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LETTERS

Howe hollers

To the Editor;

I am writing in regards to the article in last week's Gazette concerning the "Goeller Party" held in Howe Hall recently. There are a few items I feel I should clarify. First of all, your reporter, Geoff Stone, did not contact me for my opinion or comment on the party had no right to say "I regretted the incident'

Also, in any communication I had with anyone on the party, I never once used the word "regret" to descibe how I felt about the whole thing. I feel it should be made clear that the letter sent to me was from the Shirreff Hall Resident Assistants. The letter conveyed their feelings on the theme and I sent a letter back explaining my position on the theme along with an apology from Howe Hall to anyone who was offended in any way by the theme. The theme was a decision made by the Henderson House Council in consultation with their sister floor at Shirreff Hall. It in no way represented the feelings on "the subject" by myself or any other member of my council.

It was not exactly fair and objective reporting to put a subarticle on child abuse in the middle of an article that headlined about the Howe Hall party. I find it hard to believe that this party isolated students in either residence as there were 400 people in attendance at the party. People who attended took the theme lightly as it was intended to be taken.

We, here at Howe Hall, see very little of anyone from the Gazette unless it is to cut down on one of our programs such as what was done with the "Relationships" program in the fall or unless it is a controversial item such as this one where in fact I received a visit or call from no one from the Gazette but was indeed quoted in the article.

In closing, I would like to say that we have many good things happening here at Howe Hall and we are one of the most active societies on campus. It has turned out to be one of the best years yet for programs and events. The Gazette does not seem interested in the positive side of residence

but instead only to exploit our seldom controversial issues. I would like to suggest to Mr. Stone that the next time he does an article about a Howe Hall social event, he should consult me, especially if he plans to use my name in the article.

Yours sincerely, John Hiscock Howe Hall President

Red rhetoric

Dear Gazette

Congratulations on your hilarious article, "Young minister does his job." I am continually amused at the present Tory government's attempts to avoid the fact that it has betrayed its promise of "Jobs, Jobs, Jobs" During his charming discourse at the Grawood, Youth Minister Jean Charest failed to mention that his department, created in 1978, no longer has a budget. It was axed in the last budget by Mike Wilson.

Mr. Charest continues to spew the party line - private sector business people who will create the jobs for young people. How many young people out there truly believe that Big Business gives a damn about summer employment? The business sector is probably more interested in the lucrative grants it receives from the government.

Charest went on to state that the program was designed to get the Tories re-elected and also to provide necessary skills for youth. Doesn't it bother him that his "Challenge '87" program has been almost universally criticized? Apparently, he is under the belief that any opposition to his patronage dish-out will halt change.

When opposition critics from both parties said the funding cut was monstrous, the Minister replied that they were fighting for the past! Seems more likely they were fighting for jobs for young people.

It can be said that the most challenging thing about "Challenge '87" is getting into the program. If you're not a PC Youth, it can be really tough.

> Sincerely. Carey Veinotte, President N.S. Young Liberals

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ground research, the latest contender would have also found that this book is praised and appreciated by countless students and educators. But then, pedagogical aspects are not important to this sort of pulpiteering.

A knee-jerk reaction of this kind can only be inspired by the same quality and depth of thought as is present in male sexist attitudes. Women have suffered, and equality is indeed one of our most precious ideals, but this overly zealous form of feminism smacks of the Ellen Jamesians. As a language student, I am incensed at this attack on what is the best language text I have ever used. As an egalitarian, I am saddened that bleeding-hearts should cheapen the valuable advances made by the women's movement.