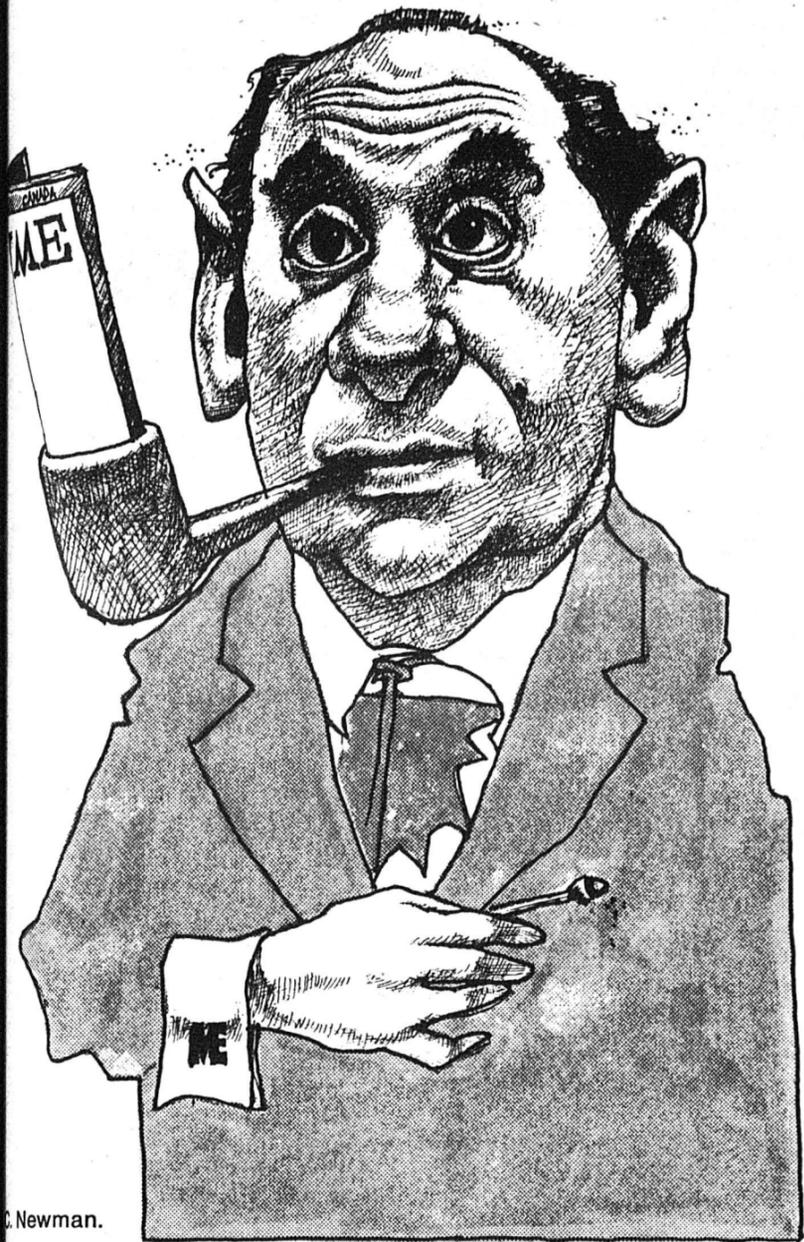


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torships and presidencies in these large corporations - and therefore wield a great deal of power in Canadian affairs today.  
So what else is new?  
For anyone who has read sociologist John Porter's *The Vertical Mosaic*, which came out in 1965, a certain similarity may be noted. It is true however, that Newman's book contains far more humorous anecdotes about the establishment people he describes.  
In the past five years we've also had another Canadian best-seller on just the same topic, called (surprisingly enough) *The Canadian Corporate Elite*.  
Both these works, plus many other shorter pieces, such as studies done for the Economic Council of Canada, have described the same situation with roughly the same number and names of the individuals involved.  
So what does Newman offer that is different?  
What he proffered to the crowd in Tory was a number of amusing tidbits about his work. Such as when he was researching Volume II and found that the first Jew to come to Canada was a transvestite. "He was deported ... not for being a transvestite, but for being a Jew."  
Or his reaction following his flight out West: "Had God meant us to fly, he would never have invented Air Canada."  
All of which was of little relevance to those gathered in the university hall to hear the man.

