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Ursinus College will be sponsoring its annual Spring musical entitled "Showboat" this Thursday, May 19. This event is being directed by Dr. Cyrus Gordon of the History Department and will be performed in the Bearpit Theatre at Ursinus College. The performance will begin at 8:00 p.m., and tickets can be purchased in the office of the Dean of Students for $1.75 for adults and $1.25 for children.

The musical is a classic American Broadway musical that tells the story of the life of a river boat singer in the 19th century. The plot follows the adventures of Vitalie, an orphaned girl, as she joins in the production of Berlolt Brecht's play, "The Caucasian Chalk Circle." Dr. Hickey is directing Ursinus's version of this classic piece. Pro-Teatre special event with the aim of raising funds to continue the theatre program will be sponsored by Sen. Mark O. Hatfield, the Oregon Republican, calling for a national day of humiliation, prayer and fasting. The event will feature speeches by President Nixon and others. The President's message will be relayed via satellite to the Governor's heir. There is a new freedom of speech in this time period, but freedoms are often illusory.

Unfortunately there seems to be developing two extreme positions on the Watergate affair, both of which are dangerous to the welfare of our country. One of these is the viewpoint that impeachment proceeding would destroy the President and the other is that the constitutional censure be avoided at all costs. At the opposite pole are those who see only pervasive criminal activity permeating the upper echelons of our government. They would turn the Congressional investigations into a witch hunt.

For the President and other top officials the time has come for complete openness and honesty. For people it is time to accept the fact that there is no simple solution and to accept the fact that there is no simple solution and that the process of the impeachment has already begun.

For the President, the United States needs a time to step back and take a look at what people are willing to accept as a nation. Moreover, we need to recognize the need of strength and guidance beyond our selves.