

**LETTERS CONT'D**

ada's admission policy) and are now trying to apply the Chilean lessons to Canada rather than repeat the facts and make Marxist-Leninist statements. Paragraph seven summarized the preceding paragraphs, and everyone who has re-read it in view of your letter has found no grammatical error in the paragraph.

**Public Disassociation**

**To the Gazette:**

As a staff member of the Dalhousie Gazette I have the advantage of seeing most copy prior to its printing in our pages. This week I feel I am obligated to invoke my privileges and comment on certain articles simultaneously with their publication in the Gazette.

It is a cheap and cowardly trick to publish overly controversial material in the last issue of the term. It will seem obvious to some why the Gazette chose issue #26 in which to print four pages of invective and slander against the University Administration. It will be about five months before the paper will have to answer to any charges resulting from the publication of such trash, and by that time all will probably be forgotten.

I am referring of course to the supposed 'parody' of the University News which appears as a supplement to this last issue of the Gazette. What may have started out as a friendly jab at our campus competition, has obviously degenerated into libel and character assassination. I can only add that I wish publicly to disassociate myself from any decision to allow the publication of such craven muck-racking, especially in the last issue of the term. It can only stand to reflect on the wholesale lack of integrity and professional ethics of the Gazette staff.

Thanking-you, sincerely,  
Roger Metcalf  
Arts II

Ed. Note: Oh Roger, you're such a pompous fool!

**A Purely Academic Endeavour**

**To the Gazette:**

Being a member of the Chinese Students' Association of the St. Mary's University, I have a clear knowledge of the entire event and therefore would like to express my personal views with reference to D. Moulton's article entitled "Would You Date A Chinese Student" published on the March 27th issue of the Dalhousie Gazette.

The main problem leading to the controversy is the absence of identification on the questionnaire. There was no indication as to who conducted the survey, nor was the purpose in compiling such information defined.

Upon the suggestion of Dr. Hennessy and Dr. Mary Sun (both of whom were advisors of the Chinese Students' Association), members of the CSA brought this matter to the attention of Dr. Carrigan in order to trade the origin of this questionnaire. Subsequently, they learned that it was a research project that the Sociology Department students were conducting and an informal meeting was held between Professor OkraKu

and some CSA members.

At the meeting the students queried why this departmental questionnaire was circulated so secretly (among non-Chinese students only) and pointed out some of the questions which appeared very ambiguous, e.g.

"Do you think Chinese students should have equal rights and opportunities at S.M.U.?" and

"Some students feel that, for their own convenience, Chinese students should be concentrated in certain areas of residence. Do you agree?"

Professor OkraKu remarked that questions like these were deliberately set out to test the presence of any negative or extreme attitudes among the respondents towards Chinese students. Finally, both parties agreed that any existing misunderstandings could be clarified if Ms. Mary Beth Wallace, as the group leader, would publicly announce the meaning of this survey, ideally, through "The Journal" - St. Mary's Student newspaper.

It was beyond the anticipation of anyone that this research survey would rise into such a great confusion. Furthermore, I believe it is definitely not the intention of CSA to treat this questionnaire as a serious offense against their rights or racial status at S.M.U. I think it is unfair that Ms. Wallace "had to apologize to a host of people" just because she happened to be leader of this scientific survey conducted as part of the course curriculum. However, as I mentioned before, such a serious outcome is beyond anyone's expectation. In my opinion, CSA surely would have to apologize to Ms. Wallace if she is offended by CSA while handling the entire problem. Moreover, there shouldn't be any misunderstanding if we had been informed from the beginning that the whole questionnaire is nothing more than a purely academic survey.

Sincerely,  
Wong Dick-Chuen, Joseph

**Black Friday**

**To the Gazette,**

On April 1st James Lawrence Hutchison, 47 and Richard Ambrose, 26 were sentenced to death by hanging for the Capital Murder of two Moncton policemen in December 1974. The execution is set for Friday June 13, 1975.

Ambrose and Hutchison were convicted on circumstantial evidence in the two week trial held in Moncton. The Crown Prosecutor achieved the conviction on the testimony of 76 witnesses.

We would like to bring to the attention of the student body some of the questionable circumstances surrounding the case and subsequent trial. To quote from the closing appeal of the prosecuting attorney Donald Friel, "Voluntary circumstantial evidence led to the irresistible conclusion that the two men were guilty." In light of this fact, it should be noted that at least two witnesses which would have affected the circumstantiality of the evidence were not called. One of these was Moncton police chief C. M. Weldon who the defence attorney Mr. Bell pointed out was stopped in the area where the two officers disappeared at about the time

they went to check out a car during the kidnapping investigation. Mr. Bell said that the police chief has a man and a woman who were not officers in the car when he was stopped. He suggested Chief Weldon was a decoy wittingly or otherwise to draw attention away from somebody else. Mr. Bell put forth further questions which should raise doubts in our minds concerning the execution of these men in our supposedly civilized state, on strictly circumstantial evidence. In particular, he pointed out the contradictory evidence given by the kidnapped boy's father, Cy Stein as compared to the evidence concerning the ransom drop location given by the police. To quote Cy and Raymond Stein, "Events could not have happened that way...the times don't add up. The times are wrong. We don't have all the information. Some of the information we have is obviously wrong."

Indeed, greater questions were raised when several police witnesses described the voice heard on a telephone call as suave and educated. He suggested, that their evidence relating to the brief call had been subject to the power of suggestion. Mr. Bell, pondered the question, why on the morning of the murder would the suspects risk detection by going to a Moncton hardware store to buy shovels, a pick, and a hatchet? We would like to raise the question "How, if the murdered policemen dug their own graves, could the tools that they used have been purchased the following morning after the murder?" We would also like to raise the question, "Why is there such a great inconsistency in the styles displayed in the murder and kidnapping. How could the same two people have committed both the most non-violent kidnapping and possibly the most brutal murder in Canadian history?" We recall with all due disgust the clamouring for the death penalty that was displayed in Moncton upon the capture of these two men, and later at the funeral of the two officers. Can any of us really believe with all sincerity that our fellow citizens and our representatives of Justice were above the effect of the pur group pressure applied by the community? As Canadians we must bear the total responsibility for the execution decided upon by our judicial system. Can this decision which was made in only two hours and forty minutes (that's one hour and twenty minutes, per life) really have taken into consideration all the circum-

stantial evidence which was brought up during the two week trial.

We hope that we have brought to your attention some of the very important questions that have not been sufficiently answered in our opinion and we hope in the opinion of the twenty two million executors to be. Perhaps the questionable attitudes and manners concern-

ing this trial can be fully highlighted by the satirical decision on the date of execution set by Justice David M. Dickenson, Friday June 13, 1975.

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Peter Cameron  
Denise Purcell  
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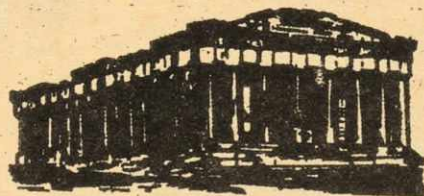


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