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—Langston Hughes

So we stand here  
on the edge of hell  
in Harlem  
and look out  
on the world  
and wonder  
what we're gonna do  
in the face of  
what we remember.

## Caribbean Students Refute White Press; Malignment Claimed

### Special to The Paper

Informed persons were astonished at the journalistic malignment, misinterpretation and character defamation of Dean DeBerry and the Caribbean Students Association in *The Campus* and *O.P.* issues of Feb. 20, 1976 concerning the college's granting of a loan of \$2,000 to that student organization on Feb. 13, 1976.

The C.S.A. characterizes the action of *The Campus* and *O.P.* as irresponsible and malicious and being divisive when the college community needs unity.

*The Campus* stated that, "several college officials who were aware of the loan, called it 'inappropriate'." Why doesn't *The Campus* identify these officials and specify their reasons for such judgment, if they exist at all?

We would like to inform the College Community of the situation surrounding the loan. One hundred members of the Caribbean Students Association have been working since September of 1975 in order that 35 students could undertake a six-week work-study trip to the Republic of Guinea, West Africa this summer. The program involves working with young people of Guinea under the auspices of the Guinea Youth Federation. To date the proposal has already gotten the approval of the Guinea Mission to the U.N. (which has visited the group at the



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Dean Herbert W. DeBerry, seen here at a press conference with Susan Werbe of the Communications Office. college several times) and the President of the Guinea Youth Federation.

The total cost of this educational work-study program is \$30,000, all of which must be raised by the Caribbean Students Association. Several methods are being employed to raise the necessary funds, including raffles and disco parties. In order to complete the raising of necessary funds, the C.S.A. is attempting to sponsor a large concert with top current professional performers. It was for down payment on a large theater and for the professional group that the C.S.A. applied to the Student Senate and the Vice Provost for

Student Affairs for a loan of \$2,000.

In 1974 Vice Provost Bernard Sohmer approved an outright grant of \$4000 to *The Campus*. Was this an act labelled as irresponsible? Was it called inappropriate or illegal? Of course not!

The C.S.A. took their application to acting Vice Provost of Student Affairs DeBerry, who called a meeting of the Schiff Fund Committee to consider the application. Several members of that committee did not show up! Owen Rogan, now President of the Evening Senate, Mark O'Donnor of the Day Senate and the staff of *OP*, and Peter Vogel.

It should be noted that they had never missed a previous Staff Committee meeting considering grants for other groups.

Therefore, the issuance of the C.S.A. loan clearly and regularly came under the auspices of the Office of the Vice Provost for Student Affairs just as the issuance of the \$4000 grant to *The Campus* itself was approved by former Vice Provost Sohmer in 1974.

Neither *The Campus* nor *O.P.* felt it necessary to print defamatory editorials about Dean Sohmer's approval of *The Campus'* \$4,000 grant or the approval by Vice Provost DeBerry of grants of \$3,000 from the Schiff Fund to the House

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## Canavan Resigns Cabinet Post; Cites 'Personal' Concerns

### By Edwin B. Lake

John J. Canavan, the Higher Education Officer of the college, and Vice President for Administrative Affairs, has resigned from his post, effective May 4, 1976.

Mr. Canavan has been a member of the administration since the fall of 1971 when he left the post of Administrative Director for the New York Academy of Sciences. He has been one of the most inconspicuous, but nevertheless, influential cabinet members here at the college.

V.P. Canavan who was personally described by the college's Public Relations Officer, Mr. Levine as "very amicable and cooperative . . . a pleasant man," has decided to accept a new position as Executive Director of the Commonwealth Institute of Medicine, in Boston. Personal concerns were also cited as motivative reasons behind his resignation.



John J. Canavan, the resigning V.P. for Administrative Affairs.

Canavan was most recently in the center of the Veterans' Association amnesty problem. He was quoted in more than one instance as giving the veterans negotiators the assurance that reprisals from the administration would not materialize (See *The*

*Paper*, February 27, page 1.)

Canavan was also the hidden figure in the Horn & Hardart vs. Blanchard Management Corporation food fiasco. He reversed the original intent to award the contract to H&H and went on to give the contract to Blanchard Management Corporation before a committee of inquiry countermanded his decision.

