

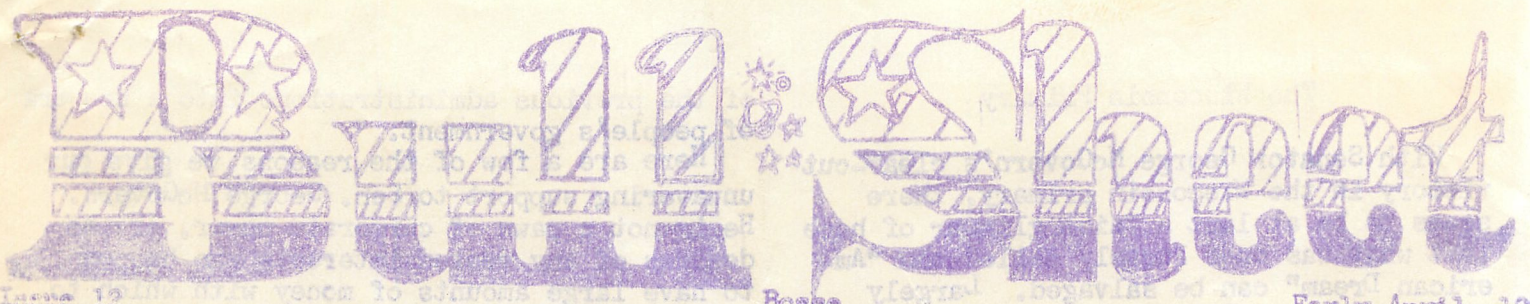
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Bosse Bullsheet - underground paper - April 1972 edition, one of the last

We did 13 issues of this underground – sadly, I only seem to have two around, and one is faded – here is the complete one, 8 pages in ditto format – Bosse High, Evansville, IN

See past journals for more on Bullsheel – published from end of Jr year thru end of Sr year, roughly monthly – very likely the longest-lived underground paper with the same staff in Indiana – since any others we knew of were squelched – we survived by devious means.... – and with the tacit support of some teachers

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A Salute to Al Buck

Although we originally had planned to release this issue Tuesday, perhaps it's just as well that we waited a few days, because we can include some comments on the Wisconsin primary. We have a first-hand report of Sen. George McGovern's campaign there, from a reporter who left with a bus-load of volunteers last Friday to spend the week-end in Milwaukee helping his efforts. Although April Fool's day has passed, we've decided to use the occasion to print a special Bull-Sheet section with some articles which may or may not be believed by the reader, depending on his views. Other treats are in store, including a quasi-sociological study of Al Buck, which directly follows.

Mr. Buck has no moral obligation to be the disciplinarian of 2000 high school students. He doesn't have to assign detention, suspend or expel any student. The only reason Mr. Buck is in charge of student discipline is because he has chosen to be.

He has voluntarily chosen the role of school disciplinarian, or assistant principal, a euphemistic title at best. He must therefore be willing to accept any consequences of it. If he should feel guilty about giving a student detention or kicking him out of school, he cannot blame his actions on the requirements of his role as assistant principal. Let's define further what the requirements and expectations of this role are.

As disciplinarian, Mr. Buck must maintain rule enforcement to see that there is some order in halls and classrooms. Most students upon entering high school will obey the rules, until they become accustomed to how far the rules can be stretched or avoided. Mr. Buck deals with the students who are careless enough to get caught or who don't care about being caught. Of course among this crowd there is little respect for the man who metes out the punishment. As the student advances through school, his respect for rules and rule enforcers decreases until in the senior year the disciplinarian has become the butt of most ridicule and crude jokes. Of course, the disciplinarian is bound by his role to be

the ax-man, and he cannot escape his low esteem among students.

Now let's look at the self-image our disciplinarian, Al Buck, has. He sees himself as the father-image of Bosse High School, it seems. The "disciplinary problems" are his "problem children" and it's his duty to see that they don't get too far out of line or disappoint their parents.

He keeps parents informed of the "problems" their children are having in school, although he doesn't realize he's their biggest one. If junior begins hanging around with the "wrong kind of friends", such as "long-haired radicals", Mr. Buck lets the mother know so she can straighten her little child out.

With his sacred dogma which seems to be "every kid needs an education to play a responsible part in our democracy", he goes about his affairs, trying to lead a lot of kids with "kink-size chips on their shoulders" to a straighter path, never doubting that the straight path is the best one to follow.

