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PEOPLE-EATER—No, not exactly. It's Lent, and Tuesday night at St. Joe's College, this female shows her obvious pleasure at the joys of the Lenten season. Blaaaah!

General Elections Today Voice Your Choice Now

Elections are today. Nine candidates are contesting three students' union positions. A preferential ballot will be employed this year in the students' union election. On a preferential ballot the voter indicates the candidate of his choice numerically in order of preference. There are three candidates for president of the students' union, four for vice-president of the students' union and two for secretary-treasurer. Numbers should be placed beside the candidates on the ballot in the order which they are preferred by the voter. If the ballot is marked with an "X" it will be considered invalid as it will if the number 1 does not appear beside the name of a candidate. Choices other than the first need not be indicated on the ballot. Full members in good standing may vote at any of the polls on campus. The campus "A" card must be presented at the polls . . . plastic identification cards are not acceptable. Election polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the agriculture, education, engineering, medical sciences and arts buildings and Lister Hall, the nurses residence, the university hospital and the "V" lecture wing. The poll in the SUB will remain open until 6 p.m. Friday.

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Thachuk To Recommend Council Amend Union Elections By-Law

A second-year law student has recommended a change in the elections by-laws to prevent candidates from making political capital of their union positions. Dan Thachuk, who last week laid a complaint against presidential candidate Andy Brook before the

Saville Gavels Thachuk

Students' Union President Francis Saville Tuesday applied his gavel to Dan Thachuk for Thachuk's suggestion that the SUB planning brochure involved political motives.

"I think that anybody who would suggest there was a plot . . . to make political capital out of this brochure is 'out of his skull,'" Saville told The Gateway.

He said students' council authorized the brochure for printing as soon as plans for the new building were frozen.

"This is exactly what was done." The only delay in production was caused by artists, he said.

Saville said Returning Officer Ron McMahon was right in asking for interpretation from the DIEC, but added rumors were allowed to drift around campus when they had no basis in fact.

Saville criticized Thachuk for raising this issue.

"If Thachuk wants to be so active a member in student government, why doesn't he get involved in student government?" Saville asked.

discipline, interpretation and enforcement committee, says he plans to make a formal representation before council on the issue.

"As a matter of fact, I'll do this the first council meeting after the election."

He said there has to be a change in the election by-law to allow candidates to campaign freely without reports written by prospective candidates appearing either immediately prior to or during campaigning.

Thachuk referred to a controversy which arose when students' union planning commission pamphlets containing a report written by Brook, were mailed out early this week.

Brook is commission chairman.

POLITICAL MATERIAL

Thachuk alleges the pamphlet contains material which could be considered political in nature.

The DIEC met Tuesday to consider the complaint, which is not a formal charge. Brook's candidacy was not an issue.

The committee decided to recommend that official students' union reports be distributed two weeks before elections.

Thachuk said he is suggesting the by-law change "to avoid the apparently unethical position Mr. Brook was placed in by my complaint."

Thachuk said Brook made an attempt to stop release of the pamphlets after the complaint was laid, but it was too late.

"There wouldn't have been any

permanent damage to the success of the building had the pamphlets been withheld an additional week," said Thachuk.

But the situation could have been more serious, he said, had there been any suggestion the pamphlet had been deliberately timed.

'They Need To Know'

Presidential candidate Andy Brook said Tuesday it was important that students be given a chance to learn about the new SUB before today's election.

"There were a good many rumors that the building would again be an issue," said Brook.

"I thought the importance of telling students about a project that will cost them \$2.15 million before the election outweighed the unfavorable rumors that might have circulated about me."

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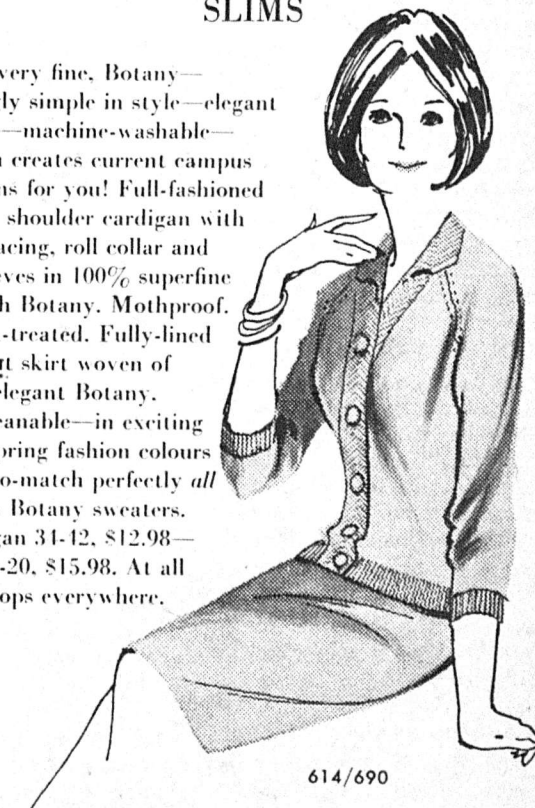
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