

Comments

Dear Sir: WOMEN IN RESIDENCE PART II

With reference to last week's third letter in FEEDBACK, the following misprint "What a divine job" should read "What a divine joke". I had finished

this letter by asking girls to stand on their own two feet but if you go over to these two residences you will find that some girls will have difficulty



Mugwump

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Journal

Hello there again. Nice to see you back in one piece.

First on the chopping block this week is the staff at the UNB health centre — so named, apparently, because they're supposed to take care of us when we get sick. (Misconception number 1)

Yours truly was in just such a position (sick, I mean) during exam week. I phoned the centre one day to try and see a doctor (Mistake number 1). I was told that no, the doctor wasn't in, but that he would be in for his daily morning rounds the next day.

So what time would that be? Well, came the reply, if he goes to Oromocto he'll be an hour late, and if he doesn't he'll be early. Still no indication as to what his regular arrival time was.

Completely baffled, I gave the centre up for lost and began to suffer for several days through what I assumed to be a sore throat. Days later, I decided to pay a visit to the centre in the afternoon. As you might have guessed, the doctor wasn't there. But the nurse, being a helpful old soul (Mistake number 2) told me to stay in bed and chew lots of Aspergum. I should also try and come in the next day to see the doctor. As usual, he would be in in the morning, she informed me.

Believing and trusting her (Mistake number 3) I phoned the centre at 10 a.m., the next day to try and see the doctor. No go. The doctor, said the nurse, has already enough patients and can you come in tomorrow? With this I terminated all contact with the health centre (Good move number 1) and kept chewing Aspergum. (Mistake number 4)

Several days later my gums were getting very sore from chewing that stuff and finally, after arriving in Montreal and trying other sore throat remedies, I went to see a doctor. Was I given some miracle cure for a sore throat? No. I didn't have a "sore throat", but tonsillitis. All the time at UNB I had been lead to believe my sore throat was due to a cold.

At this point, the only advice that I can offer is that if you even have a minor ailment, you should go to Montreal to get help. If you put your life in the hands of the so-called "qualified" people at the health clinic, you may end up 6 feet under.

That being an unrealistic proposal, I think we should do some investigating at the health centre. One doctor for 2-3 hours in the morning is not good enough to serve a town of 5,000 people or more. Perhaps if a few more of you folks complained out there we could get the health people off their butts. What do you say? It only takes 5 minutes to write a letter to the Bruns and register the way you feel.

I had occasion to visit the health centre again last week, and treatment was substantially different. It was true that episode began with a different nurse, but, as someone once said, "nothing is all good or all bad." So it is with the health centre. I think it should be looked into, though, so that these "fluctuations" in health care occur less often.

The student elections will be coming up soon and already the politicians are making their moves. Before Xmas Rick Fisher and Roy Neale announced their intentions to run on the same ticket as Comptroller and President respectively. That deal is off now, for some reason or other. It's hard to tell who dropped who.

There has been some talk of Carnival Chairman Chris Franklin going for President, but he so far denies it. It would seem to be a logical step, though. Bob Poore did it last year and became President.

Allen Black's name has been mentioned as a candidate for comptroller and Dan Fenety, this year's comptroller, was thought by some to be seeking the Presidency, but he says he's getting out of student politics. Bill Akerley, the Director of CHSR, is rumoured to be running for President, but he won't say either way.

Whatever happens, I sure hope a lot more of you people get off your butts and vote this time. Support the candidate of your choice - join his or her campaign team - GET INVOLVED, PARTICIPATE.

doing this, so in order to keep girls as they are, this being a result of their sheltered life, the residence system has so called reasonable rules that will permit girls to remain exactly as they are. And how are they? — Walking down the hall of any floor in the evening, (Friday, Saturday and Sunday only) a girl appears in sleeping garments, she hides somewhere in horror, you laugh and ask yourself "why?" So what if she has washed her hair or is wearing curlers. She may be clothed with a robe, pyjamas, baby dolls etc.... or nothing at all. She is still a woman I hope. Woman is beautiful and adding to this beauty there are certain things she does, (eg. wash, fix her hair etc.) to attain what man looks at and appreciates and too often takes for granted. Is he in for a surprise when he gets married. The bathroom has been classified as the death chamber of love. Girls many times tend to look at guys as evil, this being fear crystallized, because through him she will lose her virginity. Look girls, it's either that, certain exercises, or masturbation — the choice is yours. My sister once commented: "Virginity ... what's that?" Think about it. It was said that people rather die than think, so I'm probably asking too much of you as UNB students, who on the whole are too vain to think anyway. One of the main reasons give for women's residence rules is that they will have to live under rules when they leave UNB. How ludicrous. The rules at this stage of the game are the rules imposed on oneself and one will only attain this by not being under over-protective rules. If parents would learn only this if nothing else in raising a family, many of our first year students wouldn't be as screwed up as they are. Another argument is noise, ie. that some girls will not appreciate open rooms if they are trying to sleep as a result of having intoxicated idiots roaming around in the halls. If the body is tired one will sleep even if there is noise once one realizes that it is only ones curiosity keeping one awake and/or that one was catered to in this respect when one was living home. People behave most peculiarly when their sleep is disturbed by noise.... that is why many babies end up in the hospital. One also hears that girls will not be able to study if the rooms are open but most girls go to the library to study. There are also girls who don't go out with guys and feel that the removal of existing rules would constitute an infringement on their privacy (a word used too often by hermits). Man is supposedly a social being and this has a tendency to behave as one. Last weekend I was appalled to hear of an argument from a sophomore living in Tibbits. She expressed the feeling that the curfew be removed for everyone except

freshettes because she had to go through it last year. You cannot kick people like that because they are so stupid that they will not realize why you kicked them. In order to omit most of the above reasonable problems, I would like to suggest the following: "That curfew be abolished for girls of any academic year and that guys be signed in the residence by a resident but that there be no

Dear Sir:

Do we really need an SRC? This is to call to the attention of the students the manner in which the SRC can be "led like sheep" in decision making. I refer in particular to the Edward English case. Here the SRC voted two hundred dollars (\$200) "honoraria" to a man they knew virtually nothing about. In case that doesn't register it means they voted away the student fees of nearly six of us, money out of our pockets to a hustler who lives on money he manages to bleed from groups like us. As it

specific time set for his departure. This in turn would help individuals attain, on their own mistakes or by other peoples' mistakes, the wisdom needed to grow up and develop as a thinking being. This, I think, the university is afraid of; it would be better if we were all near little machines.

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turned out however Mr. Fenety on reconsideration tried to reduce the sum to fifty dollars (\$50) after English's presentation. For this he deserves credit, but the fact remains that it still our money and the principle of the issue that pisses me off.

For the past year I've observed at first hand delinquent voting by SRC members who don't give a damn about the issues. All one has to do is talk as convincingly as Mr. Poore did for English and the measure is well under way to being accepted.

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