



Mugwump Journal

By EDISON STEWART

Not too many people filled out the busing questionnaire last week. The grand total was 34, as a matter of fact.

In cases like this, people like me usually recite diatribe about the campus being apathetic and fundamentally lazy. Well, I certainly don't intend to bore you with that. Even if I did you'd probably say I was sore because my pet project wasn't working out the way I'd hoped.

And it's true. Things just aren't working out.

But before I drop this subject, will you please answer me one question - at what point in your life do YOU become involved? What issue has to be on the line for you to take a stand, either pro or con? Don't worry, there won't be any lectures on apathy from this corner of the paper if you take the time to reply.

And do try to answer the question. Your answer affects all of us.

A few weeks ago, I had occasion to speak with the local leader of the New Brunswick English Speaking Association, a group formed earlier this year to keep all those nasty French people in their place.

I asked him how the association felt about the proposal to change the name of the Montgomery Street School to Ecole Ste. Anne, mainly because it was a French school. No go, he said and, believe it or not, the school board agreed with him.) All schools in the area are named according to the street they're on.

Well, that was fine with me. What's good for one is good for all. But, I asked, would the association object to calling it Ecole Ste. Anne?

"It sure would," he answered quickly. He gave no reason, and I probably isn't necessary. The intelligence of the comment speaks for itself.

The Students Representative Council elections are in February, but true to form, our student politicians are already jockeying for position. So far in the running for President is incumbent Roy Neale, a guy who's been doing an on again, off again job so far. While he hasn't publicly declared his candidacy, chances are good that he'll take a second shot at the seat.

About the only other person that could conceivably be in the running at this early stage is Rick Fisher, a Business student on campus who's been trying to run the SRC singlehandedly for the past several years. Rick ran last year - and lost.

Already in the starting gate for Comptroller is Fud Steeves, an AB member who was just elected this fall. Fud's a good friend of Comptroller Chris Fisher (which might explain why he's on the AB) and he's been spending a fair amount of time around the SRC office. He's presently working as chairman of the sub-committee on busing.

Just out of interest, you might want to know that the Gleaner and The Telegraph Journal pulled a real winner last week. The TJ ran a story one day, and, as is the custom, the Gleaner re-wrote it for their edition later that day.

Little did they know that the TJ re-wrote the Gleaner re-write, and ran it the next day.

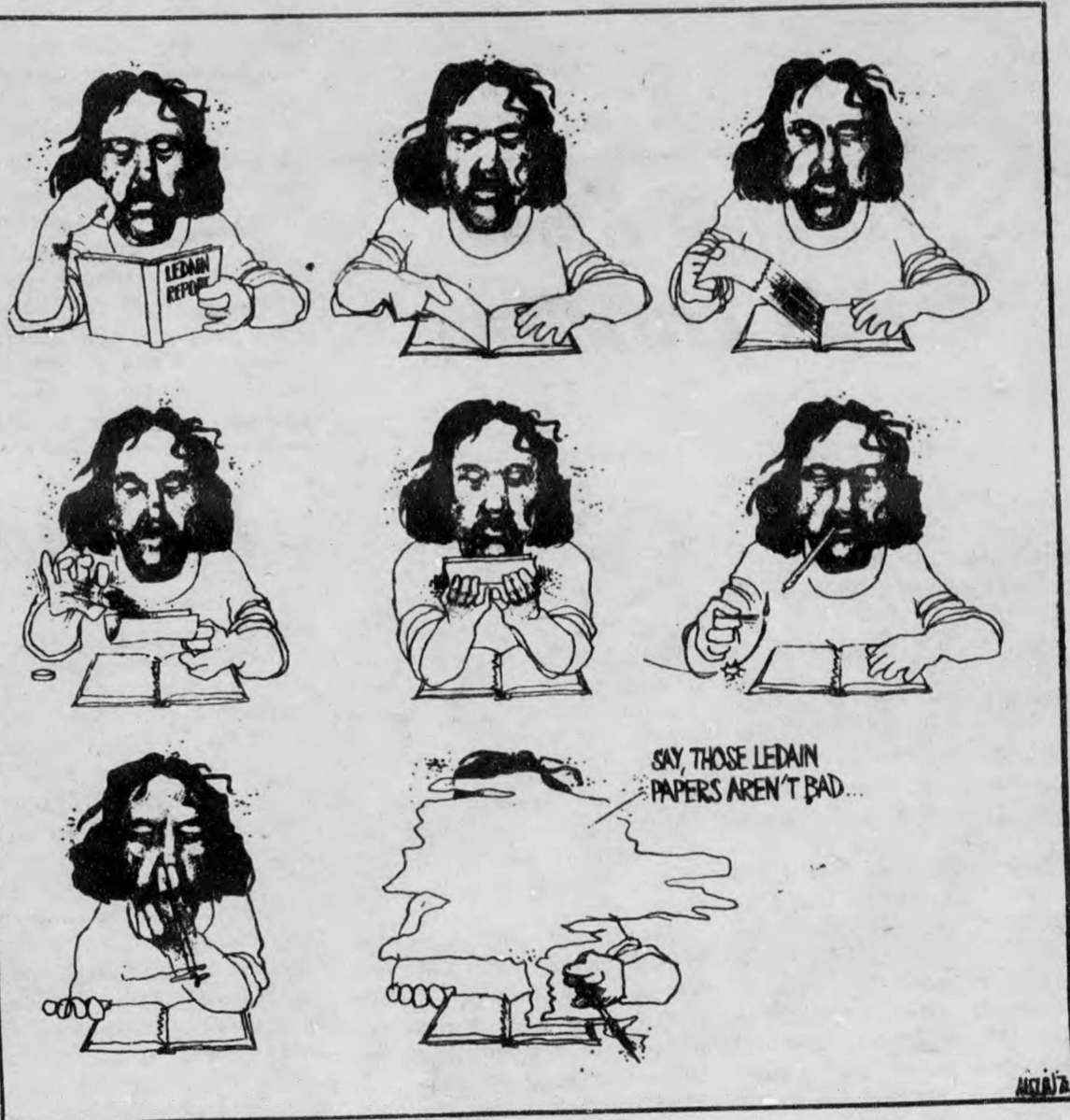
Ta da!

