
Peter Bohmer Collection MS-0334

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Scope and Contents

The *Peter Bohmer Collection* dates from 1964-1979 with some undated materials. The collection documents Bohmer's personal and professional life, including legal issues during his time as an assistant economics professor at San Diego State University as well as his arrest and conviction for staging a protest against the Santa Fe Railroad Company in 1972. The collection includes memos on planning for campus disruptions; Associated Student Council meeting minutes; billing information for damages done to university property during student demonstrations; numerous flyers promoting campus protests against chemical companies, military recruiting on campus, and war; publications on discrimination and rebellion; information on the campus wide strike in 1969; correspondence regarding campus resolutions, demonstrations, and university policy; university memos on disciplinary procedures for both students and faculty; newspaper clippings about *The Phoenix*, a student publication, being blocked from distribution; and memos and policies regarding student conduct and discipline. The collection is arranged alphabetically.

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1983, 1986, 1989

Related Materials

Radical Ephemera and Underground Publications Collection

University Senate Records

Associated Students Records

Harold Keen Papers

Related Publications

Advise and Dissent: LD705.8 .A3

Phoenix: PS508.C6 P3

Daily Aztec: LH1.C3 S316

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Biographical Note

Peter Bohmer was an assistant economics professor at San Diego State University during the 1960s. During his time at SDSU, he was known for his activism, participating in many campus demonstrations. In 1971, Bohmer was charged with unprofessional conduct and eventually fired by Chancellor Glenn S. Dumke. In December of 1971, a hearing was held behind closed doors in downtown San Diego to determine Bohmer's future with the university. More than 100 people testified on Bohmer's behalf. On December 19, he was cleared of all charges. However, he was not recommended for rehiring and the university President, Donald Walker, immediately called for a new set of hearing based upon new evidence.

Bohmer was eventually recommended for rehire by Chancellor Dumke, but would never work at SDSU again.

In 1972, Bohmer was arrested and convicted of staging a protest against the Santa Fe Railroad in Del Mar, CA. He and several others placed timber on the railroad tracks, setting fire to it in order to protest the railroad's practice of shipping war materials through San Diego. He was sentenced to Chino State Prison and ordered to undergo psychological observation for 90 days. After his release from prison, Bohmer left California. He returned to MIT to finish his doctorate. He later went to Pennsylvania State University for further studies. He eventually moved to Washington where he taught public administration. He also married and had 3 children.

Subjects and Indexing Terms

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Peace movements--California--San Diego--History--20th century--Sources

Protest movements--California--San Diego--History--20th century--Sources

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