

Nous Avons Les Letters
Jusqua Nous Dents



Und Denn Noch Mehr
Von Das Selbe

WHERE IS THE U OF A?

To The Editor:
On my accustomed walk on Saturday, VGW, I was amazed to see a young man lying on the side of the road in obvious agony. Being full of Christian charity I immediately questioned him as to what was the matter. No. It was not bootleg liquor. No gold key boys had stolen his girl-friend. Nothing physical.

"What then is wrong?"
"Wrong!" he complained, "Everything is wrong. I am dreadfully let down. I came all the way from Grand Prairie to see the university. It was supposed to be a spectacle, like I was really built up for it. But all I see around here is a bunch of buildings and people. I have been deceived, let down and made a fool of. Nobody wants to show me the 'real' university. Where is it kept?"

Thereupon he began to writhe and groan again. I at once judged that this was no ordinary student, tender in age though he was. Not like those hordes of others who were taken in by the secrecy of the Administration. They were easily satisfied by such things as buildings, cured babies, test-tubes, etc. But he knew something was missing. He felt it keenly.
As I don't ever break my walking schedule, I left him in his frustration (for so it was). He must have recovered enough to betake himself away, for the next day I did not see him. However the source of his frustration still remains. Being rather practical, I suggest these steps be taken to prevent the occurrence of such things again:

(1) The Administration should tell us once and for all where this special unique thing about the university is kept. I guess myself it is either in the Registrar's Office, the President's Office, the computing centre, the metaphysical laboratory, or in the basement of the Physics Building behind the door marked: "Post-doctoral fellows not admitted." Wherever it is kept visitors should be allowed to see it so that they would not go away disappointed.

(2) The planners of VGW should send letters to all the schools saying: (a) they will be allowed to see the buildings and other material aspects of the university but not the 'universitas' or 'spiritus universitatis'; (b) be prepared to be disappointed; (c) not to ask to see it.

(3) Everybody be aware of the crisis. It is not the first time the country has been deceiving its leaders. But no one should panic. Student Council should set up search committees to look, bargain and report back to the student body.

Sam Pagee

**GATEWAY TO WALK
RADSOC**

To The Editor:
With regard to the recent rash of long hikes on this continent and elsewhere, and further with regard to the traditional, and honorable rivalry which exists between our two or-

ganizations, and further with regard to the equally ancient and honorable custom of competition before Ye Puborial Party, the undersigned hereby challenges a member of the Gateway staff to a walkathon of 60 miles in length.

It is proposed that this competition begin at the town of Evansburg as this is about the required distance and end at the steps of the Students' Union Building.

The contest is to be one of endurance, the winner to be the man who drops out last. In the event that both finish, a tie is to be declared.

Yours in anticipation of a pleasant and entertaining journey.

Les McLeod
News Director
U of A Radio

ED. NOTE: Your bluff is called, Squawk-Box Director. Gateway Sports Editor Bill Winship and News Editor Doug Walker have taken up the gauntlet. The date will be agreed upon and announced within a week.

SLACKS IN GARBAGE CAN?

To The Editor:
Although I had definitely decided not to write a letter to the editor about a certain clothing editorial, due to circumstances over which I had no control, I have succumbed. I just want to say that slacks are quite useful for female garbage can sitters!

Anne

DRIVE NOW DRIVEN

To The Editor:
I would like to thank all those who contributed to the success of the Red Cross Blood Drive this year. Forty-five per cent or 3,200 people on campus registered during this, our first three-day drive.

Extended congratulations are due the Faculties of Physiotherapy, Medical Lab Science, Theology, Agriculture and Dental Auxiliary for their 100 per cent support. Honorable mention goes to Medicine, Dentistry and Household Economics for their enthusiastic donations.

Trophies for competition were won by Physiotherapy: Transfusion Trophy for first faculty to donate 100 per cent; and Medicine, Ash Trophy, taken away from the Engineers for the first time in many years. However, these trophies cannot be presented until they are located. Would anyone knowing their whereabouts please report it to The Gateway.

Unfortunately, the Corpuscle Cup will not be coming to U of A this year, although the campus contribution percentage increased 10 per cent to 76 per cent. Perhaps next year if recommendations are instituted, those desiring will be able to donate twice and the clinics will be open during noon hours.

Thanks to all those who "Parted with a Pint" plus all those who would have but were unable to do so.

Bob Lampard
Coordinator '63

WHO'S WHO?

To The Editor:
I am a regular 12 to 1 user of cafeteria to eat my bag lunch, and have recently started a small poker school to help pass the time. I find it increasingly difficult to secure a table to use, particularly one not cluttered with other people's garbage bags. Why can't those selfish inconsiderates who don't have bag lunches but persistently use caf go and buy their food somewhere else, like Tuck for example?

This would alleviate the situation until better facilities are available and obviate the need for the kitchen, because all I require is a bottle of coke and an occasional bowl of soup. Removal of the kitchen would in turn make room for more tables and more people eating from their garbage bags.

Freedomite

P.S. Don't put notices in caf asking for co-operation of these miserable _____, their skins are thick, and their minds closed.

