

Our respective presidents are having oral problems,

and it's not bad breath.

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CAUT denies agreement with Partridge on internal tribunal



Student senator Angle Esposito couldn't decide whether to participate in the overnight MacLaurin sit-in. But he wore his pajamas and took an overnight bag just in case. He's seen here with one foot pointed homeward, one foot pointed toward the action. photo by Mark Hume

Students turned out in force last Friday to vote overwhelmingly in favour of asking for Bruce Partridge's resignation or dismissal from his position.

The voter turnout was the highest on record, with 54 percent of the students casting ballots during the four hour referendum.

Over 91 percent of those voting rejected the "university" position by supporting the CAUT proposals for an outside tribunal. Almost 70 percent voted for Partridge's dismissal or resignation.

Later that afternoon, the Faculty Association met to discuss the CAUT proposals. They too voted overwhelmingly to support the CAUT stand.

As the faculty members left the meeting, students gave them a standing ovation and a loud cheer went up when Dr.

Students want Partridge out; other ballots indicate faculty and student support for outside tribunal

Bill Goede flashed the victory sign.

The Faculty Association vote followed the circulation of a petition amongst faculty, stating that the administration should adopt the

CAUT proposals.

As of Wednesday, March 31, the petition had been signed by over half the faculty, a net gain of about 40 or 50 since the Faculty Association meeting.

CAUT President Gordin Kaplan has contradicted a statement made by President Partridge concerning the CAUT position on appointing an outside tribunal to hear the cases of Drs. Jain and Goede, and Mr. Graff.

At a special breakfast meeting Tuesday morning in the Faculty Club, Partridge reportedly told the gathering of UVic's full professors that the CAUT had agreed privately with him that an internal tribunal would be acceptable to CAUT if the full professors agreed to choose from among themselves, people to sit on a hearing committee.

According to a reliable source, several of the full professors expressed doubt that CAUT would agree to such a thing; however, Partridge assured them that they had agreed.

Kaplan, reached for comment by telephone, said from Ottawa "I did not commit CAUT to that plan. I had no authority to do it and I did not."

Kaplan, along with the chairman of the Academic Freedom and Tenure committee of the CAUT, and another member of the National Executive Council

met informally with Partridge, some of the Deans, and some of the Board members Saturday. It was at this meeting that Partridge claims the CAUT agreed to an internal tribunal instead of an impartial external tribunal as proposed in the CAUT recommendations.

However, Kaplan said "we met with Partridge to give him our informal reaction to a plan which he wished us to consider. We did not commit CAUT because we had no authority to do so. We did not consider any specific proposal."

"CAUT favours an external tribunal but we would consider any internal tribunal whose membership was composed fairly."

Negotiations broke off between the university and CAUT two weeks ago and the executive of the CAUT will be considering a recommendation of censure this weekend.

Another interesting footnote: Before leaving the meeting with Partridge last Saturday, the AF&T Chairman of CAUT, Dr. Mallach, told Partridge "we have agreed to nothing, as no proposal was made to us."

McKinnon survives tense RA vote

AMS President Ian McKinnon survived a bitterly debated non-confidence motion in tense meeting of the Representative Assembly last Sunday.

The motion, which came to a 14-23 vote after more than three hours of debate, was the second such move against McKinnon since his appointment March 1st.

On March 14th he rode out a similar censure motion on an 8-12-1 vote.

During the three-and-a-half hours of debate, that followed Brian Green's motion, McKinnon heard a large variety of charges levelled against him.

He was accused of "plotting" with the administration against the RA, failing to represent the students, vacillating on crucial issues, and generally of abusing his office.

"In answer to all the charges, if that's what they are, not guilty," said McKinnon in defence of his position.

"I stand on my record.

"I do not believe that the charges levelled against me warrant my resignation."

Green kicked off the attack on McKinnon, introducing his motion by charging that "McKinnon's policies have been like a grandfather clock's pendulum - swinging from one side to the other".

Several other members of the RA, and a number of 150 students which packed the upper lounge, also spoke out against the President.

Third year rep. Derry McDonnell charged McKinnon with making misleading statements to the press. In a recent Colonist story McKinnon had said that members of the Steering Committee had threatened him.

McDonnell demanded to know who had made the threats, and what the nature of those threats had been.

"Nature of the threat was physical harm to my person" said McKinnon, but refused to

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2000 hear Board speak

by Dave Climenhaga

A crowd of almost 2000 students gathered for three hours in front of the MacLauren building Thursday afternoon to hear about fifteen speakers support or attack a motion asking the Board of Governors to request President Partridge's resignation.

Later in the evening about 200 students held a sit-in in the MacLauren lobby and remained there through the night.

The afternoon meeting started late even though crowds had begun to gather well before twelve-thirty. It was opened by Paul Watson who told the crowd that he was so frustrated he was "sweating blood."

He said that last week "went right into the garbage can", and accused the administration of being only open for enquiries that didn't concern itself.

After a few more speakers, Norm Wright declared the university an "open university."

"You can take it, it is your university, I hope you do", he said.

"I think we've reached the point where none of the log-jams in the faculty, administration, or the community can be solved without the president leaving", he added.

After Wright spoke a large number of students mounted the podium to give their opinions of the situation. The most interesting views were advanced by Ty Lewis who suggested that since "this university doesn't relate to anything at all human" students should boycott their own exams, and by Nigel Banks who said "students who don't like it here should leave."

Earlier in the meeting there had been a physical split in the meeting when students supporting the anti-Partridge motion had moved to the right of the podium and those opposing it moved to the left.

About sixty percent of the students at the meeting supported the motion.

The meeting really began to move when Justin Harbord, a local insurance company president and a member of the board of governors, addressed the crowd.

He began by saying that UVic is an excellent university and telling several hecklers to "just shut up for a minute and listen".

He continued saying the president is a "very, very fine man" and that any suggestion anyone of the professors weren't getting a fair hearing was simply "malarkey".

Addressing the crowd as "yahoos" and "you characters" he said the reason UVic was facing censure by CAUT was very simple to see because "the CAUT is a union."

He also said that if the faculty voted non-confidence in the president at a faculty meeting scheduled for Friday he would "ignore them".

Harbord was followed by Gilbert Auchinleck, another board member who is a senior B.C. Hydro official.

Auchinleck defended president Partridge saying "no one man at any university is going to do everything right."

He drew jeers from the crowd in an exchange with Bill Goede, when Goede asked him to state the reasons he had been denied tenure.

Goede said he had been supported in his case for tenure by his department, the dean's advisory committee, and the CAUT but had never "been given one reason" why he was turned down.

He asked Auchinleck if he knew why he had been denied tenure. Auchinleck said he did but refused to comment for "ethical" reasons, drawing jeers from the crowd.

When clouds covered the sun and temperatures dropped many students began to leave, so Norman Wright called a recess in the meeting until seven o'clock in the MacLauren lobby when students would be addressed by members of the faculty association.

He added that ballots would be prepared for Friday's referendum of non-confidence in the president during the night and the referendum would be held on Friday morning.

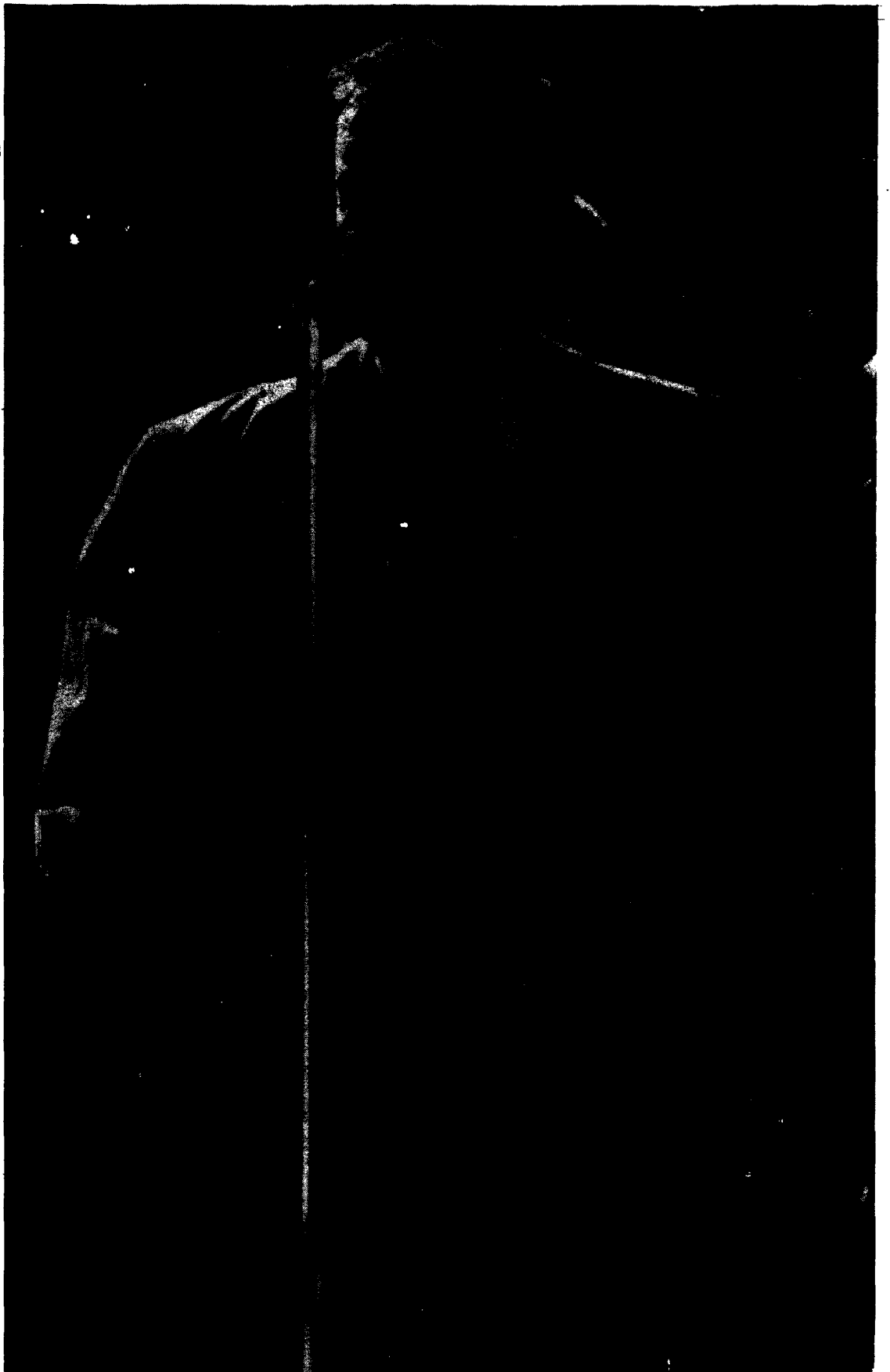
About 400 students as well as some members of the community attended the evening meeting in the MacLauren lobby to hear several speakers, among them Don Harvey, the president of the Faculty Association.

