

editorial

A little respect goes a long way

The CAB social last weekend proved to be a great success and Buckeye played to a packed house. Too packed I guess, as someone sat fit to have a group of "doormen" to make sure that nobody else got in who wasn't in already. Common practice, I've heard.

I can see the use of such persons at large gatherings, where a lot of drunk people are cavorting together in an enclosed area but these people should also have at least a minimum knowledge of how to deal with others.

The ones that were either employed or asked to do guard duty last weekend didn't show even that much.

A group of people came to CAB with their \$2.50 to get in, and because they were late, they couldn't. That's okay, it happens all the time but instead of simply saying the building was full and nobody was getting in anymore, the girls in the group were assaulted with a verbal torrent of abuses, curses, and suggestions, typical of an uncouth ass.

You generally hear less than polite language at large gatherings but this, say the girls were something special, a rare display of talent with an almost unlimited usage of vocabularial ingenuity.

The one girl singled out for the attack responded aptly and slapped his face.

Aghast that a female should show such pride in his presence the border guard slapped her back.

End of story.

Maybe the incident isn't that important to the success or failure of future CAB socials, or that the five or six people who were either insulted or attacked at the social would think twice about going to another one doesn't really mean that much in dollars and cents, but I think just a little respect could have gone a long way.

Greg Neiman

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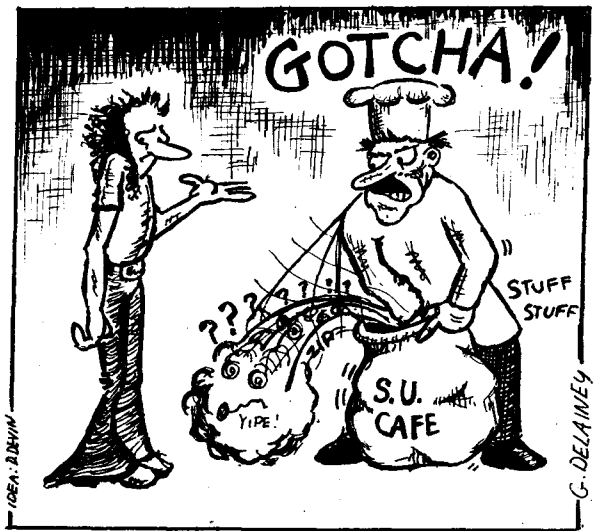
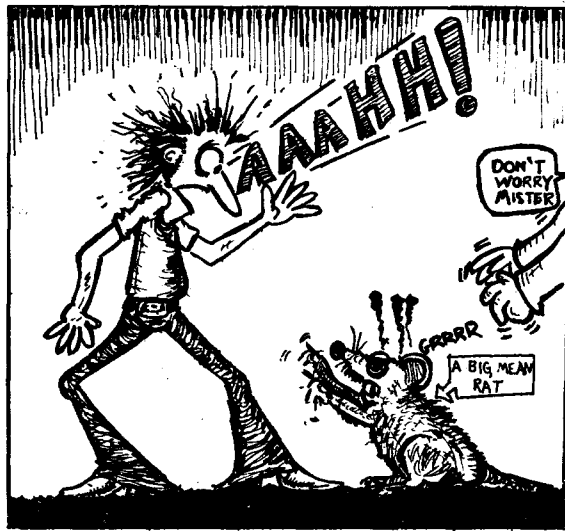
Valentyn Moroz, and other dissidents. The method of argument the Communist Party uses says much about the indefensibility of their position.

The article tries to show that Moroz is an anti-Semitic terrorist Nazi by basing itself on the assertion that a pro-Nazi named Y. Stetsko apparently declared support for Moroz. Where does an argument like this lead? For example, if a revolutionary socialist defends Moroz does that make Moroz a revolutionary socialist? Obviously not. Moroz cannot take responsibility for the political beliefs of people who defend him. The Communist Party should stop using such a suprious method of arguing.

The Communist Party should deal with the real ideas of Moroz and other Soviet dissidents. They should not quote someone named Y.

Stetsko but they should quote Moroz. For example, they could use the following quote from Moroz: "Could the most inveterate anti-communist invent a more effective means of undermining communism in the ideological struggle with the West than those in the Kremlin who identify Soviet power with chauvinism, Stalinism and lawlessness?"

This method of argument is not new for the Stalinists. A similar method was used by Stalin, especially in the 1930's, to justify the extermination and imprisonment of literally millions of Soviet citizens. Brezhnev and co. take a similar approach to the case of Moroz, attempting with slanders to cover up their own responsibility for oppression of small nations and denial of basic freedoms to the people in the USSR.



