

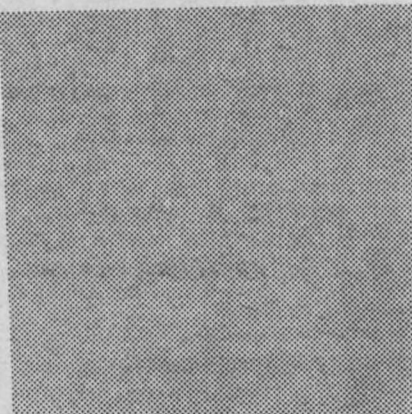
Student Union Elections

Senate

Not many people know about the UNB Senate. Whether they just don't care or whether the Senate just doesn't make enough noise, I'm not sure, but it's probably a little bit of both.

These are two reasons why I chose to run for Senate. I'd like to make the student body aware, to care, educate you on how the Senate works and how their decisions affect each and everyone of us.

At the same time, I believe the volume should be turned up at Senate meetings. Once the masses have been educated,



James Van Raalte

they should be able to here (sic) their decisions and then voice their opinions.

That's what student Senators are for: to voice your opinions

but if you don't have any, the system fails.

These goals can be accomplished in many ways: regular reports in the Brunswickan, regular attendance at Student Council meetings and easy access to Senators to voice your opinion.

Do you know who your Student Senators are? Do you know how many there are? Have you heard about any issues facing the Senate today? I think it's about time your answers to these questions change, change with James VanRaalte as Senator

Student Union Election Day Wednesday March 21, 1990

Go out and Vote!!

My name is Margie Gregg and I'm running for a seat on the Board of Governors. The Board deals with issues concerning student fee hikes, administration, and policy matters on such a board, it is extremely important that there be a good relationship between student governors and the administration. With the appointment of a new University President, this is a perfect opportunity to introduce the UNB students. In turn it is

also important to work in conjunction with the Student Union. I will attend Student Union meetings in order to keep abreast with happenings on the UNB campus. As a member of the Board of Governors, my vote will be in the best interest of the students, not based on personal convictions. I would be available to speak to any student about my position, and the matters effecting (sic) students. I hope to be your choice on March 21st.



Margie Gregg

Valedictorian

Usha Kuruganti

Hi! My name is Usha Kuruganti and I'm running for Valedictorian of the graduating class of 1990. I'm an Engineering student and over the past five years I have been heavily involved in extra-curricular activities. I've thoroughly enjoyed my stay at UNB. We've all worked hard over the past four of five (or six, or seven...!) years and on May 24, 1990 we can be proud of the degree we will obtain.

I am asking for your support but most importantly I ask that you take a moment to vote. It's important for every one to voice



their opinion. I'd like to wish the best of luck to all the students running in the election. I'd also like to thank all my buddies down in Head Hall who helped put posters up and in general kept me from losing my mind!

To all members of the Union.

My name is Kirk Biggar, and I am running for the position of Student-At-Large. I offer to you the year of experience I have gained as a councillor on this current year's council. This included (among other things) active involvement in the Campus Activities committee. I'm also a supporter of Varsity-Mania program. Next year I'm committed to provide plenty of opportunities for you to have a good time. This Wednesday

March 21st vote Biggar for Large. Thank you for your support

Kirk Biggar

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Socialism is the philosophy of the future.

If we are to consider socialism as a viable economic philosophy, we must first understand that our present model, capitalism, is fundamentally flawed. I look forward to the day - say ten years hence - when I can read with quiet satisfaction the ringing phrase: "capitalism has collapsed in Western Europe!"

To say that capitalism is fundamentally flawed is not to say that it is merely unsatisfactory or inhumane, although I believe this to be true, but rather that the logical theoretical structure on which capitalism is built contains a feedback mechanism which guarantees inefficiency, a permanent working poor, a permanent group of unemployed, and guaranteed cyclical recession.

This 'feedback flaw' was most clearly explained by Albert Einstein in his landmark 1949 essay "Why Socialism?" It is simply described, and simply understood. memorize it; meditate upon it; send a copy of it to Michael Wilson.

Mr. Einstein's analysis goes as follows. In a capitalist economy a worker's wages are not determined by the value of the goods he produces, but

rather by market forces - by supply and demand. That is wages are sent by the market at the minimum possible level at which there is no-one else that will take the job for less. where there is a surplus of workers, as is the case for the majority for workers in the labour industry and the growing service industry, wages must necessarily drop. It is important to realize that wages, even in theory, are in no way related to the value of the goods produced, but are strictly determined by supply and demand.

Now enters the feedback flaw: in the last two hundred years, technology has made it possible to produce consumer goods with less and less human labour. In a capitalist system, instead of resulting in a shorter work-week, these advances result in unemployment! As technology improves, this surplus of workers is continually resupplied. Where there are more workers competing for fewer jobs, market forces then drive wages still lower.

Is this not deliciously ironic? Science and technology have for centuries been promising mankind less work and more leisure time; just when they begin to reach the critical mass where they can fulfil their

promise, we organize our economic system so that we get lower wages and unemployment instead.

As Mr. Einstein also pointed out, the aforementioned feedback flaw is compounded by another: since unemployed and poorly paid workers constitute a poor consumer market, production is thereby further restricted. This double feedback is inherently unstable, and must inevitably lead to cyclic economic recession.

(It is true that these feedback flaws are slightly moderated by limited unionization on the one hand, and exploitation of the markets and natural resources of third world countries on the other. on the whole, however the analysis stands examination largely unimpaired)

That Einstein was right is manifest: economists now acknowledge that capitalism carries with it a built-in unemployment rate of about ten percent, and cyclical economic recession (on coming soon to a country near you) are an accepted fact of life indeed, without minimum wage legislation an unemployment insurance to stop-gap these flaws, even a capitalist country on the plane would face mass starvation in its streets within a week.

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