

Varsity Voices

Prejudice

To The Editor:

It is so exhilarating to realize that some people partake of such an intriguing pastime like prejudice, for this seems to be an exceedingly popular vocation in this area. I would be disappointed if these numbers were to decrease; this would be a catastrophe because then there might be a very good chance that Edmonton might become a city fit to be inhabited by humans.

Can one lady imagine that—our city being inhabited by just plain friendly homo sapiens! I am certain that one lady would be a very sad, dejected, and disturbed human being if Edmontonians were to become congenial overnight.

What was the excuse for turning down a young medical student? I believe it was, and I quote The Gateway, September 24, 1963, "He said there were nurses on the same floor and he didn't think they'd like living with a colored person."

Did it ever occur to the person to ask the nurses of their beliefs? I doubt it! Must one subscribe to a revolting adage such as "I don't mind them, but I would not have one in my home?" The person has no excuse for turning this student away!

I will say no more, except to remind you of a rather disgusting joke I have heard innumerable times, "There's nothing worse than prejudiced persons and negroes!"

Kenneth Meurer
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P.S. Do you know if I am of negro origin?

Sex and Bowling Pins

To The Editor:

Re: The Gateway, Friday, Sept. 27, 1963—page 8. This issue of the Gateway exhibits a nice picture of the swimming display, except for one thing: the bowl-

ing pins. There is one perched neatly upon the head of one of the "weaker sex", as well as a number of other places. I do believe the Gateway has finally slid off its rocker. This exotic piece of photography inspires the poetry in me—

I don't know whether it's vice or folly,
But I think the Gateway has flipped its trolley.
For news of sports, they don't dilly dally,
But the pool is not a bowling alley.
Confusedly yours,
Zachary

Frosh Frolic

To The Editor:

The wave of feeble frightened frosh has subsided and with it half the humor of campus life.

For instance, consider the enterprising frosh I saw drop ex-lax in his buddy's hot chocolate, to set the week off to a running start.

There still isn't a gym on campus big enough for the Joe College Dance.

Wauneita coffee is deteriorating.

Registration! The coefficient of confusion approached unity. Hundreds of frosh running around looking for:

1. Registration part IV
2. The Campus
3. Themselves
4. Mother

I can see it now! After getting all these cards together and placing them in the reader, they are politely informed—PROGRAM REJECTED.

Thursday: Cold tea makes good eyewash.

Observed a frosh getting the full treatment from two upper-classmen who were rapidly approaching a nervous failure trying to get a proper cheer. After the better part of ten minutes

they gave up, and the offending frosh, allowing as how it was so much fun being a frosh and persecuting seniors, beetled off.

Friday: Classes—ye gods!
The Civic reception was a flop. I understood four words Dr. Johns said.

Saturday: I do not mind getting roast instead of steak but I do object to having my meat sauce laid on with a paintbrush.

Candide
Editor's Note: You complain too much.

Frosh Court

To The Editor:

Three cheers for our noble frosh court and the noble seniors who so nobly occupy the bench. Perhaps they would be better pushing their mops than wearing them. Perhaps frosh court is the lowest form of justice but still there must be better penalties for freshettes than a session in the judges' chambers.

In future couldn't the accused be present before the prosecutor makes an ass of himself searching for the non-existent?

Frosh court in our opinion is to prove the innocent guilty and not the converse. This last court to me was the most poorly organized escapade since the Charge of the Light Brigade.

Gordon Cumming
J. S. Lowe.

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Security Resolution Set For NFCUS Congress

Set out below is a resolution to be presented to the 27th Congress of National Federation of Canadian University Students, meeting here this week, by Wes Cragg, president of the University of Alberta Students' Union. It may have been amended since press time.

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WHEREAS

1. It is the established traditional right of members of the University Community to seek, test and communicate ideas without restriction.
2. Academic freedom is the freedom of thought, expression of opinion, action and association of individuals insofar as the expression of such freedoms does not interfere with the rights of others.
3. This right called academic freedom is an essential prerequisite of the academic process.
4. The student has a direct responsibility to ensure the maintenance of academic freedom.
5. Academic freedom can be restricted through the activity of Security Organizations of the Canadian Government.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1. The National executive be mandated to act on behalf of the National Federation of Canadian University Students in requesting the Federal Government to state their policy on the activity of Security Organizations in the area of security investigation generally.
2. That the National executive be mandated to request the Federal government to enact legislation which would preserve and strengthen the recourse of each Canadian citizen to judicial procedures in all matters which could at any time compromise his constitutional rights as a Canadian citizen.
3. That all members of NFCUS request that the administrators of Canadian Universities demand fore-knowledge of all security investigations on University campuses.
4. That all members of NFCUS request of the administration that each professor be required to state to each class or group of students at the beginning of each academic year whether or not he will divulge information concerning the political activities or opinions of students, expressed in his presence.

Communists Win Approval

MONTREAL (CUP)—The constitution of the Young Communist League of McGill University was passed last night with only one dissenting vote by the Students' Executive Council of McGill.

The Young Communist League's constitution stresses as its end the achievement of socialism and then communism at McGill. It intends to work "in full cooperation with other working-class movements" at McGill and intends to further communism towards world peace.

Dave Dent, the League's president, told the McGill Daily that "I think it is a great step forward for democracy at McGill, that our constitution has been accepted by an almost unanimous vote."

Dent was born in London, Eng-

land. He came to Canada three years ago, where he worked for a year as a laborer before entering McGill University. It was during this period that he became a communist.

The League plans to bring American communist Gus Hall, who was refused entry into the country last year by immigration officials at Montreal, back to speak. It will also bring J. A. Aptheker, a distinguished Negro communist author, to McGill.

"The Revolution in North America will come from French-Canadians, Negroes, other minority groups and the unemployed," Dent said.

The League plans on taking part in this year's model parliament.

Spectrum

Administration Efficiency Rapped

Anonymous

Registration is over and initial confusions past. There is time now for some critical evaluation which might hopefully (though doubtfully) be heeded by those in power across the street.

The facts are these: Prospective students from Alberta, with acceptable high-school averages, having applied on time, did NOT receive any notice of acceptance from the fabled bureaucracy. We know of three specific people who were attending the Parents' Tea on Sunday who had come considerable distances not

knowing whether or not they were accepted.

We suspect that the machine is highly efficient and the people running it somewhat less so.

The first week is difficult enough as it stands, especially for students from out of town. How would you feel, coming to a large and strange institution and not even knowing whether you were accepted? Regardless of excuses, this is pure, sheer incompetence.

Wauneita, with its Big Sister-Little Sister Program (a commendable endeavor) failed to work effectively. Why? The

Administration failed to provide the necessary names and addresses in time to be of any use. Somewhere in the vast bureaucratic chain (department of education - administration - faculty approval), we are sure there exists a hard core of civil service mentalities who wield their bright red pencils with malicious wrath.

Surely we have a right to expect some minimum of efficiency from this highly-complicated system. A student's personal plans are important too.

Parkinson—thank God you're coming!