About half of the students and five or six faculty members spent the night in the building discussing the situation, singing songs, and drinking purloined beer.

By seven Friday morning there were only about sixty protesters remaining.



Board member Gilbert Auchinleck photo by Les Laronde



Justin Harbord said students "don't have the guts" to burn buildings.

photo by Les Laronde

Sharits' films to be shown next week

Three incredible films will be shown next Thursday, April 8th, and according to Visual Arts Professor Dana Atchley, "they'll blow a lot of minds."

The films, "Ray Gun Virus", "T,O,U,C,H,I,N,G", and "Razor Blades" were made by Paul Sharits, considered one of the brightest young film-makers in the world. All three flicks have received rave reviews. The New York Museum of Art said about the fourteen minute film "Ray Gun Virus" that "with films like RGV, LSD may become obsolete."

"Razor Blades", a twin-screen 'flicker' film that boggles mind and eye ...

assaults the eye with contradictory, Strobe-lit patterns, images, designs and colours that, projected on two adjacent screens, fluctuate in intensity with the rhythms of the light flashes ... Compared to Tony Conrad's 'The Flicker' and Michael Snow's 'Wavelength', 'Razor Blades' is a kind of 'Ben-Hur' of structural films, employing not only abstract designs but also little, almost Vanderbeekian cutouts of identifiable things (a strawberry sundae, a penis) and people (a man apparently cutting his wrist). The effect is extraordinarily unsettling as the mind tries desperately to

make intelligent connections between recognizable images, while at the same time it automatically falls into the pace of the light explosions ... Just where films such as 'Razor Blades' might lead, I've no idea. It may be, of course, that they don't have to lead anywhere. In any case I'm glad that the American Film Institute has seen fit to sponsor Sharits, and that the Whitney has elected to show the results..."

Vincent Canby, in THE NEW YORK TIMES

The films will be shown at 8:00 p.m. next Thursday in Elliot 167.

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An Open Letter to the University Community

Consider a President who uses disreputable degrees. Why he got them once upon a time is irrelevant to his administrative capability. Nonetheless, a basic prerequisite to good administration is trustworthiness, and the use of disreputable degrees — while not strictly dishonest — is grossly misleading, because it suggests that the man in fact bears the qualifications associated with bona fide degrees. Bruce Partridge's use of disreputable degrees is an abuse of the University's good faith and at least jeopardizes the trustworthiness essential to his job.

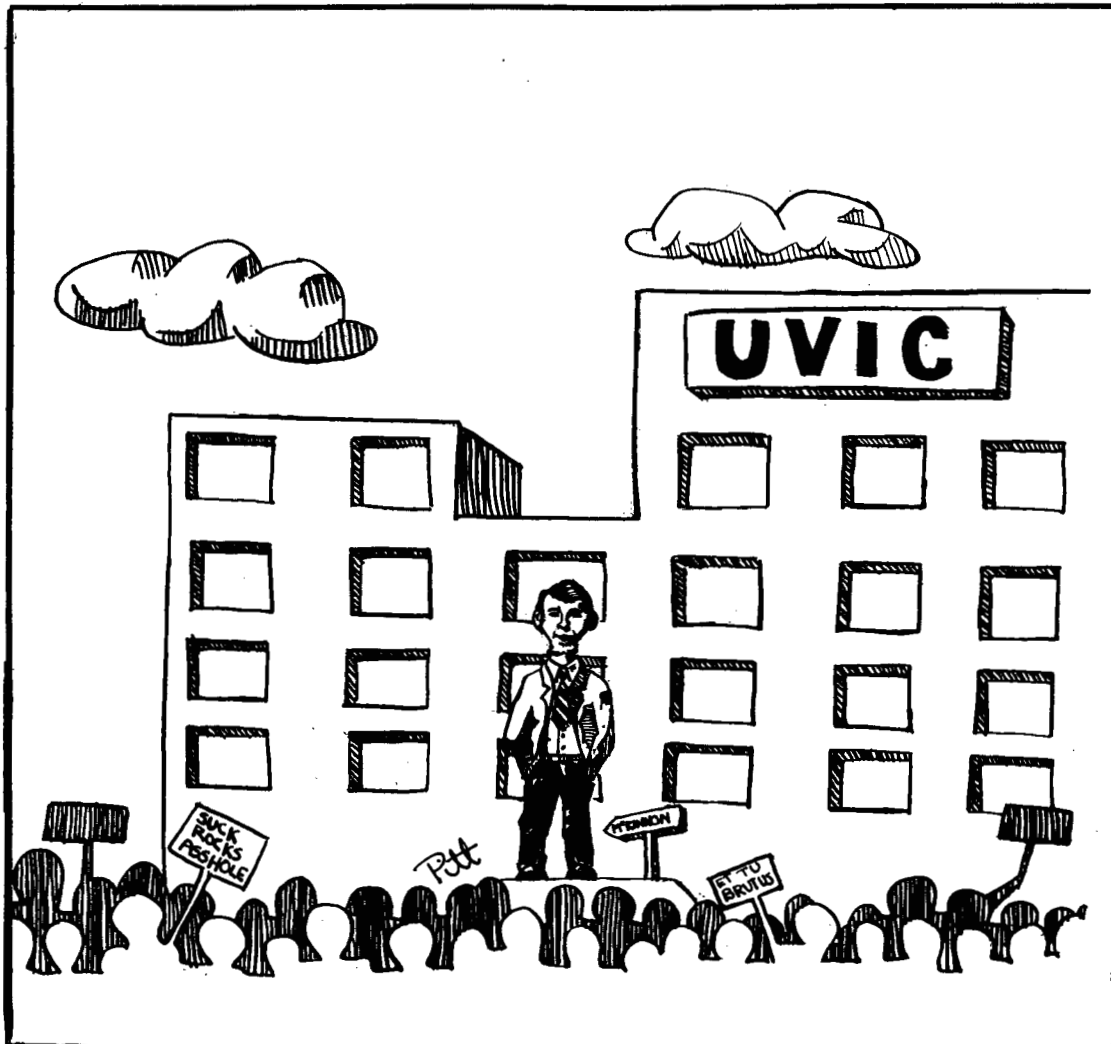
Consider next a decision-making apparatus in which persons are judged by criteria that, in the final analysis, are beyond scrutiny. In the cases before this campus today, according to the CAUT, departmental and advisory committee decisions have been overturned on such secret criteria. The men do not face their judges and their judges refuse to discuss the situation with the men. This is a splendid apparatus for relieving administration of responsibility for its decisions. The President can act capriciously without fear of appeal and, in conjunction with chairmen and deans, can let those lower levels recommend for tenure and promotion men whom they do not genuinely support — recommend them, moreover, confident that the President will reverse their decisions and spare them the uncomfortable task of dealing honestly with the men in question. This is an inquisitorial arrangement. Still, no one can deny that it is within the President's authority under the Universities Act and the Tenure Document. What is plainly open to question, however, is the President's judgment in relying on this Kafkian device. Judgment is fully as prerequisite to good administration as is trustworthiness, and unless we mock the democratic fundamentals of justice, we must consider that any administrator who uses such power is exercising monstrous judgment.

Consider finally a President who makes a decision and holds it unswervingly. Either he is a man of heroic conviction or he is paralyzed by fear or the knowledge that his position is unworkable. The diagnostic test here is the nature of his response to criticism. If he holds to his position with the passion of Saint Joan, he will not hesitate to justify his decision before the public or a tribunal responsive to the public interest. But if his position is governed by fear or the unreasonableness of his position, he will at all cost insist on the legitimacy of that invisibility cloak called confidentiality. In either case, the man may be unable to sustain his position — some will argue, after all, that Joan herself lost. But, while we may or may not approve of the Joans in this world, we can never sanction the rigidity inspired by fear or an unjust position. The administration of Bruce Partridge, in press releases during the past months, has consistently fallen into the wretched category of paralyzed rigidity, whatever its motivation. And if we condemn an administration for lack of trustworthiness and lack of judgment, we must consider tetanic inflexibility as another mark against it.

We need a new administration and decent treatment of the men whose careers are threatened. Months of protest have been of no avail and have left at least one vocal Governor solidly behind the President. Letters in the press welcome faculty protest resignations as a weeding-out of the "undesirables" who attack authority. There have always been administrations that would quote Socrates at Convocation and throttle him in private. There is always the nightmare of a Board delighted at last with a University run as a super-market, an intellectual desert that develops one's thinking as profoundly as a stroll through K-Mart.

One thing is clear. Each member of faculty must either state his position regardless of the consequences or must equivocate with an academic benefit/cost analysis. The ingenuity of faculty at calculating expedients cannot be imagined. It can be surpassed only by the ease with which they can take the truth and maul it beyond their own recognition. This is rank cowardice disguised with academic aplomb. If a Doctor of Philosophy will not stand for a just cause and if the faculty of this University spins this crisis into the gossamer games at which it is past-master, they — individually and collectively — disgrace themselves and the idea of the University.

B. Wallach
 Assistant Professor
 Department of Geography



"I stand on my record. Besides, you'll be sorry if you impeach me. 'cause if I go down you can be sure I'll drag that 'steering coommittee' down with me. You're supposed to respect me!"

Letters To The Editor

Partridge principle

Dear Sir:

I thought this would be of interest to the administration and students in view of the letter of "explanation" most of us received yesterday:

"The Principle of the Dangerous Precedent is that you should not now do an admittedly right action for fear you, or your equally timid successors, should not have the courage to do right in some future case, which, EX HYPOTHESI, is essentially different, but superficially resembles the present one. Every public action which is not customary either is wrong, or, if it is right, is a dangerous precedent. It follows that nothing should ever be done for the first time.

(F.M. Cornford)
 W. Roy Moore
 A & S 3

Oust McKinnon

Dear Sir:

Until very recently I was one of the large number of students on this campus who concern themselves, like good little children, with their books and lessons and left campus politics to those who apparently had time on their hands. It would now appear that I and the likes of me shall be hoist with our own pelard.

We have, thanks to our disinterest and apathy, let the student body be saddled with a president who seems to lack the qualities of leadership and

integrity necessary for that post in these troubled times.

