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**Western Kentucky University
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Series 6 Western Kentucky University
Subseries 3 Publications**

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Big Red Tool

"Baaah!" Means "No"

Biographical/Historical Note: Student groups and anonymous editors have written and self-published broadsides and newspapers at WKU since the 1960's. These publications were generally a reaction to university policies regarding the publication of the College Heights Herald and a curtailment of freedom of speech. Several of these publications address national and university political movements and protest the Vietnam War.

Description: Underground publications created by students while attending WKU, includes 1960's/1970's political protest papers such as the Apocalypse and the Expatriate. How to Survive is a guide to courses and professors to avoid and a guide to life in Bowling Green for university students. The Big Red Tool a 21st century satirical take on WKU is also found here.

Dates: 1906-present

Subject Analytics:

A Little Bit Deeper
Apocalypse
Associated Student Government
Big Red Tool
Continent
Demonstrations
Discrimination
Downing, Dero
Expatriate
Freedom of speech
Freedom of the press
How to Survive in Kentucky
In Depth
Journalism
Kent State University Riot – May 4, 1970
Marijuana
Miller, Jim Wayne

Peace Moratorium
Plain Brown Wrapper
Poetry
Police brutality
Political activity
Political cartoons
Prostitution
Protest movements
Racism
Satire
Skewer
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Vietnam Conflict
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Level	Subseries	Linked to UA94.6
Title	UA94 Student / Alumni Personal Papers Series 6. Western Kentucky University Subseries 3. Publications	
Collection	WKU Archives	
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Container List

Container	Folder	Creator	Date	Title
Box 1	Folder 1	Ken Scott	1964	The Agitator
Description	Single issue flyer regarding "23 Students Arrested for Trying to Stamp Out Prostitution in Bowling Green."			Subjects Underground newspapers
Box 1	Folder 2	Braxton Crenshaw, Editor	1969	The Apocalypse
Description	Five issues of The Apocalypse. "The purpose of the Apocalypse is to allow students at Western to vent views about current events on and off campus. It is not, as such, a newspaper since it does not always attempt to present facts from an objective point of view; and, while it does, at times present stories in a factual manner, the emphasis is on depth not deadlines ---"			Subjects Political activity Political cartoons Demonstrations Protest movements Underground newspapers
	Babb, Danny Bach, David Baker, Genelda Baker, James Barr, Carol Becker, Richard Bingham, Dorothy Black Panther Party Brown, Ken Cable, John Calloway, Nancy Coughlan, Jeremiah Cromwell, Linda Davis, Jackie Derosa, John Duncan, Richard Farber, Gerald Hendrick, Jim Hester, Don Koon, William Lane, Teddi Leuking, Beverly Meek, Rick Miller, Jim Wayne Nau, Kathy Nelson, Mark Newton, Huey Nixon, Richard Peace Moratorium, October 15, 1969 Pierce, Bill Potter, Bob			

Ragland, Carolyn
 St. Clair, Linoa
 Scherr, Wayne
 Shouse, Shirley
 Smith, Grant
 Stone, Phyllis
 Thornton, Audree
 Tichenor, Steve
 Vietnam Conflict
 Wallace, James
 Walton, Don
 Walton, Jenkins
 Whitaker, Donald

Box 1	Folder 3	Donald Walton, Editor	1969	The Continent	
Description	Two issues of the Continent. "The Continent is but the sentinel eruption and vanguard of hopefully forthcoming creative orogeny on the social continent that is the University. Here those creatively disenfranchized by our encapsulating and distributary University community may come and find publication for their works. We will accept works of any ideological slant born in an honest desire to illustrate or examine life in the University community or isolate beauty or meaning found here."			Subjects	Poetry Underground newspapers

Brown, Ken
 Calloway, Nancy
 Carpenter, John
 Fuller, Thomas
 Greenwell, William
 Miller, Jim Wayne
 Newton, Dewey
 Pickett, James
 Raber, Barbara
 Robison, J.M.
 Robison, Jesse
 Schatten, D.E.R.
 Sikorski, Edmund
 Smith, Linda
 Sprouse, Jonathan
 Taylor, John
 Tichenor, Steve
 Walton, Donald

Box 1	Folder 4	Cal Prober / Jim Hampton	1966	College Radicals Are Defended	
Description	Single sheet reprinted from the Louisville Courier-Journal, May 2, 1966, put under doors by unknown student(s).				

