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**STAFF THIS ISSUE**—The ever faithful janitorial staff came out in full force Tuesday night to sweep the trash out of Photo-Directorate along with a few annoyed photographers. The cleaning crew always seems to show around press nights. Those that had to lift their feet while the floor was picked clean were Laurie Kostek, Gail Evasiuk, Mike Murphy (the staff's lonely engineer), Terri Moore, Dave Blackmore, Ken Bailey, Marv Bjornstad, Randy Jankowski, Leona Gom (all she did was drink coffee), Joe Czajkowski, Judy Griffiths, ad manager Greg Berry (whose days as a bachelor are numbered), and a clean, effervescent snake, Harv (Bubble Bath) Thomgirt.

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## Money, money, money

At Monday's student council meeting, Marilyn Pilkington, students' union president, happily announced that the six Czechoslovakian students had arrived on campus and were in the process of being "orientated".

The students' council had sent a telegram to the minister of immigration, Alan MacEachern, stating the University of Alberta would pay full expenses for six Czech students. These expenses include tuition, books, room, board etc.

These six are refugees from the Communist bloc country. They chose not to stay in that country, we have been told, because of Russian occupation.

We have no gripe against this. We feel these students should be given an opportunity to gain an education in a country allegedly not occupied or dominated by any country. It is good that this university take such a humanitarian

role in a world ridden by strife. We also believe the university is not exactly sure what it has done.

What the university (and the Board of Governors) have done is give away, with no known strings attached, six full scholarships to students and have waived tuition fees to another 25 Czechoslovakian students.

More important, they have set a very dangerous precedent. Here on one hand are six refugees, with no where to go, and fleeing from domination. Then, on the other hand, there are countless American draft dodgers, who are, in a sense, refugees from the American system. The system doesn't agree with these Americans and they leave. The Czechs didn't like the way it was going in their country and they leave.

Which brings up the point—why should one group get the gifts and the others get nothing?

## . . . will cause the trouble

Another point—Dr. Walter Johns (and we are sure he has this thrown back at him every few days) said last spring that there is nothing wrong with a person "working for ten years" to put himself through university. The people on the Board of Governors did not disagree with this. If Canadians have to do it . . .

Another point—what about a guy named Dotsenko? He was a Russian scientist who defected to Canada and worked here for the better part of a year. Suddenly last summer, he found himself with no job and had to go to Yellowknife, N.W.T. to get a job teaching in a junior high school.

No other university in Canada would hire Dotsenko. This university wouldn't keep him. And now they are taking in and mothering Czechoslovakian students.

The repercussions of this are going to drive the university half batty.

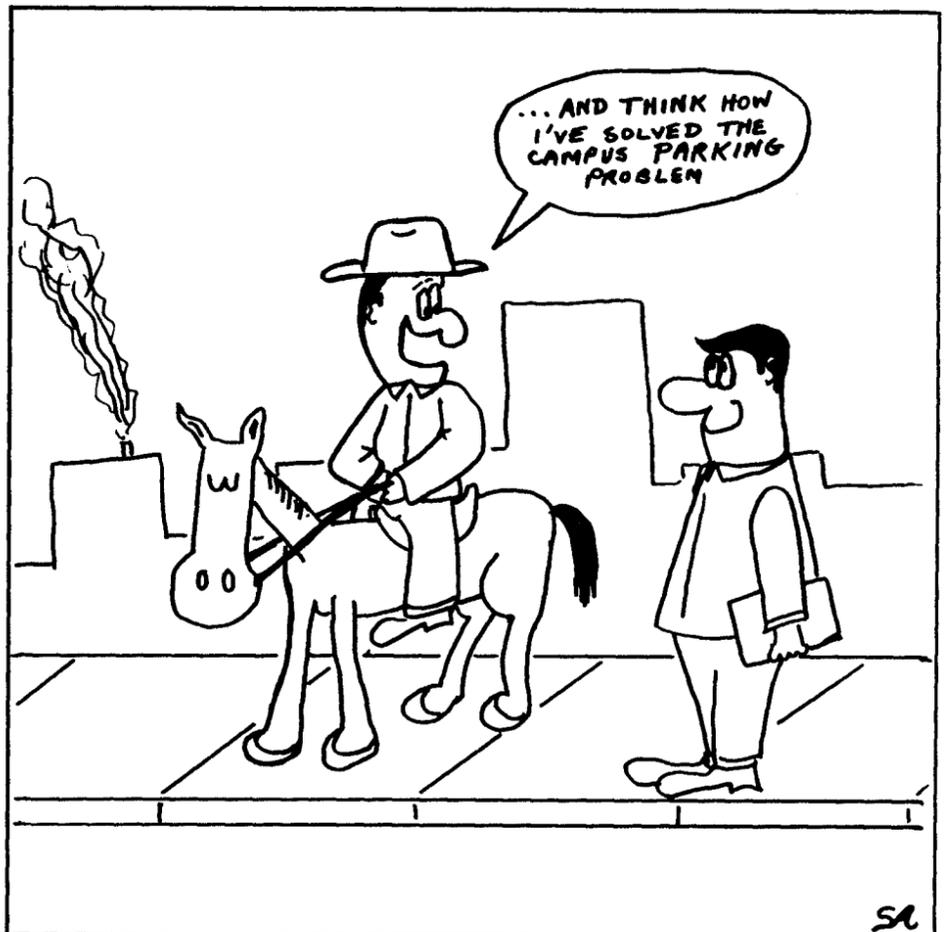
There are med students, dent students, and numbers of undergrads and grads who are working part time to put themselves through the university and to support a family at the same time. Sure they get assistance. But they also go heavily into debt.

