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STAFF THIS ISSUE—A few more loyal souls turned up to help with issue number two, but some poor devils are still virtually living in the offices. I beseech you all to come up and help out Mark Priegert, Doug Bell, Garry Prokopczak, Marg Bell, Derek Nash, Chuck Lyall, Ken Hutchinson and yours truly, Harvey Thomgirt, with the next beauty edition.

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## in praise of pubs

The university administration, in what appears to be an attempt to keep students pure and virtuous, has decided not to allow liquor in the new students' union building.

This move, we contend, is rather out of keeping with the fact that there are in the building banquet facilities, guest rooms, and an almost high-class student lounge.

The inclusion of these features in the building seems to be sufficient grounds for the granting of a liquor permit. And, a permit is almost a necessity to ensure maximum use of these costly features.

Dr. Johns thinks it would be too difficult to ensure that drinking in SUB would be limited to those people over 21.

No more so than anywhere else, we suggest.

No more difficult than deciding which campus organizations have enough members over 21 to merit a liquor permit.

A Gateway feature, entitled English Subs Have Pubs, run on Jan. 31, 1964, quoted Dean of Men Major Hooper as saying that allow-

ing liquor in students' union buildings was "far preferable to the Friday and Saturday gatherings at the local pub."

In the feature, Major Hooper, who had just completed a tour of several English universities, reported all students' union buildings he had visited in England had pubs, and there appeared to be no problem of students abusing their privileges.

He suggested at that time although students in Canada are not trained to the same extent in the general acceptance of beer in everyday life, it was possible that given a chance to get used to the idea of liquor on campus, students here would accept it with maturity and responsibility.

That was nearly four years ago. We suggest now is the time for the administration to give students the chance Major Hooper was talking about—the chance to have liquor in SUB, at least for special occasions.

Surely we cannot be so much more irresponsible than our English cousins that we have to be watched over like little children.

## a wise decision

The provincial department of public works is to be commended for its foresight and plain common sense in its decision last fall to render the biological science complex.

This week, with the awarding of tenders for the third phase of construction, the prudence of their move was re-emphasized.

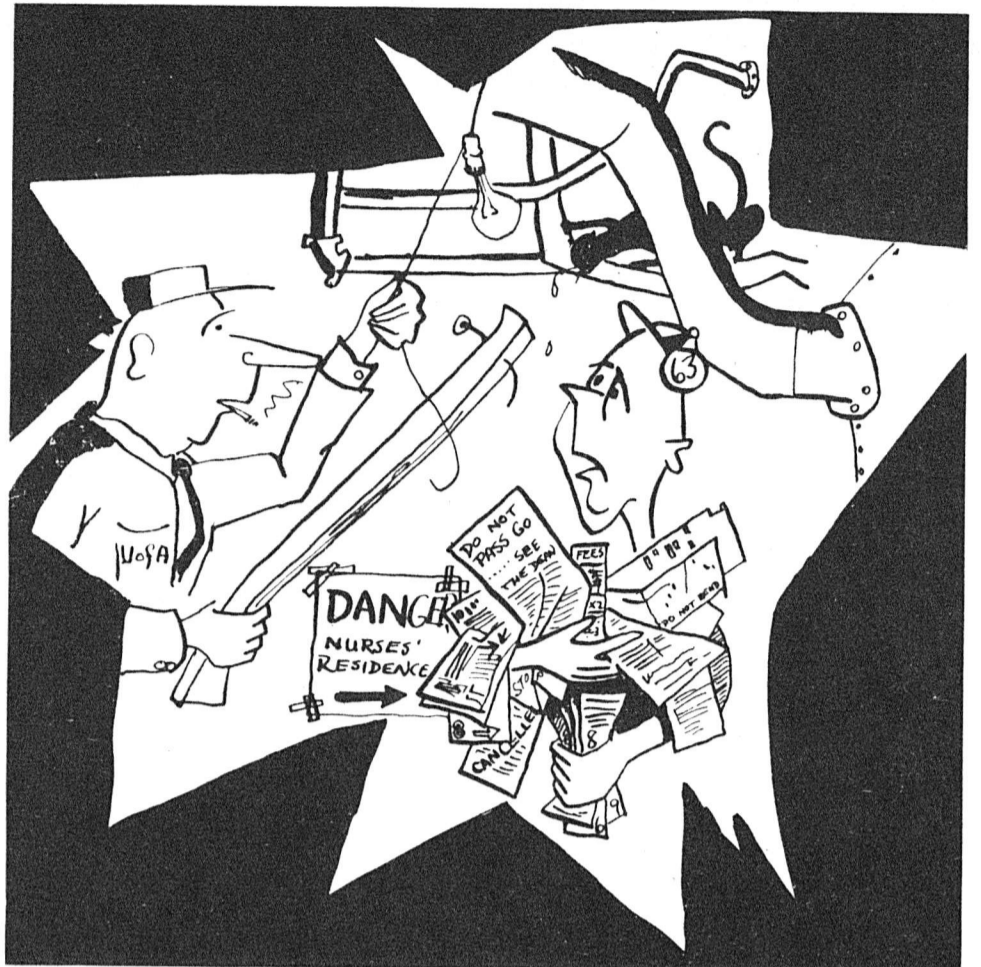
At present, with more than three-quarters of the entire project contracted for only a little more than one-half of the bid price received under the initial bidding arrangements, it appears that for a change,

