Democratic Party Radical Bernie Sanders Wrote A Pornographic Column, Media Silent



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U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders penned an essay in 1972 claiming that women fantasize about being gang raped and men fantasize about abusing women.

An independent socialist from Vermont, Sanders is running for president as a Democrat and is the only officially announced rival at this time to Hillary Clinton.

Sanders' office responded this afternoon that the article was merely a failed attempt at satire.

It was included in a feature about the senator posted by liberal/progressive <u>Mother Jones</u> earlier this week, which called the Sanders-authored tract "a stream-of-consciousness essay on the nature of male-female dynamics."

At the beginning of the essay in question, called "Man and Woman," which originally appeared in the *Vermont Freeman* alternative newspaper, Sanders stated the following:

"A man goes home and masturbates his typical fantasy. A woman on her knees, a woman tied up, a woman abused.

A woman enjoys intercourse with her man — as she fantasizes being raped by 3 men simultaneously."

According to CNN's Jake Tapper, the senator's office <u>described</u> the newly surfaced essay as "a dumb attempt at dark satire in an alternative publication... intended to attack gender stereotypes in the 70s." Not everyone on Twitter <u>is buying</u> that explanation, however.

So far, the mainstream media has not run with the story in any significant way. Today, for example, the *New York Times* published a story lauding Sanders' "unabashedly progressive message" and described the senator at age 73 as "fit and quick-witted."



CNN
similarly explained
that "Sanders, an
agitator who
doesn't suffer
fools, political
opponents or
journalists gladly,
is testing whether
the kind of
populist, liberal

agenda that gave him 75 [percent] approval ratings in his adopted home state can catch fire nationwide."

The Media Research Center, a conservative watchdog group, observed that it would be highly unlikely that the mainstream media would give any Republican a pass for this kind of lurid prose (no matter how far it goes back), especially given the rape-comment controversy that imploded Todd Akin's 2012 campaign in Missouri for U.S. Senate.

"It is unclear where Sanders acquired his early expertise on male and female sexual desires. But what is clear is that had Ted Cruz or Rick Santorum wrote something along these lines — even 40 years ago — the media wouldn't stop talking about it for weeks."

National Review columnist Charles C.W. Cooke offered a somewhat <u>different take</u> on how this information would be reported if Sanders was a member of the other political party. "And it wouldn't just be Ted Cruz or Rick Santorum who would be asked about the essay: it would be every Republican in the [presidential] race. In fact, it would be every Republican not in the race, too."

Cooke continued:
"Bernie Sanders
wrote these words —
and a lot of drivel
besides — in 1972.
Maybe he was young
and foolish. Maybe
he was a different
man back then.
Maybe society was
unrecognizable and



he had bought into all sorts of faddish psychology. Who knows? And frankly, who cares? Sure, the Democratic party would crucify a Republican for the same offense. But they shouldn't. A society in which people are drummed out of politics for things they wrote 43 years ago is an ugly society indeed. Sometimes the best way to address hypocrisy is to take the high road..."

Alluding to the double standard, Bloomberg reporter John Heilemann told his With All Due Respect co-host Mark Halperin that "I now we both agree about this, which is that if a Republican, any Republican candidate wrote an essay like this, whether they were 16 years old and high on dope or whether it was two weeks ago, it would be a huge scandal. So I think we need to hold Bernie Sanders to the same standard, and

people need to ask him tough questions about it."

"I happen to know some United States senators, one who's on the other side who's pretty aggressive," Trump said, according to The Times. "I've seen that person in some very bad situations." "He would not identify whom he meant, but he did later single out Senator Richard Blumenthal, a Democrat from Connecticut, a favorite target, for misleading the public for years about his military service during the Vietnam War," The Times reported.

[Donald Trump Talking Pen. It's hilarious. Order today.]

"This guy lied when he was the attorney general of Connecticut. He lied," Trump said, according to The Times.

In 2010, <u>The New York Times</u> published an article that reported Blumenthal said he had served in Vietnam, "implying he had fought in the war, when in fact he served in the Marine Reserve in the United States at the time."

On Monday, Trump continued on the theme.

"He said he was a war hero, (that) he fought in Da Nang Province," Trump said. "We call him 'Da Nang Richard.' ... He never went to Vietnam."

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