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Hello mudda,
hello fadda...

...here I am in
Camp Grenada

CFS delegates off to Ottawa

by Brent Jang

The University of Alberta has only one vote at the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) conference in Ottawa next week, but the vote will be an influential one.

U of A undergraduates agreed to join CFS, a national student organization, in a referendum held on October 21. According to one of the delegates going to Ottawa, the referendum victory will lead to stronger input from the U of A.

"I think we're going to have a significant impact on the meetings," said Barb Donaldson, who will be representing the U of A along with Peter Block and Don Davies.

"The CFS results here lend a lot of momentum to our proposals," said Donaldson, who is the SU vp Academic. There was a 14 per cent turnout for the referendum, with 1811 students voting 'yes' to joining CFS and 1470 voting 'no'.

"We're not going to say we're paying the bill, so listen up everybody," said Block, referring to the large amount of money that the U of A will be contributing in 1984-85. Based on an enrollment of 21,000 undergraduates, with each paying \$4.00, the U of A will add \$84,000 to CFS membership fee revenues.

Block says the Alberta caucus is strong and cohesive, thus they will be able to get their points across to other campus delegates.

At a CFS Alberta caucus meeting held in Lethbridge on Saturday, Candice Douglas was elected as CFS Alberta Services Rep.

Douglas is the vp External at the University of Lethbridge. Douglas' alter ego on the political side is Don Millar, a second-year U of A arts student. Millar's title is CFS Central Committee rep for Alberta.

Donaldson is pleased with the election of Douglas to the board of directors in CFS Services: "I think it's important to have good reps. But to get them from different areas of the province is a bonus. Finding a person of Candice's quality and calibre at another institution was ideal.

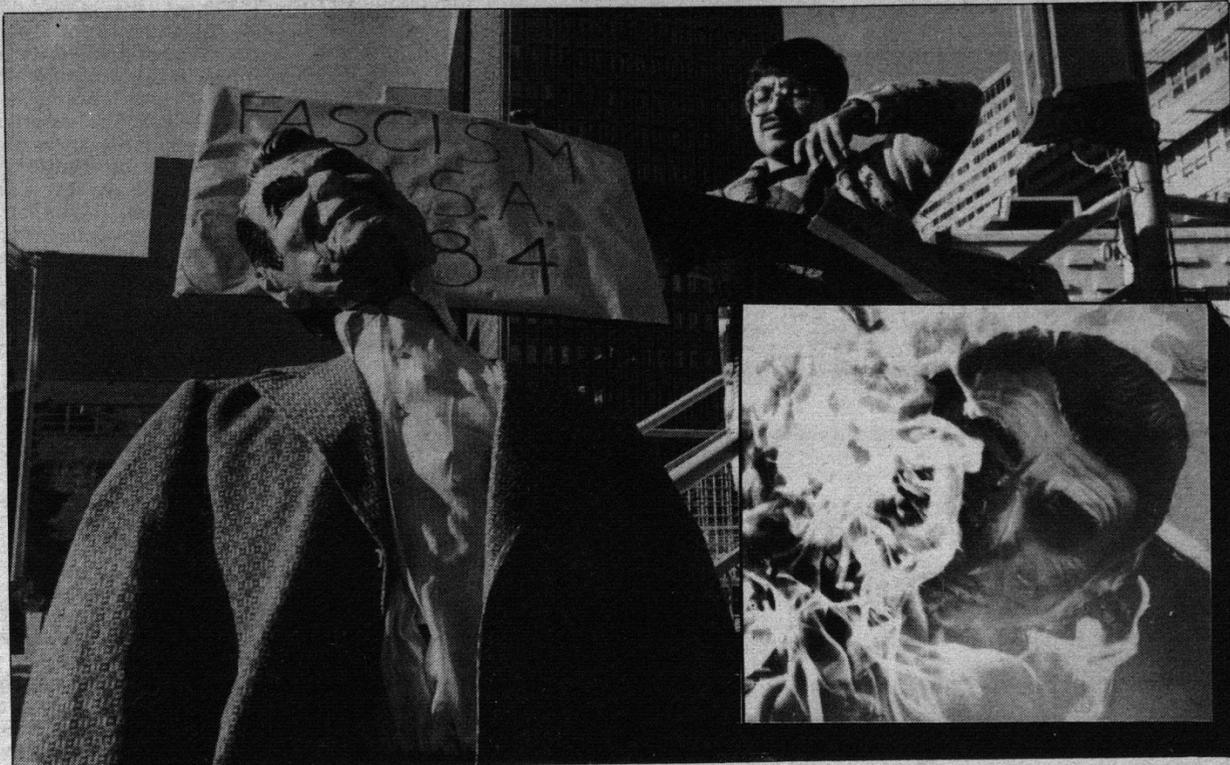
The previous CFS Alberta rep on the services side was Dawn Noyes, a U of A student who is currently the SU clubs commissioner.

Donaldson, Block, and Davies leave for the Ottawa meetings, to be held November 8 to 13, this Sunday. They will be accompanied by Sheryl Jackson of the U of A Women's Center and Ludgar Mogge of the Grad Students' Association (prospective members).

"I think the more delegates we can send, the better," said Block. The cost of sending the three U of A undergraduate delegates to Ottawa will be around \$2200.

The U of A delegation has sent of 'notice of motion' to Diane Flaherty, CFS executive officer, seeking changes in the organization.

The first motion asks that all international policy be passed by a two-thirds majority; the second is a sunset clause, where all legislation expires unless it is renewed; thus, the U of A is proposing that existing CFS policy be ratified within three years or be dropped from the books.



The once proud President pleaded with the angry mob but it was all to no avail. "Die you fascist bastard," the crowd cried as Reagan's head toppled from his shoulders in flames.

Group protests Grenada invasion

by Mark Roppel

Over 300 people cheered enthusiastically as Ronald Reagan was burned in effigy Saturday afternoon in front of city hall.

The burning was part of a demonstration to protest the American invasion of the tiny Caribbean island nation of Grenada.

"The turnout was greater than expected," said Vidya Thakur, of the Edmonton Front for Caribbean Solidarity, one of the speakers at the demonstration.

"People have a general belief that no country has the right to intervene in Grenada - regardless of the circumstances," said Thakur.

Other speakers at the demonstration were Ross Harvey of the NDP, Naomi Rankin of the Communist Party and Mario Gonzalez of the Farabundo Marti Solidarity Committee.

Last Tuesday 2000 U.S. marines and 300 troops from neighbouring Caribbean countries invaded Grenada after a military coup deposed Prime Minister Maurice Bishop. Reinforcements have raised the number of troops to over 5000.

Many Western leaders have condemned the act including Prime Minister Trudeau and Britain's Margaret Thatcher.

The reason President Reagan originally gave for the invasion was to rescue U.S. citizens trapped on the island. Vidya Thakur disputes this, "No previous attempt was made to evacuate nationals."

Thakur says the United States has been contemplating invading Grenada since 1979 when the Marxist Bishop overthrew then Prime Minister Gairy.

"In 1979 President Carter established the Caribbean task force at Key West and placed it on full alert," he said. "Reagan was just waiting for an excuse to invade."

Thakur dismisses as "ludicrous" the idea that Grenada was a security threat. "What threat would a national of 110,000 people pose to the most powerful nation in the world?"

"There have been accusations that the Soviets were establishing a naval base. In August 1983, (then Prime Minister) Bishop was in the United States, he said Americans were welcome to come and see if there were any Soviet naval stations. The Americans sent no observers."

Thakur is also sceptical of American claims about the Cubans on Grenada.

When asked if the Cubans on Grenada were primarily construction workers as the Cuban government claims, Mr. Thakur replied, "There is no doubt."

"I was there in 1981, I wanted to see exactly what they were doing. I met some of the Cuban workers at the airport, there were also a lot in the field of education....I came out more impressed than when I went in."

Thakur finds it ironic that Reagan used the overthrow of the Bishop as a pretense for invasion. "Reagan hated Bishop as much as he hated everybody else. Bishop represented a system of government to which Reagan was totally opposed. Bishop's was a society which takes people first, in Reagan's system what matters is profits."

Thakur is concerned that Reagan may be establishing a precedent with the invasion of Grenada.

"I'm sure the Americans see this as a staging ground for Nicaragua," said Thakur. "But this will not be easy. There will be problems because of the geography of Nicaragua - it is larger and there is more population."

In fact, Reagan's invasion may even be counterproductive.

"Most governments in the Caribbean are far to the right," said Thakur. "I think now the United States will have a harder time, (the invasion) will spark off many more revolutions....it will have a great impact."

However, there was at least one dissenting voice on Saturday.

A man claiming to be a former assistant superintendent of police in Grenada was holding a sign saying "Rescue not Invasion."

Joseph Robinson says he was kicked out of Grenada by Gairy (Bishop's predecessor) for refusing to join the ruling political power.

"I am enjoying my democratic rights in Canada," he said. There have been reports of Grenadians welcoming U.S. troops but heavy restrictions have been placed on media coverage.

Robinson's support for the invasion clearly put him in a minority position on Saturday though.

Most seemed to agree with Mr. Thakur: "I'm not sure if Reagan is smart enough to realize that he cannot stop the process of people wanting their own self determination....This invasion is just buying time."

photo Angela Wheelock

Clubs get much-needed space

by Rob Johnstone

The long awaited club space in the SU Building will finally become a reality.

Following a motion by VP-Internal Peter Block on October 25, Students' Council approved additional expenses of \$17,500 towards office construction.

There is no date set yet for completion of construction, but Block is hopeful that the space will be available for January.

Prior to August, the cost of construction was set at \$114,000. This was to include the removal of the existing curling rink, and the creation in its place of 20 offices.

At that time, Council allocated \$120,000 for the new club space, but added costs such as contracting and design fees have moved the cost up to \$137,500.

Now that funding has been approved, construction should be under way soon, and is expected to take 6 to 8 weeks.

Says Block, "there are about 35 to 40 groups waiting for club space... we're hoping that space will be ready in January."

It appears that some groups will have to double up in the larger offices

There has been a demand for extra club space for several years now and the basement offices in SUB would appear to be the answer to this need.

However, Block notes, "it still isn't a lot of room."

Regardless of how cramped it may be, at least university clubs will now have a common location from which to operate.

This will undoubtedly facilitate greater interest in participation in the various university organizations, and will ensure that the clubs will have space at least larger and warmer than the average phone booth.

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Law and politics

US invasion illegal

by Neal Watson

Great powers do not concern themselves with sovereignty or international law if their interests are involved said a member of the political science department Friday.

Professor Leslie Green, an expert on international law, spoke to a full house in Tory on the legality of the U.S. invasion of Grenada.

Green said the action was "impossible" to defend.

Despite President Reagan's pledge to restore democracy to Grenada, a sovereign state has the sole decision as to the form of government it will have, Green said.

Green described the situation in Grenada prior to the invasion as an "internal power struggle." "Revolution," he said, "takes time." A sovereign state has the

right to settle its internal problems without external interference.

Non-interference in the political independence and territorial integrity of a sovereign state is a well established international principle, declared Green.

In light of this, the discovery of the arms dump and the presence of Cuban and Soviet personnel "does not justify" the invasion in international law.

In response to President Reagan's assertion that the Cubans were terrorists, Green said that the status of the Cubans was irrelevant. The Cubans had been invited, according to Green, by the government of Grenada.

Citing past incidents such as the Israeli raid in Entebbe and the German action in Somalia, both to rescue hostages, Green stated that if the lives of nationals are in

danger, a nation may intervene to rescue them. However, the "invading" nation must go "in and out," says Green.

In responding to the Reagan administration contention that they had been invited by the Organization of East Caribbean states (OECs), Green said that under international law, you "cannot justify the request" even if the U.S. was invited.

"All countries critical (of this action) have based it on international law," Green said. In this context, the U.S. acted illegally.

Green emphasized the necessity of "distinguishing law from politics."

To the U.S., elements of the OECs and the Organization of American states (OAS), there was most certainly a political justification for this action.

Student leaders criticized

Fredericton (CUP) - Win Hackett is trying to come to terms with what student leadership is all about. He opens his speech with the Webster's dictionary definition of "student", "leadership", and "university".

It is an ironic scene - a true blue Tory hack years removed from university life trying to offer some insight on student leadership to today's student leaders.

The "student leaders" came from around the Maritime provinces to the University of New Brunswick Oct. 21 to answer the "why, what, and how of student leadership today."

Hackett, a former executive assistant to New Brunswick premier Richard Hatfield, gives a Reader's Digest history of the student movement. He talks about the riots of the sixties, talks disdainfully about Abbie Hoffman, talks about Vietnam - it soon becomes clear he is talking about the American student movement and not the Canadian one.

After the speech he explains his American references by quoting Marshall McLuhan. "We are after all living in a global village," Hackett says.

Students took a secondary role at this conference as speakers like right wing columnist Dalton Camp told them the '80's "should be a period where you digest all that change" from the '60's.

Camp tells them not to worry about student apathy.

"Apathy is an extension of confidence," he says. "Students have a right not to care."

"You are student leaders - I think that is a lot of fun," he says.

Camp tells them student leadership is a wonderful resume item.

Mary Abraham, UNB's valedictorian this year, says "it is a time to return to old values. That's what innovation in the '80's is all about - a blend of radicalism and small 'c' conservatism."

The conference itself is a collection of sessions on the abstracts of student leadership. Conspicuously absent are sessions on student aid, cutbacks in funding and sexual harassment on campus.

Sessions dealt with "how to run a meeting effectively", "student apathy - is communication the key?", "student leadership - what is our mandate?" or "student leaders as innovators".

Participants tried to grasp the politics of student leadership without discussing issues.

At one point panelist Lawson Hunter, a former UNB student

union president, exploded at the sleepy gathering.

"This unemployment issue is an amazing one," he said. "You don't bloody well know if you're going to have a job when you get out of this place. Are you so frightened to raise your voice now that you're traumatized by the system?"

"You are traumatized - you are scared to death about finding a job. You have retrenched into your own little hole."

The explosion was brief. Students next listened to Camp tell them they "didn't need a revolution in the universities to

insist that there be jobs."

Abraham summed up the reactions of the students to conference's official speakers, saying "I got the feeling the panelists were all but assassinated."

