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letters

It was a flashlight

Boyoboy! Did we have reac-
tion from that one. Ad-
monishments from the ex-
ecutive, letters to just
everyone complaining about the
alleged near-shooting that oc-
curred at the last social.

"Stop or I'll shoot!" it was
alleged the security guard said.
With what? A flashlight?

Ed.

The Students' Union Ex-
ecutive Committee wishes to
respond to false accusations
that firearms were used to
intimidate persons at or leaving
the Saturday, January 17th,
1976 social and state une-
quivocally that there were no
firearms present in the posses-
sion of Students' Union staff or
security personnel.

The Assistant Manager of
Barnes Security, Mr. J.
Brownlee, stated January 21st,
1976 that "no firearms are
carried by Barnes Security Staff.
The license they have does not
allow for such an undertaking.
Black flashlights are carried by
some Barnes staff. Firearms
may only be carried under very
special circumstances and only
then with a special license."
Barnes personnel DID NOT
carry firearms on the night of
January 17th, 1976.

This fact is substantiated by
the written reports of the
Students' Union Evening Super-
visor and the reports of the
Barnes personnel which make
absolutely no mention of any
firearms.

The Students' Union Ex-
ecutive wishes to admonish the
media to be more investigative
in their reporting and not to
sensationalize falsities.

Who's responsible?

What the hell is going on with
"Barnes Security Guards" in
SUB threatening to gun down
two students over some theived
beer? Is the SUB manager and
students' union responsible for
putting a red-necked student-
hating cop amongst students
here at U of A?

Every student who values
his neck should get on the
blower to the U of A president
Gunning and their union about
this extremely dangerous situa-
tion.

Rev. B.A. Thwick

Pseudo-cops

In reference to the Tuesday,
Na. 20th, 1976 letter by Jim
MacKenzie of P.D./A.D. Educa-
tion. What in hell are any cops
doing on campus, other than
the usual city trained police -
totting guns - and threatening
to shoot over some beer?

The last condition that I will
tolerate on campus is that
whereby some blithering red-
necked pseudo-cop points a
gun when he isn't even
threatened but wants un-
deniable authority, on a
peaceful campus.

Carl B. Sullivan
Geology

Pil-ferers

En refirents two da ledder
konsering da gard who pullt a
gun on dose to studence: I have
found dat a rocket lawncher is
best for dose faggie fairy
studence. Dem liddle bugers is
toff you know. Its about time dat
dose studence learnd dat day
knot suppost to steel ovr beer;
its made four us redneks "who
spit, sweat and swear" as da
song gose. In W.W. 2 (dat waz
da best won, you know) we
wood've had dat fagot's parts
(scuse me ladiz) fer a key fob if
he even tried to drink ovr beer -
never mind steel it. We shood
go back two war - dat waie we
cood draft dem long-hars and
mak MEN owt o' dem.

Yours (if not a loi g-har)
"Butch" Windsorchuk
(Private, first-class-retired)

Not projecting

Now that Student Cinema is
getting an extra 50¢ per person,
maybe it can afford to fix its
noisy projectir.

J.N. McMullin
Elect. Eng.

Federal discharge

About Mr. Trudeau's
speech, heard on the glass
soother Monday night, I can
offer only one comment. After
such a discharge of hot air
thank God there's not a smell.

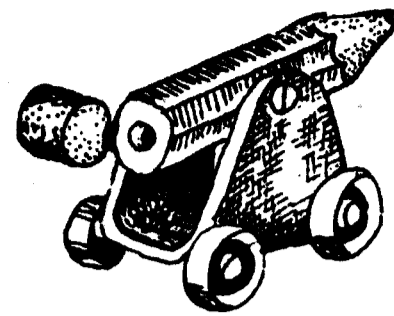
Roybl Fnertz
Eng. 1

Could Savard be objectively racist?

READER COMMENT

either ignorant of or chooses to
ignore.