Canavan, a tall and easy going individual, was one of the more accessible administrators and was very easy to communicate with. Professor Gerald Kauvar, assistant to the president, called him "a very valuable contributor to the college who was a deep believer in President Marshak's Urban Educational Model." Kauvar also expressed the opinion that Mr. Canavan will be surely missed at the college. He denied that there was any pressure upon Canavan to resign his post due to influences from higher up in the administration.

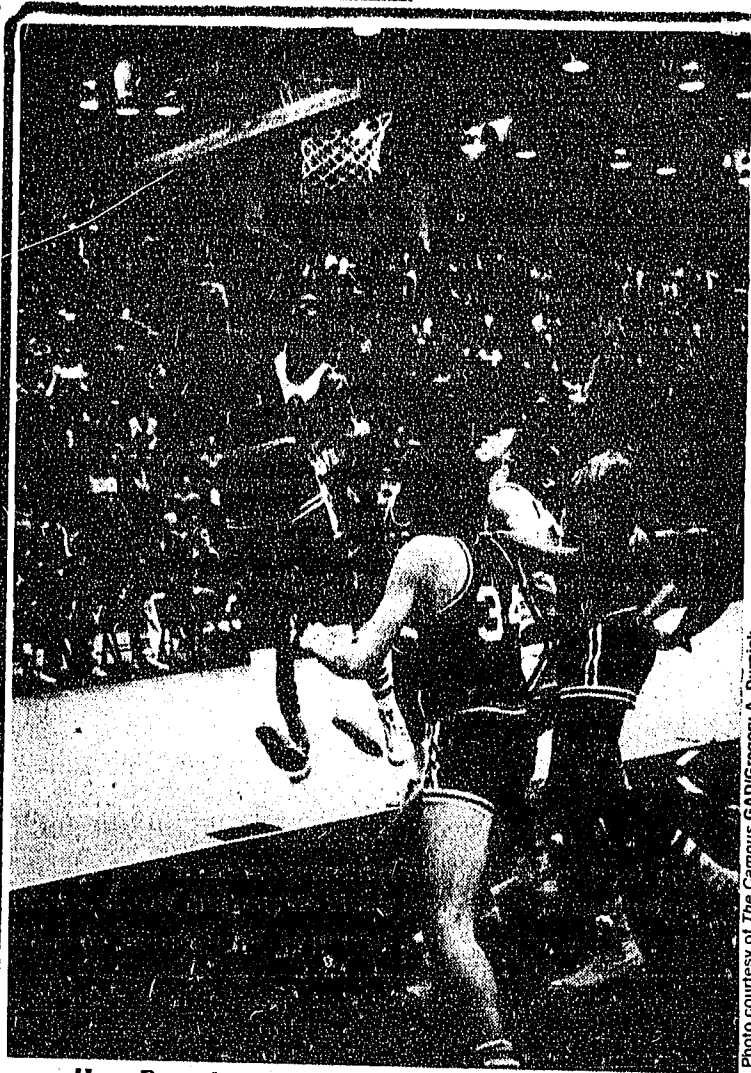


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Hugo Bonar lays one in over York's Larry Williams (40).

## Shades of Past Glory

### By Keith Hopkins

Victory. It seemed a long time gone, and part of some dim dark past, but triumph has finally emerged as the squad from "City" took the CUNY 1976 Basketball crown on Monday, March 1. The tournament, which is sponsored by the City University, was comprised of the nine four-year schools in the University system. The partisan SRO City crowd, nearly 4,000 strong, sat through a tense first half as the lead changed hands several times, with the Nomads from York finally taking a 29-27 half-time lead.

The second half roared with the cry, "Defense!" as the Beavers capitalized on two quick turnovers, moving the ball through the York zone for quick points, finally winning 61-57. Andy Morrison, the sensational senior guard, kept dropping them in, bringing the crowd to its feet with his variety of jump shots and reverse lay-ups, capping another fine playing performance.

Mike Flynn, also a senior, copped the Most Valuable Player award for his all around play and 17 points scoring average. Credit, of course, should also be given to the rest of the squad, Rich Silvera, Hugo Bonar and Reginald Magwood for their fine play.

