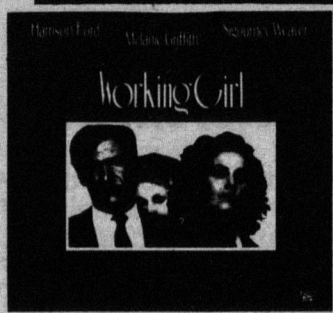
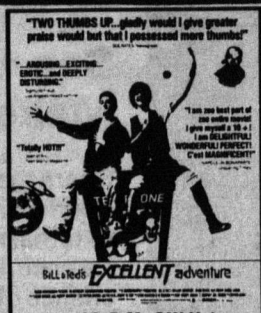


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Campus acronyms really don't help you find your way

by Abul Salek

This is the age of acronyms. I wasn't very sure before I came to U of A. The very first day I went out to explore the campus — well equipped with the bunch of campus maps and other stuff that confuses your mind rather than clears it up. And basically what happened is I ended up whirling around keeping one eye on the map, the other on the street.

Finally, I gave up and sought foreign aid. I grabbed a guy passing by and asked, "Where is the Cameron Library?" He answered "It's in CAB" and walked away. Oh, no, he must be joking — I said to myself. Sure, he didn't look like he was, but, who knows? In this world of higher education, knowledge packed minds might have different expressions of humor, I thought.

Puzzled but still losing no heart I approached somebody else — this time a female — not really a gorgeous blond but I always have a little more trust in this group of the human race. I just rephrased my question. "Excuse me, how can I reach Cameron?"

"Well, go to CAB", was her prompt reply.

I really didn't have to ramble through the Yellow Pages that day. Sticking my myopic eyes deeply into the map I finally discovered the world's largest CAB ever, right on campus, in walking distance.

Later on, I realized, that was just the beginning. As I dug in, a rattle of acronyms came out — GSB, HUB, SUB, and more. Surprisingly, all of these "words" are three-letter ones. Well, not exactly: there are

four letter words too... RATT.

I understand shortening the name is hip here, but is it contagious? I didn't think so before. I opened up yesterday's Gateway. By magic or miracle I turned into "Salf" overnight — a cute shorter version, though not much resemblance to the original. I don't blame them because they tried to compensate it by introducing an unwanted letter into my first name as well.

Well, what the heck. If I have to ride a cab to get to the Cameron, people might use id number to locate me instead of name (Hey, 193... come here!).

For inquisitive friends, asking for the anomaly, I had my answer ready, "I'm under witness protection program, you know."

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