I received the first hint of my error when I read in an issue of the Martlet that Mr. McKinnon had taken it upon himself to contact a member of the university administration (!) when the Representative Assembly passed motions critical of that body. Strange behaviour in any student, but especially in a student president.

Mr. McKinnon's behaviour, or rather the lack of it, at the mass rally of March 25th confirmed my worst suspicions. He just wasn't there. That meeting was dominated by the Steering Committee, with whose stand Mr. McKinnon was not in accord, or was he? Why was he not up there arguing? Surely he could have picked holes in the arguments presented there. He could have endeavoured to lead those present away from the tactics of confrontation there proposed. Instead, he chose to dispense a few minutes work of meaningless prattle, amplified with a snide remark or two, and to remain in anonymous silence for the remainder of the time.

Leadership, in my opinion, consists of trying to give direction to the aims of the led, not of passively waiting for "the will of the majority". It certainly does not consist of running to Big Daddy for consultation, nor of releasing insinuating statements, however well-founded, to the local press.

During the mass rally, the suggestion was made that Mr. McKinnon should share the intended fate of his opposite number in the University administration. If this suggestion should ever be put

as a formal motion, I, for one, would most heartily second it.

J. Scheffer
 AS 4.

Heads!! take note

Dear Sir:

This is a warning to all drug users. There is reason to believe that a certain female student at UVic is probably a narcotics agent or at least working as an informer. She has already bought a quantity of grass off at least one person and has attempted to get information from me as to where she could obtain a large quantity of drugs.

— Paranoid

(If you want the chicks description come into the Martlet office. - editors note)

Recognize students, faculty

Dear Sir:

I do not feel that Derry McDonnell's motion regarding President Partridge should have been brought to a vote. I feel that the risk of an administrative vacuum and the consequent loss of confidence of the students, community, faculty and other academics is too great to attempt to force the resignation of the President and as a corollary, the Board of Governors. The reputation

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of this university as a stable academic institution could drop to virtually nothing so that our degrees wouldn't be worth the paper they are written on.

On the other hand, the situation as it now exists cannot continue, as we are all aware. If President Partridge and the Board do not recognize the fact that the social benefits of an academic institution must take precedence over any private considerations, a complete administrative and academic collapse on this campus is only a matter of time. They do not realize that, unlike a private firm whose only social considerations need be the creation of a market for their product, an academic institution must exist entirely for the society in which it is created. That is not to promote the idea of a "degree mill". Rather, we must strive toward a better social order as well as political and economic ones.

I see only two ways for the university to continue with any sort of integrity and, unfortunately, they are both up to the administration. The Board of Governors and the President must either recognize the students and faculty as viable forces to be taken into account in their decisions, in future as well as in the present situation, which appears extremely unlikely, or they must step down and make way for a smooth transition to a more reasonable administrative. I emphasize SMOOTH transition for that is not what was implied by the motion.

W. Roy Moore
A & S 3

RA disgusting

Dear Sir:

This letter is in response to a most disgusting event which we witnessed at the Representative Assembly Meeting held on March 28, 1971. At that meeting a representative of the United Farm Workers asked that a motion be passed supporting the lettuce worker's cause for better working conditions. In effect, this motion simply stated that the Representative Assembly should approach the food services on campus and request they boycott non-union lettuce and that R.A. Members themselves follow the same course of action. We assumed this motion would be passed unanimously and were amazed when two Members (possibly there were three) of the Representative Assembly, Nigel Banks and Peter Cruise, voted against this motion.

These Members cannot defend themselves on the grounds of lack of knowledge concerning the lettuce boycott as the Farm Workers Representative clearly outlined the intolerable working conditions of the lettuce workers. Are these two Members so small that they

cannot support an action which would help further the cause of the lettuce workers? Possibly if they experienced the same deplorable conditions as the lettuce workers i.e., long hours, low wages, unsanitary working conditions, and suffered from the harmful effects of pesticides, they would reconsider their vote.

Sincerely,
Robert Chesley
Geography Laboratory
Instructor.

Pam Chesley
5th Yr. Secondary
Education.

Eat it

Dear Sir:

One day in a lotus garden, a master known far and wide for his great wisdom was approached by a novice who asked how he, too, might be wise. "My wisdom," replied the master, "derives solely from my daily partaking of the gems of wisdom." So saying, the master brought forth a small pouch. Taking the pouch, the novice withdrew from it a number of small brown balls which he ate with much eagerness. As the master watched, the novice soon slowed in his greedy repast and his face grew dark. "Oh, master," the novice cried as he spat out the remaining pellets, "these gems of wisdom are but balls of parrot dung!" Where upon the master departed saying, "Behold, O seeker of knowledge, your wisdom has already increased considerably!"

Motto: You must be a student who can eat shit before you can learn. It does not have to be parrot shit. Partridge shit will do just as well!!!!

S.C.
Arts and Science 2

A fairy tale

Dear Sir:

Once upon a time in a little village by the sea there was a college. This college had in it a very few Good and Creative Politicians, some Old Men, and a Student Body that got upset enough every once in a while to ask for (and usually get) some changes made. The College, in fact, was only saved from total mediocrity by its unusually high number of Good and Kind People.

Like the Little Old Victorian City which supported it, it was a Little Old Victorian College, which had as little as possible to do with people and ideas from Out There. In fact, it had been 1913 there for the last 50 years.

One day the Council of Elders which met in the City decided that the Little Old

College should become a Shiny New University, so the Students of the City would not have to go Out There to get their Degrees. So the Council gave the little College much money and told them to buy a lot of buildings and teachers and start acting like a Big School. And the College did go and built many imposing edifices and hired many teachers from Out There. Because they couldn't be too choosy, there were many Politicians in the new teachers, but there were also some Good and Creative People, so the Nearly-a-University felt satisfied. It felt so good, indeed, that it went Out There and hired a President.

Well, the Politicians and the New Politicians soon began a Power Struggle. It seemed the only thing they could agree on was that the President Had To Go. And the Student Politicos, who had decided that they had to act like grown-up Student Politicos Out There, thought to get excited too. So the Politicians of All Kinds started beating the Drums and saying that Things Had to Change. All the Good and Kind People and all the Good and Creative People thought this was All Wrong, but they didn't think they should Get Involved. Eventually the President left. People began to wonder if it was still 1913.

While one of the Good and Kind People acted as President, the University looked for a new one. It decided that, whoever he was, he should be someone who could keep the Politicians in Line. Meanwhile the Politicians were drawing up a Document to Keep the President in Line.

After the New President arrived from Out There, he began to make enemies among the Politicians because he Went His Own Way. Eventually, the University made some decisions under the Document which asked some teachers to Leave. Some were Good People, some Politicians, and some Very Ordinary. The Politicians jumped on their soapboxes and said the New President was Conducting a Purge and that he had not Obeyed the Document. The New President said he had. Then the Politicians began to beat the Drums again, and the Student Politicos, smelling new Blood, began to get excited as they had before. And all the Politicians told the people of the Little Old City that the New President was wrong and evil because he had fired someone, and besides, how could he judge teachers — he wasn't a Good and Creative Person or a Good and Kind Person or an Old Man or even a Politician — he was a PHONEY. And besides, said all the TRUE BLUE Politicians, the New President was from OUT THERE.

The New President, who had made the decisions after talking with his Senior People, began to feel Pushed to a Wall, and said he wouldn't change his mind. The Student Politicos got together and convinced the the other students that all the people who were being Purged were Good and Creative People,

and that the New President was All To Blame. So the Students marched around and told the New President off. But he still wouldn't change. Then the Politicians called in the Council of Politicians from Way Out There, and the Council told the New President that if he didn't change, they would tell everyone Out There what a Bad Place the University was. But the New President still wouldn't change, because he felt that doing this would undermine the Established Basis of Justice in the University.

People began to wish it was still 1913.

So the Politicians of all Kinds were Screaming, and the New President was Standing Firm. And a lot of Other Students and Teachers were wondering what to do, because they believed that the New President was basically All Right, but wished he'd change his mind because SOME of the people leaving were Good People. Meanwhile, the people of the Little Old City and many of the people Out There had decided that, whatever the Council of Politicians decided, the University was a Bad Place and should at best be ignored.

And all the Good and Kind People had died or gone away, and now all the Good and Creative People were leaving the University That Once Was a College, because it was no longer a Good Place To Be. Soon the College That Once Was a University had nobody left but the Old Men and The Politicians.

Because while no-one at the College was looking, it had become 1919.

— the Friar

Who won what?

Dear Sir:

So we won. What have we won? We have not corrected the system against which we are fighting, we have merely symbolically sacrificed a figurehead. We have not avoided the censure of our University by the C.A.U.T. nor

did we strike a victorious blow for Canadian nationalism by trying to rid ourselves of a "Yank" president. We did, however, allow ourselves to be sidetracked from the real issues and the things that can and should be changed.

We have not by our votes coerced Partridge into accepting the C.A.U.T.'s proposals, but rather have widened the gap between students and administration. We have placed ourselves as students on one side and Partridge on the other. If Partridge persists in his rejection of the proposals he will continue to be an enemy of the students. If the administration withdraws its decision Partridge will not have gained the approval of the students but will have become a loser whose only recourse, considering his inevitable loss of authority, would be to resign. We have helped to produce a stalemate.

The tenure document itself is what should be under scrutiny rather than the hands which are utilising it. An appeal board should be allowed for in the structure of the University. Steps should be taken to correct the situation in which the various decision-making bodies allow one man to take the brunt of the responsibility for rulings in which they each played a large part. We should be working constructively towards a stronger, saner, more vocal student voice in the affairs that mold our University.

Respectfully yours,

Judy Belton A&S 1
Kathy Belton A&S 1

Voting honest?

Dear Sir:

One can not help but become cynical over the results of Friday's vote given the circumstances under which it arose. At the mass meeting our alleged campus "radicals" attempted to ram down the students' throat the idea that the President should

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resign. However, much to their dismay, those present at the rally were split about 60-40. Their (campus "radicals") subsequent confusion and final rewording of the motion helps to point out their lack of objectivity, even to the point of not providing for legitimate abstentions. They were not prepared to consider the other side as they thought there was no other side.

Moreover, given the importance of the issue one wonders why the polls were only open from 8:00 a.m. to noon; furthermore why there was not a short flyer issued on Friday announcing the coming vote and having the voting on Monday? Given such short notice of an important voting issue one can in no way legitimately infer that the non-voting 50 percent did so out of

apathy and that these results are indicative of student sentiment. We also wonder if the voting was carried out in a truly honest manner.

