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STAFF THIS ISSUE—Well, we are going daily. Going further every day. And those that went too far tonight were Jim Carter, Beth and Beth (Nilsen and Winteringham), Ginny Box, Brian Macdonald, Judy Samoil, all our beautiful proofreaders (yawn), Dennis Fenrich, Cat Sinclair, Janice McPhail, Ellen Nygaard, Chuckiepoop, Dorothy Constable, and Harvey G. (who's so far gone daily he can't even do it weakly) Thomgirt.

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First Jubilaire production

The Jubilaires Club will present their fall show "Stop the World I Want to Get Off" October 17 through 25. Show time will be 8:15. Tickets are \$2 and go on sale September 29, in SUB and at Mike's.

TUESDAY
CURLING TRYOUTS
Women's intervarsity curling tryouts will be held Tuesday in the SUB Curling Rink at 5 p.m. They will continue Thursday and Oct. 7.

NDY MEETING
The Campus New Democratic Youth will hold a meeting in SUB Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. See the monitor for room.

DR. SPOCK
Dr. Benjamin Spock will give a civil rights lecture in Dinwoodie Lounge at 8 p.m.

HOUSING SEMINAR
The students' union housing commission will hold a seminar on the proposed housing complex from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. in the SUB Theatre.

WEDNESDAY
IMMIGRATION DIVISION
Members of the Immigration Division will be in attendance at the SUB Canada Manpower Centre from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., for the purpose of renewing student visas.

BRIDGE CLUB
The U of A Bridge Club meets today. Starting time will be 7 p.m. for intermediate classes and 7:30 p.m. for beginner classes. The place will be announced on the SUB monitor.

INTRODUCTORY DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS
Registrations for the Edmonton section of Introductory Development Economics offered by the Department of Extension, will be accepted until Wednesday.

THURSDAY
FACULTY CURLING CLUB
The Faculty Curling Club meeting will be held at 4 p.m. in the Faculty Club for all faculty interested in curling this winter. Fees are \$20 for the season. Draw times will be on Tuesday at 5, 7 and 9 p.m.

CHINESE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
The Chinese Association will hold a Special General Meeting in SUB 104 at 7:30 p.m. to elect new executives.

FRIDAY
THE SAND PEBBLES—STUDENT CINEMA
The Student Cinema will present the movie, THE SAND PEBBLES, in SUB Theatre at 7 and 9 p.m.

OTHERS
There will be an organizational meeting and election of the executive of the Films Club October 9, at 7 p.m. in room 17 of the Arts Bldg.

EDMONTON CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY
The Edmonton Chamber Music Society is now selling tickets for its 1969-70 Subscription Concert Series in ARTS 348, and by mail at 12919-63rd Ave. Student rate is \$4 for all six concerts. Series opens October 15, with THE PHILADELPHIA STRING QUARTET.

WORSHIP MEETINGS
Interdenominational worship meetings will be held in SUB Meditation Room at the following times:
Sunday at 7 p.m.
Tuesday at 12:30 noon
Wednesday at 10 p.m.

More dropouts this year

Since September 5, over 48 students have dropped out of university. The first to leave was a Law student who had registered only three days before, said Registrar A. D. Cairns.

Last year a total of about 200 students quit, with about 100 of them leaving before Christmas. By the beginning of October last year, 34 had dropped out, slightly less than for the same time this year.

Mr. Cairns attributes dropping out to many factors. Some leave because of admission difficulties, and problems in being allowed to take the courses they want. For others, their financial situation is the major setback, especially if

Spock — a fighter for mankind

By WINSTON GERELUK

The first time I encountered Dr. Spock was as a worried parent looking through his *Baby and Child Care* to see what he had to say about the red rash on baby's bum.

The next time was during the winter of 1967-68 when the news media was full of horrifying pictures and descriptions of the American War in Vietnam. Then I encountered him as another terribly concerned person.

It was the news of his being indicted by a grand jury for conspiring to help young American men avoid the draft that caught my attention then. Here was a man who was so concerned about the unforgivable War, that he was giving up the comfort of a well-earned retirement to protest against it.

The two activities, giving advice on baby care and protesting a war, go together as very good clues to what the man really is. From all evidence, he is first and foremost a humanist; a lover of mankind. The fact that his sympathy extended to all of humanity is what made a pediatrician into a peace-marcher.

In his advice to parents of young children he stressed two important elements, love and patience. And, his message to the adult population was not that different; love your fellow man, and don't be ashamed to act on the basis of this love.

