

STUDENT CALENDAR PROBLEMS

For the past few months, a group of interested students has been working on a student course critique. The critique was to be issued to all students and mailed to all new students. A definite need for such a service was realized and a lot of time and effort was put into producing one. However, some members felt that at this late date it would be impossible to write up, distribute and tabulate the results of the student questionnaire.

One of the most important aspects of any student evaluation is its credibility. In order for it to have that, it must be as objective as possible.

It was felt that we may have some difficulty in trying to cope with these things in the short time remaining. We would prefer that the job be well done and for that reason it has been decided that the evaluation wait until next year. This does not mean that the work that has been done up to this point is being discarded. We would hope that some concrete things will come out of this work and that our experiences of this year be utilized in mapping out our future plans with regard to the critique.

One of the objectives that is being worked towards is a complete description of each course

that would be available to every student upon registration. This complete description would include a more detailed description than the one in the calendar. It would also include a statement on work load, objectives of the course, method of evaluation

and, hopefully, an approximate price list of books.

This group of students has worked very hard toward a course critique and regrets that time did not allow for the completion of this work before end of term. However, this should not be interpreted

as meaning that the work has been postponed or abandoned. Work will be done throughout the summer and the project will continue next year. Any student who will be here through the summer is invited to help on these and other projects.

by Carol Millett
and Lois Hartnett

BOOK DEPOSITORY

The book depository is a service for students provided by Student Council. At the end of term, on designated days, bring any books you want to sell to the student council office and two cards will be filled out. One which will be put in the book, will have the student's name, name of the author, price and a number unique for that book. On the other card which will be put on file, will be the student's name, address, phone number, name and author of the book(s), the number (or each book and price(s)). This is to ensure that a permanent record of each book will be kept and that

misplacement of books will be at a minimum. The student will also be given a receipt. When the book has

been sold, the owner will be notified. A 5% service charge on all books sold will be charged by Student Council.

MOVE PLANNED

Mr. Michael Merrigan, The Assistant Administrator will be moving up to Evaristus as Sister Margaret Molloy comes down to the SAC building.

Mr. Merrigan, presently in R.301 of SAC, will be moving later on this month since his job of opening the SAC Building has now been completed. It

was felt that the Assistant Administrator should be close to the President of the University.

A major reason for the move is so that the Academic Dean will be where the students are, since most classes are now being held in SAC with the exception of Home Ec. and Sciences; 301 is the logical place.

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U.N. CONFERENCE ON HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

The first United Nations Conference on the Human Environment will take place in Stockholm, Sweden, in June of this year. The secretary-general for this conference is Maurice F. Strong, of Canada, and this country will send both official and unofficial representatives.

Twelve young people some Canadians, some Americans, will attend the conference as unofficial observers. They were elected last summer in Hamilton, Ontario, at the International Youth conference on the Human Environment. The Hamilton conference, attended by representatives from 78 countries, was one of the original stages of a global program of

environmental education.

Sweden is an appropriate host. Its national anti-pollution campaign is the world's most advanced and includes compulsory night school education in ecological topics for some 150,000 adults. Swedish industries must prove, before construction, that new facilities will not contribute more than is necessary to the pollution problem, and the government pays one quarter of the cost of anti-pollution equipment.

But regardless of how much a particular country works on its own situation, it must still suffer the effects of its less conscientious

neighbours. Winds and sea currents recognize no political boundaries. In fact, the cause of highly acidic rainfall in Sweden and Norway has been traced to industries in England and Germany. A more dramatic example is the fact that the Netherlands uses the Rhine River for part of its water supply while upstream, France and Germany use it as a sewer.

Canada's official provisional statement to the conference, is fairly generalized. The basis for our vulnerability it says, is our massive coastline, the world's largest at 59,700 miles. One quarter of the world's fresh water is Canadian, and we

have 5500 miles of international border, much of it water. The Canadian statement recognizes our economic dependence on international trade and multinational corporations. This forces us to realize that our environment is subject to corporate decisions, shipping accidents, etc., which may originally occur thousands of miles away.

Clearly the crisis of ecological destruction is a universal one, making the UN conference in Stockholm a unique and necessary historical event. There is an obvious need for a highly organized campaign, an exercise in world community. The UN conference recognizes this priority.

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THE PICARO

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Identities, CBC Radio's series about Canada's cultural minorities, goes to a new time, 6:10 pm EST, and length (50 minutes) beginning Saturday, April 8.

The weekly show, which began last October as a half-hour program, is an attempt to assess the success of our cultural mosaic. It has uncovered many of the pro-

blems encountered by newcomers to Canada and as well made others aware of their contributions to the artistic, business and political aspects of the Canadian way of life.

In its longer format, Identities, hosted by Hungarian-born Andrew Szende, will be less a documentary program and more a magazine, tackling several topics each week. For that reason, the show will be as up to date as possible and content will rarely be known far in advance.

Some of the items to be dealt with in the coming weeks include a look at Canada's only foreign language daily, Corriere Canadese, the explosion in the variety of foods now available in city supermarkets, the exploitation of immigrant labor by all levels of hospital employment, and the 1967 Immigration Act.

On April 22, there'll be a special one-hour examination of the life of the Canadian Greek who is still deeply affected by the political tur-

moil in his homeland.

A sampling of the schedule since last October indicates the Stereotype, Political Refugees, West Indian Domestics, a program marking the 30th anniversary of the evacuation of the Japanese from the west coast of B. C., Mennonites, accounts by several immigrants in this country who have "made it", including Peter Newman, editor of MACLEAN'S magazine and David Lewis, national NDP leader and the Generation

Gap: Immigrant Style.

Later this spring the Identities unit - Geraldine Sherman, producer, Barbara Uteck, production assistant, and host Andrew Szende - plans to cover a series of multi-cultural Heritage Conferences slated to be held in Alberta, Ontario and Manitoba. They are being organized in conjunction with Prime Minister Trudeau's multi-culturalism policy.

-CBC Radio Network Promotion -

Question....

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE ANNOUNCED RAISE IN TUITION?



LILA PINE
arts II

I'm not sure what to think of it. With the quality of education today, it's just not worth that much money. But the raise is not the university's fault.



PATRICIA MIGNOTT
science III

A bit high. You know if every four years or so there's a raise like this one we won't be able to afford to go to the university.



JO BRAZEL
nursing II

I don't think we should pay the same as Dal. We just don't have the same facilities. We're not getting any more in the way of rooms or meals for the raise in residence fees either. We're just not Dal.

