

# Blood and Thunder

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rm. 35, Student Union Building, UNB Campus  
DEADLINE: 5 p.m. Tuesday

To the Editor:

Although I am aware that this letter will not be published until after this 'election' being held on October 22, I feel some comments are in order.

Not only is this 'election' not valid because the students who called it are not legally representing the Student Union Inc., and so have no right to make any decisions at all, but thus far things have been run rather shoddily.

Most upsetting of all is that candidates night was virtually unadvertised. On Monday morning I ventured into the SUB to find out when I could ask the candidates some vital questions. I found the Chief Returning Officer and inquired about time and place. In response I received a casual, "Oh, that was last night." He agreed that promotion had been very poor. "No one was there...except by accident?" I asked. He laughed and nodded his head. Hmm..why is this such a simple joke for him, I wonder? It is HIS responsibility!

Was there a reason behind this? Why were the candidates not presented to the students in an open, public forum? Is it not important for all students to know who they are voting for - not just the students in residence? What is going on?

The upsetting part is that I don't get to ask my questions. But I already know the answers. I just think it is very

important for every other student to hear the answers too.

So - To Steve Smith:

Q. Let me first give some background. I worked this summer on Canada Census, as many other students did. And to quote a fellow worker, "I took the job very seriously. It was important." Not everyone thought so, though. A few workers fell behind in the completion of their assigned areas. Because I had finished early, my supervisor hired me to finish those areas. The completion date was the end of June - almost a month after Census Day. Plenty of time one would think. But I finished a number of other areas after this date. Then at the end of July I received another call from a different supervisor (Mr. Bradley Green) asking me to do one last area. "Incredible" I thought to myself, "How could someone take over 2 months to do a job I completed in 2 1/2 weeks?" Oh, well - Mr. Green tells me his friend told him there were only "about 20" incomplete forms. That's not so bad - a good evening's work. Alas, when I receive the bundle of papers I find almost 50 (or was it more?) missing forms. Mr. Green doesn't have them, they are not in the box, yet as I knock on these doors the people tell me their forms had already been picked up.

Here's the question - who was responsible for creating such a mess out of such a straight forward job? Was it you Mr. Smith?

A. It was! His signature was on the papers - Steve A. Smith  
Q. Were you paid for your job - the one I did? (Mr. Green said he felt he should pay his

friend, including the \$100.00 bonus for COMPLETION by the due date (end of June).

Ok,ok - enough questions. But this is the man who puts "too many years of poor government", "too many broken promises", and "too much mismanagement" on his posters. Steve - you seem to be talking about yourself here! While carrying out his charade of working for the Census, Steve was also acting as "interim President for the Student Union". Will his behavior change if he is elected instead of appointed? I think not!

So students, if this fellow has been chosen as President, I suggest we all keep a very close eye on him. And if Bradley Green has been elected to the Board of Governors, I suggest we watch how he treats his friends.

One more thought: if you have decided on Larry Hansen as President, go ask him what he thinks of women in such preposterous places as university, business, politics, or any other "male" career. Ask him where he feels women's (all women's) natural abilities lie. Personally, I will be keeping an eye on him too!

But none of this matters anyway. It is all invalid. The legal executive got thrown out of their offices last April! But they'll be back!

Jackie Dickison

To the Editor

As concerned students, we would like to know why the

Science Faculty was ignored in the recent election. There has always been a polling station in the Science complex for the convenience of students in Biology, Forestry, Chemistry, Geology, and Physics. We are sure that those in the Science Faculty comprise a greater percentage of the student body that do Phys. Ed. or Law, for example, both of which had their own polling station. We understand that there was a shortage of people to man the polling stations, but in such a situation, it would be more fair to allocate polling stations based on the size of the faculty to ensure proportional representation. This could possibly result in unrepresentative election results in the positions for which Science students were candidates. For the position of valedictorian, two of the three candidates were science students. We are certain that the lack of a polling station greatly tilted the outcome in favor of the third candidate, an arts student. Apathy is high at UNB, but especially so when one is forced to search for a polling station. In light of such a slanted outcome, the only democratic solution is to declare the valedictory result

invalid and call a new election for the position.

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