First, it implies that Canada
has an "equal" relationship with
underdeveloped countries and
their people. (Foreign students
include lily-white Americans,
Europeans and other students
from developed countries, but
Savard evidently is more con-
cerned about those from Third
World countries. This is implied
in his statement that we should
"find some other way to help the
rest of the world", i.e. under-
developed countries, not the
U.S.A., and also in the way he
tries to cover himself against
charges of racism by saying it is
"monstrous" to discriminate on
the basis of skin color or
nationality. If his plan was



editorial

Rowdiness rampant

All of a sudden there seems to be a rebirth of
campus rowdiness. People getting beat up at socials,
allegations that guards are pulling revolvers at beer
thieves, smashed windows, smashed people, smashed
peace and quiet. And we haven't even started reporting
on engineering week yet.

But it would be foolish to think the recent violent
turn of events could be anything other than mere
coincidence. So don't let anyone tell you it could be
related to a slipstream feeling among students finding
an outlet, or anything like that. That would be
preposterous.

I wish it weren't though. I wish we could get a
handle on some feelings of discontent in our student
body, if indeed there are any. I wish we could find some
visible evidence that students are dissatisfied with the
conditions imposed on them and what will be further
imposed on us in the future, if no objections are raised.

Were it not for violent outbreaks at socials or
engineering week shenanigans, an outside observer
must conclude that students are a boring lot indeed.
Isn't anyone out there angry that tuitions will be raised,
that housing conditions are unfair, or that the quality of
education will contract cancer next fall (hopefully not
terminal)? Does anyone have any opinion at all on
issues that directly affect students?

Judging from the feedback we've received, it
seems the potential severity of the students' situation is
not getting across. Other than a few letters, I've seen
very little individual reaction to what is happening.

Believe it or not, time is getting short, and active
dissent is going to be needed if even we wish to
maintain the mediocre status quo. I don't advocate
writing a letter to *The Gateway*, (although we ap-
preciate it), but I would strongly suggest a letter to the
premier, you MLA, your MP, the chairman of the Board
of Governors, and/or the university president. These
people have got to hear your views, they have to know
that you oppose a reduction in both quantity and
quality of your education. Without it, you need only
watch the news pages of this and other publications to
find what will inevitably happen.

Busting up a social won't make things happen, but
a strong vocal protest from all of you will have an effect.

Three cheers for the engineers! We were told
earlier on that the engineers were changing their
image, but hadn't expected such unusually high quality
snow sculptures as have been presented.

Activist snow sculptures! What a step forward! All
except for that of the most reactionary engineering
faction, mechanicals. Their "who cares?" statue might
be indicative of their politics, caps over their eyes and
all.

But a definite improvement, requiring suitable
laud.

Greg Neiman

carried out logically, skin color
wouldn't even enter the argu-
ment, but of course, as his plan
is objectively racist, he finds it
necessary to cover himself in
advance.)

The fact is, however, that it
is Canada, with its massive
investments in the Caribbean,
South African and other areas,
which robs the Third World, not
the other way around. Also,
Canada increases the scale of
its robbery by draining off
educated, skilled people from
these countries with higher
wages here. Many of the foreign
students studying here will
remain here, contributing to our
economy.

So, in my view, Savard's
main argument is false. It is
Canada and Alberta, not the
Third World, which profit from
established relationships.

The idea which follows
from the argument is to make
the "wealthy foreigners" pay.
This is sheer demogogy. By
posing as one interested in the

future of the workers, students,
native people, etc. etc. Savard
tries to convince us that he
wants higher quality education
and greater accessibility to it.

But while his personal
motives remain unclear, the
effect of his argument is un-
mistakable. It is to split the
movement which seeks to gain
those goals. Rather than at-
tacking the Lougheed
government's policies, which
seek to make education
something we'll have to buy,
Savard goes after foreign
students.

Only unity between Cana-
dian and foreign students, and
mass pressure from both, can
protect students against fee
hikes, cutbacks in education
quality, and further accessibil-
ity. Savard's policy would wreck
the development of unity and
mass resistance. It must be
exposed and discarded as a
dangerous, racist policy.

Kimball Carrou
Arts 3