



Mugwump
By EDISON STEWART
Journal

.. You know, sometimes when you read a column in the Star Weekly or anything else that size, with that format, you see that a columnist (who contibutes regularly) has dipped down into his bank of topics and come up empty.
.. So the column you read is a conglomeration of little tidbits and bits of reminise that the columnist wanted to print all year, but didn't have time. Sometimes it's good - sometimes it's bad. You know, you can never really tell.
.. Anyway, this is one such column.
.. As you may or may not know, this is the last newspaper we'll be producing this year. It may even be my last column. Who knows?

.. This office has seen many things this year - most of which are hard to remember. ther's been a lot of hard, hard work by dedicated people. That's not to say they're special or anything - they just cared enough about what they're doing to try hard to do it right. These people have worked long hours.
.. They've wasted time playing cards.
.. They've fiddled away time hustling members of the opposite sex.
.. They've been disagreeable, stubborn, picky, and sometimes (would you believe it??) even lazy.
.. And they've done more for this campus and this newspaper than many of you will ever do. Maybe you can't understand that. Granted, you've got your course load, and God, its nice to spend the weekends at home, or out on a drunk with the boys. Every now and then its nice to have a warm chick you can snuggle up to too. And you just don't have the time.
.. These people who've worked here - they don't have the time either, for the most part. Sure they (like you) can spare the odd hour every month or so. But we do more than that. There dedicated. And someone who just doesn't give a tinker's you-know-what probably can't understand that.
.. There are no rewards for these people.
.. They get picked on by editors. They get stepped on by the SRC. They have indignant professors, who just can't understand why that essay was in late (maybe they should check our office on production night.)
.. They get in letters to the editor, which accuse them of being racists, biased, indifferent, and hard-to-get-along-with. Then friends might disagree with something in the paper, and they'll hear about it for months.
.. Which is not to say they're above criticism.
.. No way.
.. But they take it, and take it well.
.. And no one, no one, thanks them, or even nods in approval (or maybe mild interest.)
.. All they can do is thank themselves. And thanks. Very much. From me. You've done a great job.

.. Here's another story you might find interesting: About three weeks ago now, Richard Nixon, the President of the United States, turned down a personal interview with The Brunswickan.

.. No kidding.
.. Pierre Trudeau said the same thing.
.. Well actually it was their secretaries that said they wouldn't talk to us. (We called person to person.) But I still think they have something to hide. Have no fear. We'll look into it over the summer for ya.

.. Predictions for next year:
.. It's interesting to note that everybody else predicts at New Year's time. Me? Well March is ok, I guess.
.. Anyway here we go.
.. the university will appoint a new Vice President during the summer. The search committee has narrowed it's choice to six names - one of whom was interviewed just recently. Watch for a guy with 'G' as his last initial. He'll probably get it.
.. President Anderson will take a strong hold of this wandering ship and place it on an even keel again. (I think that's the correct nautical term.) That seems to be the indication, anyway. People I've talked to seem to be impressed with the decisiveness of the guy. Me? I haven't had much chance to talk to him yet. I'll let you know next fall.

.. And one final note: The Brunswickan's editorial board will be making plans and policy for next year's newspaper during the summer. If you've ever been upset by our coverage or anything else, send us a letter in the SUB, (anytime during the summer) telling us what you think. The board will talk it over, and there's a chance we can stitch the holes.
.. Have a good summer.



Gay movement growing

Dear Sir:

The continuous growth of the gay movement in Canada is becoming increasingly evident. The Canadian homophile communities have been in existence for years, yet this life style continues to meet with disapproval. In every detail, society has been orientated around the heterosexual way of life. Homophile existence in contemporary society is changing in accordance with the gradual public recognition that the homosexual is actually a human being. Homosexuals who decide to abandon the heterosexual conventions frequently suffer rejection from those who may formerly have accepted them.

Why is there an existing fear of homosexuality? Why are people so afraid to face reality? Homosexuality is not new; it has just been ignored. Humanity in the future will contain its percentage of homophiles as it has in the past. Public enlightenment is necessary so that the person of the future will be able to live his, or her, life a great deal better. The labels of society are severely limiting: homosexual-heterosexual, Mr., Mrs., and Miss, represent attempts to stereotype individuals. We are all human. We are all one sex, and that is 'human sexual'. Let's live it that way and let people be people!
At the Homophile Information Media Of Canada - Centre D'Information Homophile Du Canada, we are doing our best to accomplish what we feel should

have been accomplished long ago. Our purpose is not to overpower the heterosexual society, nor to manipulate the individual homosexual. Our purpose is, rather, to educate and inform those who want to learn. The only active Homophile Organization in the Atlantic Region is in Halifax. It cannot possibly cover so large an area. The only answer is growth, but growth is not possible without

participation. Only by eliminating the petty prejudices within ourselves can we as individuals and as a society attain that quality of life to which we aspire.

Your comments are welcome, write:
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Chris Ayre

Disgusted

Dear Sir:

I am shocked and disgusted with the ignorance and apparent prejudice presently taught in our schools.

The following is an excerpt from a test given to grade 5 students in a Quebec school.

"THE FIRST CANADIANS"
CANADA - THEN AND NOW
By A. GARLAND

A) Name 4 things from which we learned about the ways of the Indians:

1. They wear very little clothing
2. They are thieves and will steal
3. Their canoes are their dwelling
4. They eat their meat raw

This test was based on a history text presently being used in Quebec and Ontario schools. How can it be possible that supposedly learned educators can allow such

material to enter the classrooms.

"They are thieves and will steal"! The whites are the ones guilty of this statement. It was the whites who took away the Indian's lands, cultures and dignity. The whites were the ones who put bounties on the heads of the Indians. They were the ones who did the slaughtering at Wounded Knee. They were the first to use scalping. It's about time the true history of the whites and the Indians was told. The history presently taught in our schools directly mocks the Indians and the Canadian Bill of Rights.

Where is "the true North, strong and free"?

Marilyn Matson

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