

# The Gateway

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## editorial

At last we have the definitive answer on the Mystery of the Unpublished Course Guide. As SU vp academic Ken McFarlane puts it, we're spending Students' Union money this year on a "dry run" and that's why it will never be published and distributed to students. Huh? We're going to spend over \$5,000 of the students' money to produce a course guide only for the professors? That's right, says McFarlane. We're going to spend student money to do the university's job for them, because that's the only way to remove the student-slanted "stigma" attached to the guide. A pretty good reason to waste money. No wonder we find ourselves \$260,000 in debt, with such efficient management of monetary resources.

At first everyone thought we couldn't publish the guide for students because it cost too much. No so, says McFarlane. The \$11,000 to \$15,000 needed to mass-produce the guide is merely a "drop in the bucket" he says. But he adds we're not printing the guide because we shouldn't be channeling our students to what are presently considered "good" professors and courses. That's right, Ken, we shouldn't try to ensure students have the chance to be taught by the best professors in campus. Matter of fact, we don't even have the right to expect we'll receive the best decisions possible from their Students' Union executive, judging by the decision to stifle the course guide.

Better we should take \$5,000 and dump it off the Groat Bridge than expect the Students' Union to give us good service for the money we have already paid out, right? At least the other way we can give the people down-river some monetary compensation for all the effluence we dump on them - students shouldn't expect so much.

Doesn't it seem obvious we should support membership in the Federation of Alberta Students (FAS) when even our benevolent and broad-minded minister of advanced education admits it's been working? Dr. Bert Hohol, in an interview two weeks ago, said his department's response to students' needs in the last year has largely been the result of FAS input. And representatives from Alberta's post-secondary educational institutions and from the provincial department disbursing student loans, have said FAS is becoming a worthwhile part of the policy-making process for Alberta education. Are we going to allow this federation of 17 students' unions to die simply because we don't care enough to pay 50 cents a year to ensure the broadest possible range of interests are represented when government policy is formed? It's only the price of two draught beer but it's effect is somewhat different. **Vot Yes for FAS membership in tomorrow's referendum.**

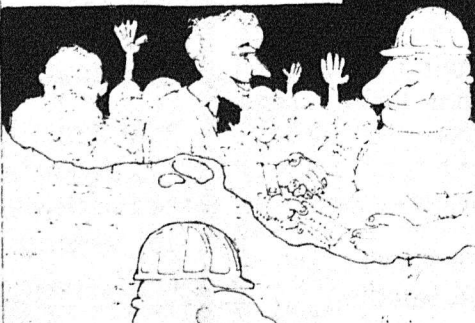
Kevin Gillese

## BUB SLUG by Delaney & Rasmussen

AS BUB SLUG LEFT FOR WORK ON MONDAY, LITTLE DID HIS NEIGHBOURS KNOW THAT HE WAS REALLY HEADED FOR THE RECORDING STUDIO.



BUB WAS THINKING BACK TO THE EVENTS WHICH LED UP TO HIS "DATE WITH DESTINY."



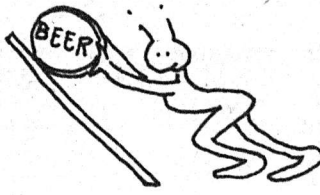
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## applauds Mao's death

To the one who wrote the following remarks on the front page of Sept. 18th's Central Daily News of the Rutherford Library Periodical Reading Room:

"ju kuo mei yo mao chu hsi chung kuo jen na li yu chin t'ien ti jih tzu' (Without mao, how could the Chinese people become today's Chinese?)" -

At Mao's death, my first reaction was to send a telegram of congratulation to the 800 million people in Mainland China in thanks for their release from his unprecedented tyrannies. My second reaction was that for as a well-known dictator such as he was, responsible for the deaths of tens of millions of Chinese, death at the age of 82 was too good for him and too terrible for China.

I couldn't turn my first reaction into action because I didn't know where to send the telegram. As a matter of fact, in Communist China, the government not the people, is master of the country; since the Chinese Communist Party totally dominate the government and the government thoroughly control the people, maybe the only organization which can receive my message is the CCP politburo.

Of course, I understood it would be just another waste of resources if I sent a congratulatory telegram to them for their head's sudden death.

As for the second reaction, I was sorry his death came at 82 instead of 28. Because of his late

death, in the past 28 years he had the time to turn China into 1) a country of merely two classes, namely the domineering and the ones domineered. (The CCP do successfully minimize the inequalities among the latter but maximize the disparities of living standards between the former and the latter classes. People, the mass of people are still poor) 2) one of the two members of the Nuclear Club which believe a strong performance in defence strength is the most important thing concerning their people (even at the costs of freedom, peace, democracy and opportunities to improve living conditions).

3) a country of struggles between the people, even between parents and children, brothers and sisters. The CCP teach our youths and children with "love Chairman Mao more than love our parents." (Should it succeed, do you think it will be the end of the Chinese people because of the losing of basic humanity?)

So far, I think you will understand how I like your Mao. But, there is one thing I am sure I'll never do, that is, put my own opinion down on a newsstory about Mao in a library newspaper or add something, e.g. a mustache, on the portrait of your Mao which, after his death, appeared on most of the newspapers either domestic or foreign, available on the

Periodical Reading Room.

I won't do that because know they are not my private property. Somebody may like to read a newsstory instead of reading my comments. I am very sorry for the fact that what I'll never do is exactly what you have done.

As an element of the intersection set of the set A of people loving Mao and the set B of people without public morality, you'd better learn more about the affluent Chinese culture and see more about the situation of contemporary China. With my best wishes I hope you will be eliminated from the union set of A and B, sooner or later

Stev Tsui  
Economic  
Graduate Studies

## Luce them!!

Are you aware of the unspeakable tortures our poor enslaved brothers in Friesland, one of the illegal "provinces" of the Netherlands, are subjected to?

Their Dutch colonial overlords often force Friesians to eat vile-smelling amounts of Gouda and Edam cheese.

As well, the Dutch manufacturers decapitate Friesians and use the heads to make baseballs used in the U.S.

And of course, Dutchmen wear red suspenders so they can strangle poor, helpless Friesians. These ritual stranglings are always a major attraction at "colorful" tulip festivals throughout the nation.

And do you know why the Friesian chicken crossed the road?

Because land-hungry Dutchmen had drained its precious marshy habitat for use in their nefarious land "reclamation" schemes.

This sort of outrage must not be tolerated. Solidarity with our Friesian brothers!

Fletcher Wimmer  
Agriculture

## Luce pursestrings are tightened

"Let then eat caviar with blinis washed down with Moet et Chandon's Cuvee Dom Perignon 1969 champagne followed by pintadeau aux morilles and a 1957 Margaux," French Premier Raymond Barre pontificated when informed of attacks on the U of A Students' Union

Apart from that old twist on Marie-Antoinette, however, observers felt suicidal "French" Barre had done a fairly solid job of curbing his emotional and unpredictable fellow citizens of the fifth republic.

"Barre's been busier than a

jackrabbit with a firecracker up its ass," conceded Socialist leader Francois Mitterand. "Unfortunately, I can't say the same for your waffling Council."

Inquired Mitterand, "Dipzhits is the term you English use in such cases, is it not?"

Despite these somewhat unnecessary external attacks, campus watchers reported a state of normalcy, apathy almost, in the air last week.

Quoth one, "After all, it does promise to be an early winter."

Hank Luce  
Graduate Studies