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STAFF THIS ISSUE—It was a dark and stormy night, and a cruel one too—in many ways. But we managed gallantly to get the job done. Struggling on were Dan (council) Jamieson, who Frankly doesn't like him; Ellen, who doesn't like him either; Ginny, is that "ie"; Barry, au revoir, Nicholson; Bob Blair (for heads and things); Beth who demands (?), Jim Carter, who's running, but not far enough; Abe and P.J., who are helping him run; even Al, tum-de-dum—four more to go, was here. And then of course there was me, in the grass, and for the grass—but not this time your old stand-by, Harvey G (for gone already, all 12 of them!) Thomgirt.

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Principles—bah!

by Al Scarth

There is an old newspaper adage that there is no need to slant a story to make a case that is just. All you have to do is quote the parties concerned and let the asses fall where they may.

Sometimes, it may take a lot of rope to finally get those concerned to publicly hang themselves. Other times, well, it is surprisingly easy. In the latest developments around the Ted Kemp tenure issue it is disgustingly so.

If ever there was a blatant case of a university president practising backroom politics and incidentally completely negating his "principled" public statements, here it is.

And if ever students have seen an example of how they can be sold down the river by a professor, here it is.

But back to the old adage: In last Thursday's Gateway, university president Max Wyman said he has "no objection to openness and parity on a tenure appeal committee in the Ted Kemp case."

Dr. Wyman made that same statement to me personally earlier in the week.

Yet, in today's Gateway, it is reported that Dr. Wyman has taken Mr. Kemp into his office and convinced him to accept an appeal committee consisting of five faculty and three students. Mr. Kemp has apparently also accepted the provision that the committee itself decide whether its deliberations will be open or not.

The original students' union proposal which Mr. Kemp certainly agreed with called specifically for openness and parity on the committee.

This paper has absolutely no use for someone who enlists the aid of the students in his appeal for justice and suddenly betrays those who stood and fought for him in good faith.

To make it brutally clear, we have a mathematician for a president whose simple arithmetic is altered by political considerations and a supposedly crusading teacher who backs down from the guns manned by his students.

Neither does this paper have any use for backroom meetings between Max and Ted to decide matters Mr. Kemp and Dr. Wyman have said in principle must be dealt with openly.

Any deals Mr. Kemp makes with Dr. Wyman should be made in consultation with those students he is supposedly so concerned about. Obviously, this has not been the case and just as obviously the president has convinced Mr. Kemp that the backroom solution is the only way to save the professor's tenured skin.

The president has been using that classically successful stratagem, "divide and conquer" and unfortunately for the students, Mr. Kemp has become divided.

Thanks a lot, Mr. Kemp. Your students were willing to go to the barricades for you and you decided it would be safer and easier to desert and make your own peace.

And a tip of the hat to Dr. Wyman. Congratulations, Max. Your tactic of driving a wedge between the students and a well-liked teacher will undoubtedly succeed. For, while Mr. Kemp may be worthy of castigation at this point, he has simply buckled under the unjustifiable political pressures imposed by an institution running scared. Of course, you have done exactly the same thing.

Here's hoping you both sleep well.

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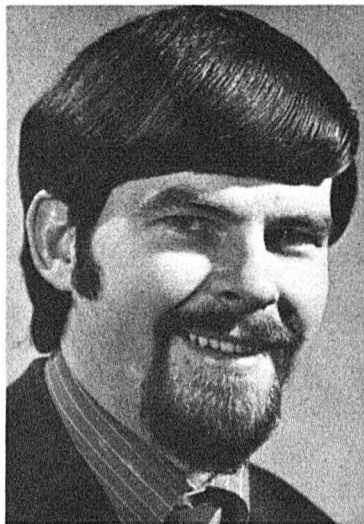
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You're beautiful

I know. You make me beautiful

Engineering rep. candidate platforms

Don Brown



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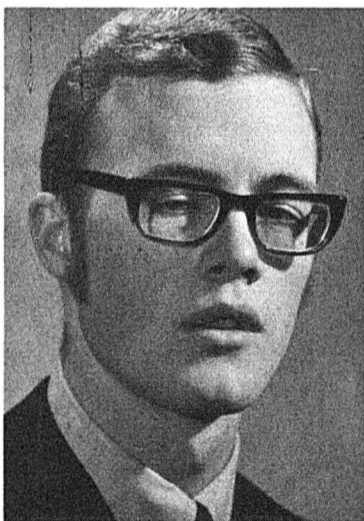
'69-70—Vice-president (activities),
 Engineering Student Society
 '69-70—Queen Week director
 '69-70—Student rep on Electrical
 Engineering Pattern III
 Curriculum Committee

Platform:

My main objective for next year is to make engineers aware of the issues being brought before student union council. For next year, our president-elect has promised to discuss relevant issues and thus make the student union relevant to the students. In order to make the student union relevant, the students must be aware to what is going on. By keeping you informed and receiving feedback and complaints from you, I feel I can effectively represent the engineers on council.

