirements is being refused college admittance because of his race.

We strongly believe that race must not be included in ANY American university's requirements for entrance and that immediate and continued action must be taken to ensure Meredith's admittance to the University of Mississippi.

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Letters

Football Coverage Questioned

TO THE EDITOR: Who's complaining about a 41-7 victory? The entire team is to be congratulated for their performance last Saturday. The aim of this letter is to draw attention to several distortions in reporting which, under different circumstances, would border on irresponsibility.

Even an average fan such as myself can see that coach Rip Engle did perhaps have cause to worry Saturday. Pass defense could have been better despite four interceptions. Our reporter also failed to note the amazing ability of three different Navy quarterbacks to fake out the entire State forward wall, dancing through it only to be stopped by superior line-backers.

No mention was made of the alarming number of fumbles (even in the statistics), or of the closing drive of the first half ending in a fumble on the two-yard line. For the dispirited play of the third quarter we hear that "the Lions offered Navy several scoring opportunities." I hope that Penn State football hasn't reached such depth of "professionalism."

Two-hundred and thirty-two yards is an enormous amount of yardage to gain through an "impenetrable defense."

There is, of course, a great temptation to "eliminate the negative" in discussing such a crushing victory. I hope, however, that the two-day deadline will permit mature reflection in reporting the Saturday games in the future.

-C. C. Wright  
Grad Student

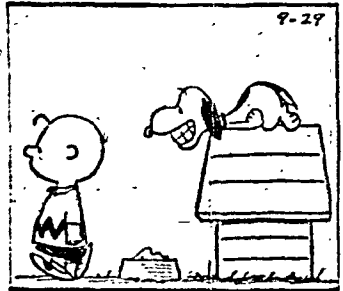
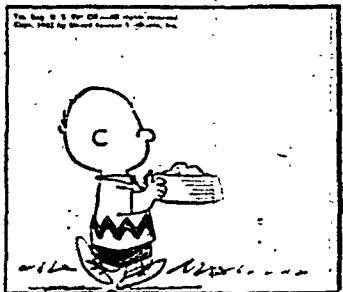
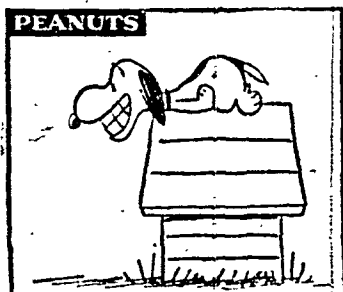
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(Editor's Note: Penn State football coach Rip Engle called the Lion pass defense "excellent." Who should know better than he?

State rushed only three interior linemen for the bulk of the game, deploying the ends and linebackers to defend against passes. Perhaps this accounts for "the amazing ability of three different Navy quarterbacks to fake out the entire State forward wall."

Penn State lost the ball three times after fumbles. I do not consider this a particularly alarming total for an opening game.

The story in question said the Lion defense was impenetrable except for John Sai's 35-yard run. That was, in fact, Navy's only score of the game. Navy had the ball inside the Penn State 30-yard line on only one other occasion.)



Letters

Sign Precedent Wanted

TO THE EDITOR: That this university operates basically on precedent is a statement not likely to be opposed. Wednesday's Collegian editorial pointed out that valuable precedents can be set.

During the time lapse between the spring and summer terms, the University Subcommittee on Signs turned down the proposal of the Agriculture Student Council to erect and maintain an outside bulletin board. The College of Agriculture has fifteen active curriculum clubs, and there is a need for a centrally located bulletin board on Ag Hill on which to publicize club meetings and other University bulletins. It would be impractical to erect a bulletin board in one of the Ag buildings because there is no one building in which the majority of the agriculture students have classes.

The University sign committee refused the project because they felt that it would set a precedent for other college councils to erect outside bulletin boards. Since the other colleges aren't spread out as much as the College of Agriculture is they can satisfy their needs with an inside bulletin board, as several have done in the past. If the other councils feel a need for an outside bulletin board, I don't think their request should be denied. A bulletin board can greatly enhance activities by the publicity outlet which it provides.

I think the University should re-evaluate this proposed precedent in regards to the students' needs and the benefit that can come to Penn State. The Agricul-

ture Student Council feels that here can be established a worthwhile precedent.

