

OU's S. African ties under fire

By Robin O'Grady
Sail Associate Editor

Apartheid (e-part 'hit') n. An official policy of racial segregation promulgated in the Republic of South Africa. (Afrik, "apartness.") *The American Heritage Dictionary.*

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the National party's victory in South Africa, but for thousands of blacks living there it is not an occasion to celebrate.

When the Nationalists attained power they embarked on an immediate widespread apartheid program. Three decades later little has changed, causing U.S. civil rights advocates to protest American corporations' financial holdings in South Africa.

Spokesperson for OU's African Student group, Ouma Amole, described the situation there as he sees it. "The blacks have no say at all. They have different toilets, different graveyards, different hospitals and dif-

ferent schools. They work for less than 27 cents an hour. And they work for the white South Africans.

"It is worse than it was in the United States during the sixties," he said. "White South African police can open fire anytime, with no warning, nothing."

Amole, who is from Tanzania, organized a protest held in front of North Foundation Hall three weeks ago. The group called for OU's complete divestment in corporations that have financial holdings in South Africa.

OU now has approximately \$2 million invested in corporations with ties in South Africa. These include stocks with General Motors, Ford Motor Company, and Texaco.

Amole said the demonstration was held because the university has been too slow with their decision to divest.

"We first brought this to the university's attention in the spring (during a Board of Trustees meeting). They promised us something in September or October. Now they've postponed the decision until next year," he said.

The Board tabled the matter until the November meeting but in the meantime President O'Dowd set up an Ad Hoc Committee on South African Investments, which later asked the Board to hold off on their decision until March.

According to one of the committee members, Karl Gregory, professor of Economics and Management, "there seemed to be a great deal of interest by students and faculty (at that meeting). The Board of Trustees meeting was filled. The Board decided to table the decision because it wanted to have the benefit of more faculty, staff and student input.

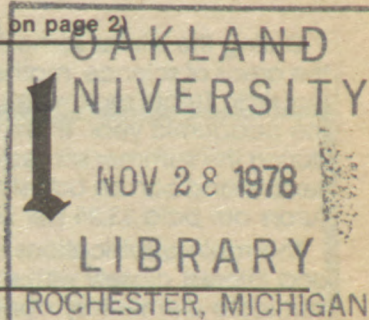
"In the interim (OU President) Donald O'Dowd set up a committee, chaired by Professor Sheldon Appleton (Political Science), that included staff, students, alumni and faculty. This committee felt it needed until at least January to provide a basis for getting input and for stimulating discussion on campus," Gregory said.

Gregory, who spent several weeks in South Africa

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Rogers sweeps to presidency

OC, GHC Fees take beating Athletic Fee passes 424-422

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Students overwhelmingly elected Mary Sue Rogers Congress President and voted down both the Graham Health Center fee and the Oakland Center fee during the Congress elections last week.

However, the controversial Athletic Fee passed by a two

For the record

(In the November 13 issue of the *Sail*, we incorrectly explained the new rates for information calls. The correct information is:)

An August 16, 1978 Michigan Bell Telephone Company (MBT) press release explained that "the proposed plan would provide savings for customers who make 10 or fewer directory assistance calls a month with a 20 cent charge for each call over 10."

The non-cumulative monthly proposal would allow an MBT residential customer to make five calls to directory assistance, without loss of credit, within the customer's area code. They would receive a "maximum savings of 53¢."

"Those who make six calls would save 43¢, seven calls would yield a 33¢ savings- and so on up to 10 calls a month which would be the near 'break-even' point. A customer who made 10 calls a month still would save three cents," according to the release.

No money would be subtracted from a customer's bill.

vote margin, 424-422. It drew the most votes on the ballot.

Of the 922 students who voted 568 supported Rogers over the three write-in candidates. Rogers was trailed by Dave Ross, 69; Bill Twietmeyer, 37; and Jay Dunstan, 26. The Health fee lost 541 to 304 while the OC fee was defeated 542 to 289.

