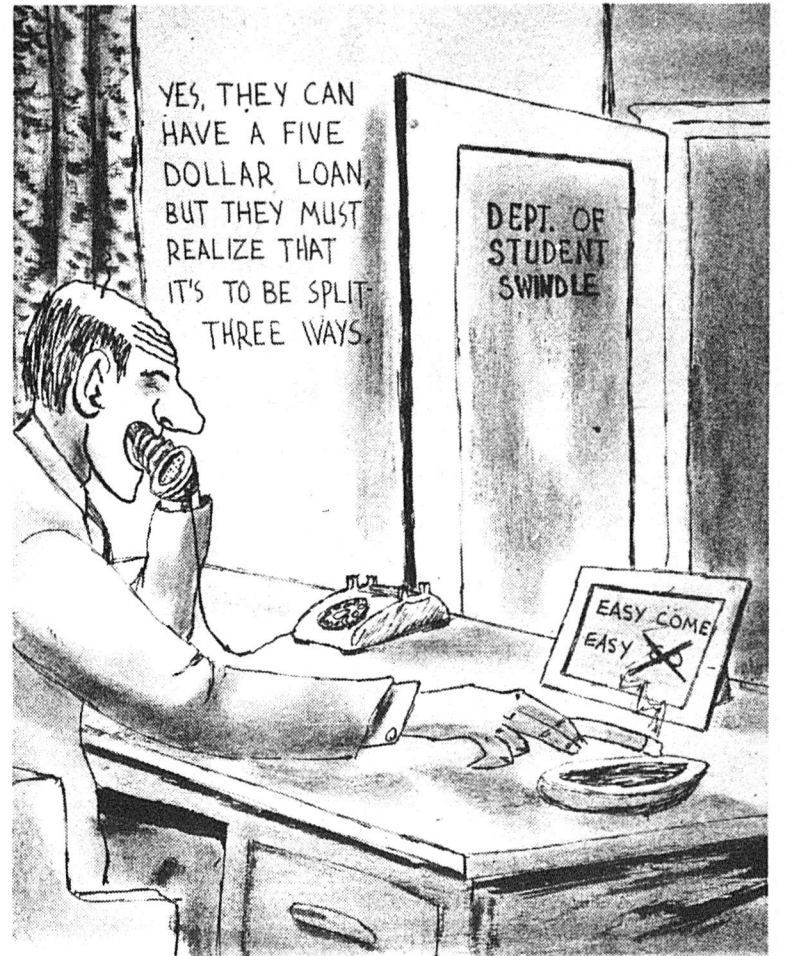
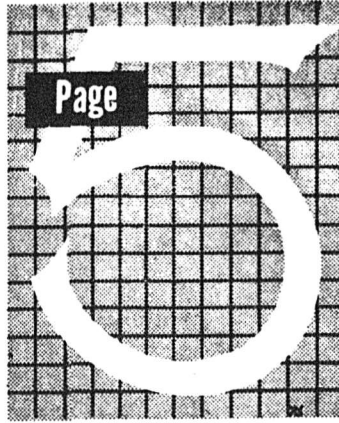


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the early bird
may get the worm,
but it's the guy who rises late
that gets enough sleep



—the ontarion

letters

student representation

On Nov. 23, 1965 a letter was sent to Richard Price, then the students' union president, by Dr. Walter Johns. It contained the following, "I believe that communication is very important but representation on administrative, legislative and governing bodies is not appropriate. Student views should certainly be heard but I cannot see the importance of students participating in the final decision. This of course is a personal view and does not necessarily reflect the view of the Board of Governors or of the General Faculty Council."

Methinks because of the mere presence of this man on the board, there is undoubtedly a charismatic aura, that perhaps influences other board members similarly as his thinking goes, yet unduly? In last year's political science survey on Jesper Avenue it was found the mere presence of the middle class university student, evoked answers strained to fit middle class norms. Does the rest of the board think thusly, because of the thought coincidence, or because of psychic transfer, or is it the undue charisma of the one hallowed personality?