Of the few thoughts he left concerning the subject of "wealth and power," many seemed a bit too cliched for the calibre of writing Newman is capable of. These ranged from his thoughts on politicians - "they tend not to stay bought - they tend to be rented" - to his adapted aphorism - "Power tends to connect - absolute power tends to connect absolutely."  
This could well be applied to his description of journalistic technique. In one instance he described how he used the threat of a "wildly dramatic" and largely fictional chapter concerning the demise of Neil McKinnon (ex-chairman of the Imperial Bank of Commerce) to obtain an interview from a reluctant bank official.  
He did tell the audience something of his value system (above and beyond journalistic impartiality) when he said that "capitalists in this country are thought of as dark and evil creatures and some of them are. Capitalists don't bark and seem to know the secrets of the deep. No matter what happens, however, I don't think there is an alternative to capitalism in this country."  
"To paraphrase Churchill, capitalism is the worst of all systems but better than all previous alternatives which have been tried and failed."  
All well and good, especially when one markets a book at \$14.95. "Canadian Establishment" indeed.

## ELECTION '76

### Election Rally

will be held in SUB Theatre between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm Thursday, February 12, 1976. Candidates for all offices will be permitted to speak and as well respond to questions during a question period. All University classes are cancelled between 11:00 am and noon.

### Voting

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| OLD ARTS               | -Main Entrance                            |
| COLLEGE ST. JEAN       | -Main Entrance                            |
| CAB                    | 1 - At entrance to Cameron Library        |
| CAB                    | 2 - At entrance to Engineering Bldg.      |
| EDUCATION              | 1 - In front of elevators, old bldg.      |
| EDUCATION              | 2 - In lounge main floor, new bldg.       |
| TORY                   | 1 - Main entrance facing Rutherford       |
| TORY                   | 2 - Tory Lecture Theatre                  |
| SUB                    | - In front of doors facing Phy. Ed. Bldg. |
| HUB                    | - Main Office                             |
| LISTER                 | - In front of cafeteria                   |
| LAW CENTER             | - Main Entrance                           |
| FINE ARTS              | - Main Entrance                           |
| HUMANITIES             | - 2nd Floor, by HUB entrance              |
| AGRICULTURE            | - Main Floor, coffee room                 |
| DENTISTRY-PHARMACY     | - 2nd Floor, coffee room                  |
| MEDICAL SCIENCES       | - 2nd Floor, Medical Student Lounge       |
| CLINICAL SCIENCES      | - 2nd Floor, by escalators                |
| CORBETT                | - Inside north door facing UAH            |
| UAH NURSES RESIDENCE   | - Main Entrance                           |
| PHYSICAL ED.           | - Main Entrance                           |
| V WING LECTURE ROOMS   | - By Room P-126                           |
| BIO SCIENCE            | - Main Floor in front of tunnel to CAB    |
| GENERAL SERVICES       | - Main Entrance                           |
| MECH. ENGINEERING      | - Main Entrance                           |
| CHEM.-MIN. ENGINEERING | - Main Entrance                           |
| HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS    | - Main Entrance                           |

### Advance Poll

will be open in Room 271 SUB on Thursday, February 12 between 2:00 and 5:00 pm and is to be used only by students who will be absent from the campus on election day.

### Voters

include all full members in good standing of the Students' Union. Students in the Faculty of Graduate Studies who have paid full Union fees may vote, but those whose identification cards are marked 'Associate members' may not. You must present your Identification Card at the poll. **Remember, bring your ID Card February 13, You can't vote without it!**

Further information may be obtained from the Returning Officer, Room 271 SUB.

**Ken Reynolds**  
Returning Officer