Rogers, who was forced out of her Executive Assistant post on Congress over three weeks ago, said she plans to get Congress members together to "brainstorm" before the end of the term.

"I hope to have one informal Congress meeting before school gets out," Rogers said. "I'd like to have all the internal things done, like the by-laws, before Jan. 1"

"I think the vote represents a good indication of what the stu-

dents really think," said Congress President Gary Foster. "The slight majority of the people in the ballot box supported the athletic fee, so it's not like they rejected all the fees."

"I hope the university president recognizes that the votes on the Graham Health Center fee and the OC fee are indeed very serious votes," Foster said adding "The student body rejected both of those fees and that should tell the university very clearly how they feel."

Students also approved an amendment to Congress' by-laws which would allow the elections to be held a week earlier in the term and allot three days for voting instead of two. The amendment was approved by a vote of 736 to 82.

Congress member Kevin Appleton received 1297 votes, more than any other member.



Mary Sue Rogers, who was voted in as Congress president Tuesday, said she is starting to "lay the ground work" for the next administration. "I want to get all the budget stuff ready for next semester," Rogers said.

White student group gives up fight

By Jay Dunstan
Sail Staff Writer

Further attempts to form an Association of White Students (AWS) on the OU campus will not happen in the immediate future says Larry Vandegrift, a student who was trying to get the organization started.

In a letter to the *Sail* in the November 13 issue, Vandegrift charged CIPO administrator Joe Euculano with "attempting to harass me and the organization I'm forming."

The letter charged Euculano as saying the name of an organization such as AWS is racist. Euculano responded to the charges saying "there were

some statements that were a little inaccurate but for the most part I think he (Vandegrift) was pretty close in stating what I said.

"If the group (AWS) were to study white culture or educate students about what it's like in America to be white, then I could see such an organization forming. I guess I have some difficulty in that for me there doesn't seem to be any white culture since we're all of European descent. I could see an Association of Polish Students or an Association of Indian Students, but an AWS, I don't see how that fits in, I guess I have some problems with that."

Jack Wilson, dean for Student Life, said "I haven't had a chance to look into that (AWS) yet so I'm really in no position to comment on it."

Wilson did say that a term such as the AWS is a "nebulous term" and he didn't know what it meant. "They aren't doing anything that relates to whites," Wilson said, "what they're doing are social things like canoe trips, back packing, and camping, I believe an organization's name should fit their purpose. Student's Affiliated for Recreational Activity might be a better name. If there is a group of students who believe there is something unique about white-

ness in American Society and they want to study this whiteness and make this organization open to all white and black and spanish, or any other type of student, then I would have no objection to that."

Vandegrift, who has a degree in Political Science and is doing graduate work in Management, also charged Director of Residence Halls, Parker Moore, with "threatening to throw me out of my dorm room because he doesn't want anyone stirring up trouble on campus."

Moore responded by saying the comment was made in reference to the fact that Vandegrift (continued on page 2)

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Gregory said that even with his substantial experience in the country he "remains open" to the various alternatives the OU community could suggest.

He stressed that the function of the committee is to "report what it senses, what it has heard from various elements of the university community, to the Board of Trustees." (See pages

grift is carrying less than the eight credits necessary for a student to live in the dorm rooms, and that "we have that rule so we don't have persons in the dorms who aren't taking a sufficient number of classes just hanging out and raising hell—that's where my comment was aimed."

