

I am writing this letter in response to the recent actions by the dentistry students, not that I have any particular liking for them since over the years they have, with a polite vengeance, inflicted such pain upon myself as to cause serious erosion of the neural fibres surround my oral cavity. Such periodic inducements of agony have caused me to sweat with terror every six months when I realize that once again I must subject myself to the probing of their hooked wire and drills. Since they evoke terror I shall refer to them as terrorists.

I believe that without any argument we can agree that for one to practice dentistry one must possess as a part of one's body at least one and no more than two or three arms. Second, I believe that it is most probably those students who have reached their fourth year fulfill these requirements. Taking this into mind I subject that the

students have arms and are therefore armed. Since their action was one of defiance we can now say that it was clearly an act of armed defiance.

Does it not logically follow that armed defiance is a part of being a terrorist? If so we must admit that their actions were totally justified since they were merely fulfilling the objectives of their studies; and if we admit this we must also admit that there are no grounds for them to receive any punishment and rather they should be rewarded.

I challenge anyone to deny their right to recognition and exclaim vehemently that should the faculty decide to take action against the aforementioned students, that the faculty members in question should be unceremoniously executed for their act of treason.

Committee for an Independent University
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"But they look different to me, Mr. Hoggins!"

Mr. Editor, sir, I thought I should tell you all about the nasty young man you have as executive vice-president of your Students' Union. This Howie Hoggins was on CJCA Monday morning speaking about the foreign students on campus and saying the most horrible things you can believe.

He told that nice Mr. Hohol that there weren't too many foreign students on campus. Well!! I phoned him right up and told him that when my daughter graduated in 1969, there were at least 500 foreign students on the stage of the Jubilee Auditorium our Jubilee Auditorium?? I know,

because I saw them.

Well, this Mr. Hoggins of yours practically told me I was a liar he said those students might have looked foreign but they weren't. Well, I can tell you Mr. Editor, I know a foreign student when I see one.

No Canadian looks like that, you know, and this Mr. Hoggins why, I wouldn't doubt if he himself were a foreign student. He sure loves them enough, doesn't he? I wouldn't protect those people, with their strange-looking faces. Better to kick them out. Better to tell them to get back

where they came from.

And tell that Mr. Hoggins he better not tell me I don't know my facts. Why Dr. Hohol himself told me I had my facts straight isn't that enough? As a matter of fact, Dr. Hohol also said I was no more bigoted than he was so I don't feel my ideas are racist at all. It's just I know a foreign-looking face and we should get them all out of the province.

And why don't we up this Hoggins' tuition while we're at it?

A concerned
Edmontonian

Differential fees: more comment

Mr. Bert Hohol, the Province's Minister of Advanced Education, is attempting to justify a proposed differential fees structure on the basis that Albertans are in favour of it. We, who Albertans, are not in favour of charging foreign students approximately 50 per cent more to attend Alberta universities, nor do we agree that a majority of Albertans support this form of discrimination.

It should be pointed out that

the differential fees structure will affect only those who are able to afford it least - the "obviously foreign" students from poor or overpopulated countries. These countries contain few universities, possess inadequate educational resources, and offer little specialization in advanced scientific or medical techniques. In contrast, foreign students from the United States or the United Kingdom continue to have the alternative of choosing a well-

developed university system within their own countries.

If Canada is to take seriously the commitment of successive national governments to the maintenance of a program of foreign aid for the underdeveloped world, it is essential that education be considered an element of that program. Any attempt at discouraging foreign students from attending our universities ultimately can only lead to a type of cultural, intellectual and political isolation which is totally unacceptable in today's society.

We applaud the recent decision by the University of Alberta to reject Mr. Hohol's crusade. As for Mr. Hohol and his advisors, they can only be condemned for taking the easy course of an appeal to uninformed or prejudiced elements of the public. In a government that prides itself on leadership, Mr. Hohol reveals few of those qualities which one expects from the individual responsible for the development of our institutions of higher learning.

Yours sincerely,
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Gateway notices:

Five staffers have stepped forward to serve on the Publications Board which will select next year's editor: Lindsay Brown, Richard Desjardins, Green Lennon, Keith Miller and Ron Truckey. They will sit with Student Council members Jan Grude, Doug Robinson and Ben Berdam, Gateway editor Kevin Gillese and the Dean of Journalism from Grant MacEwan College (ex officio positions). People wishing to run for the position of editor should pick up nomination forms from Room 32, SUB. Nominations close Feb. 4 at 4 p.m.

Rookies who want to learn about Gateway operations should keep Thursday, January 20 free. That will be the second rookie night of the year; style guides will be distributed, the new editors will discuss the paper's operations for all interested, and refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome. Begins at 7:30 p.m.

We are still short of news reporters. If any staffer hasn't checked into the offices yet this semester, please make a point of dropping by and picking up some of the news assignments.

Election regulations

Anyone who wishes to run for a position on next year's Students' Council should note that while they are still free to write letters to the Gateway editor, they may not indicate their political candidacy or they will be disqualified. Candidates will be allowed to write 150 word policy statements for the Feb. 3 and Feb. 8 issues of Gateway but may not otherwise broadcast their political intentions through the pages of our paper.



"I've called the family together to announce that, because of inflation, I'm going to have to let two of you go."



THE WAY I SEE IT

Frank Mutton

I'd like to be able to say that I found yesterday's Super Bowl entertaining, but unfortunately never got around to seeing the damn thing.

My old friend Herb Gkfer had invited all the old members of the Glenora Bridge, Whist and Wine-Tasting Club to watch the game at his place, and we'd all settled down to pretzels and Baby Moose when Herb turned the set on and blew a fuse.

Unfortunately, I tried to test the picture tube just as Herb turned the power back on. The resulting explosion set the family room on fire and blew out the picture window but we managed to drown it out with the wine before it had a chance to spread.

Well, to make a long story short, I caught the last five minutes of the game while waiting for burn treatment at the Misericordia. Herb wasn't lucky - he'll be in until they can extract that horizontal hold knob from his left ear.

Incidentally, it's a good thing that Oakland came through like they did in that game my pool winnings should just pay for the grievous bodily injured cocker spaniel.

The film industry here in Alberta will be getting a huge shot in the arm next month when Tommy Banks International begins filming "In Ernest", the story of Ernest Manning's rise to power in the province.

Dustin Hoffman has been signed to play the former premier, although he had a prior commitment to play Pope Paul in "Holy Roman Heydays".

The producers are still negotiating with Robert Redford, who will play the young Peter Lougheed if all goes according to plan. The role had been offered to local superstar John Neville, but John felt his portrayal of Lougheed would outshine all the other roles, and politely declined.

Minor parts were still available for stand-ins who dress up in Depression-era clothes and act like farmers, but the entire population of Bentley signed up and completed the cast.

If you had your heart set on making it in the movies, don't fret - They still need 100,000 Catholics for the Pope Paul feature.

This week's S.O.B. (Son of a Bitch) Award goes once again to the valiant men of the E.T.S., who seem determined to prove once and for all that the hiring policies of City Hall are slanted towards Neanderthals.

Just last week I had the misfortune to board a cross-town bus during rush hour, and ended up wedged between an enormous Ukrainian woman and the front door.

I pointed out who I was to the driver and asked him if he agreed that a noted columnist like myself deserved better treatment than that. He got a strange gleam in his eye, and just as we rounded an outside curve he opened the door, sending me flying into a snowbank. Why he had to let me out a full three blocks before my stop is beyond me.

In closing, remember the famous words of hockey superstar Eddie Shack - "I don't agree with violence in hockey. You get too much blood on the ice and it buggers your blades up, you know?"