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stroke, and was going to have to spend the rest of his life in a nursing home. The financial burden would have put an end to my university career. It was me, a person, someone with feelings and a life to live, that was going to have to make the decision.

"The decision of whether or not to murder is not a philosophical question, nor a religious one. It's a matter of deep personal conflict; a conflict resolved by a choice between two diverse alternatives. The only right and moral decision can be made by the person faced with such a situation.

"And yes, I have accepted the consequences of my action. I would not wish the emotional agony that goes along with committing murder upon anyone.

"People who feel, in their minds, that supporting an ill parent would seriously disrupt their emotional or physical well-being deserve as much moral support as those who decide, on religious or moral grounds, to support the parent."

But no, we say, one may not justify murder by the enhancement of emotional or physical well-being. We may not make choices about the right of another human being to live.

There is a direct analogy between the above situation and that of abortion, if the fetus is considered to be a human being. If we accept that the fetus is human, then we must say that abortion is murder. But if we say that the fetus is not human, it follows that abortion is not murder.

So the abortion issue boils down quite simply and inescapably to the question of whether or not the fetus is human. This is a philosophical question and is most definitely a

question for genetics and medical science. The answer to this issue can not be dictated by personal comfort.

I will make one final point to anticipate those who will say that,

since I am male, I have no right to an opinion on abortion.

Someone whose parents are dead will never be faced with the situation of having to support an

ill parent, just as I will never be pregnant. But such a person is not oppressing me by saying that murdering my parents would be wrong. Similarly, I am not oppressing women by saying that

abortion is wrong (as I believe it is) since moral decisions in our society are made by all, not just by those directly affected.

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Save energy!

I am writing regarding the article, "U of A: lots of hot air," (Thursday, Feb. 10 Gateway).

I have been noticing that lights are being left on in almost hardly-used locations at night. A good example is the lights in washrooms in residence being left on at night. I am not surprised that we are using more power than we really need. If there were signs or instructions demanding that the lights be turned off after

use, (i.e. after everyone goes to sleep) in lounges, washrooms, etc. not only in residence, but also on campus buildings we could save a lot of energy. Let's face it, we are being unnecessarily wasteful and our planet's energy resources are dwindling. Let's start out energy-saving right here and how and hope it spreads like wildfire.

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STUDENTS' UNION INSTRUCTION

COMMITTEE ON STUDENT EVALUATION OF COURSES AND INSTRUCTION

The Students' Union needs three undergraduate students to sit on a committee with several Academic Staff members selected by General Faculties Council to devise appropriate procedures for the student evaluation of instruction and for reporting the results thereof to faculty and students.

The Committee will meet periodically throughout this Spring and Summer to draft a proposal for General Faculties Council's consideration.

For more information contact the Vice-President Academic of the S.U. in Room 259D of SUB or by calling 432-4236. Applications for this position are available from the receptionist in room 256 of SUB. Deadline for application is February 24th, 1977.



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