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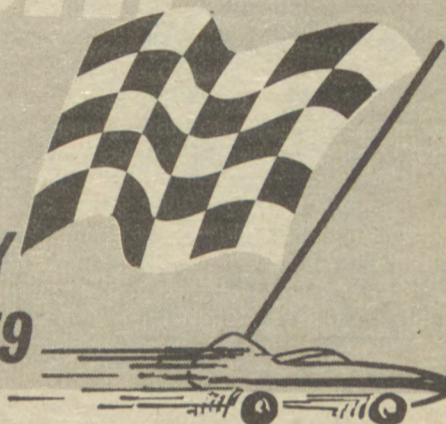
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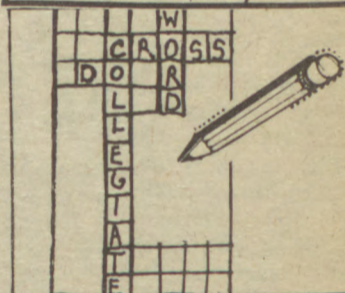
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The Ad Hoc Committee on South African Investments was set up by President O'Dowd in October "to study and recommend policies on university investments in corporations that have relationships with South Africa," and to "stimulate extensive discussion" on this issue. After the meetings and hearings concerning the question have been concluded, the committee will make recommendations to the Board of Trustees, which is tentatively scheduled to take the matter up at its March meeting.

Members of the committee include Gail DeGeorge and Mark Ott, students; Gwen Heard and Steven Day, Oakland Alumni; Johnetta Brazzel

of the Office of Urban Affairs; Richard Light of the Office of Business Affairs; Gayle Partmann of the Department of Linguistics; Karl Gregory of the School of Economics and Management; and Vincent Khapoya and Sheldon Appleton (chair) of the Department of Political Science.

Any group or individual wishing to participate in the hearings to be held by the committee, or to communicate with it, should write Sheldon Appleton, 660 Vandenberg Hall, or phone 377-2350, by December 11. Written statements should be received by January 19.