MARGARET HAMEL
nursing II

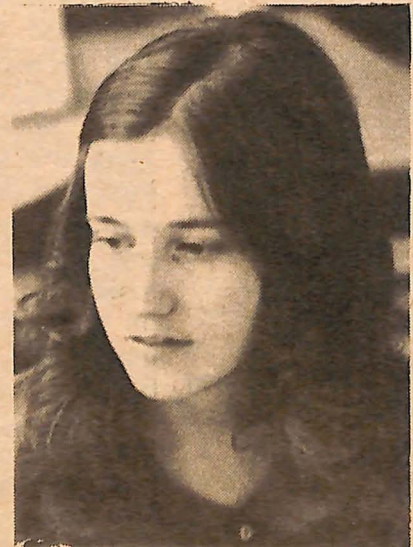
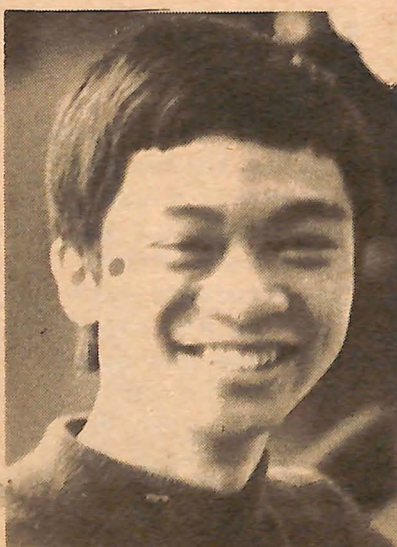
I can understand it with the new residences and the new Home Ec. program. Knew it was coming because of Dal. raise. It's a fair raise I think.

BERNARD FUNG
science I

I think it's crazy. It's crazy and unreasonable and inhuman to impose this burden on students who are poor enough already...It's unreasonable!!

SUE FLEMMING
arts IV

A fair raise!!! \$130 in tuition and \$1,012 in residence. We should up in arms! Glad I'm not coming back next year.



MOANS GROANS and GROWLS

The student union constitution is now out officially for the comments, criticisms and amendments of the students.

This year's council has done something that no other council in the past was ever able to do that is put a workable constitution together.

It has taken many hours of hard work and it has sweated out its passage through the Student Affairs Committee, Senate and of course the Student Council themselves.

The document demands that every student read it and understand it. It demands that every student participate in the Constitutional Meeting planned to comment on it, amend it and decide whether it is the docu-

ment which all want to be governed by.

Don't let this last chance to speak out go by like the rest. The decisions made at the meeting will be directly related to the position of the student in relation to everything else on campus. A few points that should be mentioned about the wording of the constitution. It is simple and was made for the student and not the lawyer. It contains a clause where "upon the presentation of a petition signed by at least 20% of the membership of the student union" a special meeting of the council can be called.

Also the students of the union may request an investigation concerning the resignation of any one or more members of the council. The

document creates a difference between council and executive but in most cases talks about council as inclusive of both bodies.

A copy of the constitution may be seen on page 8 and in this way the excuse that you never saw the document would not be valid. The constitution is not only for you but it is you so please participate.

At this time I would personally like to congratulate the new Editor of the PICARO for 72-73, Laura Purdy, who was awarded the position by the Student Council.

Laura is presently serving on the Executive of SC as Internal VP and during the past year has been Layout Director of the paper.

She will be moving into the position with some very good ideas and comments.

The position of editor unlike other positions in the union is a non-paying job and I admire Laura for taking the initiative and courage to take the job. I look forward to the 72-73 PICARO with the greatest confidence in the new editor.

I would also like to thank all the people who helped out in the paper and those who submitted articles. The job hasn't been an easy one but if the blame was put in the right places it would not be recognized, just overlooked or disregarded. I have discovered that the Mount is not the place for University students, just a glorified highschool



with bodies that have been held over from the fifties and bobby-soxers who wish to be called students.

I'm glad that I had the chance to be Editor of the PICARO as it has given me an insight into this campus which few people will obtain.

Thank you.

letters.....

An Open Letter to the Administration:

It seems to me incredible that an "academic" building - housing reading rooms, language laboratories, Xerox equipment and uncountable nooks in which to curl up and study - is not available to those for whom (I presume) it has been constructed. Why are students not allowed access to Seton Academic Centre on weekends?

After a full day of lectures, labs, or whatever, not many people are prepared to spend the rest of the late afternoon and evening studying too. Weekend evenings are social times yes; but Saturday and Sunday afternoons are the ideal times to catch up on uncharted language lab time, or on lectures that are taped for future reference. And I'm sure that I'm not the only one who would like to escape

from residence and the library - neither of which affords really excellent study areas - and find an uninhabited SAC seminar room to concentrate in for a few hours.

To my mind it is a ridiculous waste to see a beautiful building (constructed with our fees) not being used for that which it was intended.

In disgust,
(Miss) Ann Fothergill

Dear Editor:

Re: in the last edition of the PICARO, your first comment was to agree with me (although completely missing the point that was being made) that "few students know that the elections have come and gone" Yet, in the very next paragraph you valiantly wave the student flag, "I have enough faith that Joe and Jane

Average student will notice all the colourful and humorous posters that were displayed just a few weeks ago". Come dear Editor, What is it to be....were the students aware of the elections or not? And if they were aware was it through the student newspaper? I do not think, dear editor, that your contribution in creating awareness was overly great. It was in fact, non-existent.

As for their being no opposition for executive positions, you speak of it as if it were a heinous crime. That Mr. Goslin, is your one and only valid point. It was a crime but not in the way you implied. It was not the crime of the five people who did run. If you felt that opposition was an essential part of democracy you could have supplied it. After all, you have said you

were concerned.

As to your reference to the elections in Viet-Nam, that is ridiculous! Your lectures in political studies should have made that clear. In Viet-Nam one does not simply decide to run for office, elections are restricted. They are not restricted here and you know that as well as I do. Your concern for democracy seems very limited, since one of the safeguards of the system lies in the honesty of its press. Comparing our elections to those in Viet-Nam is not a particularly honest comparison. The crime of our elections Mr. Goslin, is that the editor of our paper felt that it was his choice as to whether or not students should be informed of these elections in their paper. It was not up to you to decide, it was your duty as editor of the student News-

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Who Do You Want To Spend Your Money?



