

FROST BITE HURTS

By the time this issue of the illustrious Gazette hits your local newstand the voters in the Province of Alberta will have elected Premier Lougheed for another term of office. The fate of Albertans and possible the fate of future oil prices in Canada will be sealed. The election is being watched with more interest in this region than most Albertan elections because of Premier Lougheed well publicized feeling about oil prices and oil revenues.

In an editorial last week the Chronically Terrible pledged their support for Premier Lougheed's oil policies and condemned Premier Regan for ignoring the needs of Nova Scotians. What the Terrible seems to be ignoring is the fact that when and if Alberta raises the world price of oil the world rate to the world rate all eastern Canadians will be forced to pay through the teeth to keep warm next winter. We will not only have to pay more to keep away frost bite however, the prices of all manufactured goods in central Canada are certain to raise in proportion to the rise in oil costs. These costs will be passed on to the consumer and for Maritimers that will mean even higher costs for basics like food and clothing that we are paying now.

The Terrible went on to point out that the Provincial government how foolhardy their support of the Federal government will seem when oil is discovered off the east coast. The problem is that if Regan continues to support Ottawa then when Nova Scotia wants to grab all it can from an oil strike they will be forced to abide by decisions made now. If Regan threw his support behind Lougheed and helped Alberta hoard all its oil revenues now instead of sharing some of the cash flow with the rest of Canada then possibly when N.S. strikes it rich in the future we'll be able to keep all that nice money to ourselves. Of course, what the Terrible seems to have overlooked is that Nova Scotia may never strike it rich, in oil and in the meantime we shall have slit our own throats by supporting Alberta.

The Federal government and the other non-oil producing provinces of Canada have helped through tax cuts and high domestic oil prices over the 25 years period following World War II to develop the oil industry in the west. All the federal government has asked for is a fair share of what are now exceedingly high returns. The Province of Alberta however, feels that since the oil is on their land all the cash benefits should accrue to them. Certainly Alberta has a point in claiming a goodly portion of the cash benefits to compensate for their rapidly depleting resources. However, as a member of a federal structure that has helped support them in the past they should not now be denying that same structure some compensation for past investment.

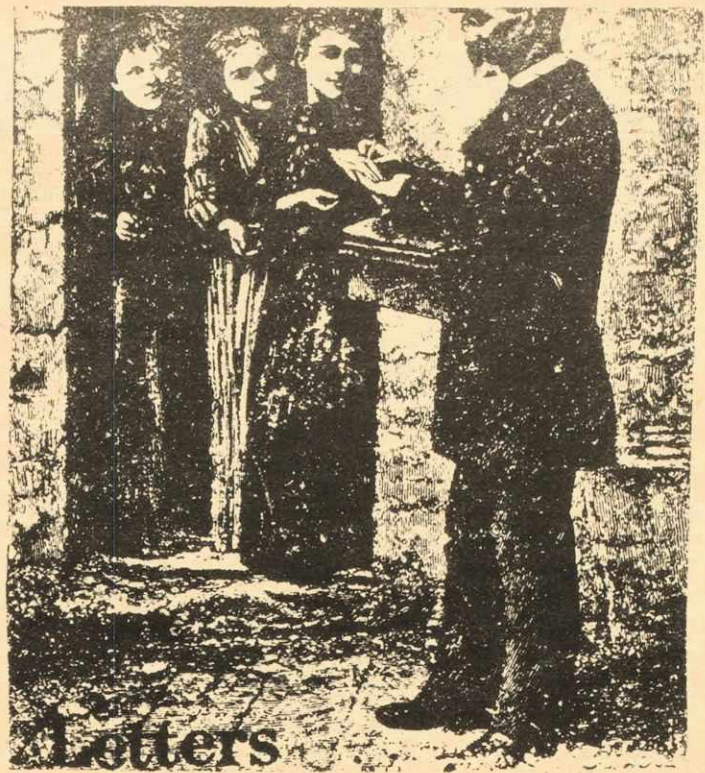
On April 9th the First Minister's Conference will begin and both Regan and Lougheed will be there representing their respective Provinces. The question of oil prices is an issue that will certainly be closely examined and Premier Regan should not and probably will not succumb to the line of illogical thinking proposed by the Chronically Terrible. Though oil prices will undoubtedly rise the cost to Maritimers must not become prohibitive. It's about time the Terrible started facing the real world, particularly as it exists in Nova Scotia.

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Letter ignored

To the Gazette;

You will find enclosed a letter which I wrote to the Chronicle Herald/Mail Star on the fifteenth of March. Unfortunately the letter was returned without comment. The letter itself is concerned with the Women's Liberation Movement in particular, and the modern world, in general. The thesis of the letter is that the Women's Movement is closely allied with our modern notions of freedom, and that there is something inadequate about these notions. It seems to me essential that we gain some perspective on these questions. Therefore the letter is highly theoretical and requires serious thought. It is because it is thoughtful that it was rejected. I realize the necessity for papers to be 'relevant' and contemporary - however often they are so at the cost of thought. Generally one get emotional outbursts of opinion in "Letters to the Editor" sections. My letter is an attempt to get beyond opinion - it presents an argument which women must consider to be justified in their claims. Therefore, as an alternative to mere opinion, I urge you to seriously consider my letter. It would indicate to me that not all papers are caught up in the cliché's of common opinion of the age. Your consideration of the argument would indicate that not all papers aspire to mediocrity.

Sincerely,
Peter Bryson
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Cameron obliging

To the Gazette:

As of late, we have been reading many discourses of male sexuality at Howe Hall. Having been through the mill (the rooms, a few back seats, and several bus stops) with many of these men, I have reached some conclusions concerning the inhabitants of the building at Coburg and LeMarchant and I would like to pass along my findings to the TRIXIES, Passion Flowers, and Eartha Quakes on Campus.

Well Girls, if you want to SCORE, the men at Cameron are always obliging. Their names and phone numbers can be found on various washroom walls across campus. If you are interested in the fringe benefits, the men at Henderson are notorious for their wining and dining before the kill. For a union of both the mind and the body, the intellectuals at Smith are the choice to make. (Don't let his three inch lenses and acne fool you.) And, if you have no qualms about waiting in line, get a Bronson man. (They were unable to get girls, nurses, or even Sheriff Hall girls but, you can still expect stiff competition from the "Over Sixty-five Ladies Bridge Club.")

In conclusion, if you can't get a man, get a Cameron or Henderson, or Smith (in that order of preference) man. If that fails, try the S.M.U. locker room after hockey practice.

Sincerely,
Ms. Whynot

What is a lake?

To the Gazette:

In the Province of Nova Scotia, there are hundreds of lakes and hundreds of miles of rivers which are in danger of being destroyed. These lakes and rivers provide us with such luxuries as pure fresh water for drinking, fishing, boating, water to power saw mills, water for electric power plants, and many other uses. Our fresh water reserves are something that many countries do not have and we should protect these reserves for future generations.

What is a lake? A lake is a large parcel of fresh water where fish, otters, mink, beaver and many types of animals depend on. Ducks, loons, many types of water fowl depend on fresh water lakes. Our forest is what keeps these lakes alive and pure, for without forest cover, a lake becomes stagnant, overheated in summer and soon becomes useless to both man and beast. Rivers also must have forest cover to survive, if we are to have such luxuries as salmon fishing, trout fishing, ducks and

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