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By Kathryn Wakeling

Let me begin by extending a heartfelt apology to Allen Patrick in Halifax. Unfortunately last weeks letter to the Brunswickan was not meant to be a published letter to the editor. I am sorry that it happened - please put a note on future correspondence. If not marked accordingly I can only assume material is being submitted for publication. Sorry Allen, it was an honest mistake-I hope things smooth out for you.

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I'd like to welcome Sheenagh back to the Brunswickan office, her return has been greatly appreciated. Keep up the great work!

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Speaking of new staff! A term is coming to a close and the second term is just around the corner - why not consider working on the Bruns. Staff has dropped considerably (it usually does around this time of year) and that hurts not only our production but the quality of the paper. Remember, the Brunswickan everybody's paper - without the students it is nothing.

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Next week is the final issue of the Brunswickan. We will begin publishing in January with an issue coming out on the fourth. If you have lost the exam schedule, feel free to drop by the Bruns office (Rm. 35 in the SUB) to obtain another copy. Missing exams is not a laughing matter - I know.

While on the subject of mental torture, I would like to take this opportunity to wish best wishes to students over the holidays and the best of luck over the stretch of exams. Remember-once the exams are finished you can put your mind on blocks and just relax enough to forget the first term. Don't even think of the second!

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Does anybody remember the Stampeders? Being a West Coast connection I am a staunch supporter - and may strongly recommend the New Stampeders. Frankly speaking, they are the refreshing breeze of good music that Fredericton seems to lack. It's a good time for those who want to re-live all their past hits and tune into some their new releases which appear on their new album.

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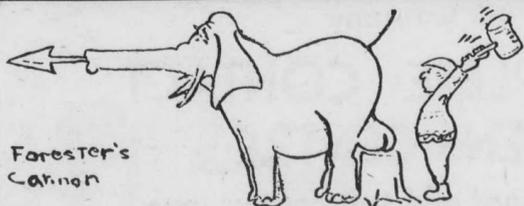
It appears that the shuffle is on upstairs re: a new SRC executive. Monday nights council meeting had more people in attendance (on and off council) than I have seen for quite a long while-could it have been last years change in council?

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A source of the Brunswickan has it that last years fire bug who had a passion for Keirstead Hall is enjoying an all-expense paid vacation at Kingston Penitentiary. I only hope that his fire has died out.

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Well, time to bid adieu! But before I do-Nancy: Did you hear about Cass'lass - who had gas?



TEDDY BAKER #9



View from the left field

The embassy incident

EDITORS NOTE: The following was submitted as an editorial column. The opinions expressed in this article are not necessarily those of the Brunswickan, its editorial board, staff, or the UNB Student Union.

By ANDY GRIGG

PART ONE: MEET THE CAST:

The world watches intently as the major drama progresses. Every day a new twist in the plot, every hour a new figure grabs some of the limelight.

It has been said before, and quite rightly so, that the biggest loser in situations like this is the truth. We the public are being subjected to a media campaign of falsehoods, distortion and downright lies.

I hope to shed a little light on this matter and give you, the reader, a new perspective on this subject, and to explain why media coverage of these events is slanted.

It will be hard to tell who will be happier at the eventual outcome of all this: The Iranian people, if the Shah is returned, the Chase-Manhattan Bank who will get to keep the Shah's estimated 80-billion-dollar account if he stays, or Hollywood, which will no doubt rush to produce an epic film version (with an all-star cast) of the whole mess.

It seems everyone you talk to these days has an opinion on how to resolve the issue. It is unfortunate that for the most part, these opinions are born out of ignorance. Ignorance in as much as these opinions are formed due to what the individual hears or sees in the media. That is a mistake.

The mass media is controlled largely by men who realize the power of media on the masses, and who have subsequently gained control of it to protect and further their own interests.

Specifically, in this instance we can look at the major media group in the US-CBS Time-Life Inc. which is owned by none other than David Rockefeller President of the Chase-Manhattan Bank, the bank where the Shah has invested his billions. If the Shah goes, so does his money, and Rockefeller won't stand for that.

Im sure you've all heard the name Rockefeller before, although the one most familiar to the general public is the now-deceased Nelson Rockefeller, ex-governor of New York State art collector, and perpetrator of the Attica prison massacre. However, David is and always was the one who calls the plays. He is in effect, the most powerful man in the world. He personally dictates all US foreign policy, thanks to advice given him by his former personal advisor, Zbigniew Brezinski. David is also chairman of the tri-lateral commission a group of multi-national business interests who decide the economic future of the world they control.

