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alice NEEDS YOU!

In order to prepare for the organization and financing of our projects this fall, this will be the last edition this summer.

This edition will concern itself with a clarification of the role "alice" wishes to play in the university community and the problems that are now arising. These problems can not all be solved from within and we will need the aid of the community in order to continue to serve as a relevant force in the community.

WHY DO WE EXIST?

This question is perhaps the most persistent question we hear besides, "Why don't you go back to Wonderland." This last year a group of students decided that Tech needed a media that would express another side of the life here at Tech. They were concerned with what Huxley said, "... the early advocates of universal literacy and a free press envisaged only two possibilities: the propaganda might be true or it might be false. They did not foresee what in fact has happened, above all in our Western capitalist democracies--the development of a mass communications industry, concerned in the main neither with the true nor the false, but with the unreal, the more or less totally irrelevant." Their desire was to create a news media that was relevant to the academic community which was not controlled by finances or sources of information to the established and accepted patterns.

This has been done. The paper does exist contrary to the wishes of many people. But existence was and is only a beginning. It was necessary for the staff to find out what was relevant, and then begin to respond to the needs that existed. This resulted in major changes in policy and several long and worthwhile discussions. The critical observations of Dr. Keith Poge at Hollins College have been of tremendous aid. They have helped us to see some shortcomings and gave us ideas as to

"ALICE" IS A MOVEMENT —

JOIN NOW!!!!

"alice" has many plans and is willing to accommodate many more. However, we are not meeting the response needed to make our ideas work. If you want to help with any of these projects or want us to work with one of your ideas write to Box 450 and you will be contacted by this staff.

"alice" of course

a magazine concerned with political and social opinion

a literature booth drawing on resources from ACLU, SANE, AFSC, etc... also our own reprints

bringing films, speakers, and classes to Tech

how to improve the paper. The problem is that there has been too little of this response; especially so from the students. This summer has helped the staff to define its objectives, but the community has failed to express its needs. We see the needs in one light but we need your expression of either "Yea" or "Nay."

WHO ARE WE?

The staff members of this paper have been called many things. We are likely to be called "commie," "anarchist," or "hippie" and there is no real attempt to discover who or what the staff members are. Some of us are what could be generally termed "pacifists," have applied for CO and will go to jail rather than serve in the armed forces. Yet, in the group we have people who are willing to serve in the armed forces and a veteran of the Vietnam War. Some people in the group are poets or writers who feel that it should be their right to publish. Others

I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just. Thomas Jefferson.

alice people

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SUBSCRIBE!

The subscription rate for "alice" (mailed to any address in the States) is two dollars (\$2) per quarter, or about ten issues. This will also include the magazine should there be enough interest to make it a success.

Advertise Now!

Classified ads will be accepted at the rate of 35¢ per line or \$1 for three lines, or maybe less if we like you.

GIVE TO THE ALICE OF YOUR CHOICE

"alice" is looking for all interested people to send us CASH contributions. Adult patrons are asked to contribute \$5/quarter; students, \$2/quarter. The funds derived from contributions will be used to increase the circulation power of "alice", and to enlarge "alice's" campus coverage. "alice" is able to distribute on campus, but limited funds reduce the area "alice" can serve and still remain financially solvent. Patrons will receive free by mail "alice" (if they wish), the literary magazine (if publication is feasible), and "alice's" financial statement.

NOW is the time to act. "alice" is preparing plans for fall distribution. "alice" needs YOUR help!

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are more political and they feel that the paper is one media for openly discussing issues and attitudes. And some are very concerned with the rights of students and feel that it is a part of the drive to acquire the rights that have been denied to the students in their daily lives.

Classify the staff of "alice"? Perhaps you better say that we are concerned and expressive of that concern.

WHAT ARE OUR GOALS?

Our essential goal is to create an awareness on this campus. We, as individuals, may have our varying opinions about how this campus should be run. We may feel that this nation or some other nation is pursuing a foolish course. But we feel that we cannot create awareness by publishing a paper that is merely a vain soundingboard of these opinions; instead, we present facts and opinions that we hope will enable the reader to make his own decisions. It is also our hope that the information we provide will cause a constant reevaluation of the reader's position.

In addition to this goal "alice" hopes to provide a forum for constructive dialogue. We feel that too often bitterness and resentment have developed among individuals who differed only slightly in their analysis of the same problem. "alice" hopes to provide a means of communication between individuals who are concerned with the role of society's institutions in their lives.

WHAT NOW?

We need help. Two weeks ago we sent out fifty appeals for funds that are needed so that we can print this fall. We have received one reply.

We need people who will act as campus representatives to find out what is happening on campus. We need people who will staff a literature booth this fall...etc. In this edition we are presenting a list of our projects and the money and staff needed to continue or start these projects. Also there will be the name of someone you can contact. We will be able to finish out the summer but we need to know now what we will be able to do this fall.