By the afternoon of the second day, some student leaders were showing their frustration. Mike Maclean, student union president at Mount St. Vincent University, said "you want to know how I feel about this conference - shitty, fucking shitty."

But the students wearing the three piece suits just glanced over momentarily, then went back to the conference.

Kent Commission findings Orwellian

Calgary (CUP) - The war between print media moguls and the federal government continued last week at the University of Calgary.

The opposing forces were Tom Kent, the journalist who headed the 1978 Royal Commission investigating newspaper media monopolies, and Patrick O'Callaghan, publisher of the Southampton owned Calgary Herald.

Kent's 1982 recommendations about newspaper ownership regulation angered both the Southam and Thomson newspaper chains, who prompted the investigation when they closed several Canadian dailies.

Both Kent and O'Callaghan agreed that freedom of the press was the issue at stake. But that's where the agreement ended.

A soft-spoken Kent said freedom of the press was threatened when many Canadian cities were left with only one daily

newspaper.

A fiery O'Callaghan said any government regulation of newspapers would be a move towards "dictatorship" and called the Kent Commission recommendations "Orwellian".

O'Callaghan said he is concerned that "there are so many papers in so few hands," but he strongly opposed any government involvement in the newspaper industry.

"I believe in the fundamental freedom of speech, and freedom of the press, which is just a turn of the same coin," he said. "That freedom also includes, by inference, the right to own newspapers - ownership is part of the same freedom."

Kent is not in favour of rolling back the more recent closures and takeovers by Southam and Thomson, but would like to see the proposed legislation enacted to prevent further monopolization of newspapers.

Apartheid forum

by Chris Pentelchuk

On November 2nd and 3rd, representatives of the African National Congress and South West African People's Organization will visit Edmonton as part of their Canada-wide tour.

Father Michael Lapsely (ANC) born in England moved to South Africa at the age of 24. He worked in South Africa as a student, chaplain, priest and humanist until he was exiled after the Soweto massacre.

He continues to work against

the apartheid regime as a member of the ANC.

Susan Nghidinwa a Namibian Citizen and school teacher, is living in exile in Zambia. She is an active member of the Central Committee of SWAPO. In addition, she is SWAPO Women's Council Representative in Zambia.

Both speakers will be at the U of A Nov. 2 at 5 p.m. in Tory B-57. A public meeting will be held Nov. 3rd at St. Joachim Church (9920 - 110 St.) at 7:30 p.m.

Yankee go home

analysis by Oscar Amar

Eighteen years ago the U.S. invaded the Dominican Republic under the pretext that the country was in "political turmoil" and it was a strategic link in the chain of Caribbean Islands. The U.S. also claimed that American lives were in danger and interference was necessary. Today history repeats itself nearby in Grenada.

American forces, together with a token three hundred troops from various Caribbean countries, have invaded Grenada - in the words of Ronald Reagan, to "restore order" and "protect American citizens."

This invasion is a criminal act and completely unjustified.

Here are some reasons for the invasion:

- To restore U.S. prestige lost in the aftermath of events in Lebanon.
- Bring down a socialist system and impose one more favorable to the U.S.
- Stop a Cuban "military build up" in Grenada which is being used as a base for military shipments to Central America, presumably Nicaragua.
- Protect U.S. citizens and guard national security.

The first two reasons seem valid - the latter two are absolute crap.

First, the deaths of over two hundred and twenty marines in the Lebanon are a reflection of the shift of the American role in that war-torn country from "peace-keeping to war-making." The attack on the marines demonstrates very clearly that the U.S. presence is resented by many since they play a partisan role. Unable to retaliate in the Lebanon, the U.S. has invaded Grenada to restore good old American "prestige" - I can assure them that they have little, if any, prestige left.

Secondly, the U.S. seeks to put in place a provisional government which will ultimately and predictably hand power to elements friendly towards the U.S. These friendly elements would presumably be equal to such freedom-loving people as Chile's Pinochet - an expert in torture, El Salvador's 'D' abhission - specializing in Death squad lotteries - and Nicaragua's Somoza - the author of

"procedures for transferring a nation's income to a Swiss bank in forty-eight hours."

What the U.S. seeks to establish in Grenada is a government which will provide it with a free hand in Grenadian economic, political and social affairs.

Thirdly, while insisting that Grenada is a base for exporting arms to Central America, the Reagan administration has failed to provide any evidence to this effect. In fact, the U.S. suffered a great deal of embarrassment at the United Nations General Assembly several months ago. After displaying pictorial "evidence" of shipments of arms, supposedly channelled from Cuba through a friendly nation into Nicaragua and on to the guerillas in El Salvador, it was discovered the illustrations under question were five years old and belonged to the Somoza period.

Lastly, protection of U.S. citizens could have easily been secured through political means rather than by gunboat diplomacy. As for national security, I would venture to say that Cuba and Grenada were not about to invade the U.S. So, the statement made by Reagan, "we got there just in time," does not make much sense.

Clearly, there were armaments in Grenada - so what: Does a sovereign nation not have the right to obtain arms for self-defense? If not, then how does the U.S. justify supplying "peace-loving" Israel with the most sophisticated weaponry available? Why does it supply Honduras and Guatemala with military aid and personnel? How does it explain aid to the military junta in Brazil? The list goes on.

What the U.S. fails to recognize is that Grenada, however small, has every right to purchase anything it pleases to secure its borders - the same goes for Cuba, Nicaragua and any other country fighting to maintain its national sovereignty. The sooner the U.S. accepts this the better. The sooner Latin America and in this case, the Caribbean, cease to be viewed as a ground for fighting "Soviet expansionism," the more possible it will be to achieve a political solution to conflicts such as the one in Central America.

Let Reagan not think that Grenada serves as an example Central America. I hope the Bay of Pigs has not been forgotten. Nicaragua will not be as easy.



photo Bill Inglee

Peace demonstrators who think nuclear war is bad.

Trudeau warlike

by Neal Watson

NDP defense critic Pauline Jewett says Prime Minister Trudeau is only paying "lip service to the cause of peace."

Jewett said Trudeau should be playing a more positive and vocal role in the disarmament debate. She also said that Trudeau should be pushing for a postponement in the testing of the cruise missile.

Jewett said that Canada has the resources and the stature to assume a leadership role in the struggle for world peace.

"Canada must be more assertive in the councils of NATO and the United Nations."

Prime Minister Trudeau's "suffocation" speech is an example of an earlier initiative that Canada has failed to promote.

Calling the Prime Minister a "summit-oriented fellow," Jewett said that Trudeau "grandstands" too much for the international community and does not really seem committed to the idea of arms reduction.

Arms race robs the poor

by Ken Lenz

"We can go into world development or we can proceed with the arms build-up, but not both," said Larry McDermott at an IDC sponsored forum last Friday about the "Implications of the Arms Race."

The forum was one of several organized to promote United Nations Disarmament Week.

McDermott, who is the director of "Plenty" (a non-governmental international development organization), referred to the UN's first special assembly on disarmament.

He says, "The unanimous conclusion was that if the arms race continues we are faced with inevitable annihilation."

"There are presently about 45 military conflicts going on today; the USSR supplying armaments for 19, the United States for 20."

But McDermott noted, "Canada is also in the top ten for armament production and sales in the world."

And the times are changing, "during the second World War the military spending actually enhanced the economy - today this is not so," says McDermott.

The unemployment problem is related to the arms race as well. McDermott commented, "if our arms budget were recycled into the economy we could get 48 per cent more jobs for the same cost. This is because military spending is very cost-inefficient."

McDermott says the arms race affects developing countries as well.

"Third World countries are often forced into buying arms instead of aid. Arms are predominating both the imports and the economies of many developing nations."

The 80s were declared by the United Nations the "Decade of Water," its mission to bring sanitary water throughout the world.

Says McDermott, "a very small part of the money spent on arms could accomplish this goal."

"It gets back to a cheque book balance - if you only have so much money you can either spend it on arms or on development."

The forum was summarized by a quote from former United States President Eisenhower, "every dollar that goes to the military is a dollar robbed from the poor."

Cold-war tension

by Ken Lenz

"Every cold war speech hurts the unofficial peace movements in the Soviet Bloc countries," said author and European peace movement leader E.P. Thompson in a recent telephone interview.

The interview, sponsored by the East European Solidarity Committee, focussed on the current state of the unofficial peace movement in Eastern Europe.

"In the last three years there has been an establishment of certain spaces in Eastern Europe where unofficial movements can organize," said Thompson.

"The places were the churches in East Germany, and the

universities in Hungary."

Thompson said the dialogue in Czechoslovakia and Poland has been virtually non-existent because of the tension created by missile deployment in Europe," said Thompson.

The cold-war politics which the US is using to justify their invasion of Grenada is also adding to the pressure that these governments put on their indigenous unofficial peace movements, charged Thompson.

Thompson says, "The East European peace movement (in order for it to be successful) has to be able to open up discourse without being confrontational."

Typing service plans

by Lois C. Dayes

It started out as an election campaign promise but nobody really thought VP Internal Peter Block would follow the plan through.

The promise was to set up a Students' Union typing service. Last Tuesday, Council approved Block's proposal.

Proposed prices for the service are \$1.25 per page, or if a student wishes to rent a typewriter, the charge will be \$1.00 per hour.

The start-up date for the service is tentatively slated for January 9, 1984. Currently, the SU is seeking a location for the service.

The major options are Room

280 or the area across from the University Bookstore basement.

The typing service's final home will "depend on the renovations that are currently going on in SUB," said Block.

The SU will buy ten electric typewriters to kick things off. A project co-ordinator, though, has yet to be hired for the service.

Block has a \$5000 monthly budget to work with; of that total, \$1250 has been allotted to the project coordinator. Revenues for the typing service have been projected at an average of \$1787 per month for the first four months. The typing pool, that is rental of the typewriter for one dollar an hour, is expected to bring in \$1200 per month.



EDITORIAL

The right to choose

Censorship in its many forms seems to be the sign of the 80's - everyone is getting into the act. The provincial government has a censorship review board for films, the feminists are lobbying for censorship of pornography and material portraying violence against women, the moral majority is trying to ban any media depictions of life in any of its more grimy ruses, and our own student's council has, with questionable effect, tried to clean up its own back yard by ending the sale of *Playboy*, *Playgirl* and *Penthouse* in SUB as well as boycotting goods or services tainted by the South African connection.

While most parties participating in the act of censorship seem to have good intentions, this trend toward banning or censoring material has frightening implications. The right to freedom of speech is a very important one. It implies a freedom of opinion and freedom to make choices based on enlightened introspection. When the decision is made for the individual, the opportunity to think about the choices made for them seems also to cease to exist.

One definition of a censor, found in the Penguin English Dictionary, is an "official authorized to ban publications, plays, films, etc. which contain material of an immoral or seditious nature."

The problem with carrying out the duties of the offices described by this definition is one of defining immorality or seditiousness. The dictionary can again come to the rescue, but essentially it comes down to the fact that a decision of the few limits the choice of many in the matter of state security, policies, and what crosses the boundaries of good taste.

The inequities are obvious and many. Zeitgeist, a German word, describes it well. It means, loosely, a sign or trend of the times. Censorship reflects the mores of the times.

An extreme example of censorship is *Solidarity* opposing its government's restrictions, another is the many countries practicing the restriction of the press. Minor or extreme, however, having the freedom to make a personal decision concerning any issue seems vital to maintaining any pretense of a greater freedom.

Closer to home, the Students' Union has been thwarted in its attempts to ban the sale of Carling O'Keefe products in SUB by an Alberta Liquor Control Board ruling that states that each of the major Canadian brewing companies be represented when selling any liquor products. Instead Council has been forced into a compromise of stating their political reasons for boycotting these products allowing an informed public to make an informed choice.

This, in its essence, is the basis for a free society. The ability to state an opinion, any opinion, should be given free reign and equal opportunity. It shouldn't mean that the opinions of the few should regualte the habits of the masses or vice-versa.

Censorship and the issues facing censorship have generated a lot of heat. Everyone seems to have an opinion on every facet of the argument. That is what makes the controversy so difficult to resolve.

The feminists (and many others) would like to see the sale of material depicting violence against women stopped. However, if an adult (male or female) is willing to take a certain amount of money for a certain pose, and a magazine is willing to print it and others still are willing or eager to buy it, perhaps censorship is too strong an action to begin the opposition to this act. Raising the consciousness of the people involved so that they understand the objections to their actions seems a more likely place to start.

If Apartheid is so horrible because it limits the freedom of movement and opportunities of people, how much better is it to limit the thinking or choices of millions more in what may seem like innocuous anti-pornography legislation or not-so-innocuous anti-abortion legislation. The disclaimer by the Surgeon General on a package of cigarettes that smoking may lead to cancer is more in order, it leaves individual choice in the matter of ruining one's health.

The key issue in censorship is that of having the right to obtain information about anything. It also means exercising that choice wisely and practicing active resistance. If you have a strong opinion, air it in acceptable ways. Denying someone else's freedom of choice resolves nothing.

Censorship, rather than being either-or, can be a compromise. Disclaimers or legislation to take certain materials out of the mainstream and behind counters, or made accessible to only those of a certain age can be as effective as eliminating choice. In short, legislation should not take the place of personal responsibility for one's actions.

