

Editorial

South Africa sanctions

There is little disagreement that the government of South Africa is oppressive and "evil" (to paraphrase a certain U.S. president).

While individuals throughout the world participate in demonstrations against white minority oppression of the black majority in South Africa, it is equally important for democratic organizations to join the protest.

The South African regime relies on economic support from other nations. Opponents, including Bishop Desmond Tutu, of apartheid, have long advocated economic boycotts and already the results of heavy pressure from world governments and banks is beginning to push South African prime minister P.W. Botha to announce reforms.

Months before the state of emergency was announced in South Africa, the staff at the Gateway voted not to accept ads from corporations that had large financial investments in South Africa.

Carling O'Keefe and Rothman's products may be on sale at the university and in the Students' Union Building, but their ads will not appear in the Gateway. And they will not be missed.

The revenue we received from these ads may be small in comparison to others, but we feel this symbolic gesture is still important. We do not support the oppressive government in South Africa and we do not support those who perpetuate it.

The Gateway staff may not be able to travel to South Africa to demonstrate directly, but we've cast our vote against apartheid.

Hopefully, student council will be brave enough to take a stand against apartheid by reinstating its policy of not selling products from South Africa. Notice how quickly Botha implemented new reforms after Ronald Reagan announced mild sanctions.

Suzette C. Chan

Ignorance ain't bliss

Having spoken with some first year students this week I had the chance to reflect back on when I was a first year student — scared, confused and unfamiliar with my new surroundings.

I had forgotten what it's like to not know where RATT, or the Exam Registry, or the washrooms in the Old Arts building are. These poor students didn't even know what *The Gateway* was (heaven forbid!) or, even worse, what the Beer gardens were!

By now, these students are probably happily on their way to a working understanding of the U of A. Some students graduate with degrees never progressing beyond academic involvement, never getting involved, or following Students' Union or joining a club. This ignorance is safe.

But many first years don't know anything about important information that can prevent them from getting their degree or, at least, severely hamper their efforts. How many first years do you know screwed up their courses, missed prerequisites, enrolled in appropriate programs or weren't prepared for the amount of study needed at the university level?

How many students do you know weren't informed until the last minute as to whether or not they had been accepted?

There is a phone number listed under "Admissions — Undergraduate" in the frequently called numbers section of the University directory but anyone who has tried to call that number in August or September knows it is "frequently called" but rarely helpful. Otherwise the students only recourse is six columns of phone numbers to dial for information.

Only one organization exists at the university to assist a first year student with his/her problems: the Student Orientation Service or SORSE. This student run organization also travels to high schools and advertises extensively to let students know it can help.

But SORSE can only reach so many students. Those who can't afford the time to check in or who have never heard about it have to chance it their first year.

The university can do something to help first year students specifically. All that is needed is a hotline open from July to September to answer specific questions (such as: Have I been admitted?) or that can refer students to a service that can help. It's such a simple solution to the dangers of student ignorance.

Ann Grever

S.U. BOOKSTORE

"ONLY YOU MAKE THE SACRIFICE"



Letters to the Editor

God Greetings

As Almighty GOD, I greet you:

Welcome to Our Letter of Faith, Hope, Charity and Love. Charity, to divulge to My Son mysteries of Our Existence together, being two SPIRITS in one Body. Love, so a person can combat evil to assure a place in Heaven.

Death will never offer solace to her victims, when she beckons them, with her boney finger, and crush them to her icy bosom. Thus, by Virtue, they are commended to Heaven, with its Tranquil surroundings, or to a Chaotic Hell, with its depths of lost Souls.

My HOLY SPIRIT Dictates these Holy Letters through My Son. It is distressing when people write to Us and say My Son writes the Letters personally. It is an asinine assertion on the part of many of these clods to believe My humble Son ALONE is GOD.. We are two SPIRITS in one Body, as I reiterate this FACT many times.