There are really only two countries in the world, the US and Russia. Every other country in the world is controlled economically and/or politically by one of the two. We like to call ourselves the "free world" and take pity on those living in communist countries, which is somewhat of a joke. At least those living in communist countries acknowledge their enslavement, we are so naive we aren't even aware of ours.

True, we have personal freedom (within limits) we can speak our minds (within limits) and live the life we choose (within limits) but if you compare the power structures of the "free world" and the communist world, you'll find no difference.

The Shah (if you believe the media) is an unfortunate victim of circumstances. First driven from his beloved homeland by the fanatical followers of the villainous Ayatollah, he now fights

for his life against cancer in a New York City Hospital. The US out of humanitarianism is letting him stay.

Of course the truth is altogether different from such sewage. The Shah holds his own against such historical bloodletters as Adolph Hitler and Attila the Hun. He also makes Idi Amin sound like a pretty nice guy.

He was put into power 35 years ago by the CIA (then OSS) and is personally responsible for the deaths of millions of Iranians who opposed his brutal dictatorship. He followed the guidelines established for puppet governments run by the US; that is, give away your country's natural resources for pennies and then spend those pennies on US manufactured goods (Just like Canada).

If you compare events in Iran to those in Nicaragua several months ago, you'll find no difference. A puppet government run by a brutal tyrant is torn down by the people of the country, who finally decided it was better to die than to endure such rule. The deposed dictator (Somoza or Shah) then flees to the security of Big Brother (US) making sure not to forget his suitcases full of money.

America is a giant leech, feeding off the resources of the countries it controls. It sees nothing wrong with that. "Well, its either us or the Russians", seems to be the attitude held by most Americans. They really do feel it is their God-given right to control the world (The philosophy held by the Nazis). I sometimes wonder what would have happened if Hitler was born in Brooklyn.

As for the 60 hostages being held, I think it would be safe to say at least half are CIA-involved in espionage in Iran. I have no pity for these zombies. The Iranians have found millions of dollars of counterfeit currency in the embassy (you figure it out) and assorted spying equipment.

Jimmy Carter can be excluded from the picture altogether, since he has nothing to say that is his own. He is a puppet with David Rockefeller holding the strings.

Zbigniew Brezinski is an important although shadowy figure. Few people realize he is the most influential man in the world. He has Kissinger's old job. That is being personal advisor to David Rockefeller and in turn Jimmy Carter's foreign affairs chief. He is a real loveable character. He was quoted as saying he felt Vietnam war protestors should be executed by the firing squad.

Anwar Sadat has stuck his nose into this mess by calling the Ayatollah a "lunatic" and a "disgrace to Islam". Don't pay too much attention to Sadat, for he is a CIA operative and a dictator to boot. It won't be long before the Egyptian people topple him.

Finally, the star of the show, Ayatollah Khomeini. I hear people say how terrible a man he is, yet when I ask them to expand on that they come up blank. Actually, there is nothing wrong with the man. He is acting out of religious conscience and morals (something the Shah doesn't know about). The Ayatollah has the difficult task of trying to erase 35 years of American decadence from Iranian society. Just because Islamic religion is different from western religion does not mean there is something pagan about it. If you take the time to examine it I'm sure you'll find it espouses the same principles of all religions.

As for the predicted outcome of this situation, I'm afraid evil will win out over good. That is, the Shah will continue to live a life of luxury in the Western World. By the way, look for a miraculous recovery from his "cancer."

FLEA MARKET: At the Fredericton Fish and Game LBuilding on the Fredericton Exhibition Grounds every Saturday from 9 am-1 pm. Great place to buy books, records, home furnishings, cheap collectibles etc.

CANTERBURY COMMUNITY: is a group of Christian students and friends rooted in the tradition of the Anglican Communion. We meet weekly for celebration of the Eucharist, discussion and fellowship. All are welcome, in the love of Christ. Meetings: Wednesday, 7:30 pm., SUB. Room 102

TO ALL THE ENGINEERING STUDENTS who voted for me; Thank-you! Steve.

THANKS to the Rowing Club for their help in the pubs, and the cleaning up afterwards!!!

TOM-did you order the sweaters yet?

APPEAL FOR WITNESSES to beatings that took place at the party on George St. last Friday night. Replies in confidence to T.Dyke c-o Bruns Office.

ANGLICAN EUCHARIST: -Fridays, Edwin Jacob Chapel (Old Arts Building), 12:30 noon-alternates each week between contemporary and traditional liturgy. Wednesdays, SUB Rm. 102-7:30 pm-contemporary liturgy at beginning of Canterbury Community.

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