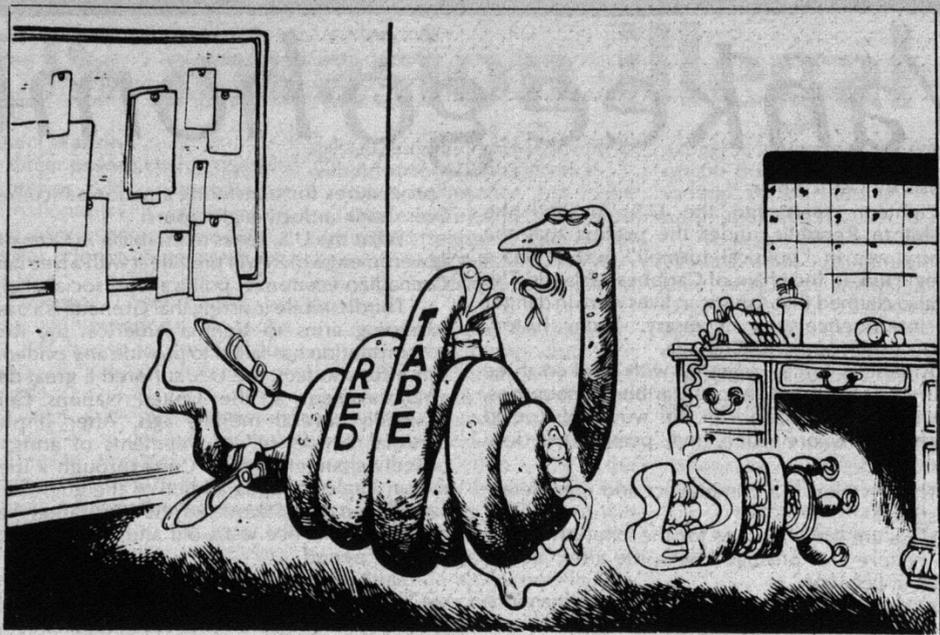
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It was a dark and stormy night for the Gilbertologists. Frank Bevacqua and Rob Johnstone, recent converts, slipped back to a more primitive state of mind and prayed to a tree. Patrice Struyk, Terry Lindberg, and David R. Marples stayed at home and carved zuchinnis into jack-o-lanterns. Wendy Hawkins, Bonnie Zimmerman, and Dwayne Chomyn tried to carve a jill-o-lantern out of K. Arthur while Brenda Waddle looked on and cackled. Bernard Poitras and Lois Dayes dressed as the Ghosts of Deadlines past which scared the shit out of Oscar Ammar and Neal Watson. Tom Huh (who ain't scared of nuthin) and Jordan Peterson (who never alters the copy) passed out drugs laced with candy to Ludwig and Ninnette and Gunnar who are old enough to make the wrong decisions about Chemical Abuse. And the other intricacies of Gilbertology.

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« LETTERS TO THE EDITOR »

They're getting younger everyday

I have just read the Ernest Braithwaite III saga! The man (I think that's what he is!) has lived his life in a cocoon or was possibly hatched in recent months. Until he has lived in the real world with real people, and has talked to real people, he should consider staying in his dollhouse and just keep on playing with G.I. Joe & Barbie dolls.

Arnold Yeoman
 "the Western Peasant"

P.S. I, Arnold Yeoman, have just repeated in English what I should have said in my last letter to your publication. Seeing I'm only 12 years old, and have some grammar problems, I write with all due apologies to the Queen's English.

Sincerely Yours
 Arnold Yeoman

Footnote: My son's first letter got by me but I still applaud his initiative. Could be trouble ahead though if he gets too fond of his pseudonym!

Joanne Alzner
 Arts

My, what language!

I am now obliged to respond to Kathleen Moore's reaction to my letter of Oct. 18.

Kathleen, I do not understand why you want me to evaluate the Nazis' wanting to have as many German babies born as possible. In my letter I stated only that there is a similarity between the philosophies of the anti-lifers and Nazis: the elimination of anyone who interferes with their goals (German dominance or absence of pregnancy). This philosophy is, to me, the same philosophy behind the symbol of the swastika.

In your next paragraph, Kathleen, you begin to make less sense. "Pro-life" means simply that - the respect of all human life from conception until natural death. I will grant you that my term "anti-life" is not a perfect one, but it is certainly more applicable than "pro-choice"; such a person displays more commendation for she who chooses to kill her baby than she who decides to respect the unborn person. Perhaps the term "pro-abortionist" is best.

I had to laugh, Kathleen, when you proposed alternative "logical tags" for those for and against abortion. Not only do neither have anything directly to do with the issue of abortion but the word "controllist" does not exist. Logical, indeed. Mr. Spock is probably turning over in his grave.

After this, Kathleen, you asked me of what am I so afraid. Wake up, you idiot, wake up! The day society decides any one life is expendable, we put ourselves in danger of similar fates. Already, many people believe euthanasia is not immoral. Were you not taught that killing is wrong? Apparently not.

Next, you were crass enough to claim that I "forced" my opinions on you. Careful with the words, numbskull. I was merely expressing my opinion; when someone (i.e. you, Kathleen) says I cannot exercise my rights as guaranteed in the constitution, she has no business exercising her own. Stupidity, thy name is Kathleen Moore.

Kathleen's and Andrea Kohl's letters regarding

my Oct. 18 letter made no mention whatsoever of unborn children. The main point of my letter was that the unborn child is a person. I believe both women tried to avoid the real issue in order to attack my less relevant comments. Therefore, I will no longer respond to pro-abortion letters unless they deal specifically with unborn children.

Warren Opheim
 Arts II

P.S. Kathleen, contraceptives do not "eliminate" the chances of pregnancy; they only reduce the chances. It seems to me that you think you know more than you actually do.

Abortion: legalities

The debate on abortion has increasingly relied on name calling and illogical rhetoric. The argument of each side has been lost. I'd like to clarify the debate with a restatement and examination of the main premises of both pro-life and pro-choice.

Pro-life argues that fetuses are persons, and abortion kills fetuses, therefore, abortion is murder. Before the validity of this argument can be accepted the first premise must be examined.

Joseph Borowski is currently trying to gain constitutional support for the premise that a fetus is a person and is therefore ensured to the right to life, liberty and security of person by the Canadian Charter of Rights. His case was dismissed when the Saskatchewan Court of Queen's Bench ruled that there is no existing basis in law to support the claim that a fetus is a legal person. There is no legal or constitutional support for the position that a fetus is a person.

There is no theological evidence for this premise either. The Bible provides no description of a fetus as a person nor does it provide a specific injunction against abortion. Even God, didn't provide support for the pro-life position.

The first premise of the main argument made by pro-lifers is easily disputed. Fetuses cannot be proven to be persons. And until this is proven the entire pro-life argument is invalid.

The pro-choice argument states that women have the right to make choices regarding their fertility and their bodies, fetuses are dependent on women's fertility and bodies, therefore, the choice between childbirth and abortion is each woman's right. Women and, if applicable, their supportive partners, who choose abortion are not murderers.

Like all rights, the right to choose must be based on a thorough understanding of the alternatives and implications. If reproductive education and birth control services were more accessible and effective so many abortions would not be the alternative to an unwanted pregnancy.

One of the principles of Campus Pro-Choice states "Let us promote a social order composed of responsible, informed individuals who can act upon their choices with dignity." Let us continue this debate in a rational and dignified manner.

Denise Burrell

P.S. Frankly, Mr. Opheim, a woman who chooses to have an abortion usually does so after a lot of soul searching and pain. To unjustly accuse one of making a "feeble excuse" to "slaughter" is more than I can stand. Why don't you take some positive action towards providing education about sex, the results there of and the alternatives for the prevention of unwanted pregnancies.

Incidentally, the Chinese, your noble proponents of "fetus as person", have a government that is notorious for enforcing a stringent birth control program which includes abortion — by the choice of the state.

Andersen?

Nuke the bum

RE: Jens Andersen's Chopping Block, Gateway, Oct. 25, 1983.

Mr. Andersen does not seem to be aware of the magnitude of power of present-day nuclear weapons, and ought to read the first half of Jonathan Schelle's *Fate of the Earth* to get a few facts straight.

Sure, there were survivors of Hiroshima — those who were not near the centre of the blast. That, however, was only one bomb, a bomb about one thousandth the power of today's nuclear bombs. The only limitation today on the destructive ability of a nuclear bomb is the ability of the earth to withstand the shock of the bomb.

In addition, an attack by, say, the USSR on the U.S. would entail enough bombs to destroy every American city several times over. That's how well stocked they are with the toys of paranoid and trigger-happy leaders. Even without American retaliation, the resultant radioactivity would affect every human being drastically. And now for the crunch, Mr. Andersen. The heat generated by the blasts (and there would be more than one) would be so intense as to render almost all bomb shelters literal 'melting pots'. Finally, American integration. Inhabitants not melted instantly would have to remain in those shelters for one or more years, while waiting for radioactivity to subside. Pretty Sartrean, is it not?? I'm not trying to moralize — just to state fact. It just isn't as easy to avoid the effect of a nuclear bomb as some people think. One lousy nuclear bomb really can ruin your whole day.

J.M. Laramee
Grad Studies

Are We Out of Control?

I refer to the ongoing trend to degenderize any word that implies a sex distinction; more so if this distinction is masculine. For example, workmen becoming workpersons, or mailman becoming mailperson. How far will this foolishness go?

Will we soon have to deal with absurd connotations like, "persondarin oranges?" Will mathematicians use a persontissa or artists personila paper? Imagine a car being advertised as having personal steering and personal transmission. Parents can watch their children grow into personhood and authors will now use personuscpts. Weathermen will use personometers and sanitation workers will crawl into personholes. We may see Water and Sanitation being taken to court by the Canadian Society of Proctologists for infringement of franchise.

Personally, and I use the word with caution, I think the whole issue is a pile of personure. Who are these people that suppose a right to force their personical ideas on the persony of us? The evidence of their personipulation of our society is personifest. Stand up for your rights. Don't be reduced to a pathetic creature in a sexless society of eunuchs. A society being created by a group of insipid identity stricken individuals suffering from

the delusion that they can save themselves by foisting their foolishly perceived solutions upon everyone else. Frankly, I think if they could personage to enjoy wearing a dress or getting a personicure a little more often the rest of us who don't suffer their problems would be spared the annoyance of suffering their solutions. We would be spared having to devote some of our precious time to contending with their silly depersonds and we could get on with the more important aspects of life, there being many much more worthy of our attention.

Steen Bache
Science II

Isserlis: right on the nose

After spending my first two years of university in English, I quickly became disillusioned with its irrelevance to any sort of practical career. Thus I was extremely impressed with both the sensibility and coherence of Mr. Isserlis' column (*The Gateway*, Oct. 12). In a world filled with ineffectual, naive and unproductive "artists" of all shapes and kinds, it is about time that someone as intelligent as Mr. Isserlis speaks for the productive and constructive members of our dynamic society. It is evident that the "artistic" aspect of Mr. Isserlis' multifaceted nature allows him to express his sensible ideas excellently, and yet he obviously does not let this "artistry" cloud his objectivity or his overall philosophical standpoint: to use an old cliché, "He keeps his feet on the ground."

Clearly, Mr. Isserlis has pinpointed the crucial problem in our often too-idealistic Western society: that literature (and the study of it) has in a paradoxical way corrupted our society in rusting its metaphorical gearworks. No society can function initially without a strong economical basis. From prehistoric systems of barter to modern stock exchanges, trade is essentially the basis of every society.

Psychiatrists' offices are overflowing with people futilely searching for "themselves". Think of the senselessness of their self-destructive depressions: a tragic scene of a lot of unkempt, sad-faced people haunting cafes and smoking too many cigarettes — adding a drain on Medicare with their artistic lung cancer.

Literature is meant primarily to be enjoyed, not interpreted. Writers are, after all, just people who are able to record their ideas coherently and in a logical and understandable manner. And a story is just — a story. Those who vainly presuppose non-existent meaning or "symbolism" in a story (which the writer probably never intended in the first place) are pathetically misguided: let us ponder the "human condition" at our moments of leisure, but let not these "introspectives" try to make something resembling a "career" of their obsession!

Eliza Stanton
Commerce IV

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THE BLADE

by Dwayne Chomyn

Today the Blade gives you two enlightened opinions for the price of one.

By 1985 the debt owed to the University by the SU must be paid in full. Unless the SU decides to do something really foolish I expect the debt will be cleared much faster.

The question arises, once the debt is clear, will the SU hold a referendum to lower the SU membership fee so they can give back the money we gave them last year to keep them solvent? I doubt it.

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SUB... The final frontier. These are the voyages of the SU Enterprise

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In this episode we find the Captain discussing a very important matter with the Minister of Finance I. M. Right from the Federation on the bridge of the Enterprise.

"Mr. Right," asks the Captain, "why are you publishing ads in various magazines and papers which undermine SU Enterprise policy?" The ads referred to portray the members of the Enterprise as being wealthy consumers ready to rush out and purchase stereos etc." Not only does this serve to undermine our ability to negotiate with the administration but it is not true. A recently released government report informs us that as early as August 11.8 per cent of our members were unemployed. As

a group their real wages dropped 21 per cent making them the hardest hit employees in society."

The Finance Minister turns to the Captain, "Mr. Dunghill, need I remind you that truth has no place in advertising. Further, even if your members are unemployed or working for lower wages doesn't mean they don't have lots of money. Besides, I couldn't sell advertising if I told the truth."

Captain Dunghill responds cautiously, "Mr. Right, although I want you to sell advertising there must be a way of doing it which isn't so misleading. Secondly, even if the members of the Enterprise are not poor, our negotiating position draws on the facts and says they are. Need I remind you that you are employed by Enterprise and you should carry out your duties in a manner consistent with policy."

"Listen," says Mr. Right, "the advertising is in the best interest of the Enterprise. Sure I could tell the truth and show pictures of students begging but what would that accomplish?"

Captain Dunghill responds, "students aren't that poor but they're not as wealthy as your ads imply."

Mr. Right makes his final appeal. "These ads will really affect no one who could serve a purpose detrimental to SU policy."

From this it is obvious that Mr. Right has run the show for so long that he has forgotten that once in a while he is required to follow.

"Policy is to be executed by the staff," exclaims Dunghill.

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CHOPPING BLOCK



by Jens Andersen

I left off last week advocating that emergency measures be taken in case of nuclear war, including public and private bomb shelters.

Well, let me amend that to private bombshelters and private measures. After all, a good many people, perhaps even the majority, believe that no measures will do any good. And, governments being what they are, the measures would be completed three years too late and would cost four times too much.

Let the thing be done like a toothpaste test: .3 per cent of the population build their own bomb shelters; a control group of 99.7 per cent don't. Which group will have the highest survival rate if a global nuclear war happens despite mankind's "best" efforts?

According to a possibly reliable source, the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa ("From the Soviet Press #125, Oct. 25, 1983), 200 million people out of the 1,290 in the northern hemisphere will survive a nuclear war without immediate bodily harm. The subsequent radiation effects, climatic changes, and whatnot could easily wipe out even these survivors. However, this conclusion is not entirely certain.