Byrne, Jerome
 Vietnam Conflict

Box 1	Folder 5	Anonymous	nd	How to Survive in Kentucky	
Description	Single issue of handbook reviewing and rating WKU courses, professors, using the library, registering for classes, good places to eat, housing and basic services in Warren County.			Subjects	Underground newspapers

Bailey, ?
 Beale, ?
 Bennett, ?
 Broach, ?
 Burkeen, ?
 Clark, Kenneth
 Conner, ?
 Constans, ?
 Crowe, William

Deeb, ?
 Dixon, ?
 Dullaert, ?
 Ehreman, ?
 Frady, ?
 Frantz, ?
 Friday, ?
 Harriman, ?
 Hoyt, ?
 Jackson, ?
 Johnson, ?
 Little, Lee
 Lucas, ?
 Madron, ?
 Martin, ?
 McClevey, ?
 McMahon, ?
 Melville, ?
 Miller, ?
 Mitchell, ?
 Monroe, ?
 Montell, Lynwood
 Mowry, ?
 Pogoni, ?
 Reed, ?
 Rode, ?
 Scarborough, ?
 Shires, ?
 Skein, ?
 Stahl, ?
 Stuckwisch, ?
 Tausch, ?
 Thacker, ?
 Toman, ?
 Wood, ?

Box 1 Folder 6 Anonymous nd In Depth

Description Three issues of In Depth, a publication advocating for Student Government. In Depth was "an unofficial publication, directed towards constructive criticism of existing attitudes and policies with satire for all. All printed material will be unsigned to prevent a reoccurrence of the SKEWER incident. 'In Depth' will gladly accept letters to the editor and contributions if you know who to give them to. We do not require any letters to be signed and all will be printed anonymously. We will attempt to publish as many letters as space, time and money will allow."

See also:

Adams, Bob. "New Publications Make On-Campus Appearance," College Heights Herald, Feb. 28, 1966, p. 1

"New Off- Campus Magazine at Western to be Anonymous," Louisville Courier-Journal, 1966.

Akin, John
 Bunch, Chuck
 Denhardt, James
 Dotson, Carla
 Fox, James
 Gody, Jorge
 Haynes, James
 Heishman, Larry
 Heydt, Leonard
 Lanning, Forrest
 Lemoson, James
 Lovett, John
 Minyard, Melanie
 Pitt, Martha

Porter, James
Rutter, Rebecca
Sisk, Janice
Sizemore, Loretta
Snyder, Harry
Student Government
Willoughby, Carmen

Box 1 Folder 7 Anonymous nd A Little Bit Deeper
Description A single issue of A Little Bit Deeper and flyer Regarding In Depth - An open answer to Western Students Subjects Underground newspapers regarding Student Government issues at WKU.
"We, the also anonymous staff of A LITTLE BIT DEEPER refuse to sit idly by and allow a few radical students to criticize and satarize [sic] without due cause the administration and the very constitution that the students have strived so hard to attain.

Box 1 Folder 8 Bob Potter 1968 The Plain Brown Wrapper
Description Single issue of The Plain Brown Wrapper. Subjects Poetry Underground newspapers Political cartoons Marijuana
"The Community of Bowling Green is badly in need of an independent forthright journal of opinion, fact, controversy and satire."
See also:
Gentry, Margaret. "Plans to Continue 'Newspaper' Publication," Park City Daily News, May 16, 1968.
"Unofficial Student Paper Criticizes Warren Court," Louisville Courier-Journal, May 15, 1968.

Beckner, Azel
Braden, Carl
Cole, Robert
Draft dodgers
Faeber, Judy
May, Lynne
Potter, Robert
Skinner, Odetta
Vietnam Conflict

Box 1 Folder 9 Sam Lawson & Frank Bonasso 1965 The Skewer
Description Two issues and two statements of The Skewer in response to the Dean's statement that students could print a paper if subjected to review. Subjects Underground newspapers Protest movements Poetry
See also: A College Does Have the Right to Set Moral, Ethical Climate, editorial, Lexington Herald, Dec. 14, 1965.
Adams, Bob. Park Row Paragraphs, April 25, 1966.
Bisson, Terry. "Letter to the Editor Plain Old Western," Louisville Courier-Journal, Dec. 19, 1965.
Bonasso, Frank, R.N. Johns, George Chakos & Sam Lawson. "Guest Editorial Four Explain Their Stand," College Heights Herald, Dec. 10, 1965.
Bonasso, Frank. "Letter to the Editor Priases Censure of Western," Louisville Courier-Journal, nd.
Causey, A.M. "Letter to the Editor," Park City Daily News, Dec. 14, 1965.
Civil Liberties Union Says Western Erred, Louisville Courier-Journal, Feb. 12, 1966.
Davis, Charles. "Letter to the Editor Critical of Western's Actions," Louisville Courier-Journal, April 21, 1966.
Dr. Thompson Answers Four, College Heights Herald, Dec. 10, 1965.
Duncan, Henry. "Letter to the Editor Don't Let Recruits Run the Army!" Russellville News-Democrat, Dec. 16, 1965.
End Suspension at Western, 4 Students Urge, Louisville Courier-Journal, Dec. 9, 1965.
Faculty Wives Support College Stand, Park City Daily News, May 16, 1966.
Haley, Mrs. W.B. "Letter to the Editor Defends Western's Actions," Louisville Courier-Journal, April 11, 1966.
Jewell, James. "Letter to the Editor," Park City Daily News, April 25, 1966.
Jewell, James. "Letter to the Editor," Park City Daily News, April 27, 1966.
Jewell, James. "Letter to the Editor," Park City Daily News, April 8, 1966.
Jewell, James. "Letter to the Editor," Park City Daily News, March 29, 1966.
Kreisler, Carl. "Guest Editorial Teacher Views Speech Rights," College Heights Herald, Dec. 10, 1965.

