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## The Savard Report on Sex Theory

Over the years, I have written a large number of letters to your newspaper on a variety of topics. Among the subjects mentioned were the two great sources of human misery; acts by one person against another, manifested in the evils of war, tyranny, and crime; and the insufficiency of the world (real or apparent) which results in poverty that is often not traceable to any overt human act.

For my part, in dealing with these politically charged subjects, I have urged that we deal more harshly with the wicked when we can, and when we can do nothing, we must still never forget or minimize the wickedness of those who are now strong; and that while we should spare what we can for the poor, we can not afford to subsidize those who insist on conceiving children they cannot take proper care of.

However, let us assume that these big problems are mostly taken care of in the coming decades. Not perfectly, but well enough, say, that there are no famines, only countries about as poor as, say, Newfoundland; that the crime rate in New York falls to that of Calgary, and, most impossible of all, that the Soviet Union and the People's Republic of China become nice countries, no longer differing with U.S. foreign policy to a greater extent than, say, France today. Then we can all relax, right?

No! The world is still headed for agonizing misery in 20 years ahead, if only the "little" problems are left. What is the horrible menace that lurks ahead in our future?

Let us start by establishing the groundwork for my case. First, I must prove that Lenny Bruce was wrong. Bruce was a famous comedian of the sixties who was often arrested for violating obscenity laws. Gannett columnist Jens Andersen has quoted him several times in his reviews.

Writing about what? Well, about certain conclusions he came to concerning some aspects of human relations. Remember the Moral Health Week slogan? "The human need for caring, for warmth, for affection, is as real as the need for food or water." Yes, Lenny Bruce found America to be a land starved of this essential commodity.

An airplane ride. Fundamentally, a woman, without thinking anything of it, grips the hand of the male passenger in the seat next to her, even though she does not know him, for reassurance. The passenger is Lenny Bruce, who happens to question many of the things we unconsciously assume as we go about our daily lives. In this case, he notes the fact that if some man had gripped her hand in otherwise reasonable touch, her response would be one of fear and suspicion.

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## LETTERS

Letters to the Editor should be no more than 250 words long, regardless of how much you normally run off at the mouth. The fact that you are hot under the collar doesn't impress us in the least. Also, spastic, disjointed and semi-intelligible writing induces migraine, and should be saved for your professors (who deserve it). Thirdly, the statement I think is just a theory, and considering the evidence we get - 6,558 predictable letters on every subject - a rather dubious theory. Try shifting your brain into gear when you write. Finally, we reserve the right to disembowel any windy, illiterate or defamatory prose. Furthermore, if you keep sending such stuff to us, a Gateway SWAT team will take whatever measures are necessary to ensure that you pester us no more.

possibly be a difference in attitudes about anything, except possibly women's lib, limited to the two sexes, let me point out that the sex act has a quite different character as experienced by the two sexes.)

It has been recently discovered that, given a loving and considerate partner, the sex act may be a quite pleasant experience for a woman.

The very tone of that sentence says it all. You probably don't believe me. I refer you to a little pocket book with a white cover, it's in the University bookstore, called "The Descent of Woman" by Elaine Morgan.

This book starts by wondering if a (partly?) unconscious assumption by evolutionists that when Man evolved it was for the sake of the men, but when anything happened to woman it was to make her more attractive or able to man, might not have led to some errors in our understanding of human evolution.

Why don't people have fat? Not to make them off from the beaches, but because only in the water, along the coasts of Africa, could even pregnant women survive the drought of the Pliocene. Why do women have breasts? Not to nurse their buttocks, but to be something a baby can reach without putting Mommy in an uncomfortable position where she has no fur to hang on to. Why do women have hymens (other female primates no not)? So that the Law of Moses is enforceable! No, but because the beach is a hot, sandy, dirty place to sit, full of small insects.

Why don't humans have appeasement gestures, like the animals, that prevent them from killing each other? Not because we must be free to choose between Good and Evil.

