



mugwump journal

by Mike MacKinnon

Well people, the big event will have happened by the time you read this column. By that I mean the Rush concert last night at the Aitken Centre. Joey Kilfoil and I were able to interview Geddy Lee, the bass player and vocalist for the band, and will be using this interview and a review of the concert as the feature in next week's issue. So all you Rush fans stay tuned...

In addition to being able to interview Lee, we were able to get a sneak preview of their concert. Lee allowed us to stay for about two and one half hours and watch them rehearse. Included in their rehearsal was some new material in addition to the old stand-bys such as "Xandu", "By-tore" and the "Snow Dog" and they also performed "Passage to Bangkok, an old song of 2112 which has never been included in the concert before. They should be able to pick me off the ceiling in about a week.

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With the election fast approaching many (?) of you student will be going out to vote. If you are confused on which riding to vote in there are pamphlets on the second floor office wing of the SUB telling you how to vote, where to register, who can vote by proxy and how to do it. This may be a useful pamphlet to many of you.

As I sit here and write this column I can see about (well, exactly, as a matter of fact) six people laying out the paper. I do have to admit these people enjoy the feeling of pride after they are done but I am sure they are willing to sacrifice a bit of this and grudgingly give up a part of their work to anyone interested in helping the paper out.

In case you have not noticed this is another one in a long line of sob stories trying to sucker you students into working on the paper. I am doing this for purely selfish reasons you know, because if we can get some of you out here to work then I can stop writing these foolish speeches. So get out here! (Notice I didn't say anything about apathy!)

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Winter Carnival will soon be here and this year there will be more emphasis on fun rather than money making (an enjoyable change don't you think?). What is needed is student support i.e. volunteers to help out with organization on the various events. (Pain in the butt huh?)

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Last week we ran a notice asking for nominations for the Honoraria Committee. We, in our infinite wisdom, left the signatures of James Woodfield, the University Secretary off the notice, but if you will check the notice in this weeks issue, you will see that we have included the signature. We extend our sincere apologies to Mr. Woodfield.

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I think that will just about be it for this week's column, because I have nothing else to talk about or to bore you with. Basically I am just being lazy, one of my better qualities. I hope you like your new apartment Dorothy.

UFOs pollution

Flying saucer buffs may be brought down to earth by the latest research from Russia. Scientists at the Soviet Institute of Oceanology say those unidentified flying objects are not visitors from another galaxy or even figments of the imagination. They're just pollution. The scientists have discovered that turbulent weather causes pulverized dust or water particles to form into saucer shapes right in their laboratories. They also say their theory explains why there have been so many UFO sightings lately. Since there's more pollution these days--there's bound to be more UFO sightings. (NEWSSCRIPT)

A human carrot?

Scientists in Sweden have accomplished a remarkable feat. Loosely speaking they've crossed a human being with a carrot. To be precise, researchers at the country's Institute of Molecular Cytogenetics have fused human cell cultures with cells taken from Carrots. And apparently, it's not all that hard to do. It may be ablow to our pride, but a professor at the institute told *Omni* that the differences between humans and carrots aren't really that great. They have a similar genetic structure and some plants, the professor adds, even have the same sex hormones as humans.

Guest editorial

By ANDY GRIGG

The article written by Stephen Wohl on u.s. control of our natural resources which appeared in last week's *Brunswickan* is something we need a lot more of. Unfortunately we aren't likely to see too many articles of this sort in Canadian newspapers and if we do see seem they'll probably be relegated to page 26. (Out of sight, out of mind). THE Powers That Be don't like people like Mr. Wohl simply because he speaks the truth and in this instance the truth is embarrassing.

The fact is, we have no control over our resources or future anymore. We are to the U.S. what Poland is to the U.S.S.R.; a satellite state with a puppet government.

Virtually every major economic policy formulated in Ottawa in the past 20 years has benefitted the American economy far more than the Canadian, and the policies of the future Liberal or Conservative Governments will continue to be made in the best interests of the U.S.

Mitchell Sharp, the former external affairs minister during the mid-60's has been put in command of the Alaska-Canada pipeline project, a project that will benefit the U.S. immensely and Canada minimally.

It has been alleged by Phillip Agree, a CIA defector, that Sharp was personally involved in the CIA coup in Chile that saw the ouster of the socialist government of

Salvador Allende. If this is true, it would appear Mr. Sharp is now just continuing his dedicated service to the U.S.

Why he was our external affairs minister, and now the man in charge of the controversial pipeline, is open to speculation. While we are on the topic of speculation let's talk about a strange coincidence in Alberta.

I'm sure you're all familiar with Premier Lougheed, the man who perhaps has done more for American multinational oil companies than any other Canadian in history. I find it a surprising coincidence that Lougheed's own brother is on the Board of Directors of Gulf Oil.

The letter last week from Kevin Tennant on the upcoming election was mind-boggling to say the least. Are there any more Socialist Conservatives running around out there? Mr. Tennant, you open your letter with "At stake is our future as Canadians not second-class citizens in an America ruled from Washington D.C. and New York City." Okay, so now you've got the interest of all patriotic Canadians and then you spout forth several paragraphs of meaningless rhetoric and close with "The logical step for me would be to vote Conservative." Conservative? By voting Conservative, Mr. Tennant you are ensuring that you become a second class American citizen in a Canada controlled from Washington and Wall St.

Stolen brew worth \$4000

A thirsty thief in London may have drunk a real collectors item - a 102 year old bottle of beer.

The bottle, believed to be part of the Bass company's original batch of brew, was in the back of a van stolen from Londoner William Rowlands. Police got the van back-but so far, the bottle has not been recovered. After more than a century, the beer probably wasn't too tasty. But it was an expensive drink nonetheless. The bottle, say police was worth about \$4000. (NEWSSCRIPT)



Briefs

Sex with a baton???

Former Miss Wyoming Kim Pring is not pleased with Penthouse and

neither are Miss America Pageant officials.

They're suing the skin mag for 7.6 million dollars over an article entitled "Miss Wyoming's Unique Talent." The story, which appeared in the magazine's August issue, allegedly portrays the baton-twirling beauty performing sex acts with her baton.

In the story Miss Wyoming is named Charlene instead of Kim, but Ms. Pring, who did twirl a baton at the 1978 Miss America contest, says that the story "puts down...me, my family, my friends and the state of Wyoming," adding that she has been "ostracized by her friends."

Also joining in the suit...the U.S. Baton Twirling Association. (Newscrip)

Talk to your TV

People have been talking to their TV's or years. But now the folks at Toshiba say they've got a model that listens-and talks back.

The 20 inch color set doesn't say much-just OK to let you know it understands, but by saying the proper words you can make the set change channels or adjust the sound. If it doesn't understand, it politely says "repeat."

The set, and four voice-controlled stereo components are described by Toshiba as a "trial balloon." But they say that voice-controlled equipment could be on the general market sometime in 1980 and at a reasonable price. They won't say what they consider "reasonable" but hint that it will be less than double the price of a standard TV set.

If voice-controlled TV's and stereo's work out, their next project will be a talking microwave oven. (NEWSSCRIPT)

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