But wouldn't survival be so horrible that, in Krushchev's classic phrase, "the living would envy the dead"? Well, probably, but I am curious, skeptical and obstinate enough that I would want to see for myself. Hence, the idea of building a bomb shelter appeals to me.

With some skill and imagination the shelter could even be built as an integral part of an underground "earth home" at little or no extra cost. All a person has to do to finance such a project is to stop wasting money on Hollywood dreck, schlocky books, flashy clothes, cable TV, junk food, booze (above the bare minimum needed to cope with our insane world), and all the other crap shoved down one's throat in our relentless consumer society.

On a similar theme, there is a thick package sent to the Gateway by the Hon. Pauline Jewett, NDP MP, containing all this summer's Commons debates over cruise missile testing. Presumably it was sent to reiterate and bolster the

NDP's anti-cruise stand, but I can hardly see how it succeeds. Again and again in the debate their position is trounced: there is no corresponding move by the Russians to stop testing their cruise missiles, the cruise is only doubtfully a first strike weapon (I have heard serious arguments about whether the cruise is even a useful weapon), NATO requested weapons to counter Soviet SS-20 missiles, the Soviets - in their traditional manner - refused to negotiate removal of the SS-20's until they saw clearly that NATO had sufficient will to counter with cruise and Pershing missiles, and so on.

In addition I find it extremely offensive to read Ed Broadbent dragging his ten-year old daughter into the debate, as if the issue was merely that MP's had forgotten their duty to their children. Ditto for Pauline Jewett's "revelation" of the horrors of nuclear war, as if the issue was just that MP's didn't know it was horrible. Such red herrings insult the intelligence and sincerity of people whose only difference from the NDP "peace" position lies in methodology.

The most pertinent comments in *Hansard* I found to be those of Flora MacDonald, who pointed out that the 1979 NATO decision to deploy the Pershing and cruise missiles had an integral second part: using the deployment in disarmament negotiations. She lambastes Trudeau for not having used Canada's position as a relatively disinterested NATO member to push positions and proposals for such negotiations. And she blasts the NDP as well, for having detracted from these crucial negotiations by engaging in weak and irrelevant histrionics against the cruise missile.

To which I can only add, "Amen."

Damn! I've scarcely made a dent in the pile of paper I began cleaning up last week. Left untouched still is a hysterical communique, mailed to us by the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist), sheafs of self-serving bilge from the federal government, more bilge from the USSR embassy ("the Soviet Union with the other fraternal socialist countries and all peace loving forces..."), still more bilge from 20th Century Fox extolling their latest narcotics, an interesting report on toxic waste from the May-June *International Wildlife*, the *U of A Senate Report on Mature Students*, clippings from the local papers on Grenada, and the decline of the liberal Christian denominations, and hundreds of other items...

Maybe next week...

P.S. If you haven't done your good deed for the day, you might consider buying raffle tickets in support of the Edmonton Women's Shelter for battered women. Once, when driving taxi, I had the experience of driving a woman to the Shelter. I can assure you it is serving a genuine need.

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THE TALLY STONE

Fiction Serial
by Gilbert Bouchard

Part Four

Alfred MacDonald homesteaded the quarter section of land due east of the shallow, putrid lake that would someday bear his name. He arrived on the spring of 1922 and spent a long, arduous summer clearing land with an ax and a lot of grim determination. He managed to build a rudimentary cabin and almost managed to chop enough firewood for the winter.

A totally miserable winter, cold, blustery, it snowed six feet and drifts trapped Alfred in his cabin two days in early November. Then, in December, he got lost one evening and nearly froze to death. Followed two weeks later by his cabin catching fire and partially burning down, forcing him to spend the latter half of the winter shivering in a tent.

But he survived. He survived the loneliness, the long sled trips to town (actually an RCMP outpost) for what few supplies he could afford, and the long days spent tracking down whatever wild life he could shoot.

Much later his daughters Hattie, Annabelle and Geraldine would read the cramped furious notes in his diary and all three would be awed by the man's fortitude, amazed by his strength.

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Things change. Annabelle, for example, had renounced her Presbyterian roots and had married a Frenchman by the name of Gerald Johnson and after her husband's coaxing, raised her daughter Tracy a strict Catholic, until she too abandoned organized worship and glided in a spiritual neutral like her mother and aunts.

And now, sixty years later this diary, these Protestant ramblings of her grandfather amazed Tracy more than anything but they bothered her too. For the old man, despite all his fanaticism, had a sharp eye and an equally sharp mind. Tracy was particularly interested in his references to the large stone, dead centre of MacDonald's Lake. She'd read the diaries as a girl and had even inherited the majority of them with her mother's death, and a nagging memory of something in them she'd read bothered her. The Tally Stone was what Alfred had called the rock in the middle of the lake. That first winter when the ice had grown strong enough to support his weight and he observed its strange markings and eerie hieroglyphics and had promptly

pronounced that rock a vile and undoubtedly pagan relic and perhaps even demonic - Lucifer's own Tally Stone, so to speak, a hellish guest list for an eternal fiery dinner party - and hence its name.

Alfred had even confronted the local Catholic Missionary and had vented his concern over this repugnant satanic object so near to Godfearing Christian settlers.

But like most of his brethren, the missionary had decided that the accursed stone must have been some Indian worship site and feared reprisals from the local natives if it were desecrated since white settlement was tenuous at best without having Indian problems.

And as for the natives that Alfred spoke to, they denied any connection with the stone, stressing the fact that the stone was truly ancient and predated by any settlement, Indian or white. But MacDonald knew better. He'd seen the shadows sulking across his property when the moon grew fat, he'd seen the myriad of jumbled moccasin tracks on the snow surrounding the snow the following mornings and he'd seen the circles of ashes, the greyed bones of the tiny bonfires on the ice and even the carcasses of animals wrapped in rawhide and decorated with pagan scribbles, feathers and beads.

Then, in early February, Alfred first noticed the lights, the blue, nebulous lights that hovered and danced above the stone. This last bit of witchery was too much, at the next full moon Alfred would act.

This most of all interested Tracy in the four days since she'd been here. She'd noticed the same blue lights in the general direction of the lake. She'd dismissed it as swamp gas, until the night before when the light had actually moved, crept across the lake, and crossed her fields and had slowly circled her house, perhaps three or four times. Mighty strange behaviour for swamp gasses.

Not to mention the fact that as of her second day on the farm the winds has shifted and had blown continuously off the lake, blowing with it an unbelievable stench. And to tip it off, Tracy's well water had turned a light greenish colour with a swampish odor and bitter taste.

Be it the swamp smell or the funny tasting water Tracy reacted badly, falling prey to cramps and nausea.

The sudden illness, the floating lights, and the scurrings in the loft and shrubbery surrounding her house were getting to her. She had to find out what had happened in the winter of '22 and how that connected to her situation.

Tracy's portion of the diary ended in early February, but it turned out that the nephew of the same missionary that had antagonized her grandfather, a man called John Blackburn, had somehow gotten hold of the latter writing.

She phoned Blackburn that morning and arranged to read the rest of the diaries the very next morning.

Whatever happened in March 1922, she'd soon know.

To be continued

Reader Commentary: Sex and SU

RE: The pulling of Playboy, Playgirl, and Penthouse from the SU Bookstore and a subsequent letter on the ban by Siobhan Avery, Gateway's Letters to the Editor, Oct. 12, 1983.

After waiting in vain for someone else to respond to a recent letter to Gateway, I am writing to voice my own protest. Though triggered specifically by Ms. Avery's remarks, it is not meant to be a personal attack on her; my concern are certain widespread attitudes that she represents.

I submit that the open and accepting sexuality of magazines like Playboy and Playgirl is perfectly healthy and good; it is in no way degrading to anyone. That it seems so to many in this culture is primarily the result of being conditioned and indoctrinated, from their earliest years, to feel shame at exposure to nudity and sex.

Documentation of this fact could fill a book; but for one illuminating contrast, scan through the multitude of women's magazines and notice all the pictures of babies, and of women adoring babies. Shall we say these media represent babies as being mere objects for women's pleasure? It is a testimony to the power of that early training that, of all the ways in which humans naturally get pleasure from one another, only certain sexual ones are seen as inherently selfish and "dehumanizing".

As my last point implies, failure to realize the actual sources of sex-negative attitudes has led to a variety of rationalizations of those beliefs. For one thing, there have been a lot of irresponsible claims that pornography in itself has harmful social effects, notably inciting negative feelings toward and even violence against women. I submit that such views are motivated by ideology rather than good evidence. Though this is another topic requiring a lengthy analysis, from the extensive literature on the subject it is clear that no such claim is justified. Indeed, there is even some evidence that Playboy type pornography reduces hostile feelings toward women.

It is also true that there are indications that violent pornography can produce attitudes and behaviour of the type in question. Such is hardly surprising, however, given the similar evidence regarding violent media in general. In light of this, it is worth noting that the SU officers had magazines devoted to pleasure removed from SUB while

sponsoring showing of the movie A Clockwork Orange which is one long litany of senseless violence (but almost no sex). This reflects their socialization particularly well, in a society where children are allowed to see large amounts of violence (even in Disney movies) but are assiduously shielded from sex.

The most outrageous rationalization of the anti-pornography forces, in my estimation, involves the attitude that certain male sexual feelings are by nature sexist, opposed to the ideal of equal rights and dignity for both sexes. The claim is not only false; the irony is that it is itself a viciously sexist belief. As part of their biological nature, males tend to have powerful visual attractions toward female bodies and sex organs. (That it is not culturally produced is clear from clinical work with hormones,

"there is even some evidence that Playboy type pornography reduces hostile feelings toward women."

cross-cultural comparisons, studies of young children and of other primates, and so on). By contrast, female attraction to males is (on average) geared more to their behaviour - hence the very different emphasis of the popular women's romance novels and magazines. Interestingly enough, though, many women's sexual feelings are remarkably complementary to the male ones: exposing their bodies to the admiration of males is by far the most common theme in collections of female sex fantasies.

In any case the point is this: the attack on males' sexual desires and their expression in the media is sexism directed against males. What is the core of sexism, racism, and other hateful "...isms", after all? It lies in saying "You're different from me, therefore, you are evil or inferior." Or, as in this case, "My needs are noble, but yours are vile": whether the despised difference is physical, physiological, or psychological surely makes no moral difference.

Most of us are taught sexual guilt as children, but it tends to fall especially heavily on males. From his earliest years, a male child in this culture is told, in a multitude of ways, that his feelings toward females' bodies are evil. Being degraded in this way is naturally resisted, with a variety of ego-defence mechanisms: everything from reaction formation to the attitude that females' opinions don't count anyway. And in a vulnerable few, they take the form of deep-laid desires for revenge, or projections of guilt, upon the perceived source of the pain. This, I suggest, is a primary cause of those cases of sexual fantasy and pornography which genuinely are vicious and degrading, about which there is currently so much alarm. The guilt-by-association attempts to link that genre with ordinary pornography, I suggest, will only feed the very fires it aims to quench.

One final point. Ms. Avery believes that there is something especially wrong about an institution of higher learning promoting pornography. Here again, I maintain that the truth is precisely the opposite. One of the most basic purposes of a university is to combat irrational belief, in all its forms; and sex is one of the things this society is most irrational about. The response to pornography discussed here is just one manifestation of this: instead of "I've been socialized to feel disgust and shame at such sights", it's "that is degrading and disgusting." That blind conditioning should be allowed to pass for genuine knowledge at an institution like this is to me unconscionable. With its capacity to counteract the original aversive conditioning (a capacity utilized to much good effect by sex therapists), together with its tacit message that sex is not evil after all, pornography has had and continues to have a crucial role to play, in undoing attitudes that are not only false but productive of great harm.

What about evils like racism and (genuine) sexism, then - should they also be allowed unfettered expression on campus? My own strong inclination is to reply that they should not. But seeing once again how stupidly the censor's power tends to be used once it is acquired, I have a few doubts even there.

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USSR: Evil despots or mis

by David R. Marples

How dangerous is the USSR today? How great is its threat to world peace? The question has become almost rhetorical, the name of the country a synonym for every evil deed perpetrated. According to Pierre Trudeau, international affairs have reached such an impasse that war may be imminent. Is this a result of the intransigence of Soviet leaders? It is high time these questions were put into perspective.

Thirty-eight years after the end of the Second World War, we are still suffering from the effects of that conflict. Although Fascism received a decisive rebuff, there has been no long-term solution to the problems that causes conflict in Europe: nationalism and expansionism. These problems have been with the Europeans for centuries. In turn, the image of the predator — the Great Russian bear — to the east has continued. The sheer size of both the Russian Empire of the nineteenth century and the modern USSR has necessitated wary West European diplomacy and instilled fear into statesmen. Russia has long been an enemy, and it is doubtful whether the face of that enemy will be clarified in the years to come. One suspects that historians, misled by the sophisticated propaganda techniques utilized today, increasingly will come to lay the blame for almost all the conflicts of our century on the USSR.

This would be a mistake. Whatever the evils of the Soviet regime, especially in the 1930s, the USSR was not responsible for the greatest upheaval, the Second World War, a war that saw the second invasion of Russian territory in just over two decades. Further, the USSR only made its territorial gains during the war because of the blunders of two western leaders, Roosevelt and Churchill. These two renowned statesmen spent more time arguing and trying to outwit one another than uniting in the face of a common threat. As a result, they permitted the occupation of eastern Germany by the same power that had mercilessly subjugated eastern Poland in 1939-41. The outcome of this occupation was never in doubt, just as the abnegation of Czechoslovakia's continuing independence by England and France in 1938 inevitably led to Hitler's dismemberment of that country. One can expect totalitarian countries to take advantages of such "gifts" in a wartime situation. The East European countries fell like dominoes into the Soviet orbit while the western leaders continued to maintain that it was essential to show loyalty to the valiant Soviet ally.

But the Russian or Soviet presence in Europe is not a new phenomenon. What is new, however, is the involvement of the United States in this area of the world, which is

a direct result of the belated attempt to halt the Soviet westward expansion. The loser of the 1939-45 war, Germany, is still severed in two, and Berlin is still subjected to a ludicrous division between East and West. But let us reiterate: the main reason for this untenable situation is that the British, U.S. and French leaders, blinded by the danger that Hitler posed, neglected to put a stop to Stalin's ambitions.