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elections

February is D month. Nominations for the executive of the student union opened at 9:00 a.m. Thursday the 10th and will close 5:00 pm sharp, Wednesday the 16th. Candidates for the following positions:

- 1) President
- 2) Executive Vice-President
- 3) Academic Vice-President
- 4) External Vice-President
- 5) Internal Vice-President

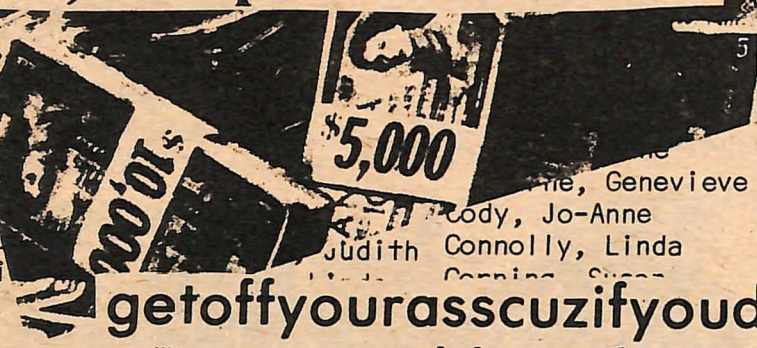
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get off your ass cuz if you don't we won't be responsible and neither will you.

paper to inform the students concerning elections. You did not do your duty Mr. Goslin.

You also stated that you feel the Opportunities for Youth program was no business of the President of the Student Union.* You are shamefully ignorant or just plain naïve. It is my business as well.

As for the Youth Report, student council was requested by Father B. Wheaton some months ago to individually read the report. This we did and we met with him after March break. It was at this time that the complaint was lodged that NO mention of the report was in the PICARO. That was a breach of promise and again a failure of the editor to do his duty.

As for members of council knowing what goes into the PICARO.** That is not true and you

know it is not true. How can we know what goes into a paper when the editor has only a vague notion of what is to be in the paper.

You seem to be of the opinion that you and only you have the right to decide what shall and shall not go into the paper.*** That is a concept of personal power that good newspapers try to avoid. You have certain rights as an editor, you have a right to disapprove, you have a right to point out wrongs. But those are not your rights solely, others have equal rights, you do not seem to recognize that fact.

Nor do you seem to recognize the fact that you have duties as well as rights. You seem to exercise one without giving much thought to the other.

For example those five people had a right to be heard

and present their platforms in the Student Newspaper. Students had a right to learn about their candidates through the paper. All students subsidize the PICARO, it is their paper. It was not up to you what election news should go in the paper.

In short Mr. Goslin, you have failed in many areas and your reply to me in the last edition sounded very much like the moanings of a little boy who got slapped when he was caught with his fingers in the cookie jar. That is a poor safety valve for the editor of a University Student newspaper.

M.E.D.
A student.

ED. note:

* Please re-read LETTER TO THE EDITOR ANSWER (PICARO 3/14/p 4)

** It is most times common knowledge, especially to council members what goes into the PICARO since they have been found reading over the layouts before press, on a number of occasions.

*** that's the Editor's job. He doesn't just write editorials.

Dear Concerned Student (V.B.):

This is mainly to deliver a message to you that had been drawn up, submitted to the editor of the PICARO, and promised to be placed there, but failed*to appear. I too am concerned. I am concerned that you felt I could not be approached. There was no need to be anonymous. My time is yours in this matter, and in any other. If you are upset I think that we should get together and discuss the whole thing.

In all fairness, I

agree that your first letter should have been printed, but in its original** form. Not in the form that appeared in the PICARO. Perhaps then the student would be aware of some of the psychologically draining conditions members of council have to work under. In fairness to you, I feel that your second letter should have been printed.

However, our editor seems to thrive on negativism and sensationalism, and it is difficult to attempt to reason with such a person. Therefore I will quote from your second letter... "Miss During, I don't know if you have even received my first letter -- if you have -- I have thought about it and reconsidered my statements and realize the injustice paid to you. Please forgive -- I am sorry for anything I quoted. If you hav-

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Upon opening the door at New Options one is literally bombarded with atmosphere. The door opens into a large room in which every square inch of space is filled with materials, books, and people. Several cardboard signs request the removal of boots and surprisingly the floor is ready evidence that one of the school's few rules is cheerfully followed.

Later examination of the school showed that it consisted of several rooms. A large central room served many uses and had a partition at the left which provided a study area. Directly opposite to the door are two small rooms, one an office and the other a library. Along the wall adjacent to the entrance are two small rooms a combination workshop (arts, crafts) and classroom, and then the woodworking shop. Clutter abounded but in a small area serving so many people and being used to its best advantage it was a healthy, even welcomed clutter because it had a purpose.

New Options, presently located at 2145 Barrington Street, was formerly situated "in three basement rooms in the George Dixon Drop-In Centre at 2501 Gottingen Street, released for this purpose by the City Recreation Department."

New Options, described as "a free school in the North End of Halifax" was started in September, 1970. The school opened its doors with three students, under the sponsorship of the YMCA. Growth was rapid.

The aim of New Options is "to provide a new approach to the education and rehabilitation of the young people who have dropped out of the regular schools". However, the concerns of the school go beyond the purely academic, it tries to foster in their students "a sense of their own worth and human potential".

According to the aims set forth for New Options, the essential atmosphere is freedom and flexibility. The old curriculum system found in the regular schools has no place at New Options. The teachers at the school help the students learn by providing guidance, information, and instruction. However the "do it I'm right" attitude held by many teachers is not found there. Text books are used as reference material but do not form the essential core of lessons. For this reason it is felt that teachers working at New Options have to be better at their jobs than teachers in regular schools. Therefore teachers are hired on ability to teach, not on credentials. It was the expressed opinion of a spokesman for New Options that the type of teacher who has to depend on text

books for everything would not last long at the school. The reason for this is that he would not fit in there; "the relationship between the staff and the students is one of acceptance, trust and encouragement. Grounded thus, learning becomes a mutual endeavour which brings its own rewards." At New Options, the emphasis is continually laid on the integration of knowledge and activities in different fields.

Because the old curriculum method doesn't work at New Options, the choice of subjects and to a great extent subject matter which a student studies, is a matter of personal freedom, interest. In class the stress is put on understanding the subject matter rather than just covering so much material in the run of a day. The student works at his own individual pace, and on a very personal student-teacher basis. At New Options, they have a motto: Every Student Is A Teacher; which is very true since an individual always has something to pass on to others.



Of course the daily schedule at the school is, in fact has to be, flexible. A rough semi-schedule may be found on a blackboard, but as the spokesman pointed out there is no compulsion to be in class at 10:00 a.m. just because the suggested time for beginning class is 10:00 a.m. In fact there is no compulsion to attend school at any given day at all since the student can work as slowly or as quickly as he or she wishes.

Since September, 1970, New Options, which as a free school must have come as a surprise to conservative Halifax, has come a long way. It has come from a school with 3 students to an enrolment of over 150 students, (over a prolonged period and 70 students with fairly re-

gular attendance). It has also taken the huge step from an experiment to being "accredited by the school board to certify its students at the high school leaving level." Students from New Options may attend Dalhousie University through successful completion of SACU tests.

