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motions would require only a bare majority, so why require that both votes be taken? The functioning of Council is streamlined, and the will of Students' Council is not made any less clear by holding that Students' Council is always competent to deal with matters of Executive character, even after having delegated the function to the Executive Committee.

3. Students' Council may wish to deal with only one narrow aspect of a broad executive matter. It is not reasonable to hold that in order to deal with a matter that may be very limited in both time and scope, the entire delegation must be revoked.

4. It would be unconstitutional for Students' Council to delegate power over executive matters in such a way as to not be able to deal with them directly. Any such delegation would be contrary to Art. IV(1) which states that Students' Council shall have all the executive powers of the Students' Union.

5. The ideal of Executive responsibility to Students' Council is enhanced by giving Council direct control over the same matters that the Executive deals with.

Therefore, the Board rules that at no time does Students' Council lose its right to deal with matters of an executive character. At no time may the Executive Committee say that any such matter is for their eyes, and their consideration, to the exclusion of Students' Council. **There is no "Executive Privilege" in the Constitution.** (Editor's italics)

Any delegation made under Art. VIII (3) is therefore subject to Students' Council's power to deal with the matter if it so chooses. While Council has the option of revoking the entire delegation, this is not necessary to enable it to deal with these delegated matters. When Students' Council does deal with a matter that has been previously delegated to the Executive, the delegation is to be considered as revoked for the purposes of the context of the motion passed by Students' Council.

S. Allan Low
Chairman, DIE Board

Students overseas

This Consulate General is approached frequently by students, who love to travel abroad but have rather limited financial means and who want to know - if, and where, - in Belgium they can be certain to buy a good used car to tour Europe.

You may therefore be interested in knowing that a Belgian Company - Ets. G. CORNET, Rue des Augustines, 84 - Brussels - specializes in reconditioning second hand vehicles, is in a position to regularly offer small Volkswagen buses in perfect condition.

These buses are available at a price of approximately 20.000 B.Fr., or, at the present rate of exchange of 0.027 for the Canadian dollar, at around \$554.00.

This price would also include the license plates as well as all the documents required by law, in particular the Technical Control card and the Green Insurance card.

The buses may be resold in Belgium without any problem when the owner returns to Canada.

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Luxembourg, Europe, Jan. 14. There is a new and interesting way around the problem of scarce student jobs. Any student between the ages of 17 and 27 can obtain a temporary paying student job

in Europe through a new mail application system. Jobs, working papers, room and board arrangements and other travel documents are processed in advance.

The work is done on a non-profit basis by the SOS-Student Overseas Services, a student run organization specializing in helping American students in Europe for the past 16 years. SOS also provides a brief orientation in Europe to insure each student a good start on the job.

Standard wages are paid in addition to the profitable advantage of free room and board which is provided with each hotel, resort and restaurant job. Most jobs are in Switzerland, France, Austria and parts of Alpine Germany in ski resorts during the winter months, and in lakeside and city resorts, hotels and restaurants during the spring and summer months.

As inflation and unemployment increase, so does the attraction of a temporary paying student job in Europe. Recently raised wages in Europe not only offset any dollar devaluation loss, but a few weeks work in Europe - a personally broadening experience on its own - repays most of the trip cost a few more weeks work earns amply money for traveling around Europe. Most jobs do not require knowledge of a foreign language (but what an opportunity for language students!), and willingness to work, adaptability and maintenance of an open mind count more than experience.

Applications should be submitted in time to allow for processing the job, working papers, room and board arrangements and other travel documents. Students can cut processing time by obtaining and holding until requested, 3 passport size photos and a letter of recommendation from a teacher or former employer. Interested students may obtain an application form, job listings and descriptions, and the SOS Handbook on earning

your way in Europe by sending their name, address, name of educational institution and \$1 (for postage, printing, handling and addressing only) to either SOS-Student Overseas Services, Box 5173, Santa Barbara, Calif, 93108, or to S.O.S. - 22 Ave. de la Liberte, Luxembourg, Europe.

Student Overseas Service
Although the above speak of "American" students, apparently what is meant is "North American". A.C.

For several years American European Student Service assists American university students in finding summer employment in Europe.

The purpose of this Foundation is to place students in the country and job which interests them most and bring these students into living contact with the peoples of Europe. Every year, we are carrying out the program on a larger scale, due to the many more jobs we have. We hope this year to acquaint every student in America with this excellent program. To inform all university students of this, we enclose a Press release, which will explain in more detail our program.

Job opportunities in Europe this summer...Work this summer in the forests of Germany, on construction in Austria, on farms in Germany, Sweden and Denmark, in hotels in Switzerland. Well here are these jobs available as well as jobs in England, France, Italy and Holland to university students coming to Europe the next summer.

For several years students made their way across the Atlantic through A.E.S.-Service to take part in the actual life of the people of these countries. The success of this project has caused a great deal of enthusiastic interest and support both in America and Europe.