In addition to naive western statesmanship, the division of Germany was also a result of the violent attack upon the USSR by its "ally," Nazi Germany. The Soviet presence in the heart of Europe in 1983 should be attributed less to the ambition of ruthless communists seeking world domination than to the attempt to destroy the USSR in 1941-2. After the brutal treatment of Soviet citizens at the hands of the German occupiers, we should not be surprised that the Red Army did not cease its advance until it reached the German capital. The only surprise is that Churchill and Roosevelt, whose forces could have been there first, allowed this to happen. In the same conciliatory way they ordered (at Stalin's behest) the return of more than half a million "displaced persons" to the USSR after the war, knowing that they were to receive the full force of the Soviet leader's wrath.

We have seen that the USSR has clung to its wartime gains, notably with the invasions of Hungary (1956) and Czechoslovakia (1968), when these countries threatened to leave the Soviet orbit. But with the exception of the invasion of Afghanistan, which has not been annexed to the USSR nor included in the military alliance, it has not added to these territories. Further, the fear of "secession" by one of the satellite states (and actually carried out by one of them, Yugoslavia) is linked to the belief that some of the minority republics might use their constitutional right and follow suite: Ukraine, the Baltic republics and the

Central Asian states being the most likely.

If we have established that the danger of further Soviet expansion in Europe is not acute, should we nonetheless not state categorically that the Soviet regime should be removed as a tyranny: a government that set up the Gulag camps and that continued to persecute dissidents and particularly Soviet Jewry? Indeed we should. But we should also bear in mind that the camps are not unique to the USSR, and that the treatment of anti-government dissidents is equally harsh elsewhere. Even in Stalin's day, when one family in three had a member purged and several million peasants were deliberately starved to death in Ukraine, there was little to compare in scale with the deaths and purges that accompanied the Chinese Revolution, when between 7 and 10 million people are said to have perished before Mao-Tse Tung came to power. The British Empire was using concentration camps before either Hitler or Stalin arrived on the political scene, albeit with less rigour. The two dictators merely expanded a concept that had been well practiced elsewhere. Each time we read Solzhenitsyn we might ponder over the depths that the Soviet leadership has sunk to, but can we deny that the treatment of dissidents is equally harsh in Argentina, Chile, South Africa, El Salvador, etc.?

Persecution of one's fellow man is not unique to the Soviet state or to communism, but is widely used in every country in the world to a greater or lesser degree. We know about the Soviet camps through Solzhenitsyn or Bukovsky, but we are often ignorant of similar acts of tyranny elsewhere in the world because the media has not brought them to our attention: that is the only difference.

I have heard it said that the world peace movement, especially the current campaign against the installation of U.S. cruise missiles in Western Europe and Canada, is being financ-



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misunderstood scapegoats?

ed by the KGB. Undoubtedly it is. Any group protesting against the policies of a government that is ideologically opposed to the Soviet Union is likely to be; just as any anti-Communist group in Latin America is likely to be financed by the CIA. We are living in a dirty world, full of distrust and subterfuge. Let us admit also that the USSR is working toward world communism, that Lenin once said that world peace could only be achieved if the entire world was communist. But the myths of communism are greater than the realities, especially when such remarks are taken out of context. Lenin also remarked in *The State and Revolution* that in a communist society, the state would eventually wither away, whereas in the USSR it has become increasingly omnipotent. By this token, if world communism was ever attained, then the first victims of the new society might well be those who had delayed its onset the most: the leaders of the USSR.

When Ronald Reagan or Margaret Thatcher criticize the USSR, they are speaking not of 220 million Soviet citizens, but of the small clique that runs the country through the Politburo and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union (CPSU). That only about 8 per cent of Soviet citizens are party members illustrates well the deliberately elitist concept that the party represents. It is a dictatorship, yes, but not of the people, the so-called proletariat, but of the small ruling bureaucracy. One can make distinctions between the policies of the first Soviet leaders, Lenin, Trotsky and Stalin, as leftist groups still do today, but one cannot question that each favoured a small, tightly-knit urban-based group that would attain power and maintain it by force, especially over the huge rural community in the USSR (or initially, Soviet Russia) in the 1920s. Today, Yuri Andropov is far more frightened of Soviet citizens than he is of Reagan's warlike pronouncements. It is the former that constitute the potent and

ever-present threat to the continuing hegemony of the Bolshevik Party (one of the more ironic names in world history).

Not only is the ruling bureaucracy unstable, it is also extremely aged. Most Politburo members reached their political maturity in the 1950s (an exception is Mikhail Gorbachev, a relative youngster at the age of 52). Like the late Brezhnev, they are beginning to lose their grasp over the world situation. Andropov himself lacks the freedom to manoeuvre being still involved in a struggle for power with Konstantin Chernenko, Brezhnev's chosen successor for overall authority within the Politburo. The younger generation, the leaders are not merciless cut-throats, anxious to start a nuclear conflagration at the first sign of western weakness, but for the most part, divided, anxious old men, whose worst fears are the collapse of Soviet society and an attack from the West. These are the same men, we recall, who saw the Soviet armies surrender voluntarily in their thousands to the German invader in the summer of 1941, who still refer frequently to the loss of 20 million Soviet lives in the German-Soviet war, as a constant reminder that the USSR has to remain vigilant against its enemies both within and outside the country. Their trademark is nervous tension, a tension that is only exacerbated by thoughtless remarks on the part of western leaders.

What, then, should be the western response to the USSR? In the first place, it is to the West's interest to have closer contact with that country. High-level meetings, trade connections and sports events all have the effect of bringing Soviet citizens into closer communication with the western world. All have the long-term prospect of weakening the cohesion of Soviet society, which thrives on the isolation of that society from the outside world. As long as President Reagan makes his hostile comments in public, TASS and Pravda can claim gleefully "We told you so, the U.S.

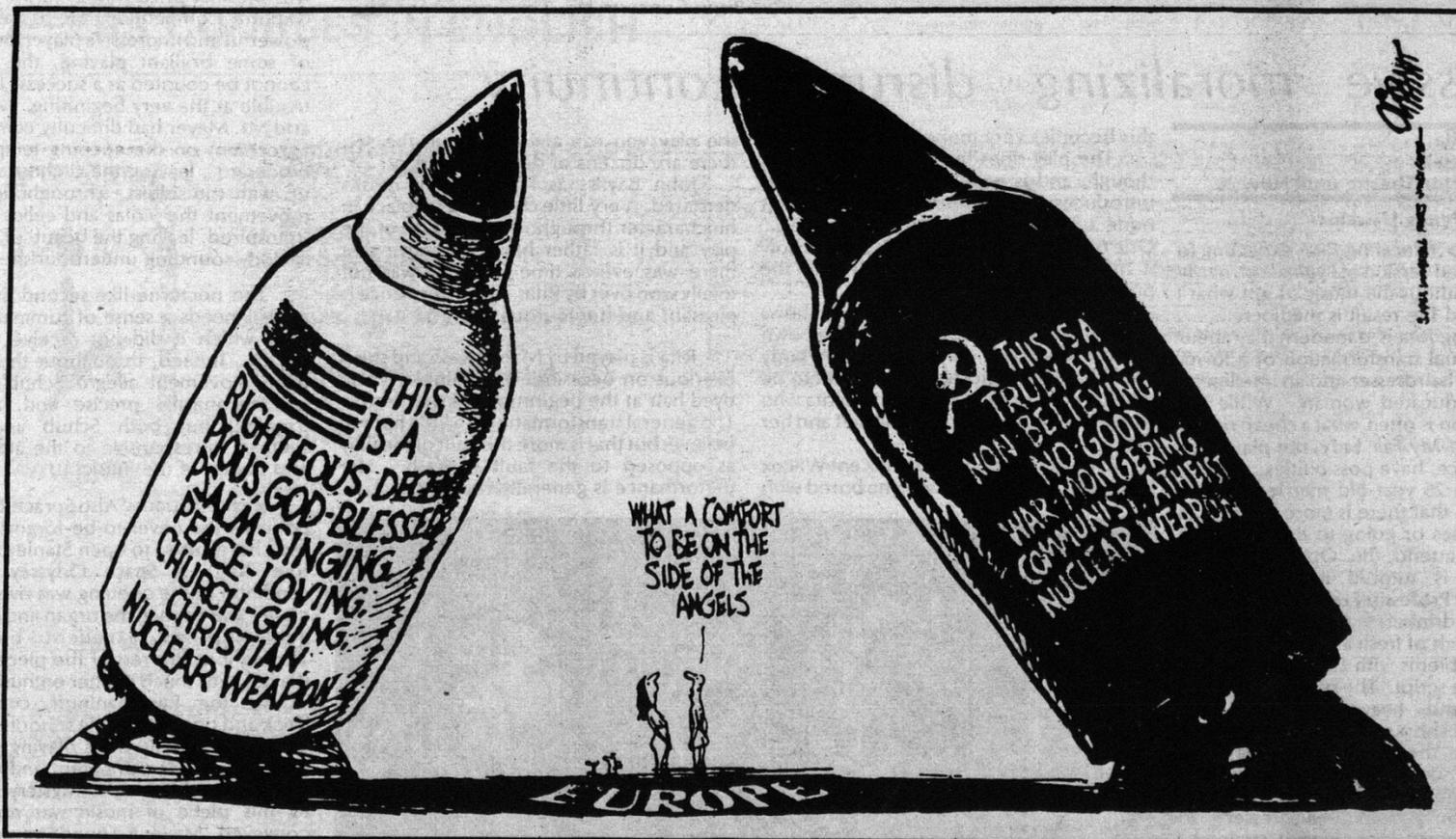
imperialists are bent on war."

Second, a genuine commitment to peace talks on a multilateral level would force the Soviet leadership to show its hand and would enable the citizens of that fragile conglomeration of nationality groups to recognize that the West is prepared to negotiate. If the USSR was really interested in expansion, the cruise or MX missile would be little deterrent. The invasion of Afghanistan, for example, occurred during a period of rearmament. The habitual and preferred policy of the USSR, however, is to await events, to follow Stalin's example and let the cards fall into one's lap. Any change in the status quo is regarded as potentially dangerous, especially if initiated in Washington. The USSR has little to gain from an invasion of Western Europe or the destruction of western cities by nuclear missiles. The retribution would shatter its fragile society.

Finally, we should cease thinking of the USSR as the personification of the world's injustices. These have been magnified as a result of its emergence as one of the two Super Powers, in the same way that every deed of the United States is scrutinized by world observers. Those who have suffered at the hands of the Soviet leadership and subsequently emigrated to the West are naturally bitter and prepared to support wholeheartedly every threat of aggression against that country. But this is not a stance that we of western birth should try to emulate. Not more than ever, we need careful reasoning and serious negotiation.

Four decades ago, the USSR was our ally in the fight against Fascism. There is nothing to prevent another radical transformation of the world system of alliances if we so wish it. The NATO versus Warsaw Pact system has long outlived its usefulness. Will the current world tension be resolved by military conflict (which may involve the destruction of the earth), or by talks and negotiation? As members of a democracy, we should try to put the situation into perspective, abandoning the mental image of ourselves and an evil enemy, ignoring the invective delivered at the USSR by prominent politicians and journalists, and implore our elected representatives to support all efforts at meaningful dialogue and multilateral disarmament.

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Cossackette exhibiting grace of the Russian dance.

Kasatka Cossacks...

Lack of spontaneity detracts - a little bit

Kasatka Cossacks
SUB Theatre
Oct. 27, 28, 29.

Review by Richard Watts

Last weekend's performance by the Kasatka Cossacks of London, England was a well arranged, well paced performance of Slavic folk music and dancing. Unfortunately, the show was often marred by dance segments lacking in enough technique to hold one's interest, and performed with too little spirit to evoke any emotional responses.

Perhaps the biggest fault with the performance stems from the division between folk, and professional art. Unless the artists are very, very good, professional interpretations of folk art can result in a loss of the boisterous spontaneity that makes folk expression, of all nationalities, so very special.

Perhaps my disenchantment with the dancers arose from the preconceptions I took with me. I was expecting wild athletic dances, complete with kicks and flips, all performed in crashing heavy boots. Instead, the dances were often too balletic for my tastes, and too often performed without any real feeling.

The exceptions were the Ukrainian and Cossack segments which concluded the first and second halves of the performance. In these the audience got what it had come to see, athletic leg kicks and spins and spectacular leaps and spins.

In addition, these segments were memorable because the women dancers came out of themselves and performed their parts with enthusiasm. To give the women their due, many of the dances seemed designed to feature the women as little more than pretty backdrops to the male athletics.

Perhaps to make up for this, the repertoire included two dances which featured only women: a gypsy solo, and a Moldavian dance with four women. The gypsy soloist, however, suffered from a lack of feeling in a dance which called for seductive sensuality. The dance performed by all four women was a simple little step, which might have worked out, except once again, none of the dancers appeared to get into it.

Overall, however, the performance was a nicely arranged package of Slavic folk music and dance. After each dance sequence the dancers would exit leaving the stage to the musicians. The musicians would then play music readying the audience for the change of mood which accompanied every new dance segment.

The musicians, consisting of a singer, a percussionist, an accordion player, a guitarist, and two balalaika players, conjured some beautiful melodies. The balalaikas in particular proved themselves instruments capable of producing a wide range of musical moods and feelings.

The singer, Janos Kurucz, was excellent. Singing in a strong Russian bass, Kurucz took the audience from boisterous Russian drinking songs to mournful steppe melodies. An especially nice touch, although you wouldn't credit it, was Kurucz's performance of 'If I were a Rich Man' from *Fiddler on the Roof*. Sung in English rather than Russian this popular song connected the North American audience with Russia through easily recalled images extracted with a familiar tune.

Along with the music the colorful costumes made the performance an enjoyable one, by heightening the visual impact of the dancers' performances.

Symphony doesn't quite click

Edmonton Symphony Orchestra
Uri Mayer, conductor, Andre Michel Schub, piano
Jubilee Auditorium Oct. 28

review by K. Arthur

The Friday night ESO concert gave us performances of two stalwart works of the romantic repertoire - Rachmaninoff A Piano Concerto No. 2 in C minor, and Also

Sprach Zarthustra by Richard Strauss. It came as no surprise that the performances of these two highly popular works were very well received, but ultimately they lacked the distinction necessary to make them memorable.

