

Non committal

I would like to question Nadia Rudyk's mini-editorial in the Nov. 1st. Gateway.

It is obvious from its presentation that Miss Rudyk did not want to commit herself, one way or the other, in the question of "socialistic-communism."

It seems to be a pretty straight forward matter Miss Rudyk. Marx postulated that communism, to be as effective as it can be, must rule the world. Only then will each and everyone of us have the security and inner peace that we North Americans lack in our capitalistic way of life.

Communism is guided by the principle, "From each according to his ability, to each according to his needs," and class, labour and property distinctions would disappear.

V. Shevchenko's summary statement (in article, p.1, of the same issue of Gateway) as to the purpose of the delegation's visit is quite correct. They are trying to establish communism throughout the world under the only guise the people, living in our capitalistic society will accept - the so-called cultural-friendship exchange. Power to you, V. Shevchenko and to your delegation's intentions. The ones that are with you, know that you will succeed very soon.

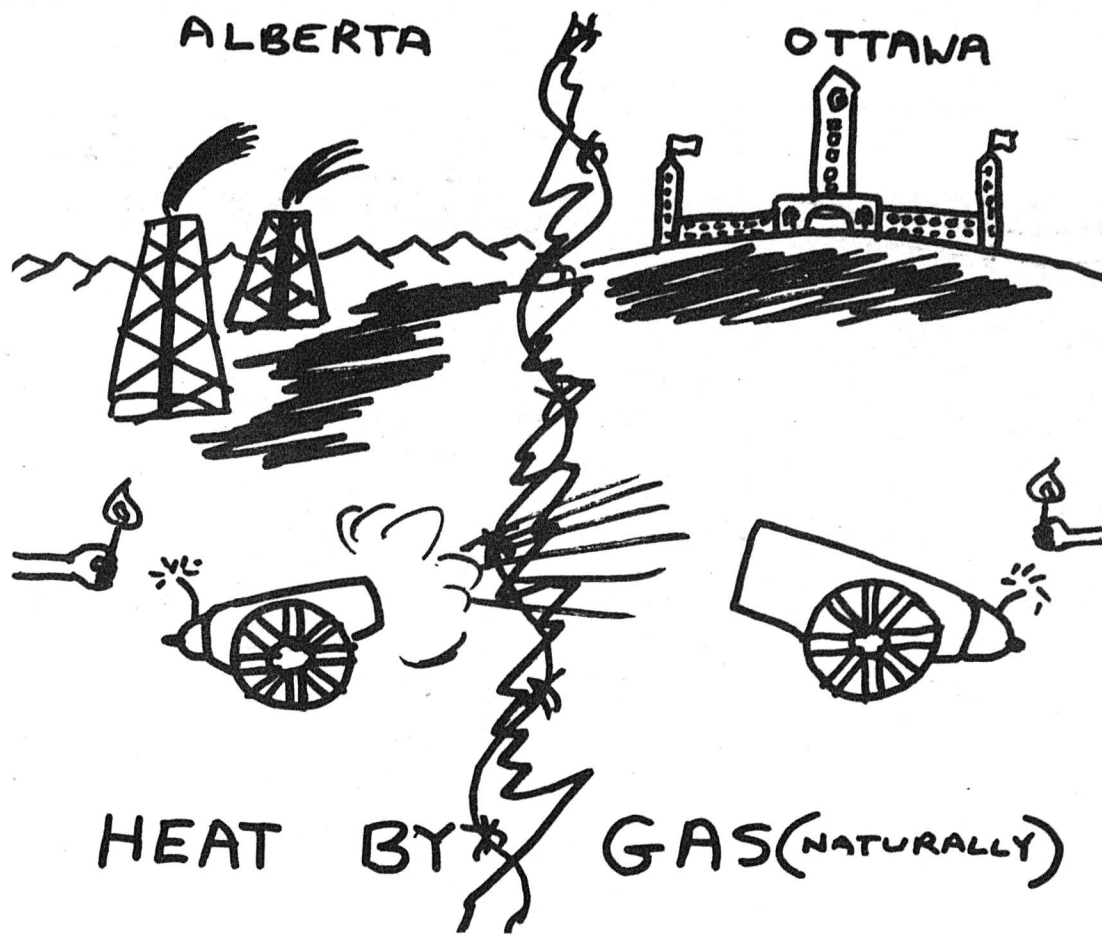
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Arts IV

Short routes

There is a considerable body of mathematical knowledge devoted to finding the shortest path between two points on a given surface. But if that surface is the U of A campus we have no need of complicated theories. All we need do is observe those patches of snow which have been trodden down by the passing of hurried feet. Come spring, when the snow has melted, we achieve the same end by looking for strips of dead grass.

On a campus as ridiculously overbuilt as this, one would think that perhaps the student populace would be at least mildly solicitous of what grass we do have. Alas, it seems we do not care more for beauty than for haste.

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editorial

Incredible inedibles

During the question period of last Monday night's Student Council meeting, someone asked the executive if something could be done about the quality of food in the SUB cafeteria, "because it really is quite bad this year."

Charlie Hall, vp finance replied that "There is really nothing we can do." He commented that the SUB cafeteria operates at a \$20,000 annual deficit, half of which is picked up by the university. According to Hall, if the director of food preparation in the cafeteria had more money to buy better quality raw materials, she would be able to produce quality food.

