



Lennon caught trying to Getaway with murder

Outgoing Students' Union President Cheryl Spume has announced that she is bringing an action against the student newspaper, the *Getaway*, and its editor Siren Lennon.

According to Ms. Spume, there has been "mismanagement and fraudulent use of the *Getaway's* funds by Lennon". She said she wants to "get the sucker thrown in the netherworld and recover the dough." The alleged wrongdoings are according to Spume, perpetrated by Lennon siphoning off monies from the *Getaway's* \$2.4 million budget to invest in outside business interests for her personal gain. Companies mentioned by Spume as being involved were *Getaway* Aviation Ltd. and *Getaway* Holdings Ltd. which owns and operates both the *Getaway* Hotel and the *Getaway* Hotel in Edmonton.

When asked how she first became suspicious of illegalities involving students' union money Spume replied, "My first clue was the absence of Bub Slug on the comic (editorial) page. Siren had allocated the funds to pay a writer and artist their \$100.- fee and when the feature was continually missing I began to wonder where the money was going. Clue number two was the resignation of Roney J. Bliggins, copy editor. I told Siren that a suitable staff member like me was to be retained at any cost and to secure the funds from miscellaneous expenditures of her budget. So when she said he had quit for a better paying job frankly I was puzzled and suspicious. The answer came when Stevie

(council member Steven Pushingher) and I were cruising down Boyle St. in our university staff car and decided to pop into one of the local establishments. The place happened to be called the New *Getaway* Hotel. As Stevie was digging for a fin I noticed, right under the \$5 for two hours sign, a small notice stating the hotel was under new management. It was signed by Siren Lennon! On our subsequent return to headquarters I sent Stevie and the rest of my undercover agents to work investigating Lennon's financial history. They discovered numerous unaccounted transactions between Lennon and the aforementioned companies involving large sums of money. I therefore have no doubt she was absconding *Getaway* funds because she couldn't have saved anything on the wretched salary we pay her now."

The suit against Lennon is the second in two years against *Getaway* editors. Last year's editor Don Inkphingers settled out of court with the former Student Union general manager Harry Goldfingers.

Lennon was unavailable for comment because of an emergency trip to Venezuela to visit her sick grandmother. She left last Friday on her *Getaway* Aviation chartered jet.

Interim editor in Lennon's absence will be Jock Stewart. Stewart, the present sports editor, said he will try to improve the present quality of the paper by tripling the size of the sports section and running the arts section on page thirteen (column six).

Clark screeching again

Booze in the news

NEWFOUNDLAND (CUP) - Tory leader Joe Clark today criticized the federal government ruling party Liberals for failing to recognize the importance of screech sales to this province's economy.

Clark cited several examples of the benefits of the Newfie bootleg beverage, noting that former Premier Joey Smallwood, often praised as the only living cretin of confederation, was able to rule for several decades under the influence.

In kicking off his election campaign, Clark also renewed his pledge to emancipate the downtrodden men of the nation. In his statement the Tory leader mentioned that he believed comprehensive legislation could be drawn up to "free the men of Canada. I mean, if I want to be known as Joe Who-McTeer,

nobody should be able to stop me."

Nationalization of natural assets was an extreme threat, something to be feared, he said.

In closing Clark mentioned that he would receive a warm reception from Alberta voters when he travelled to his home province later this month. "Alberta voters, bless their pointed little heads, always vote conservative. Despite my stand on natural resources, they'll opt for the Tories. All that crap Loughheed has been saying about spreading the wealth around for the benefit of all Canadians really doesn't appeal to the average Albertan, they are very concerned with their fellow countrymen. I think I speak for the majority of Albertans when I say that," he stated.



Sharon answers the Bell

In a surprise announcement today, SU vp internal Sharon Bell announced her candidacy in the May 22 federal election. She will be seeking victory as the Progressive Conservative candidate in the Strathcona constituency.

Miss Bell says this latest move is a "natural culmination" of three years' planning.

"It's been so much fun running in different contests, and everyone has been so nice to me, that the prospect of a federal victory is really thrilling!" commented Miss Bell in a *Getaway* interview yesterday. She also expressed pleasure at the opportunity of working with Tory leader Joe Clark.

"I styled my SU executive campaign after Clark's election strategy, and I hope to repay Mr. Clark by serving him in the federal election," she said.

When asked if running in the election will conflict with her duties as vp Internal, Miss Bell quickly answered in the negative.

