

# The Gateway

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**STAFF THIS ISSUE**—What do Gateway staffers do at 11:30 p.m. Would you believe (they discuss) a little sex?? But is that not preferable to Dr. Vant's horse sense? Anyway, Laurie Kostek, Judy Griffiths, Catrina Sinclair, Judy Samoil, Suellen Reid, and Lorna Cheriton added some fact to the question, while Bob Bragg, B. S. P. Bayer, Brian MacDonald, Ken Bailey, Marvin Bjornstad, Dan Carroll, Joe Czajkowski, Hugh Hoyles and yours truly Harvey Thomgirt just sat around and drooled.

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## You really don't care

The Gateway has been subjected to some pretty harsh criticism in the early weeks of this term. Some of it, surely, has foundation. Other parts of it are due to varying opinion.

It is easy to realize that not everyone agrees with whether or not the Students for a Democratic University are a 'democratic' organization which practices open democracy. They have their own view of this—which differs from ours.

Various sources have condemned our editorial on the memorandum on student conduct. "It is not an edict" they say, "and it was very necessary." We doubt it.

These are all reasonable views.

But the most severe and the most antagonistic is the one that condemns The Gateway for printing stories on the closed General Faculty Council meetings and printing features on student revolution and student power.

These are hard to take.

To be ignorant, unconscious or unaware is one thing. But to be unconcerned about the governing of the university and the student participation in that process suggests not only apathy, but something bordering on closed-mindedness.

This is a common trait amongst Albertans. Take our student government. They can't get their own way in the Canadian Union of Students so they pull out and prefer to work outside the structure. At the same time, they want university

reform and they want it by working within the structure where, if they behave and ask accordingly, they may be favored with changes—but none too "radical" or "revolutionary".

It is amazing how students here can sit back and take the garbage handed out by the bodies which govern them. For instance, the GFC meetings. Here is a body which determines much of what happens academically at the university. They make the ultimate decision on the texts and the courses to be on curriculum. This affects every student who sets foot on the campus. All have beefs about the course content. All bitch about the profs. All bitch about the exam system.

Yet students say they don't care to know how the decisions affecting them are made. They say they don't care if the meetings are closed. Which means they don't care about anything.

Because some of the real problems around here are things like housing, parking and curriculum. And, people, it is the esteemed and revered General Faculty Council that sees all these bills before they are made law at The University of Alberta.

If the student, the very people affected by all these decisions, doesn't care then they deserve everything they get—such as compulsory physical education, compulsory english and walking all morning to get to class from your parking space.

## Flop, flop, flop

Oh boy. Here we go again. Another entertainment group has flopped here. This time it was Back Porch Majority. Several years ago, it was the Serendipity Singers. Earlier than that, it was Stan Kenton who really bombed.

With the Back Porch Majority as with the rest, it was the lack of publicity. People do not attend events if they don't know of the event.

The same goes for homecoming weekend. All these parades and suppers and good time parties held were not made available to the public. Very few people knew anything that was going on during that weekend at all.

But that's this university. They expect everyone to attend because they are good citizens and it is necessary and nice. Sure.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS:

IT'S JUST A PASSING FAD... BEST THING TO DO IS TO IGNORE THEM! I DON'T WANT JUST ANYBODY LISTENING TO ME. AFTER ALL, IF THEY HAD THE CHANCE, WOULD THEY, OR BETTER STILL, COULD THEY TAKE ON A TASK WHICH REQUIRES YEARS OF ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE. ISN'T THE 'GOOD TIME' THEY THINK IT'S AT ANY RATE, WITH THE FACILITIES TIES THIS CAMPUS OFFERS I SEE NO REASON FOR UNREST IT'S JUST SOME-THING TO DO.

IT WILL ALL WORK OUT IN THE END

## An open letter to the city mother

Julia baby;

I've been following your progress as an Edmonton city alderman and I must confess that, after two decades of losing elections, you sure have made up for lost time.

I was really impressed when you fought for individual rights in the basement suite deal. It would have been a sorry day for city moles if the council had taken their basement suites away on them. Then they'd of had to move upstairs and there is just no air space left in the city for upward progress. Really good move, my friend.

You did a couple of other good things too but I can't remember just exactly what they were. I know they were good because everybody else on council voted against them which proves that because you're a lady, everybody persecutes you. We have the same problem here where a lady is running the place and she gets a load of garbage a man would never get. But that's the old politician's game, eh?

A few months ago, you did the best thing ever. I read in that newspaper that you got pretty angry when someone stuck a nudie up on ninth floor of the brand new city hall. And close to the cafeteria too. Some people sure have poor taste.

I have to agree that nudies are not too good. Especially in public. Or more especially on walls and on canvas. It was really good when you proved you were right and they painted a dress or something over that ex-nudie. Now we don't have to worry about the city fathers thinking of other things on ninth floor

when they should be attending to council business.

There is one little exception though and maybe you could do something about it. Last week, me and a few other guys were in this room 306 at University Hall (you know where the University of Alberta is, I'm sure) and that is the Board of Governors' room. These are men who attend to all important matters at the university and, in a round about way, have an influence on what students learn. It is very important they have their minds on their work.

That's why I was astounded to see a NUDE-ie on the wall. A real live nudie painting. We, at this newspaper, made the horrible mistake of printing a picture of it. Mind you, it was not intentional. You can see it on page five of last Tuesday's issue.

We suggest you do something about this. The morals of the students here, all homespun by Social Credit, are very proper etc. If the bigshots here are corrupted by a nudie and if the new communications razzledazzle is effective, then the students will want nudies in their bedrooms, in the students' union building, in the lounges, in the libraries and even, heaven forbid, in the cafeteria.

And Julie, they may even get to LIKE them.

Do you know what could happen to a society that allows pictures of nudies to be displayed in public. People won't have to hide their Playboys in the basement suites anymore.

Which is not nice.

Counting in you, to  
Sock it to 'em  
Richie