Well, judging from my own experiences with food in SUB, the best thing that can be said about it is that it is non-toxic. I know through bitter personal experience that cheap meats and vegetables can be turned into meals that are not only edible but tasty.

I submit that there is absolutely no excuse for the trash we are being served in SUB-and some of us have no choice about eating there.

There is no excuse for egg shells in the sandwiches, burnt carrots, soggy french fries, leathery hot dogs, rubbery hamburgers...those are just a few of the cafeteria's minor sins. The major sin is the prices charged for the "meals." A hot dog with fries and a drink can cost up to a dollar. A full meal including meat, vegetables, beverage and dessert can cost up to \$2.50.

Those who have the time and wish to brave the weather can get a better, cheaper meal in one of HUB's many food spots. Unfortunately, HUB doesn't accept meal tickets.

I would suggest that those in charge of food services in this building use some of that \$20,000-plus and hire cooks who can cook. We aren't asking for top notch chefs, just someone who can turn out an edible meal.

Allyn Cadogan

Dear Readers,

'Dwindling response to any and all issues dealt with in Gateway suggest the paper could be published weekly rather than bi-weekly, thus saving much wear and tear on the editorial staff...there seems to be a lack of interest? (it's not apathy... it's just that nobody cares, that's all)One-shot feature writers, news writers, cartoonists, graphics artists -hell, we're not fussy... it's your rag.

Drop in and get the dope on Gateway....Mondays and Wednesdays are our press nights-we desperately need production staff, too-or there's generally someone around any weekday...Room 282 SUB....If you want your Gateway, we need your help.

Ukranian visit

The front page article "Ukranian Group Visits City" in your November 1st issue contains two errors which we would like you to correct if possible.

First, you state that "Gifts were presented by the Voice of Women, the Association of United Ukranian Canadians, and the Canada-USSR (Friendship) Association, co-sponsors of the reception." It is true that all three organizations presented gifts, but only the last two sponsored the reception.

Secondly, you state that "The majority of Ukranians in Edmonton boycotted the delegation's visit." We find this statement to be completely unwarranted and without any basis in fact. The group was here for a very short time but were very warmly welcomed by Canadians; of many racial backgrounds and of many walks of life. Our only fear is that we omitted some people through lack of space or opportunity.

Our organization would like to thank the many people, of many diverse views, who helped to make the visitors welcome, both on campus and in the city. In particular we thank those Ukranians who welcomed the Soviet visitors in their homes, or at public functions, or who acted as interpreters. They were showing the genuine hospitality for which western Canada is famous. The only limits were imposed by lack of space. Do

you think we could get the "majority of Ukranians in Edmonton" into one room?

Yours sincerely,
Jean D. Priegert
(Secretary)

P.S. When some of the visitors entered the visitor's gallery in the Legislature the government member who introduced them from the floor was of Ukranian ancestry, as, no doubt, were many of the MLA's who thumped their desks so warmly.

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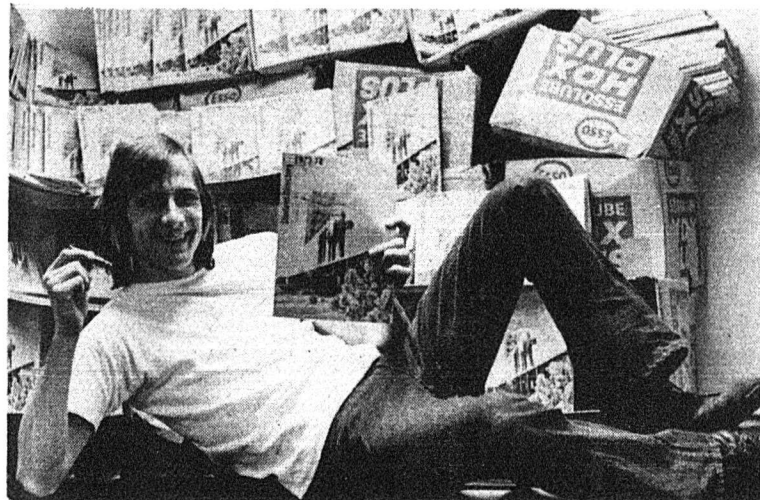
ratty filler

(EARTH NEWS)- Rats and mice have recently become a major problem in the Australian city of Melbourne and its suburbs. So, the State of Victoria Health Ministry has declared a "war on rats," but it didn't count on the "Save the Mice" campaign.

To enforce the newly declared war, harsh penalties were introduced for anyone who failed to keep their home clean of rodents. At that, a group called the Australian National Mouse Club squealed. They saw the move as an infringement of their right to keep mice as pets, and they've launched the "Save the Mice" campaign.

The sixty or so mouseketeers in Melbourne have printed up "Save the Mice" bumper stickers and other literature, but their biggest blow for rodent liberation came from a member named Kathleen Simpson. Ms. Simpson pointed out that if the Mouse Club members couldn't keep pet mice, then the same laws prevented all of Melbourne's hospitals and research labs from keeping mice for experiments.

That did it. Victoria's Health Minister has instructed his department to re-evaluate the mouse control laws.



Come and get it

The names of thousands more like him can be found in a student directory. They are available in Room 104, SUB. Who says Gateway isn't an equal opportunity paper?

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