

## Edge Banned

To The Editor:

Another first. The purveyor of sensuousity and "Bad Taste", "Edge" has been banned from the Tuck.

That the owners of this establishment are connected with a certain political party, to remain sacredly nameless, but which has more than two seats in the legislature, is perhaps coincidence. That "Edge" should be almost sacrificially critical of that same group is probably an unconnected feature.

But search as I might I have been unable to find anything provocatively sensuous between its covers. That being the case, it would appear that we are confronted with something in the nature of politically biased censorship. Does this mean that the managers of Tuck shop will not allow the display and sale of any publication with which they are not in complete ideological concurrence? It would seem so.

And that being the case, is it true that the "wide" variety of titles on display do represent the views and mental attitudes of the managements? Publications on display, or which have been in the past include "Horoscope", "Quantum Mathematics Made Easy", "The Edmonton Journal" "Nurse Eech in the Congo" and divers historical novels and works with an amazing concentration on 18th and 19th century political thought.

This would seem to indicate a rather remarkable personality. One might suggest that there is a good correlation between their taste in literature, their taste in politica, and their taste in food.

Bill Salter  
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## Hooper Challenged

To The Editor:

I am one of the students in the men's new residence who has "no need for cars, outside of social purposes." Thus, having insufficient reason to park in lot "K", I have been leaving my car on the east side of 117 street.

Apparently, the residents in that area have complained about all the students' cars parked in that block, while parking lot K remains next to empty. Would it not be a reasonable solution to accommodate as many students as possible in the residence lot, giving priority to those particularly requiring a vehicle?

However, a letter which all delinquent parkers, including myself, received explained that Major Hooper, dean of men, has chosen an alternate solution to this problem. He "recommended" that cars be taken home or a garage be rented "to avoid trouble with the police."

I phoned city police and was told that parking on 117 street is completely legal (please correct me if I am wrong) providing vehicles are not left unmoved longer than forty-eight hours. The only action which could force students to move is the installation of parking restriction signs. In this case, students would have to put up with the inconvenience of parking on the west side of the same street, which, I expect, would be even more displeasing to the complaining residents.

I realize that our cars do constitute a nuisance to the 117 Street homeowners, and I, like the rest of the offending students, have no desire to annoy them. But I, seeing nothing illegal, intend to continue parking on the street in question. Why is there a problem in the first place. Why isn't

the almost empty K lot open to us?

Major Hooper pontificates that "students living in residences have no need for cars, outside of social purposes, and therefore have no need to use the parking lot."

I find this untenable. Has the dean of men considered that one car is a cheap, fast, and efficient means of transporting a number of students home when the need arises?

And why is the students' social life so unimportant? Since when can it be dismissed with an "and therefore?"

I hope Major Hooper, after reconsideration, will elect to compromise with the students on this matter by opening lot K. I am sure the annoyed homeowners, the students, and Major Hooper will be satisfied with the gratifying results that will ensue, or at least the parking lot will be. After all, there's nothing more sad than an empty parking lot.

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science 2

## Position Clarified

To The Editor:

May I clarify my views on premarital sex? When interviewed by Gateway reporters I stated: 1. the church does not make dogmatic statements about this topic; and, 2. there should be open discussion about sex on the campus, and 3. the Kinsey report is not valid. May I expand these points?

1. The purpose of Christianity is to bring an individual into a living, personal relationship with Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. It seeks to give guidelines to a wholesome Christian life. Christianity faces moral topics squarely. The basis for Christian morality is the Word of God, the Bible. The Bible speaks about purity, and cleanliness. Col. 3:5 have nothing to do with sexual imorality, dirty mindedness, and uncontrolled passion. The fundamental dignity of man is recognized in the Bible. Man is to be clean and pure. These are the guidelines upon which the individual bases his morality.

2. Why shouldn't discussion on sex be open? We talk freely about politics, weather, and ad infinitum. Thus to discuss sex does not violate Christian principles. It is when the topic of sex is hush hush that it degenerates, and slides, frequently, into the gutter. Sex is a gift of God, as is speech, and sight. Thus, speaking about the useful things in life can be uplifting rather than obscene. Discussion of sex should allow a Christian to state clearly what principles he holds.