For coach Floyd Layne the win must have been exceptionally gratifying, culminating in this special victory where it all started 26 years ago. For the old heads it's something to look back on: the NCAA and NIT victories, the by-gone days in the Garden, and the glory of championship seasons. For the new heads it's something to look forward to: winning and the sweet smell of success. Thank you, Coach Layne.

## Beavers Take York; On to NCAA

### By Robert D. Nicholson, Jr.

Last Monday night, in the 11th Annual CUNY Championship Tournament, the Beavers of City College came away winners for the fifth time in nine tries, with a 61-57 win over the Nomads of

York College at Mahoney Gymnasium, their home court. The largest crowd ever to witness such a contest (3,460 fans) were able to see the game of the year for small college schools.

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## Vets Get Amnesty; Issues Are Ignored

The Veterans' Association has obtained amnesty for their actions during the December 22 take-over of the Administration Building. In achieving this, the administration has seemingly said to the Veterans' Association that all is forgotten now and you can rest assured that we will not take any further disciplinary action against you. This is all very good for the veterans, who only last week were faced with the possibility of censure or even expulsion of several of its members.

But what of the demands which precipitated the take-over? Let us not forget about what the veterans were asking for in the beginning. They were asking for the same things that all students on this campus have been actively seeking — a future assured by higher education. It seems now that their demands for: a guaranteed high school graduate placement, an upgrading of high school education, a full Open Admissions policy instituted, free tuition, maintenance and expansion of SEEK and Ethnic Studies and no faculty firings have all been forgotten as part of the resolution of amnesty.

This was not the veterans' idea though. They were perfectly willing to face the music dictated by their action. We are all at fault for silently sitting by while fellow students put their necks on the block for issues concerning the entire student body. We sat by and let the courage and initiative of these students waste away. We let the administration negate everything they asked for. We added up all they did and produced ZERO!

## Veterans Association Creates Defense Fund

On Dec. 30, 1975, four CCNY students (two of which are CCNY veteran students) were arrested and charged with criminal trespass (a crime punishable by fine & imprisonment) during a sit-in demonstration at the Department of Labor. The "CETA CUTS" was the central issue. These cuts directly affect all veteran programs at CUNY schools. CETA funds directly pay part-time salary positions of veteran counselors. These funds, when cut, will eliminate these positions thereby eliminating the veteran programs at CCNY and other CUNY schools that provide services to you (the CUNY veteran).

The Veterans Association has established a Veterans' Defense Fund to pay for any legal services resulting from present and future actions taken. All CETA workers are requested to contribute \$10.00 each and other veteran students are asked to contribute whatever they can. Contributions are being accepted in the Office of Veteran Affairs Shepard — 502 and at the Veterans' Program Office at Finley — 421. Thank you in advance for your support in this matter.

### VETERANS' ASSOCIATION OF CCNY

If \$1.00 was donated by every CCNY student veteran the amount would total approximately \$1400.00 (every little bit helps).



## Plan To Return To 1969 Racial Composition

By Dennis Mack

A Board of Higher Education study contends that the new standard for admission to the City University — an eighth grade reading and mathematics level — could cut minority enrollment in next fall's freshman class by more than two-thirds, and eventually leave the University with the same racial composition that existed before the advent of Open Admissions five years ago.

The board stated that on the basis of the record of students who entered in 1971, about 40 percent of the students who would normally enter next year's freshman class would fail the required skills test.

The study also stressed that 44.1 percent of students who entered the University with scores below the eighth grade reading level in the fall of 1971 were still enrolled in college three years later, or had earned associate degrees.

The study, entitled "Effects of New Admissions Criteria Upon the Ethnic Composition of the City University of New York," was formulated by Dr. David Lavin, professor of Sociology at Lehman College and the CUNY Graduate Center, and Richard A. Silverman, a doctoral student in sociology at Columbia University.

## Caribbeans Refute

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Plan Association. The same *Campus* and *O.P.* called DeBerry's recent approval to the Caribbean Students Association "inappropriate or illegal funding." This seems contradictory, to put it mildly, when the House Plan Association has been using its grant for picnics; social picnics, of course.