Peter Weir, 4th A&S
David McHaffie, 4th A&S
and Vice-President, 1971 Grad Class

An apathetic student writes

Dear Sir:

Being apathetic science students, my friends and I have neither the interest nor the time to become involved in student politics. We apathetically do our daily work, content in the fact that other universities and the government will recognize

our degrees, and so we must apologize for our ignorance of some of the issues.

On my way past the mass rally held last Thursday, a student politician was addressing the gathering and made the good point that President Partridge was an American and had based all of his judgements on the American legal and cultural system. He strongly urged the resignation of the President as he had not interpreted the spirit of contracts in a Canadian manner.

I wonder if the student newspaper staff could research the figures on the number of the 9 professors that are either American citizens, or have lived and received their education in the States. Surely these prof's knew what to expect from an American lawyer (sic) like President Partridge.

Sincerely yours,

D. Smith
A & S

Miller drumming support for Pres.?

An open letter to Dr. H.M. Miller, (Theatre)

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Dear Dr. Miller:

C'mon Dr. Miller, asking the tenants of your apartment building to sign a petition favoring the Partridge administration is a bit -uhhh

desperate. Most of those individuals are really in the dark — so how can they decide on something like that? C'mon now, there's more than one way to get a Partridge in a pear tree.

John M. Polkinghorne
5th Yr. Unclassified

"not a fly, but a Partridge in the ointment"

— A statement by an "outside agitator"

I am an "outside agitator", no longer directly involved in the affairs of the university (having finished my degree requirements in Summer Session '70) but still concerned in the university community if for no other reason that my friends are here.

I have a stake in the shenanigans of this spring because I still don't have That Piece Of Paper; since I completed my courses last summer I'm due to graduate this spring. Until sometime early this year, I was convinced the degree was meaningless and worthless. I was wrong about that. My degree is a statement of faith in the principles of academic freedom, justice, intellectual honesty, moral courage and others like them.

No-one is surprised when The Esteem'd Preem, or The Rev. Brothers, Minister To Education does or says something further in what must be considered a remarkable series of error compounded upon inanity. Politicians and drummers are assholes, that's fairly common knowledge and no-one is much surprised when they demonstrate it (again).

I would be surprised if there were any truth to the rumour, then, that there is overt collusion between the President of this university and his Unanimous Board, and the Socreds. So far none of the people involved has demonstrated enough intelligence to successfully participate in, let alone mastermind such a plot.

Yet it is true that the President has been given royal treatment and megabucks in an apparently unending stream, that he has hired confederates and done his level best to destroy this as a university, and it seems he is not in the least afraid of pushing the students and faculty to the point of physical violence in an effort to accomplish his aims. And the Socreds, and the Board, have openly and publicly backed him. But even considering the Socreds' actions at SFU as part of the pattern, I still don't believe it.

I mean, if you believe the "plot" business, you are pretty well committed to believing that somebody is also paying Ian J. and 22 other members of the R.A. But anyone who was at the meeting Sunday night will agree that the Assembled Members are much too stupid to do what they were doing for money. Not even Justin Harbord would pay them, not even Leslie Peterson.

Which bring me, finally, to my point. Now that I know my degree has some meaning, I want it, because I value what it means. But there is, not a fly, but literally a Partridge in the ointment. His signature negates everything that degree means to me, because the actions of Mr. President and His Boys, The Unanimous Board, directly oppose the fundamental principles of the academic community, the principles my degree represents. He doesn't believe in those principles; how can he sign degrees, even as a witness?

I didn't kill myself getting the necessary units of credit, but I worked hard enough for my degree that I have trouble seeing the humour in this particular absurdity. To be brief; if I can't have it signed by someone like Dean Wallace, someone whose signature is more or less in accord with what the thing means (and I chose Dean Wallace as the best example I could think of), I'm quite sure I don't want it.

I am sure whoever is in charge of such matters will be more than happy to disregard my wishes; it's a lot of trouble to scrub off the President's printed signature and have someone else sign, just for one crackpot, one Prissy Moralist. But I don't believe I'm the only one, and if enough people complained, something might be done.

To which I would add, that the situation looks pretty hopeless; it seems at least three courageous men, one of whom taught the best course I had in this place, are condemned without a fair hearing. We are being told in no uncertain terms, and hardly for the first time, that intellectuals and academics are not wanted here; the public-supported Ministry of Indoctrination wishes the Party Line implanted in every Educated head. I for one, have no intention of staying until things get violent; none of the people involved, including those three, is worth a drop of anyone's blood, not even a policeman's, not even if we win. But I have invested a lot of time and a lot of money, and I think what I'm asking is a small satisfaction for the price.

Ernie Harper

ANNOUNCEMENT

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OPENING OF ADVISING CENTRE

The Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science wishes to announce that an Advising Centre has been established on Campus in order to assist students in planning programmes for the B.A. or B.Sc. degree and in selecting courses.

The Advising Centre will be staffed by members of the Faculty, co-ordinated by Dr. E.N. Foord (formerly of the Counselling Centre). The permanent location for the Advising Centre will be in the MacLaurin Building, but temporarily it will occupy space in the Counselling Centre.

All students in the Faculty wishing to discuss academic plans are invited to come to Room 107, Clearihue or to telephone campus locals 347 or 348 for an appointment.

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RA agrees to boycott lettuce — humane conditions sought

People who like salads ought to take care that they buy only "Union Label" lettuce.

The lettuce boycott has replaced the grape boycott as the latest struggle for human working conditions for farm workers. The grape strike was won last year as all the major grape producers signed contracts with the union.

Sunday night the Representative Assembly voted to boycott non-union lettuce. From now on, your cheeseburger will have union

lettuce, if you buy it in the SUB.

Pamela Smith, a British Columbia spokesman for the Farm Workers' Lettuce Boycott, spoke to the RA asking for their support.

Until recently, the monolithic Teamsters Union claimed jurisdiction over the farm workers and did nothing to improve working conditions for the farm labourers. However, the recent press release from the Boycott committee indicates that the Teamsters have agreed to

acknowledge the jurisdiction of the Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO over all farm workers.

The new union is supporting the workers in their struggle for toilets and drinking water, bans on exploitation of child labour, bans on dangerous pesticides, a stable wage, job security and the right to build their own union.

Boycott non-union lettuce. Approved lettuce is the same price and contains a union label with the symbol of an eagle. Viva la Causa! Venceremos.

Shades of Zorro!

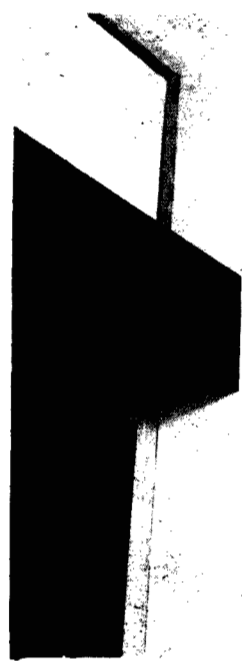


Photo by Les Laronde

Picture a 56-year-old full professor of Chemistry sliding down a rope from the third floor of the Elliot Building to the ground below. Incredible as it seems, Dr. Stephen Ryce of the Chemistry Department is quite prepared to make like Zorro's grandad should the occasion arise.

Why? Well, it seems to be part of the departmental paranoia over Dr. Tikam Jain, the natural products chemist being denied tenure because of "incompatibility".

With the approval of then Chemistry Head Riddiford, Dr. Jain in 1968 began carrying out large scale extraction experiments with solvent. The fun began when Dr. Ryce, who is now Head,

freaked at the thought. Ryce felt that since Victoria is in an earthquake zone, Jain shouldn't conduct the experiments. Coupled with this was Ryce's fear that such overnight experiments would lead to the danger of fire.

Apparently Jain passed along Ryce's objections to Riddiford, who advised him to disregard Ryce. The result was that Ryce installed a length of nylon rope in his office for escape purposes should there be an earthquake or conflagration.

There has been no fire, no earthquake, and Dr. Jain has published numerous papers in international journals as a result of his experiments.

UVic 'disassociated' say Theatre students

A number of Theatre students are charging the Victoria Fair is being disassociated from the university.

UVic helps to finance the production, and credits are being given to students who are working in or for the play "Justice Not Revenge", which will be part of the Fair production this summer.

Much of the advance publicity, however, has failed

to make any mention of the university's contributions, say students.

Posters and flyers advertising the play, which is under the direction of Dr. Ralph Allen, make no reference to UVic, charged some students Monday.

Dean Peter Garvie, however, said that that wasn't the case.

"I don't think that's true," he said, "the relationship

between the university and the Victoria Fair is the same this year as it was last."

Garvie said that he thought that the university had been mentioned in the publicity advances.

"I think that it is indicated in the flyer that it ("Justice...") is both a Theatre department production and a Victoria Fair preview," he said.

McKinnon gets by

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mention names, as he said that he feared a slander suit.

McDonnell continued to press the President, and asked if "the threats" had been made "in the heat of an argument".

"That could be, yes," said McKinnon.

At one point a faculty member, Dr. Richard Powers of the Political Science department, asked McKinnon if he had told President Partridge that Powers was manipulating students?"

"I'm quite willing to answer Dr. Powers' question," said McKinnon to the assembly, "I don't think I accused him of anything."

Former AMS President Robert MacDougall had been present, however, when McKinnon had talked to Partridge, and testified that "the sense of the charge" had been that Powers had been "unduly influencing students."

Faculty representative on RA, Dr. L. Wright, spoke in support of McKinnon, saying "The recommendation of a body of this sort (RA) is not going to cut any ice with the Board of Governors unless it can demonstrate that it was made on the bases of logic and not riotously good intent."

"It seems to me that the rage directed at Mr. McKinnon is way off centre."

Wright charged that the motion was "just a ploy on behalf of some people to stir up emotions."

Towards the end of the debate on the motion Derry

McDonnell urged that it be put to the vote.

"This is a disgusting display and I sincerely wish that I did not have to be part of it. I regret that President McKinnon has placed me, and the assembly, in this position."

"I wish that someone would put the question and bring this drawing and quartering to an end."

When the vote did come, the motion was defeated bringing a loud chorus of boos from the gallery.

At the meeting it was decided that a general student meeting should be called on the matter of non-confidence in McKinnon, and it was scheduled for Wednesday afternoon at 12:30.



