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Our cover shot this week would seem to indicate a student is catatonic schizophrenic as well as paranoid. Bev Bayer conceived the idea as part of his crusade to infuse mental stability into this magazine.

He has been objecting to our editorial exercise of woman's prerogative.

Page C-2 and C-3 are full of political invective. Read it and get angry—then tear up Casserole. Alternatively, write a rebuttal and bring it up to the office.

Pages C-4 and C-5 feature interviews with three men most students have never met—three men who hold a lot of power. Dr. Walter Johns, Dr. Max Wyman and Dr. Henry Kreisel talk about the effectiveness of student representation on the power organs of the university.

The Arts pages have a lot of intellectual goodies this week. John Thompson reviews "My Sister, My Love". And our flower child, Luv, makes up for lost time. Left-overs launches a crusade.

Beat both: the New Left and Mr. Charlie will fall to Democratic Liberalism

By DENNIS ZOMERSCHOE

Is there an alternative to the destructive revolution of the New Left?

Civil rights, one of the most cherished parts of our liberal heritage, is in grave danger of abuse by the New Left.

If they are to be stopped, they must be challenged by democratic young people today on every issue.

A radical student movement must be formed that will challenge both the status quo and the Marxists of the New Left—a student movement to reaffirm the principles and goals of Democratic Liberalism.

The Communists may hold few of the answers, but they are willing to get out and fight for what they believe in. Steeped in Marxism-Leninism, they are the only ones vocal and dramatic enough today to challenge the status quo seriously.

NEW LEFT MOBILIZES

In many ways the issue of Vietnam sums up the approach of the entire New Left—the young Marxists and the democratic groups. The New Left is mobilizing its forces to oppose the war.

The people who realize Stalinist communism has to be stopped just as fascism had to be stopped only take faint-hearted swipes at the opposition, or else take a holier-than-thou attitude towards criticism.

They vaguely condemn the New Left and communism but almost never make a serious attempt to debate them

or challenge their opinions or outline the reasons why the United States must remain in Vietnam.

The Establishment has chosen not to oppose the New Left (often leaving this opposition to ultra-right wing lunatics) and is allowing the young Marxists to sweep the field clear and move into the political vacuum of dissent.

MUST BE CHALLENGED

The communist hegemony must be challenged, not ignored. It does exist, and the only way that its challenge can be met is for Liberalism to move sharply toward a Democratic Left.

Only by beating the communists at their own game with the weapon of reform will Liberalism survive. The New Left will therefore die but a new, truly Democratic Left will be the phoenix born out of its ashes.

The New Left suffers from intellectual dishonesty. Most of these New Leftist intellectuals operate under a university mantle, and they proudly proclaim their intelligence and profound knowledge of political science. They advocate that a vanguard party of New Left intellectuals unite with the workers to form a dictatorship of the 'proletariat'.

NEW LEFT DICTATORS

This would be in reality a dictatorship of the New Left. During this period, the people will simply have to 'adjust' to the fact that this dictatorship is blatantly anti-civil-libertarian.

This is written off by the New Left as immaterial. After all, the country is building communism and the people will have to put up with some 'minor hardships'.

Coupled with this brilliance is their almost bleeding concern for the lack of freedom in this country!

The New Left's condemnation of Canada is scathing and complete. It is outspoken in its demand for civil liberties, academic freedom and cultural autonomy. Yet these same advocates consider the USSR an improvement over Western Democracy!

Any serious study of this so-called deformed workers' state will show just how much of an improvement it really is. Western Democracy for all its faults is infinitely more civilized and has far more potential. I condemn the Soviet Union for what it is: the greatest imperialist state in the world today. If anyone doubts this, he might talk to some Czechoslovakian refugees.

Nevertheless, I agree with the New Left in saying that we have to solve the inherent problems of our capitalistic society. But there is a difference between radicalism and violent revolution. Radicalism is necessary if change is to come. This is common sense.

The New Left certainly has the right to propagandize and organize to their hearts' content.

NO VIOLENCE

They do not have the right to create riots, store and use firearms, and advocate the violent overthrow of our government, which for all its faults (and these faults must be recognized and rectified), has yet to be bettered.

"Not a single great revolution in history has ever been carried out without a civil war and no serious Marxist will believe it possible to make the transition from capitalism to socialism without a civil war."

—V. I. Lenin,
from his "Prediction"
in the collected works

"Let us hope that the young and courageous, the new generation in which hope always resides, will not mix their projects for the improvement of social life with a contempt for those elementary wisdoms which have made social life possible."

—Max Eastman,
REFLECTIONS ON
THE FAILURE OF
SOCIALISM.

The challenge and the reply. Let the New Left pause and think before they seek to destroy.

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