one of the university buildings will be constructed at a reasonable cost.

The decision could be a precedent in campus construction as it is the first time a building has been "phased out" with the purpose of cutting costs.

A reduction of \$6 million is certainly an accomplishment and all indications to date suggest that nothing will be lost in the quality of the building.

We hope that the eventual success or failure of this move will be weighed carefully in future construction deals at the university.



you mean this isn't registration, part IV?

—cartoon by salter

## jim rennie the noblest art

Do you get a full eight hours sleep every night?

If you are male or female, between the ages of five and a half and ninety four, and associated in any way, shape or form with the university, the answer is no.

Any student who has endured an "all nighter" preparing a term paper knows just how miserable an eight o'clock lecture can be.

Similarly, any student who has drowned his sorrows in 90 proof sorrow-drowner and lurched off to class the next morning with heavy heart and heavier head, appreciates the true value of sleep.

Such students would sell their souls for just one more hour of blissful repose.

And yet very few students seem to expire from lack of sleep.

It takes more than just a hardy constitution and an iron will to survive.

Knowing when, where and how to catch up on sleep is an art that frosh must acquire. Seniors presumably have mastered the technique, or they wouldn't be seniors. They would have expired long ago.

The lecture theatre is the logical place to begin training.

With dull courses and obtuse lecturers it is unbelievably easy to drift off for ten minutes of uninterrupted rapture.

However, the uninitiated would be wise not to strew around too many books. They have a tendency to clatter to the floor and disturb the professor. He in turn will disturb you.

Professors show remarkably little tolerance in such situations.

It is in equally bad taste to snore, talk or lash out with arms and legs while sleeping.

The desired level of proficiency in-

volves the ability to remain absolutely still, eyes open and facing forward, with a glassy look of interest and involvement. Students who master this technique not only obtain hours of relaxing sleep—they usually get top marks from professors for being "attentive."

Sleeping elsewhere on campus is another matter entirely.

Library carrels are a great favorite, but require some getting used to.

Some carrel-sleepers build walls with their books, and sleep on the bare desk.

Still others ignore this Linus-blanket search for security and use their books as props. Whether for comfort or just appearance, they balance a book against their head, assume a pose of hunched-over concentration, and drift off into Never-never-land.

Although some students swear by sleeping on the cool, comfy pages of a text book, this can have serious drawbacks. More than one tired co-ed has dozed off on a text or notebook and awakened with the Binomial Theorem transferred onto her ink-smudged little cheeks.

But the resourceful student can sleep anywhere.

The legions of slumbering cherubs on campus amply bear this out. From the uncomfortable-looking chairs in the V-wing to the plush, high-backed chairs of the council chambers, students can be found happily "taking ten."

Sleeping at university is more than just an enjoyable pastime. It is a way of life.

If you are one of those students who is chronically tired, listless and dejected, take heart. Thousands have suffered as you do, but have mastered the art of sleeping at university.

Just remember, practice makes perfect.