

SU execs start anew Sharp left turn

Next year's Students' Union executives show every indication of being a lively and spirited bunch.

In a crash redecorating program to prepare for the new regime, the executives have installed proletarian-look fixtures and furnishings in the SU offices. These include wall posters of Lenin, Mao, Stalin and Brezhnev, along with posters supporting the revolutionary struggle of workers and students everywhere.

The executive have also renamed their positions. The new designations are: chief comrade, commissar of anti-imperialist campaigns, commissar of wholesome social activities, commissar of ideological correctness, and commissar of the five and ten-year plans.

But all is not goodness and light. In the first signs of executive dissent, two of the five goldfish left swimming in a coffee pot died. These two were the ones named "Phil" and "Liz." (*Newsflash: Liz lives!*)

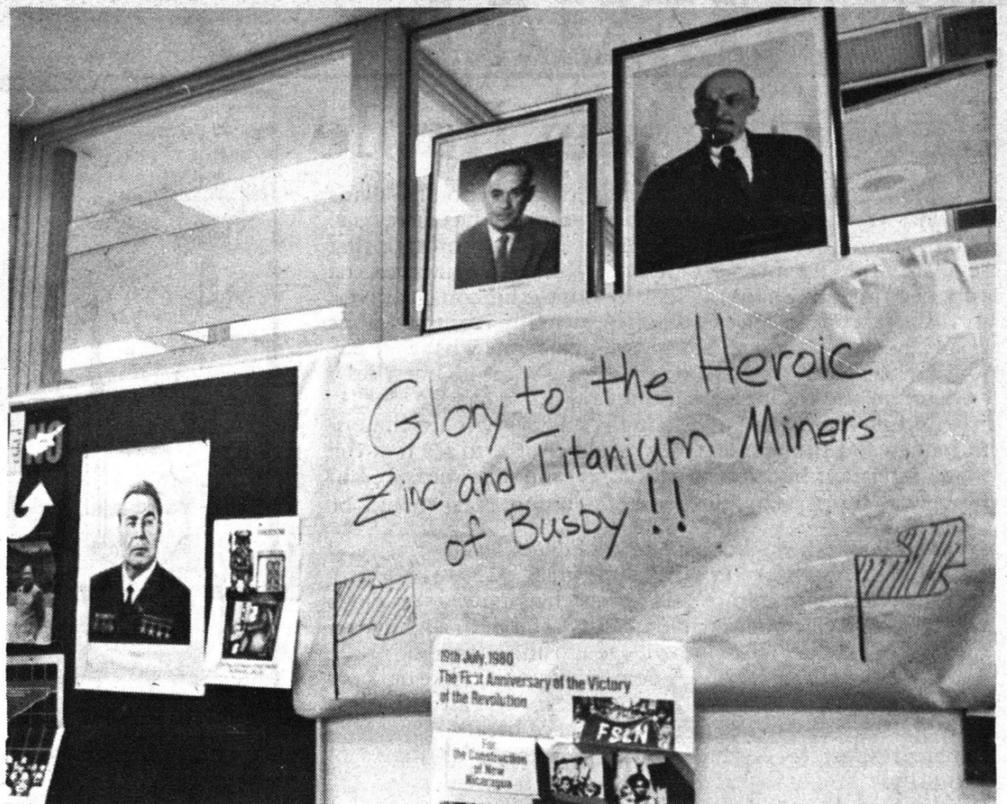
Also, some executives demonstrated little grasp of the complexities of their new jobs. Elise Gaudet, the new commissar of five and ten-year plans, is reported to have said: "What do I do — am I supposed to answer that?" when first confronted with a ringing telephone. That the telephone fell apart when she lifted the receiver did little to calm her nerves.

Meanwhile, chief comrade Phil Soper was nowhere to be found. At 2:00 p.m., a phone call to his home found him "doing important research while staring at the ceiling."

"I've been up-and-at-it for an hour and a half now," he said.

He also confessed to being somewhat fearful of entering his new office.

Said Soper, "Some people left the changeover party last night with evil grins."



An overnight change took the Students' Union this week and led to the canonization of Leonid Brezhnev (left), V. I. Lenin (right) and Walter A. Dinwoodie (centre), former SU General Manager. Busby?

photo Bill Ingles

Board stacked for government side

Analysis by Jim McElgunn
Two investment dealers, two engineers, two lawyers, one accountant — and a housewife.

These are the eight people chosen by the provincial government to represent the public on the U of A's Board of Governors.

Under the 1970 Universities Act, the provincial government appoints eight public representatives to sit on the Board, the university's highest governing body.

Other Board members are the provincially-appointed chairman, the university president, the chancellor, representatives from the academic staff (two), Alumni Association (two) and Senate (one), the Students' Union president, Graduate Students' Association president and an undergraduate student-at-large.

Of the 19 voting Board members, nine are appointed by the province. Outgoing SU president Nolan Astley agrees they are not representative of the public.

