

# Varsity Voices

## Price—Thanks

To The Editor:

I would like to offer sincere thanks to those people who nominated and supported me for the position of secretary-treasurer. I am extremely grateful to be given the opportunity to serve the students in this capacity.

Richard Price

## McTavish—Thanks

To The Editor:

Permit me, through The Gateway, to express my appreciation to the many people who supported me with their words, actions and ballots during the recent elections campaign. Their warm support has meant a great deal to me.

Permit me, also, to congratulate Mr. Saville, and to offer him my sincere good wishes for a successful presidency.

Douglas C. McTavish

## Saville—Thanks

To The Editor:

I should very much like to thank everyone who worked and voted to elect me last Friday.

The enthusiasm and endurance shown by the many members of the campaign committee were such that I am certain they will not be equalled for a long time to come.

I would also like to congratulate Doug McTavish and his sup-

porters on a very hard-fought, but clean campaign. My committee can feel very proud at having won out over such a formidable opponent.

Now the election is over we must work together to ensure that our student government functions in a manner in which we as members of it can all be proud.

Yours sincerely,  
Francis M. Saville

## Fraser—Thanks

To The Editor:

I would like to thank all those who supported me in the recent election, especially those who worked so hard, and made the campaign an enjoyable as well as well as a valuable experience.

The student interest in the election was encouraging, and it is hoped this interest will last throughout the year.

To the new Students' Council, I offer my best wishes for a successful year.

Sincerely,  
Donna Fraser

## Wells—Thanks

To The Editor:

Through The Editor—

Thank you everyone who worked with me and supported me in my campaign. I really appreciated the efforts of every one of you.

Sincerely,  
Marilou Wells

## Thanks loads but what the hell is this hogwash about?

### Yacuk Replies

To The Editor:

Regarding the editorial entitled "Extremists and Free Speech" may I express humble acceptance of your congratulations with which it was given. The writer of that article obviously did not understand the working of the Political Science Club. In fact, I suspect that the reason for writing the editorial was not to criticize but to show the student body that the author knew that Norman Rockwell leads an anti-Semitic group.

In replying to the charges may I say first that the writer has placed the wrong emphasis when discussing speakers on political topics. Please remember that the campus political clubs belong to the Political Science Club. When considering who spoke this year, take into account the like of Walter Gordon and Ernest Manning. Two Communists out of about 20 speakers is no evidence that extremists are overflowing the ranks of political speakers.

Secondly I believe that the students on this campus cannot be corrupted by a few extremists. If the author of the article fears that a few speeches will endanger a student's political belief I suggest this attitude will serve him well when he applies for membership to the Alberta Censorship Board.

Finally, in direct reply to the question of whether we would allow Norman Rockwell to speak, I can say without hesitating that if enough students wished it, he would be invited. And further, I would expect the ranks of his audience to be swollen with those of the Jewish faith.

Our addresses are held in the style of a forum in which all sides get a chance to speak. The more one disagrees with a person, the greater is the justification to invite him to address students so as to prove him wrong publicly.

These are just a few of the reasons for allowing all speakers to address the student body.

Political Science Club  
Lorne Yacuk  
President

were too dumb to realize that the audience wasn't smart enough to read their minds?

WHAT THE HELL makes Whyte, Stocks, et al. think that they are not part of "the absurd overtones of that particular skit"—did they sit back and watch themselves—laughing at an audience who was laughing . . . ?

WHAT THE HELL I am writing this for, I don't know—I didn't even see the damn show!

Ignorance is Bliss  
J. C. Valens, Law I

are so unsure. I refer Mr. Allen to "Objections to Christianity" and others.

Contrary to what you might imagine, I am not against organized religion. It serves a useful function in the mechanics of society by providing a set of idealized laws. A society can legislate and enforce a law stating "Thou Shalt not Kill," but not one stating "Thou Shalt Love Thy Neighbour." Communism has also found this need for idealized laws, only they provide the party instead of God.

In the Service of Truth,  
Engineer.

### What's Hogwash?

To The Editor:

After reading your last edition I feel compelled to put down my slide rule and take up my pen. Who the hell is this guy Allen, and what are his qualifications, besides misguided zeal, to preach to us? He seems to think that because a person is not pro-Christian, he must necessarily be anti-Christian.

He flatters Christianity too much! He suggests that we are trying to appear "psychologically mature," but he would do well to grow up out of his own biased rut. Mr. Allen feels sorry for people who have not felt the rapture of religious mania, but I feel sorrier for people like Mr. Allen who have been sucked in, and swallowed all this Christianity hogwash.

