

more depth...

On page ten this week the Brunswickan publishes "A Critical Look at Your SRC". The article has been sadly late in coming.

As a critical press, it should have been the Brunswickan's responsibility to follow the activities of council much more closely. For this we are sorry. We'll try to do better.

There are many things council has done in the past which deserved much closer attention by the Bruns. For example, student representation in the Senate deserved far better in-depth coverage. Some council members worked tirelessly to get representation.

But the criticisms levelled here are not past events, dead news, except in the sense that they set dangerous precedents for council. The concern here is with illegitimate activity. What council does legitimately is assumed: illegitimate activity, unconcern for constitutional procedure, deserve no sympathy from the press or the public.

The present council is nearing the end of its term of office. This is the last Brunswickan for nearly a month. This, we feel, presents an ideal time to embark on a program to critically analyse student organizations. "The people have a right to know", it's said. Students subsidize the Brunswickan, so we have an obligation to tell them.

Council, and the other organizations acting in the interests of students, can expect in future our support, our encouragement, and at time, our sharp rebuke.

...and more fun

When one speaks of an idea expressed or related in a newspaper, they may refer to it as a "newsarticle", a "news story", or a "news item".

Reflect a moment on how you react to each phrase. An article connotes something long and 'in-depth' as they say in the jargon of the trade. If you're not keenly interested, why should you read an article?

A news story is something else again. Stories are things we curl up alone with, things that excite us, that interest us in the effect they create they create. But we never think of a story in terms of something we really believe.

And we hear of news items. Items are the little everyday things that happen close to us. Items are not war, violence, glamour; items are about the type of questions we ask friends over coffee in the SUB.

Next time, the Brunswickan plans to provide the student reader with more items than we have in the past.

Who cares if someone gets a scholarship, writes a book, protests a song in a juke box, or gets a free turkey dinner? If it's your friend, you do. And UNB is not such a big place yet that we won't come across a few of your friends.

And even if we don't, it's nice to know that human nature isn't always Hell on Earth. Nice things do happen — often.

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THANKS TC.

How often do you hear it said of Teachers' College, "It's like being back in high school." Well, I found out last Thursday just how this is. I haven't seen spirit and "rally to the cause" like that since I was in high school. TC students should feel proud. They have managed to retain a sense of idealism, a sense of people working for a cause, a sense of togetherness.

It was mainly the TC students who made the Work-In, held last Thursday, a success. Three council members worked for two days straight helping with the organization and the students themselves turned out in full strength. They have reason to be proud.

I wish to thank them, on behalf of the Biafra Moratorium Committee for saving the Work-In AND ON BEHALF of the student body of UNB for saving their image — it would not be in the best interest of the university if the public were to realize the apathy of our student body.

Thank you TC. We appreciate everything you have done for us.

Mary Norrad
Chairman Work-In
Committee

WHAT AN ISSUE!

Congratulations. Your latest issue (November 28) is one of the best to come out in quite a while. Factual reports and good common sense articles (for a change!) made a winning combination. (Have the desires of the editors of *The Mysterious East* to improve journalism rubbed off on you?)

Dan Horsman
TC 2

THE EDITOR DETECTED ONE TOO

I have detected of late, a note of dissatisfaction regarding your editorship of the Brunswickan, namely the attempted coup of your position as editor. A petition is being circulated or an attempt is being made at circulation, so that this dissatisfaction may be materially presented to the

SRC. The SRC may either pass a motion to request your resignation or force your resignation by approaching the AB to have your salary reduced to such an insignificant amount so as to force your resignation. The former alternative is open, the resignation request would be in writing signed by the executive of the SRC thus holding the SRC directly responsible to the student body for attaining your resignation. The later alternative of salary reduction is the subtle action of the well-oiled machinery of an institution infringing upon the freedom and right of the individual, namely the chief editor of the Brunswickan. Let's keep this thing in the open; if the student body is dissatisfied with the Brunswickan editorship I, as a student of UNB, want to see my representative asking for that resignation. Let's see our president publicly taking direct responsibility rather than hiding behind the institutional machinery. In other words, I and many other students want to see a responsible student government rather than a milk-sop reflection of the institution. SRC, Where's your intestinal fortitude?

Yours sincerely,
Dale E. Hinchy
UNB, Arts 2

RATHER BITCH THAN CONTRIBUTE

I would like to voice an opinion of the Brunswickan petition being circulated calling for a change of policy which in reality is a demand for your resignation. I doubt if many of the people signing that petition have ever bothered to discuss editorial policy with the staff nor are they familiar with the Canadian University Press Constitution. I think you will find the names on that petition are a true reflection of the people that would rather bitch than contribute a little to the editor or anything else to the Brunswickan. In keeping with the majority of campus politics

the petition demands change but offers no alternative. I am not overly fond of some of the staff but at least they will sign their names to their babblings. If the people that started this petition put forward their reasons for their demands and validate them, only then should they merit consideration.

Sincerely yours,
Robert Poore

YOU'RE ENTITLED

Accept this letter both as a 'letter to the editor' and as notice of my resignation. My presentation of the motion of non-confidence in you and the subsequent defeat of that motion are obvious reasons for this letter.

The vote on the motion as you know was 12 for, 15 against, 2 spoiled and 2 abstentions. The two spoiled ballots, as you also know, indicated yes instead of for. In the light of the fact that 14 of 29 staff members supported the motion of non-confidence I suggest that you reconsider withdrawal of the resignation that you submitted during the debate of the motion of non-confidence.

Sincerely
John Blaikie

THEIR CO-OPERATION COMES IN HANDY TOO!!!

The guys from Bugle Publishing Ltd. would first of all like to congratulate the staff of the Brunswickan on the fine job they have been doing and also the fine co-operation they have been giving us.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,
Michael Meade
Gary Cougle
Weldon Morgan
Bruce Morrison