

# ...on his blindness

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grander. But he talks about how his "soul" is "bent" and that's an indication, at least, that he suspects he isn't playing with a full deck.

But if we really want to get to know this interesting old guy you should focus in on a handful of important words one should comprehend the deeper significance of these ones:

"Present my true account"  
"Day-labor, light denied"

"They also serve who only stand and wait"

Now "Maker" is probably a miss-print for "Taker," i.e., the foreman ticket-taker for an underground garage, probably a city employee, who likely would seem like a "God" ("Thousands at his bidding speed" and etc.) So it all falls into place. The poor little old ticket-taker has got to "present a true account," in despite of bad light and working conditions, and he has got to be on his feet all day, and he's terrified of this Godly foreman who probably throws his weight around

constantly and how is he going to keep on paying his hydro bills on a ticket-taker's pension which I doubt if it comes to more than \$25.00 dollars per year?

Sympathyze? Sure. But there's lots of people in other countries who never heard of electricity. And besides he wouldn't need so much electricity if he didn't stay up writing all those letters. And besides, everything is going up, not just hydro. Everybody blames the government, from the lowliest ticket-taker to the wealthiest and most affluent millionaire. But is this fair? I say no. I sympathyze with this poor little garage ticket-guy with his fallen arches and adipose veins, very likely from having to be on his feet constantly, which aren't any fun, and the blood all drained away from his brain so he can't even make his point anymore, which is pretty bad too, however, he'd be lots worse off elsewhere. Sure, he'd still be on his feet alot, but he'd pay more for hydro. Reading his next Edmonton Utilities bill,

I would like him to read the notice that appears carefully on the right side of the portion that is to be kept if you are paying by mail. Reading this message it says:

"Your electric bill would be much higher if the Alberta Government had not established its Natural Gas Rebate Plan. Your electric supply is largely fueled by natural gas. The benefits of the Rebate Plan to Albertans is (sic) \$70 million this year."

So really our little ticket-guy, figuring a ball-park figure of approximately a million people in the province, is roughly \$70 dollars ahead of the game or thereabouts, which is a lot of money for a little guy like that, so it's a very excellent thing that he doesn't get the money in the form of actual negotiable currency. Otherwise he'd load up on cheap B.C. wine and drink himself blind.

1 Better Homes and Journals, p. 43.

## Engineering Faculty revises student policy

Revisions to policy, approved by the Engineering Faculty Council at Jan. and Feb. meetings, will affect student regulations and the Engineering system next academic

Students who enter engineering directly from high school will have a maximum of 10 units to qualify for entry into specialized program. Students who do not enter the Faculty directly from high school will normally be allowed only two units to qualify for the specialized programs. This latter change mainly affect students who transfer from the junior college program or who transfer from other faculties.

In addition, a student who is admitted to the second year will have a basic allocation of ten units of "basic non-credit permitted." This has been reduced to 20 units of basic non-credit. These students who are required to withdraw from a specialized program and are subsequently admitted will have their "basic credit permitted" reduced to 10 units. The Faculty Council also decided that a grade of "3" earned by an engineering student in any course outside the Faculty of Engineering will be a "3" grade. Within the Faculty a grade of "3" will be credited only

if it is the only "3" in their term. There are no more than 15 units of "3" in a student's program. Other courses taken in the term were passed. The student's cumulative Point Average is at least 2.0 with the "3" included. The course load was at least 15

Commenting on the new admission procedures, Dean P.F. ... said that the Faculty was going to enable superior students to obtain credit for an additional course with a grade of ... necessary.

He pointed out that students in the Faculty of Engineering have a heavy course load and that

if a student's performance is above average he should not be penalized for one or two grades of "3".

Adams stressed that the reductions introduced in the maximum "basic non-credit permitted" are a further call for excellence in student achievement in the Faculty.

Associate Dean E.L. Fowler added that the increased level of attainment required for a student to enter a specialized engineering program was, in effect, making the first year of the program a qualifying year. Students will still be required to obtain a GPA of at least 5.5 with at least 30 units of credit to be placed into the "preferred pool" for selection to a specialized program.

However, to be placed in the "qualified pool" students must now have at least 30 units of credit and have a minimum GPA of 5.0. Previously these students only had to have a GPA of 4.5.

Students who fail to gain entry to a specialized program but who are not required to withdraw will be required to take a regular course load. All prescribed first year courses in which a grade of "3" or lower was obtained must be repeated. The remainder of the program will be completed by courses from the following list for the 1977-78 academic year:

Acceptable Arts Electives: CM-PUT 300; MATH 312, 313, 315; PHYS 330; CH E 324; CIV E 360; E E 354; MEC E 350; MNI F 352.

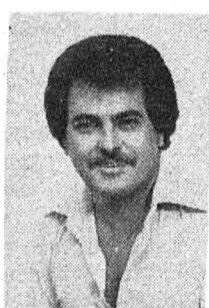
### Workers take Ottawa daily

OTTAWA (CPA-CUP) - While locked-out workers at the Ottawa Journal continue to walk the picket lines in face of management intransigence over job security demands of the union, workers at the French-language daily *Le Droit* are preparing to take ownership and control of the newspaper.

If all goes well in the next few

months, the Roman Catholic religious order that now owns the bulk of *Le Droit's* shares will hand over control to an employee holding company in May, making the paper the first employee-owned daily in Canada.

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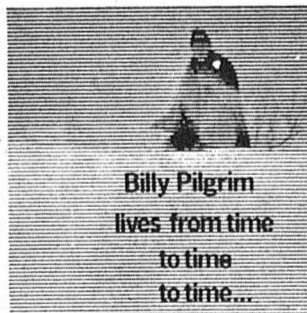
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