In the past year I have had many dealings with the student union representing the ESS and in several cases, there was little co-operation from the student union. If I am elected, I will work to receive co-operation and support from the student union for the engineers.

Tom Brown

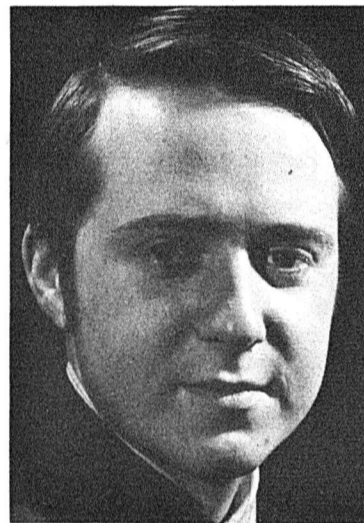


I feel the students' council should maintain a definite balance between service and educative functions. It is important that we act quickly on SUB expansion, the Students' Union Housing Development and takeover of the Food Services operation in the Students' Union Building. We should strive for better representation on university governing bodies (GFC) and endeavor to present student views in a well reasoned and forceful manner. Involvement in social issues is also important, and I think the union should take stands on community problems such as pollution. If such stands are to be effective, they must be well re-

searched and documented in order to present a strong case to the government.

Communication within the union can be improved through strong undergraduate societies (ESS) and the students' council should provide funds needed to strengthen these societies. It would be understood that in return for the funds, the society would be willing to undertake some of the responsibilities now handled by the students' council.

Jim Carter



The engineers of this campus deserve an effective, involved, aware students' council.

The only way to obtain such a council is by making it such through your elected representatives. If I am elected, as one of your representatives, I promise that I will work for such a council.

I will use the experience I have gained by attending over half of this year's council meetings to implement your wishes (the wishes I have become aware of due to my contact with other engineers and the wishes I will endeavor to voice in council next year from you, my constituents).

An engineer, because of his profession, becomes a very important asset in the community immediately upon graduation. I believe that this importance should be revealed at the university level as well. It is imperative that as engineers we become an impressive and powerful voice on this campus and I am dedicated to see to it that we do. To that end, I will work to:

- Improve communication between students' union and engineers
- Encourage engineers to take an active part in SU affairs
- Improve engineers' campus image by channelling energies into constructive areas
- Realistically determine qualities of engineering courses

- Objectively inform engineers about SU issues to eliminate misleading and biased facts

- Insure that the views of engineers are respected as the views of professional students

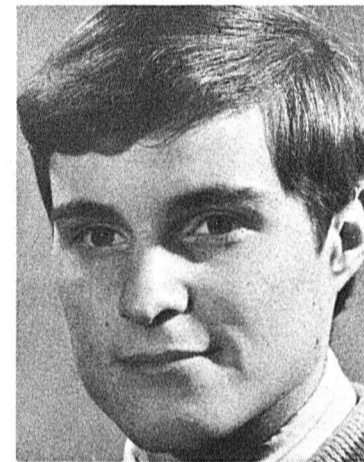
- Take a hard line with the government concerning summer employment

- Increase and improve student housing

- Bring parking capacity to meet parking requirements

- Accelerate action on SUB expansion including a Pub in SUB.

Dave Huber



Perspective is Dave's hope for the students' union this year. I believe that the problems of any organization are essentially based on the lack of perspective," he says, "which applies especially to current beliefs on tenure and pollution. I've found that engineers are generally pleased with their profs and any mention of difficulty or dissatisfaction is met with respect and concern by your faculty. I do not believe the calibre of our profs will improve by abolishing the security tenure gives them. Change the qualifications but don't obliterate a system for the sake of a few individuals or one faculty." About engineers' policy in the union, he hopes we will not only be deciding them but making them. "We as engineers are responsible for the machines that get everybody polluted. I hope to see us not only condemn; many firms in Edmonton must be encouraged in their work towards a pollution solution." Dave holds two positions on the ESS board of directors as second year president and Queen Ball director. "I know and work with the guys that run our organization, their ideas and suggestions would be given highest priority with me." Dave loves squash, scuba diving and travelling, the latter love took him around the world two years ago. St. Steve's is home now. "Engineers have a strong voice through Trevor Peach, I hope to work with and reinforce that."

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