

# Decades of CHANGE

freaky clothes and long hair, I'm certainly not it. If it's defined around perpetual youth, I'm not it either because I'm 48 years old," he says.

However, Hoffman certainly isn't a Yuppie.

"Young urban professionals rule me out because I'm middle-aged, I live in a rural area and I'm not a professional at much of anything," he says.

Instead, he's an environmentalist still working for world peace. In fact, he is currently organizing a group called People's Peace Corps to work on construction projects in Nicaragua. Hoffman hopes to recruit 1,000 young people for a "two month stint" to help construct schools and hospitals and rebuild towns destroyed by fire.

About Rubin, his former ally in rebellion, Hoffman says, "We differ 100 percent on everything, from the style in which we dress to the way in which we talk."

He's not far from the truth. Rubin is definitely not a Yippee anymore, dressed in his conservative business suit and tie. He's a Yuppie.

"I have evolved. I am an entrepreneur, a businessman," he says. Although Rubin had a hard time giving up the beliefs, habits and anti-feelings of the '60s, he has changed.

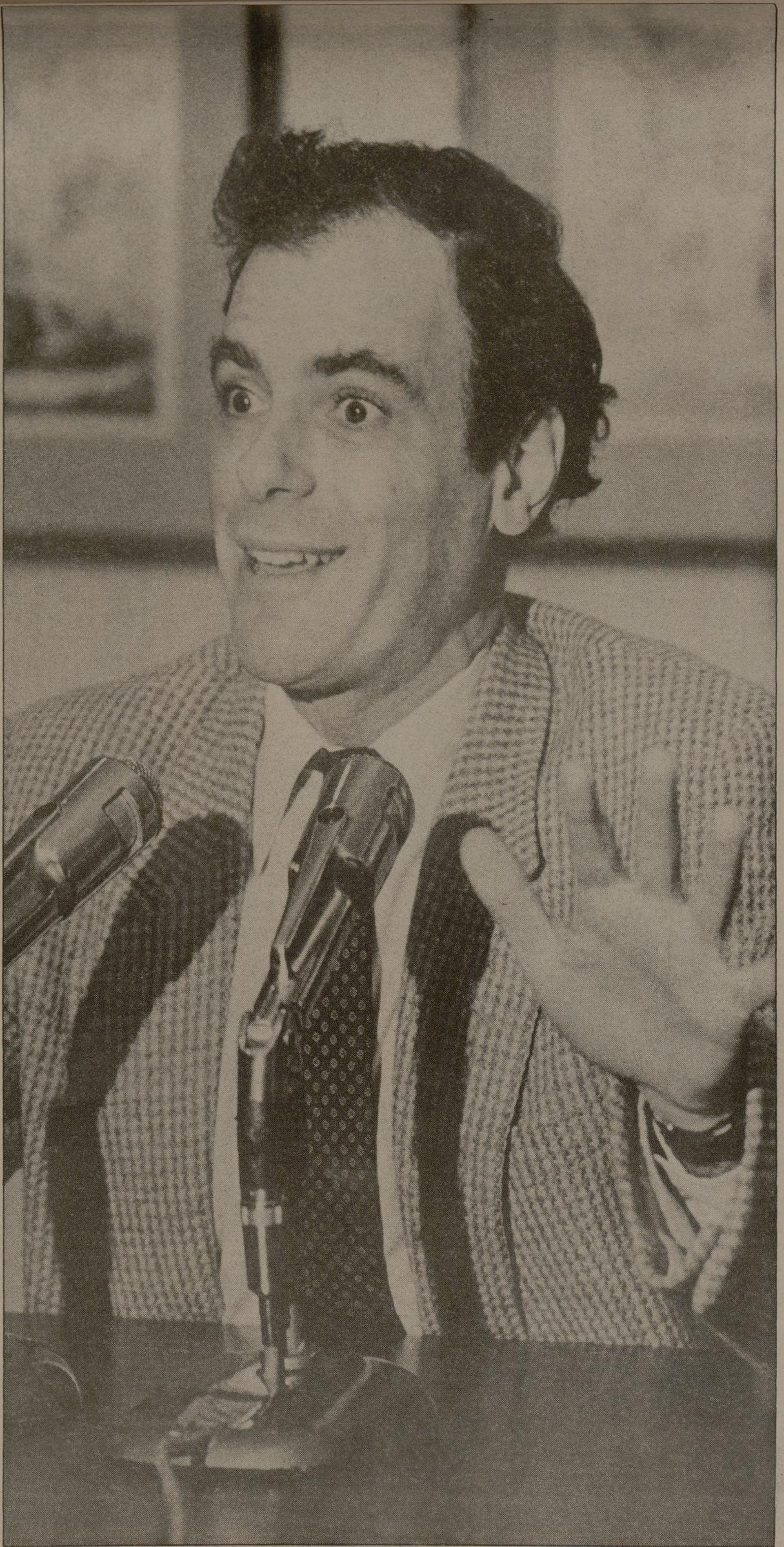
"I believe that Abbie Hoffman still has those anti-feelings," Rubin says. But Rubin, himself, believes that businessmen can be a vehicle of social change that will create a whole new America.

"In the 1960s, I was always screaming and yelling about what I believed. Maybe the problem is being such a believer. All these true believers are gonna blow each other up," Rubin says.

Whereas Hoffman thinks a Yuppie is a "pretty elitist concept," Rubin sees them as innovators.

"Why stay around in the sandbox of the '60s when you can move into the White House of the '80s?" he asks. "Self-improvement should be the purpose of every one's life and of the society's life."

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