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What Do You Think?

Two weeks ago, a Brunswickan columnist questioned several students on the topic, "What do you think of Radio UNB?" Several of the answers invariably compared Radio UNB to the Brunswickan.

One interesting statement from a first year Engineer expressed the thought, "If the Brunswickan is to compete successfully with Radio UNB, it should drop most of the news it handles. Of course, we all know that radio is faster with the news than even a daily newspaper."

In our opinion, the first sentence of this statement conveys an erroneous impression. It should read, "If the Brunswickan is to compete successfully with Radio UNB, it (we) should **expand** its campus news coverage, it should provide more news stories written in greater depth." Radio news broadcasts are generally short and factual, a news story in a paper should be factual and contain as many details as possible with background material filling the gaps.

That Radio reports the news faster than even a daily newspaper is an indisputable fact. Speed in the reporting of news is important but in the majority of cases, speed is of secondary importance to accuracy and completeness.

A newspaper provides its readers with three basic services, services that are vital in this day and age if one is to stay completely abreast of world affairs (or campus affairs) and which are unobtainable from radio. A newspaper provides a detailed printed account of events, preserved for history and available for reference at any time. A newspaper provides corroboration of facts and events, corroboration that must be correct in all respects. Finally, a newspaper can provide its readers with analysis of the news and different viewpoints through its editorial and personal columns. The quality of this analysis is dependent on the ability of the writers, ability to choose a situation, tear it apart, discover the reasons and thinking behind it and describe this reasoning coherently and completely.

The desirable situation and one which should result in the next two or three years is one in which the Brunswickan and Radio UNB complement each other. Radio UNB provides earliest or on-the-spot coverage of news events while the Brunswickan, one or two days later provides its readers with a detailed account, corroboration of the original report, analysis of the situation and photographic coverage.

There would still be competition between the two organizations, healthy competition for scoops, exclusive quotes, etc. but the situation would parallel that of the daily newspapers and radio stations.

One angle however that must always be considered is that Radio UNB has and will have a limited audience. Their listening audience at present consists of the inhabitants of one Men's Residence (Jones House) and the diners and coffee drinkers in the Student Centre. Even with planned expansion of Radio UNB to all residences, there will continue to be 1000-1200 students living and boarding downtown whose only communication with the campus is the Brunswickan. Thus it is with pride and justification that we have been, are and will continue to be **THE VOICE OF UNB**.

News for youse

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LETTERS

Sir:

Until quite recently, today in fact, I was reasonably impressed with the quality of students entering the Law profession. The 'Letter to the Editor' by one David Covert caused me to lose faith in my former convictions.

One of the fundamental functions of organized Law is, I trust, to review both sides of the question and weigh all evidence before handing down a decision. Obviously Mr. Covert has based his decision on circumstantial evidence only, which is inadmissible in any court.

The SRC can in no way be blamed for the actions they were forced to take by Law, the SRC constitution. The MM party had met all the requirements of both the SRC constitution and that of the Model Parliament committee and only as a last ditch effort resorted to removing the Ballot Boxes to ensure an impartial count.

They were duly charged, not by the Campus Police or the SRC in power at that time, nor by the new SRC, nor by the new Campus Police but rather by the Model Parliament Committee itself. In other words Sir, a civil action had been effected.

As for the voters themselves. Surely we are living in a democratic country, and after all, we are conducting a **Model Parliament**. It matters not what parties are present, what platforms are presented, or who voted for whom and why; but rather that good debate is carried out and that all present learn something of Parliamentary procedures.

How you can judge that these aims have been achieved prior to the presentation of the facts (before the Parliament had met) escapes my humble circumspection.

Doug Paton

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Sir:

At an emergency meeting of the executive of the "LOSERS CLUB", a motion was put forward and accepted unanimously to grant the "SHAFTED" membership as charter "LOSERS".

Further enquiries as to membership should be addressed to:

"The Losers Club"
 General Delivery
 Aitken House

Signed:

A.T.D.W.
Co-chairmen

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COLUMN

by
Ed
BELL

"O Year that was happy and gay . . .
 We laughed and we played through each day;
 But instead of capers
 We now face our papers,
 And the piper's demanding his pay!"