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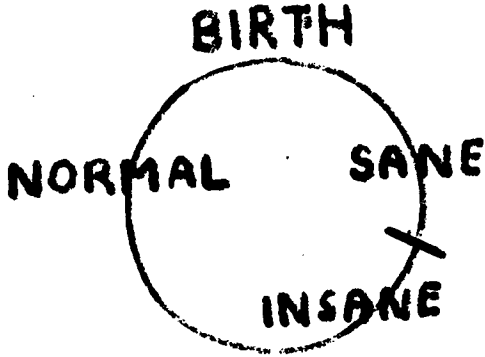
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I remember someone once asking Andy Wernick how he first became a radical. He answered that it was a process, although there were moments that stuck out. The most prominent occurred when he was still a quiet, straight medieval history student at Cambridge. He had gone into London for the original London School of Economics teach-in, and was sitting on the floor of a lecture hall, when the speaker, a young British psychiatrist, walked up to the blackboard and drew this diagram:



"A person is born", he said, pointing to the top of the circle. "The organism, the self, wants to grow and become (pointing clockwise) sane. His parents, however, and the schools and the church, want him to move the opposite way and become normal. Some people become so normal, and are so far from being sane that they go insane; some people are so sane, and so far from normal, that they too might go insane. It may only be a slight jump from insane to sane, but the person's family and the people they hire will try to drag him all the way back around to being normal."

"It blew my mind", Wernick said, "It just blew my mind."

2

EVERY TRIBE, NATION, COMMUNITY, culture or sub-culture has its own wisdom with which it cuts through the jungle of data the world throws up: what's good to eat, what's good for health; who, when and where to touch; when and where to eliminate; what work is; how to decide the use of scarce goods; how to greet strangers; how to deal with differences. The wisdom orders what is done, and also how one sees what is done which perceptions are to be blessed with words like "real", "true", "good", "visionary" and which are to be damned as "bad", "wrong", "deluded" or "crazy".

A new member quickly learns the tribal law — from words, gestures, rituals, commands and soon ceases to think or speak of it as a learning: the wisdom becomes the world, the way it is, what is right, what's natural or normal.

As Orr says in Catch 22, we have flies in our eyes, which we can't see because we have flies in our eyes. A challenge to the tribal wisdom, the "way it is", to our basic assumptions and mental syntax, — the flies in our eyes — is a threatening thing.

In 1970 it is safe to say that the Anglo-American wisdom itself is being challenged: in practice (new patterns of



family, 'marriage', child-raising, eating, work, sex) and in theory. (Marcuse, Watts, Cleaver, Leary, Charles Reich are a representative mixed bag of names). Nowhere, though, is the challenge deeper, more systematic or more threatening, than in the work of a young(ish), Scottish psychiatrist named R. D. Laing.

3

I THINK THE WORLD WOULD be a better place if everyone quit telling everyone else what to do; if teachers talked less and sat around more; if people bearing unsolicited advice took cold showers. And yet I would like you to know about R. D. Laing, or at least that he is there, in paperback. For those who would like to be further introduced, here is a bit of *The Politics of The Family*:

"One is expected to be capable of passion, once married, but not to have experienced too much passion (let alone acted upon it) too much before. If this is too difficult, one has to pretend first not to feel the passion one really feels, then, to pretend to passion one does not really feel, and to pretend that certain passionate upsurges of resentment, hatred, envy, are unreal, or don't happen, or are something else..."

"After this almost complete holocaust of experience on the altar of conformity, one is liable to feel somewhat empty, but one can try to fill one's emptiness with money consumer goods, position, respect, administration, envy of one's fellows for one's business, professional, social success. These, together with a repertoire of distractions, permitted or compulsory, serve to distract one from one's own distractions; and if one finds oneself overworked, under too great a strain, there are perfectly approved additional lines of defence, concoctions to taste of narcotics, stimulants, sedatives, tranquilizers to depress one further so that one does not know how depressed one is..."

4

SOMETHING IS WRONG HERE. I am not happy writing. I want you to know about Laing, about experience, politics, and rules, but I do not know who you are.

It feels out of sequence, like saying "I'm fine" before you ask how I am. I suppose that is the order of writing, yet it harrasses me, because I do not think it is under control, but like some late show substance from outer space, it's got a hold of us and has made us its servant. It has turned us into flatterers.

Print causes deafness. Typewriters steal the soul. Behind the scenes, I am uncomfortable as Hell about going on like this.



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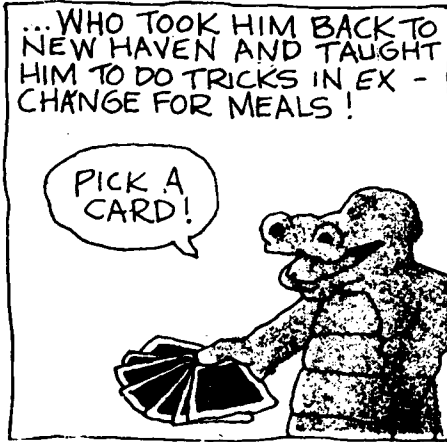
Sometime early in his psychiatric career, Laing realized that normal men had killed 100,000,000 of their fellow nor-

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Bossin takes a trip on the Radical Reptile under

mal men in the last fifty years. His practice began to reflect the realization: 1951: He treated a delusional army private by his listening to his fantasies of himself as Robin Hood and Julius Caesar. He gave companionship and reassurance, no drugs or other treatment. The man got better. 1951-3: He treated a Glasgow mental hospital's twelve worst cases nicely. They got better and went home to their families. 1954: The twelve were back in hospital. Laing thought the families might be what was driving them crazy. He started studying the families of schizophrenics, and decided that, in context, the patients' schizophrenia made a good deal of sense. And much that happened among the normal members of the families was crazy as hell.



6

THE INTELLIGIBILITY OF MENTAL "ILLNESS" and what Freud called *The Psychopathology of Everyday Life* are opposite sides of the same coin. Leaving aside the question of why we do it all to one another — a Marxist would say in the interest of the ruling class, a Freudian, to displace and appease our fathers, a traditional Catholic, original sin — leaving this aside, there is the question of how. Again, it hard to see for the flies in our eyes. We have to look around our way of looking. Laing suggests a perspective from which I have abstracted three central concepts.

Experience:
We can observe another person's behavior but not his experience, the combination of perceptions, thoughts, imagination, fantasies, projections and fears that make up what he sees. For example:

Jack Jr. is Jack and Jackie's son. But he himself may not feel like his parents' child. He may not experience Jack and Jackie as his parents, as related to him, or as anything other than distant strangers. One day he makes public the experience

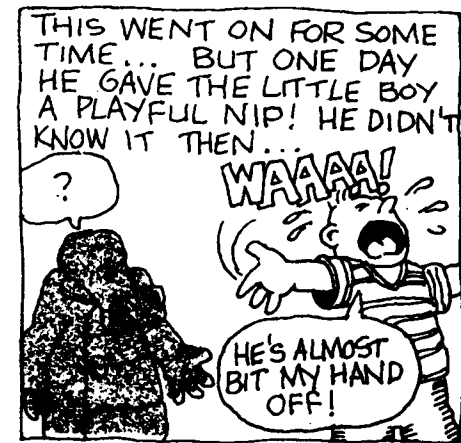
and starts telling people that his parents are not his parents. This is a gross disruption of perceptual tact. The announcement is greeted with horror, or tears, or punishment, or even a trip to a child psychologist — possibly all distort, or better still, forget the experience.

We have learned, effectively, to all but deny the existence of the world of experience, limiting the category "real" to the little area where your and my experiences overlap — the greater the overlap, the more assuredly real.

My friend RoseMarie says that there are so few ghosts in America because our collective disbelief is so strong that it has driven them away. To our loss.

Perhaps one explanation for the wild fancies of madness might be that we may become so far alienated from our experience that our biology, sensing a danger to survival, steps in and takes the matter out of our hands.

"What needs to be explained," Laing writes in *The Politics of Experience* is the failure of so many who embark on the voyage to return from it. Do these persons encounter circumstances in family life or in institutional care so badly maladaptive that even the richest and best organized hallucinatory experience cannot save them?"



7

IT IS EMBARRASSING TO ME to find something clever that someone has said, and then to mutter stupidly, "Isn't that clever?" I do not have to do this, I have my B.A.

The next time I am in a lecture hall I will write blackboard on the blackboard. The next time I see a sign saying "Scenic View" I will throw a rock at it.

8

Politics:
Events occur in social space and often

the moon, and another pointing and another do you see where the pain comes in?"

Sin - The Varsity

R.D. Laing - and Rufus
hands, because he's lived it.

become more understandable when their social space is considered:

"Someone is gibbering away on his knees, talking to someone who is not there. Yes, he is praying. If one does not accord him the social intelligibility of this behaviour, he can only be seen as mad." (Laing again.)

However, social space is also political space: some people tend to have more power than others, and can exercise that power in defining the situation that they and those less powerful then inhabit. Some examples:

In *Rosemary's Baby*, the woman next door insists Rosemary go to Dr. Abe Saperstein, "the best gynaecologist in New York". When Rosemary discovers that he too carries the symbol of the coven of witches she fears are after her child, she rushes from his office and runs to see a young gynaecologist she once met. She presents him with all her evidence. The young doctor is silent, and then says, yes, he believes her; he doesn't believe in witches, but he does believe there are a lot of crazy people in New York. He asks who was Rosemary's previous gynaecologist. She answers, "Dr. Abraham Saperstein".

The young doctor's expression shifts slightly (as the politics of the situation shift completely). Then he tells her to lie down and immediately calls Saperstein about the delusional young woman.

The power of definition is crucial. In the universities, professors and senior administrators defend the university as they have defined it from attacks that become attacks when they are defined that way by professors and senior administrators.

In the family, the parents may have an unmanageable child put in mental hospital and then kept there. (Although a sharp child may manipulate his parents politically as well.)

The teacher's word is taken over the pupil's; the cops' over the suspect's; the husband's (often) over the wife's — so that

a mutual problem of sexual relation becomes her problem of frigidity.

When a mother finds a funny cigarette in her son's pocket, there arises a drug problem. But whose problem is it? The answer is political.

Rules:

Political control is maintained as we all know by laws and rules. However, we do not know all the laws and rules. I do not mean that we simply haven't learned them all, but that, in some cases we have learned not to learn them, (and learned to forget that we learned not to learn them). While this may sound paranoid, it must be admitted that such a system would be convenient.

For a rule, by its nature, implies that if there were no rule, one might want to do what was ruled out. An unknown rule implies no such thing. It isn't even there.



Step one: invalidate the subject's experience.

