



Mugwump Journal

By EDISON STEWART

It seems that the RCMP - the narc squad maybe? - is after one of us good and decent folks here at the beloved halls of ivy. A Brunswickan staffer spotted an unmarked RCMP car sitting outside the SUB on Wednesday, trailing one of those who had deviated from the straight and narrow. No word thus far as to whether or not the boys have made a bust.

The Alumni organizes little get togethers every now and then - there have been three so far - for the purpose of getting the campus leaders, if you will, to exchange ideas and stuff. The last conference was just last weekend. And Naturally, because of the painfully obvious minimal turnout, the first question was: how do we communicate to these people that there's a meeting here?

It was really an example of the pot calling the kettle black. For the SRC turnout itself was poor indeed. Vice-President Steve Mulholland didn't show up until it was time for the food, and Comptroller Fud Steeves had to be gotten out of bed by yours truly. His excuse?

Well, he said he'd been told about the meeting, but he didn't know he should have been there. At any rate, he finally made it.

It's too bad, really, that there isn't a better turnout at these things. There is the opportunity and the possibility that something can really be accomplished if we all put our heads together.

I hope we'll see you at the next one.

There were tears in the beer Monday night, as the outgoing SRC patted itself and the world for a job well done. The boys were going around the table, mentioning that they sure as hell didn't agree with each other, but shucks, it had sure been a lot of fun.

Roy Neale and Chris Fisner led the Kleenex parade, complimenting each other with choking emotion.

It was a touching scene.

You'll be pleased to learn that the Dominion of Canada English Speaking Association has decided to do what we all haven't been able to do in years - take on NBTel.

Apparently they are objecting to the phone company's practise of placing the Government telephone numbers in French first, and English second.

Somebody should tell the fellows that, by the divine law of the alphabet, government comes before government. But then I guess the Association would have us rewrite the alphabet.

There are some pretty interesting letters and essays from sixth graders in this week's centre spread. Students from a Grade 6 class in Chicago wrote down their impressions of Canada (after reading books and watching slides) and somehow they managed to fall into our hands. So we went out and recruited similar essays on the United States from Canadian sixth graders. It's fairly evident after reading the essays that the Americans deal with us maybe once a year in the classroom, and then they're off to another subject. The Canadians, on the other hand, seem to be more concerned with the picture painted by TV land than anything else.

Maybe that's something the CRTC should keep in mind when it allows all sorts of American shows onto Canadian television.

You might recall that last week's Brunswickan mentioned a four day week. Well get this: the folks at St. Clair College in Windsor, Ontario, is thinking of the three day week. Here's what their student newspaper had to say:

The money squeeze is on, the post secondary schools in Ontario are trying to make better use of their facilities. To accomplish this goal many proposals are now pouring forth.

Three ideas that this school is considering:

1. lengthen the school year
2. 4 day week
3. 3 day week

By lengthening the school year, courses will start on a three semester basis. Each semester will start a new year. If you miss a semester or a course take it again next semester, instead of waiting a year to make it up. By going to a 10 month year it will enable the college to make better use of facilities and staff.

The four day week is not very agreeable to the student or staff, it could be put to much more use by the administration. A lesser amount of use of college facilities could be derived by using this system of 4 days. Monday or Friday would be your day off. A few hours more of class and labs and classes scheduled in the room you would normally would have taken on the day that you have off, thus making better use of facilities and staff. A lesser burden would be put on office space if the administration were to go on to this system.

The three day week, which seems to me to be the best proposal, consists of a 6 day week. Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday or Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. You would switch sets of days every semester. Monday to Wednesday with the next four days off.

Students could now have more time to do home-work or hold down part-time jobs. The college could make much better use of facilities and staff in this manner.

TESTS SHOW THAT OUR CLEANSER GETS OUT THOSE GREASY STAINS!!



TURNER RISING STAR IN OTTAWA

Students violate privileges

Dear Sir:

An incident recently occurred in the Engineering Library which I feel should be brought to light.

After a request by several students that "Playboy" be added to the list of periodicals acquired by the library, a member of the library staff placed five issues of that magazine on the shelves. These were not acquired by the library; they were the private property of a member of the library staff. Before the end of the day three of the issues had disappeared and the next morning the remaining two were stolen. In the latter case the only persons near the shelves when the two issues were ripped off were two students never before seen by the library staff.

This is not an isolated incident. Copies of "National Geographic", "Popular Science", and other popular magazines often disappear soon after being placed on the shelves. In some cases library staff members replace the missing issues with their own personal copies, for the benefit of the more honest library users.

These periodicals are placed in the library for the use of everyone, not just some greedy individual who happens to want them for himself alone. How long will it be before some scientific paper or technical journal is stolen? I hope, never.

The persons who stole the issues of Playboy should be really proud of themselves - they not only violated their privilege of using the

Engineering Library, but they also stole articles that were placed there solely through the generosity and goodwill of a member of the library staff.

If they have any decency they

would not have taken them in the first place - if they have any guts they would bring them back.

Eric Murray - CE-5

Jason apologizes

Dear Sir:

To the students of the University of New Brunswick:

We would like to apologize for having to cancel the Jason concert of Monday, February 12 at the last moment. We feel you deserve an explanation.

On the Saturday before the concert here we played a school in Sydney, N.S. The following day, (Sunday) we awoke to find over ten inches of snow on the ground and a quick call to the weather office revealed more was on the way. Jason's road crew made a sincere effort to drive to Fredericton that day but were forced to pull off the highway at New Glasgow for the night.

Meanwhile, back in Sydney, the band itself found out that all flights out of Sydney were cancelled and the weather was not to let up till late Monday, at which time it would be too late to get a plane to Fredericton for that night's performance.

So, we extend our sincerest apologies to the students and staff of UNB.

Signed
Steve Smith
Morag Smith
Randy Reed
Ron Harper
Ron Reed
(Jason)

Solution

Dear Sir:

I have a solution to the French-English problem in Fredericton and in New Brunswick.

Why don't we call in the Quebec Armed Forces and deport the bigot Anglophones to Louisiana USA, and bring back the CAJUNS.

The bigots could beat up the blacks, drink brandy and branch water and generally enjoy themselves.

The Francophones could do whatever they want in their "patrie".

Sincerely,

A. B. House