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ENTRY

One life
and
no one mentions
me

today my counselor
told me that I had
succeeded
in making myself
quite ordinary.
awards
scholarships
for
"best showing a
combination of outstanding
creative ability and
high academic standing"

Where's
my name?

I think

STUDENT GOVT. IS A RUBBER STAMP

Student govt. has certain
delegated powers. Representing
Jordan students should be their
major concern, but it appears
that they are acting as a Rubber
Stamp for the administration, ig-
noring what the students want and
blindly following the administrat-
ion.

Although our school seems con-
fronted with a deep financial
problem, the administration now
feels that it is necessary for
our cheerleaders to have battery
powered bullhorns instead of the
present megaphones. Since our
school began our cheerleaders
have bought their own equipment.
Now during a tight financial sit-

Our school is in a difficult predicament. The State, the Board of Education, all the individuals, clubs and organizations that have contributed to our school, and most important the administration is responsible. We, the administration, have misallocation of our funds into the wrong areas without regard to future and immediate educational needs. Those wrong areas that we have directed our funds are painting all of the buildings and as an extra special touch of beauty we painted the panels in the 200 building. We erected a new fence. We bought a new scoreboard. We built a Hall of Fame. We built new bungalows. And lastly, what we thought was the most necessary school improvement, we are now reseeding the grass area.

We are now faced with a --- crossos. Next year, 1970-1971, our school will not have enough funds for certain school activities and services; these include Drama, Speech, Music, Art, Photography, Journalism, Shop Classes, and many sport activities (Baseball, Tennis, Track, Swimming and more). By appropriating our funds for what we thought was necessary we will not be able to provide for the students the basic and more important educational needs.

We admit that we have made some very rash mistakes. We are now pleading with your parents to support a tax bill to give our school another chance to make more necessary mistakes. These necessary expenditures will include such things as building a new administration building increasing the size of the staff, and repainting all of the school buildings blue, and other seemingly nec-

fortunately even with the additional money we will not be able to be able to provide for the basic school activities and services.

Please, please help us. We are paying good hard cash for this article and other pamphlets. We need more money desperately and we need it NOW!!

Sincerely yours

Clifford P. Anthony

CLOTHING AND COMMON SENSE
OR
THE CENSOR STRIKES AGAIN

An occasion that the majority of Jordan students await is Casual Day. This day is almost complete freedom of dress. The only dress regulation serving on this day pertains to modesty. This is only because there may be some students among of us who would come undraped if they could. Of course, these persons are in the very small MINORITY of Jordan.

Speaking for myself, I feel there is no need for further laws governing my dress or that of my fellow students. From what I observed on the last Casual Day, it seems that the students conducted themselves in a very orderly and moral way. Clothed freely as they chose, I saw a happier, easier and more peaceful student body. This was due to the fact that (1) we felt more ourselves (2) for one day, we weren't frustrated. Somehow I got the feeling of a (cont. page 3)



WIN PRIZES

All you have to do is to guess the exact year, month, day, and month that the U.S. government officially announces that we will completely withdraw from Viet Nam. Send in as many enteries as you possibly can; this game will continue for a long, long time. Send to the Truth Box Office. First Prize ..three year subscription to the TRUTH. Second prize..autographed picture of Spiro Agnew. ^{PRIZE-} Third autographed picture of snobs and liberal intellectuals.

CLOTHIN AND COMMON SENSE
OR
THE CENSOR STRIKES AGAIN
(cont.)

better co-existence between everyone I observed. It was a day when I saw a leveling between students and those people who enforce the now-standing dress regulations at Jordan. I say "now standing" because of my faith in the students as responsible individuals. This is all I'm trying to do, express myself freely in the way I dress and feel. Clothes are virtually irrelevant to the growth of our knowledge. "School is not a fashion show," but a place of learning. By the time a person reaches high school, they are pretty well set in the way they clothe themselves. I'm not referring to styles but to the inner sense of modesty. Unless your parents are patrons of the local nudist camp, they have done a pretty good job of teaching their children how to dress in public. This is why I feel it is not the job of the board of Education to instruct us on what to wear. We, the students of Jordan, are capable human beings. We come to school to learn more, not to be suppressed. Dress regulations are a pretty petty deal to students. I'm only asking for a moral rational outlook by those who make these regulations. We respect these people's ideas every day when we get ready for school. I am hoping they will at least look at ours. Students in the whole district are fighting the same issue. (Thank you for letting me express myself in writing. I sincerely appreciate it.)