In *Summerhill*, A. S. Neill talks about giving a kid absolute Hell for not returning his screddriver. There was no moral lesson involved, he assures the reader, Neill just figured that the screw-driver was his, and he wanted it and it wasn't there.

Neill's was a straight forward, honest attack. However, he might easily have, by virtue of his political position, built on it: first, not that Neill was angry, but that the child was wrong, and then, not that the child was wrong, but that the child was wrong — incapable of choosing to do the right thing, a moral (or intellectual) invalid.

"Too young", "Too old", "Only on campus for four years", "Wet behind the ears", these are typical invalidations, telling the subject not just that he is mistaken, but that he is incapable of not being that he must not trust his own experience.

In *The Emperor's New Clothes*, the little boy was not the only one to see the emperor's nakedness; he was the only one who had not yet learned to fully distrust and repress his own perceptions.

The story's denouncement, left out in many versions by the way, has the emperor, returned from the parade, angrily declaring compulsory schooling for all children five to sixteen, and even more schooling after that, to the extent of the family's ability to pay.

Step two: Rule by Attribution:

This is simply the inverse of invalidation. I do not tell you "Do x", but rather I tell you that you are the sort of person who does x.

Try: "Mary is such a good girl, she always does the right thing. Don't you dear?"; "Mary's the best daughter a mother could want. She tells me everything. She knows that no-one knows a girl's mind like her mother. Don't you dear?"; or "Son, you're getting to be a big boy now, and I'm sure you'll be the man your father always knew you would be."

A good rule by attribution is a clean



thing, for it carries no punishment and no negative. I respect or love you for being the kind of person I respect or love. What reason for being anything else?

Nor does rule by attribution have to be tied to words. The most effective form can be conveyed by smiles, looks, cringes, hugs. "Repression of a good deal of infant sexuality", Laing writes in *Politics of the Family*, "is sanctioned, the act of repression is itself denied, and repression, its sanction and the denial of repression, are denied. Nothing has happened. 'I don't know what you are talking about.' For instance who ever heard of a good boy, or a normal man, ever having wanted to suck his father's penis?"

Is it any surprise than, that so many are driven normal?

9

TALKING ABOUT THIS PIECE to a friend today, I remarked that Laing thought Freud was the greatest psychological writer. I told her that Laing thought Freud was the best psychological writer!

A man points to the moon, and another to the man pointing and another to that man. Do you see where the pain comes in?

I spent sunset to sunrise once in a Native American Church peyote ritual. Among others there, was Matt Cohen, who has been an economist, a novelist, a professor and a socialist. He said nothing until near dawn when he said, "I used to believe you could teach people things. I don't believe that now."

And yet my friend was interested to know. Perhaps the part of her that was Freud was happy to know that Laing liked him.

10

"The truth is the lie that enables the species to survive." (Nietzsche) What a relief to come across, say, Nietzsche ... Not because it is necessarily true, but because he was at least able to think and say it before he was carried off to the madhouse. (Laing)

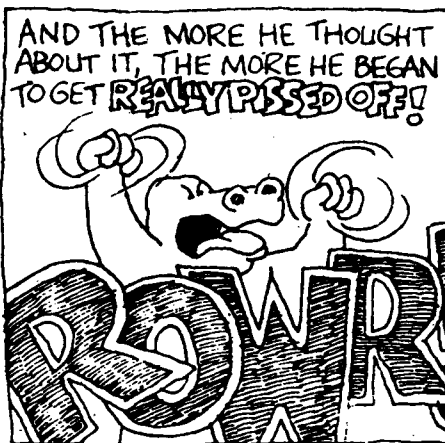
Everywhere I went this past year, I heard that Laing had committed himself to a mental hospital. It was not true. He must not yet have thought and said so much as Nietzsche.

11

HOW MANY HAVE READ THIS FAR? (My phone number is 928-2738, address 631 Spadina Ave.) Because I do not know who you are, I do not know what all this says to you: if it is redundant; if it rings true; if it sounds paranoid, biased or distorted. (If I seem crazy, mind you, remember it is your word against mine.)

A friend gave her father *The Politics of the Family*, which he dismissed saying he had never wanted to suck his father's penis, it was never even a question. A man on a recent t-group weekend said that he was no longer hung up about premarital sex, although his parents, of course, disapproved of it. It had taken time, but he was free of their teachings; casual sex, however, was out of the question.

I suppose Laing points, and I point to his pointing, in order to bring into question what is out of the question. Even then it is as a finger to the moon, it is flattery. But perhaps it is such a long way back to our experience, that even the reassurance of flatterers can be of help.



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Annotated Bibliography:

The Divided Self, Pelican, \$.95: Laing's first book and basic theory about sanity and interpersonal behaviour, as seen in "schizophrenics". It is by far his driest mass-circulation writing. "A book by a very old young man", he wrote in the preface to the second edition.

Sanity, Madness and The Family.

Pelican, \$1.50: accounts of twelve families and how they drove their daughters crazy. *Self and Others*. Tavistock hardback. approx. \$5: Recently revised, the book contains Laing's most thorough airing of the phenomenological (what I called social) perspective on interaction.

The Politics of Experience Penguin. \$.95: the most popular, flashiest, most mind-blowing of Laing's books. Most people's introduction.

The Politics of the Family. CBC \$1.50: absolutely devastating 49 pages that do to the family what Marx did to capitalism. Unfortunately, it is constantly going out of print.

Knots. Methuen. \$.95: Just released this fall, Laing's knots are almost Zen aphorism, social entanglements reduced to pain, for example:

There must be something the matter with him because he would not be acting as he does unless there was therefore he is acting as he is because there is something the matter with him...

Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead by Tom Stoppard, Faber, \$1.35, contains the unicorn passage.

Did the CIA have something to do with Kennedy killing?

Evidence of a right-wing conspiracy to kill U.S. President John F. Kennedy was presented last Monday night by Richard Sprague of the National Committee to Investigate Assassinations.

Sprague, author of two books and numerous magazine articles on the subject, has been investigating photographic evidence of the Kennedy assassination for the past four years.

Until the fall of 1966, few researchers had done work on that aspect of the president's death. According to Sprague the crime was "the most photographed assassination ever recorded".

The official Warren Commission investigating the murder looked at only five per cent of all pictures taken, the FBI ten per cent. Sprague has viewed a majority of the visual evidence.

Those behind the conspiracy were probably members of the National States Rights Party, the CIA and the para-military Minutemen, Sprague said. Before the successful killing in Dallas, previous attempts on Kennedy's life had been made in Chicago, Miami, and New York City.

The CIA's involvement may have begun with a planned invasion of Cuba, set for the fall of 1963. This attack, in the manner of the Bay of Pigs Invasion two years before, was to take place without the knowledge of Kennedy. The raid was cancelled when he made the discovery. Sprague believes that some of the disgruntled

CIA members in training for the invasion were part of the Dallas assassination team. Sprague said, "I think one of the things that led to his (Kennedy's) death was his attitude to the CIA."

Lee Harvey Oswald was not the president's murderer stated Sprague. Oswald had been a paid informer for the CIA since 1959 and for the FBI since 1962, said Sprague and two days before Kennedy died, Oswald sent a message to FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover in Washington, informing him of the time and manner in which the president was to be killed.

The former Dallas chief of police, now working with Sprague's committee, believes he can prove evidence of a conspiracy to kill John Kennedy. It is probable that elements within the Dallas police department planted and altered evidence near the site of the killing in

order to frame Lee Harvey Oswald, said Sprague.

Lyndon Johnson knew of the conspiracy by the afternoon of the day Kennedy died, as a message was radioed from the Pentagon in Washington that day stating that there was no conspiracy, that Lee Harvdy Oswald was the lone assassin. In 1969, Johnson was questioned about Kennedy's death by Walter Cronkite during a CBS interview, claimed Sprague. He stated that there was a conspiracy and that Oswald did not act alone. Four days before the programme was to be aired, however, Johnson asked that his words be deleted on grounds of "national security".

One man, arrested in Miami, appeared before a Grand Jury in New Orleans during an investigation by lawyer Jim Garrison, into the Kennedy killing. Under an

Hobson chosen as delegate

Mr. John D. Hobson of the UVic Germanic Department will represent the YNDP as a delegate to the Ottawa Leadership Convention April 21-24.

Ten Resolutions were passed to be sent to the federal convention.

- They provide for:
- 1) Support of C.R.T.C. Canadian content rulings
 - 2) Legalization of marijuana and hashish
 - 3) Abortion on demand of the woman concerned
 - 4) Opposition to any government proposal for compulsory identification cards.
 - 5) Abolition of the vagrancy laws, ie. the Criminal Code.
 - 6) Abolition of Writs of Assistance granted to the RCMP.
 - 7) Encouraging families to have only two children.
 - 8) Research into male contraceptives (assumed a federal jurisdiction under the "peace, order, and good government" clause of B.V.A. Act)
 - 9) Support of the World Federalists goals.
 - 10) Opportunity for self-determination for Quebec.

The next meeting at the YNDP will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 1971. Anyone who is interested should phone Mr. Hansen 592-6030 or Mr. Smelser 592-1406.

The campus YNDP has been quite successful in the last month having grown from 6 to 25 members. Opposition Leader Dave Barrett, MLA Bob Williams and National Leadership Candidate Ed Broadbent who is an MP and PHD in political science, have all spoken on campus in the last month.

'Independent Canada' to organize

An organizational meeting of the UVIC Committee for an Independent Canada will be held at 12.30 Wednesday April 7, in the SUB Upper Lounge.

The Campus Committee is part of a national all party movement concerned with the survival of Canada as an independent nation. The Committee seeks public action to increase Canada's control over its own economy and environment, and to fully protect and develop Canadian culture through educational

institutions and the mass media.

The immediate national goal is the recruitment of support from at least 100,000 Canadians to make Independence a top political priority among all M.P.'s and M.L.A.'s.

Wednesday's meeting is being called to elect officers for the coming year and to discuss future activities, including a Petition Day to be held in Victoria later in the month.



PHIL WARREN
UVIC ALUMNI

As a past graduate of UVIC (BA69). I would like to extend an open invitation to all my former colleagues who skipped classes, drank coffee, crammed for exams and finally passed, and to those professors who made it all happen to feel free to contact me regarding their real estate concerns. I would appreciate and enjoy renewing old acquaintances and meeting new faces. Drop in or call me at the office (388-4292) or at home (658-8728).