-Albert Cartwright,  
Ag Student Council President

Two Freshmen Defend Customs

TO THE EDITOR: After reading Dennis Newton's comments concerning Customs in Thursday's Collegian, we, as recipients of the upperclass "hazing," want to defend Customs.

Customs, we believe, are not quite as horrible as many (especially freshmen) wish to view them. Customs do raise spirit. We as freshmen, while cheering, singing, yelling "Short Yell Beer," and getting married, cannot help but feel good—especially when getting married.

Through Customs, we have a rare opportunity to meet many people—both frosh and upperclassmen—whom we would otherwise never have met. The chances of meeting and getting to know a frosh girl are multiplied greatly when we have the namecard—introduction to start a conversation.

Customs, we sincerely believe, is maybe not so much a time of learning, but is definitely a help in adjusting to the campus life that we must either suffer through, exist in, or enjoy—all depending on how we can socially adapt ourselves. Customs help us through the social shyness and on to a happy life at Penn State.

-Bernie Kamoroff, '68  
-George Fries, '66

World at a Glance  
Polish Diplomat Hits Cuban Policy  
Railroads End 30-Day Strike

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—Polish Foreign Minister Adam Rapacki, in a policy speech at the U.N. General Assembly, accused the United States yesterday of following an extremely dangerous policy toward Cuba.

He said the Cuban people have the same right to live under communism as the American people do under capitalism.

He said Communist states in Europe live as neighbors with capitalist states.

Cuba is neither threatening nor is in a position to threaten the United States or anyone else, he said.

Rapacki made no mention of Soviet bloc shipments to Cuba, nor did he refer to the statement by the Soviet Union that a U.S. attack on Cuba would mean war.

Rapacki also mentioned the West German situation in his speech. He said the West German government was "the most stubborn and aggressive cold war force in the West."

He said that West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer was presenting his major North Atlantic Organization allies with a challenge for authority over all of Western Europe.

Yemen Capitol Rebels Hold

ADEN (AP)—Army insurgents claimed continued control of the Yemen capital of Sana yesterday.

But royalist tribal warriors were reported moving on the city for an armed showdown with the rebel faction that set up a republic after assertedly killing the king.

Reported military moves within the little Red Sea country coincided with an announcement by Yemen's U.N. delegate, Prince Hassan, that he was on his way home to claim the family throne.

He said in London the rebellion was carried out by only a small group of the army and the people will crush it.

Evidence continued to mount that the army coup was engineered by friends of President Gamal Abdel Nasser of the United Arab Republic.

The so-called Free Yemeni Movement in Cairo warned Hassan that he would be killed if he set foot on Yemen's soil.

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Kennedy announced settlement last night of the 30-day telegraphers' strike against the Chicago and North Western Railroad.

The railroad said trains will be rolling again over its 10,600 miles of track within a few days.

The strike-ending agreement, sent to arbitration four unsettled issues, including key questions on elimination of jobs by the railroad.

The three arbitrators to be named within 24 hours will hand down their binding decision within 10 days.

The 1,000 members of the AFL-CIO Order of Railroad Telegraphers walked off their jobs Aug. 30 in a dispute that hinged on job elimination procedures.

Deaths Reach 800 In Spanish Flood

BARCELONA, Spain (AP)—Leaders of the massive rescue operations in the wake of Barcelona's flood disaster indicated yesterday the death toll might exceed 800.

Latest figures indicated 473 bodies had been recovered but additional victims were reported being found every few minutes.

Rescuers said there was little hope of finding any of the 400 persons still missing in Tarassa, Sabadell and Rubi, three hard hit textile towns.

Having buried their dead, the inhabitants returned to the grim task of seeking the missing among the massive piles of rubble and thick mud piled up by flash floods Wednesday.

Schirra Set for Flight

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—Astronaut Walter M. Schirra Jr., spent 6½ hours in simulated flight in his Sigma 7 spacecraft yesterday as training for his upcoming six-orbit flight entered final stages.

The time spent in the capsule covered about three-fifths of the 9-hour, 11-minute space voyage Schirra is scheduled to make next Wednesday.

The 4,200-pound craft was in place atop the Atlas booster rocket for yesterday's test.