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### Anarchists fear competitive society

Editor:

It is with deep concern for the UNB students' public image that I write you now. The face of UNB has been plagued since last fall with the cancerous blight of a tiny group of anarchists which calls itself the CSDS. This group, which has only a few hard-core fellows, claims that the "system", the "establishment", the "administration", the "power elite", the "status quo", "authority", etc., must be overthrown. They complain that "society" is producing via universities and technical schools "yes-men" who must fit into specific slots. If you listen longer they start telling you how perfectly they would dictate. This clique then spews out Marxist doctrine.

Mr. Editor. I speak with

some degree of authority as I have followed their actions quite closely since last fall. The only logical conclusion that one can come to is that these "people" are suffering from a fear of having to compete in this competitive society. **THEY DON'T FEEL THAT THEY CAN COMPETE IN SOCIETY AS IT IS STRUCTURED SO THEY FEEL THAT THEY MUST CHANGE "THE SYSTEM" TO A FORM IN WHICH THEY COULD DICTATE.** I think their plans for a so called "democratic society" are a manifestation of their inner senses of insecurity and a desire to opt out of our fast moving technological, competitive world.

As far as their argument about universities turning out "yes-men" to fill slots goes, I would like to ask them: What

then is your purpose in any system if it is not to assume some particular role within it?

Their argument that the "establishment", the "hierarchy", etc., etc., must go is also incoherent. In any society, be it communist or capitalist (democratic), there will always, of necessity, be a power structure, and human nature being what it is there will always be a few wheeler dealers within it. No, my dear CSDS'ers, there is no Utopia and in case you didn't know, there is no Santa Claus either. Our democratic system of government may have a few flaws in it but by damn we don't have to put up a fence (or even an "iron curtain") to keep people in Canada.

Richard F. Mann  
Science 4

### Hope for council

Editor:

For those of you who have read Bob Hess's platform it appears to be 'very' interesting but is it democratic or is this what we want? One person after reading Hess's blurb (which came out Feb. 18/69) exclaimed, "Is it good or bad?" Well is it? How many students will stop and think about the implications of such a document? The SRC is becoming stagnant and 'dysfunctional' as someone stated at the last SRC meeting. The people on Council are human, believe it or not, and they also have the need to be motivated into constructive productivity.

contrary) and develop "the laughing stock of the whole campus" into a unit which is respected and a unit for which positions are fought (through campaigning of course) instead of having such apathetic minds which are truly paralyzing to campus life.

Negative trends like Carnival losses and cases of people who don't think before they act do, in fact, retard benefits which could come from the creativity inherent in most people. The administrative body would be, of course, the Students Representative Council.

Why, for example, was a more stringent control not placed on the Winter Carnival Committee of mainly finances and program arrangement. A move like this could probably (indirectly) give students a sense of belonging by having Carnival attendance go from 50% to 80% like it should be. People need to be motivated into contributing their part of the whole.

Another example of the promotion of group-participation would be a debating session concerning anyone wishing to state views (pro or con) in matters of student concern. A Notice of Motion regarding the pertinent issue could be posted a week before a Council meeting and debate ensue, say, for an hour around lunch time in the SUB. Two or three people supporting the pros or cons of the issue could thrash it out for the time allotted. A moderator, say from Corona, could be appointed and the debaters arranged by the SRC executive through request of the person(s) wishing to take part in the debate.

Surely the above mentioned could be a start to active participation and representation in student government.

Don McLean

### Unbreakable glasses better left on the shelf

Editor:

The fable is a form of propaganda to which your journal has been known to stoop. May I, therefore, offer you this specimen?

He took one of the priceless glasses and placed it on the table; then he brought the hammer crashing down, and the glass shattered into a thousand fragments.

that would be strong enough. Now Tom, when he feels thirsty, goes to the horse-trough in the square, and drinks from the little cup that is chained to the wall."

Neil W. MacGill  
Department of Philosophy

"Once upon a time there was a young man called Tom Murphy. Tom had inherited from his parents some very beautiful cut-glass wine-glasses which had been in the family for many centuries, and which had been used on innumerable occasions, both sad and happy. Over the years the Murphys had added to their collection, so that when Tom inherited it there were glasses for almost every sort of wine.

Protesting seems to be as much a part of our way of life as driving a car. Protesting and driving show many common qualities; both are useful and necessary; both can be dangerous. This letter is a protest about driving.

### If students miss, taxis won't

Editor:

It should not be necessary to remind people that driving under certain conditions can be deadly. If there never has been a serious accident on the UNB campus, it is purely due to chance.

Everyone is aware that the roads wind and undulate; that there are many blind spots; that the roads, for some unknown reason, are often icy and badly kept; and that there are frequently no sidewalks for pedestrians.

Driving at 20 M.P.H. under these conditions is one thing. However, driving at 60 M.P.H., at night, on ice and under the influence of alcohol is another matter. And, if the student drivers don't get you, the taxis will.

But Tom was very worried about his glasses, for he feared that they might not really be strong enough to stand up to continued use. His Czechoslovakian cousins, who knew a great deal about glass, tried to reassure him, but to no avail: after all, only the previous year they had lost all their glasses during a big Vodka party.

Tom grew so worried that one day he got out a large hammer from the tool chest.

Anthony F. Mitchell  
Business 4

## VIEWPOINT

### should unb adopt the trimester system?



ian ferguson  
arts 1, 2, 3, 4  
"If it will get the engineers out of here any faster."



bill hackett  
post grad 2  
"Definitely."



ben hong  
arts 4  
"Ah... oh... yea. Hey, you going to take my picture?"



dave jonah  
arts 2  
"As long as it isn't mandatory."

frank goldspink  
WHO???  
"It's a good system."



joy peterson  
nursin 2  
"It's a good ide but it wouidn't work for the nurses."



buddy lynch  
business 1  
"Oh shit, is this supposed to be spontaneous?"



chris mcelain  
versafood  
"I haven't given it much thought."



Doug Stanley  
Law 1

prepare for the  
ring round up