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### America the free

I guess that you are wondering just why I am writing you. Well here in the U.S. the media seems to have some kind of censorship on certain kinds of information. I first found this out during the war in Viet Nam. I found out that the only way I could find out what was really going on over there was from

The media earns large amounts of money during war times, so they are in favor of keeping wars going. Once when I wrote a letter questioning the publishing of some intelligence information concerning a superior gun lubricant I found strangers showing up to threaten my life.

Twice in one week I found the Charlotte Police Department trying to trap me with women. When I mentioned in my home church in Alton, II. that I didn't think that any sacrifices were necessary in order to have prosperity some men showed up at the Owens Illinois plant and announced that they were from the F.B.I. These hoodlums were quite nasty but they were quite full of information as to what my ex-wife was doing here in North Carolina.

However, they were quite open about the fact that they wouldn't mind taking me for a ride until I wrote a letter to a newspaper here in North Carolina pleading with them to do some thing to save my life from those F.B.I. hoodlums. I found by talking to foreign military experts that the U.S. had quite a history of foot dragging in military affairs. If the military wasn't trying to invade Germany via the Breener Pass (an insane military manoeuver) they were just dropping bombs in order to make the bomb manufacturers rich.

My countrymen think that unless you have a big war and use a lot of young men for cannon fodder that the country will have a big depression. When Hitler was building the German autobahn my countrymen sat on their hands and couldn't think of a thing to do. My home town was famous for it's smokeless ammo. But a close friend told me that instead of being smokeless it was in truth able to make a great deal of smoke which would show the enemy where to shoot in order to kill a soldier.

Right now I am 57 years of age and I haven't had a ob that paid enough for me to live on for many years. It seems that in order to earn enough to live on you have to keep your mouth shut. I have a relative in California who really lives high on the hog. She doesn't have to get out and pick in manure in order to make a living like I do. But then again she doesn't ask questons about the military making human sacrifices or about the police? Recently when I wrote a few newspaper articles and sent them to school newspapers asking about some children who had disappeared a couple of cops came to visit.

Back in the fifties I found a place in Indiana where some people had set up what they called a spiritualist camp. They were using their knowledge of advanced psychology in order to fleece people.

They informed me that they were protected by the law since this was their religion. They asked one of their hypnotised victims just why he had come to Chesterfield. He told them to sell some cattle. He told them that he had earned \$400.00 from this transcation. They told him that he would spend the money right there. Since he had been hypnotised and most people under hypnosis respond to suggestion I am quite certain that he spent all of his money at

I don't know just who controls the media of the U.S., butis must be some rich idiot. It is the media that crys that we are having a depression and that there is no money. It is the media that prints intelligence information that can ruin a military operation such as the Bay of Pigs. It is the media that has us paying through the nose for energy. Our coal could be turned into oil by using the three plants that Standard Oil of New Jersey built in order to show Hitler how he could get energy for WW II. The hypnosis used at Chesterfield could be used to hunt up paid killers, kidnappers, bank robbers, etc., but the media wouldn't like that since people like to read about

Bill J. Bloomer 218 Esplanade St. Charlotte, N.C. 28213

### **God bless America**

Kent Cochrane's simplistic and narrow-minded evaluation of the 1984 American presidential election simply must be refuted.

His anti-American tirade is insulting and displays great ignorance.

Mr. Cochrane believes President Reagan's victory was because of style and not substance.

Well then I must provide him with some of Ronald Reagan's substance: inflation at a record low, decrease in unemployment, a powerful American dollar, lower interest rates, and an overall boom in the American economy at a time when most other nations are mired in a deep recession.

These are FACTS Mr. Cochrane.

Furthermore, since President Reagan took office in 1980, western defence and solidarity has grown stronger and stronger, witness the overwhelming support members of the NATO alliance have given the President's foreign policy.

Prime Ministers Margaret Thatcher of Great Britain and Brian Mulroney of Canada, along with West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and others support the President's direction and leadership.

There is a good reason for this, Mr. Cochrane, for since the Reagan administration took office, not a single inch of territory has fallen to the Soviets.

Despite Soviet boycotts, threats, and challenges the Western Alliance, under President Reagan's leadership, has grown stronger.

Would Mr. Cochrane prefer to return to the policies of the Carter-Mondale administration which fostered economic chaos and military weakness; allowed the Soviets to invade Afghanistan; fanatical Iran to hold America hostage; and a foreign policy characterized by indecision and confusion?

Would he prefer to return to economic malaise and a weak and vulnerable defence?

Finally, Mr. Cochrane's reference to American culture as plastic is particularly unwarranted and insult-

For over 200 years, Americans have contributed much to the benefit of mankind.

American achievements in the Arts and Sciences are unparalled. America and her people have set the standard in terms of a nation realizing its potential and sharing her fruits for the benefit of mankind.

American culture is invigorating, constantly growing, and very enriching.

This great nation and her people do not require nor deserve to be struck down by an irrelevant, obscure, uninformed undergraduate student writing a cheap editorial.

Dale Mounzer **Education III** 

#### Part-time concerns

The article Suzette Chan did on part-time students concerns (Gateway, Nov. 1, 1984) is very much appreciated. It comes at a time when many U of A students are struggling to balance courses, jobs and other responsibilities.

I hope, as the Alberta Co-ordinator for C.O.P.U.S., to hear from students not only about the concerns they have, but also positive experiences to share with

Those part-time students interested in getting together or forming a group could contact me through the MUGS (Mature Undergraduate and Graduate Students) office 30W SUB or Box 152 SUB or through the office of the Dean of Students at Athabasca Hall.

I am sure a group on campus would be of great service to the over 4000 part-time students enrolled

> Janet Harding Home Ec IV

### CANSAVE, Can do

It is heartening to see reports on donations for the relief of Africa such as your headline story in the Gateway of November eighth.

One of the agencies active in Africa is the Canadian Save the Children Fund. Last year they disbursed 644,786 in Africa. Your readers may like to know that through the English Department we have collected for CANSAVE for the last twelve years and annually raise an average of two thousand dollars for them. Since this sum is matched by the Alberta government and then rematched by the federal government it actually amounts to eight thousand dollars.

The money raised is well used; the administrative costs of CANSAVE, last year, were 13.9 per cent.

We are presently selling on behalf of CANSAVE their Christmas cards at the English Department office. Humanities 3-5.

Those who buy cards might like to buy them from a worthy cause and help relieve the starving.

N. Parker-larvis

Dangerous lions in orange and purple, ethereal colors all, these large avaricious cats who claim loudly to be nocturnal, but are seen watching soaps, berate Donahue, sacking out with their everpresent can of Bud watching endless nebulous games of football, screaming "Neophyte, fool - that's not a foul," at the most eclectic of times. These lions, poor triumphant felines of the midwest, oh lions. Tepidity is your motto, and football is your middle