

Letters to the Editor

Address letters to the Editor, EXCALIBUR, York University. Those typed (double-spaced) are appreciated. Letters must be signed for legal reasons. A pseudonym will be used if you have a good reason.

The guy next to you

Sir:
I don't give a damn about the Vietnam war, Biafra, or any of the other problems of the world. Why should I? I didn't cause them; why is it my responsibility to solve them? I've got enough of my own problems; after all, is the world going to help my girl who is in a family way? Not bloody likely.

I'm a realist, and I know that there is no way on earth that I can change things. What of demonstrations you say? Let's examine the results of the dramatic Chicago demonstration. The results were: one Norman Mailer book, several hundred arrests, an inquiry into the use of mace. Or see how much affect the Biafra protests have had on Canadian government policy.

How can he take this stand you say? Simple, I'm no hypocrite; that is to say I have no youthful idealism that I will shelve as soon as I obtain my degree and join the money-making world.

Who is writing this you ask? Well, I prefer to remain anonymous; I don't wish to be physically attacked by all the pacifists I've angered. I'll go this far though if you really, earnestly want to know who is writing this, just look around because I'm the guy sitting next to you.

S.R.

Was this discrimination?

Sir:
On Dec. 11, the Board of Governors had a banquet in Winters Dining Hall. Interestingly enough, several members did not want to walk in from the periphery parking lot and so parked in a forbidden place, the fire route in front of the college. After receiving several student complaints as to their safety, security was alerted. In fact, security was alerted three times, to no avail. Finally an officer on the other side of the building, busying himself with having a student's car towed away, furnished an answer. So long as

one chauffeur (for five illegally parked cars) was in attendance, security would neither ticket the cars, nor tow them away, nor even ask them to move on. I ask you, would a student ever be given a break like that? Given that these cars presented a fire hazard, why did Mr. Dunn's department of safety and security discriminate in favour of a Rolls Royce and three Cadillacs? Student as Nigger? You decide, or Mr. Dunn's boys will do it for you!

Bruce Arthur
Winters 111

Yes, it was discrimination!

Mr. C.G. Dunn
Dept. of Safety and
Security Services
T.O.B.
York Campus

Sir:
Several residents of Winters College have asked me to write to you about a very serious violation of the fire access route laws which took place last Thursday evening Dec. 11.

At that time, several very large limousines, including one Rolls Royce, completely plugged the fire route leading to Winters College, and the college residence. Both the owners and chauffeurs proceeded to leave the vehicles parked in this restricted area for several hours. At one time, a truck from Yorktown Towing was called to deal with the situation, but, perhaps since these cars were so large, the driver preferred to remove another car from the McLaughlin fire route, instead. Thus, the Winters route was left plugged.

It was the potential danger of this situation that brought the Winters residents to complain to my office. Above all, the persons who lodged the complaint could not understand why, when certain the York security guards were on duty at the scene, none of them pointed to the fact that a violation was being committed.

We understand that there are

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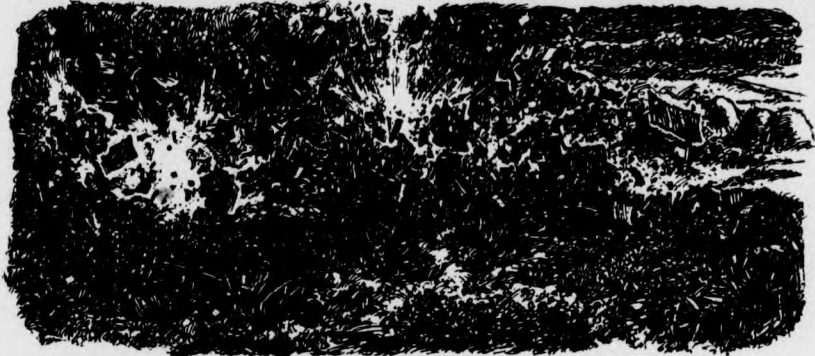
PART I: ABILITY TO RECOGNIZE THE ENEMY

HOW MANY VIET-CONG TERRORISTS, POSING AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS, CAN YOU DETECT IN THIS SEEMINGLY PEACEFUL VILLAGE OF 26 PEOPLE?

