



Mugwump
By ED WERTHMANN Journal

I am not impressed! Peter Davidson and Brian Pryde of SRC comptroller fame and I were having a little chat just before I began to type out this column. That is, it's 10:45 p.m. Wednesday, October 20 and I'm told that about 2,000 bucks will probably be deleted from the Brunswickan budget. That "probably" is pretty flexible. Nothing may be cut from the budget. The fact of the matter is that after subtracting the total finances from all ensuing costs of the SRC, clubs and the like the Union comes out approximately \$20,000 short. That's a five-figure number, folks. It's the kind of thing that I certainly don't like to see.

What comes to mind immediately is the extremely poor management of the SRC with OUR money. Surely they had enough insight to see where all the money was coming from and where and how much was going back out in services.

Granted, lots of folks are going to bitch about the financial straits we're in now. The reason will be because of NUS or increased CUP fees, or something else. Bah! Humbug! I certainly can see NUS, AFS, CUP and the like as vital organizations geared toward the social, economic and political needs of students not only at UNB, but all across the country.

What I would question, though, is the role of such enterprises as CSL. I believe that those who organized CSL were warned of the financial position that the company would put the Union. But they went ahead anyway! Really concerned about the Students, eh?

However, the situation exists and there's no going back. So what has to be done so as to break even? Cutbacks—it's the fashionable thing to do. Although I don't want to come out of the Bruns budget—and I'm confident it won't be touched. But I might suggest that honoraria be thrown out altogether. (Ouch, that hurts doesn't it, folks on the SRC, et al?) I am willing, for sure.

There are probably other places to cut, too. Like CSL. After all, who needs losses on Roy Clark type of things—especially \$30,000 (or thereabouts)?

Come to think of it, SRC elections were just held. Hopefully they can take care of our interests a little (or a lot) better than has been the practice of the past.

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Jubilant! The results are in and yes...we students of UNB are a part of NUS. This news certainly makes me happy...especially after weeks of anticipation.

Now! Getting into NUS was quite a job, but this is merely the beginning. What has to happen now is some real hard work. NUS is raring and ready to go. However, they won't get too far without support from US.

To start off with, NUS needs someone to fill the role of a New Brunswick representative on the Central Committee of NUS. It's an important position—not to mention vacant. So, what's wrong with someone from UNB? Surely there are people here that would like to get into that sort of thing. If you want to know more about the job, why not contact someone in the SRC? There are several people about who could fill you in—Jim Smith, Bill Sanderson come to mind right now. And perhaps Miguel Figueroa (Atlantic fieldworker for NUS) will be through here again sometime soon. However, this position will only have to be filled until May of next year. That's when the term is up; but don't let that stop you.

Next on the list is good ol' NSD. You've heard of it, right? NSD is National Students Day—a concept that came out of the spring national conference (NUS) in Winnipeg. What I want to know is how the students, the SRC, the Administration, the Faculty and all of everyone else feels about this thing; and what's being done? NUS is here—but what of the others? If NSD is to be successful at all, we (that's US) have put in our bit.

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And can I ask the SUB to please donate one chair to the cause? Howard, the Brunswickan's typesetter (Sarah Ingersoll, whom we all love and hold so close to our hearts) has to sit at the machines practically all day. And anyone who dares to say she "doesn't need one" had better spend a day at the Bruns. Besides, if the D.J.'s at CHSR can have a decent chair to sit in, surely the SUB can supply dear Sarah with one.

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Gene! Help! Send something soothing for my head and soul. Mark and Craig didn't bring a thing—but we did get to fly some local kites!

Is PM fifth column?

By EDWARD BOWES

Is Pierre Elliot Trudeau selling us out? Is he slowly and systematically undermining the Dominion of Canada?

Why does he pay court to the leaders of every communist country in the world? Why is he pictured embracing Chairman Mao in China? Why does he quaff vodka with Brezhnev and Gromyko in Russia? Why is he kissing Fidel Castro in Cuba, while Cuban soldiers are making war in Africa?

Does he intentionally alienate the free countries of the world?