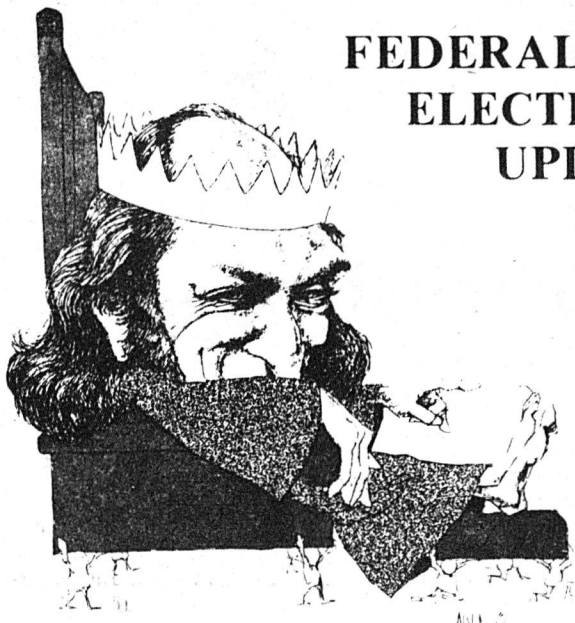
"There's really not much involved in my job with the SU," she said, "and people will probably not even notice I'm gone."

SU President Dean Olmstead said yesterday in a phone interview that he is "tickled pink" with Sharon's decision.

"There's not a doubt in my mind that Sharry, ...er, Miss Bell has an enormous amount of talent and drive to offer this nation," said Olmstead. "She's proven herself worthy time and time again, and her addition to the Clark team can only be seen as a big bonus," Olmstead added.

Olmstead declined to comment on what would happen if Miss Bell wins the election, merely stating that "a wait-and-see policy seems most appropriate at this point in time."

FEDERAL ELECTION UPDATE



Maggie exploited again

CALGARY (CUP) - Prime Minister Trudeau opened the western leg of his cross-country campaign tour today stating that he plans to exploit his wife and children as much as possible as electioneering tools.

"Let's face it," he said "my kids are cute and my wife has got a nice ass (just ask her). Assets like that have to be employed. I don't plan to win or lose the May 22 election on government policies, that's not the kind of thing the voting public is interested in."

Trudeau told reporters that his wife's soon-to-be-released autobiography will aid his quest

for re-election. "*Beyond Reason* (now being serialized in several newspapers across the country) will draw a lot of male supporters to the Liberal party. In the past my appeal has been strong with women but slightly weaker with men. Margaret is going to be taking time out from her busy schedule on the scandal tour to travel with me. We'll be riding in separate train cars so that she will be able to entertain male supporters at her leisure."

Trudeau also claimed that he would be enticing men to vote Liberal by promising them each a chapter in Maggie's next book, *Beyond Hope*.

Broadbent woos labour vote

TORONTO (CUP) - New Democratic Party leader Ed Broadbent launched his 1979 election campaign yesterday promising that his party would live or die with the Canadian Labour Congress.

At a news conference last evening Broadbent claimed that the CLC was an accurate body, a true image of voter preference. "The CLC executive understands the labour union member, his wants and needs. We'll throw our lot in with them. I think that all the CLC exec has to do is suggest to their members that the NDP is the party and that's the way they'll vote. The Teamsters in USA set precedence for such group movement; what Jimmy Hoffa said, went, until he went."

Broadbent claimed that Prime Minister Trudeau was wrong if he believed that inflation could be stopped by curtailing rising wage and price indexes.

"It's obvious that the answers to Canada's economic problems lay in the labour movement. The CLC has assured me that if prices continue to rise, they will simply demand higher wages. It seems like a simple answer to me. I don't know why nobody thought of it before."

Broadbent has also pledged support for the working women, stating that he felt females deserved equal pay and job security.

"The NDP party line on this matter is straight forward: every man that works in the home will

receive the same pay that female home makers do."

"As well," he said, "we will make divorce illegal, thus insuring female domestic engineers will have a measure of job security."

In closing Broadbent praised the CLC for their financial support of the NDP, saying that although the money is rumoured to have originally gone to a labour pension plan he had no qualms about accepting it.

"The CLC executive and membership believe that the NDP is more crucial to their future than old age pension. After all, the \$95 a month the federal government currently provides seems sufficient; a decrepid 80 year old's needs are pretty limited you know."

CLASSIFIEDS

One Rolls-Royce Silver Cloud. Seen in front of my house in Windsor. Call Cheryl at the Progressive Students Association.

Found: Hewlett Packard 25 electronic calculator in CAB cafeteria. If you see you're going to see it again, you're kidding, buddy.

Revolutionary Workers League. Fund party will be in SUB 142 on Thursday, April 20. For further details, contact Alan Fenna at 432-5168.

Organizing meeting for the Young Socialists will be held in SUB 142 on Thursday, April 19. Contact Alan Fenna at 432-5168 for more information.

Pregnant and distressed? You should be ashamed of yourself, you ignorant slut. Maybe next time you'll think twice about an unprotected roll in the hay.

Grand opening of the Toilet Bowl, Edmonton's newest punk rock club, Friday April 20. Featured band: Johnny Turd and the Cesspools. Be there or fuck off.

Would whoever stole Len Thom from the *Getaway* office please put him back — we need a wimpy right-winger around here for some balance!

Wanted: 3 women to share house in North Garneau. No experience necessary. 11026-89 Ave. ph. 433-4033.