We have Met The Enemy... And They Are Us

Editor's Note: What follows is a very personal statement based on a close look into the complete events of this past weekend. Lorrie promised me that she would cover the events of the boycott in an objective story, but after her research was completed, she felt she could no longer be objective. Her story is a biased viewpoint, but it comes from a thorough grasp of all the angles.

by Lorrie Sprague

First, if voice coverage of the past weekend's incidents appear inadequate, it is only because the staff was counting on an article from me. Originally, I had told them I would attempt to present an objective report of what happened last week. Instead I have decided to take a stand on this issue, because to be objective about racism is simply unfeasible.

I have spoken with the people who were most directly involved in the issue: BSA officers Ben Matthews and Jerry Waters, Black football players Bruce Smith and Bob Fields; white football players Jim DeRose (also Wooster Christian Fellowship member); (President of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Bob Cyders), and Bill Steiner, the student body president. It boils down to this: both blacks and whites feel they were double-crossed by the other. Whites contend that 1) the original intent of the boycott was altered by the shift in emphasis from racism on the campus to racism within the football team as a result of the black demands; 2) they were not playing in the game as a problem involving all factions of the campus community; 3) the need for trustees to establish a code of conduct parallel to the philosophy of the preamble to the students' code, which will serve as a guideline for all decisions, especially those concerning investments; 4) the necessity for emphasis not on new buildings but on an educational process which will help the student to identify and liberate himself, and relate this new self to society in a way that will begin to remedy its sickness; 5) the necessity for students to have policy-making responsibilities on important and powerful committees such as the Committee on Committees, the Teaching, Staff and Tenure Committee, and the Board of Trustees.

Terry Proffit, a country-rock group, and Luther Allison, a blues and jazz musician, will share the bill on Friday, November fifth at 8:00 when the College of Wooster code lowerr Center Board presents its fall concert. The concert will be held in the Physcial Education Center at the college.

Luther Allison is a black blues and jazz musician from the Chicago area. He played with Freddie King on the West Side, then started his own group and became known as a foremost young blues musician. Audiences at college and university performances have responded enthusiastically to his strong, electric, and personal blues style.

Tickets for the concert are available at lowerr Center Information desk. Students $2.50, others $5.00.

Council Weighs Quayle Report

Richard Quayle remarked at a special session of Campus Council that expecting the present system to foster interaction between individuals is like expecting a person "to shake hands with a strait-jacket on." This session of Campus Council was convened to deal with Quayle's report. The report covered three major areas of concern: (1) The system, (2) Intra-mural (IM) sports, and (3) Academic racism. Twenty-five students attended the two hour meeting in Lean Lecture Room.

At the regular session on Monday, Council adopted three motions resulting from Quayle's statement. First was a motion supporting Quayle's position on academic racism should be formulated by the faculty. Second, that a study on the dynamics of the section system be undertaken by the Student Government Association (SGA). And third, the Faculty Athletic Committee should initiate a review of the intramural athletic program.

Council also passed Keiffer House's Code of Conduct and rejected those of Wagner and Westminster's Third Floor. The two rejected will have to be resubmitted by November 3 with the preventive measures in their racial clauses expanded. Keiffer's acknowledged continued on page 4

Schedule of Events

Wed. eve.: Wooster Christian Fellowship met in Babcock to discuss racial issues on campus. Black students had been invited. Idea of boycott discussed.

Thurs. morn.: Black football players and Jim DeRose met O'Brien to inform him of Wednesday evening's actions. Some discussion of discriminatory practices, among coaching staff. Team meeting called for 5 p.m. that eve.

Thurs. eve.: 6:30 p.m. Black football players (former and active) met with BSA officers. Decide to draw up demands to be presented to all-campus mtg. at 8 p.m.

Thurs. eve.: 7 p.m. Meeting of entire football team. Coaches stress regardless of what's happening on campus they still have a game to prepare for.

Thurs. eve.: 8 p.m. All-campus meeting in P.E.C. DeRose spoke first, followed by Bruce Smith and Bob Fields, who presented Black demands. Followed by a succession of individuals who spoke concerning what was happening, personal opinions, etc.

Fri. eve.: All-campus meeting called in P.E.C. to discuss boycott disintegrated before it got started as a result of director of athletics open trustee meeting in Lowry at the same time.

Saturday: Opening ceremonies: statement read by DeRose concerning why he had decided to play. Halftime: Black demands presented by Buchanan, Smith, and Fields.