It is simply slanderous to accuse Moroz, as the article does, of hatred toward other nationalities. All his writing is directed against the oppression of smaller nations like the Ukraine; all his hatred is directed against the oppressors. People interested in the real views of Moroz should read his writings. The main book he has been imprisoned for is *Report From the Beria Reserve*. I believe it is available from the Ukrainian bookstore on 97th Street.

What are the real views of Moroz? Moroz is not a Marxist or Leninist. He is, however, pro-socialist; and he points out how the policies of Stalin and Stalin's heirs contradict the policies followed in the early years of the revolution when Lenin was alive. Moroz is one of the best known and most courageous fighters against Stalinist repression. However, he is certainly not alone. Other well known victims of the repression include Marxists like Chornovil, Dzyuba, and Grigorenksy.

In 1970 Moroz was arrested and charged with anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda for writing and disseminating the essays in the book I mentioned before. His trial took place behind closed doors. Chornovil, who refused to testify at Moroz's trial because it was closed, was later sentenced to a total of 18 years in prison and exile. Moroz himself was sentenced to 14 years in prison and exile. All of this in spite of the fact that the Soviet constitution reserves for every republic "the right to secede freely from the USSR" (article 17), and "freedom of speech" (article 125) for every individual.

In prison Moroz has been placed in solitary confinement, administered mind-destroying drugs, and placed in cells with the mentally insane where he was harassed and knifed. Yet he continues to refuse to capitulate and renounce his ideas.

Moroz gets this brutal treatment because the Stalinist bureaucrats fear his ideas to re-establish the socialist

democracy that existed in the early years of the revolution.

Even if Marxists think some ideas of Moroz are wrong, no real Marxists ever proposed to deal with mistaken ideas through secret police and prison camps. No real Marxist ever stood for a totalitarian society where creativity and critical thinking is destroyed. Real Marxism has absolutely nothing to fear from debate and the contest of ideas.

It is especially important that socialists come to the defense of Moroz and other Soviet political prisoners. We must defend their right to put forward their ideas and the right of all Soviet people to discuss and judge ideas for themselves. This will concretely aid the struggle for the restoration of socialist democracy. It will also help demonstrate the real position of socialists to people in the West.

The courage of Moroz can be an inspiration to us all.

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Young Socialists

"Filth and Lies"

Re: Gateway Jan. 9th/75 comment. Moroz Advocates Terrorism

Truly speaking this article is such a perfect example of all the filth and lies the Soviet, spell Moscow, press and allied Communist papers pour on any and every ideological dissenter that it does not even merit an answer.

However, I would like to take up the challenge thrown at Ukrainian students by your brave, courageous and anonymous contributor.

Since the gentleman appeals to your fairness to print both sides of the story, I would like to repeat that appeal and ask that in the name of the same fairness "The Canadian Tribune" also prints the other side of the story, our side. I would suggest that they print

Alexandre I. Solzhenitsyn's Gulag Archipelago and comments made by Sacharov who still resides in "the lion's den". They could then print a Jewish point of view as represented in the writings of Avram Shiffrin, now living in Israel. To top it off I would suggest that they reprint the book "Two Years in Soviet Ukraine" by John Kolasky, who was a member of the Canadian Communist party for 35 years.

The Soviet embassy received not only occasional letters protesting the treatment of Valentyn Moroz but also at least one petition signed by many prominent Canadians of non-Ukrainian origin. Does the Canadian Tribune wish to imply that these people are to gullible that they can be deceived as easily as that paper's readers?

The name of Yaroslav Stetsko is mentioned as that of a Nazi collaborator. Perhaps the Tribune should remember that the first collaborator with Hitler was none other than the great red father of all the Communists, Joseph Stalin himself. It is a historical fact that the populations of the Ukraine, Byelorussia and Russia proper greeted the German armies at first as liberators. After all a drowning man does not inquire first into the political views of the man whose hand appears to stretch towards him to pull him from the horrors of death. In the beginning the citizens of the Russian Empire did not believe the truth about Hitler because "Pravda" had a too long and well established record of lying. What is not mentioned is the fact that once it was recognized that there was no difference between the henchmen of either regime Stetzko and his UPA fought both Hitler and Stalin earlier and longer than anybody else.

Valentyn Moroz never preached hate but demanded something that is taken for granted in Canada, the right to express his views, that is "freedom of speech". He also urged the Soviet government to live up to its own constitution, which grants every Soviet republic the right to secede from the Union.

I would also like to state a few points about the
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