However as should already be apparent, New Options is more than just a school. The people at New Options feel that you can't divorce education from life.

Therefore they are working with their students to help them become educated in life.

Camelot, for example is one way in which New Options is trying to help their students outside the classroom. Camelot is a house on South Street, rented from Dalhousie University for "a bare bones rent" which provides a home for homeless students. John Bosco, a young Augustinian Priest acts as live-in counsellor. At the

school Camelot is considered a most successful venture; like most things it has its limitations. But it is beginning to feel like a home.

Cottage Industries and Trail Blazing under a Opportunities for Youth grant also allow the students the opportunity to make pocket money, spend their time enjoyably and get out in the fresh air. New Options hopes to establish a farm in the country where students with drug problems can go and work, and which will operate as a drug free retreat for those involved in the withdrawal from, or use of drugs. It is hoped that the farm will be a self-sufficient operation with some livestock and market gardening, crafts and wood-

working. The farm will be a kind of halfway house for people upon release from mental, correctional or other institutions. It may also act as a retreat for people who haven't as yet reached the breaking point, thereby acting for prevention as well as cure.

Drugs are not permitted at New Options. A spokesman for the school even suggested that it would not be safe for a pusher to try to operate within the school. Not that he would be attacked at once, rather he would be told to leave at once and not to return with drugs. Many of the students at New Options have had drug problems and are staying away from them at the school, therefore they don't want it around. If someone enters the school with drugs, he is asked to leave, but he is not reported. The whole freedom thing at the school doesn't operate on that level.

Since the whole nature of New Options is different from regular schools it is only natural that its evaluation system be different. The close student-teacher relation-

ship at New Options make the school ideal for close assessment of the students progress. Weekly staff meetings are held at which individuals progress is discussed. The close contact, not only between students and teachers but on all levels make student evaluation "a daily and unavoidable process."

Evaluation is not made on the amount of information the student has accumulated. Rather on his interest in learning, the knowledge of skills (reading, basic math, ability to research), all of which will enable him to continue learning after he leaves New Options. The people at New Options feel that "our purpose as teachers must always be to

make ourselves unnecessary, so that the student no longer looks to us to find an answer for him, but goes out to find it himself, using whatever he has learned to do so. It should be stressed that as a student spends time discovering how to learn things, he will inevitably add to his store of knowledge. The fact that we don't insist on the study of set courses and don't examine him on set texts should not be allowed to obscure this; it is fundamental that in learning how to do things, the student does learn things. We are asking him simply to assume responsibility for the direction of his own life".

Where else would you find a group of educators admitting that the purpose of teachers is to make themselves unnecessary?

The students at New Options come from many sources. Most of the students are drop-outs from the regular school system who have found that they can and want to learn. Therefore they attend the school. However, an increasing number of students are coming to New Options on referral from such sources as: the Children's Aid

Churches, both locally and nationally; the Provincial Youth Agency, the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission, the OFY programme; the Company of Young Canadians; the Halifax School Board and a number of private individuals who prefer to remain anonymous.

John Shuh, founder of New Options, is a graduate of Mount Allison U and Union Seminary in New York City. While at Union he did field work in both teaching and street work in connection with a school for drop-outs in Harlem. As founder and titular director of New Options he has been extremely capable in a variety of capacities with the school.

Anne Maxwell is the wife of one doctor and the mother of another, and had herself intended to go in to medicine. Instead she chose to teach and has had eleven years of experience with children between the ages of nine and University level, in two independent schools before joining New Options at its foundation. Her past work included guidance and administration as well as teaching and her experience has proved invaluable in dealing with numerous personal crises suffered by students.

The staff of New Options include people with varied backgrounds who are well qualified for the work they do. Jack Stewart for example has had extensive experience with heroin addicts and worked for eight months with a pre-release programme for convicts in Vancouver prior to coming to New Options as a full time detached worker over a year ago. There is also John Bosco, the Augustinian priest who lives with the boys in Camelot and Sister Rita Egan from the Convent of the Sacred Heart who is at the school.

Special Consultants to New Options vary from Dr. Edgar Z. Friedenberg a world renowned educator and professor of Education at Dalhousie University; to Professor Ian Campbell, Dean of Arts and Sciences at Sir George William University, who sat on the LeDain Commission Inquiry into the Non-medical Use Of Drugs.

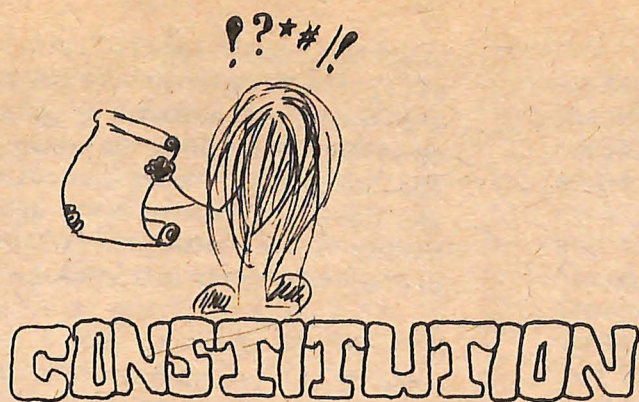
Finding someone to talk is no problem at New Options, it is really difficult to believe how easily 'new people' (somehow strangers would not apply to New Options) are accepted, and made welcome. At once all nervousness vanishes. After an hour and a half, it is just like a meeting of old friends.

NEW OPTIONS

BY

ANGIE TURPLE

The funds for the operation of the school also come from many sources. Including the YMCA, various foundations such as: The Protestant Youth Foundation, the Eaton Foundation, the Anglican and United



BY-LAW I -- Preamble

1. The Mount Saint Vincent University Student Union is responsible for the supervision of extra-curricular Student Union activities and has the authority over all students who are members of the Student Union and their organizations necessary to discharge that responsibility.
2. The Mount Saint Vincent University Student Union will work in joint effort with the university to ensure that the freedom and policies of both groups are mutually respected.
3. The Student Union will be officially governed by a Student Council comprised of students of the Union. These students will be deemed with the authority by the Union to represent and be responsible to the students of that Union in any matter to be delegated to it by the Union, including matters provided for in these by-laws.

BY-LAW II -- Membership

1. All the registered students of Mount Saint Vincent University who have paid the required fee * shall be members of the Student Union.
2. The President of the University and the members of the Board of Governors shall be honorary members of the Student Union. They shall not have the right to vote.