In the Rachmaninoff, Mayer and the ESO were partnered with the American pianist Andre-Michel Schub. Mr. Schub was the first prize winner in the 1981 Van Cliburn Competition. He is certainly a powerful and impressive player, but in spite of some brilliant playing, the concerto cannot be counted as a success. It ran into trouble at the very beginning. Mr. Schub and Mr. Mayer had difficulty coming to an agreement on the opening tempo of the *moderato*, leaving the orchestra to catch up with the soloist. Throughout the first movement the violas and cellos sounded uninspired, leaving the beautiful, far flung melody sounding undernourished.

The nocturne-like second movement *adagio* needs a sense of ruminative yearning which it did not receive from the soloist. Indeed, throughout this and the third movement *allegro* Schub's playing was technically precise and, at times, exciting, but both Schub and Mayer seemed unresponsive to the atmosphere and poetry of the music.

Richard Strauss' *Also Sprach Zarthustra* contains the never-to-be-forgotten opening chords used to open Stanley Kubrick's film 2001: A Space Odyssey. Mayer's rendition of the opening was riveting in its clarity and impact, the organ and orchestra achieving an excellent balance. Throughout the rest of the piece the ESO played with much greater enthusiasm than during the Rachmaninoff, contributing thick and powerful string sonority as well as opulent wind and brass playing. Mayer's conducting was competent and well controlled, but the sense of mystery so crucial to this piece of music was not readily conveyed. Mayer is a good Straussian, but I missed those special insights that can make his performances idiomatic and exciting.

Excessive moralizing disrupts continuity

Educating Rita
by Willy Russell
Citadel Shochtor Theatre until Nov. 26

review by Wendy Hawkins

I went to *Educating Rita* expecting to see an updated version of *Pygmalion*, or *My Fair Lady* without the music. I got what I expected and the result is mediocre.

Educating Rita is a modern play about the intellectual transformation of a lower class English hairdresser into an intelligent, articulate, educated woman. While the initial reaction is often what a cheap rip-off of *Pygmalion-My Fair Lady*, the play does, on the surface, have possibilities.

Rita is a 26 year-old married woman who decides that there is more to life than buying dresses or going to the pub. She decides to attend the Open University where she is tutored in Comparative Literature by Professor Frank Bryant, who is a problem drinker. As expected, Rita brings a breath of fresh air into Frank's life.

The problems with *Educating Rita* are mostly in the script. The play is sometimes contrived and heavy-handed. It is presented in short scenes which are often disruptive to the sense of the play as a whole. The scenes are often too short to get a true sense of Rita and therefore her transformation from hairdresser to educated woman is somewhat strained. The play annoys in that it tries to present a tiny nugget of wisdom in every scene, and

this becomes very monotonous.

The play does have some great lines, though, and is generally pretty funny. It introduces several interesting themes, but none of these are explored adequately. One of the best things about the play is how it manages to, in some sense, pinpoint the problems of the working class.

It is also a good play in that it shows how a woman comes to make her own choices whereas in *My Fair Lady* anybody could have been picked off the street to be transformed, in *Educating Rita* it is Rita who makes the choice to change herself and her life.

The set design by Richard Kent Wilcox is fantastic. If you ever become bored with

the play you can always size up the set; there are dozens of details to look at.

John Bayliss as Frank Bryant is understated. Very little change takes place in his character throughout the course of the play and it is rather hard to believe that there was ever a time when he was not totally won over by Rita. His performance is pleasant and humorous.

Rita is played by Marcia Kash and she is hilarious on occasion. Her miniskirts and dyed hair at the beginning are wonderful. The general transformation is a little hard to believe, but that is more the fault of the play as opposed to the fault of Kash. Her performance is generally very good.



photo Angela Wheelock

Marcia Kash (Rita) chats with John Bayliss (Frank Bryant) while Johnny Walker (bottle on table) listens



photo Bill Inglee

Parachute Club members delivering their message in a particularly infectious way.

Political romanticists keep goblins on their feet

**Parachute Club
Dinwoodie Oct. 29**

Review by Patrice Struyk

It's hard to say which was the highlight of the social at Dinwoodie on Saturday night: the band on the stage, or the costumes on the crowded dance floor.

Everyone showed up to enjoy Parachute Club. Vamps and vampires. Cows and Cowboys. An assortment of trans-sexuals. Even Ronnie Reagan, rubbing shoulders with clowns, the devil and a group of sperm.

The collective imagination of the revellers was matched only by the collective efforts of Parachute Club. They were impressive. Talented and tight, they presented their unique blend of funk rock, superimposing rhythm upon rhythm, making full use of crisp harmony and four (count 'em) percussionists.

African and new music have evidently inspired the ensemble's melodies. Their lyrics, however, come straight from the newspapers. This band has something to say. "Ever get the feeling you're alienated on your own planet?" asked vocalist Lorraine Segato, leading into (what else?) "Alienation." "Rise Up" was dedicated to the people around the world working for peace. Songs about freedom were interspersed with those about prejudice, like "Gay, Gay, Gay". They even dedicated a number to the residents of Grenada.

But whether or not the audience was compelled by Parachute Club's sentiments, they were certainly sold on the dance value of the band's offerings, which ended with "Hot Hot Hot." They were, and they had no trouble heating up the crowd faster than a few glasses of Dinwoodie's finest ever could.

The Sheik danced on with the ballerina. The hosers flirted with the nuns. The scuba diver gyrated by himself. The band came back for an encore, and then the ghouls and goblins dispersed into the night.

Hollywood perverts history in name of romance

**Under Fire
Capital Square, West Mall**

review by Neil Fenna

Under Fire is a well-made insult to the Sandanista revolution in Nicaragua and should be promoted not as a political film but as sex and violence.

The film is the story of two Americans, a journalist (Joanna Cassidy) and a photographer (Nick Nolte), and how they develop a strong (?) relationship under the cross-fire between Somoza's troops and the Sandanistas. While we get some good insight into the difficulties faced by front-lines journalists, and some exciting footage

of street battles, one is left with the feeling that the entire revolution was but an impressive backdrop for a Hollywood love affair.

The revolution as a movie set isn't even well done. The Americans (except for the CIA which is used to this sort of thing) come out smelling like roses, and all the blame for the revolution is levelled at Anastasio Somoza. The fortunes of the Sandanistas meanwhile seem to hinge on the fate of their elusive leader Rafael. The Nicaraguan revolution was fueled by the economics of poverty and by a lopsided class structure, not by political ideologies or individuals. The guerrillas themselves are seen as kids

out for a bit of Halloween hooliganism.

What breaks *Under Fire* as a good film is the lack of emotion to latch on to. One fails to see much of a tie between Nolte and Cassidy, and the respect for the journalists' courage under fire soon wears off. The only Sandanista in the film with any non-revolutionary interests is shot after about two minutes. The rest is either exploitation or tanks and machine guns.

The first victim of this film is indeed the truth, and I wonder if Hollywood is funding the Contras so that *Under Fire II* can be made. *Under Fire* is a mixture of the bad parts of *Missing* and *The Year of Living Dangerously*, and is showing at the Capital Square and West Mall theatres.

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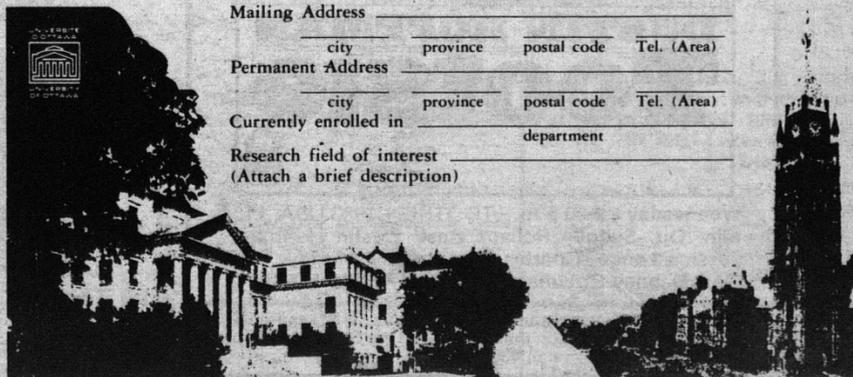
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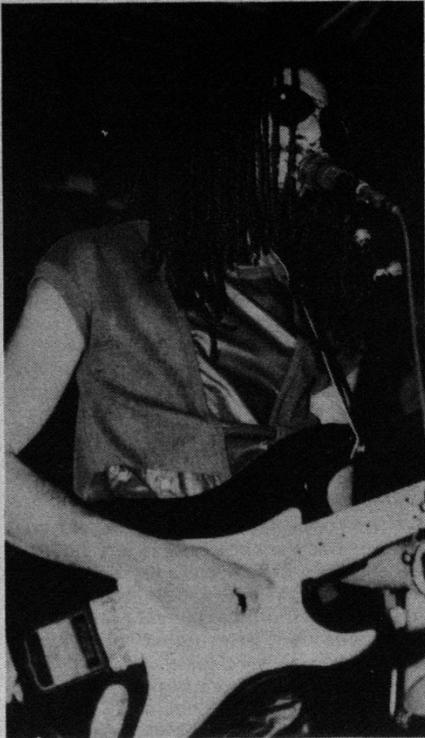
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Reggae's hopeful message lifts spirits



"awakening the people's buried consciousness."

**Bloodfire, Krucial Steppers
Dinwoodie Oct. 28**

review by Christopher A. Coy

Bloodfire played to a large and enthusiastic audience comprised largely of creatively costumed students celebrating Halloween and the end of a gruelling week of mid-term examinations last Friday at Dinwoodie.

Despite the costumes and the occasion the atmosphere was not ghoulish but spiritual. Lead vocalist Clive Ross seemed in religious ecstasy as he strode about the stage between numbers chanting in exaltation to "JAH the ruler of all creation," and prophesying the fall of Babylon (ie. the developed world) when "the righteous will be lifted up on high."

The spiritual message of the music was intermingled with social and political statements. Songs like "Rumours of War" and "Sufferation" drew attention to the oppression of the third world by the super powers. Clive Ross, in another of his between-song-addresses, called for individual freedom and said that, "the legalization of marijuana is inevitable."

Keyboard player Bernie Pitters, whose rhythmic gyrations were exciting to watch, summed up the group's statement in a creative D.J.-style improvisation. "We didn't come to rock Halloween," Pitters

sang, "we came to keep your conscience clean."

Bloodfire's members are Clive Ross (bass guitar and lead vocals), Tony Nicholson (rhythm guitar and vocals), Bernie Pitters (keyboards), Alex King (lead guitar), and Tony Withe (drums).

Edmonton's own *Krucial Steppers* appeared as the warm-up band. The *Steppers*, a group less than three months old, seemed somewhat disorganized and unsure of themselves at the beginning of their set. They lacked energy. Vocalist Jeff Deeprouse brought the group to life by the middle of the set, however, singing a good version of Jimmy Cliff's "The Harder they Come."

The appearance of *Bloodfire* and the *Krucial Steppers* on campus is an attestation to the dramatic increase in the popularity of reggae. Since the death of Bob Marley, who brought reggae out of Jamaica, its infant cradle, more and more musicians are playing reggae or incorporating its uniquely syncopated rhythms in their music.

In an interview after the show Clive Ross said, "There is an international acceptance (of reggae) going on right now, but with a contrasting struggle that will always go with reggae, because it is a new music and because it is dangerous to those who want to keep the people down. The theme of our music is international

freedom of all people. And that means the destruction of the present system."

Rhythm guitarist and vocalist, Tony Nicholson said, "Reggae is a message to the people the message of JAH (ie. God). It's like you're more or less prophesying, trying to awaken the people's buried consciousness."

Bloodfire is certainly not boring, but they could let their music take them over more. They could commit themselves more to it, become more involved in it. There were indeed some very exciting high points in the performance, but that high energy was not sustained throughout.

Perhaps the problem might be remedied to some degree by incorporating more movement and visual effects to the performance. Some work on the lead and supporting vocals would surely help. The band displays an extremely limited vocal range and there is nothing at all exciting happening in the background. Musically, the vocals are indeed their weak point. A little more variety to the often too repetitious reggae beat would also help to keep things alive.

In spite of their weakness, *Bloodfire* is an entertaining group of musicians and they are a welcome change of pace on campus. Everybody seemed to love it, and no doubt we will be seeing a lot more reggae in Edmonton in the future.

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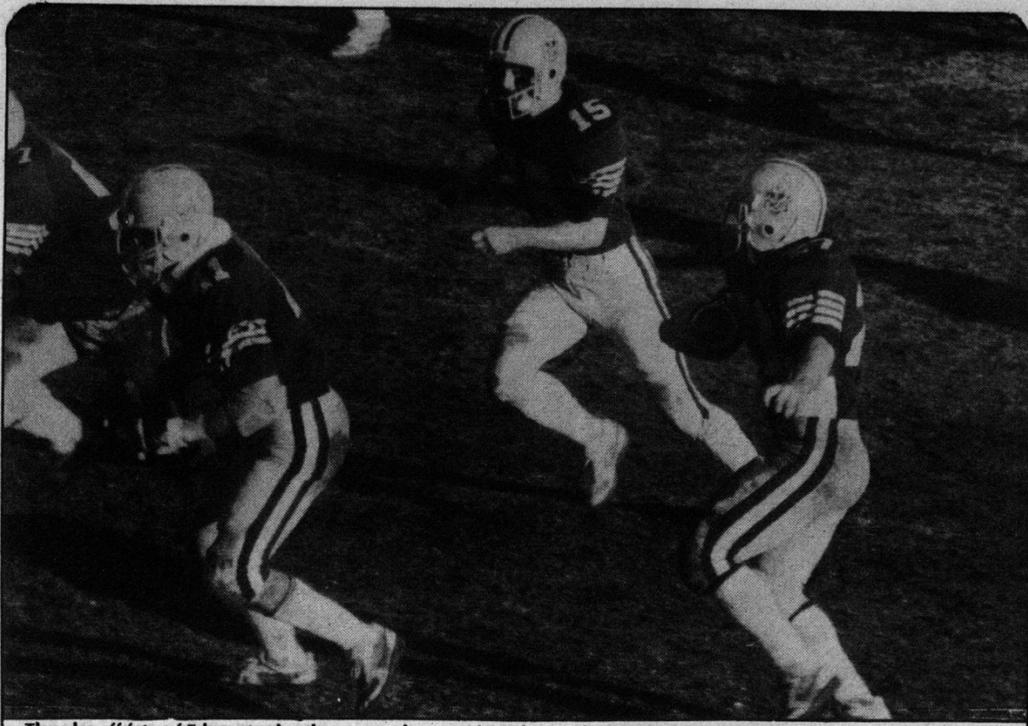
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Bears beat UBC

Down to the wire

by Kent Blinston

Two Edmonton football teams put their seasons on the line Friday. Two teams prone to defensive lapses and with problems scoring had to win to keep their playoff hopes alive. Both teams showed what kind of stuff they were made of: the Eskimo's couldn't come up with the effort to beat the lackluster Argos and the U of A Golden Bears battled back to beat the powerful UBC Thunderbirds 23-20.