Has he made any friends in the United States of America lately? Was he deported from the States in 1961 as an "undesirable alien" after being captured by the United States Coast Guard while trying to row a canoe from Florida to Cuba?

Who was impressed by Trudeau's failure to stand at attention for "God Save the Queen" at the Olympics? Did this typically arrogant stance enhance Canada's image in Great Britain?

Why is he splitting the nation right down the middle, with his policy of bilingualism-at-any-price? Polarizing the Francophone and Anglophone people who have

co-existed in relative tranquility for two hundred years?

Are his wage and price controls designed to help the economy or worsen the situation? Canadians are not a nation of people attuned to civil strife. Why are the citizens of Canada at each others throats as never before in our history?

Why have the Canadian Armed Forces been decimated to a point where "this country could be taken by a determined troop of boy scouts? Is this a conscientious act of contrition by a man who refused to serve his country during World War II?

Is the institution of the metric system another way of introducing a state of confusion to Canada? What system of measurement is used in the Soviet Union?

Why has the Province of Quebec been allowed to declare itself a unilingual country within the boundaries of Canada? Why have other provinces with an Anglophone majority been forced to become bilingual?

How can a person who openly accepts the doctrines of communism become the Prime Minister of Canada? Is Canada not basically a democratic, Christian nation?

Can this so-called "fairly godfather" and his henchmen impose their ulterior scheme upon us without a whimper?

Are we "truly a nation of sheep"?

Lack of info at gym

Dear Editor:

I am furious! What do they do at that information desk in the UNB Gym anyway? They certainly do

not know what is lined up in the way of activities for a specific evening. I am a full time 5th year student at UNB, and have over the past five years been given wrong time-slots, incorrect locations and non-existent activities, to name just a few.

Tonight was the last straw! I phoned that famous information desk at 453-4578 to inquire about Yoga lessons, and the person who answered did not have a clue as to its existence! Now my question is this - is this info-desk and info-person not there to answer such pertinent questions? If not perhaps something could be done - AND QUICKLY. I'm fed up with their lack of answers.

Karen Lank

Sold out for the prevention of disease

Dear Editor:

Congratulations Bruns, you took a giant step forward in the wrong direction. I am speaking, of course, of your daring prophylactic advertisement that I suppose very few people will remember by now. I read last week's paper, fully expecting that such a flagrant stimulus would surely provoke a response from some indignant abstainer, but apparently the opportunity was over-looked - and with so much as a snort or a hiss.

To tell the truth, I was surprised and also more than a little disappointed to discover that no criticism had evoked of this issue. I am now of the opinion that it was only me who was ever doomed to comment.

Well, to start off, the very sight of the ad is enough to embarrass about half of the students, but I do realize that it was not those students that you were trying to reach. Someone tell me though, were the potential customers every considered? I really cannot believe so. Ask somebody who's tried them, ask anybody who

knows better - those things don't work. Besides being uncomfortable (to all parties), my unfortunate experiences with them have proven that they usually break under great (but not unusual) stress and that unless one is equipped with a limitless supply, their absence can cause, at very least, a distracting influence. I suggest that you could have

chosen a more effective method of birth control to advertise. How about the Pill, maybe an I.U.D. but please do not encourage guys to use safes. You might as well have recommended steaming showers or jumping into the St. John River in January.

Addressing those more perceptive people, why should I tell you what you already know? Shall we conclude that the Bruns is desperate for advertising? Surely though, innocent students must not be misled, for it is the purpose of the University to promote higher intelligence, isn't it.

Emily Read

Tough tracking at the back door

Dear Editor:

How many people walk to the University through the woods from the Trans Canada Highway? Judging from the muddy footprints each morning, it must be quite a few. How many of these people

are, like me, fed up with picking their way through mud and flooded areas, and scrambling across the ditch on a broken and very dangerous piece of ladder? Considering how well used this path is, isn't it time the grounds-people put some work in on it? We must have a new bridge across the

ditch before the weather deteriorates any further, and planks bridging the muddiest areas are almost as essential. Why not write to the Physical Plant people, and to The Brunswickan asking for something to be done?

Anne Matthews