

Power Mad and Uninformed

It was not enough that the Students' Representative Council should contemplate paying salaries to its members commensurate to the number of hours its sits.

Again, last Sunday, they exercised another act of uncertain logic by raising law student fees to make them equal to others and then giving them a rebate, making their fees unequal again.

Their activities are not restricted to the first day of the week. During the week they are busy dreaming up machinations to enhance their position as saviors of student finances. Last week the Drama Society, was seen as a possible subject for scandal.

The Society was criticized for having a bank account separate from the SRC. This organization found it necessary to have one for current expenses because of the problem of squeezing money from the SRC on matters already budgeted - not to mention the length of time it takes after they agree to give it.

The SRC requested that the account be turned over to them. The money received, it was alleged would be turned over to the Brunswickan to aid in its finances. As editor, I had never heard of this plan.

Either the new SRC, particularly members of the executive who have never sat before on the Council, have impressed themselves tremendously with their new power, or they don't know what they are doing. It appears to be both.

However, this sudden nosing into Drama Society finances, in light of previous agreements with the Society which have stood for three years, the cry that the Brunswickan is being mishandled appears that the SRC is in some sort of financial jam itself.

We are awaiting, as students, the auditors report of their financial standing.

Founders' Day

Today we celebrate our anniversary as a University. It hardly looks like a jubilant celebration in which students will take part.

The debate, the only real occasion for student participation today is on a negative rather hackneyed topic. Students will be given that period of time off to enjoy it, however.

The only tradition to be maintained today will be the paying of the Quit Rent, which dates back to 1800. We hope that authenticity will be maintained, at least, and farthings, instead of quarters will be used.

If we, as students, are to be expected to look on Founder's Day with respect, it should not be a holiday resurrected yearly only. As a student, I believe that our current expansion detracts from the maintenance of such traditions.

Go to Dr. Graham's address tonight and learn how we can maintain ourselves in our Ivory Tower and tradition, despite the crowded quarters.

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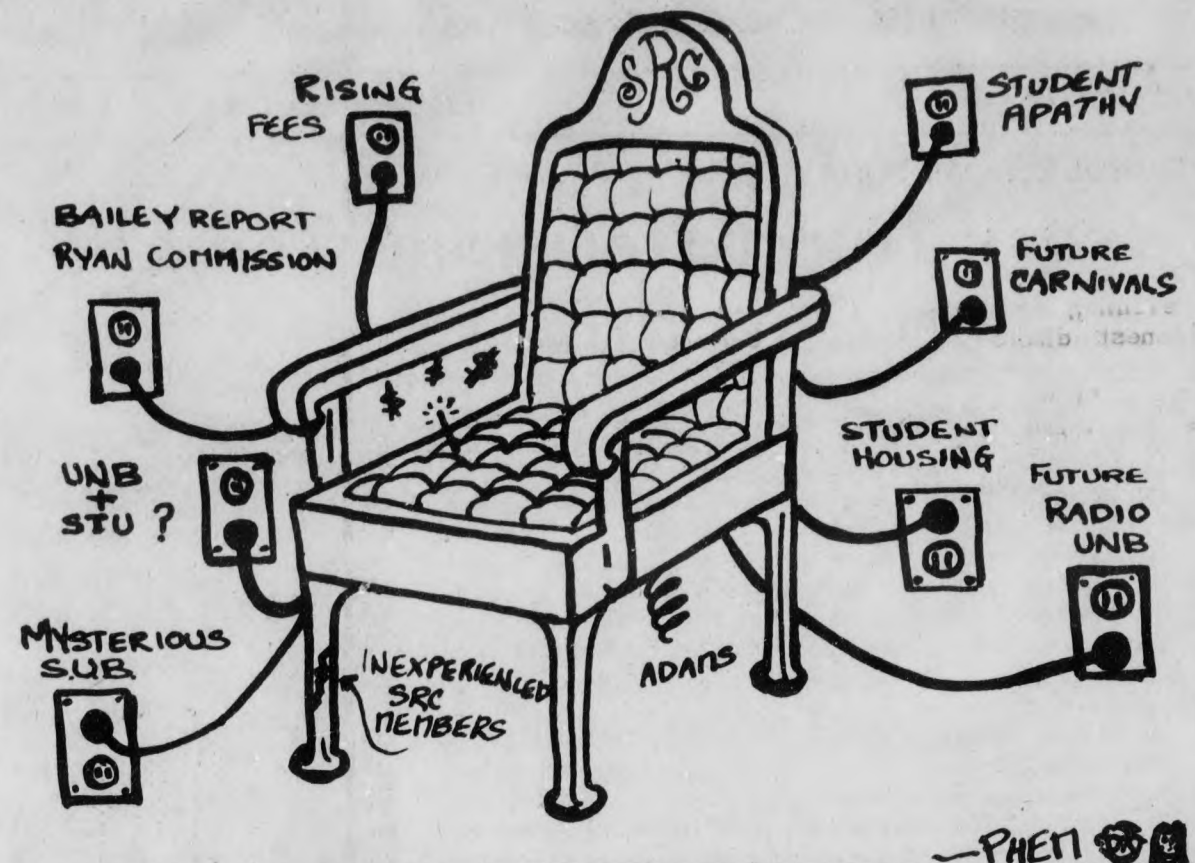
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Letters to the Editor

COMMENDATION - AND CRITICISM

Editor:

I should like to endorse part of your latest editorial - the section I interpret as being critical of the gulf between the university and the wider community - but also to challenge some of your assessment.

It is indeed shameful that the Indian community is neglected. But surely this is only the closest of an almost endless list of problems (other underprivileged groups in Canada, second-class citizens in other nations, grinding poverty in Asia, lack of personal freedom elsewhere, vicious Africa...). It is important that each of these should be of sufficient concern to someone, somewhere, for progress to be possible. Any one individual or group has but limited time and energy, and it is rather presumptuous to suggest what their personal priorities should be.

To my mind, the damning indictment should be of those who are concerned only with their personal problems and prospects, and have concern

for none of the wider issues. I am afraid that the local situation is really one in which the same rather small band is concerned about all situations of injustice and discrimination, and the majority are dedicated to their own achievement and comfort.

Finally, may I suggest that you are simply incorrect when you assert that every body of professors and students of our size is parasitic (consider the Coady International Institute at Antigonish, for example)? And surely you do not advocate ignorance and neglect of what many regard as the major problem we shall have to confront sometime, possibly soon; namely, the continuance of white obliquity and systematic race-discrimination in Southern Africa.

Yours sincerely,
R. T. McKinnell

Note: The Editorial Prof.

McKinnell is referring to is "We Parasites", February 7.

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