



editorial letters

Felt pen marauders

This letter is directed at certain individuals on this campus but more specifically at the person(s) who shall herein after be referred to as the "felt pen marauder(s)"

Now the felt pen marauder is quite a unique individual whose lilly white values have lead him to believe that honesty is the second best policy, being white is the first. With these thoughts in mind, and his felt pen in hand, he has been frequenting various washrooms around the campus and proclaiming his racist propensities for everyone to see by scrawling ethnic slanders on the walls, mirrors and urinals etc.

Well, people saw- but I doubt if they were impressed. Now the last thing I would do is to lecture these felt pen marauders on social equality, consideration, or any other "weird" thing like that. Hell no, I would ask or rather defy these guys to stand up and be counted. That is fair isn't it? I'll bet there are many people who would like to meet you.

Furthermore, I'll bet that if you opened a booth in SUB you could become real popular and you would be killing two birds with one stone (you'd like that wouldn't you?) 1. The janitors would not have to clean up your propaganda and 2. You'd be able to do some real good public relations for your cause.

Henri Ferguson
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Gish vs logic

With reference to the Dr. Gish forum held Feb. 21/75 12-3 p.m. SUB Theatre.

In my presentation I pointed out that Dr. Gish's argument can only exist because, "Evolution has never been witnessed by human observers...". In other words it has never been documented and therefore is not substantiated by fact.

I recognized this as being a problem of not being able to find an entity that has evolved fast enough and in a period of

time that man may observe and document the process.

I held as my premises:

1. Natural laws apply to all things in the natural world.

2. Society is an entity in the natural world.

3. Society is an entity distinct from man in the same manner that man is an entity distinct from the single cells that compose his body.

I then pointed out that:

1. Society and the process by which it develops does fulfill all the requirements of the evolution theory.

2. It has been substantially observed and documented by man.

I therefore conclude that evolution is a fact of this world.

Those who were at the Forum are witness to the fact that Dr. Gish did admit to the fact that the process of societal development was and is an evolutionary one.

He then attacked my argument on the points:

1. He did not recognize different societies as distinct species.

2. He did not recognize society as distinct from man.

3. Because the process applies to society, which he does not recognise as distinct from man, it does not necessarily hold true for the organic world.

In response to this I should like to point out that Dr. Gish's rebuttal is not an argument against my proposition as stated, but it is an argument against logic and perception.

Dennis Wilson

Money story

Let me tell you a story.

I took out a student loan for 1000 dollars about 5 years ago, through The Bank of Montreal (Lynnwood Branch). Every year since then I have been registered in the University, and have received confirmation of enrollment forms to be filled out. This year I didn't get a confirmation.

Since I have my current account at the Campus Towers Branch, I decided to get my loan transferred to that branch as well; the woman I talked to said she would transfer the loan and send me all the necessary forms. This was in December. I told her that I was still registered at the U of A.

On Feb. 19 I received from the Bank of Montreal (Campus Towers) my cancelled cheques, and with them was a REPAY-

MENT OF LOAN statement, which was a receipt for about \$60 that they had taken out of my chequing account WITHOUT MY PERMISSION AND WITHOUT ANY WARNING. If I had only a savings account, it's likely that I never would have known that they were taking money out of it.

I went in to ask them about it, and a nasty lady told me it was my fault that the bank hadn't sent me the forms, and I still had to pay interest on the loan. She also said that the bank did not make a mistake - that it was common practice to take money out of people's accounts for loan payments without warning them beforehand.

Hence, I withdrew all my money from that bank. However, I am keeping my student loans there. I would recommend to anybody who has a bank account and a student loan (especially at the Bank of Montreal) NOT to have them both at the same bank. That way you can pay back your loan when you want to instead of when they want you to.

Larry Saidman

Bankrupt union

The low turn-out in this year's Student Council Executive election represents an outright repudiation of the whole concept of our Students' Union.

This institution is not only financially bankrupt, it is bankrupt of the confidence, respect, and support of the very people who are obliged to form its membership. It is not a student government, but rather a small clique whose function it is to arrange social and athletic events for the few, at the expense of many. And let's not forget HUB, the union's disastrous fling at real estate development. As the situation stands, the megalomaniac representatives of twenty per cent of the students are quite free to play big time Monopoly with the huge amount of money they annually confiscate from the majority.

I believe the game should be called. If formal dissolution of this organization is too rash a suggestion, perhaps the same thing could be accomplished by allowing students to opt out of paying as well as voting.

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