

continued from page 5

anyone be given the right to determine or decide for him/her before that opportunity. I agree with you that parenting a child is a strenuous task which involves years of commitment and personal sacrifice, but so is caring for the infirmed and elderly. Does this mean that Euthenasia should be legalizd as well in the case of people no longer being able to express themselves? If so, then I would appreciate an invitation to your one hundredth birthday. I have a present for you.

It's sad and unfortunate that the ability to have children has been biologically placed in the bodies of women such as you. After witnessing the selfish rantings of women who claim it's not their fault they have been cursed, I finally agree. It's everyone's misfortune. The act of conception itself is everyone's fault, responsibility or privilege, however you look at it. So why must the baby be the one who's punished? If we're going to continue conveniently aborting the unwanted people in our lives we may as well do it right by

making them retroactive, starting with you, Mrs. Stein. Perhaps we can finish with Dr. Morgentaler.

Richard Cohen
1st Year Student

P.S. If you're really searching for a one hundred per cent effective method of cnatraception for, the irresponsible, I suggest they try celibacy, after all, people have the right to not take unnecessary risks.

ENDORISING OMBUDSMAN

I would like to heartily endorse Mark Pearlman's call for an Ombudsman at York (Excalibur, Dec. 9). Until the tragic state of our (quasi-judicial) bureaucracy is straightened-out, we will continue to suffer insults from U of T and others. Being familiar with a number of "kangaroo courts" which have been held on this campus, it is clear to me and others that remedial action must be taken.

An independent Ombudsman would be more interested in justice than peer pressure. An independent

Ombudsman could handle cases which do not fit nicely into run-of-the-mill bureaucratic procedures. And independent Ombudsman could be hired on the basis of intelligence, rather than typing speed. An independent Ombudsman could protect York students from arbitrary, ill-thought decisions made by faceless bureaucrats.

A good university has an air of freedom and enlightenment--not that of a Gestapo college. Students should not wait until they themselves are involved to demand an Ombudsman--then it will be too late. Besides, the better York's system is, the better its reputation is, and hence the more our diplomas are worth.

Everyone who studies or works at York has an interest in this issue. I'm sure that I speak for the majority when I express hope that York will develop into one of Canada's top universities--not return to being an alternative to Trent or Laurentian. Let's appoint an Ombudsman--and soon!!

A.S. McPherson

NOT OBSCURE

Existere accepts submissions from members of the York Community and publishes only those works which we feel demonstrate artistic integrity. In response to the blatant provincialism of Glen Lawrence's letter "Empty Existere", we should like to emphasize the dialogue that is poetry: it reveals itself to those who enter it. Far from conspiring to mystify readers with obscure and

elitist writing, our desire is to provide an accessible forum for developing writers and artists through which readers may develop an appreciation of the craft. Poetry is a constantly developing art, and there are certainly many "great poets" who are very much alive and part of this continuum. The vitality of this process is dependant upon the publication of magazines such as Existere.

Scott Mitchell
Margaret Christakos
Editors of Existere

In defense of poesie

I would just like to comment on your letter regarding the emptiness of Existere which you complained about in last week's Excalibur.