3. I do not argue with the statistics quoted by Kinsey. I do, however, question the immoral position he takes concerning the dignity of the human body. Sex would become a plaything, and not the deepest expression of human relations which it is intended to be.

Finally, Christianity is not a religion of passion but of compassion. Thus we face life where it takes place. We do not ignore evil, we try to do good. When an individual is in any kind of trouble, doubt, or concern the Christian stands beside, not to judge but to love.

Lutheran Chaplain  
Herb Keil

## Cough Up Or Clam Up?

To The Editor:

Concerning the article on the charges of Prof. Robin Mathews,

# Did you know Edge has been banned in Tuck? or Major Hooper has been challenged? Do you have a solution to the parking problem? If not, read on.

I am now awaiting the next instalment stating that the Johnson government is about the second most corrupt in the world receiving 93 per cent of the electoral college votes with only 62 per cent of the votes cast.

It is exceptionally easy to make general charges without giving a single detail. I challenge him to either "cough up or clam up."

It makes one rather sick to listen to people who are "specialists" in absolutely every field except the one they are to lecture in.

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## Snifflers

To The Editor:

Have either the Students' Council or its affiliates, all anxious to serve the student population, considered subsidizing the installation of Kleenex dispensers at every library table? I don't know what pleasure people get from sniffing, but it is impossible to concentrate when some slob is whistling through his nose.

R. T. Kallal  
arts 3

## Rebuttal Rebutted

To The Editor:

I would like to make a rebuttal for the benefit of the third floor girl from Lister Hall C, arts 2, whose letter was published Nov. 6 in The Gateway.

I also am an avid reader of The Gateway, a resident of Lister Hall C, and an upper class woman. I also read the letter written by the sixth floor girls before and after it was published, but I happen to feel that the view expressed by this floor is a legitimate one. You see, I am biased: I live with girls, I eat at Lister Hall three times a day, six and one-half days a week, and as far as I can see, however biased I may be, I do not classify us as "naive, ignorant, or stupid."

I for one listened to Dr. Vant's lectures three years ago and unless he has changed his topic greatly (and I fear he hasn't) I learned little that I was not already aware of concerning sex (or biology). I did, however, learn something from two courses, Elementary Zoology and Human Physiology. This is not the "SEX" The Gateway has traditionally relished.

As far as campus dress goes, I don't feel there is call to criticize what is worn and felt "correct dress." Once you have reached university, I feel the individual has attained (or should have!) the title of adult and should act and dress accordingly. Is it unreasonable to expect an adult to dress appropriately for the occasion? At the University of Alberta there is a Standard of Dress for Women or were you unaware of it? It was not instituted with the opening of the Lister Hall complex. It has been in force for many years. The signs you meet are only a reminder!

I do concede a point to Miss Third Floor. People do complain (it is human nature). Some even complain to The Gateway and I think this is wonderful! Now if Miss Third Floor cares to meet us, I am sure she will not find us narrow minded, maternally dominated or any such thing—and if she cares to visit me, I assure her I am not a "hick."

By the way, I do feel that the alleged rating of the meals at Lister Hall is far from founded, but rather a farce. May I ask, Who is the expert panel of judges from the noble Gateway, who undertake to rate these meals? Of course they are qualified. They can quote Canada's Food Guide and explain its physiological basis. They have all had a hand at cooking some 800 eggs

to be served over a one and one-half hour period and they know it is possible, after all, to have them all done like mommy used to fix them. They have enough butcher experience to be able to obtain absolutely fatless meat on a limited budget. And of course at home they never have leftovers and cannot tolerate them here. Come on, let's be reasonable. This is not the Penthouse, it is a cafeteria, trying to feed people the most interesting nutritional food possible on a limited budget. Let's not demand the impossible.

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## Parking Solution?

To The Editor:

Do you park in the east Jubilee Auditorium lot? Have you ever tried to get your car out in the middle of the day? Does it annoy you to scratch your car, waste time and gas, and raise your blood pressure trying to maneuver out of the tight squeeze caused by cars packed in like sardines? Are you sad when you arrive at 9 or 10 o'clock and can't find a parking space?