You see, if you want to wade into the water, you have to be able to stand up. Guess what bodily function is concentrated in the area where the legs join the body? Anyhow, it became a bit hard to reach, making the old way. But guess what happens when you flip a wild animal on its back? No spine, and quite a gap under the rib cage. If someone flips you on your back, he's obviously trying to eviscerate you. So, after trying (Man's penis is quite a bit longer than that of a gorilla, it's even rumored to scorch them), men had to learn how not to take "No" for an answer.

Then, in the next chapter of Ms. Morgan's exciting book, we learn what (may) have happened to the vaginal orgasm, and how this explains why to question many of the things we unconsciously assume as we go about our daily lives. In this case, she notes the fact that if some man had gripped her hand in otherwise reasonable touch, her response would be one of fear and suspicion.

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relationships. Sex is no longer simple and uncomplicated, but this has been an opportunity for personal growth; if women are uninterested in sex for its own sake, there is always love.

There are, since some men and some women can get along well with each other, Ms Morgan did not draw some of a husband from her work that I would draw.

With the increasing emancipation of women, more and more women are now being freed from economic dependency. Thus, many women who no longer need a husband to support them are not getting married.

Of course, such women still mostly come from the ranks of the middle class and above. What do the leftover men do? The population is no longer expanding, so marrying younger women won't solve the problem...if you could convince 15-year-olds nowadays to marry 40-year-old men anyway.

But, we live in a society and a world with contrasts of wealth and poverty. Thus, another response becomes possible. An extreme manifestation of this response was referred to on television a year or so back: an outfit called "Cherry Blossoms" was supplying American men with mail-order brides from several Asian countries.

If I have supplied you with an insight into why certain proposed changes to the Indian Act have encountered Native resistance, you are understanding my letter.

Of course, this doesn't have to lead to the collapse of civilization as we know it. After all, do you know how some countries limited their populations in ancient times? No? Well, you see, they threw girl babies into these stone furnaces shaped like "gods," or into sacrificial wells, or the nearest volcano...or, later on, following a *laissez-faire* approach, they instituted a custom called the "dowry" payment made by the bride's family to that of the groom, which helped encourage a healthy number of infanticides when a girl came along.

Yes, societies there were still governable. Ah, but they didn't have democracy then. Or TV. And back then they didn't have the Bomb...so the excess males were highly useful as cannon fodder, even before they had cannons. Also, rapine has been one of those inducements so useful to recruitment officers.

We don't have these outlets any longer!

And we cannot - we must not - solve the problem by again making women into chattels who must marry, and who may not do so above their station or outside their race.

What else can we do about this net shortage of women that is sure to get worse? Well, they are doing wonderful things with microprocessors and plastics these days...

Yours sincerely,  
John Savard

## CHOPPING BLOCK



Somewhere along the line during registration you probably picked up a *Handbook*: you know, the one with the geometrical bridge girders on the cover.

The *Handbook* is more than a pretty cover though. I have been dipping through it the last day or two and I think it is the best handbook put out in the last four years - a veritable goldmine of information, and (wonder of wonders!) it is even delightfully readable.

A critic wouldn't be a critic if he couldn't find a few faults, however. On page 27, for instance, *Handbook* editor Keith Krause recoils in horror at the fact that tuition has risen almost 50% over the last five years. True, the student unions have not kept pace (as I can testify) but the rate is about the same as inflation.

Considered over the last seven years, in fact, the real cost of tuition has declined, from \$400 to \$726 for Arts and Science students, during a period when inflation increased over 100%.

The real issue, as I think Krause knows, is cutbacks - the fact that compared to the 1971 student, the 1982 student is unarguably getting a shoddier education. Krause provides excellent documentation of the charge in the *Handbook* and I confess I have not heard a single person who disagrees with this diagnosis except the allegedly Honorable Jim Horsman, and (if I remember rightly) Sneaky Pete himself, on the steps of the legislature last March.

Speaking of Gentleman Jim, we have received a press release, on ritz letterhead with a gold coat of arms, saying that the Minister of Advanced Education and Manpower is supporting the *Tree Fox Run*. Isn't that heartwarming? I wonder if he could also be persuaded to support a Marathon of Hope for Our Crippled Universities. Perhaps if he was encouraged by a few club-wielding students he could even do the run himself.

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