**this phrase is understood to mean that any student has the right to opt out of membership in the Union. It is understood of course that all privileges are forfeited when you choose to opt out.*

BY-LAW III -- Council Organization

1. The Council shall be composed of:
 - a. The President
 - b. The Executive Vice-President
 - c. The Academic Vice-President
 - d. The External Vice-President
 - e. The Internal Vice-President
 - f. The Representative of the Non-Resident Student Society
 - g. The Representative of the New Students
 - h. The Representative of the Resident Student Society
 - i. The Representatives elected by the students for their respective faculties
 - j. The elected Treasurer
 - k. A member from the Senate and from the Board of Governors.

BY-LAW IV -- Officers of the Student Union

1. The officers of the Student Union shall be:
 - a. The President
 - b. The Executive Vice-President
 - c. The Academic Vice-President
 - d. The External Vice President
 - e. The Internal Vice-President
 - f. The Treasurer: one who demonstrates capability in financial matters.

BY-LAW V -- Duties of Officers

1. The Executive, each year, as its first official act after taking office, shall:

- a. appoint a Secretary whose duties shall be as from time to time laid down by Regulation.
- b. open applications for the following positions: Editor of the Student Union newspaper,

The PICARO

Editor of the Photopool of said paper

Editor of the Student Handbook

Chairman of Winter Carnival Committee

Chairman of the Orientation Committee

and any positions that will be deemed necessary to create in the future.

- c. officially open nominations and set dates of the remaining council members (to be elected).

- d. have full decision making powers in order to function when only the Executive of the Student Union in the incoming year is in existence.

- e. have powers to make decisions during the year. However, these decisions must be brought before the entire Council to be ratified.

- f. enforce a due observation of the Act of Incorporation, these by-laws, and the Regulations.

- g. devote a considerable amount of time between the end of April to the beginning of September preparing for the Student Union involvement in the next academic year.

- h. see that all members of the Student Council submit a report and evaluation of what he/she did during the year by January 1 and March 31

2. The President shall:

- a. be the liason officer between the Student Union and the university.

- b. be a member of the Board of Governors

- c. preside at all meetings of the Student Union and of the Council as chairman.

- d. call meetings of the Union and of the Council.

- e. have voting power only to solve a tie at Student Council meetings.

- f. be responsible for drawing up the budget together with the Treasurer and have signing power of the Union's finances.

3. The Executive Vice-President of the Union shall:

- a. assist the President of the Union in the performance of his/her duties and shall act for the President if the President's absence extends beyond a two-week period. She does not have the signing power of the President.

- b. be Chairman of the Applications Committee and the Elections Committee. The function of these committees shall be defined by Regulations.

- c. act as office manager of the Union by maintaining in good order all the non-financial books and records of the Union.

- d. be responsible for other duties as designated by the Council of the Student Union.

3. The External Vice-President shall:

- a. act as liason officer between Mount Saint Vincent Student Union and the Student Unions of other universities and organizations.

- b. be the active representative between Mount Saint Vincent University Student Union and community organizations.

- c. be responsible for other duties as designated by the Council of the Student Union.

4. The Academic Vice-President

- a. promote student participation in academic matters, act as a resource person and ensure the academic welfare of the members of the Student Union.

- b. be the representative of the Student Union at all conferences related to academic matters.

c. be a member of the Applications Committee and Nominating Committee to investigate the academic standing of the applicants.

d. be responsible for setting up a committee, made up of the majors in each department in their senior year, to be actively present for the duration of registration week, to assist any registering students.

e. be responsible for other duties as designated by the Council of the Student Union.

5. The Internal Vice-President shall:

a. act as liason between the Council and such clubs, societies and organizations under the jurisdiction of the Student Union, as may exist on campus. He/She shall also be responsible for co-ordinating all on-campus activities of such societies, clubs, organizations and faculties.

b. be responsible for sending a memo to all clubs for final reports of their activities during the year and their budgets for the coming year.

c. be jointly responsible with the External Vice-President to bring outside campus news to the students.

d. be responsible for other duties as designated by the Council of the Student Union.

6. The Treasurer shall:

a. be elected by the Student Body and shall be an executive officer of the Student Union because she is directly responsible for all Student Union monies.

b. hold office from April 1 to March 31.

c. be the sole other co-signer with the President for all Student monies and shall be directly responsible for the accounts payable system.

d. be the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

e. receive and account for all monies belonging to the Student Union.

f. be responsible for the financial administration of the activities of the Student Union.

g. pay all expenses authorized under the existing financial system.

h. at the request of Council, report to Council within one week on the current financial condition of the Student Union.

i. prepare his/her financial reports and statements for the fiscal year and arrange for the immediate auditing of the books for the past fiscal year.

j. assist the President in an advisory capacity in formulating the annual budget, and submit for approval to the Executive of the Student Union.

k. be responsible for the permanent setting up and functioning of the book depository.

BY-LAW VI -- Elections

1. Elections shall be held for the members of the Executive of the Student Council and for all other Council members excluding the non-resident representative, the resident representative and the new students' representative, on any day in February which is an official day of classes.

2. Candidates for the positions of President, Executive Vice-President, External Vice-President, Academic Vice-President, Internal Vice-President, and Treasurer of the Student Union shall be nominated by submission to the Elections Committee of separate nominating papers containing the number of signatures required by the Nominations and Election Regulation, plus the written consent of each nominee.

3. The candidates for the positions of President and Executive Vice-President of the Student Union shall run on joint ballots or independantly, and shall not represent any particular department or faculty of the university.

4. a. The candidate for President of the Student Union receiving the highest number of yes votes shall be declared elected.

b. The candidate for Vice-President of the Student Union receiving the highest number of yes votes shall be declared elected.

5. In the case of a tie between candidates either for President or Executive Vice-President, the vote should be taken to the students within two official days of classes. In case of a tie again, the outcome should be decided upon by a majority vote of the incoming council.

6. Candidates for positions other than President or Executive Vice-President of the Student Union shall be nominated by submission to the Elections Committee of a nominating paper containing the number of signature required in the Nominations and Election Regulation, plus the written consent of the nominee. Nominators must be members of the Student Union and members of the faculty or department that the nominee is to represent.

7. The following shall be considered faculties for the purpose of these by-laws and shall be entitled to representation on the Students' Council:

- a. Arts
- b. Business
- c. Science
- d. Nursing
- e. Home Economics
- f. Education

Faculty representation of Council shall be determined on the basis of one representative from each faculty.

8. Only members of the Student Union may vote at any election of the Students' Union.

9. Only those students who are members of the Student Union and members of a faculty or department shall vote for the representative from that faculty or department.

