

the daily gleaner is alive and well

The news media of late has come under attack for many reasons, chief of which is the fact that the media is playing too large a part in the formation of public opinion. One fears that the "truth" as reported by the press, radio and TV may be distorted in some way, either by planned omission or careless editing.

A local daily, The Daily Gleaner, is a widely read paper and, to a decreasing majority of citizens, it represents what is factual and true. This is sad.

National newspapers normally have an entirely different emphasis from the local production. This difference is not noticed unless one reads reports on the same incident in both kinds of papers. For example, in the Gleaner, Canadian Press stories are noticeably cut in certain areas, particularly in reports of police brutality. Such personalized editing of potentially controversial issues distorts the public's comprehension of the facts.

In encouraging the good people of Fredericton to classify campus citizens as anarchists, the Daily Gleaner displays nothing more than a frantic paranoia. A recent editorial welcoming the Freshman students ended with the observation:

"The campus ferment has been channelled into irrationality and destruction by a sinister infiltration of anarchists. If these are resolutely purged, (Stalin is alive and well in the Gleaner editorial War Room) student activity in the affairs of their universities could result in genuine reform and improvements long overdue."

Undoubtedly, reforms are long overdue and hopes are rising that there may be student representation on the senate. A "purge" is perhaps unnecessary.

Papers like the Gleaner with its "Those-were-the-Days" editorials are slowly disappearing because of their petty prides and prejudices. Probably the most hypocritical Gleaner editorial ever written ended this way: "We believe that suppression is a cardinal sin for a newspaper. The publication of the news, whether it be favourable or unfavourable to our own opinions and beliefs, has been our guiding rule in the past as it will be in the future. The public shall be the judge."

and yet another blunder

Alas, we can all sit back. We are not one day a week radicals.

Neither have we any interest in the national security of Canada. Neither do we give a damn that the United States Government in this past week has set off a nuclear bomb on our doorstep. In making another of their "wise decisions" for the UNB student the Executive of the SRC has told the rest of Canada what the local students really are.

A poor choice by the executive, but then we can only add it to the already overloaded list.

Oh yes, congratulations St. Thomas, you turned out to be a little less idiotic this time.

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NOT AN EXTENSION WOWIE ZOWIE!

I have read the article concerning the new women's residence, which appeared in the September 26 edition of the Brunswickan, and I should like to comment on some of the points raised.

First and foremost, the new residence is not an addition to Lady Dunn Hall in any sense except that the two buildings are next door to each other. The new residence will operate entirely separately with its own House Committee and with all its own facilities, except that dining hall which will be used by both residences in the same way that McConnell Hall is used by the various men's residences.

The new residence building is L-shaped, not U-shaped, and was especially designed so that each corridor of each wing can be closed off as a separate entity - complete with its own study, proctor's room, washrooms, etc. - if that is the wish of the residents. In other words the basic "social grouping" - to use the phrase from the Housing Survey - is a unit of 20-25 persons; these units can be combined either vertically or horizontally in any multiple of 25 that is considered desirable by the girls who live in the House.

The third arm of the U-shaped building mentioned in your article, is entirely separate from the new

residence, and will be devoted to the needs of non-resident women students. This building contains a 850 locker room, a do-it-yourself kitchen and lunch rooms, study rooms, lounge, and guest bedrooms for casual use by non-residents and women visitors, who want overnight accommodation in order to attend special functions on campus. The new infirmary is located on the top floor of this building, not in the women's residence, and is essential since the Lady Dunn Infirmary is no longer adequate for our present needs.

I hope that the new residence will be named soon, to emphasize the fact that it is in no way an extension of Lady Dunn Hall.

Sincerely,
 Mrs. J.P. Kidd
 DEAN OF WOMEN

IN DEFENCE OF SANITY

What we need is a third world war. Not for freedom, but rather for sanity.

F.D. Cameron
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ALL SOME PEOPLE DO IS BITCH

Is life a total disillusionment? Last year's Winter Carnival after months of planning was a disaster. Already we are months behind this year; what is in store? It's about time someone started

openly suggesting something or are we all expected to go to Quebec?

Concerning last year's carnival, if I was so power hungry it's a wonder I brought up the subject the meeting after the election. Concerning fair play, why did the Bruns delay at least one letter to the editor so it would appear in the last edition of the year, giving me and others interested no chance to reply?

The Brunswickan's opinion of Frosh Week this year points to the several weaknesses inherent in the publication. If no beanies, how about something to replace them and build class spirit. We certainly can't do it if the frosh don't know the cheers. We beat Mt. A in football but they slaughter us every year as far as cheerleaders go. Where are ours?

I dislike non-student greasers giving students a rough time. (For example, the mere sight of them makes many unhappy and I, for one, desire a community of happiness.) If those homos want to wreck things or pick fights let them go to the pool rooms downtown where they belong. If I'm going to be knifed on campus, at least let it be done by someone who has the right to be here. I know, of course, that true students would make for a happy community along the lines of Woodstock, N.Y. Not so much as a fist fight among 1/2 million people.

I did enjoy being an Arts