I didn't get any letters this week from the Miss Canada Fan Club, so I guess my column last week wasn't too far out of line. But I haven't heard - either pro or con - from you reader(s), so must either assume that you loved it, or didn't bother to read the crap. Ah, well, them's the hazards.

New Brunswick's new super-salesman (he replaced Charlie an Horne) was off to Boston this week to sell even more of good New Brunswick to somebody who couldn't care less. Tricky wicky, Fredericton's man about town, was in London and Paris last week to sell our quaint little province to the mother country.

By the way, The Journal has confirmed that Dick didn't ask Mayor Jones to take the province's agent general post in Paris. It seems there was a conflict of interest.

Good night, Dr. Grant. I hope you sleep well.



Aislin cartoon 'blasphemous'

Dear Sir:

UNB has always been an institute of higher learning, a place for investigation of truth, an opportunity to improve one's mind. All of it's students have been worthy of respect and praise, due to their sincere search for enlightenment.

Now I wonder.

I wonder why UNB students would condone the publishing of a little "joke" concerning a cartoon character in the Friday Nov. 24th edition of the Brunswickan. I refer to the one where GOD is reputed to have informed this comic character to stop any more "fucking around."

Is one so starved of vocabulary that they must employ such terms? How do you think such material impresses the public at large? Before issuing such filth, was consideration given to the deep personal shame it would bring to Christians and those attempting to be Christians?

Christians view GOD as an omnipotent, all powerful, all loving BEING. HE is Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. HE is the author of life and the controller of death. HE implies and indeed is the total embodiment of all knowledge, love and beauty.

Many Christians have found strength to achieve great things

as a direct result of HIS power. They trusted, HE responded, they succeeded. Can mortal man, a speck in the universe, know of all the knowledge that exists?

Who could dare put words of filth in HIS mouth?

Who would suggest they speak for HIM?

Whoever did was the worst kind of ignorant fool.

The creator of the "joke" may wish to reply that he isn't a Christian and phrases, if left unchecked, do wax worse and worse, until even the most strong of stomach and insensitive of mind blanches.

I have spent many years of life as a serviceman, teacher and student - a searcher of truth, and have failed in many things. I am the least one able to condemn,

yet cannot hold my peace.

Great is my sorrow and fathomless my concern that GOD should be dealt with in such shabby terms.

In that little "joke" I see how my failure as a Christian has helped to create such blasphemy. GOD forgive me and the author of that little "joke".

Robert Banks, M.Ed. Student

Dear Sir

Recently, in the Brunswickan (Vol.107, Issue 12, Nov.24.1972) our student paper there were two articles which I was not very pleased with. The first was to be found on page five and the second on

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Maybe you've noticed, and maybe you haven't, but this week's paper has a relatively significant change. Beginning this week, the editorial page moves to page six from page four. The comment pages have also been set back two pages, so that we might move our news coverage closer to the front of the newspaper.

Because our comment section seems to be getting larger every week, we felt it more important than ever that we give the news first, and our views later.

With this new layout, hopefully we will be able to print more pages of comments. So keep those cards and letters coming in folks. We appreciate 'em.