CHECK ONE

- A NONE D 11 TO 15
B 1 TO 5 E 16 TO 20
C 6 TO 10 F 21 TO 26

SEE BELOW FOR ANSWER AND RATING



ANSWER

B-52 HIGH ALTITUDE - PRECISION BOMBING - REVEAL A COUNT OF:

11 INNOCENT CIVILIANS AND 23 VIET CONG

ONCE AGAIN PROVING HOW DECEPTIVELY DEADLY APPEARANCE CAN BE IN THIS COWARDLY WAR OF COMMUNIST AGGRESSION AGAINST THE FREEDOM LOVING PEOPLE OF SOUTH VIETNAM.

RATING

- A - FORGET IT! YOU NO-WIN PEACE FREAK
B - BLEEDING HEART APPEASER
C - PSEUDO-INTELLECTUAL
D - TOO WISHY-WASHY
E - NOT BAD... BUT YOU'VE STILL GOT A LOT TO LEARN
F - YOU'VE GOT WHAT IT TAKES: CHRISTIAN ANTI-COMMUNISM PARANOIA!

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many problems attached to the enforcing of these new fire route laws, and many members of the York community have had to be inconvenienced while the system has been initiated. It is certainly hoped though, that if there ever occurs again such a flagrant violation of our new regulations, the York Security Service will handle it a little more efficiently.
Marshall Green
President
Winters College Council

Stan LeMan boos EXCALIBUR story

Sir:
Who on earth had the nerve to submit the sports write-up on basketball in the last issue of EXCALIBUR? Aside from factual errors, the entire tone of the article was unbelievable negative. York has finally produced a basketball team that has won all its league games and is hopeful for the OIAA finals, and then this article comes out to downgrade the team, its form and ability.

For once, the Tait MacKenzie gym has been filled to capacity even for exhibition games because some students are excited about a winning team. A sports writer who is so critical of his own school team, a team that will bring

prestige to York University in collegiate competition is definitely lacking in school spirit and pride. Expressions in the article such as "lack of form...evident" and "even the foul shooting was respectable" are no way to describe the best team that beats Windsor, the Canadian Champions in 68 and 69 and Waterloo Lutheran has got to be a damn good team. This year's Yeomen have won more games in the first third of this season than last year's team won the whole year.

Since this article appeared unsigned, it must be assumed that it is the opinion of EXCALIBUR.

Let me say that even The Globe and Mail, Toronto Star and The Telegram have given the York basketball team better write-ups.

It is no wonder that a good deal of apathy toward sports exists at York.

Take some good advice EXCALIBUR—let's boost our home team!

Stan LeMan
Osgoode Hall

With such a high-powered team, the Yeomen this year need no more boosting from EXCALIBUR than for us to give the unadorned details of the last massacre (sic). Bouncing basketballs, all we need to do is give the scores! 'nuff said. — ed.

Howie Adelman sends a laurel

Sir:
Congratulations on your editorial of December 11. It is one of the best editorials I have seen in a long time and was dead on.

Howard Adelman
Assistant Dean

Prof. involved but didn't copy

Sir:
Your issue of December 9th, 1969 carried a profile of Dean A.D. Allen, in which it was suggested I was a co-discoverer of a way of copying nitrogen fixation. I wish to point out that, although I was involved in the work with other members of Dr. Allen's research group, the original discovery was made by A.D. Allen and Dr. C.V.

Senoff, now of the University of Guelph.

Frank Bottomley
Assistant Professor
University of
New Brunswick

Etaoin writes about windows

Sir:
I wish to further my criticisms of the inhuman (and mindless) architecture and planning existing at this university.

This time I wish to assail (fruitlessly, of course) the zombies who designed the Central Square—pure cold computer functionalism, as I am sure you are aware. The hallways are especially oppressive.

The wandering jumble of metal, concrete, wood and cork is insane. The color scheme of black metal and glass would please only someone who is blind.

I realize that the corkboards in the halls are supposedly for notices, etc., but does everything at York have to exist according to some prearranged scheme.

Why don't people—especially in the bookstore—put up some, all sorts, of the neat posters they have on the miles of window.

'nuff said.

Etaoin Shrdlu
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