Let Campus Problems Be Solved By Western, editorial, College Heights Herald, Mar. 31, 1966.
 Mercer, David. "Letter to the Editor A Western Student's View," Louisville Courier-Journal, April 11, 1966.
 Murphey, Emily. "Letter to the Editor In Praise of Dr. Thompson," Louisville Courier-Journal, April 25, 1966.
 New Censure is Directed at Western, Louisville Courier-Journal, March 24, 1966.
 Norman, Phil. "Court Lifts Suspensions at Western," Louisville Courier-Journal, Dec. 12, 1965.
 Norman, Phil. "Principals Defend Western's Suspensions," Louisville Courier-Journal, Feb. 17, 1966.
 Norman, Phil. "Western Ousts 3 Over Magazine Story," Louisville Courier-Journal, Dec. 5, 1965.
 Norman, Phil. "Western Will Readmit Suspended Students," Louisville Courier-Journal, Jan. 9, 1966.
 Norman, Phil. "Western's President Refuses to Reinstate Four Students," Dec. 10, 1965.
 Panzera, Pete. "Letter to the Editor Parts with Professional Group," Louisville Courier-Journal, March 29, 1966.
 Pearce, Robert. "Letter to the Editor Defends Western Suspensions," Louisville Courier-Journal, March 31, 1966.
 Porter, James. "Letter to the Editor Smut Literature," Louisville Courier-Journal, Dec. 10, 1965.
 Pres. Thompson Acts Wisely, editorial, Lexington Herald, Jan. 13, 1966.
 Professors Group Urges Students' Reinstatement, Louisville Courier-Journal, Dec. 19, 1965.
 Professors Rap Suspension of Western Students, Russellville News-Democrat, Mar. 24, 1966.
 Provincialism and Violation of Freedom Charged to Western, Louisville Times, Feb. 12, 1966.
 Punished for Off-Campus Magazine, Russellville News-Democrat, Dec. 9, 1965.
 Regents Recess Hearing of Students' Appeal, Park City Daily News, Dec. 19, 1965.
 Regents Set Hearing Today for 3 Students, Louisville Courier-Journal, Jan. 8, 1966.
 Resolution Supports WKU Action, Park City Daily News, May 19, 1966.
 Smith, Al. "Did Western's Policies Provoke Suspension?" Russellville Democrat-News, Dec. 8, 1965.
 Smith, Al. "His Better Judgment Still on Vacation," Russellville News-Democrat, Dec. 1965.
 Smith, Al. "Students Readmitted, But Issue Unsettled," Russellville News-Democrat, Jan. 18, 1966.
 Smith, Wilson. "Letter to the Editor Why So Mild in Your Protest?" Russellville News-Democrat, Dec. 16, 1965.
 Suspensions Trigger Suit by Students, Park City Daily News, Dec. 12, 1965.
 Temporary Court Order Puts Students Back at Western State College, Russellville News-Democrat, Dec. 16, 1965.
 There Must Be Rules, editorial, Hopkinsville Kentucky New Era, March 29, 1966.
 Thompson Backs Suspension of Students, Park City Daily News, Dec. 9, 1965.
 Three Students Suspended Because of Article, Park City Daily News, Dec. 5, 1965.
 Three Students Suspended for Off-Campus Publication, College Heights Herald, Dec. 10, 1965.
 Two More Salvos Jar Controversy at Western State, Louisville Courier-Journal, April 9, 1966.
 Understanding, Reconciliation Desirable at Western State, editorial, Russellville News-Democrat, Dec. 16, 1965.
 Western Act in Controversy is Supported, Louisville Courier-Journal, May, 19, 1966.
 Western is Commended by 2 Groups, Park City Daily News, April 10, 1966.
 Western Ky. State Image Smudged, Skewered, editorial, Auburn News, April 4, 1966.
 Western State Professors Ask Reinstatement of Student Writers, Russellville News-Democrat, 1965.
 Western's Mistake, The Kentucky Kernal, Dec. 9, 1965.
 Western's Officials Deserve the Censure They are Reaping editorial, Louisville Courier-Journal, March, 26, 1966.
 Western's President Has the Answer, editorial, Lexington Herald, Dec. 11, 1965.