Every year, the program has been expanded to include many more students and jobs. Already, many students have made application for next summer jobs. American-European Student Service (on a non-profitable basis) is offering these jobs to students for Germany, Scandinavia, England, Austria, Switzerland, France, Italy and Spain. The jobs consist of forestry work, child care work (females only), farm work, hotel work (limited number available), construction work, and some other more qualified jobs requiring more specialized training.

The purpose of this program is to afford the student an opportunity to get into real living contact with the people and customs of Europe. In this way, a concrete effort can be made to learn something of the culture of Europe. In return for his or her work, the student will receive his or her room and board, plus a wage. However, student should keep in mind that they will be working on the European economy and wages will naturally be scaled accordingly. The working conditions (hours, safety, regulations, legal protection, work permits) will be strictly controlled by the labor ministries of the countries involved.

In most cases, the employers have requested especially for American students. Hence, they are particularly interested in the student and want to make the work as interesting as possible.

They are all informed of the intent of the program, and will help the student all they can in deriving the most from his trip to Europe.

Please write for further information and application forms to: American-European Student Service, Box 34733, FL 9490 Vaduz, Liechtenstein (Europe).

Sincerely yours
American-European
Student Service
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reader comment

Election phenomena

Yes, fellow students, it is that time of year again when the Chinook winds begin to blow and aspiring and/or opportunistic student politicians crawl from wherever they have been hibernating and start to promise, promise and promise. This sort of phenomenon has become sort of a pre-spring ritual at this University and I find, that after five years on campus the ritual has, to say the least begun to pall.

Just how valuable is this annual ritual to the membership of the Students' Union? Does it provide for anything more than a small portion of thy membership to feel as if they are "participating" in this organization? I think not. Does it provide little more than an opportunity for the above-mentioned student politicians to try their luck, and if elected, gain some practical administrative knowledge? From my experience, the answer is no.

Bearing this in mind, I find the promises, promises and promises now being spouted by the current gaggle of candidates to be not simply ludicrous but almost hilarious in their general absurdity. The fact that some of these candidates actually believe they can make good on these statements should be a matter of concern to both you and the mental health authorities.

But as I said, some of the promises that have been rushed into print are quite amusing and almost worth, in terms of entertainment value, the seventy-five cents the S.U. puts up for the printing. Almost.

Paraphrasing Charles Dickens, there are some "gems to be picked from the dung-hill of promises". Like one candidate's proposal to 'improve relations between the students and the food services people'. How? Maybe he's going to bring in his own recipes or subsidize steaks in the SUB cafeteria. My stomach can hardly wait. Another wants to see SUB "jumping everyday" with artisans, clubs and what have you. Just how you and I are supposed to make our way around these daily hordes of "jumping" people in a building already choked with traffic is not mentioned. The same candidate has proposed rescheduling noon hour classes. Gosh, I can barely stand the exciting thought of 7 a.m. or 5 to 6 p.m. classes.

Then of course, there is the Board of Governors candidate whose rather inflated opinion of himself has led him to declare that this is your 'ONE CHANCE FOR MEANING'. O-wow! If he isn't elected, I guess we are all up the proverbial creek. On the other hand an opposing candidate has chosen to rely on a much more tired and true method of electioneering: prostitution of issues or semi-issues. His poster screams out such earthshattering phrases like 'Pembina Hall', and 'Campus Planning'. Happy hooking fella! Another hopeful has declared that he will strive for 'more courses with Canadian content' during a year of "progressive reform". I'm sure that science students will be gratified to know they're being taught *Canadian* physics instead of *foreign* physics.

The list of candidates that suffer from verbal diarrhea and mental constipation is greater and more appalling than what I have mentioned. I have chosen only some of the more ridiculous examples. From the time that I have spent on campus, it would seem that the number of this type of candidate is disproportionately higher than in the past. This is not to say that there are not some candidates worthy of your consideration. Unfortunately, they are pitifully few and difficult to sort from the majority.

The generally low calibre of candidates this year is a damn good excuse not to vote at all, aside from the very legitimate excuse that most students don't know a bloody thing about *any* candidate let alone more than a dozen of them. I can't blame any student one bit for not voting. The type of information conveyed by posters or quick visits to classes is no more than trite and contrived; it is all too often part of the candidate's individually tailored con job.

If however you feel deep inside that need to 'exercise your democratic right' and to 'participate' in an organization you are forced to join anyways, then try at least to decide on a basis greater than what a person looks like or how familiar their name is. Maybe a visit to the election rally on Wednesday will help. (At least it is entertaining.)

If you do vote, don't be conned out of that vote. And if you don't believe you are being conned, just watch next year. The same posters, screaming "accessability", "leadershit" (whoops!) I mean "Leadership", "awareness", "co-ordination" ad nauseum will still appear next year. Only the names will be changed--to confuse the innocent.

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