He implies that the truly honest person who does not believe in God "is unique," and because Mr. Allen has not met one, does not exist. This is not so! If Mr. Allen looked beyond the end of his nose he would see there are many. Mr. Allen sounds so reassuringly confident of his dogma, and this is interesting considering the fact that some of Christianity's leading theologians

### Time For Action

To The Editor,

Exams are over, the officials have thought, the recess is over and now is the time for action. The Independent Residence Committee for Lower Rents has used diplomacy, now let it fight. May it stir the sluggish student body to move as a force, even to the extent of forming a picket line around the new residences next fall. The Gateway must continue to present new views on the project. It must inform the students of what they can do individually, also as to where they can get information to send to home town friends.

I give my support to the committee and ask that other concerned students do the same.

Former resident

Letters should be addressed to The Editor, The Gateway, University of Alberta. The Gateway will publish letters under a pseudonym, but in all cases writers must sign their own names and include an address or telephone number.

## Damning Editorial Reprinted From Large College Daily

The editorial below appeared in The Minnesota Daily, one of the four largest university newspapers in North America. Former U of A Students' Union President Alex McCalla sent it to us from the University of Minnesota.

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### Student Newspaper Disputes

News releases from other campuses recently have been filled with stories of student newspaper-administration disputes, both in the United States and Canada.

The Seton Hall, N.J., administration has suspended publication of the student newspaper, for one month because the paper has "abused freedom of expression."

**AT THE UNIVERSITY** of Alberta at Edmonton, university officials seized 7,000 copies of a special Guest Weekend edition of The Gateway because the university student president considered the issue "in bad taste." The paper criticized rising educational costs and called the university "a school for the rich."

The Dean of Students at the University of Rhode Island threatened to fire the editor of the Beacon if she printed the story of the showing of a pornographic movie at a fraternity house on campus.

The ideal situation for a campus newspaper, of course, is complete financial autonomy. Then the paper is responsible to its readers rather than the administration.

**BUT AT THE** university and most colleges, student fees support part of the newspaper, therefore the administration has a financial hold. At many colleges there is no board of publications, so the administration may intervene directly in the paper's affairs, even to the extent of firing an editor, suspending a staff or censoring copy.

At the University of Minnesota, where students are forced to support the newspaper, they also control it through the democratically elected, student controlled Board of Publications.

**BECAUSE THERE IS** a Board of Publications here the administration must act through channels before taking such drastic steps as those at other colleges recently. This deterrence is partly what keeps university publications independent.

### About Jon Whyte

To The Editor:

Re: Jon Whyte's Column

WHAT THE HELL makes Whyte, Stocks, et al. think that an audience, out for entertainment, should have concerned themselves with analyzing "a [sic] exercise in monotony"?

WHAT THE HELL kind of satisfaction do Whyte, Stocks, et al. get out of admitting that they

### OFFICIAL NOTICE

The 1964-65 Executive of the Students' Union invites students to submit their applications for membership on the proposed Board of Enquiry regarding the Students' Union Building Expansion project.

It should be understood that this board will not be established unless the incoming council sees fit to do so.

The reason applications are being requested at this time is that the means of communication to the general student body will be greatly reduced after March 23 (when the new council takes office) since the last issue of The Gateway will be on March 20.

Interested students may pick up application forms in the Students' Union office in the SUB.

Francis M. Saville,  
President elect.



## What the hell

by Jon Whyte

Evergreen and Gold, 1964

A publication of the Students' Union  
pp. 312. Cost: \$6.00

The advance sale of this remarkably resplendent volume indicates that the Students' Union has another best seller, equal in quality to that other sterling annual, The Student Handbook.

The exciting pictures of twisting couples, ice statues, marches on city hall and other candid shots will be the basis of memories for years to come. Who will ever forget those fascinating pictures of the Pembina Pajama Party?

The sporting section, always sensational, is better than ever this year. The glowering faces of the Bears will strike fear in the hearts of readers for years. Who can forget the names and faces of the boys who formed our sporting teams, who won and lost for the old Alma Mater?

The fraternity section is as exciting as it has been in the past. The long lists of names are as enchanting as the "begats" of the Old Testament. And the pictures of the fellows standing around the piano will preserve their finest and fondest recollections of fraternity life.

Also delightful are the scintillating expressions of the various club executives. The mechanistic perfection of the way they are lined up will thrill any sociologist who sees the books.

But the best of all features of the book is the Student Section, so neat and clean and formal. Occasionally upon the discovery of a familiar face one has the feeling Balboa must have had when he first saw the Pacific. The pictures are a bit smaller this year, but a magnifying glass will aid in seeing nearly every expression.

Yes, the Evergreen and Gold from its hard covers through its glorious technicolor section to its relatively complex index (returned by popular demand) is highly recommended to those who are looking forward to a lifetime of looking back. The amusement it will afford your children is worth the price in itself.

We do regret that the volume is available only to members of the Students' Union. Certainly such a beautiful and important book should be on sale in a larger market.

And the Evergreen and Gold should be tried on the open market if only to prove that people would buy it even if they weren't forced to. We are certain the sales figures would reveal a great deal.