Therefore, it appears that the only reason that *The Campus* and

*O.P.* saw fit to malign Dean DeBerry in this case is that the other student associations that obtained grants (not loans) from DeBerry and Sohmer were part of the white establishment that they (*Campus* and *O.P.*, as well as House Plan) represent. Therefore grants (not loans) to these institutions are normal and appropriate procedures. When, however, the same administrators approve a loan application from a "minority" student organization it is termed "illegal and inappropriate."

*Campus* and *O.P.*, and related associations: check your facts, remember your own grants from the same sources for very educationally questionable programs; report the news as it is and apply your poison pens to those who wish to impose tuition — not to Black and other CCNY "Minority" administrators, student associations and faculty. Remember President Marshak's injunction that CCNY has an "urban mission" and must relate to and serve the total N.Y.C. community.

Caribbean Students Association

## Beavers

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Andy "Dandy" Morrison led the way with 18, followed by Mike "The Mack" Flynn with 15. Richie "Frankie Siciliano" Silvera, scored 13 points, giving him 455 for the season, which averages out to 16.7 (which is third best behind Otis Lloyd and Mike Pearl).

Herb Elliott led the way for York and game high honors of 20 points, 14 in the first half, which at the time was almost half of his team's total. York was able to tie the game at 53, with 5:05 to go in the contest, but a turnover and feed by Mike Flynn to Hugo Bonar, who scored 11, sealed the victory, in a closing fast break of 8-4, with 3:38 remaining.

The Beavers, ending their season at 15 wins, 13 losses, and one imaginary tie, now travel to Binghamton, N.Y. for the championship game in the third round NCAA play.

City faces Rochester Tech next Friday Evening, at Upsala College, with the winner to meet Plattsburgh State or Osceola College on March 12th.

# Angola Report: The Dying Gasp of Colonialism

Michael "Cheeno" Smith

No sooner than the U.S. is out of Vietnam, President Ford pulls the U.S. into Angola. During the early part of the 1960's, liberation struggles of Afrikan brothers and sisters broke out against 400 years of Portugese rule. Since that time, the U.S. has aided the Portugese in maintaining their oppressive rule over Afrikan people. The U.S. and NATO, along with other European powers, aided Portugal by supplying military, weapons and other types of assistance.

It has been reported that the U.S. has spent \$124 million in economic aid and \$39 million in military aid during Portugal's reign in Angola.

Through the courageous struggle of the Angolan people on November 11, 1975, Portugal was kicked out. However the U.S. is making one last desperate attempt to maintain white colonial domination in Angola by giving \$33 million in arms and other aid to FNLA (Angolan National Liberation Front) and UNITA (National Union for the Total Independence of Angola), two of the three warring factions in Angola.

That means a total of \$ 196 million of Black people's, and American working class' taxes are used to murder and torture Angolan people. Who could deny that more money has not been sent to Angola? We are not told that the North Amerikkkan government is recruiting mercenaries to be sent to Angola. We are not told that a U.S. aircraft carrier and other naval vessels have been alerted to go into waters off Angola.

## IN THE MAD PURSUIT OF PROFIT

Have you ever heard of the old phrase, "beating a dead horse?" Well, that is exactly what Gerald Ford is doing in order to justify the U.S. role in Angola, as was done in Vietnam. Rather than talk about "The threat of a communist take over" in Angola and "protecting democracy", Washington and the U.S. ruling class have to realize that "the horse is dead." For fifteen years if not more, the U.S. ruling class have murdered and brutalized Black people in Angola in order to protect and maintain U.S. investment and profits of giant corporations in Angola.

What is the U.S.'s real interest in Angola? What must be understood is that Angola is a very rich country: Angola is known to have a large supply of copper, magnesium, zinc, coffee, and iron ore.

## ONCE AGAIN, GULF OIL

The most important resource, however, is oil. Gulf Oil Corporation gets about \$ 1 Billion annually from Angola. Now dig this: those profits are just derived from one small province of Angola; other oil deposits are yet to be found. So the first interest of the western

powers in Angola is to maintain colonialism and imperialism in order to rob the Angolan people of their riches. Their second interest is to protect the white fascist apartheid regime of South Afrika. Racism is legal in South Afrika, where Afrikan people suffer the most brutal forms of exploitation known to mankind. You could say that South Africa (AZANIA) along with Rhodesia (ZAMBABWE) is the last of the "great white hopes," in Southern Afrika.