Special Insert

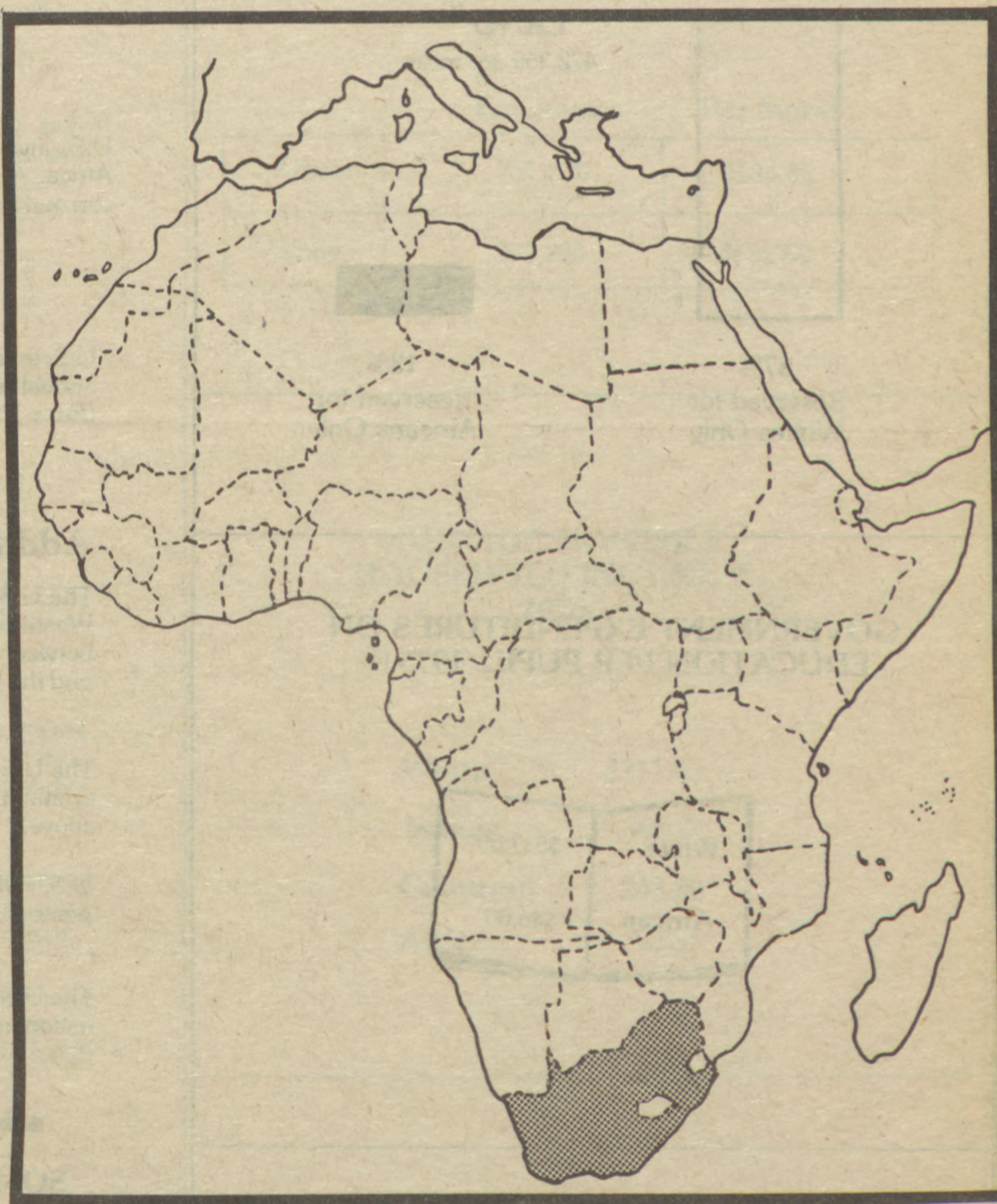
OU investments in South Africa

"Today, a lively debate is emerging over the appropriate relationship the United States should maintain with the Republic of South Africa, a country governed by a leadership committed to a policy of apartheid, or racial segregation..."

...What sets South Africa apart from other countries which have equally oppressive and, in some cases, quantitatively worse records of human rights violations is that (1) South Africa's policies are based on race as the sole criterion of discrimination (2) its human rights violations have been made "legal" through legislative and regulatory actions that have institutionalized racism into the fabric of society and (3) its policies are justified in the name of defending the Free World of which South Africa claims to be a member.

At the heart of this debate lies the question of the role of American corporations. Although the scope of U.S. ties with South Africa is extensive, our economic relationship constitutes the strongest and the most controversial aspect of our association with South Africa... This relationship confirms a close interdependence which makes a position of strict noninvolvement or neutrality on the issue of apartheid virtually impossible to maintain, given these economic realities."

Quoted in part from a report by the U.S. Senate Sub-committee on African Affairs: U.S. Corporate Interests in Africa; Report to the Committee on Foreign Relations, United States Senate. By Dick Clark, Iowa, Chairman of the Subcommittee on African Affairs, January, 1978.



OAKLAND UNIVERSITY INVESTMENTS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1978

Pooled cash (short term)	\$7,450,000
Endowment Equities	332,177
Commercial paper	1,228,000
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(These figures represent the total investments; at least \$311,304 represents common stocks in corporations active in South Africa.)

The information provided in this insert by the Ad Hoc Committee on South Africa investments is not intended to be comprehensive or conclusive.

It is intended, rather, to outline the issue to the OU community and to provide some references for those wishing more complete data.

A Summary Major Arguments For Corporate Involvement

The major arguments for maintaining U.S. involvement in South Africa

I

U.S. companies claim that they are not, nor should they be, involved in South Africa's internal politics. Rather they carry on business as usual obeying laws of the host country as they would in any other country in the world.

II

U.S. investments are a powerful force for social change in South Africa. They create jobs and money for all races, aid in the growth of the black middle class and give blacks increased economic power and social mobility through training and promotion.

III

U.S. investments help to avoid violent racial confrontation in South Africa. Any racial revolt would disrupt the African continent as many surrounding nations are economically dependent on South Africa.