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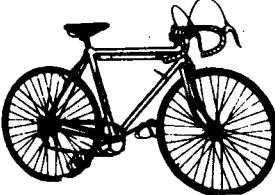
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Thursday April 1

LECTURE
Brahmachare speaks on "Transcendental Meditation" in Elliot 168 at 12:30 p.m.

GRUDGE MATCH
Inter-residence all-star hockey game. This is a "grudge match" since last week's game was won by Craigdarroch College. George Parkes Arena, 11:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

VACUUM
A one act play by Bryan Wade will be presented free of charge by the Player's Club in the SUB Upper lounge at 8:30 p.m. This play will be excellent — so be there.

TENNIS CLUB
There will be a tennis club meeting at 11:00 in Clubs B in the SUB.

This evening from 7 to 9 the International Society for Krsna Consciousness will be hosting an evening of ecstasy in the Card Team.

Friday April 2

VACUUM
"Vacuum", a one-act play by Bryan Wade will be presented free of charge by the Player's Club at 8:30 in the SUB Upper Lounge at 8:30 p.m.

FREE CONCERT
At last, "The Brothers Forbes" concert, cancelled last week because of the Blood Donor Clinic, will be happening today at 12:30 in the SUB Upper lounge at 12:30. Formerly of the Empress Paint Cellar, the "Brothers Forbes" are now appearing nightly at the "Old Forge". Don't miss it!!

RUSSIAN CLUB
The Russian Club meets at 12:30 in Sedgewick 159 at 12:30 for conversation practice.

MUSIC AT NOON
The University Chamber Singers play in Mac. 144 at 12:30.

LLINGUISTIC CIRCLE
Andre Martenet speaks on "Morphology and Syntax" in Craigdarroch 121-2 at 1:30.

MATH COLLOQUIUM
Dr. F. Glover speaks on "Convexity cuts in Integer Programming" at 3:30 p.m. in Mac. 114.

Saturday April 3

JAMPOT
There will be a Jampot in the SUB lower lounge at 9:00 p.m.

Monday April 5

MATH COLLOQUIUM
Dr. G. Sabidussi speaks on "Subdirect Representation of Graphs" in Cor. 335 at 3:30 p.m.

FRENCH CLUB FILM
"Alpha Ville", Directed by Jean-Luc Gadard, will be shown in Mac. 144 at 7:30 p.m. Free Admission.

BAHA' FIRESIDES
Meet in Elliot 163 at 7:30 p.m.

ARCHERY CLUB
Meet at Lakehill's Women's Institute Gym at 8 p.m.

SOCIALIST CLUB
The Socialist Club meets at 7:00 in Clubs B.

Tuesday April 6

CAVING CLUB
Come Caving after exams - its addictive. Feed your libido with virgin beauty! Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in Elliot 166 with 1 hr. for climbing practice in the gym.

LIBERAL ARTS 306
"The Psychology of the Future" by Dr. Pam Duncan (Psychology) will be followed by the film "Fahrenheit 541" in Elliot 168 at 1:30 p.m.

HELP KEEP US CANADIAN
An organizational meeting of the UVic committee for an Independent Canada will be held at 12:30 in the SUB Upper lounge.

MEDITATION SOCIETY
Meet at 1270 Pandora at 8 p.m.

FOLK DANCE CLUB
Meet in the SUB upper lounge at 8 p.m.

DEMOLAY CLUB
Meet in Cle. 306 at 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday April 7

MUSIC CONCERT
Compositions by Derek Healy will be performed in Mac. 144 at 8 p.m.

FILM AS AN ART FORM
Meet in Elliot 168 at 12:30 p.m.

FENCING CLUB
Meet at 8 p.m. in P Hut.

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Meet in Craig 208-9 at 7:30 p.m.



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Theatre class boycotted counter-seminars held

A number of Theatre students are boycotting one of their classes by holding counter-seminars.

Of the 46 students registered in Dr. Harvey Miller's Theatre History 310, less than 10 attend the regular classes, a student told the Martlet Monday.

The counter-seminars, which have been going for a month, are held three times a week at the same hours as Dr. Miller's class.

The counter sessions were set up, said the student, because "a lot of students felt that the professor didn't know his material" and because he "refused to have discussions".

Complaints about the class were brought to student representatives in the Theatre department, and as a result a meeting was held between Dr. Ralph Allen, Chairman of the department, Peter Garvie, Dean of Fine Arts, Dr. Miller, and student representatives.

"Allen talked for 45 minutes before allowing anyone else to interrupt," said a student who attended.

At the meeting it was "requested that the Chairman use his influence to have the classes improved. Allen said there was nothing he could do," said the student.

"They (Allen and Garvie) suggested that individual students approach Dr. Miller with their complaints. The students that did approach him found him non-responsive, even to the point of telling one student to clear-out."

The student, who will not be named for his own protection, said that discontent with Dr. Miller had been building up for some time.

"At the first of the year" charged the student, "Miller announced that makeup exams could be written with his permission."

"The last exam was announced in his class on the Friday that the Drama Conference opened. Therefore, most of his class wasn't present to hear the announcement, and reading week followed that."

"By coincidence a student found out about the exam and posted a notice to this effect. It

was taken down. Three more were posted; one with Dr. Allen's signature on it. They were all taken down.

"Dr. Miller was phoned by a student and asked if he had objections to notices going up. After some pause Dr. Miller said he would not sanction notices going up, and said that if students came to class they would know when the exams were."

A few of Miller's pupils didn't find out about the exam until too late, the student said, and didn't write the exam.

When they requested that Dr. Miller grant them a makeup exam they were refused, he said.

UVic staffers threaten strike

UVic's office staff flatly rejected a new contract offered them by Partridge's administration, Monday night, and may strike to back their demands.

Such a strike would completely freeze the university, bringing all operations to a standstill, and perhaps cause the cancellation of exams.

"If there is no sizeable improvement in the offer, the executive have been empowered to call in a mediation officer," states a release received by the Martlet, Tuesday.

"A hint of strike action was at one point heard to force the

administration into fairer dealings," continued the report.

The staffers were offered 5 percent wage increase, but they are asking for "a percentage increase and hours of work at least equal to or better than those accepted by the City of Victoria and Municipality of Saanich".

The release said that "If a strike should occur, it would affect secretaries, accounting clerks, key-punch operators, mail personnel, registrar staff, etc., numbering over 300 and would in fact bring the University's operations to a standstill."



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"an aging woman, her foetal-headed son, and a crazy clerk called Jones"

by Lawrence Russel (a lecturer in the English department)

The player's Club is giving Bryan Wade's play *Vacuum* its premier performance in the SUB this week; the event gives me some pleasure since I consider *Vacuum* to be one of the most original and sophisticated Canadian plays I have read. If you are the kind of person who would not cross the street to see a stage play and think that Guy Lombardo sums up original Canadian drama, I urge you to go and dig *Vacuum*; it is like nothing you have ever seen or heard before. It is a kick in the libido, nothing else. The setting, nominally, is a hotel lobby. There are three characters - an aging woman, her foetal-headed son, and a crazy clerk called Jones. For twenty minutes they vomit their consciousness into your gaping, cracked head - fantasies, confessions, ultimatums, all blended into one beautiful theatrical experience. At this point, I cannot say more than that (if you want to read the play, it has been printed in the Uvic creative writing magazine, appearing, hopefully, next week); you can see it at eight thirty p.m. in the SUB upper lounge on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday night. The direction is under Ralph Dale.

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Citizens finally get reply from Governors

The Citizen's Committee which sent a public letter to the Board of Governors in February had to wait more than a month and a-half before getting a reply.

Secretary of the committee, Dr. Eugene Kaellis, said that a letter was sent to the Board on Feb. 2nd, and a reply came on March 17th, saying "that the Board does not share your committee's view".

The committee's letter, which put forth the position of the committee on the failure to renew the contracts of twelve

faculty members was signed by 19 people, many of them professionals.

Willard Ireland replied for the Board, saying:

"I apologize for the delay in replying to your letter of Feb. 2 1971. Unfortunately, I did not have an opportunity to discuss your letter with the Board until its regular meeting on March 15, 1971."

"While the Board appreciates the comments expressed by many groups and individuals regarding the problem faced by this and

other universities I must advise you, with respect, that the Board does not share your committee's view that highly complex personnel matters can best be dealt with by all of the interested groups having access both to the necessary information involved in decisions, and to the decision-making process itself.

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Violence flares on campus 'political' jocks join battle

It was bound to happen. We shouldn't have been surprised. After all, Bruce Partridge himself had said the desire was there. Dennis Steinle had predicted it. Mr. Justin Harbord had challenged students' "guts". And when I heard Nigel Banks paraphrasing the SDS handbook ... well, I knew it was imminent. Yes, violence has struck UVic! Not the ordinary window breaking, computer wrecking stuff though — no, this was violence fitting to the status of UVic. For those of you who missed the event let me reconstruct the scene:

The late afternoon sun had just been swallowed by a huge plodding grey cloudbank approaching from a southerly direction. Thinking back now, I distinctly remember noticing the wind picking up among the trees. I should have known something momentous was about to occur. Upon reaching the top of a small rise I was immediately confronted with the following spectacle:

There were two groups facing each other in close proximity. The group to my left was led by a handsome lad dressed in a grey suit, white shirt, and coordinated tie (meaning it hung straight). Surrounding him were about 30 beefy rugby players in complete regalia — black shirts, white shorts, cleated boots and beer bottles. Confronting them was a hockey team complete with pads and hickory equalizers. Leading these hockey players was a fellow wearing work boots, brand-new - but - bleached jeans, a heavy old U.S. army combat jacket and a head that obviously was not in need of a hat to keep it warm. Immediately I took him to be a philosophy student — for their ability to twist minds with mere words is well known.

As I moved closer the philosophy fellow began assualting (verbally, of course) the handsome chap, pausing only long enough between sentences to see if his voice echoed among the trees. During one of these pauses the coordinated chap said a few words which were unfortunately drowned out by the grunts coming from his beefy friends. Whether or not these grunts were caused by their trying to speak through mouthpieces I couldn't say. You may speculate on other causes. The only words I was able to catch were: "sincerely yours, Ian J. McKinnon." By this time the air was so full of tension you could ... they did! Several members of each group produced gleaming weapons and proceeded to frantically slice the air with them. As I backed away in horror, the grunting grew louder and to the strains of "Knock on Wood". Then someone yelled "Its on!"

