

Minister insulted

Re: Christians misunderstood (Feb. 16)

Mr. Adams, thank you ever so much for enlightening us on the essence of true Christianity. I am glad to see that you have the answer. And in the meantime you have insulted a Christian minister who no doubt has pastoral experience, years of theological education, and a devotion to his faith by saying how little understanding of Christianity he really has. And then you say that arrogance is not to be a Christian's quality?? Your letter is an accurate indication that fundamentalists have no respect for the religious beliefs of anyone who doesn't fit their definition of a Christian. Christ certainly wouldn't act like this and neither should you. You owe Rev. Bogert-O'Brien an apology.

Tony Morris
Ar/99

Why rewrite WCT?

Why are transfer students who have written and passed a Writing Competency Test at another Canadian university required to rewrite the test at the University of Alberta? The answer that the Registrar's Office has given to this question is that the U of A has reviewed a substantial number of WCTs from other universities and found that they were geared towards examining different English skills than the U of A test examines. I cannot believe, however, that the university's test is so different that no WCT from any other university is considered to

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be on par with it. If such significant differences do exist, possibly our test should be reviewed, not the other way around.

If transfer students are being asked to spend the time and money to write the WCT they are entitled to a better explanation as to why.

Des Scott
Arts II

Stop the whining

Re: Better red than dead (Feb. 14)

I find it hard to believe that the superpowers' nuclear arsenals keep Canadians awake at night. It would be more logical to live in fear of the day the US government listens to the whining of the "peace" movement and dismantles all its nuclear weapons, because that is the day when the Soviets will attain their stated goal of world domination.

As for Mr. Hohenstein, it is ironic that in writing his communist propaganda he exercises the freedom which he owes to the United States.

Peter Englefield
Science II

**Abandoning religion
no solution**

Re: Beliefs unproven (Feb. 28)

Mr. Price seems to feel that "religious people" have little or no basis for their beliefs. I strongly disagree, especially regarding the Christian belief, which I am most familiar with.

I agree that much of religious belief should not be regarded as "fact" in the strict sense of the word, but there is significant evidence to back some religious beliefs (i.e. Christianity). I would encourage those interested to look at the philosophical arguments for the existence of God, the claims made by Jesus Christ, and the evidence for his resurrection (I don't have room for them here).

I agree that his experiment of everyone dropping religion for ten years would be next to impossible (and ridiculous), how-

ever, I don't see what it would accomplish. I don't see that it is logically necessary that God would reveal himself through some huge miracle if people ignored Him for 10 years.

There are good reasons for people to believe that Christianity is true and I encourage people to look into them and ask questions. I believe that the malfunction of the human race is not religion but sin (take a look at our wonderful world), and the only solution to that malfunction is Jesus Christ.

Jeffrey Schneider
Education

Cartoons crude

I'd like to protest the subject matter of some of your cartoons. In the past few months there have been several of guys barfing, and one each on farting and pissing. (I was tempted to use euphemisms but I want to make sure this is easily understood.) I showed *The Gateway* to my kids — 12 and 16, and they thought some were great and some gross. That's the age level I figure enjoys that type of humour. But they couldn't get it printed in a school paper. Why do we at the University? Let's aim just a little higher — ok?

Leslie Brink
Education IV

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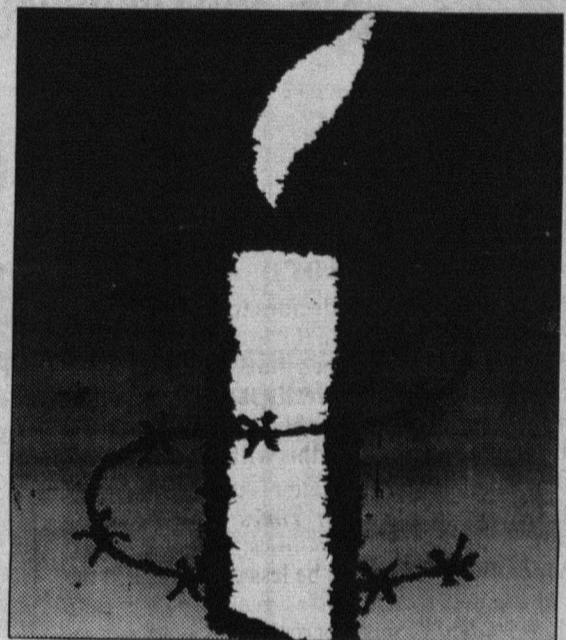
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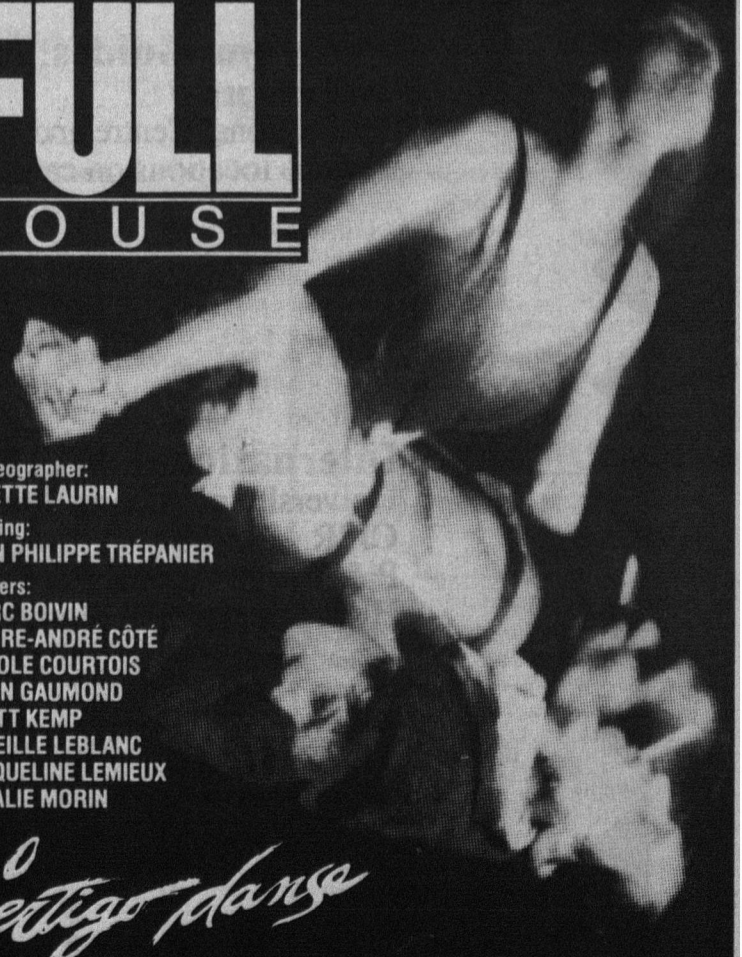
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