In his campaign, Dr. Spock has perhaps suffered more than was necessary because of his association with hippies, revolutionaries and the like. However, a man who is concerned with something as important as the possible destruction of the human race has no time to be concerned about the conven-

tional criteria of respectability. In fact, it is strange that human survival has only worried those on the 'fringe' of society. At least the 'respectables' have yet not voiced any deep-seated concern.

Perhaps unlike the majority of people in society today, Dr. Spock is not content just to do 'a job.' As a child specialist, he was all there, creating, caring and loving his subjects. This was exactly why it became necessary for him to carry signs protesting nuclear armament.

What's the point of parents working and sacrificing to bring up healthy, well-adjusted children if the children are going to be incinerated?

Complete commitment is what makes the man who is going to speak in Dinwoodie Lounge tomorrow night a rarity in his generation (and probably ours). Our generation has been by-and-large an orphaned one. When we have been impatient, overconcerned with trivialities, overly-proud, underconfident, overly-wise, or too foolish, we have had only ourselves to turn to. We could not turn to an older generation composed in too many cases of neurotic, egotistical, money-hungry people. And growing people do need a steadying, guiding hand.

Dr. Spock is one of the few members of this older generation who does not have to apologize for ab-

dicating this responsibility. He is the perfect, wise father when he tells us:

*Trust your own instincts.
Don't get panicky.
Don't be overawed by experts.
Don't be afraid to be nice.*

He not only preaches beautiful sermons—he lives them. Consider the man who is so unconcerned by appearance as to be able to march down Wall Street leading a demonstration to the music of the derisive jeers and howls of very fat and very respectable Wall Street businessmen.

Finally, we can be sure of at least one thing.

If and when our society does become completely dehumanized, or if we do succeed in reducing ourselves and the rest of the people in the world to very fine radioactive dust, it will not be the fault of people like Dr. Benjamin Spock.

One of the best bits of advice that this columnist will ever give you, is to tell you to go to Dinwoodie Lounge to her Dr. Spock. You can't lose.

If you are terribly concerned about the things that he is protesting, or, on the other hand, if you are all for wars, nuclear catastrophes and the like, you are sure to find his talk a worthwhile experience, and maybe just a little hard on your conscience.

The battle of the grafitti or the washroom Cosa Nostra

Once upon a time, not long away and not far ago, a little old man was sitting on the can, feeling bored. He pulled out a pencil, and, just to pass the time, he began to write on the wash-room wall.

No sooner had he turned his back on his creation when a little man in green overalls appeared bearing a towel in his hot little hands.

He rubbed the towel against the wall, and rubbed and rubbed until all the old man's words of wisdom were wiped away. The war was on!!!

Today I sat in the can feeling uneasy. Something was missing. The little old man, Kilroy, was gone. A little man in green coveralls had just wiped him away. The walls were empty.

Where have all the throne-room thinkers gone? Why is there apathy in the out-house? HAVE ALL THE WALL-WASHERS WON? NEVER!

Think where the world would be without the bowl bard? Who else would pose such important questions as, "did the Virgin Mary

masturbate?" Who else would publish such pool room philosopher's wit as, "You just don't speak the Queen's English, you thilly thav-age?"

Who else would give the precautionary word, "look before you flush, you may have lost your wallet?" What would The Gateway do for ears? If we lose the outhouse poet, we lose a valuable part of our culture.

Graffiti are not only a great preserver of culture, it chronicles the news of the day. Such headlines as "Mysterious train commutes between Edmonton and Calgary: Vegreville Chamber of Commerce goes on world tour" were lifted from the outhouse wall.

Interesting facts about historical characters could once be found there, such as, "Julius Caesar wore a Trudeau hair-cut."

Epics such as a 13-verse parody on the Raven filling an entire cubicle door, an interesting dissertation on copy-write law, short poems, one-liners, and the rough draft of what looked like an Art Evans column once delighted readers in the Arts basement.

Now they are gone, but not for long. Flush philosophers unite. Wall-watchers delight. The battle begins.

—Dan Jamieson
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CONVENIENT PARKING

NOTICE

The University Scottish Country Dance Club will commence a series of weekly classes for beginners at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 30th in Room 142, Students' Union Building.

U of A dance club

Classes commence September 29, October 1 and 2 for beginners, September 30 for advanced.

If you have not already registered, you may register before classes on days shown above.

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