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*Deo Legi
Regi Gregi
Achy Breaky
Hits Kings*

*Bowers to
Head
Mail-Star*

*Wynn's
Head
Mailed
to Qatar*



Photo: that Parker guy

April, 1993

Dear occupant:

April, 1964

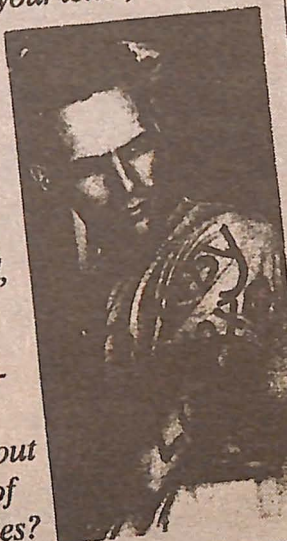
Dear Occupant:

We regret to inform you that you must vacate the premises immediately. No explanation. No questions. Don't worry about last month's rent -- just leave us be.

P.S. All belongings not removed by sundown will be incinerated.

Dear Andy:

Thanks for your interest in Beverly Hills 90210. From your letter, I would say you are quite a fan. I would especially like to thank you for the compliments you showed upon ME. I think you're special, too, Andy.



Here's an autographed photo of myself ... How about sending me one of you in your skivvies?

Dear Skoda owner:

With regards to the custom-fit faux fur seat covers requested -- we regret to inform you that there wasn't enough simulated rabbit haunch fur for your two front seats, your couch and your bedspread.

Be informed that if you would forward the proper bedding to the

ANDREW'S MAILBOX

c/o The Journal
Saint Mary's University
Halifax



April, 1993

Andrew Bowers
c/o The Journal

Mr. Bowers:

As we -- a group of concerned students -- have clearly expressed in previous letters, we feel you have long outstayed your welcome at the Saint Mary's student newspaper.

Although you have been ignoring our letters for the past few years and refuse to reply, we will not stand by and let you jabber on like a freaking fool for another year.

Hear this: we are sick of you. We want you out of that office by next Friday.

If you don't cooperate, we are afraid we will have to kill you.

April, 1993

Mr. Bowers:

Here is your long-awaited bust enhancer kit. Also find enclosed a free sample of our kiwi lip balm as promised.

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Sincerely,
The Journal Staff
Aeysha Adhami
Sheila Taylor
Coling MacMillan
Jody Jewers
Trevor Townsend
Robin Harvey
Robert Wooden
Ronnie Organ
Jeff Ainslie

Dear Employment-seeking Grotesque:

Unfortunately, *The Dalhousie Gazette* has filled its grotesque quota for the 1993-1994 academic year.

Sincerely,
Miriam Korn

P.S. My God, man, there ARE limits.



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S IS FOR STUPID

by J. Tupid

So there we were, me and ma possie (Q-Tip, Booger, Baked Bean, Ho, Yo and Aintnomo) and of course ma fabulous self, Stupid, sittin' around plannin' what will be by far the greatest night of our lives.

Oh yeah, the Stupids ride again. So we all load into ma man Booger's Boogie mobile and blast down the Bedford Highway listenen to some truly righteous tunes: "Locomotion," yeah (Go Ky-lie! Go Ky-lie! Go Ky-lie! we all chant in harmonious unison).

We decide that even though it's a Friday, we'll slide on in to La Club (others call it Vinnie's) and request THE Stupid theme song: "Push It," yeah. "Whaddyamean you don't have it?" shouts Baked Bean. "Don't you know who we

are? We're the Stupids!"

The Babe simply doesn't get it so we eat some marshmallows really quietly and slide on out of there. Next stop on this fabulous adventure: Duncan Doughboys.

"Yo baby POP!" I say to the chick behind the counter. "Diet POP!" We sit there sippin' and chillin' for a while. We sit. And sit. And we sit awhile longer but nobody looks at us much so we decide to boogie in the mobile back to the crib. We sit there scoffin' chips and dip reflecting on the greatest night of our lives.