It took the Bears almost every bit of the game to find a way to stop UBC running back Glenn Steele and to get their own offense in gear. They won the game on a ten-yard pass from quarterback Darren Brezden to Brad Clark, who caught the ball on the one, and fell just inside the left end zone post with nine seconds left in the game.

The Bears showed they were willing to take chances on the opening kickoff when their entire tackling unit shifted to the left of kicker Glenn Godfrey. But it did not take long for the defending national champion Thunderbirds to show why they were the favorites. After two running plays, QB Jay Gard hit tight end Rob Ros on a 63-yard pass and run touchdown. With the point after UBC led 7-0.

The Bears offense got off to their usual slow start. It took a fake punt, a direct snap to Scott Smith who gained five yards, to finally get the offense into the UBC end of the field. They could only muster a single point, however, on a James Richards 47-yard field goal attempt that went wide.

The teams traded singles and the pace of the game slowed until Steele started to dominate the game. He ran 40 yards including 3-yard touchdown in a drive that put UBC ahead 15-2 at 5:10 of the second quarter.

The Bears still could not move the ball, even when a Warren Schoppe interception gave them the ball at midfield. On their next possession Richards kicked a 36-yard field goal.

Brezden had trouble finding receivers, at least ones who could catch, and started to run the ball

instead. He scrambled out of the pocket on second downs for gains of 10 and 14 yards and moved the team to the Thunderbird 40. Two more plays then tight end Gord Reinich took a screen pass 23 yards to the UBC 3. Scott Smith pushed through the right side of the line and the Bears closed the 15-12.

In the third quarter, Steele continued to eat up yards and time for the Thunderbirds but the Bears defense held them to a single which Godfrey matched for the Bears.

Richards led off the fourth with a 32-yard field goal which tied the score at 16-16. But UBC with a 31-yard pass to Andrew Murray and more powerful running by Steele set up their kicker, Tom Dixon, for a 24-yard field goal.

The Bears seemed ready to fall victim to the discipline problems that have plagued them this year, particularly in the fourth quarter. Three dropped passes and two quarter back sacks kept them from moving the ball. The defense held strong, however, and defensive back Frank Salverda stripped the ball from Gard on a quarterback sweep from the Bears five yard line.

At 14:02 Dixon punted for another single and the Thunderbirds led 20-16 and the Bears had to score a touchdown to stay in contention for the playoffs. Gord Bolstad, who had dropped a number of passes earlier, dropped one more. Then he caught three in a row and took the Bears to the UBC 27, with 29 seconds left. The Thunderbirds could have ended the Bears hopes as Brezden missed Reinich with a pass but two UBC defenders fought the ball to the ground. Scott Smith dropped a pass and the Bears were third and ten with 19 seconds left. Defensive back Laurent DesLauriers was called for pass interference on Brad Clark inside the ten yard line. Clark beat Brian Banting on the next play to score the winning points.

This was the last home game for Reinich and offensive tackle Bob Binder. The Bears last regular season game is Friday night in Calgary against the division leading Dinosaurus.

Soccer Bears tie Dinos

by Frank Bevacqua

The Calgary Dinosaurus tied the Alberta Golden Bears 2-2 in the last soccer game of the season for these two teams on Sunday at Varsity Stadium.

The Dinosaurus came out fly-

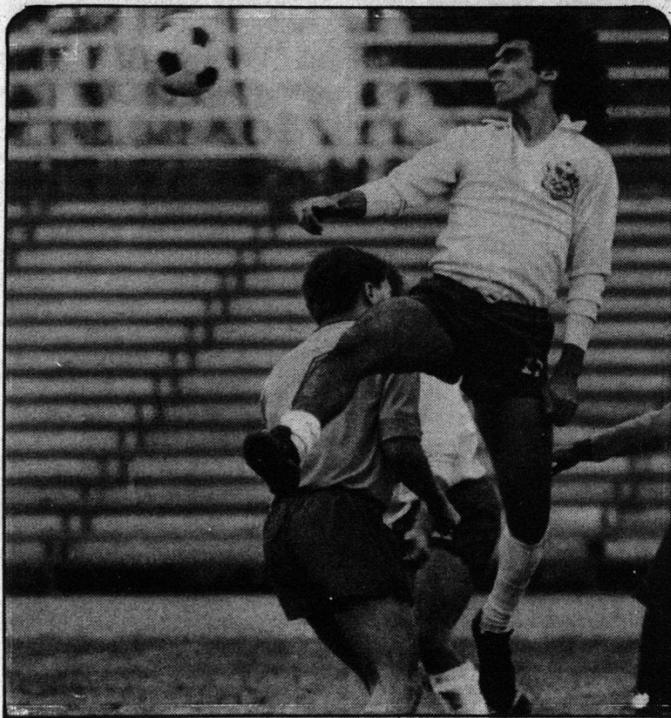
ing with a quick goal but then the game settled down to a slow pace with neither team generating much action. Bears star scorer, Rudy Bartholomew broke the lull by blasting a penalty shot by the Dinosaur goalie to tie the game for

the Bears. The Bears seemed content to lay back after Bartholomew's goal and it cost them, with the Dinosaurus getting the go ahead goal late in the first half.

The home team was late coming out of the dressing room for the second half where coach Sandy Gordon surely had a few words of grizzly advice to give the Bears. The pace of the second half remained much the same as the first until halfway through it when an altercation broke out between a Dinosaur player and Rick Holder of the Bears. Holder came over to make a clean check on the Calgary player and the player retaliated by stomping all over Holder's legs who had tripped while making the check. The Dinosaur player was quickly given a red card and ejected from the game.

The altercation seemed to wake the Bears up and resulted in the tying goal being scored by Chris Odinga. The Bears took the action to the Dinosaurus for the rest of the game and had several chances to score the winning goal but came up empty.

Sunday's tie and Friday's win over the Lethbridge Pronghorns leaves the Bears with a 4-3-3 record for the 1983 soccer season. This was also the farewell game for Rudy Bartholomew, Kent Fargey and Dave Buckley who are finishing off their intercollegiate soccer careers.



Thus ends a respectable soccer season for the Golden Bears.

Campus Recreation closes soccer

by Terry Lindberg

In the world of Men's Intramural outdoor soccer the final games were all played "down to the wire." In division 1 the Strikers overtook Delta Kappa Epsilon 3-1 for first place. Arts in a very close battle won division 2, 2-1 over Recreation. Finally, in division 3 another close game saw St. Joe's 1 defeat 10th Henda 2-1.

On similar turf, Men's Intramural flag-football wound down to a successful finish. Division one champs were Law 'A' over Medicine 'A' 27-1. Phi Delta Theta won "hands-down" over Med 'B' 21-6 to win the division 2 final. Then, in a much closer game Med 'D' squeezed by St. Joe's 16-15.

Men's Intramural team handball also concluded recently with Wrecking Crew winning the

Championship Event 6-2 over tough competition from Delta Upsilon. The Dekes took 3rd place and Law 'B' fourth. The final game in the Consolation Event saw Law 'A' victorious 14-3 over Nordies Troops.

This past weekend the Men's Racquetball Tournament, proved to be an enjoyable event for player's of all levels. With three divisions, and each division also having a consolation side, every participant was guaranteed a maximum amount of games. Results were as follows: **A Championship** - 1st Dennis Simeoni (31-25 Grad Studies), 2nd Jim Cook (Law), **A Consolation** - 1st Rick Rogers (30-29 Science), 2nd Darin Lee (Min Eng), **B Championship** - 1st Stewart White (Wrecking Crew 31-5), 2nd Alan Evenson (Science), **B Consolation** - 1st Greg Ryan (31-6, Phi Delt), 2nd Daryl Homeniuk

(Deke's), **C Championship** - 1st Vincent May (31-9 Wrecking Crew), 2nd Randy Doetzel (St. Joe's) **C Consolation** - 1st Bob Edwards (31-3, Law), 2nd Kevin McKay (Recreation).

In the world of Women's Intramurals, a Bowling Tourna-

ment is scheduled for this Saturday (1:00 - 4:00 pm.) at the SUB Bowling Lanes. Teams of 4 will be involved in both the fun and competitive aspects of the tournament. It should be an enjoyable event for all those interested. (Deadline Nov. 1).

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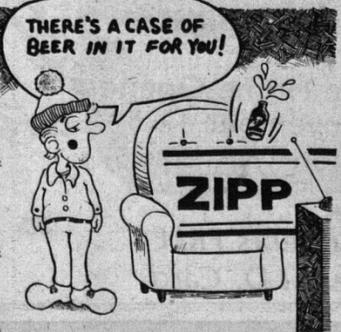
Men's Intramurals:

- 1) Men's Waterpolo, Tues Nov. 1 1:00 pm.
- 2) Men's Swimming and Diving event Tues Nov. 8 1:00 pm.

Women's Intramurals

- 1) Bowling Tues Nov. 1 1:00 pm.

Bunky Sawchuck



by Ian Ferguson

Bears awesome until the end

by Bernard Poitras

The final exhibition games for the hockey Bears were played this weekend in the form of the First Annual Golden Bears Tournament. The Bears closed out their 12 game pre-season schedule on a losing note as they lost 4-2 to the U of Saskatchewan Huskies in the championship game.

Both teams ended up with two wins apiece in the three day event as the Bears scored 8-0 and 3-2 wins over U of Lethbridge and U of Calgary respectively. Huskie victories came a bit tougher as they won by scores of 3-1 and 3-2 respectively over the same two teams.

The deciding match, by far the most intense and exciting, began abruptly for the Bears as Huskies' forward Kevin MacNaught scored six minutes into the match to give Saskatchewan a 1-0 lead. But, as they have always done before, the Bears marched right back as freshman Dennis Cranston blew a howitzer past Huskie netminder Bob Dougall to tie it

up. Then, the Huskies went ahead 2-1 as Duke Duchscherer deflected a shot into the net with less than three minutes to play in the period. Although the score was close, the Bears were badly outplayed while getting outshot 14-5. The second period saw only one goal scored as Huskies' forward Randy Weibe stuffed in the eventual winning goal in the last minute of the stanza. Through the first two periods, the Bears set up their offence effectively, but when it came time to shoot they were missing the net by inches, hitting goal posts and generally blowing great opportunities to even up the score. These miscues continued through the third period as the two teams traded

goals with John Reid of the Bears concluding the scoring. In the game played earlier that afternoon, the U of Calgary Dinosaurs got their only win of the tourney as they clobbered the hapless U of Lethbridge Pronghorns 10-3.

On Friday, the Huskies started their roll towards the final as they beat the Dinosaurs 3-2. The Huskies scored two unanswered goals in the third as the Dinosaurs built up a 2-1 lead before succumbing to a strong third period attack by Saskatchewan. The Bears and

every Pronghorn player, the Bears also managed to use Goalie Neil Pomahac as a human target and fired 60 shots at him. In addition, Pomahac should have been



came the Bears squeaked by the Dinosaurs 3-2. In the Bears' match, the line of Rick Swan-Bill Ansel-Dan Peacocke racked up 8 out of a possible 9 points to pace the Bears. Swan had two goals and an assist, Peacocke had two assists and Ansell picked up a goal and two helpers.

Overall, the tournament showcased some pretty good hockey while also providing a look at what type of competition the Bears will get this upcoming season. Of the upcoming regular season, Bears' assistant coach John Devaney said, "Nobody's really going to beat anyone regularly....it's going to be a very competitive division."

rewarded with the Purple Heart as he stood bravely between the pipes while his defence wandered around wondering what hit them. Some 190 feet up the ice however, Bears goalie Kelly Brooks faced a meager 11 shots to earn the only shutout of the pre-season.

Saturday's action proved to be closer as Saskatchewan upended Lethbridge 3-1 as they again

Pronghorns hooked up for the second game of that day as the Bears gave Lethbridge a lesson in skating, puck-handling, and just about everything else as they thrashed them 8-0.

Denis Leclair led the Bears with 3 points with Tim Krug, Rick Swan, Parie Proft and Craig Dill each picking up two. While skating around and past virtually



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Errors cost Pandas crown

Gateway News Services — Despite playing their best soccer of the season, the Panda Soccer team finished in second place behind UBC at the Canada West Championships held in Victoria.

The Pandas opened the tournament on Friday with an inspired 2-0 victory over the University of Victoria. The game, by far the best game of the tourney, saw the Pandas get goals from Gayle Desmeules and Sam Jenkins in the last fifteen minutes. Goalkeeper Lesley MacKinnon played the best game of her career, dominating her penalty area and making several key saves.

The Pandas completely outplayed the UBC Thunderettes only to lose 2-1. The Pandas found the net first as unmarked Tracy David converted an excellent cross by fullback Lisa Fong. Fong almost put the game away for Panda minutes later as she thundered a

20 metre drive off the bottom of the crossbar.

The Pandas fortune took a turn for the worst near the end of half as striker Carol Brown was carried off the field and taken to hospital with a suspected broken leg after a late tackle by the UBC sweeper. Fortunately, the injury turn out to be only a severe bone bruise.