What the university has done is make exceptions to prove they are humanitarian. They have not made any attempt to discourage publicity. They are trying to brand themselves "good guys".

But it will backfire. If there is one thing that gets to the heart of students, it is money. And it is money that is the difference between the Czechs and the Canadian students.

It will be money that starts the whole stink.

It's too bad it is that way—though that's not the way it has to be.



## Get your information from the garbage can

By JOHN MILLER

Today is the day for a bathroom column. A bathroom column is where you unload all your waste material.

The first piece of garbage is a little phrase that struck me as a bit odd. The phrase was "being in is out, and being out is in." Perhaps my understanding of the English language is not up to snuff, because I cannot grasp the logic of this phrase. Is this perhaps like being "partially pregnant"?

As you know, civic elections are coming up shortly. I checked high and low for the names of J.B. and his disciples on the list of candidates, but cannot find them. This comes as a bitter disappointment to me, as I had expected great things from the activists this year.

At this point I would like to express my sincerest sympathies to the members of the CBC (Constant Bitchers Club) on the loss of their main topic of conversation, Premier E. C. Manning. It's a tough break for members, but I'm sure that, knowing your determination and singlemindedness of purpose, you'll bounce back from adversity and go on to greater things.

And while we're on the topic of provincial government, did you know there is a eugenics board in Alberta? The function of this board is to decide whether or not an individual should be allowed to produce children. Thus far, the decisions have been limited to cases of extreme mental retardation but the board has the authority to order STERILIZATION OF ANY RESIDENT IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA.

Last week I was asked what it takes to make a column such as this printable. Modesty forebade me to answer on my

own, so I asked several old pros. They all agreed that a column must have four qualities. These are:

Sincerity  
Honesty  
Integrity  
Tenacity

Added to these could be a great amount of conceit, and a very tiny amount of talent.

A word to the wise to underage individuals who attempt to enter a liquor store. If you happen to get caught, and the manager invites you into the office to await a policeman, politely decline and get the hell out of there. He (the manager) doesn't have the authority to detain you against your will, and staying voluntarily, although noble, will cost you \$30.

Recently I had the pleasure (?) of observing a student arguing the validity of the legal age limit with respect to purchasing liquor. His case was good; but unfortunately he was arguing his case with a policeman at the time, and his pleas had much the same effect as peeing against the wind.

I overheard a student commenting that all Gateway columnists were nasty old men. Sorry to knock your theory fella, but there is a distinct lack of age.

Don't forget to get out to the next Golden Bear's home game (Oct. 19th). Remember if you can't be an athlete, be an athletic supporter.

Judging by the number of students buying booze, I am under the impression that the university is a fountain of knowledge and the students go there to drink.