IV

U.S. investors prior to the current recession, used to obtain an average annual return of at least 20%, one of the highest return rates in the world. (*Race to Power*, p. 129)

Additional points:

The U.S. needs the sea-lanes around South Africa for herself and the Western world for the transport of vital materials such as oil and food between East and West. (see Patrick Wall, ed. *The Southern Oceans and the Security of the Free World*. London: Stacey International, 1977)

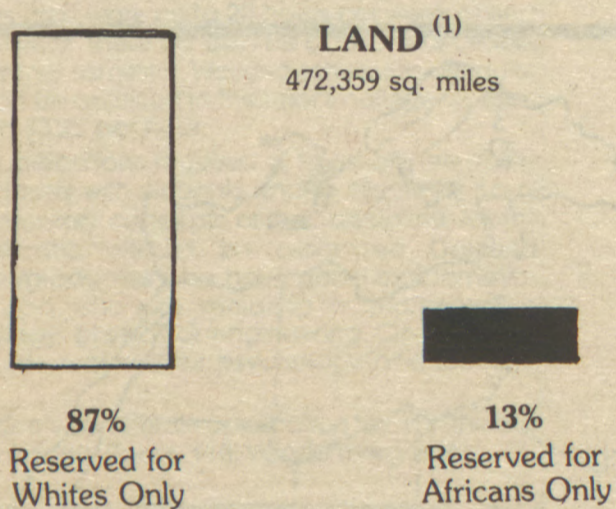
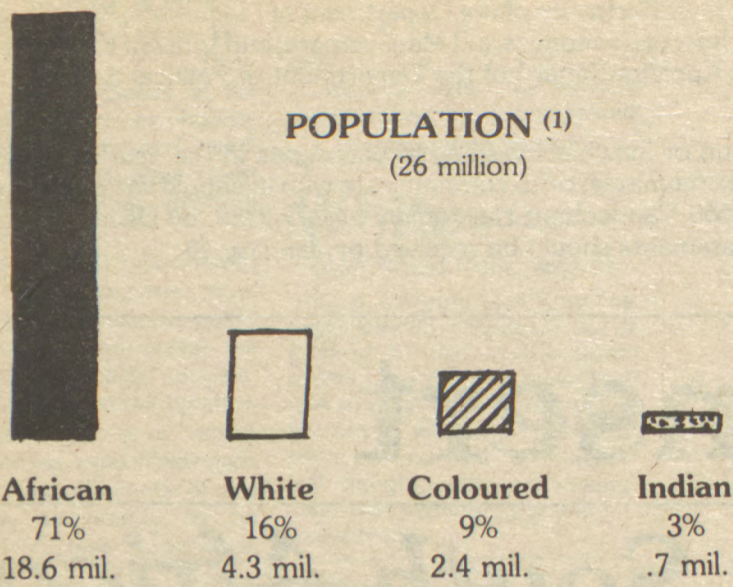
The U.S. needs South Africa for a source of strategic materials such as uranium and chromium. (see Patrick Wall, *The Southern Oceans*, above)

U.S. investors could easily be replaced by European and Japanese competitors who are eager to move in.

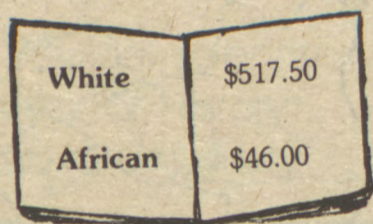
The U.S. presence in South Africa is a barrier to Soviet and Cuban domination in Africa. (see Patrick Wall, *The Southern Oceans*, cited above)

SOME OPTIONS FOR UNIVERSITY ACTION—

1. Divest itself of stock in corporations operating in South Africa.
2. Retain its stock; vote at stockholders' meeting for withdrawal.
3. Retain its stock; vote at stockholders' meetings for policies to improve conditions in company activities in South Africa, such as equal pay for equal work, integrated facilities, improved job training for Africans, etc. (Sullivan Principles)
4. Continue no action on the issue.



GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES ON EDUCATION PER PUPIL 1975 (2)



US CORPORATE INTERESTS

Total (1976): \$1.6 billion of total foreign investment in South Africa (4)

Top areas of investment, 1975 (in order of magnitude):

petroleum
mining and smelting
trade, machinery
chemicals and allied products (5)