Right before my very eyes it happened! Violence! The two groups fell upon one other, pummelling, biting and stabbing. Many good words were used in vain. Blood curdling screams filled the air. Yes, blood-letting too! Each group had a favourite technique: the hockey players favoured decapitation with their hickory guillotines. Assorted spheres of a smaller size (often in twos) came rolling from the other side of this grotesque scrum. At the height of the battle Dennis Steinle, Executive Assistant, valiantly attempted to act as a peacemaker, calling "Let's be rational". Unfortunately, he was taken as an enemy by both sides. A rugby player reached him first. Sorry girls — poor Dennis was carried away muttering "Sex is evil, anyway". Sometime later the battle ended — only when everyone was so battered they couldn't carry on. With tears in my eyes I climbed out of my

tree to survey the damage. Eight bodies wearing cleats, six wearing skates and two other bodies who didn't seem to fit lay motionless. Much blood in colours ranging from "Oak Bay Blue" to "James Bay red eye" coated the various bits of anatomy.

Epilogue: Bruce Partridge sent "Personal and Confidential" letters to the above participants deploring "unconstructive violence". It appears that Bruce has spoken out before obtaining all the facts. An auction is scheduled of the valuable parts recovered from the battle scene. The golf, soccer, and basketball teams are reported to be very interested in several assorted spheres described as "highly resilient". Also for sale is a large metal cup with four teeth imbedded in it. All proceeds will go toward next year's Athletic Budget.

Brian Belton

UVic golfers top Yanks

The UVic Golf Team has, over the past two weekends, played the University of Puget Sound from Tacoma in three matches.

The first was played March 20th at Oak Bay Golf Course where UVic blasted the visitors 16½-4½. Low scores for UVic were Al Brown 76, Dave Mick 77, and Robin Burrell 78.

The Second match played the next day also at Oak Bay saw UPS squeek out a narrow

11-10 victory. Leading the Victoria team were Dave Mick 73, Brian Stott 74, and Tom Pendry 78.

The rubber match was held this past Friday at the Fircrest Golf Course in Tacoma. Playing in winds gusting to 70 m.p.h. the UVic team led by Dave Mick 77, Brian Stott 78, and Al Brown 79, scored a convincing 13½-7½ victory. This brings to an end the team's schedule which saw them lose only one match, the 11-10 squeeker to UPS.

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Vikings dine on Ducks but lose to locals

In the first of three exhibition soccer games the University of Oregon Ducks were greeted with a 2-1 loss, from a determined Viking soccer club.

Inter-college hockey tonight

Lansdowne and Craigdarrock Colleges will clash in an inter-college all-star hockey game tonight at George Pearkes Arena.

The game, which starts at 11:30, is the final match of the two game, total point series. Craigdarrock took the last contest 2-0.

There'll be no admission charge.

Vikings are still undefeated in Western Canadian Intercollegic play after winning the W.C.I.A.A. tournament last November.

The Oregon Ducks pressed hard in the first half and scored the first goal of the game on a 20 yard drive which cleanly beat Viking goaler Dave Achurch.

Vikings came right back with the tying goal on a good hussling play by left-winger Peter Mason, who beat two defenders, then beat the goalie to place the ball in the open net.

The second half began to get a bit rough, with Dan Bolton and an unfortunate opponent being ejected from the game for fisticuffs.

Robin Burrell accounted for the winning goal when he

headed a Franz Dessombes' corner kick past a helpless Oregon goaler, at the thirty minute mark of the second half.

Vikings resumed their Victoria and District first division league games Sunday but lost to Hourigan Kickers 1-0 at a wet and muddy Topaz Park.

The Vikings dominated play throughout the first half, but just couldn't get the ball into the net, finding the Hourigan goaler, goal posts, and the mud too tough of a defensive combination.

The second half saw the only goal of the game being scored when the ball took one of its many wierd bounces in the mud, ending up with a Hourigan forward and an open Viking net.

Remaining Viking schedule
Vikings are playing Saturday at Heywood Park at 2 p.m. in the Jackson Cup semi-finals against Cosmopolitan Royals.

The varsity soccer team has two league games remaining, one with Gorge Molsons this Sunday at Heywood Park at 2:15 and one with Oak Bay.

Graduate students vote

UVic's graduate students have finally taken a stand on the current tenure controversy.

At a general meeting held Tuesday in the SUB, the Graduate Students Society passed a motion supporting the CAUT recommendations and calling for the administration to accept the CAUT proposals "in the interests of natural justice."

The society also heard a statement written by Dr. Ryce, Head of Chemistry, outlining the procedures the department followed in denying tenure to Dr. Jain.

Following the prepared statement, the society voted 17-2-1 to support the CAUT position. However, immediately after the vote, Bill Hyslop, a graduate student in Chemistry who voted against the motion, challenged the quorum.

The non-meeting then decided to hold a mail referendum on the issue so that all graduate students could take a stand. In effect, the vote at the meeting is not the official stand of the Graduate Students Society since there was no quorum.

A quorum needs 15 percent of the membership.

Rugger Viks take title

by Jack Godfrey

On March 20th the rugby Vikings made it three NWIC conference championships in a row.

A week later, last Saturday, the Vikings made it four Victoria Rugby Union Championships in as many years.

Playing the Oak Bay Wanderers at MacDonald Park Vikings added insult to injury by making the Wanderers their victims for the fourth time in as many years.

The Vikings led 9-5 at the half on tries by Gary Johnson, Dave Slater, and Jim Wenman.

Even though the Wanderers had 5 points, 3 of them were rather easy ones coming on a penalty try by Don Burgess.

Wenman's try came after the Oak Bay team had received their gift.

The UVic fullback went

against the grain of play to pound over for the try.

If the Oak Bay team received a gift try in the first half it was the turn of the Vikings in the second, when referee Smith called a penalty try which was converted by Viking Hooker Derek Riemer.

With the score standing at 14-5 the Wanderers were unable to stand up to the powerful Viking attack and Winger Reg Hooole crossed the goal line for two more tries, one converted by Reimer.

Riding a 22-5 lead the Viking defense allowed the Oak Bay centre to scoop up a loose ball and scramble over for a try which Burgess converted.

The final score 22-10 gave the Viking team the Barnard Cup for the fourth time and the right to play for the provincial championship against a yet undetermined mainland opponent.

Board to co-ordinate youth projects

A managerial board will be set up to co-ordinate all the youth projects applying for the 'Opportunities for Youth' program. This committee will handle all the paper work, budgets, financial reports, etc.

By having a central board to handle this work, it would leave the separate groups free to concentrate on their actual field work, said a spokesman from Manpower.

Environment 100 indicated they have a number of projects which will employ a good number of students.

Their projects include stream and bank clearance, dredging of reservoirs and clearing of the West Coast Trail.

Each department head in the university has been asked to tell students of this plan and to organize projects. Professors doing research work who require students help, also qualify, under the 'Opportunities' program, to receive funds.

Any group who wishes to be helped by the managerial board should submit applications to the SUB. All forms must be in by April 10th.



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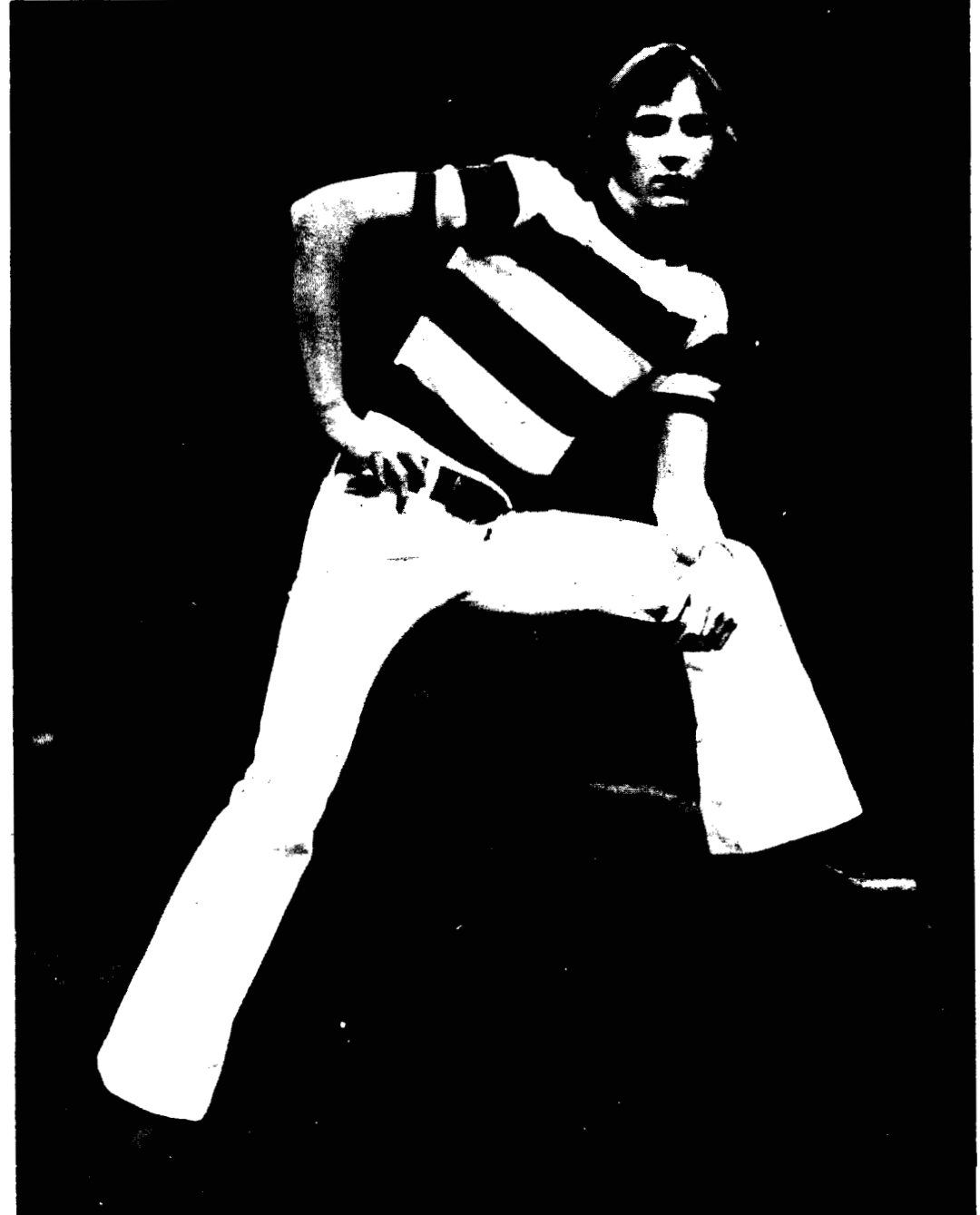
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