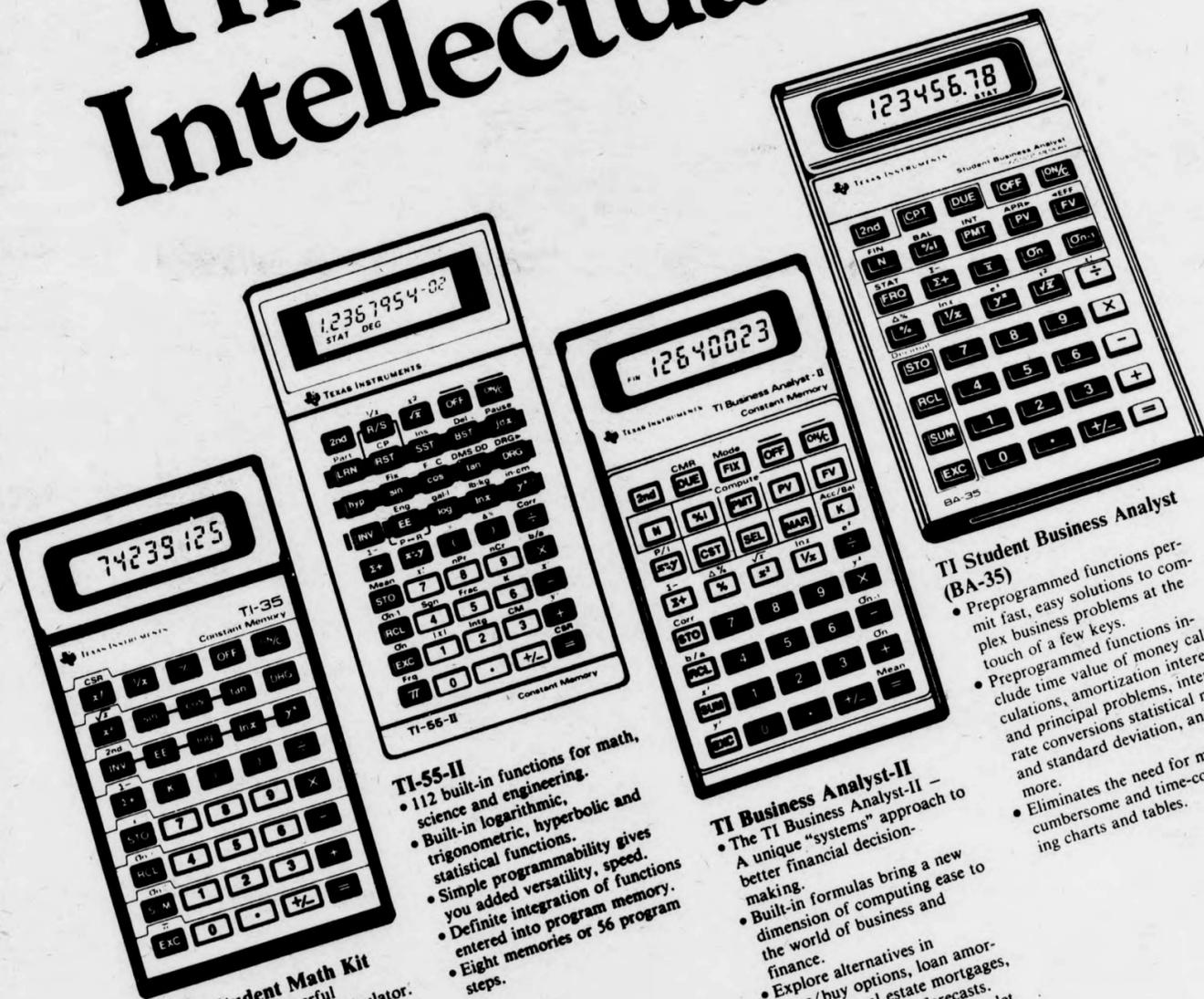
It is very easy to throw everything in one pot, stir it up, season it with anger and serve the whole thing as "snot-nosed garbage." As one of the contributors to the last issue of Existere, I strongly oppose such generalization.

Furthermore, it should also be stressed that Existere is published and funded by Vanier College.

As a finishing note, please bear in mind that criticizing is one thing, while trying to improve the condition offers a lot more.

John Klemm

The Intellectuals



TI-35 Student Math Kit

- Contains the powerful 54-function slide rule calculator.
- Performs Roots. Powers. Reciprocals. Common and natural logarithms.
- A "systems" approach to math and science problem-solving.
- Automatic conversions for degrees/radians/grads.
- Special functions such as pi, factorial and automatic constant help you calculate faster.

TI-55-II

- 112 built-in functions for math, science and engineering.
- Built-in logarithmic, trigonometric, hyperbolic and statistical functions.
- Simple programmability gives you added versatility, speed.
- Definite integration of functions entered into program memory.
- Eight memories or 56 program steps.

TI Business Analyst-II

- The TI Business Analyst-II - A unique "systems" approach to better financial decision-making.
- Built-in formulas bring a new dimension of computing ease to the world of business and finance.
- Explore alternatives in lease/buy options, loan amortizations, real estate mortgages, sales and earnings forecasts.
- Built-in statistical functions let you compute mean, standard deviation for sample and population data, linear regressions and trend line analysis.

TI Student Business Analyst (BA-35)

- Preprogrammed functions permit fast, easy solutions to complex business problems at the touch of a few keys.
- Preprogrammed functions include time value of money calculations, amortization interest and principal problems, interest rate conversions statistical mean and standard deviation, and more.
- Eliminates the need for many cumbersome and time-consuming charts and tables.

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS
INCORPORATED

© 1982 Texas Instruments Incorporated