And when a kid doesn't quite make it, he sighs remorsefully, knowing he did all he could. Mr. Buck once coached basketball and was such a popular teacher that he had to turn down student requests to be in his classes, he had so many, he says. Why he gave up all that in return for the disrespect and abuse he now receives is a puzzle. Anyway, the Bull-Sheet salutes you, Al Buck.

The Wisconsin Primary

With Senator George McGovern's clear-cut victory in the Wisconsin primary, there seems to be at last a faint glimmer of hope that what was once loosely called the "American Dream" can be salvaged. Largely responsible for McGovern's victory was what political experts have described as the best political organization in a state primary in 20 years.

As part of a bus-load of young Evansvillians that traveled to Milwaukee to do volunteer work for the Senator, I can state that it was the enthusiasm and hard work of young people like us that was a primary factor in his victory. Not only a bus-load from Evansville made the trip, but young people from Ohio, Michigan, Texas, Iowa, California and other parts of Indiana converged on Milwaukee, the hub of the McGovern effort.

Hundreds of young people addressed and stuffed letters to Milwaukee's inner-city residents containing endorsements from black leaders, including Rev. Jesse Jackson. Canvassers walked house-to-house, handing out literature and asking for support in the primary. When time was getting short, literature was left at people's doors. A phone bank was manned, receiving calls and answering questions on McGovern's policies. Calls went out asking for support. There were eight McGovern store-front offices in Milwaukee alone, including a warehouse where volunteers slept. Few people were not contacted in some way for support for George McGovern.

In canvassing door-to-door Saturday afternoon in a middle-class section of Milwaukee, I found most people undecided as to how they would cast their vote. For most people, their contact with the other candidates was strictly through paid news-media advertising. The fact that McGovern volunteers were able to personally reach so many voters no doubt was a big factor.

What all of this shows is that while voting is fine in itself, the really concerned person can do much more by actually getting out and doing volunteer work for his/her candidate. 1972 will be the year of political involvement for young people taking a serious interest in the affairs of this nation. We've all gone through our rebellious stage; the rioting, draft card and flag burning and talk about political revolution are all part of the past. The option is clear: we must have a president who will bring us out of the political rut

of the previous administrations into a new era of people's government.

Here are a few of the reasons we give our unwavering support to Sen. George McGovern. He is not a pawn of corporate power, or the desires of any vested interests who happen to have large amounts of money with which to buy politicians. He doesn't look to the ITTs for his support and contributions, but simply from the donations of concerned citizens who are dissatisfied with Democrat or Republican machine party politics. He was the first to publicly list every one of his contributors, being followed by a few others such as Muskie, but not by Jackson, Wallace and certainly not by Nixon.

He is the only serious candidate that has the right to claim that he's anti-war. His records show that he's been against the Vietnam war from its very beginning, as far back as 1963, while Muskie and Humphrey were part of the Johnson regime which got us involved in Vietnam in the first place. And Nixon, who was elected largely because he promised to get us out of Vietnam, still is giving large-scale support to keeping the corrupt Thieu regime in control. And with the new North Vietnam offensive, it appears likely that Nixon will once again resume bombing and that when the election rolls around, Nixon's promise that he would extricate us from the war will be another example of his policy failures.

George McGovern has promised tax relief to take the load off working people, increased Federal funding for education, which is presently running into serious economic setbacks, and welfare reform. These are not empty promises, of the Nixon nature. Billions will be generated by closing tax loopholes. By ending support for Thieu and reorganizing the defense budget, he has promised to slash the defense budget by 30 billion without harming our defense posture. A worthwhile alternative to Nixon's policy of deficit spending, indeed.

Muskie's showing of only 10% of the Wisconsin vote casts serious doubt on his chances. Most people regard Humphrey as a politician of the past. Nixon's policies have only been generally beneficial to the corporate wealthy. In Wisconsin, when the voters found out who George McGovern was, what he was saying, and what he proposed to do about it, he received support from every facet of the American people. The Bull-Sheet staff unequivocally supports George McGovern in his bid for the Democratic presidential nomination. We urge students to get actively involved in the campaigns of their favorite presidential contender.

Letters dept.

