

# BLOOD AND THUNDER

"Past master of scatter gun rhetoric", "Gratuitous abuse", "Self-serving", "Pedantic garbage", "bizarre".

It is difficult to respond to name calling or provide detailed rebuttal due to the limitations of space. Simeon Olsberg (Not a U.N.B. student) has the audacity to ask the editor of *The Brunswickan* to apologize for publishing my article, without citing a single statement that could be considered false or inaccurate, while his own column consists of mere accusations. Amir Nevo (a student at Dalhousie?) makes misleading reference to Mulroney's speech of August 1991, which could not be considered as a proof of his concern about the Bosnian holocaust, because the holocaust had yet to take place!

Adrian Park (a U.N.B. student) feels free to use all kinds of unfair adjectives about me and feels justified giving details of his version of the Second World War history. Why should David Irving, Malcolm Ross or anyone else not have the same freedom and opportunity that he has? Why must it be that no one is permitted to hear them first-hand, while their critics are completely free to expound their views and malign them. Adrian Park calls Ross, Keegstra and Zundel "cranks and social misfits". I have met Malcolm Ross and he is neither a crank nor a social misfit.

Professor Gilbert Allardyce seems to put words in my mouth

when he changes my question. "What is meant by the Holocaust denial?" to "What is wrong about denying the Holocaust?" He did not answer the question. Does Mr. Irving "deny" that many atrocities took place? It is the extent, the nature and the responsibility for those atrocities that are points of debate and discussion. Why can't people hear what Mr. Irving has to say? Is it really fair to force a particular interpretation of history down people's throat while the others are gagged? Tomorrow's history is being made today, and it is not difficult to see that it will be very different for the Iraqis than for the Americans, or the British or the French, who are bombing Iraq for planning to make nuclear bombs, while sitting on their own stockpiles! The Israelis and the Palestinians, Serbs and Bosnian Muslims, could not possibly have the same interpretation of what is happening today. Only by listening to both sides can one approximate the truth.

Professor Allardyce has co-authored a book, "Chosen", about the holocaust, that can be sold in the bookstores, but no bookstore dare sell Malcolm Ross's books, although they are not illegal? Why? Even the U.N.B. Bookstore was harassed by two Jewish professors to remove his books from the shelves. The vast majority of the people have never read Malcolm Ross's books, and yet they have

been brainwashed to believe that he is "anti-Semitic", which is assumed to be something terrible. Is it fair?

What does "anti-Semitism" mean? I asked Ms. Kim Campbell this question, when she was the Federal Minister of Justice, but she had no answer. The charge is levelled against anyone who dares to criticize the Jews or Israel, or questions the figure of 6 million. Can Professor Allardyce or anyone else define it. Can a Jew be anti-Semitic? Was Christ anti-Semitic, because he too was critical of the Jews of his time? Are those Arabs or Palestinians, who are Semite by racial background, anti-Semitic? Is it really not a meaningless term?

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## Takeover document not part of PC youth plan

Fellow UNB/STU Students, You are probably aware of the document outlining the takeover of the Student Union by the PC Youth, as this recently has received much attention by the media. I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with a few facts concerning this document and our club.

First of all, I wish to assure you that this proposal is not, and has

never been, a plan for the PC Youth, on a local provincial or national level. This document was written by an individual and sent to the PC National Executive, who decided not to accept the proposal as party policy. As the proposal was never accepted, the document circulated only among those on the National Executive, explaining why I had not seen the document until I was shown it during my interview at *The Brunswickan* last week. A member of another political party, posing as a member of the PC Youth, managed to procure a copy of the document. He then proceeded, with the help of his party, to distribute it to the media, under the false pretense that it was an official document of the PC Youth Federation.

With the feeling of disenchantment with the political process shared by many Canadians, it seems that any negative story is widely published. While we admit that there have been some that have misused the political system, we remain convinced that the only way to affect positive change is through the active involvement of every Canadian citizen. Our Club is founded upon this principle. We have tried to provide the student body with information on important policy issues such as the Constitution and North American Free Trade Agreement, so that students

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can make an informed choice on issues concerning all Canadians. We also encourage all students to get involved in the political process, if not in our party, than in other political parties.

While we can understand the confusion caused by a document of this type being associated with a campus political club, we wish to stress that the document in question is not a PC Youth document. Furthermore, many of the recommendations in the policy are quite simply, difficult to take credibly. We hope that you will agree with the UNB Student Union President, Mr. Burchill, who expressed his belief of the innocence of the PC Youth, and the valuable contribution that we make to student life on campus.

Dennis McCarron, President,  
UNB/STU PC Youth Club.

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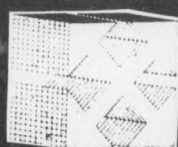
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