DANCE CLUB LIGHTER

To The Editor:
I would like to express my thanks to the members of the Modern Dance Club for the lovely gift of a monogrammed lighter presented to me at the "Mid-winter Mambo." It will always remind me of an enjoyable association with a very nice group of people.

Special thanks to Pete Patterson and Joyce Sawchuck for their untiring efforts and I wish every success to our new executive.

H. Ross (instructress)
Sincerely,

STUDENTS OF ADULTS?

To The Editor:
I would like to call to the attention of the people of Edmonton a practice of misrepresentation carried on by a number of theatres in Edmonton, particularly the Odeon and Rialto theatres.

Most theatres follow the custom of offering three different rates to theatre audiences; child, student, and adult rates. The objection that I have is in connection with the definition of a student set forth by the Odeon and Rialto. These theatres refuse to give admission to university students at the advertised student rates.

I am not begrudging them the right to my extra 25 cents each time I enter their theatre. I am begrudging them the right of false advertising.

According to Funk and Wagnalls New Practical Standard Dictionary, a student is defined as: "1. A person engaged in a course of study; especially, one in a secondary school, college or university."

If the Odeon theatres do not change their policy immediately either as to advertising or rates, I would suggest that University stu-

dents and all sympathizers conduct a voluntary boycott on these offenders until they fall back in line with the other theatres in advertising honesty.

Kent H. Gibb
1st Year Science

BORROWED MAYBE?

To The Editor:
As I have reiterated again and again, the ballot boxes were not stolen. Merely taken.

I am not the only president of NMIAC.

Our prime reason for taking the ballot boxes was not raising hell, but rather a protest against the pompous hypocrisy of our mock parliamentarians. This was judiciously twisted by one of your editors.

And in regards to conflicting statements by our members. This is simply our raison d'etre.

Jon Whyte

CHANCE COMING AGAIN

To The Editor:
One George Opryshko in his Feb. 15th letter to the Gateway questioned anarchy as being a desirable goal especially when it did not help in the "smooth running" of any institution.

Certainly full scale anarchy results only in chaos, but individual anarchy should not be condemned, which I feel is being done in Mr. Opryshko's letter.

Only because individuals have sought to disrupt society, has society or civilization ever advanced. "Smoothing running" societies have never progressed as units but ONLY by the efforts of Individuals. Too often society gets stuck in a self made rut and can only be prodded out by anarchists who pull themselves out of the rut and then show society how it is done.

If NMIAC seeks to undermine society for its (NMIAC's) own good, then by all means squash it like the bothersome little insect it is, but if it wishes to cure society for the sake of curing all men, then hurrah for NMIAC.

A warning, please NMIAC—don't form any "principle"—God knows that we have enough of them already in this world. Rather let anyone who desires to be an individual be one. Be encouraged by the example of NMIAC, but don't follow it, rather set an individual example.

Stealing ballot boxes will not revolutionize society but it at least embarrasses and bothers a small segment so that the segment has to do more than just live, it has to think and thrive and worry and ponder and maybe eventually the accumulated efforts of swiping ballot boxes and other anarchy will pull mankind out of the degeneration that it is in at the moment.

Keep it up NMIAC! Individual anarchy, hurrah! Where are some ballot boxes?

Joe Kellner

WET ON BOOKSTORE?

To The Editor:
I feel that the criticism of the Bookstore was all wet on at least three counts.

(1) For any given course the bookstore orders the number of books suggested by that course professor, based on the professor's estimate of enrollment, which, if low, results in inconvenience to the students.

(2) Frequently when, due to the professor's conservative estimate, a re-order has to be made, the publisher is out of stock and hence a long delay ensues. Obviously the bookstore cannot be held responsible for either circumstance.

(3) If, as the article in question suggests, a large percentage of the student body considers stealing is justifiable on the grounds that it can be done with impunity, then the intelligence, not to say morality, of the student body must be pitifully low.

Joe Lavery
Science 3

POOR(?) LECTURERS

To The Editor:
Another peeve. University students are supposed to be reasonably mature and adult—right? Then why, in the name of heaven, can't we show a little respect for our poor, unfortunate lecturers? No matter how dull the speaker or the topic, shouldn't these two unwritten laws be recognized—and followed?

1. Assume that when the bell rings, signifying the beginning of a class, we should SHUT UP, appear as intelligent as possible, and give the prof a chance to say something.

2. Wait, at the end of a class, for the prof to finish his lecture. People who put their coats on, comb their hair, and gaze mournfully at the clock five minutes before the class is over, simply show that they haven't adjusted to university life. They're not being daring or individualistic, no matter what they may think.

S.G.

Prexy Flies Away

Dave Jenkins, President-elect of the National Federation of Canadian University Students, is flying to Ottawa this weekend for a meeting of the federation's national executive.

One of the major topics will be the national NFCUS Congress, to be held in Edmonton next fall. President Jenkins asks any students who would like to work on the Congress this term and over the summer, to call Francis Saville, the Congress organizer.