This past Wednesday [March 22], the Benji's Babes were chosen. There are supposed to be approximately four Blacks participating in this, excluding the alternates.

Some Blacks, as we all know, prefer to wear the Afro, but I have reason to believe that any Black who wore an Afro had a very slim chance of being chosen for Benji's Babes! The Afro is a symbol of Black identity just like white skin and straight hair is a symbol of white, so evidently someone discriminates against Blacks with Afros. Why?

Ava Woodbridge

To whom it may concern (most everybody):

A lot of you students have given a small amount of your excess cash to shit like "The Bosse Olympic Band Fund." (Which is a bunch of wasted money to send about 1/24th of the students of Bosse to a foreign country to make fools of themselves and the people in the U.S.)

So maybe you will give a dollar or more to Pentagon Papers Fund, Inc.

To quote Ramparts magazine "They gave their country the Pentagon Papers: and what has their country given them?" Ellsberg is indicted on counts totalling 115 damn years in one of our great Federal prisons, Russo for 35 years.

So give just one dollar to them.
Send to. . .

Pentagon Papers Fund
P.O. Box 1630
Grand Central Station
New York, N.Y. 10017

☐ I am enclosing \$ _____

☐ Tell me how else I can help.

☐ Please send information on trial activities.

Name _____

Address _____

City, state & zip _____

Sirs:

I walked into my math class like I always do.

Like usual, the same loathsome, rebellious youths sat in the various seats around the room.

Then my math class started like it always does.

Some long-haired youths came in late, with the same old worn-out excuses. Then these nice sweet, long and short-haired begin to toss around pieces of chalk, at times even hitting the teacher.

There is no respect for teachers in this time and day.

Then these long-haired youths refuse to put math problems on the board. At time actual fights break out.

What disrespect!

What a group of radicals!

What communists!

In my many years of school, I have always given my teachers respect. Teachers are only doing their job.

And then these long-haired hippies come into the scene, and cause trouble for the teachers.

That is unfair to the students who want to get some work done.

If I was a violent person, I would step in and smash some radical faces into the wall.

Perhaps someday the government will ship these radicals off somewhere to get rid of them. Somewhere like Devil's Island.

But that will never happen, because the government is too soft to deal with these 'fun-loving creeps'!

The government refuses to see that these long-haired youths are pure trouble.

The government says "this is the youth of tomorrow." I don't like the youth of tomorrow. If the government says things like that, it must be filled with communists, because communists wants the United States of America totally corrupt when they take over.

Steve Bullock

The Southwestern Chapter of the Indiana Civil Liberties Union is sponsoring a panel discussion concerning student rights, underground publications, and discipline this Sunday, April 9, at 8 pm in the Great Hall of the University of Evansville student union.

Adult members of the panel will be William Pritchett, principal of Harrison high school, David Koehler, social studies teacher at Central and a city councilman, and Bowman Ramsey, education coordinator of youth development of the Community Action Program of Evansville. Students representatives are Lisa Klinger, junior at Harrison and member of the Pure Corn staff, and our own Rick Elmendorf, who invites all interested persons to attend.

SENIORS GET THE SHAFT

Trouble brews at Bosse High. Wednesday in Home Room, all Senior boys were told to report to the auditorium the next day during 2nd period. Teachers told their advisees that the assembly would concern the new draft law, and at least two Senior advisors are reported to have said that it would not be a recruiting tactic.

As the Seniors filed into the assembly the next morning, things began to look fishy. Four uniformed men sat piously on the stage, accompanied by Bosse's own Mr. Erwin.

Then, after a brief introduction, the Army Sergeant announced that the Selective Service representative was not able to make it. One by one, the spokesmen for each branch of the Armed Forces explained why we should join his unit.

Fifteen minutes later, the large group of students split into four smaller ones for personalized propaganda from the individual fields of service. Fortunately, this was not recruitment.

This in itself was bad enough, after being told that we were to be informed about the new draft law. But the recruitment is clearly in violation of rule G-17, which states:

"There shall be no distribution through the public schools of any material except such educational purposes as may be approved by the board of school trustees. Such material shall be free from any interpretation of personal, political, or commercial advantages to those who may desire or request such distribution.