10. No student shall have the right to vote in more than one faculty or department or to represent any faculty or department on the Council of Students in which he/she is not a fully registered student.

11. In each election for faculty or department representatives, the candidate receiving the highest number of yes votes shall be declared elected.

12. In the case of a tie among the candidates for faculty representative, the vote shall be taken to that faculty again. The candidate then getting the majority of yes votes shall be declared elected.

13. In the case of a tie again among the candidates for faculty representative, the incoming President shall convene a meeting of the members elect of the incoming Council; the candidate receiving the majority of yes votes at that meeting shall be declared elected.

14. The following shall be entitled to only one representative on the Students' Council:

- a. Residents' Representative
- b. Non-Residents' Representative
- c. New Students' Representative
- d. Education Representative.

15. These students and those mentioned above shall be elected the first week in October. Only students who are members of the above-mentioned categories may vote for candidates of the respective categories.

16. In the case of a tie, the vote shall be recast by the members of the respective categories.

17. No candidate for Council shall be elected by acclamation.

18. For the 1972 elections, the remaining Council members with the exception of those stipulated in By-law VI, article 14, will be elected within a ten-day period of the passing of this constitution. This is to be enforced for the 1972 elections only.

BY-LAW VII -- Elections Committee

1. There shall be an Elections Committee which shall consist of:

a. Chairman who shall be known as the Chief Returning Officer

b. Four members who shall be known as Deputy Returning Officers.

the above members of the Elections Committee shall be appointed by the Council within one month of the Council taking office. These members shall not be candidates for any election taking place under their jurisdiction.

2. The Committee shall administer all elections of officers of the Union and members of Council and such other elections as are necessary during the course of the year.

3. Council may from time to time, by Regulation make rules governing the conduct of elections and provide that the Committee make further rules in this regard.

4. The Committee shall decide all the disputes regarding the administration of the election, subject to any provision of the Regulations.

5. a. Within twenty-four hours of the close of voting in any election, the Chief Returning Officer shall prepare the official list of results which shall show opposite the name of each candidate, the total number of votes cast for that candidate.

b. Within twenty-four hours of the close of voting in any referendum, the Chief Returning Officer shall prepare the official list of results.

c. The official list of results shall be posted in prominent place on campus.

6. Any candidate may request a recount of the votes cast by filing a written request with the Chief Returning Officer within twenty-four hours of the posting of the official list of results, and such recount shall be made within twenty-four hours of the receipt of the written request.

BY-LAW VIII -- Meetings

1. All meetings of the Student Council shall be open meetings. A member of the Union may attend any meeting of the Council, but the Council shall have the right during any meeting to move in camera for the discussion of a particular matter.

2. a. There shall be a regular open meeting of the Council at least once every two weeks during each month of the university term.

b. Special meetings of the Council may be called by the President

i. when he/she deems it necessary, or

ii. when he/she is requested to do so by a simple majority vote of the Council, or

iii. upon presentation of a petition signed by at least 20% of the membership of the Student Union.

3. A quorum at meetings of the Council shall consist of a simple majority (51%) of the total membership of Council.

4. All motions put before a meeting of the Student Union or Council shall be decided by majority (51%) vote. Abstentions will not be considered as votes.

5. All meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of parliamentary procedure as set forth in such authority as may be determined by

Council annually to coincide with By-law V, article 2 (f) of the duties of the President.

BY-LAW IX -- Other Organizations

1. The name of the Student Union shall not be used by any student, club, society, or organization to:

a. operate on campus

b. solicit for funds, membership, or clientele from among members of the Student Union or any part thereof, or

c. Use the facilities of the Student Union for the operation of such a club, society, or organization, unless it possesses a charter granted it in accordance with this By-law.

2. Council may grant a charter to any club, society, or organization which makes application for a charter, and may revoke or suspend the operation of such a charter by a simple majority vote.

3. The application shall contain such information as Council by Regulation requires: the aims, function and purpose of the club, society or organization.

4. Any club, society, or organization, under the jurisdiction of the Student Union shall be required to present to the Council a written report of the activities and financial condition of such club, society, or organization if, in the opinion of Council, there is reason to so inquire. Such information shall be filed in the Council Office.

5. a. The President and Treasurer of the Union shall have the right, if they are so instructed by Council, to examine the records, reports, and minutes of any club, society, or organization under the jurisdiction of the Union.

b. The President and Treasurer of the Union shall report the results of such examination to the Student Council.

BY-LAW X -- Finances

1. The university is requested and authorized to collect from every student each year, at his/her registration, a sum, the amount of which shall be fixed by the Council of the preceeding year. This fee shall require the sanction of a simple majority of a referendum of the membership of the Student Union.

2. The fee referred to above shall be exacted only from those students who are taking three or more courses, but in the case of a student taking fewer than three courses, the student shall pay a fee and that student shall be an associate member of the Union, with the right to elect and run for offices of the Union.

3. Fees collected by the Administration will be placed under the Treasurer twice a year. This does not include interim payments.

4. The Student Council fiscal year shall be from July 1 to June 31 corresponding with the university's fiscal year.

5. a. The Council shall be responsible for the allotment of monies collected pursuant to this By-law and any other revenues of the Union for the promotion of student activities.

b. Council each year shall:

i. receive from the Treasurer a complete and detailed set of budgetary estimates prepared by her with the assistance of the Finance Committee as provided in By-law XI.

ii. consider such budgetary estimates and may, before approving thereof, make such changes as Council may consider necessary.

6. All liabilities incurred by the Student Union or any of its authorized agencies shall be paid by cheque from the general fund of the Union signed by the duly authorized officers of the Union, and any expenditures by any club, society

or organization in excess of the budgetary estimates shall be the personal responsibility of the person or persons making the unauthorized expenditure, unless Council subsequently agrees by resolution to accept liability and pay it.

7. Council may, by Regulation, set forth standards to which clubs, societies or organizations applying for funds shall adhere; but Council may at any time exempt from the effect of any such regulations any project, group of persons whose activities it deems worthy of support.

8. Council shall provide a fidelity bond for the Treasurer for the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.), the premium to be paid by Council.

9. Council shall have the right to withdraw any grant made to any club, society, or organization under its jurisdiction, if in the opinion of Council, steps are being taken to spend the monies so granted or appropriated in support of an activity or activities which the Council does not consider to be in the best interests of the Student Union and its members.

10. a. The Treasurer shall pay only those liabilities of the Union or its agencies which have been incurred in accordance with the business and accounting procedures which may from time to time be laid down by the Treasurer and the Finance Committee.

b. All expenditures must conform to the budgetary appropriations as authorized by Council.

