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STAFF THIS ISSUE—It's quiet in here tonight except for the occasional bird flying overhead, and the echoing voices of Dan Jamieson, Bob Anderson, Ron Turnoway, Judy Davis (does that have a capital?), Brian Campbell (fomenting as usual), C. A. Morris (who is no longer a number), Chris Gardiner, Beth Winteringham (who almost got left out), Beth Nilsen, Ina Van Nieuwkirk) and me, your reptilian Harvey G. (for those Goddamn birds) Thomgirt.

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Editorial

Write your own editorials

Statistics tell us that only ten per cent of the students who pick up this paper will read this page, and I must admit that I find that quite disappointing, but then, who but the few have any real desire to hear me cathart all over the page.

I mean, aren't you big boys and girls? Can't you think for yourselves? If you can't, what good are you?

I'm tired, it's late, I don't want to write this editorial because I don't have anything to say, and because even if you read what I'm saying, you aren't listening.

This page will be preserved for comics and letters and columns from the staff and columns from the readers and news stories, and we may even fit in a few facts and bit of pertinent opinion, but I'm tired of blowing my mind trying to do these things for a non-existent or illiterate or inactive or apathetic or dead or something type of au-

Don't knock us or council or GFC or whatever else ails you. Don't crap on the system or the bad guys or the black hats or the black heads in

Write us a letter or a feature research item or a story or a line to let us know you're alive and listening and believing, or thinking about it, or filing it away or something.

Write us a letter, send us a page, give us a picture of your feces. Are you alive, or is the amount of thought coming to us indicative of what you're all about? Is this a university or a cemetery?

The bright diligent young mind that exists on this campus has got to react sometime. It's got to do something. It's got to explode or implode or revolt or shit all over the place.

You, the thinking ten per cent, or the mindless minority, whatever you are who are these statistics,

please, pretty please, pretty please with hamburger and onion pizza on it, tell your friends, tell your enemies, tell uncle Max and uncle Tom, and all the millions that surround you, tell them:

'The Gateway, you know, the rag that comes out three times a week on this campus and tries to get sold on the newsstands once a week (you've seen it, pleading in futile splendor from Mike's whatsis) wants to know, from you, and you, and you, and you what the hell do you think. Are they the Good, the Bad, or the Ugly, and they want to get you in there, so your criticisms will be inwardly directed.

"They want a mob of people to form in the courtyard and scream for the editor's blood. They want them to scream until their vocal cords break so that they won't be able to speak and will have to lynch the silly bastard to get their point

"They want the apathetic masses to get off their apathetic asses and revolt against the revolution or rise up in favor of Karl Marx and Adolph Hitler. They want to stand in a doorway and watch a bloodbath and say how gruesome it was in a news story. They want you to do something about it so it will be even bloodier. They want to see blood and guts and copy flowing out of you. They want, They want, They want."

It's up to you, O loyal ten per cent. Go forward into the fray and educate the masses, and try to educate the guy next door and the people around you and your friends, because they're the masses too, you know, and educate yourselves, because you too, need to know.

A personal, feely thing, what do ya know?

What do ya know-it took a staffer like Dan Jamieson to say it.



The University President See the University President. See his conservative \$300 suit See his conservative \$250,000 house See his conservative attitude towards having

See his impressive Labour Government-Socialist Peer-title.

Here is something to think about.

What is a socialist peer? Here is something else to think about

What is a conservative-socialist-peer doing running

a Canadian University?

The president thinks that anyone who interferes with the smooth running of the university should

pack up and leave.

Many people think the President should leave for

THE STUDENT POLITICIAN

See his CUS Survival Kit full of radical papers like Economics: The Marxist-Leninist View of the

The student politician believes in communication with the student body.

Communicate, Communicate, communicate.

This is why he spends all his time in the Council

So he can communicate with other student politicians

They're members of the student body too,

Aren't student politicians nice

They give great speeches at election time. They organize swell soc hops.

They give the administration very little to worry

—from The Unite

Law and order committee is tool of the powerful by Steve Hardy

This letter is to inform you of my resignation from the GFC committee on "Law and Order." My reasons for re-

caw and Order. My reasons for resigning are the following:
(1) I am profoundly opposed to the philosophy behind the formation of this committee. "Law and Order" has become a tool of the powerful, in this case the university administration, to repress dissent, to resist change, to maintain the

status quo. This philosophy has been made abundantly clear, by such things as the naming of the committee by GFC as the "Law and Order" committee with all its connotations, the discussions within the committee itself (the suggestion that a paid prosecutor be hired by the university to prosecute students, the repeated suggestion by a member of your administration that the students' union initiate court action against a radical student leader), statements in the committee's interim report ("it would appear that many of the obstructions to the workings of the students' union regulations over the past year were caused by graduate students, particularly in relation to election offenses" — obviously aimed at the SDU; and the statement that faculty members, including postdoctoral fellows and research associates, should be subject to general university regulations—obviously aimed at radical professors such as Saghir Ahmad but also applying to any professor who dares to oppose the status quo, who dares to step out of line—is this academic freedom?). and recent occurrences involving the university such as the new regulation banning outdoor PA systems without written permission, giving the university the power to control or prohibit any sort of rally or demonstration, a flagrant violation of human rights.

We see that instead of opening itself to change, the university prepares itself by forming a "Law and Order" committee because, in the words of Provost Ryan, "the regulations and procedures which had been adequate were no longer so in the light of rapidly changing social for change!

On a more basic level, the existence of the "Law and Order" committee is unjustifiable whether or not it is of a

repressive nature. The existence of a separate university system of law is based on the assumption that students should be treated as a special class, that students by and large are not going to dissent, they have a vested interest and are not going to dis-rupt the existing social order. If some students do dissent from the existing structure, are not willing to 'plug-in' to the system, then university law is made more repressive of remove these "out-side agitators" from the university

concerning a sudent's academic qualifications, performance, can be handled between a student and his professor or through structures such as the students' union Academic Grievance Committee; university-wide discipline tribunals are completely unwar-

(2) Certain members of the committee have shown themselves unwilling to consider or tolerate a dissenting viewpoint. As an example, when I expressed a dissenting view in a Gateway article in early September, a meeting of the "Law and Order" committee was hastily called, I was subjected to an hour-long harangue, complete with shouting and table-pounding, criticizing me for expressing in public my own views of the committee. At a later meeting, as I was preparing to take notes on the discussion, the committee chairman, referring to my note-taking, stated that the laws of slander and libel are still in effect. He then informed me that there exist laws of criminal libel and stated "this is a friendly warning.

(3) The committee has shown itself to be much more responsive to pressure exerted in public from outside the committee than it is to persuasion by one of its own members. For example, in the course of the committee's meetings during the summer months, I suggested that the university's procedures and regulations should be examined with reference to human rights laws, such as the UN Declaration of Human Rights. This proposal was not given support by most of the committee and no reference to human rights of students appears in the committee's interim report. I also suggested that no report be prepared by the committee until after the students arrived for the fall term so that open meetings could be held, briefs and opinions could be solicited from the entire university community. This proposal was opposed by most of the committee members at that time; the reason given was that the Deans' Council urgently wanted procedural regulations to be in effect by the beginning of the term. Only after publicity by The Gateway and action by the students' union council was a draft bill of students' rights based on the UN Declaration considered by the committee and the suggestion of open meetings and solicitation of briefs accepted.

For these reasons, I feel it is a complete waste of my time to remain a member of this committee. My continued participation would sanction the continued existence of the committee, an existence with which I completely disagree. The formation of the "Law and Order" committee was a sad mistake and I strongly urge you to dissolve it at