UBC scored both goals early in the second half as a long shot took a bad bounce past a started McKinnon and minutes later a miscue between the Panda goalkeeper and a defender resulted in an "own" goal. However, the Pandas composed themselves and took the game to UBC narrowly missing several excellent scoring chances.

The Panda still had a chance for first place, needing a victory by Victoria over UBC. Again the Pandas were denied as UBC

scored a 2-0 win, despite play being completely dominated by Victoria.

Coach Peter Crocker stated, "There is no doubt that we were very disappointed. I think it is quite safe to say that we were the best team on the field. Nevertheless, you have to give UBC credit because they managed to be ahead where it counted, on the scoreboard. Still, our players can hold their heads high as they played very inspired team soccer and fought right to the end. The University community can be more than proud of this team."



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NOVEMBER 1
 Campus Recreation Womens In-
 tramurals: entry deadline today, for a
 Bowling Tournament on Nov. 5, 1 - 4
 pm. at SUB Bowling Lanes.

Lutheran Student Movement: 6:15
 meet at the student centre, 11122-86
 Ave. to see the film, "Brother Sun,
 Sister Moon."

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 ling tournament to be held on Nov. 5
 from 1 pm. to 4 pm. in SUB Bowling
 Lanes. Both a fun and competitive
 aspect to the tourney (4 per team).

Campus Pro-Choice: general meeting
 5 pm. SUB rm. 270.

U of A Group for Nuclear Disarma-
 ment: meeting SUB 280 5 pm. All
 interested are welcome.

NOVEMBER 2
 Southern African Discussion Group: a
 talk on the Southern African situation
 by ANC and SWAPO reps. TB-57 at 5
 pm. All welcome!

Women's Centre: film night "Killing
 Us Softly", media images of women.
 7:00 pm. TB-87.

Baptist Student Union: seminar on
 sharing of our faith. All are invited 7:30
 am. rm. 624 SUB. Coffee will be on!
 U of A Disarmament Group: Dimitrios
 Roussopoulos will speak about
 nuclear war and the peace movement
 7:30 pm Education south Rm. 129.

East Asian Interest Club: film series
 (#2): two films (approx. 1/2 hr each) will
 be shown in Humanities L-3 at 1500 h, 3
 pm.

Lutheran Campus Ministry: noon hour
 bible study on Revelation continues in
 SUB-158A.

NOVEMBER 3
 Baptist Student Union: bible study -
 ongoing study of ethnical concerns
 with an emphasis on the biblical
 message. This week "World Hunger: A
 Christian Answer?" 12:30 pm. Rm. 624
 SUB.

Anglican Chaplaincy: Eucharist, noon
 in SUB 158.

Lutheran Campus Ministry: 7:30 pm.
 evening worship at the Lutheran
 Student Ctre., 11122-86 Ave.

U of A Undergrad Geophysics Society:
 Beer and Wine Social, SUB 270A 5:00-
 11:00 pm. Tickets: \$1.00 members,
 \$2.00 non-members.

U of A Pre-Vet Club: meeting at 5:15 in
 Ag For 1-13.

U of a New Democrats: Delegate
 caucus of U of A New Democrats. All
 member delegates must attend, Rm.
 142 SUB 5:00 pm.

NOVEMBER 5
 Baptist Student Union: International's
 Day Trip to Jasper. Cost: less than
 15.00. Everyone is invited. Contact Mel
 at 481-7597 for more info.

Ukrainian Students' Club: "Better late
 than never" Halloween dance, 8:30,
 2909 - 113 Ave. A.C.T. Center (Rundle
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U of A Debating Society: Grant Davy
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 style and political resolutions. Contact
 #276 SUB for info.

NOVEMBER 6
 Lutheran Campus Ministry: 7:30 pm.
 Lutherfest 500 Choralfest at the Con-
 vention Centre features 13 choirs.
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Lutheran Campus Ministry: 10:30 am.
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NOVEMBER 7
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 and others. Admission free 8:00 pm.
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NOVEMBER 8
 Students' Council: meeting 7:00 pm.
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 proceedings.

Marketing Club: general meeting 4
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NOVEMBER 10
 African Assoc. of Alberta: fundraising
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Beer became so highly regarded that there were no less than three patron saints of brewing; St. Augustine, the renowned author of *Confessions*, St. Luke, the Physician, and St. Nicholas, the Man in the Red Flannel Suit.

In medieval England, the word, "ale", was used as a suffix in describing important occasions. "Bridal" is actually a contraction of "bride's ale", which was what the bride sold to defray her wedding costs.

In 1620, a passenger on the Mayflower speculated in his journal that the unfortunate landing at Plymouth Rock (instead of further south) was at least partially motivated by a dangerous shortage of beer, a fact which sheds new light on those venerable Puritan forefathers.

Through the ages, beer has played an important part in the development of manners and customs throughout the world, and today, it stands proud as the world's second most popular drink, right behind tea. Why tea is the odds on favourite is a total mystery to seemingly everyone but the British. And they're not talking... Pity.

Lesson #35 from the College of Beer Knowledge.



Student councillors upset over advertising pitch

by Ken Lenz

Despite disapproval from SU Business Manager Tom Wright, student councillors Tony Brouwer and Brian Becker are presenting a motion to Students' Council proposing to restrict Campus Media's method for procuring advertising.

Campus Media is the section of the SU which solicits and controls all of the advertising in Students' Union publications.

The controversial motion is aimed at a Campus Media advertising brochure which states that, "the earning power of these consumers is well over 250 million yearly."

The motion charges that, "Campus Media with regards to its attempt to procure advertising by use of materials which portray students as wealthy undermines the work of the Students' Union," with regards to the worsening economic situation and how this reduces accessibility to post-secondary education.

If passed the motion would require the SU VP Internal to approve all publications from SU

Businesses to make sure they are in keeping with SU policy.

Tom Wright says the 250 million dollar figure is "conservative is you consider that the market being reached includes not only students, but University Staff as well."

Wright continues, "I would doubt that it would be in the best interest of Campus Media or the Students' Union if we used pictures of people begging with tin cups in hand or showing holes in the ass of their pants."

Brouwer counters this statement saying, "it is rather rude to assume that you can't sell ads without showing the people as wealthy."

He added, "all that is being asked is for Tom Wright to take into account that the SU has other mandates besides making money."

Wright feels the business people being reached realize that many students are having "serious financial problems; but they also realize that students and staff have the resources to purchase their products."

He also states that although 500 brochures are sent out each year, probably only 75 people end up retaining the brochure - and probably only 11 "are really concerned that Students and university staff have more resources than they had realized."

Wright also feels that probably none of these people will do anything that would be detrimental to SU policy.

To this statement Brouwer says, "but the people it does reach could euphemistically be called the 'pillars of the community' and it forms an attitude in the business community that students have nothing else to do with their money except buying products."

Wright feels differently, "if Mr. Brouwer and Mr. Becker have so little confidence in the intelligence of the business people that are in receipt of these rate cards, they are very poor judges of character."

Both SU President Robert Greenhill and VP Internal Peter Block refused comment on this issue.

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AIDS: Still the mystery disease

By S. Debenham
reprinted from the *Sheaf*
by Canadian University Press

AIDS is a mysterious disease which robs the body of its power to fight off other infections. AIDS is spreading with epidemic speed throughout the gay community, especially in North America's larger urban centres. In the short time since its original diagnosis, AIDS has brought the gay and lesbian minority a great deal of media attention.

This media coverage would appear normal in light of the seriousness of the consequences of AIDS (no one has as yet recovered and most of the approximately 200 reported cases have already died). Actually, this wave of coverage serves to highlight the lack of awareness of the gay-lesbian community which in the past had characterized mainstream media. In discussing AIDS journalists have found it necessary to explain the whole structure and culture of this minority to an uninformed majority, a majority which has been prey to groundless fears because of this media imposed ignorance.

AIDS is quite correctly perceived as being of concern to the gay and lesbian community but it is not only a 'gay disease.' Seventy per cent of victims identified thus far have been male homosexuals, but hemophiliacs,

ET returns

(RNR-CUP) - That lovable alien, ET, has been thrown into battle with a flesh-eating monster from outer space.

At issue: a British video cassette called "E.T.N. - The Extra Terrestrial Nastie." ET's creators claim the tape, a rehased 60's horror film, is a ripoff, and have gone to court to stop it.

For their part, the E.T.N. people say they're only trying to foster a "more responsible attitude" towards aliens from space.

Said one promoter, "ET encourages children to be friendly to aliens and hide them in the cupboard, whereas our film indicates they may not be nice and that children should report them to their mothers or the police."

Haitians and drug users have likewise been identified as high risk groups.

So little is known about the disease that speculators are having a field day. Reverend Jerry Falwell points to AIDS as the hand of God striking down the wicked gays and sinful drug users. If Haitians have it, this line of thinking implies, then they must all have 'deviant' sexual practices too, although hemophiliacs may be innocent

victims of God's mysterious plan.

Falwell has no theory as to why lesbians who must be considered 'equally sinful' appear to be relatively immune to AIDS.

AIDS appears to have the scientific community baffled, and while no figures are available, little research money and effort appears to be directed towards changing this situation. Without more concrete information, the scientist can do little to combat the

rise of ignorant prejudice illustrated above.

Gays, however, are not accepting this new attack as being either inevitable or pre-ordained. Many gay leaders have remarked on how the AIDS issue has brought previously closeted, influentially positioned gays out of the closet to fight what they see as a life or death struggle. "I haven't experienced this kind of caring since the early days of gay liberation,"

says Jim Fouratt, a leader of New York's *Wipe out AIDS* group.

'Straights' who fear contamination are suffering from a misapprehension according to recognized medical authorities. Those who continue to fear AIDS might well do best to join the reactivated gay and lesbian communities in demanding more of society's resources be allocated toward discovering a cure for AIDS.

Student Council meets in secret

The approval of a typing service (see story page three), additional funds for club space (see story page one), and a new cabaret policy were overshadowed by Students' Council's use of *in camera* to exclude the press and public from part of Tuesday's meeting.

In camera is a seldom used procedure invoked when an issue comes before Council that is too sensitive to be made public.

The procedure is mentioned nowhere in Robert's Rules of Order, but Speaker Kris Farkas said a precedent had been established in past meetings.

But as much time was spent debating *in camera* itself as the issue at hand.

Ann McGrath was opposed to the idea of going *in camera*. "I've been in camera once before and I don't think there was any good reason to go *in camera*. I don't see very many good reasons for doing it..."

Or as Don Davies more succinctly stated after the meeting, "It's usually a way to cover somebody's ass."

Even SU Business Manager Tom Wright has doubts about *in camera* and says Council could just ask the *Gateway* to withhold certain information.

But SU President Robert Greenhill maintains, "It is necessary for an organization like ours to operate in secret sometimes."

However, it now appears that going *in camera* may have been a wasted effort.

Tom Wright has talked to the appropriate people and prepared a press release. But since Council decided to keep the discussions secret until the next meeting, the SU Executive feels the information

cannot be released until Councillors are notified.

Aside from *in camera* the meeting was notable mainly for a lack of debate.

Motion to grant \$400 to the Hellenic Students Society, \$600 to the Inter-Fraternity Council for their work in Freshman Introduction Week, \$400 to the U of A Group for Nuclear Disarmament, and a motion to approve Paul Alpern's "A Working Guide to Transportation Issues Affecting the University of Alberta" were passed without debate.

One issue that was contentious was the new cabaret policy.

Presently, all clubs who wish to hold a Dinwoodie cabaret must do so in conjunction with the SU. The split is 65-35. This means the SU picks up 35 per cent of all profits or losses.

The policy discussed Tuesday would also allow some of the larger clubs to hold cabarets completely on their own.

Any such club would have to pay a \$1500 fee to the SU. The fee would cover:

- Three bar staff (this would include one person at the door, one at the bar, and one selling tickets. Of course, the club would supply additional volunteer staff).
- One room manager
- Two police (from 10:00 to 1:00 PM)
- Office supplies
- Maintenance and supplies (cups, ashtrays)
- Room rent
- BASS Tickets
- \$300 profit for the SU.

The club would also have to buy alcohol, pay for the band, and advertise.

The policy stated that a \$750 damage deposit must be made three weeks in advance.

Finally, a history of at least one successful Dinwoodie cabaret and a letter of reference would be required.

Don Davies was worried that not many clubs would be able to afford \$1500.

VP Internal Peter Block said the fee was necessary to guarantee the club had "financial solvency" and would not fold if the cabaret lost money.

Smaller clubs would still be able to hold 65-35 cabarets. Rainer Huehel didn't think \$750 was enough of a damage deposit. "What happens if somebody does create a lot of damage?"

Another concern was that larger clubs holding cabarets on their own would squeeze out smaller clubs.

Block then amended the motion so that only two such cabarets could be held in one month.

Huehel didn't think there

Dancing taboo

Hamilton, Ont. (CUP) - Self expression seems to have become taboo at a McMaster University Pub called the Downstairs John.

Laird Raynor, a dramatic arts student, was forcibly removed from the pub recently for dancing in his own unique style.

At first pub manager Harry Mendelson ordered Raynor to sit down because Raynor and fellow student Dave Keyser were "falling down, hitting each other, and running all over the dance floor," Mendelson said.

Raynor said he thought he was asked to sit down because the

should be any restrictions by Dawn Noyes thought two was too many. "I could support one a month but not two," she said.

The motion was amended so that there could only be one a month.

But Robert Greenhill was not pleased. "If we have three or four wonder organizations applying for 100 per cent cabarets I don't think they should be penalized because of the chronological order in which they applied. If the large groups are involved, it doesn't matter whether it is a 65 per cent or a 100 per cent cabaret."

Dave Koch then made another amendment, "that we give out a maximum of twelve (100 per cent cabarets) a year."

And then, just as things were getting really exciting, the meeting was automatically adjourned at 9:30 - not even half way through the agenda.

pub manager was afraid "two males dancing together might get punched out."

Raynor and Keyser returned to their seats, but a few minutes later Raynor got up to dance with a woman student, Connie Quehl. As the two danced, Mendelson confronted them with two bouncers, who took Raynor's arms and removed him from the pub.

Mendelson said he didn't take "offense to anyone having too many (drinks), but this guy (Raynor) was really out of hand and he might have been on pot."

Raynor said drugs had nothing to do with his actions.