BY-LAW XI -- Finance Committee

1. There shall be a Finance Committee which shall be composed of the Treasurer of the Student Union who shall be Chairman, the President of the Student Union, and one other person appointed by Council.

2. The Finance Committee shall be responsible for annually reviewing the budget of the Student Union, maintaining the records of budgetary appropriations, revenues, and expenditures of any organization under the jurisdiction of the Student Union that the Council may require, and preparing recommendations on all financial matters referred to it by Council.

3. The Committee shall establish and maintain such systems and accounting procedures as it may deem necessary or as Council may from time to time require, to assure adequate financial control over the budgeting, recording, reporting, and examination of the financial transactions of the Student Union or of any of its agencies.

BY-LAW XII -- Financial Publication

1. The Council each year, before the end of October, shall publish in the PICARO, or otherwise as may be necessary:

a. a summary of the audited accounts for the preceeding financial year, and,

b. a summary of the budget of the Council and the agencies under its jurisdiction for the current year.

c. These financial statements are to be published showing the actual figures for expenditures and the figures for projected expenditures.

BY-LAW XIII -- Audit

1. Council shall, within one month of taking office, appoint competent auditors to conduct an examination of the books for the preceeding financial year and to prepare and present a report to Council. This is to supplement the financial summary left by the outgoing Treasurer.

BY-LAW XIV -- Resignations and Vacancies

1. All resignations of officers of the Union, members of Council, or any Council appointees shall be made in writing, addressed to the President, to be submitted at the regular meeting of the Student Council for action thereon.

2. Should a vacancy occur in the Student Council

or in any appointed office, elections and appointments must be held one week after the resignation has been accepted.

3. Should a vacancy occur in the office of President or Vice-President, a separate By-Election shall be held to fill that position, notwithstanding the provisions of By-law VI.

BY-LAW XV -- Removal From Office

1. When any member of the Council has failed to attend three consecutive meetings of the Council without reasonable excuse, the Council shall declare his/her position vacant.

2. Such members shall not be eligible for re-election during that term.

3. If the Council is presented with a petition bearing the signatures of 70% of the members of the Student Union requesting the resignation of one or more members of the Council, an investigation shall be held by the advisors (an impartial body), to look into the reasons for the petition.

The investigation results shall be publicized in prominent places of the university and shall be brought to the students by a general student body meeting. When all the facts are known to the student body, only then would a petition bearing the signatures of 70% of the members of the Student Union held again be acted upon to dismiss a member of the Council. This method is to give the person or persons affected an opportunity to resign before being asked to quit their office.

BY-LAW XVI -- Amendment and Revision

1. Notice of motion of any proposed amendment or revision of the Act of Incorporation or these By-laws must be given at a meeting of the Council, but may not be considered by the Council until its next subsequent meeting.

2. Any proposed amendment or revision of these by-laws shall require the consent of two-thirds of the members present at a meeting of the Student Union Council.

3. a. If the Council approves any amendment or revision of these by-laws, the President shall, within three days, file with the President of the University a copy of the proposed amendment, certified by the Secretary of the Council to be a true copy.

b. If notice of disapproval is received, the Council shall proceed to negotiate a mutually satisfactory solution to the difficulties, thereafter the amendment or revision as finally agreed upon shall be passed by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at a meeting of the Council.

4. The President shall then call a meeting of the members of the Student Union to consider the proposed amendment or revision.