Nevertheless, as a summation to the above quotation, I take this to be a personal affront to all students on this campus. To all appearance there is an uninhibited self-esteem here.

The board and particularly the president seems to be motivated by the assumption they alone are best qualified to guide a collectivized humanity. This leads to destruction of free thought. Human liberty is subtly destroyed under the pretense of incapability.

The apparent wishes of student representation on the board of governors is viewed as heresy by the upper echelons of our university society. Undoubtedly, the student body in asking for participation had no coercion in mind.

Our present university government is still in the ox-cart stage of a century ago. Its basic form has not changed with the times. In its present form, it embodies a flagrant interference with freedom of speech and criticism. A wise administration will know that it can persuade far more successfully than it can drive.

john bushnik
grad studies

wus finances

Recent criticisms in The Gateway, Edmonton Journal and other such publications indicate that many people are ignorant of the World University Service and what it does.

WUS is a self-help organization, designed to materially and financially aid universities and students in developing areas, or where war or other disasters have affected universities and students. It promotes a better understanding between Canadian and foreign students through seminars, scholarship exchanges and by publicizing the plight of overseas students.

In Canada, WUS raises money for these various projects through Treasure Van, SHARE and other sources. Many criticisms have arisen concerning WUS funds. The following figures are taken from WUS Financial Statements, year ending April 30, 1966, as prepared

by Clarkson, Gordon and Co., Toronto Chartered Accountants.

REVENUE: Grants from students councils — \$13,190.56, Treasure Van Profits—\$25,979.78, national assembly — \$14,579.00, seminar (participants share, local WUS share, private and government donations) —\$64,823.75 miscellaneous receipts—\$4,894.65.

Expenditures were: general operations—\$36,603.58, national assembly — \$14,787.07, seminar — \$ 6 5,4 7 7 . 6 5, miscellaneous—\$1,100, reserve fund—\$5,599.44.

In addition, \$52,350.18 was raised through SHARE campaigns and this entire sum was transferred to Geneva for distribution through-out WUS' International Program of Action. Every dollar of this fund is matched, on a SHARE basis, by the receiving WUS national committee and is used to build student hostels, libraries, health units, cafeterias, anything a university needs to study properly.

Treasure Van profits help cover Canadian travel and education seminars (\$8,450), national Van publicity, SHARE publicity (thus enabling 100 per cent of SHARE proceeds to go overseas), general operations of WUS and national office expenses.

Locally, the WUS committee used its funds to send a delegate, Branny Schepanovich, to an International Seminar in Turkey, to help send two delegates to the national assembly, granted \$200 to Club International, deposited \$100 with Major Hooper for a foreign student emergency fund, and covered all local expenses for Treasure Van, SHARE, and other WUS publicity. At the end of the year, remaining funds were sent to the SHARE program.

WUS financial documents may be seen by anyone who so desires, in Room 108 SUB.

philip cove
wus chairman

the serendipity singers

What is wrong with U of A? Monday night, I, with a handful of other U of A students, witnessed, (or shall I say enjoyed) one of the grandest flops in U of A's history. Or are these flops a regular occurrence here? As a recent transfer student, I am not familiar with the policy, but the grapevine tells me the 3D's and other university sponsored activities received a similar response.

On one University campus, slightly larger than the U of A, the 3D's drew about 9,000 for one performance, and the Kingston Trio (comparable to the Serendipity Singers) drew about 11,000 at \$3 to \$5 dollars per seat.

Yet U of A which is supposed to be a leader among Canadian universities had to scrape the bottom of the barrel to find 500 enthusiasts for the Serendipity Singers concert. What is the reason for this?

Was the quality of entertainment that poor? If the whole program had consisted of that clown who discoursed for half an hour while the audience became bored, and the entertainers grew restless, Yes.

But the Inner Circle and Les Copines put on fine performances, and the excellence of the Serendipity Singers was displayed by the five minute standing ovation they received at the end of the concert.

