

## David Mullin

Not wishing to level any criticism against any particular person or group, but I had a thought about people who are out to change the world through the letters to the editor page. I am reminded by these people of a Deep Purple tune. The first verse goes like this:

"Mary Long is a hypocrite,  
she does everything she tells us not to do.  
Selling filth from a corner shop  
and knitting patterns to the high street que.  
She paints roses, even makes them smell good,  
and then she draws tittles on the Khazi wall.  
Drowns kittens just to get a thrill,  
and writes sermons in the Sunday Chronicle  
How did you lose your virginity, Mary Long?  
When will you lose your stupidity, Mary Long?"  
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I noted with interest Mr. Sedgewick's letter to the editor this week. In essence I agree that Tom Best's criticisms of the Aitken Centre are somewhat unfounded and obviously based on little, if any research.

As Mike Gange knows, one has to temper anything Tom says because the jock strap they gave him when he switched from Biology to Phys. Ed. doesn't fit that well.

His comments about Aitken Centre, however, are indicative of the feeling of the average member of the university community. The Aitken Centre is a topic of conversation from the Faculty Club to the Social Club with several stops in between.

Most of the discussion on the Aitken Centre that I have heard is appallingly ignorant of the facts. In saying that, I have made an assumption that the facts are available. I would, in fact, like to say that most criticism of AUC is entirely unfounded, however I cannot.

I was actively involved in the planning, have helped with every major event held there to date and have been a member of the so-called AUC advisory committee and I have no more idea than the man in the moon as to what is going on financially up there.

So when people discuss the AUC, they cannot do so in an informed manner because of the heavy veil of silence that surrounds the issue.

I have been most interested to read the minutes of Senate and Board meetings wherein questions were asked about AUC. It seems that our senators and governors have just as foggy a notion as to what the hell is going on, as your average student/faculty member.

I wish I could figure out what is being hidden, but something seems to be.

So, as I see it, the Aitken Centre is probably one of the best things Dr. Anderson will end up doing for UNB, but that's just a guess. Until something is done to put forth a PLAN of action to cover the operating costs of the AUC and discuss it with the university community, Tom's and probably other criticism will be the dominating publicity concerning AUC.

The rumour mill tells me this is being done and I hope that they will ask us what we think when they're done. If not, perhaps they can condense their findings into a summary and get Dr. Suess to write a book about it, so that us peasants can understand the financial situation of something we are paying for one way or the other.

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Although I could be accused of some Biology chauvinism, I would like to note the exhibition of photography at the Art Centre. Personally, I like to look at photographs and I wish there was more opportunity to do so.

Anyway, Roger Smith and Tam Sylvester deserve more credit than they want for their work in making it all possible.

## Women's sports endorsed

MINNEAPOLIS (CHRONICLE/CUP) — Minnesota Governor Rudy Perpich has recommended a seven-fold increase in state support for women's sports at the University of Minnesota.

He told the legislature that he endorsed the university's request for \$1,254,000 for women's athletic programs during the next two fiscal years.

He recommended an equal amount to aid men's intercollegiate sports, which draw the bulk of their support from gate receipts. If

the legislature accepts his recommendation for aid to men's sports, it would be the first time tax money was spent in Minnesota for direct support of men's intercollegiate athletics. Without it, non-revenue sports would have to be cut.

Governor Perpich said a first time \$175,000 appropriation for women's sports two years ago was "an important first step", while a larger appropriation would "substantially increase athletic opportunity for women at the university."

## Today is deadline for UNB loans

Applications for UNB student loans are now being accepted by the Awards Office, Room 109, Memorial Student Centre. The loans are low interest, with a rate of 3½% interest. They range in value up to \$300.00 per academic year. The student may not apply for more than one loan per year, but may apply every year.

The money for the loans, was willed to the University by the late Fred Macgee, a New Brunswick businessman, who died in 1954. The money, according to the will, was to be used expressly for university investments, and student loans.