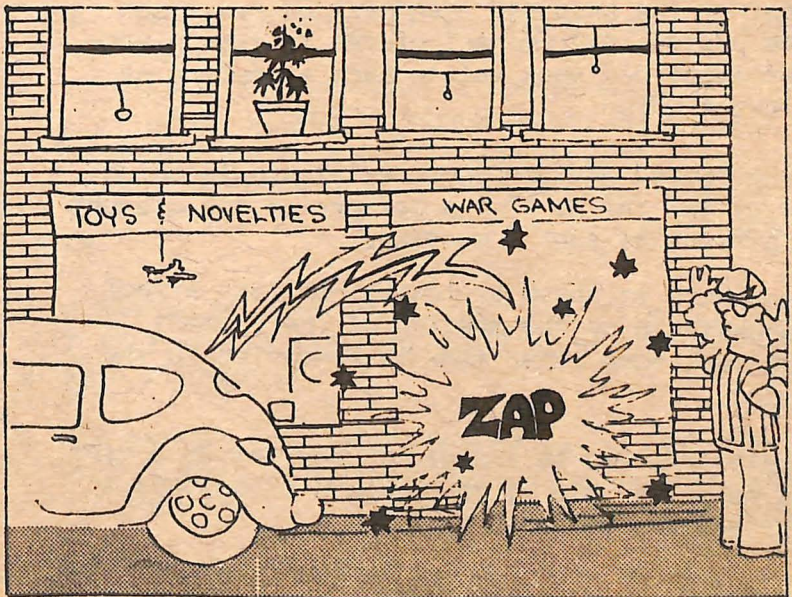
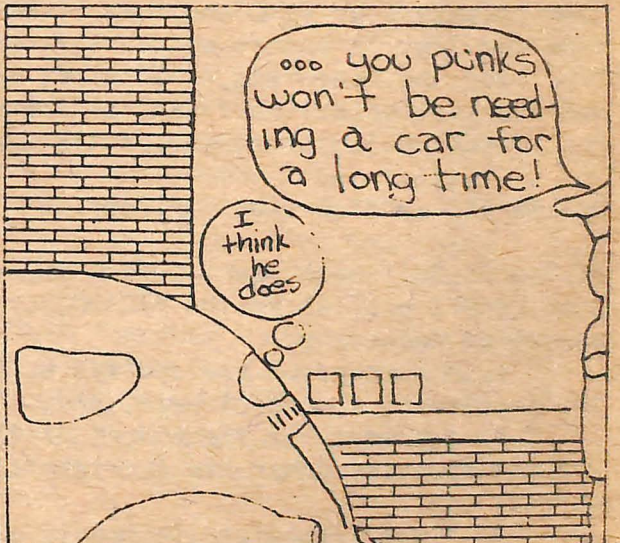
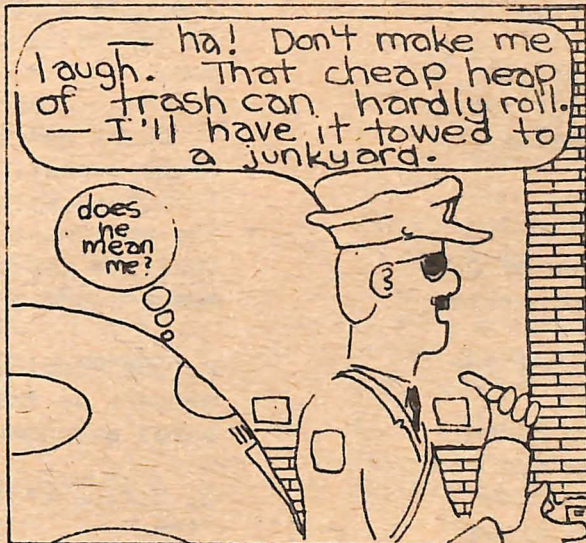
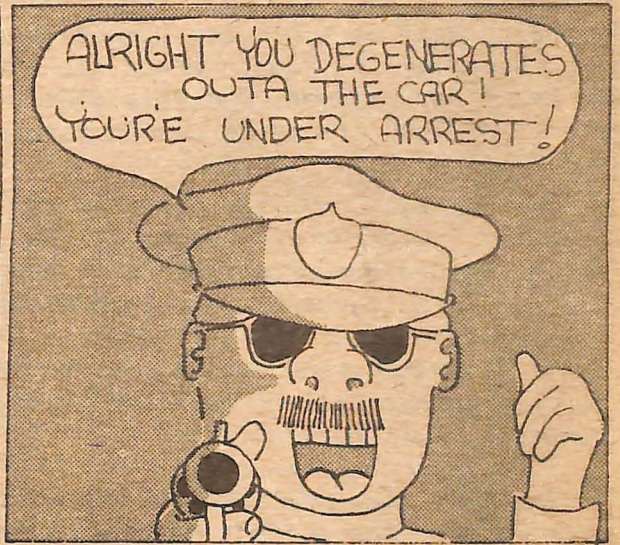
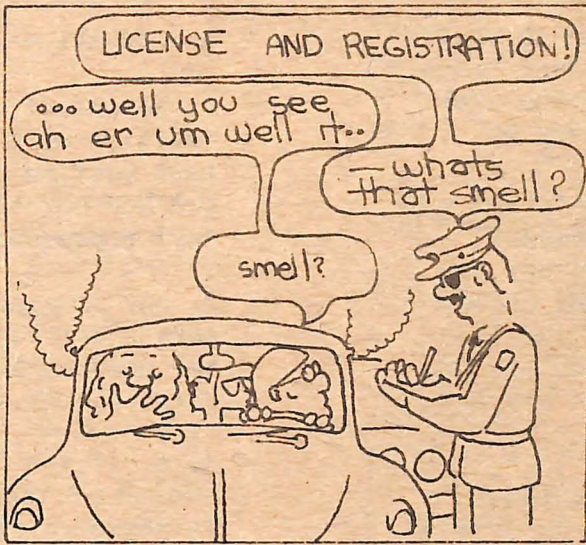
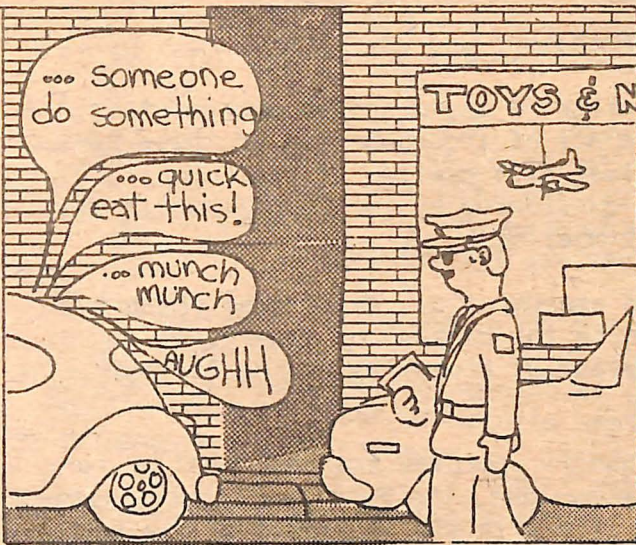
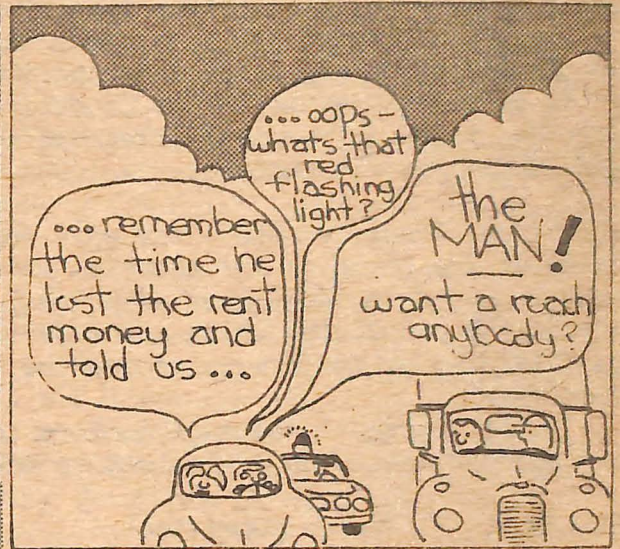
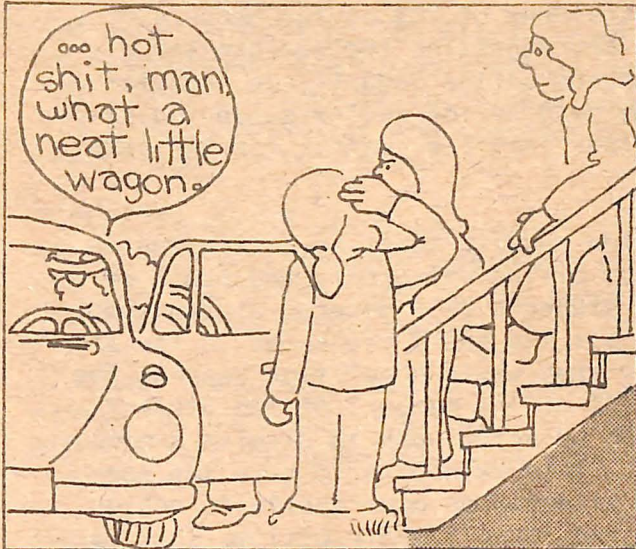
5. Notice of the meeting of the Student Union and the text of the proposed amendment or revision must be posted in prominent places in the university at least one week before such a meeting of the Student Union.

6. Any proposed amendment or revision must be accepted by two-thirds of the members of the Student Union present at such a meeting.

7. Amendments to these by-laws shall take effect upon acceptance by the meeting of the Student Union unless some other time is specified in the amendment.

8. Regulations may be amended or revised by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at a regular meeting of the Council.

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