The first sentence makes the action legal, since the School Board undoubtedly approved the program. But the second sentence specifically bans any propaganda to be used to that group's advantage. There is no way around the fact that the assembly served one purpose—to persuade unwitting seniors (dupes) into joining the Armed Forces. Thus, the group was using school time to achieve a "political advantage", which is clearly an

fraction of the rule.

Ironically, this is the very rule used to outlaw the Bull Sheet. Are we of the paper using the medium for "personal, political, or commercial advantage"? That we seek no personal glory is witnessed by the fact that we do not sign our names, but write as a staff. That political gain is not our goal is shown in that we have, from our inception, never censored or omitted an opposing view (see Steve Bullock's letter, this issue). That we seek no commercial gain is evident; we are still in debt.

Justice?

Are we gonna take it?

Several students have recently become alarmed at the fact that the American flag no longer flies in every classroom at Bosse, and the Pledge of Allegiance is no longer recited at all. It seems that it is but a small part of the Communist attempt to undermine the American doctrines; we trust that the administration will correct the situation immediately.

Fingers

by T.C.



POLITICS, NIXON STYLE

We have often wondered why the President does not write his own speeches (the job is left to his Special Assistant, Henry Farnsworth). Running across this text on a scrap of paper in a Washington garbage heap, it becomes rather obvious. Following is the intended content of Nixon's Busing Speech:

"Ladies and Gentlemen:

"I come before you tonight to talk about one of my favorite position-evading topics, school busing.

"As many of you know, I have for some time been eagerly awaiting word from my special commission on the subject. Of course, all the time you thought they were out investigating the pros and cons of the issue, they were actually checking out the population's opinions so I could take my firm election year stand.

"My final decision was a result of many hours of tedious thinking and reasoning. But after lengthy deliberation, I finally decided against wearing my yellow suit, and instead wore this green one.

"I am aware that most of you expect me to lecture on the merits of not busing. However, my appearance here is pre-empting Marcus Welby, M.D., and I have been cautioned against antagonizing his fans.

"Therefore, my decision is final, unless the people begin to change their minds and I suspect I may lose votes.

"So until next time, fans, this is Richard M. "Dick" Nixon saying so long from Opportunity City, USA."

The foreign language department asks all German Students to refrain from calling Mr. Gatterer "Fat Cat". Miss Leonila Badger (It's the Badge, Frank, the Badge!) has suggested that in light of his having lost some 70 lbs. that the title be changed to "Moderately Rotund Cat".

Found: One used Combination lock, attached to a garbage can and a front door. Contact Roy Long, c/o this school.

SOMEBODY'S RELIGION DEPARTMENT

Bosse's halls are no longer sacred, as a group of Jesus freaks recently showed. In a senseless attack on the author of "My Religion" (in the last issue), the group displayed gross irresponsibility by writing its message in ink on the walls outside the Social Studies Office. To call the action Christian merely because of its religious connotations is foolish. True, Paul admonishes us to "become all things to all men" (I Cor. 9:22), but when he spoke of living outside the law (9:21), he meant the Jewish religious code; he was not condoning vandalism.

I can appreciate the attempts of individuals or groups in this school to grow closer to God and Christ. But when the means of achieving this end become malicious, it is time that some values are questioned.

PROFILE STUDY

NAME: Wessel, Robert A.

BOON: Hatched

EXPERIENCES

ACTUAL: Teacher at Bosse

VICARIOUS: Depression

Civil War

Election of 1832 (Senatorial)

Most anything else which is needed as a reference

VALUES: Likes America as it is, but would like some things changed; but then again he likes the status quo, although he agrees that a few minor changes wouldn't hurt. However, he is a Republican, and we all know about them.

GOALS: Lower taxes, higher teachers' salaries, better classes, not so many smart-aleck students, (and most of all none that disagree); generally, he favors the improvement of his own lot, which shows that he is human.

LIKES: Robert A. Wessel

~~DISLIKES~~/Despises: The President of General Motors (and anyone else who makes more money than him).

ALL HAIL TO BACCHUS

Bull-Shit section, cont.

BULLETIN! Two student casualties were reported in the latest clash between faculty hall monitors and the ever more militant student group, the Irate Radicals Association, better known as the IRA.

The clash occurred last Thursday, three minutes before the homeroom bell was scheduled to ring, at 8:07. The students, believed to be officers in the IRA, were caught loitering in the halls near room 26 by a detachment of faculty regulars assigned to that area of the school.

