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BURKE BANNED!

The City College administration yesterday made a definite step to join hands with Columbia University to bring Nazi Heidelberg to America. Bob Burke was categorically denied the right to appear on the college grounds to discuss his case by Dean John R. Turner.

Burke was kicked out of Columbia because he protested against having that school participate in the castor-oil orgy of the Heidelberg demonstration. The fact that he was voicing the opinions of the vast majority of Columbia students, the fact that he is one of the most popular men on his campus -- popular enough to be elected president of the Junior Class, the fact that his personal actions in the protest meeting in front of Butler's house have at no time been attacked in any way altered the decision of Columbia's trustees. Burke was banned because he has the nerve to speak out against fascism in no uncertain terms.

And now Burke is banned from the College campus. Our administration sees fit to follow the decisions of Columbia and to itself sanction suppression of speech and thought. Our fight to maintain these rights is no new struggle here. We know what it means to be deprived of them -- we also know that if we unite in the struggle to have them maintained that we can be successful. Morris U. Schappes was reinstated only because we showed our determination to keep up the fight until we won. His case must serve as our guide now.

Dean John R. Turner has seen fit to dictate that we have no right to bring "the trouble of other colleges to City College." Burke's expulsion is the concern of City College. Burke's readmission will be the gain of the entire collegiate body of the country. If Columbia is allowed to keep Burke out, City College can send student after student without fear of protest or reprisal. We cannot back down before so blatant an attack upon academic freedom.

WE MUST REFUSE TO BE GAGGED!

BURKE WILL SPEAK!!!

The American Student Union will attempt to convince Dean Turner to change his decision. If we succeed, Burke will speak as scheduled at 3 P.M. today in Room 126. If our request is refused, Burke will speak at 3, off College grounds, at 140th street and Convent avenue.

Dean Turner's decision and our decision will be announced on the campus at 12 noon.

LEARN THE TRUTH ABOUT BURKE! HIS FIGHT IS NOW OUR FIGHT!

MEET ON THE CAMPUS AT 12 O'CLOCK