

"February Blues" and Winter Carnival Fun

THE ENGINEERS COLUMN:

There is something about February that encourages lethargy, laziness, and sloth. It is a very slack month. This is not an opinion but rather a fact: what other month has only 28 days? February is so bad that it was shortened by decree.

Further proof can easily be found for this position. First of all the SRC elections are in February. This is not due to coincidence but rather a politician's instinct that dictates that candidates should get to the voters while they are down. Why are there so many acclamations in the elections? The February Blues of course.

A second proof is the fact that 'March' break starts at the end of February. Obviously that's done to prevent terminal brain rot. The week should actually be called 'February' break and be celebrated by a sleep-in in the lecture halls. Come to think of it, it already is all 4 weeks of it.

What causes the February Blues? Scientists are uncertain. But various theories have placed the blame on Marsh Gas, Electro Magnetic Phenominae, Sunspots, or Radium Poisoning. The sociologists point out that there are no major holiday periods between Christmas and Easter thus resulting in a lack of socially acceptable times for tension abatement. The Engineers know that it's because there is no Engineering Week second term, that Christmas break was too short, that second term is too long, that they have just come off one boring term only to commence another with only the prospects of a boring summer job to perk them up.

So February is a bad month. What can be done about it? Nothing. The calendar makers gave it their best shot by putting St. Valentine's Day right smack in the middle of the month. However instead of being a real bacchanal rant of a time, a real depression,

dissipator, St. Valentine's Day only serves as a marketing vehicle for frozen flowers, sticky candy, and so what can be done? Once again nothing, except for waiting February has a cure called March which with its buddy, April, heard spring. Spring's the cure. With spring one stops sitting around doing nothing and replaces it with doing all the wrong things. The results on the report card remains the same but the campus measures a very real difference. So wait out February, all four weeks of it, and rest up for spring. You'll be glad you did.

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Not everyone has been afflicted with the February Blues however. Plans are being made for this year's Winter Carnival and there is a group of engineers who want to be right in the thick of things. Led by the debonair Mitch Smith and the ever popular Ken Vaughn the engineers will be responsible for

the construction of the engineer's parade float and the ice palace. Mitch and Ken have an abundance of beer to share with any volunteers who wish to join their group. It sounds like a good time. If you're interested in helping out just contact the boys in H-CB, civil three's home room.

Another busy crew this week is the busy crew on the Godivan Staff. They are making plans for the next issue of the rag and would welcome any contributions. The folks to see are Nancy Lynch and Laurie Corbett both of Civil 4.

Help seems to be a scarce commodity. I received a letter

from a group calling itself 'The Crimson Dynamo Associates' asking for a volunteer secretary, preferably female, preferably beautiful. Paul Miller spokesman for the crew mentioned that the quarters might be close (the office holds 3 and is about as big as beer cooler) but that the benefits exceptional it might also help to dispel any potential for nasty rumours (i.e. 3 in a broom closet). However there would be benefits: Paul's got good taste in music, Jim's a good fellow, and Norm's in a great discipline.

Well that's it for this week. Keep those letters coming, eh!

Student Activity Awards Committee

Accepting Applications

NOTICE TO ALL GRADUATING STUDENTS

Applications must include:

- 1). Candidates name, address, phone number, year and faculty.
- 2). Candidates ring size
- 3). Candidates term (number of years) at UNB.
- 4). Letters of recommendation from student groups, members of faculty, Deans, etc.
- 5). Specific activities, year and term involved (eg: SUB Board of Directors - 1/2 term - '75-'76)

Applications are now being received by the Student Activity Awards Committee for graduating students who have made significant contributions to Student Activities during their four years at UNB.

Valentine's Ball

The Student Wives' Organization is having a Valentine's Ball on Feb. 19 at Keddy's Motor Inn from 9 to 1.

All applications must follow the above guidelines, and follow the point schedule as set out by the constitution. The Committee will award an Activity Award to an applicant if in their discretion he or she has fulfilled the requirements as set down by the Constitution of the SAAC. Copies of the point schedule may be obtained at the SRC Office, first floor office wing, of the SUB or may be seen on most major bulletin boards on campus. Deadline for applications is February 28, 1977.

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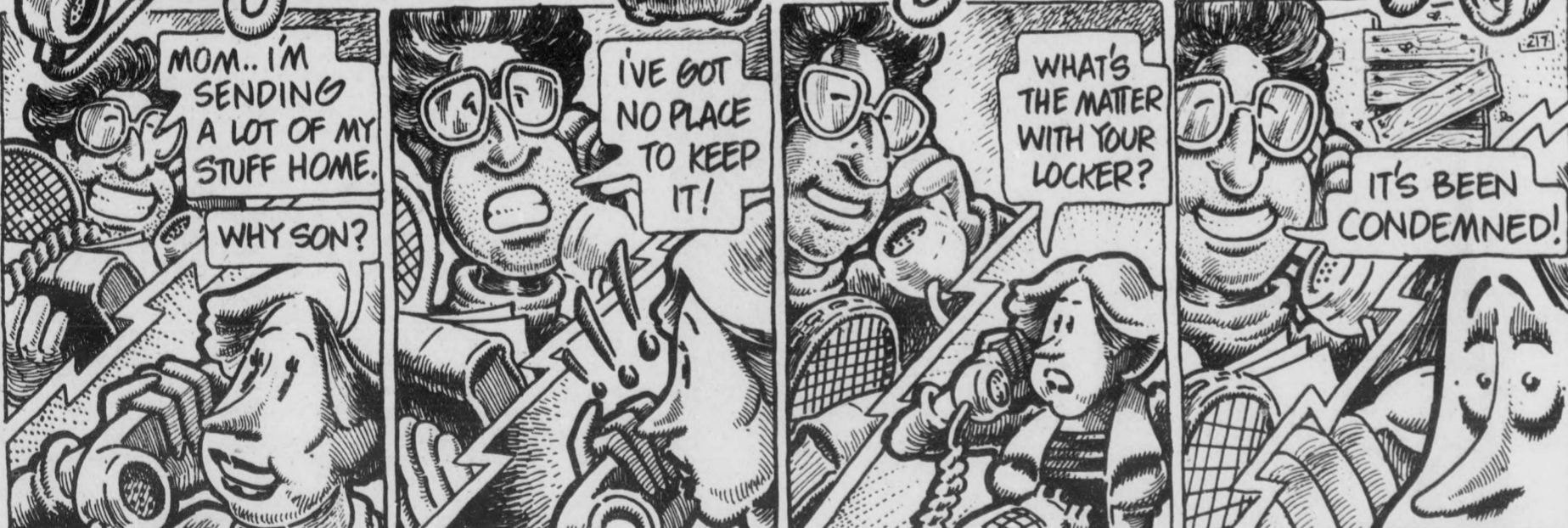
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