Names of the students were not released pending notification of parents. The IRA has released a list of demands including free access to halls prior to homerooms and release of all prisoners held in room 152 without trial. The Administration's rejection of the list has led to increased student unrest and the IRA has called for massive civil disobedience on the part of the students.

To Sarah at Mater Dei:

I forgot to get your phone number Friday (17th) at the drive-in. You can send it to me.

Larry Seits
2057 East Gum
E'ville 47714

The following poem, received anonymously and untitled by the B.S. staff, may be a key to the reported disappearance of Paul Jennings:

I know you're gutless and spineless,
And at heart you're a simple fool;
But after all, it that weren't true,
You wouldn't be running the school.

You're a product of your environment
And of course that's everybody's kick;
But it's a reflection on your society
That is decadent or just plain sick.

Of course running a school ain't easy,
And with students like us it's a hassle;
And the school board's breathin' down your neck,
And you know you must kiss their ass'ol.

You may be wonderin' what you've done
To bring about all this abuse;
Could it be that you just plain stink
And your mind's rotted from disuse?

I sat on the toilet, moving my bowels,
And my thoughts suddenly turned to you;
Your face appeared in the toilet bowl
And I asked politely "How do you do?"

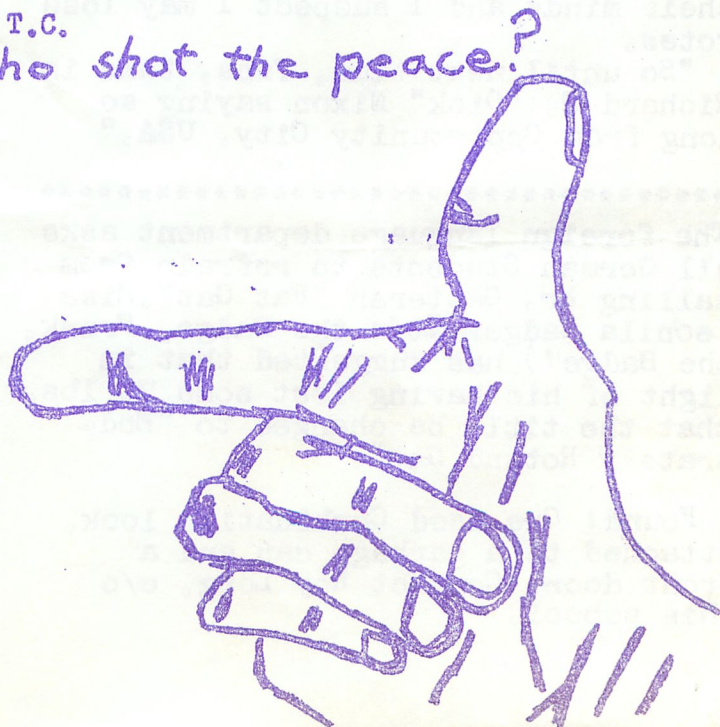
You replied that you did just fine
And I was inclined to agree;
You seemed natural there, among the turds,
So I flushed you out to sea.

Fingers



by T.C.

Who shot the peace?



BUCK ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR RETIREMENT

During a recent news conference, Mr. Al Buck announced his retirement from counseling, remarking "It's been rewarding, but since Scarlet & Gray rules were liberalized, it just hasn't been the same. I mean, detention is alright, but citizenship ratings are what make the job worthwhile."

As to future plans, Mr. Buck has finished writing an autobiography detailing the exciting moments of his career. Already the work has received considerable attention from several leading comic book publishers, and the D.C. publishing company has expressed an interest in publishing his story in serialized form.

Dr. Roy Long was found puttering around the halls, and lamented "Yes, I'll miss old Al. I regret losing his smile, I regret losing his companionship, but most of all I regret the fact that the School Board may push all of his work off on me."

Dr. Long's fears are largely unfounded, however, since already several Bosse teachers have expressed an interest in taking over his duties as assistant principal. Miss Leoneller Badger has been mentioned most frequently as being the one to succeed Mr. Buck, she being his most regular supplier of discipline problems and also being herself highly experienced in detention-assigning and classroom authoritarianism. She was among the first to apply for the position, and she is virtually married to the task of student discipline.