Pictured above is Betsy Bruhn who withdrew from the Homecoming court in sympathy with the boycott of the Homecoming game by the Black football players. Betsy Kimble, who was crowned queen, read a prepared statement in support of the boycott which appears on page 2.
The THE CONSERVATIVE SIDE

"Our next award goes to D. J. (Dishonest Jim). Congratulations, Jim! You really deserve this honor; after all, you did a masterful job of trashing those niggas. You had them thinking they were going somewhere and they ended up going nowhere! Ha, ha. Now that's what I call perfect execution."

P.S.-D. J. give your soul to God because your ass belongs to us!

Ben Matthews
Black Student Association, Chr.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE...

The VOICE regretfully informs "Name withheld for honest opinion" and other would-be writers of letters to the editor that it can only accept signed letters. We will, however, withhold names at the request of the author.

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We, the people who are truly concerned about improving relations in a society that is marred by racial prejudice and social injustice, do not need any half-hearted contributions by people who either do not know exactly what they stand on these vital issues or just don't give a damn.

One of Wooster's star football players had a chance to show that he was genuinely concerned about the practice of white racism within the athletic department of The College of Wooster. After admitting in a meeting with FCA that he had and concerned black athletes that white racism exists in the athletic department, he pledged to combat it in any way he could. He even had the nerve to say that he would quit a sport that he has played and loved for over ten years, if the coach wouldn't respond to complaints of white racism on the football team. It seems, however, that some people are doers and others are talkers. Unfortunately this star was merely a talker.

It is not necessary to list the changes that this star went through during homecoming week-end. This campus is small enough that everyone who wishes to know can find out how phony this star turned out to be. But I am not at all surprised at the cat's actions.

This star was playing the role of the typical white liberal, which is to be involved in the struggle as long as it doesn't directly effect him. I don't want any white liberal to assist me in my fight for racial equality; I want concerned human beings who are not afraid of risking something considered valuable to them in their efforts to combat the problems that are ever increasingly polarizing the black and white races.

Before tension between black and white people leads to confrontation in the streets we must begin to work together while attempting to solve our differences. In order to do this there must be fewer white liberals and more concerned human beings concerned with the problem of desegregation.

Willie Jones

A STAR SHINES DARKER

To the Editor:

Mr. Bruce implies that the boycott last weekend showed no acceptable proof of racial discrimination and that the allegations are supposed to be "unproven and thus false." All I can say for Mr. Bruce is that his mind must have gone into a sleep hibernation cycle that left him unaware of the important issues surrounding this event.

The fact that all the black football players united for a common cause against the racist P.E. department and other departments on this campus is acceptable proof that something is wrong. The fact that two of last year's regular black starters retired before the boycott was even formulated is acceptable proof that something is wrong. The fact that the white co-captain stood up before the campus and openly admitted to wrong treatment of many blacks is acceptable proof that something is wrong. Yet Mr. Bruce denies it all.

Secondly, Mr. Bruce attempts to play god by professing to have strange mystical powers of looking into the hearts and minds of every one of his thirteen racist colleagues and saying that no racial discrimination exists. This is impossible for any normal man to admit.

To the Editor:

We are writing in response to your proposed "ears" in the VOICE October 1 issue. As concerned parents we were delighted that Wooster Printing and Litho is preserving decency in print. It is too bad your

has been once again successfully dipped into the submission of apare.

Bob Nye
Student

FOR ANY NORMAL MAN

Thirdly, Mr. Bruce warmly welcomes all the black football players back. But all the villain there is, he is asking them to give up their manhood by disadvantages the actions they so firmly stood for and believed in. It was the understanding of the black football players that after the homecoming weekend boycott that they would go back on the team if they so desired. But the whole point of the boycott was to seek constructive change. Mr. Bruce advocates a business-as-usual program which is totally unacceptable to the whole black community.

Mr. Bruce also advocates an investigation into the already apparent problem. To me this investigation would be a waste of time. An investigation is not needed. Action is needed!!

Why is Mr. Bruce refusing to take constructive action? The only answer I can come up with is that he is a racist, upholding a racist institution.

No, this jive statement will not suffice. I hope in the future that Mr. Bruce will come up with some sign of concentration on this important topic before he issues a statement.

Ed Gilbert

MORE ON ZAPPA

Zappa's brand of music has always been difficult to describe—now, with the addition of an orchestra, the task becomes impossible. The only comparison possible is to the dada composers of the 20's.

200 MOTELS features cuts with such intriguing titles (and equally intriguing compositions) as "This Town Is A Sealed Tuna Sandwich," "Lonesome Cowboy But!" (sung by Jimmy Carl Black), "Redneck Eats," "Half A Dozen Provocative Squats" and "A Nun Painted on Some Old Boxes."