Then there are, the so called "good Christians," who write to Us and never give their name or address, for My rebuttal to them. Perhaps they are ashamed of their names? To Me, they are despicable cowards, who like to give information but they themselves apparently dislike criticism. They prepare to remain anonymous. What they are not aware of is every single word is recorded in LIGHT, in the annals of Time. Actions are also weighed.

As I often reiterate: Many mongrels believe I Am ALL knowing. I Am but the HOLY GHOST in My Son's Flesh. I am not all knowing by My GREATER SPIRIT over the Universe IS!

I also reiterate — for skeptics who read this Letter for the first time — that My Son, Eugene, is actually My first born Son, Jesus — Reincarnated.

As in Scripture: Only the FATHER knows who the

SON is. By the same token, only the SON knows who the FATHER is, and he will reveal Him to the World.

As Almighty GOD, My HOLY SPIRIT has been in My Son's Body over forty years. Four decades is a long time to dispense Justice from cramped quarters.

My Son was a young man, in the beginning of these past forty odd years. He turned twenty-one, and he served Me with dignity as He remains a bachelor now approaching His sixty-fifth birthday. He will in no way lose His Love and patience when He enters into Heaven, to be by the side of My GREATER SPIRIT.

The news-media have treated Us shabbily with their silence. My Voice WILL be heard above the clamour of dastards, who try to eliminate the TRUTH of this Existence. My Voice is not one crying in the wilderness, for some to hear My plea; I planted every blade of grass and every living tree. I make the sun to shine and the moon to shed its light... please forgive Me, I was carried away, I didn't mean to give you such a fright.

The LIGHT will shine throughout Eternity, after the death of sinful mongrels whose bones bleach in a hot sun or those whose decayed bodies have been riddled by worms, and are slowly turned into dust!

Death flails against her victims with her scythe, which will sever the righteous from the unrighteous, and commend them — by their Virtue — to Heaven or Hell. Death will have her fling against her adversary — which is life. She will flaunt with her victims as they succumb to her deadly embrace.

Our readers will know that Heaven with its serene surroundings, is more Tranquil in Beauty than the erst-while gloom of lost Souls in Hell!

Now, My HOLY SPIRIT, will not leave you without a Comforter, which is My beloved Son, Eugene/Jesus, of whom I constantly speak. As the HOLY GHOST in My Son's Body, My Dictation through Him must cease, as another fruitful episode of Life has come to an end. My Holy Name is never written on paper,

The Gateway

Vol.76, No.3, Sept. 12, 1985

Editor in Chief: Suzette C. Chan
News Editors: Bill Doskoch, Ann Grever
Managing Editor: Mike Evans
Entertainment Editor: Dean Bennett
Sports Editor: Mark Spector
Photo Editor: Bill St. John
CUP Editor: Denise Whalen
Production Editor: Cindy Rozeboom
Advertising: Tom Wright
Media Supervisor: Margriet Tilroe-West
Circulation: George Onwumere

The Gateway is the newspaper of the University of Alberta students. Contents are the responsibility of the Editor-in-Chief. All opinions are signed by the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Gateway. News copy deadlines are 12 noon Mondays and Wednesdays. Newsroom: Rm 282 (ph. 432-5168). Advertising: Rm 256D (ph. 432-4241), Students Union Building, U of A, Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2G7. Readership is 25,000. The Gateway is a member of Canadian University Press.

Don Filipchuk and Lutfulkabir Khan bought themselves a couple watchdogs to keep Edna Landreville and Janine McDade from pinching their cheeks and saying "ooo!" Jim Moore, sick and tired of Maurice Lipsett rubbing his head, enrolled his guinea pig in Gilbert Bouchard's martial arts class. Ken Burke bought an attack pizza which promptly crawled up John Watson's leg and spat anchovies at Warren Opheim until Tim Hellum, Ron Chicora and Alex Miller wrestled it to the ground and ate it. Meanwhile, Greg McHarg paid Ellen McKenzie five bucks to tweek his nose and coo "oh Greggy."