I think I've found the answer. If it's been overlooked thus far, it must be because it's so simple a solution. It is uncanny and completely unfriendly, but until the administration decides to take the situation seriously and do something about it, I feel no qualms about taking drastic action.

While trying desperately to escape from my parking (space?) at noon one day, I beheld the vast open parking spaces to the west. Why not, I thought, register my car, leave the sticker at home in a drawer, and park west of the "no student parking" sign? Who can tell by looking at my car, that I am a student? "Dastardly conduct completely unbecoming a conscientious U of A student!" you say? But I value my car, my time, and my nerves. What else can I do?

I think my idea is great, and so far it has worked fine. As for those who hesitate to give it a try I take the attitude of the administration: "they're only students, and we're short of parking space. "Pack 'em in tight and they'll be all right."

L.B.

## Girl In Pre-Med

To The Editor:

I hope that what I am writing applies to all girls in pre-med. If not, my apologies.

For the past month, whenever anyone has asked me what I am taking, I have with some pride answered "pre-med." The expressions on the faces of the people whom I reply to are varied i.e. they vary from shock to downright disapproval. Such statements as "You must be kidding!" to "I think it's silly for a girl to waste all those years!" are not uncommon.

I will try to explain to the "unknowing" populace exactly why some girls would rather be doctors than nurses or teachers. Here are some of the reasons:

1. Anyone who goes into medicine has a general caring about the welfare of people. (May I venture to say much more than engineers, chemists, artists, etc.)

2. Girls who want to be doctors want to do more for a person's health than give shots, make beds, or serve meals. In other words, they want to play a major part in the making of healthy people.

3. The time taken, (six years and one year interning) is not actually long in comparison to what can be done with the education obtained during that time. It

is certainly at a par with the length of other doctoral courses.

4. Doctors do not get in the same rut as people in other professions do. There are always new patients, each different and thus a special challenge for fulfilling the Hippocratic Oath. There is no 9 to 5 day; an advantage in my mind, as you are always ready to do anything at any time. I feel that most professional people get set in such a pattern that having dinner one or two hours late, or not being able to go to bed at the same time each night is a major upset. In general, doctors keep themselves versatile and adaptable to a greater extent than the majority of people.

5. There is a real need for doctors of all kinds. Women are especially suited for specializations in research, pathology, obstetrics, and gynecology. Why shouldn't they be allowed to study what interests them most without the noisy (sometimes rude) disapproval of others, especially girls whose only ambition in life is to get married and raise children.

The above are certainly not all the reasons. Many are hidden deep within the person interested in medicine and are not open for public view. I am not going into medicine to bring about so-called equality of men and women. Nor do I want to be a doctor to show any individualism that I may (or may not) have. Instead, I am going to do what I want to do most, irregardless of the time and effort necessary, irregardless of the fact that medicine is primarily a male profession and irregardless of the opinions of the majority of people about women doctors. I want to be able, in some small way, to stamp out some of the suffering in the world.

Yours truly,  
A girl in pre-med

## Sickening

To The Editor:

I hope you'll print this response to GR, arts 2, from the Oct. 30 issue of The Gateway.

Oh brother you're sickening. I don't know anything about the VCFers having never had opportunity to join or work with them, but I am a Christian and it disgusts me to read your letter. Your comment about "As for me, I'm not even going to patronize Christian churches anymore" is ridiculous and illustrates exactly how childish your attitude is—you're not a Christian in the first place if something like the situation you described swerved you to think that we're all "Kruuds," cheaters, liars, and hypocrites as implied. I'd like to let you know that there still are a few honest believers in God around, which doesn't necessarily put us in the square box either.

Sincerely  
J.M.  
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P.S.—And just for interest's sake, I'd like to let you know I'm proud to acknowledge that I'm a Christian.

## Beards For Birds

To The Editor:

Well-groomed or scruffy, thick or scrawny, they're all the same. Beards are for the birds.

Please fellows, if you want to look intellectual or prove your manhood, take my word of it—a beard, mustache or any other facial hairy appendage is not the answer.

Impress a girl you will not if, in a most romantic moment, you tickle her nose and make her sneeze.

In the immortal words of Alfred E. Neuman, ye-e-e-ch!

Get civilized, fellows. Shave.  
Midnight Skulker