"Dental Hygiene Dilemma" is a funny dialogue about a rebellious member of the band who thinks he's "too heavy to play Zappa's comedy music." His Bad Conscience (Jim Pons) encourages him to get rip off the tour and start his "band on a pete like Grand Funk or Black Sabbath." The vocalization of this particular cut, however, is a real mystery. It is so naively amateurish and far below the high quality of the Fillmore album that it's hard to believe Zappa would let it go into the album.

"Penis Dimension" is the forerunner of the "Bunna Dick" segment of the Fillmore album. But, KIMBLY said before the tour that produced the live album), Mark Volman asks on this cut, if anyone has ever considered that the size of the sexual organ "might provide elements of subconscious tension, weird twisted anxieties that could force a normal human being to have to become a politician... a policeman... a Jesus monk... a rock and roll guitar player..."

"Conclusions," "Things are bad enough without the size of your organ adding even more misery to the troubles of the world."

"Strictly Gentile," the 11 minute finale, is a perfect parody of the entire cast finale in sloppy Busby Berkeley musicals complete with climactic orchestral runs and fervorous suppositions.

Theodore Bikel introduces the song and describes it as "the kind of song people might sing to let you in the audi-

ence know that we really like you and care about you." He then begins to sing in a triumphant baritone and is soon joined by the orchestra and a female cast,

"Let us have mercy on the people of England for the terrible food these people must eat. (uwaf, excuse me)

And may the Lord have mercy on the fate of this movie
And God bless the mind of the man in the street.

"Help all the bandits and flat footed policemen through the terrible functions they all must perform.

God help the winos, the hippies and weirdos..."

"Help everybody so they all get some action some love on the weekends, sir"

200 MOTELS is a real God-send to those of us who thought Zappa had sold out on his previous album. In quality, 200 MOTELS must be considered on a par with Zappa's masterpiece, UNCLE MEAT. Furthermore, it represents a new venture into orchestral sound and, maybe more importantly, in films for the ever creative Frank Zappa.
The Boycott

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People that he interviewed at Cornell felt that better racial understanding was created by removing sections or fraternities. Quayle expressed his hope that “we can work within the section system first” and, if this was successful, then resort to other areas for a solution.

Quayle offered two short-term remedies. He would like a statement on academic racism by the faculty. This would allow the anti-fascism or discrimination in grading policies due to race. He would also hope that the faculty would address themselves to unfavorable attitudes towards athletes and fraternities in their statement.

Quayle’s other short-term plan lists eight proposals for revamping the IM program: Have a planning committee for one and a half hours a week coordinating the program; include living units other than sections; incorporate ‘life-time’ spots; have faculty, administration and employees participate in IM; allocate a budget; train referees and utilize physical education majors where possible; and “eliminate some of the tournaments.”

A re-evaluation of the section system is a long-term technique Quayle said. He would ask sections to justify their existence; conduct surveys of the body and recent graduating classes to discern their feeling on the section system; and survey section advisors, past and present.

If, in light of the survey Quayle commented, the attitudes and results were negative, then he would suggest putting sections on probation for one year and evaluating improvement at the end of probation.

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neday that if Coach O’Brien did not make a positive effort to investigate discriminatory practices of the coaching staff, he would be willing not to play Saturday and/or quit the team, this was tentatively decided to DeRose to decide whether O’Brien made any such move.

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were double-crossed. As far as the Blacks are concerned, it’s just one more example of a very old problem: white is not to be trusted. The blacks said they would support the boycott: they were on the field Saturday and did so. Thursday evening Jim DeRose said he would not play, then later went back on his word. I question not only the sincerity of his convictions, but what originally motivated him to even approach the Blacks concerning racism on this campus.

And make no mistake about it-racism does exist on this campus. At halftime Saturday, with the blacks presented their demands, the whites who screamed “you aren’t gonna get shit,” “get your blackass off the field” and encouraged the band to “trample them” amid the general boisterity; and the rest of the whites who sat there and didn’t do a damn thing, are proof enough. Yet this campus, the administration, faculty and students, has the gall to ask time and again for specific examples of racism on this Christian campus.
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**why not now?**

By Dave Berkley

Time.

It's become an all too essential factor in our lives. It has become the master, and we the slaves.

On the athletic field, time often dictates the outcome. Britain defeated the Scots in soccer game last week, with a goal that was scored in the last four seconds.

**AND NOW THE TIME** has come for some real commitment and action on this campus with regards to living as a community.

It's no accident that the black community has chosen its timing well during the last two years to draw attention to the hurt it feels because of the way we live and act around here.

Because unless we clean house and learn to live together it seems ridiculous to get worried up over a Wittenberg football game (last Fall) or a Homecoming weekend.

