

## What a wacky week

Last week was a strange week.

The Federal Court of Appeal said that a Canadian is a person from Canada and not a beer, refusing Molson Companies Ltd. from trademarking their flagship beer's name. On top of that, they said that all beer is golden in color thus turning down another trademark bid from the brewery. "Golden" is another popular brand of Molson beer.

I don't know about you, but of all the stereotypes that other countries have of Canadians, saying that anyone born north of the 49th parallel is a bottle of beer is probably the most accurate one yet. Heck, Bob and Doug MacKenzie acted as if they had little upstairs besides that foamy beverage that they guzzled on their show "Great White North."

In the Friday Edmonton Journal, Associated Press informed the public that American President Ronald Reagan's prostate is in fine shape. Cancer also wasn't found in his colon. That is good news. Doctors also haven't had to chop off parts of his nose for months now. That is better news.

The Americans also cancelled two test flights of the cruise missile over Canadian airspace last week. The weather was poor. The question is: If the Americans went to war on a bad day, would they try to postpone nuclear holocaust until the next day, when supposedly they could have a doubleheader?

Then there is the story of the cat named Felix loose in the cargo hold of a Pan Am airliner for 29 days. The feline racked up 288,000 miles in the ordeal. The underlying question this time is: Does Felix's owner get to use those miles on his frequent flyer program?

Two groups of Australians last week reported UFO sightings to their local authorities. A family of four's car was picked up and dropped while a tuna boat was "buzzed" by the supposed alien. The police are taking the matter seriously. Personally, I thought we were rid of the alien transients when "Project UFO" was cancelled.

Finally, while Sports Illustrated last week thought the Canadian Olympic hockey team would win the gold medal at the Winter Olympics in Calgary, syndicated columnist Stan Fischler said on CJSR's Press Box that Canada will be lucky to win anything, as the U.S. Olympic Team will grab the gold.

You'll be hard pressed to find a week of news more wacky than last week.

Alan Small

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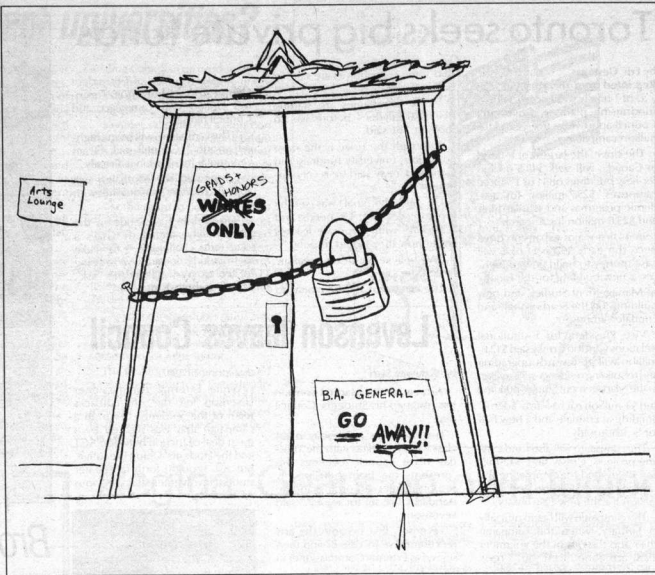
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## LETTERS

### Elitism in Arts

A few comments about the "Elitist Arts Lounge".

Paul Belanger and Valerie Henituk as co-chairmen of the RLGHs have a responsibility to support any resolution whose ends benefit the students they represent. It can be understood why they were motivated to respond (Gateway, Thursday Jan. 21) to Ross Penner's letter, but the responses they gave to Mr. Penner's comments are both naive and unwarranted.

The assembly described and the outcome of the vote are of no surprise. It would be interesting to find a group as such that would turn down something that would be to their direct benefit.

To feel sorry for someone who has to share an office with as "many" as two other students is entirely shameful. Either the people in such a situation forget what it was like to be displaced in a large university, forced to carry around a pile of books and a winter coat all day, or their motivations are purely selfish. That they "need windows and more space to retreat to periodically" is understandable, but do they think that they are the only ones subject to the winter depression they speak of? They should call the registrar's office and get a current count of the number of students on campus or maybe call Student Help and find out how many of their calls are from RLGHs members.

Finally, the inaccuracy of their final "plea for improved work and study conditions" is amusing. It should read "a plea for improved work and study conditions for RLGHs members only!"

In this regard, Ross Penner's letter seems all the more justified.

Don Kennedy

### "I'll buy you your own"

To whomever found my lost notebook in Cameron Library on Friday, Jan. 15: I returned an hour later to find my notes gone. It was not at the Lost and Found. Campus Security hasn't seen it either. My name and phone number were clearly written on the front cover. I was hoping you'd call.

If you really need the 200 or so blank pages in my book that badly, I'll gladly buy you a new one of your own, but if

my notes haven't yet gone to that big paper bin in the sky, I'd greatly appreciate getting them back. PLEASE.

Sure, I can get the notes from other people, but it's a waste of time (10 hours worth) and money, and they're never as helpful as one's own. I'd really hoped that one University student would show a little more consideration for another and her lost notes. Perhaps I expected too much.

Deanna Campbell

fall of Man came from the temptation to be God rather than to worship and believe in the one true God. Thus we see a similarity between the fall of Man and the religious views of the Morgaines.

The Bible teaches that Man is not God but is created in His image. If we want to find the truth and live happily and freely we must turn to the love of God and His son Jesus; not to ourselves. Any other belief is quite simply, a deception.

Greg Lockert

### Council gets job done

In calling the antics of council unprofessional and immature one must really stop and ponder how these people arrive at the conclusions. Wade Dieman is an exception, and I compliment his hard work.

Having served on council in 1986-87, I have heard people level the same criticisms at me and my associates for our behavior. However if these individuals, who are no doubt friends of the serious councilman, are interested in partaking in council, they can run for the positions and gain some first hand experience. How can one criticize if one has not been there as a participant? One visit does not give one the total outlook of just how boring the business of running the Students' Union is. Students' Union is not a glamor job, so anytime the political misfits choose to realize this, well we will all have made some progress.

Jim Dykeman

### "I bid you adieu"

To the students of the Arts faculty: Please be advised that I have resigned from my position as Arts Representative to S.U. Council. Unfortunately, I have a scheduling conflict that prevents me from fulfilling my responsibilities according to the standards I've set for myself.

You don't care? Perhaps your indifference is justified. However, I would like to thank all those who gave me support, input, and advice during my tenure. Many of you made my involvement a positive experience, and it was a privilege to represent your interests on Council. I hope that you can give my successor the same support.



### Neo-paganism dangerous

Re: Interview with Witches (Gateway, Thursday Jan. 21)

The interview with David and Ana Morgaine, if considered carefully, clearly shows the dangers and fallacies of the neo-pagan revival in the Western World.

To many, such spiritual views seem appealing in their so-called naturalistic approach. However, if one delves deeper into the interview, one can easily identify the inherent falsehoods in such an approach.

The religion of David and Ana Morgaine seeks not to put man in line with truth; rather, it seeks to create its own truth. In effect, it attempts to make man into a God. If you do not believe this, then read the interview again and see for yourself. David Morgaine clearly states, "There is no God but Man," and that man is not created in the image of God, he is himself divine. Such a belief is clearly contrary to not only Christianity, but also Judaism, Islam, and other religions.

Take a look at the hatred, disease, war, starvation, and brutality in this world. Do you see in this any signs that man is God? Such beliefs come not from wisdom or truth, but from human pride. The Bible clearly states that the