----this article was censored from the Cats Purr because the Vice Principal felt that it was "fighting over a dead horse."ED.

Inside of old Smokey -
The Student Lavatories

A Jordan student, on an urgent matter, rushed to the lavatory-only to find it locked because some people had been smoking there the day before.

permit student smoking on campus (teacher and administrators are allowed to smoke but only in certain areas on campus). Some students smoke on campus but at the expense of the non-smoking students. To stop this the administration locks the bathrooms; again at the expense of other students. It is difficult if not impossible for the administration to enforce the smoking regulations, without excessive patrolling and/or locking out students including those who do smoke. It is not the fault of the students who smoke but rather the fault of the administration for failing to provide an area for student smoking.

To eliminate the problems caused by the regulation the administration could suspend the regulations and set up a student smoking area on campus. This would eliminate the fire hazzard and the gross infringement upon the rights of the students posed by the smoking in the lavatories. A student smoking area would also open up the lavatories for their intended purpose.



READER SURVEY



DO YOU LIKE:	YES	NO	??
Agnow?	---	---	---
Readin' The TRUTH?	---	---	---
Nudity?	---	---	---
Smog, Fog, Bog?	---	---	---
The Jordan Rocks?	---	---	---
Frank Zappa?	---	---	---
Sex?	---	---	---
Nixon and Newts?	---	---	---
Do you wish that Mr. Patterson would abdicate his throne?	---	---	---
Are dress codes just withdrawn from Viet Nam?	---	---	---
Does Student Government represent you?	---	---	---

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4). Its purpose was not intentionally critical although it did point out certain weaknesses within student government. Many readers were greatly impressed with the content of the article. However a small portion of student government representatives and their friends responded with snide remarks directed toward the TRUTH staff members and their associates. "Communist inspired", and "stupid hippies" were some of the kinder remarks made but challenges to be beaten up were not far behind.

The article in the TRUTH also provided the student government to respond by printing a special bulletin on "how to communicate with the student government", which included the following examples: (1) come to the student government class, third period, by getting a special pass from your teacher. (it failed to mention how you could get in if your teacher wouldn't give you that special pass!); (2) use the suggestion box (it failed to mention that the Activities Director directly censors ALL suggestions before student government receives them); (3) personally talk to a student government representative (the latest issue of the Cats Purr did finally print the names of those in student government -- in the third month of school, but it failed to mention where we could find these students to talk with them; there is no student forum for direct student--student government communication).

The student government did respond in partiality to our questions. It was not coincidental that their special bulletin came out after the second issue of the TRUTH did. There are but a few special channels of communication that are now open to certain students but however there is still no direct student communication with their representatives. It is the constructive hope of the entire staff of the TRUTH that the student government should open ALL channels of communication to ALL students permitting them to freely participate in the democratic process of our school.

If students are required to exist at school under a democratic process then our "representatives" and indeed

to follow the same set of rules.

The Cats Purr does not officially represent the views of all Jordan students; neither does the TRUTH! The TRUTH does represent each individual student viewpoint. All work is individually done and is not necessarily a reflection of other writers or staff members of this paper. *****

R. O. T. C. Is for real baby
by Bobby Miller (2nd Lt. R.O.T.C.)

On Jordan's fair campus there seems to be a smoldering revolution of the mind.

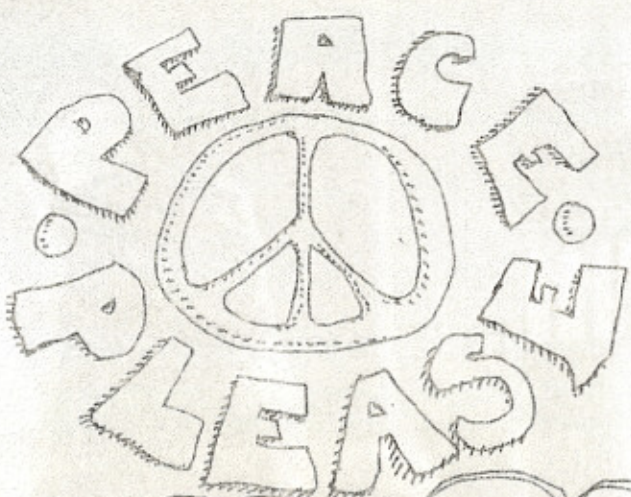
Baby, I'm not going to pull and punches because that's not my bag. What I'm going to talk about does not have anything to do with the first sentence. (I just wanted to let you know this is an intelligent being addressing you).