South Afrika will be discussed in The Paper in the near future.

Namibia, which is also colonized by South Afrika, borders Angola. With the total liberation of Angola, Namibia will surely be next. The waterways, railroads and ports in Angola are also important to capitalist powers. Without them European & U.S. imperialist powers are doomed, which means no more profits.

## MPLA AND THE OPPOSING FACTIONS

The three major factions that exist in Angola are MPLA (People's Movement for Liberation of Angola) led by Agostinho Neto since 1956; UNITA, led by Jonas Savimbi since 1965; and FNLA, led by Holden Robert since 1960. In January 1975, a "transitional government" of all three factions was set up by the Portugese, but later factional conflict developed into warfare among the three groups.

UNITA & FNLA have been fighting side by side with South African troops, C.I.A. help, U.S. aid, and other European imperialists in order to maintain capitalism and suppression of the Angolan masses. On the other hand MPLA who have the popular support of the masses, have been receiving aid from the USSR. The role of the Soviet Union in Angola also has to be questioned because of their social imperialist outlook. (In other words the USSR is socialist in words but imperialist in deeds). To date, MPLA has received recognition from 47 Afrikan and other nations.

## AN END TO IMPERIALISM

In the final analysis the Angolan people will have to kick out all imperialist forces. Black people in Amerikkka must not tolerate the U.S. ruling class in spending millions of dollars to murder our Afrikan Sisters and Brothers. Black people, students and the working class are desperately in need of funds for housing, jobs, schools, health, etc. but we can't get any because most of our money is filling the pockets of bankers, corporate leaders and the military industrial complex. Just like hell was raised to get the U.S. out of Vietnam, the same has got to be done for Angola.

U.S. OUT OF ANGOLA NOW!!!

# U.S. Tries Same Old Tricks in Angola

By Dennis E. Mack

History appears to be repeating itself; as the same lies, deceptions, covert operations, and claims of "national interest" that paved the way for massive U.S. involvement in Vietnam are once again becoming the rhetoric for a possible massive commitment to Angola.

The United States Senate recently voted to prevent use by the Central Intelligence Agency of any monies in a \$12.3-billion defense appropriations bill for covert military activities in the South African nation. However, substantial C.I.A. financial operations inside Angola convened in January 1975. President Ford claimed the Senate ban on U.S. military aid in Angola would "seriously violate the national interest of the United States."

Wasn't it supposed to be in our "national interest" to become involved in the Southeast Asia debacle? Does Ford believe that his outdated, rhetorical, catch-all phrase can still drug the people of this country into submission, and

possible justification of troop commitments to Angola?

In October former C.I.A. director William E. Colby told a clandestine Congressional hearing that the marked increase in C.I.A. activity was necessary to match increased Soviet activity. Well-informed officials report that the C.I.A. operations inside Angola started more than two months before the first significant Soviet build-up.

Individuals who have had access to Soviet C.I.A. briefings on Angola, contend that disclosure of the January decision to increase American involvement raises new questions about which nation, the Soviet Union or the United States, started what inside Angola.

Between late July and early October the C.I.A. dispersed \$54 million in weapons to Angola. The high shipping costs were described by many as evidence that the agency had been underestimating the value of the arms shipped in an effort to minimize the U.S. role in that country. President Ford specifically authorized a \$500,000 information

program inside Angola, as part of a 40-Committee decision to begin major U.S. arms shipments, on July 27, 1975.

Three political factions — the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola, and the National Front for the Liberation of Angola, are battling for control of Angola, which was granted independence by Portugal in November.

The 40-Committee agreed to allow the C.I.A. to provide \$300,000 secretly to Holden Roberto, the leader of the National Front for the Liberation of Angola. This movement has reportedly also been aided by Zaire and Red China. The Soviet Union is said to be supporting the Popular Movement.

At the same 40-Committee meeting in January, the C.I.A. unsuccessfully tried to allocate a \$100,000 secret subsidy to Jonas Savimbi, leader of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola. Will advisors and troops come next?

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