The situation is serious enough that the program aspect of this college community ought to be curtailed until the people which undertake that program can come to grips with each other and find out where they are and where they are going.

**AND ALTHOUGH** by contract and schedule, the life on this campus must go on, I wonder if it really can or should.

A prime example of the seriousness of the situation is the demands presented to the athletic department and the football team in specific. A charge of racial discrimination and attitude seems to be more important than the game at Hiram.

First, would a coach choose to play one player over another because of his racist attitudes if his main objective is that of fielding the best team possible?

This is fundamental in all sports, here and every-where.

It seems ridiculous to think that he would but in this situation as coach, personal attitudes have to be involved in anything involving one human being vs. another. The first issue involving one human being vs. another.

In this first issue, it is to be ignored. For a football team or any other team to exist on a part of this community, it cannot ignore these issues and pass them off as a deterrrent to the objective of winning.

**THE SECOND ISSUE** is that of team commitment. Its answers also come both from principles of life and those of athletics.

In terms of athletics, when a man, black or white, joins a team, there is a certain responsibility that goes with that. It involves commitment to a common goal, giving of one's self to the accomplishment of that goal, and a certain allegiance to the coach who directs the team toward the goal.

The degrees of that relationship vary with the size of the athletic program and the emphasis placed upon sports at each school. Here, because of the nature of the community and the coaches have to bend more toward each other to exist in the community.

The players in all sports at Wooster tend toward a greater awareness of their individuality which the coaches must recognize and enhance whenever possible. But the players must give up some of that identity when joining a Wooster team.

Both of these ideas need to be recognized more now.

**IN A VERY REAL SENSE** for athletics to be "an essential part of a liberal education" they must deal with human relationships before even thinking about the athletic department and the university program of education as such.

There are other major issues confronting Wooster at this time and the emphasis shouldn't center on the athletic program. The instamural program is being evaluated and the intramural Council has drawn up a list of recommendations.

Campus Council has drawn up a list of recommendations as well, and the entire council is meeting at the intersection of these issues to respond to the needs of the Wooster community.

But as manifest in the display of unity and concern by the black community the time for these ideas to be dealt with is NOW. It can't wait anymore. The college's program of education is being re-evaluated with particular emphasis upon the point of contributions to the environment of the Wooster community.

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We started school two weeks early this year. Why not take a week now to get our human relationships order before we continue with the superficial aspects of the college?

There is one thing which doesn't stand still.

**voice**

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Harriers Off For Septagonal

Coach Bob Bolley's cross country team will travel to Delaware, O., tomorrow to compete against host Ohio Wesleyan, Heidelberg, Ohio Northern, Capital, Wittenberg, Defiance, and Muskingum. The meet will be run as a septagonal contest in which each team meets each other one in the scoring. The meet will be a good warm-up for next weekend's Ohio Conference meet to be held on the L.C. Boles Golf Course at the College of Wooster-the goal of the whole year's effort.

At the All-Ohio, Wooster finished 18th overall in a field of 23 and 11th out of the 16 College Division teams. Part of the reason for the low finish was that the course was five miles long and the Scots are used to four. Also, the R.G.S.U. course is almost entirely flat and the Wooster layout is known for its treacherous hills.

Individual best for Wooster was turned in by freshman Mike Malovnichy who finished 39th in the College Division and 76th overall with a time of 27:29.

It should be a spotty Hal- loween eve tonight in Dela- ware.

The seemingly doomed Woos- ter Scots soccer team plays the tough Ohio Wesleyan Bis- hops under the lights on a de- serted high school football field at 7:30 p.m.

The Scots have held a dom- inance over the Bishops in recent years, O.W.U. has its us- ually strong team and the last few Wooster-Wesleyan battles have been for the Ohio Con- ference title. But this year is far from typical. The results of last week all but eliminated the Scots from that possibility. If ever before there was a week in which to forget in Wooster soccer annals, that was the one.

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BLACK ULTIMATUM

1. We, the Black football players here at the College of Wooster, demand an admittance of prejudicial attitudes within the coaching staff of the College of Wooster with regards to the Black players.

2. We demand a Black coach who has experience within the coaching field with a degree, who meets the requirements of the College of Wooster as a professor of Physical Education.

3. We want an honest attempt by the coaching staff to try to understand the problems of Black players.

4. We want greater recruitment of Black athletes at the College of Wooster.

5. In order to express our convictions, we Black football players will take part in no homecoming activities, and we urge our fellow teammates who are members of the Christian Fellowship of Athletes to follow our example.

6. In conclusion to Saturday's boycott there must be no reprimands toward the Black football players or any others involved.

In essence what we want is to be treated like men.

RR