



## editorial

### Contradictory logic

This Thich Man Da La character must think we are ignorant. She blames the Saigon and United States government for sabotaging the Paris Peace Agreement. Well, who is causing the trouble over there? The Americans and South Vietnamese want peace as the treaty was stated by the communist refuse to go by it. Their aggression just continues. She blames the government for spending money on military matters and not for services for the people. Just what does she think they should do? Give up their freedom to the communists they've been fighting for years?

The South Vietnamese people have no desire to live under the communist rule of North Viet Nam. Man Da La also claims that there is supposed to be a Free Movement, but that it is restricted. I spent 2 years in Viet Nam and her statement is the biggest bunch of malarkey I've ever heard.

Sure it's too bad that the people must suffer the way they do, but it is this way because of communist aggression. Put an end to the North Viet Nam aggression and the SUN people can get back to a normal way of life. Man Da La is probably nothing more than a communist agitator working on peoples' emotions rather than on facts. And believe me there are plenty of agitators around.

Organization for Freedom of South Viet Nam

### Bloody progress

In response to the article "Bloody record" by Roger Armbuster in the March 6/75 edition of *Gateway*.

Progressive - advancing by degrees or continuously, not sudden or interrupted.

Oxford Dictionary fifth edition, 1970.

Please note there is nothing in the definition to imply that progress cannot be bloody. I should like to assure Mr. Armbuster 'advancing' is not without bloody implication either. I should also like to further education him in the theory of evolution.

Evolution is a process. Fundamental to the process that there should be periods of growth and variation. Imposed upon this or after it, there should be stress and selectivity.

I hope it is not necessary for me to quote the amount of food an elephant eats, or how many insects birds eat, or how many crops a plague of grasshoppers will destroy. I can tell you, just off hand, how many Passenger pigeons have died or been killed by various predators all of them. My point is, this is a competitive

world and it is this competition which is referred to by the terms stress and selectivity.

So Mr. Armbuster, your reference to Newsweek and the bloody 20th Century does much to forward my argument of society being part of the natural world, thank you.

As to your reference to "a better place to live" and putting "faith in any evolutionary process to bring about constructive change," an evolutionist merely looks at any one of the many symbiotic relationships, and realizes various balances that have evolved in nature and he knows there is hope.

From Mr. Armbusters response I take it that my proposal has stirred some interest, so I do not feel I am imposing by further describing the proposal. In doing so I shall possibly lay a few minds at ease.

The proposal in itself proves nothing because it has not been tested in any way. The problem with traditional arguments of both evolution and creation is that neither lends itself to testing by our scientific methods.

My proposal does lend itself to testing, so don't just refuse to recognise it, test it.

Test to see if the second law of thermal dynamics applies to society.

Test societies relationship to the natural world.

Test the interrelationship between society and man.

Even if my premises are proven to be true it does not prove the theory of evolution. It only proves the theory of evolution for society. To prove the theory of evolution for the natural world would need the proof of one other entity. Thank you.

Dennis Wilson

### Support repeal

A few years ago a referendum was held on this campus which asked whether anti-abortion laws should be repealed. 80% of the students voted yes.

In October, 700 people attended a meeting in defense of Dr. Henry Morgentaler.

Evidently not everyone is as opposed to repeal as *the Gateway* appears to be.

We refer to the fact that the Morgentaler meeting went unreported except for a cartoon which depicted him as a bloodthirsty butcher. Another cartoon showed a doctor pulling money out of a woman.

And Tuesday's *Gateway* had the title "Wanna buy an abortion?" Does this imply that an abortion is a commodity on a par with pornographic pictures?

Instead of attacking women and those who support repeal through gross cartoons and ambiguous slurs, *Gateway* should be doing such things as

giving wide publicity to the campaign to repeal all abortion laws and to stop the persecution of Dr. Morgentaler by the Canadian government.

Duane Filan  
Nancy Walker

### Women's Caucus offensive

Women's Liberation, Civil Rights, Equality. These and other ideals and movements play a major part in modern-day development of our society. All deserve consideration from every person; some ideals even move people to action. Pursuant to one lofty goal, the Women's Caucus was moved to action, and I feel the rest of the university should know about it.

The Women's Caucus is a group of females who need to show that women are discriminated against where every they turn. I suppose it satisfies their paranoid urges. To this end they felt they had to show that they weren't getting a fair shake in the admissions' lottery at the Law School. So they sent 3 of their members of solidify these feelings by leafing through the personal files of all law students, hoping to find statistical proof.

How they got access to these files is still in doubt. The dean is the one who has the ostensible authority to peruse the information contained in the files, but whether he gave permission or not is really quite irrelevant to what is at issue. Besides a man in his position should know better than to extend his authority to every person who wants to satisfy voyeuristic whims by looking at the personal histories of 500 students.

The Womens Caucus has no legal entity that I KNOW OF. As far as I can determine from its members, it's a bunch of women who act like they were brought up on prune juice and who spend more time being offensive than being human beings.

Whoever you are Womens Caucus, what the hell were you doing looking into my personal life without my permission? In your zeal for civil rights and equality, you overlooked the basic human right to privacy. If you really wanted to achieve your end or prove a point, you should have taken your grievance to the Human Rights Commission which deals with these problems and through the right channels. Whether discrimination exists against women or not, the Women's Caucus cause would have a lot more support if it wasn't the moving force behind the civil rights breached by the opening of personal files.

Chris Macdonald  
Law 2

### Nit-picking penny pinchers.

During the announcements period of last week's Student Council meeting, it was revealed that over the weekend of the 8th and 9th, eleven representatives of the Students' Union were going to Saskatoon for a conference.

The representatives were the old executive, the new one, and the General Manager. All were to fly down with the intent of introducing the new executive to the reps from other western universities in a conference similar in format to the Services Conference held here last fall.

Not one eyebrow was raised by Council, not one voice protested the obvious expense of the trip, paid in full out of dwindling SU coffers, but rather Council saw fit to haggle over how many representatives the Education Students Association could send to a Calgary conference.

It seems that Council at first expected two representatives of ESA to do the job of four at a conference they were willing to pay for in part themselves, when just a few minutes earlier they mutely accepted full funding for eleven representatives to do the job of six.

It seems to me in the light of scare tactics taken by the present executive telling us we're all going down the proverbial financial tube as of April 1, that the old executive simply wanted one last fling before they left office, which, in my opinion, they deserve. Its been a long year.

Farbeit from me to keep anyone from attending conferences at other universities, they're a useful means of communication that just can't be replaced, nor is it any good to an organization to simply send one or two reps to a conference of any importance.

But I think Council should think a little harder on what its been wordlessly accepting of late, and what it has been haggling over with such penny-pinching intensity.

In terms of usefulness, I think the ESA conference was promising much more productivity and active representation on the part of four people than was likely given us by the entire eleven in Saskatoon. Call it a hunch, but that's the way I see it.

Greg Neiman

## letters

### Smokers rights

This letter is in reply to a Reader Comment published in *The Gateway* issued March 4.

It is my personal opinion that Manfred Lukat is a sick individual and if he really believes in the cause he is so blasphemous about, he would have the courage to do more about it than extend his slanderous opinions through the media.

It is my opinion that smokers should have as much right to smoke where and when they want to as non smokers have the right not to. The smoking issue is a two sided coin and discrimination against smokers is getting a bit out of hand. I will not lower myself to the degrading level that Manfred felt obliged to, by so pointlessly and unintelligently slandering a large portion of the population.

In conclusion, I feel that Manfred's letter was a waste of space and his issue a waste of time.

Robert Covaig

## Art Varker

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