Could poor advertisement be responsible? The Gateway cannot be blamed—they carried 26 square inches of advertising in last Friday's paper alone; as compared to only 24 inches which the Tampax advertisement received. Did anyone see any of the posters on campus during their short life span? Would you believe between 400 and 500 of them were placed strategically around campus until, almost immediately, a very energetic janitorial staff removed them.

Also a local entertainment promoter volunteered to Radio Society and was rejected by the same, to have our posters distributed, with the local school boards' consent in all the high schools and the junior high schools in Edmonton. Certainly the students there may be bubblegummer, but their money is just as green as the money we haven't got.

Was the fault in poor management and organization? This I will refuse to comment on, but I imagine Glenn Sinclair can certainly come up with an interesting answer.

Credit must be given to a meager few, including Glenn Sinclair without whose assistance the show could not have flopped so well, and the Decorating Committee consisting of the L.D.S. Young Mancils who in the absence of any organization took over Monday night and made the show go on. And we cannot forget the Serendipity Singers who were so courteous under such trying circumstances.

Maybe it would be better if those degenerate slobs who are worrying about the poor communists dying in Viet Nam would do something constructive, and worry about what happens here. They might even change their motto to, stop the students' council from wasting our money.

b. r. hull
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hear the other side

by ekkehard kottke

Last year the disciplinary interpretation and enforcement board levied a small fine against members of the Students' Union for Peace Action for illegally displaying a booth in the university's corridors.

The fine was paid, but the booth reappeared with the sanction of changed university regulations.

Obviously the tenor of SUPA propaganda has not mellowed. President Johnson is still the coldest spot on earth, and the war in Viet Nam is still an outrageous atrocity on the western conscience.

In the same general direction argued this year's Henry Marshall Tory guest lecturer, Dr. Chester Ronning, who placed the blame for a potential third world war squarely on the American diplomatic door steps.

"If the U.S. continues escalation of the Viet Nam war, China will be forced to become actively involved to protect her own security. This would mean a third world war," he was quoted in The Gateway.

Canada is already claiming a seat on the tribunals that are to settle the next world war.

And these would be the Canadian findings as stated by Noel Parker Jervis of the U of A English department, in a judgment published by the Edmonton New Democratic Youth and SUPA:

"I do not of course blame myself for hoping for a Viet Cong victory . . . I have such holidays in my heart when I hear of American defeats.

"The American presence and

actions of war in Viet Nam are dead wrong, morally indefensible, politically inept, internationally menacing. The actions of the Vietnamese people are dead right, morally, legally, and patriotically. I speak of course of the 80 per cent who support the war of national liberation . . ."

In the name of the people: the death penalty.

Or at least a spray of red and green paint as a down payment.

Et altera pars audiatur? The other side is just not "in" any more. But according to student surveys the other side comprises 50 per cent of the population of sample colleges in Canada. Not quite as vociferous as the left, they place some trust in Time magazine and either admit or deny polishing American apples as the fancy strikes them.

Let me then present this item of hypothetical American tree fruit.

If a world power at war elicits a series of comments on its actions from universities in its hegemony, it will expect a number of remarks that may be classified as deviant because of their extremist point of view and infrequent distribution.

However, if these points of view overshadow more moderate reactions or positive feedback from the college set, the "politically inept" leadership of that world power is likely to push the panic button.

This could take the form of student leaders being cut off from scholarships and grants because they "publicly refused to donate blood for victims of the Viet Nam war," for example.

It's exactly what happened to a student at Jena university in Eastern Germany, according to reports in the newspaper "Die Welt" of Oct. 7.

SUPA-men know the U.S. wouldn't. At least, they haven't, as yet. With TV and Madison Avenue at their disposal, the U.S. can dispense with these crude sanctions. There are more subtle ways of exerting pressure.

American newspapers and air waves are full of them.

There is no gain in provoking the U.S. State Department to put us on its mailing list.

Let's hear the other side as seen in Alberta.

