

... to the activists in LBR

This article is dedicated to the hardy lads who are lucky enough to be staying at the Lady Beaverbrook Residence.

Yessir, without realizing it, the administration of this fine institute of higher learning has made first class campus activists out of the lads at LBR. But that's another story. This one is about WHY they are becoming "activists."

Down at LBR most rooms are equipped with only one plug - in which usually dates back to 1930. Makes for a great fire hazard, n'est-ce pas?

Perhaps the administration is hoping the building will survive until winter carnival week and then old LBR will go up in flames to add a touch of excitement to this year's carnival.

But now, to the rooms. Ah yes...Many of the rooms with two beds have closets so small that even ONE person would find it difficult to get all the space he needed. And the rooms are connected by doors, which does little to hinder sound travelling from room to room.

Many of the desks (which by the way are only eleven inches by thirty-two inches) are covered with so many coats of paint that one begins to wonder if the wood in the legs is holding the desk up or the paint (which is tough, ugly brown.)

And when one bright youth was too long for his bed, our good friends up (down??) in the administration found the solution to the problem.

By the authority of Major Bill Scott, Residence Manager at UNB, our bright lad was than have someone get a longer bed. How's that for ingenuity? It's easy to see how ol' Bill got to be Major!

But it's not all bad at LBR. After all they DID receive 4 new chairs in 1969. (they got an even smaller number of chairs in 1968.)

LBR was built (and presumably designed) for 42 people. Today, without having had any new rooms added, the residence houses 78 people. -- almost twice as many as it was built for!

One thing is sure enough: the boys at LBR get a good night's slumber. Why there aren't even fire alarms to wake the fellows from their beauty sleep.

Just because the bell on the roof rings once every hour, twenty-four hours a day; the radiators rattle and wheeze; and the hand-dryers in the washrooms create a racket washrooms create a racket doesn't mean a fellow can't sleep soundly - does it?

When the shower on the third floor leaked a few years ago and rotted out part of the wall on the first floor, our maintenance men at UNB rose to the occasion and re-plastered several times before the leak was fixed.

Oh, and one last thought to you brave lads at LBR. You may rest assured that your residence is 100 percent safe. Cracked walls that are chipping away, and a ceiling that fell in 1969 just means that you privileged souls have a little more air-conditioning than everyone-else.

...to the activists at LBR...
by Edison Stewart

This is the historic old Lady Beaverbrook Residence built in 1928. The vines, creating an air of Ivy League inspiration, were added later, but the hourly alarm clock on the roof has been working well for years.

Inside construction is still going on with the life of the students continuing around it. Residents must build their own bookcases for a building that old. But in 1965.....

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.....they were making them a little better. The girls in Lady Dunn Hall were reluctant to change with the boys when they learned that the closets in LBR are not attached to the walls.

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