"I don't mean anything personally to any of them, and I have a great deal of respect for all of them, but I think the Board could

be more representative," says Astley.

Only three of the 19 members are women. As well, Astley says, "There's probably room for more people of different professions (among the public representatives).... maybe somebody from a union... teachers... people that are more directly involved with university graduates."

Public members of the Board are:

- Edward B. Allen, a partner in a national accounting company;
- John E. Barry, president of his own investment company;
- Janet E. Bentley, a housewife and community activist;
- Max R. Berretti, president of an engineering company;
- Garth Fryett, senior partner in an Edmonton law firm;
- William Pidruchney, an Edmonton lawyer with his own practice;
- Robert G. Reynolds, a chemical engineer and general manager of Alberta Sulphate;
- D. Max Ritchie, president of an investment company.

Chairman of the Board is

John L. Schlosser, president of Tri-Jay Investments, vice-president of Nu-Alta Developments, vice-president and secretary to Princeton Developments, former vice-president of Northland Utilities, director of several other financial and community-related institutions — and former president of the Alberta PC party.

Astley says, "I don't see anything wrong with having successful businessmen on the Board. Whoever's on it should be successful in their field."

But "the government obviously leans toward business (in selecting public representatives).... that's where its interests are," he says.

Does the presence of so many representatives from the highly conservative Alberta business class on the Board mean it is less likely to oppose government cutbacks in funding for the university?

"I think it could be argued maybe that the Board has not been strong enough in presenting its case to the provincial government," says Astley. "But I don't think that means they aren't concerned... the people on the Board committees are really concerned about the funding situation."

The Board has recently been charged with being unrepresentative of students' interests in the dispute over redeveloping North Garneau and in the Board finance committee's recommendation to the Board to raise tuition fees 15 percent to about \$700 (see page 1 editorial).

Many students believe that the Board meeting April 10, when members will vote on the fate of Garneau and the proposed tuition fee increase, will be a test of how well it represents students' interests.

Says Astley, "The problem, maybe, is that the Board has a hard

time getting as concerned as students do, because they're not here on a daily basis. It's really hard to grasp the gravity of the situation when you're only here once or twice a month."

Astley says the SU has never pressured the government to appoint more representative public members to the Board.

This year is an especially good one for those intent on pressuring the provincial government in this matter. Five of the eight public representatives and the chairman must be appointed between May 24 and July 8 this summer.

Profs sue for libel

OTTAWA (CUP) — Two Carleton University journalism professors are suing three students for libel and slander following allegations of sexual harassment in that faculty.

Bob Rupert and Brian Nolan have filed suit against Maureen McEvoy, Debbie Woolway and Susan Dusel, charging their reputations have been damaged because all male journalism professors are implicated in the harassment charges.

The three women alleged there is some harassment by one or more faculty members in the school of journalism, ranging from sexist jokes in class to sexual blackmail and physical assault. They recommend the university establish a specific office to deal with complaints, conduct educational seminars for faculty and draw up guidelines for conduct.

The women say they are speaking on behalf of a committee of 25 women but refused to say how many professors are implicated or give examples of specific incidents.

Baz by Skeet



bouquets and brickbats by Deacon Greese

Oh, mama, can this really be the end, to be stuck inside the Gateway with the brix and boux again?

One more time! Well, yes, it's the end of the end of xuoB dna xirB. Too bad, just when the rave (raving?) reviews were starting to come in. Like these:

I love Brix and Boux, especially the Sidney Greenstreet look-a-like contest.

Wayne Crouse
Edmonton's Other Orifice

Brickets and Boukbats? Batbrix and Bonkers? Boxes of bagels? Order it by name today!

Better Business Bureau
It's the moral equivalent of war.

Ooooh, ick!
Very many Education students

You'll never see unintelligible crap like that in the Journal.

Frank Hutton

Well, that just about kisses increased government funding goodbye.

Myer Horowitz

Now I really want to be alone.

Greta Garbo

If we ever cure muscular dystrophy, Brix and

Boux is next.

Jerry Lewis

I swear, Brix and Boux can make me say the silliest things at times, but gosh, I love his italics.

Nolan Astley

My week wouldn't be complete without censoring Brix and Boux.

Keith Krause

It's better than sex!

Wayne Gretzky

Howard, I wanna rematch, it was my thyroid!

Bob Kirk

I had no motivation, no sense of direction, no purpose in life until I started reading Brix and Boux.

John W. Hinckley

And the beat goes on... Ah yes, my public adores me! But I couldn't have done it alone, no matter how much the Gateway staff would have liked me to. Thanx to Jimmy the Mick, copy editor and collect-call casanova. Thanx to Mikey and Pete, for without their inability to fill Thursday papers this column wouldn't be. Thanx to Spike and Alison, whose literacy more than compensates for my disdain for authority. And special thanx to der Kaiser whose paranoia makes it all worthwhile. Excuse me while I kiss the sky...