held by the unthinking, that I have come to believe that it was an error of strategy, not of principle, to fail to invite pro-Administration speakers. There has been no "subtle deterioration of the genre" since the first teach-in. There have simply been teach-ins that have been better or worse, depending on their quality, not so much on the views represented or the nature of the audience, but on the quality of the presentations – whatever position speakers took, there have, indeed, been to the extent that hard thought about complex issues has been promoted.

Even among the "convinced," the teach-ins have served an important educational purpose. (And let me add, there have been some atrocious teach-ins in the U.S.)