

Letters cont.

## Visa rules

I can overlook mistakes made by most people but when a man like Mr. Dowling comments on something he does not know at all, I cannot help but step in. I am referring to Mr. Dowling's letter dated Feb. 2, 1979, concerning the "visa rules" issue.

To quote: 'I believe that immigrants all across Canada who unlawfully extend their stay here are being flown home.' First of all, immigrants refer to those who are granted permanent resident status to stay in Canada, and thus they do not renew their visas (because they do not have one), and they should not be mistaken with a person on a student visa. An immigrant has pretty well all the rights of a citizen except in voting. He can accept employment, and has the option to become a citizen if he chooses and passes the citizenship exam, after he has lived in Canada for a period for

three or five years, depending on how and when he acquired his immigration status. A visa student, on the other hand, is granted temporary residence (which is a student visa) while he is enrolled in an educational institution, and is required to renew that visa every year. Thus,

a person like Mr. Dowling who thinks deportation is just and fair without knowing the different between an immigrant and a person on a student visa shows nothing but that he is an ignorant bigot.

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## Now...live-in slates!

It is with great personal dismay that I find there is a campaign office for one of the slates in Rm. 017 Mac Hall. With all of the things that have been inflicted on res. students in the last couple of months, I find this one the most disgusting. It is highly unfortunate that the Olmstead slate feels it must coerce residence students from within the Lister Hall complex to win votes.

I will gladly read your campaign posters and leaflets. I'm even interested in hearing from your slate at the election rally. I am extremely upset, however, in having your slate move into my home only to move out after a week of shoddy

political campaigning.

It is interesting to note that in the "Nominations and Elections Bylaw" it states that candidates must "be responsible for ensuring that practises that are unfair to other campaigns are not followed." Don't you think moving your headquarters into the home of 1000 students is a little underhanded?

My only hope is that the \$14 a night room you are renting is budgeted for in your campaign expenses and will show up in the financial statement at the end of the campaign.

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# Appendix

by Sam Hall

Well, the elections are here again and posters and pamphlets are raining down on us like manna. Perhaps we should examine their nutritional content as we look at the campaign in general.

First (?) is the Dean Olmstead disco campaign. One step forward, two steps back. The precision team that got most of the Kushner (nee Stewart) slate elected must shaking their heads in disbelief as Dean does the oblivion Hustle. I think started with those awful grey on green posters, the ones where the candidates look like they just emerged from a stagnant swamp. It might have started, however, when they decided to get the residence vote by moving in for a week.

On the other hand, the Fenna campaign, is exceptionally slick. Bright orange, glossy posters, pamphlet pushed everywhere, banners in the big buildings. If you throw in the cost of Alan Fenna's haircut they're over budget for sure. Mind you the haircut shows on thing; Cheryl learns from her mistakes. There is no reason why the "progressive alternatives" can't be well coiffed.

I can hardly wait to see what happens to the protest (the whole thing's a farce) vote. Maybe it will go to the protest (the whole thing's a farce) Liberal Democrat slate. Maybe the whole liberal democratic system is a farce if it allows five bozos in stupid costumes to spend \$400.00 of student money acting like idiots. If they win it probably proves student government is a farce.

So vote for an independent, why don't you? Well, there is Brian O'Kurley representing the silent majority (you notice on his poster that his mouth is closed). Brian's brilliant plan is to garner the support of the people who don't care about student politics. Mind you they are also the people who don't vote.

Len Thom (graduate of the Rhon Rhose spelling school) says council is a three ring circus. He, it would seem should be running for ringmaster rather than president. He claims that an outsider is needed to straighten out the mess. Sounds like another presidential candidate from not so long ago and not so far away. Next, he may promise never to lie to us.

Finally (?) there is Ford of Ford for the Board. Look at the little two-picture story on his poster. Ford tries to pick up girl, girl's boyfriend spits in his eye. Heartburning, warming.

I suggest you look to see which candidates seem least compatible and elect them on Feb. 9. They deserve to have the aggravation returned to them.

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