Everywhere I go on campus (this American Campus) I hear people chopping down the R.O.T.C. when they don't know what in the hell it is all about. Well I'm going to sock it to ya. And it's only in a paper like this that the plain nitty gritty can be heard since everybody knows that the Jordan paper is biased. All you hear about is the fairy tale world of good things that happen. About how great we are when we really aren't. I'm not trying to chop Jordan but, hell, people in the journalism class should be taught to print the truth. The WHOLE truth. This is not only in Jordan High School but all the other schools of Long Beach.

Look man, the whole damn world isn't peaches and cream like the Jordan paper would make you believe. It's more like an old folks gossip page that a newspaper. But getting back to the subject...

Sure, man, some of the guys in R.O.T.C. aren't ever going to become Hugh Hefners, but then, how many people are? Baby, when all you fat, glory hunting, muscle brained, football playing slob get in the armed forces (which if things continue the way they have been will be very soon), who in the hell will you be taking orders from? And who will you have

★ ROTC ★



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to depend on to save your fat BUTTS?
And who is going to have the know
how and R. O. T. C. training from
being taught in school? Will your
life depend on it? Baby you are going
to be in the hands of the same guys
who you are making fun of every day.
It will depend on how well they took
their training and how well they learn-
ed it that will save your ass!

Just in case you didn't know or
take the time to find out, the letters
R.O.T.C. stand for Reserve Officers
Training Corps. The R.O.T.C. unit at
Jordan is a small but proud one. They
probably get more honors and win more
individual competitions than the damn
football team ever did, in a single
year. But who ever hears about it?
Not a damn person. They are the unsung
heroes. Heroes? Did I say heroes?
I'm sorry, they are unsung slobes who
run around in their monkey suits every
Friday because they do not have anything
better to wear.

Those cats who are ever wearing those
uniforms are representing your country.
And if you do not like and love AMERICAN-
ISM, go ahead, laugh because you are
laughing at your house, your citizenship,
your school, church, full stomachs, free
textbooks, teachers, and anything else
that makes America—American! By putting
on a uniform they are saying, in effect,
"I am proud of AMERICA and I am willing
to die for it, that is why I am taking
R.O.T.C. so I can do my duty for my
country and if I have to die, I die like
a MAN!!!

So think about it baby,
the next time you laugh...

SPARTICUS

VOLOCITY

Speeding through the night,
From one point to another,
To get there before you
DIE

Chasing rays of light,
Close the window blinds,
To shut out the dark and the
DYING

Staying alive now,
Keep going till tomorrow,
Or the day after until
DEATH

For one brings two,
And two brings more,
And more brings misery for the
DEAD



FOR YOUR MIND

MOVIES EASY RIDER

BOOKS STRANGER IN A STRANGE LAND - HIENLIEN

RADIO KPPC, KMET, KMAC

RECORDS HOT RATS - FRANK ZAPPA

T.V.



The
ORGAN GRINDER
ITALIAN KITCHEN

Pizza



Students who had hair longer than their ears, or a two day growth upon their chins, or wore strange clothes were not admitted on campus for Alumni Day. They were registered in the office as Alumni, but the ADMINISTRATION decreed that they were not fit to walk upon our school property. The ADMINISTRATION hired policemen to forcefully keep certain "unfit" Alumni off campus.

ALUMNI EXCLUSIVE DAY

← ALUMNI AND FUTURE ALUMNI. Some of the privileged few who made it past the Guards.



← A POLICEMAN "THUMBS HIS NOSE" AT ALUMNI "UNSUITABLE" TO ENTER OUR FINE, UPSTANDING SCHOOL



BOTH POLICEMEN VIOLATED THE "LAW" BY SMOKING ON CAMPUS.