Bonasso, Frank
 Chakos, George
 Crawford, Pedro
 Johns, Robert
 Vietnam Conflict

Box 1 Folder 10 Robert Hatfield, Editor 1971-1972 Spread Eagle

Description Two issues of Spread Eagle "with the separate yet co-ordinated staffs, conservative and liberal, strives to present critical viewpoints on topics (campus, local and national) of importance ot the community of Bowling Green." Subjects Political cartoons
 Underground newspapers
 Marijuana

Baskett, Jim
 Black, Larry
 Blaine, Linda
 Brown, Gregg
 Campbell, John
 Cato, Steve

Coomes, Jim
 Drago, Jack
 Embry, Hugh
 Gregory, Lee
 Hall, Janet
 Hamby, Warren
 Hatfield, Robert
 Hayes, Judy
 Lloyd, Susan
 Massey, Scott
 Neel, Mickey
 Percival, Lynn
 Pulsinelli, Robert
 Pusiteri, Joe
 Sims, Terry
 Slone, Andi
 Smith, Albert
 Stewart, Rod
 Strehl, Conrad
 Stroud, Steven
 Thompson, Ann
 Tinker, Robert
 Tinker, Robert
 Trooley, Yez
 Vietnam Conflict
 Walker, Eniz
 Woodward, Lana

Box 1	Folder 11	Anonymous	2008-2010	Big Red Tool	
Description	Issues of the Big Red Tool, a satirical look at WKU.			Subjects	Underground newspapers Gay rights Mascots
	Academic Council Athletic fees Biden, Joe Big Red Black Heritage Month Bunning, Jim Curriculum Emslie, Angus Engaging the Spirit Evans, Sam Family Research Council Gabibbo Haskins, Yvette Intelligent Design Krenzin, Joan McCain, John Minter, Patti Burch, Barbara Obama, Barack Palin, Sarah Pavee, Stewart Ransdell, Gary Regents Skaggs, Jeremy Taggart, Willy Wilkins, Deborah				

OS Box 6	Folder 21		1970	The Expatriate	
Description	Five issues of the Expatriate an independent student newspaper formed by former College Heights Herald staffers "who could no longer conscientiously continue to work under conditions that included a			Subjects	Underground newspapers Marijuana

corruptly-structured publications board, an administration sycophant for an advisor and direct interference by the president of the University."

See also:

Brown, Mike. "Expatriate at Western is Biting and Controversial," Louisville Courier-Journal, Oct. 25, 1970.
Off-Campus Newspaper Makes Debut, Park City Daily News, April 29, 1970.
Western Students Desert Paper to Start Their Own, Louisville Courier-Journal, April 30, 1970.

Academic Council
American Association of University Professors
Black Students
Blood, Sweat & Tears
Braden, Carl
Briney, John
College Heights Herald
Cook, Paul
Cordero, Hector
Cravens, Raymond
Diddle, E.A.
Downing, Dero
Eyler, David
Feix, Jimmy
Gibson, Dee
Harris, Mike
Hendrix, Jimi
Hornback, Ted
Webster, Carlos
Howell, Dani
Hundley, Smith
Jackson, Henry
Kent State University - Riot, May 4, 1970
Keown, Charles
Kirchner, Vicki
Lancaster, Fred
Lazarus, Rhea
Lord, William
Lyne, John
Lyne, John
Miller, Jim Wayne
Neumayer, Rick
O'Sullivan, Dona
Oldham, John
Patterson, Tom
Pickens, Birdlegs
Pickens, Jim
Potter, Jerry
Regents
ROTC
Sandifer, JoAnn
Showalter, Tina
Siddens, Jackie
Smith, Darryl
Hape, Bill
Pearson, Sam
Solley, William
Speaker Ban
Stevens, Barry
Thompson, Kelly
Tichenor, Steve
Todd, Tom
Tucker, Bruce
Veterans Village
Vietnam Conflict
Walsh, Jerry

Political cartoons
Police brutality
Discrimination
Freedom of speech
Freedom of the press
Water towers
Women's rights

Western Towers
White, Alana
Wilkerson, Larry

Box 1

Folder 12

Anonymous

2011-

Big Red Tool

Description Issues of the Big Red Tool, a satirical look at WKU.

Devins, Phil
Forensic Team
Greene, Marla
Jessie, Coulton
Pride, Charley
Ransdell Hall (WKU)
Ransdell, Gary
Solazzo, Vito
Student Government Association

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Budget.
Fraternities & sororities
Athletics
Immigrants
Illegal aliens