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A guide to safe reading

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In a surprise move by the Brunswickan editorial board, a new quality control policy has been adopted by the office. Fearing scenes of ritualistic "Bruns-burning", the staff have decided to associate each article with a small sym-

bol that will serve to warn any of the Brunswickan readership, of a particular sensitivity, just what a particular article might contain.

"Basically we believe it is the right of the university community to read what they want," said a Bruns staffer remaining anonymous with a black elephant-man style sack

over her head, "but given the squeamish nature of a growing proportion of our number, we feel an adequate warning needs to be given with regard to the nature of certain articles. If a reader feels that he might be offended by an article, then quite obviously it should be avoided.

The shock decision comes after several weeks of secret meetings by a "specially appointed" committee to determine whether or not certain material submitted to the university newspaper was inappropriate. As yet no definite action has been taken by the would-be censorship board.

"What with the bloody insulting C54 bill hanging Damoclean style over our heads we really don't need this sort of crap," a shaky voice was heard to whisper from behind a partially closed door, "when we, as students, are not allowed to voice our own opinions and attempt to inject a little humour into university life, we may as well pack up and go to Siberia," the unknown source finished with a hoarse squeal.

The general opinion is that these are dark times indeed for free expression and the freedom to receive information available to us as consenting adults.

With the very possible establishment of a Brunswickan "Board of Directors" many members of the newspaper staff expect a rather nasty Orwellian flavour to taint the publication.

"Let's put it this way," yelled an unidentified editor as he disappeared through a window, "do we really need another bland perspectives-type press release whose only redeeming feature is pizza ads?"

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Legend

A lot of old crap 

Blatant filler material (dancing pets, people that eat bicycles, etc.) 

Completely guaranteed safe article. 

Possible reference to violence 

Student politics 

Obvious sexual references that may prove offensive to anyone who has lived in a cave for the past decade. 

Administration news and/or controversial political issues 

References to sexually transmitted diseases. 