In the academic year 1975-76, 293 loans were awarded totaling 86 thousand dollars. Every year

the number increases due to student economic needs, and the increase in enrolment.

The amount of money available increases every year, because interest rates have gone up in the business market, so the university has been able to sell and buy at better rates. The will states that

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the university can only lend the income of the investments, and not the capital.

If students repay consistently, the capital will increase. However, there are loans that have not been repayed. The individual circumstances did not allow the student to repay, or students who were

able to repay, didn't. The attitude of the university depends on the circumstance.

According to University Comptroller, Sam Mullin, people are generally "honest and conscientious". Mullin also stated that the repayment history, has been "very good". If the money is not repaid, it is not available for other loans. The loans are to be repaid within one year of leaving university, with a total maximum period of 5 years.

Applicants must be Canadian by birth or naturalization, according to stipulations of the will. The deadline for applications is Friday, February 25, 1977. Applications will not be accepted after that date.

## Human rights bill in the works

Discrimination on a number of grounds including sex, marital status and age are part of Human Right Bill C-25, now up for a second reading in Parliament.

"Equal pay for work of equal value" is the theme. Marc Lalonde minister of Health and Welfare Canada said "Simply justice dictates that men and women performing work of equal value for the same employer should receive the same pay."

The value of the work performed will be judged according to criteria of skill, effort and responsibility.

There is a section which will allow special measures to be taken on behalf of a disadvantaged group to enable its members to improve their lot.

Lalonde said the bill will enable employees to then undertake action plans to hire and promote more people. He said employers should be a "booster" giving their employees, specifically women more room for advancement.

"Determination and commitment will make an Equal Opportunity programme work", said Lalonde.

Lalonde continued saying that it should be government policy to

ensure equal opportunity. He said all federal departments have developed detailed plans to increase the proportion of women hired and promoted.

The Department of Labor and Manpower and Immigration prepared a set of Affirmative Action guidelines for use by the employers.

Today women compose 40% of the labor force, yet earn only 55% of what most men earn annually. "Most women work out of economic need" said Lalonde, and the previous excuse that women work merely for "extras" no longer applies.

## Pizza delivery in jeopardy

Last month, the windows of the Luna delivery vehicle were broken outside St. Thomas University (STU). Several pizzas were stolen.

In a previous incident, a driver delivering pizzas to Aitken House was accosted by an unknown assailant in an unlit corridor. In this case the pizza was recovered due to the quick reflexes and hard fist of the victim. Aitken House was the scene of another incident when the rear window of the car was broken, and more pizzas stolen while he was delivering.

The manager of Luna Pizza, suspended delivery after the

incident at STU. When asked by another STU resident why the pizzas were no longer being delivered, he explained the situation and requested that the offender be informed of the decision. He then resumed delivery and no further incidents were reported.

In view of the circumstances it is economically feasible for Luna to suspend deliveries to the UNB campus. The violence has scared the drivers and caused a loss of revenue when the car was being repaired.

Luna Pizza has given support to

students and student issues in various ways. There are regular advertisers in The Brunswickan, as there are time when local advertising makes the difference between whether the paper goes to press or not, this is a relevant factor. Luna Pizza was a sponsor of the Student Directory also. They offer a special delivery rate of \$0.50 for students as opposed to the regular \$0.75 or \$1.00 charge.

If Luna is to continue serving the students, both by delivering pizzas and through financial support of student issues, the incidents must be stopped.

## Support the penny drive

This year, again a group of concerned students are organizing a penny drive to support a worthy cause. This has traditionally been in response to an urgent request for help [we don't dream these up].

In 1975, \$1056.00 was raised to help a South African orphanage facing eviction, and last year, \$1230.00 was the contribution to the earthquake victims in Guatemala.

This year, workers with the Giriama tribe in coastal Kenya have asked for our assistance.

More information on this tribe's situation and the penny drive will be seen in the next issue of The Brunswickan. If you are interested in helping to collect, please contact James Krant at 455-7726.