Paul Jennings, principal of Bosse, was not available for comment on the job vacancy, and rumors as to his death continue to fly. (related story follows)

JENNINGS DEAD? THE GREAT MYSTERY

Rumors as to the death of Paul Jennings continue to increase. Clues are pouring into our office, and are strongly in favor of our hypothesis that he died late last spring, and that Al Buck and Doctor Dong have been covering up for him since.

Of course, Buck and Long deny the stories, but have to date offered little in the way of proof.

Consider these facts:

A recent announcement by Chemistry teacher Charles "Go go, H₂O" McClary was taped and played back in stereo, revealing this sinister message: "Paul is dead, miss him, miss him, miss him". However, when the tape was retracked into quadrosonic, still more was heard-- the splash of water, a piercing scream, and the sound of a man going down a toilet.

In a recent photograph of the "Big Three", as the top echelon of Bosse's administration is affectionately known, it was noted that while Long and Buck were wearing colored ties, Paul sported a plain black number. Coincidence?

Finally, the school records show that on May 21 of last year, the pipe in the Men's room outside the office was clogged up for nearly four hours.

Originally, it was pointed out that Paul had made no public appearances since that date. However, when an older source was checked, it was discovered that he has not been seen by a student since 1962.

Although there has been no noticeable difference in the way the school has been run this year, speculators fear that the situation at Bosse could become grim without the dynamic leadership of Mr. Jennings.

JENNINGS NAMED "MOTHER OF THE YEAR"

Paul Jennings was chosen to receive the Bull-Sheet annual Mother-of-the-Year award by a special panel of judges after deliberating 7 seconds in reaching their decision.

Mr. Jennings was awarded the honor after receiving 18.5 points out of a possible 20 on a test measuring motherly characteristics. He easily overcame his closest contender, Dr. Roy Long, who received 13.5 points. Dr. Long accepted the award for Mr. Jennings, explaining that Jennings had a previous engagement. He accepted the bouquet of roses, a kiss from School Superintendent Dr. Bruce Bucher, and a \$100 gift certificate from De Jong's. The judging ran as follows:

	lack of				
	<u>intellect irrationality meekness femininity</u>				
(Jennings)	4	5	5	4.5	18.5
(Long)	3	4	3.5	3	13.5

April 1, 1972

AMERICA, AMERICA

It seems thru some time of thinking the B. S. staff has decide to reconsider its stand on the status quo. It is coming to our attention that maybe things aren't as bad as they seem. So to modify our change of opinion, we have decided to piont out the purity of the system that runs the lifes we all enjoy.

--staf

"Let freedom ring", and where else but in the land of the free, America, can we find freedom so wilily executed in the highest degree. Where else but in our sye-tem can a underground paper, like this one used to be, survive without trying to be suppressed by the people it tries to litter with untrueful trash.

Our country, 'tis of thee, what would it be like not living in a country which offers so much. It is a country of ideas not rules. A man can think the way he wants without being prosecuted by the law or cops.

Our country and the people which control it, even though they may be dishonest or engage in politics too much, isthe only form of government in the world that works for the people it is supposed to be responsible to. And it should be widely known that it is the radicals and the hidden danger of the commies who claims to "correct, not to destroy". They are the foul part of American life which we must all stand together to combat against to make America truely what it should be, "the land of the free."

And to the ones who insist on causing troubles and poisoning the thinking the students try to maintain I remind them, "Love it, or leave it"

And on the home front at our sch .ools I recall the words of the wise and honorable ass't principle of rehabilitation of misguided freaks, Mr. Alfred Buck, "It's not our students who are causing it(the troubles) but outside interferences." Which mentains the idealism of a true American, that it is always an outside force which distrubs the harmony of the people on the inside.

In our country it is the commies who are destroying it. and in our schools it is the long-haired free thinking inconsiderate freaky commies who will ruin all of the hard working education it takes to make it in our country.

Remember ing the intellecual words of the enlightened words of the chemistry teacher, who may run against Birch Bayh so there will not be corruption in our state, saying, "Even though I do not believe in it, I think it is maybe necessary for totalitarianism to be in our country." A horrible truth but we may have to give up our freedom to teach a few that what we live in is the best in the world.

Is this an April Fools joke? No, it is an amitted fact that America is the country of freedom, and this part of the paper will continue to expose the workings of the groups which tends to disrupt the education system which we all try to survive in.