THIRTY DAYS TO EXAMS! This is now the true sequel to the shafting problem . . . examinations will show how many of us have shafted ourselves . . . which is considerably more serious than the plaintive wailing of a few frustrated socialites. To be pitied the most are the five hundred frosh who have yet to face university finals. The Freshmen were relieved in September to find out that there was no **JUDGMENT DAY** . . . but they are less relieved now that they are beginning to realize that the real Judgment Day is the day they receive the not-so-eagerly awaited letter from the Registrar. Looks like it's going to be a hot summer . . .

This is the final **COLUMN** . . . which probably pleases you nearly as much as it does me. Under this heading in the past months have paraded such people as Sally Freshette, Freddy Freshman, T. C. students, Joe College, the Campus Police, the Callathumpian Church, the Winter Carnival Committee, the National War Memorial and the Twentieth Earl of Soho . . . to you these represented a lot of rabble-disturbing . . . to me they represented a lot of time and work.

The **Column** has drawn letters, laughs, angry words, threats and even attempted bribes. In doing so, it came within reach of achieving its goal. The **Column** was created as an attempt to be controversial enough to raise student interest. Its effect was not always good . . . but nobody suffered any serious damage. To my successor next year, I leave the following suggestions . . .

- 1) Take out a life insurance policy . . .
- 2) Be nice to the Engineers and the Co-eds . . .
- 3) Ignore imitations and destructive criticism . . .
- 4) Study . . .
- 5) Never be afraid to print what you think is right, but don't expect to be popular.
- 6) Never walk alone late at night . . . it isn't the army you have to worry about.

You know, exams aren't all that bad . . . think of the poor professors who have to mope around a deserted campus in the heat to mark them. They have every right to be in a bad mood while doing it . . . they've lost the companionship of eighteen hundred students, they have to trudge across grounds strewn with the remains of the thirty thousand cigarettes consumed from April 21 to May 5. Facing markers like these, it might be a good idea to devote a few hours . . . a day . . . to the books from here on in. Upon that I rest my case.

ODDS 'N ENDS

— Overheard from Adlai S. . . "Eggheads of the world, unite and throw off your yokes."
 — The torch of truth burns brightest when it's shook.

Sir:

I understand that at a recent SRC meeting, a representative of the Arts Society presented a pitiful display in asking the SRC to subsidize the loss suffered through the Arts Ball flop. The representative suggested that the SRC was at fault in allowing several "major functions" to take place over the March 3 and 4 weekend, conflicting with the Arts Ball. It was felt that the SRC should bear the financial burden. Such a thought is both irresponsible and rather naive.

As SRC member Keith Thompson pointed out, there were some 1300 students NOT attending any other function at the time — all possible customers. This failure points to only two things: non-existent faculty spirit, and abysmally poor organization and publicity. We, the students, should not be financially responsible for the inadequacy of the Arts faculty.

I would also like to congratulate the chairman of the Social Committee on her philanthropic idea of subsidizing the unfortunate organization. Her offer of \$50 of the students' money to the Society for decorating for the "Con" (relieving her of her own responsibility) is most heartwarming and kind. Perhaps she would like to explain where the money is coming from, out of a tight budget.

Scott Smith

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 Students:
 Applications for positions on

the various committees on campus are being solicited by the Applications Committee. You will find in this issue of the Brunswickan a list of posts open to all students, as well as a list of positions available on the Winter Carnival Committee.

For those students who might be interested but feel they don't know enough about the duties involved, here's a suggestion-inquiry through the respective committees, and you will find that you can have a lot of fun doing these jobs.

So if you are at all interested in working in one of these organizations, either on an executive post or just as a member, don't hesitate to drop the people concerned a note.

Bob Gauthier
Pres. SRC

For listings in the Brunswickan of coming events contact the Campus Co-ordinator at GR 5-5234. Deadline for Tuesday issue is 6 pm previous Thursday and for Friday issue, 6 pm Tuesday.

Wednesday:

LIBERAL CLUB: Meeting and election of officers. Conference Room, 7:30 P.M. Everyone welcome.