Reveling in our ultimate coolness we doze and dream about how boring life would be for others if we didn't exist to tell them about our adventures. Until the next assinine-self serving-senseless-narcissistic-don't make sense but who reads this shit anyway-Oh! is that a mirror? words are spoken...

Selections Committee To Hire SU Executive

by Isabella Woodward-Bernstein

At a recent closed-door meeting of The Picaro staff, columnist J. Wingo put forth a motion calling for the Mount's student council executive to be hired through a selections committee. The motion was passed 27 to 0 with no abstentions.

"This is ridiculous!" said council president, Dave Wynn. "This is obviously an attempt to control us!"

"I second that!" added External VP Shauna MacNeil.

Brainstem creator and news editor Joe Strolz denies this accusation. "I am disappointed the council is upset by this. We certainly don't want control. Yes, we suggested the committee. Yes, we'll decide on the make-up of the committee, and, yes, we'll inflict severe pain if they go against our policies. But *control*? That's absurd!"

News editor Rob Hawgood agrees. "We're doing this because we saw a problem with the way council was run this year. The council lacks in the areas of accountability, accessibility, availability, sensibility, liability, stability, capability, rescindability and fast-fry ability."

"They don't even have a mail slot for their door," classifieds editor Inga MacLaine added in disgust.

The selections committee, which would choose the executive for the 1993-1994 academic year, will be comprised of 27 members. Each member of the committee will be selected from Picaro staff and contributors. The committee will be headed by NBC Late Night host David Letterman, via telephone.

"The Picaro has no right to make decisions for council!" fumed Cathy Thorpe, the council's executive vice-president. "We refuse to recognize this motion!"

"I second that motion not to recognize the motion!" added MacNeil.

"We really don't give a crap whether they recognize it or not,"

responded Jannine Shave, the Picaro's production manager.

"I sense that the council is upset and that they perceive some kind of unfairness here," said Sports Editor Louanne Campbell, "but I must reiterate that we're doing this for the good of the students."

Picaro's entertainment editor Rebecca Moore agrees. "We've been hearing too many complaints from students about council -- and we feel, as a body which represents the students, that it's our duty to remedy the situation."

The Picaro has been accused by council of not giving the issue enough consideration. The motion was discussed for only five seconds before being put to a vote.

"We gave the issue more than enough thought," stated media columnist Bob LeDrew. "Besides, we had more important issues to discuss -- like the Mia and Woody thing ... now THAT's important."

The council also expressed displeasure over their lack of representation on the selections committee. The council feels the committee as described by the Picaro, would not

be the best qualified to hire the executive.

"What does David Letterman or a selections committee of that nature know about hiring the executive of the student council?" murmured Internal VP Karen Dean.

Paula Adamski, Picaro editor-in-chief, sees the selections committee as having fair council representation. "Greg Frampton, the Picaro's poet, is also a member of council. That is more than enough council representation. We are being very generous with council on this matter."

Vinnie's D.J. Kevin Fraser sees it differently. "My friends! What are you doing to my friends?!" he wailed.

When asked if the Picaro would ever consider rescinding the motion, CUP editor Josette Marchand replied, "Not as long as I'm in office!"

"They won't get away with this!" Wynn vowed. "This is outrageous! What if the council proposed a committee to hire the editor of the paper! How would they like that?"

Shelton Replaced by Di's Ex

by Janet Cooke

It was announced yesterday that His Royal Highness Prince Charles has been hired to replace the retiring Dr. Shelton in the Mount's history department.

"Prince Charles is in a unique position to teach British history," says department chair Dr. Kenneth Dewar. "Especially the history of the British monarchy."

For his part, the prince is overjoyed at his new job as it will give his life new meaning.

"Since Diana left, the house has been rather quiet. I need a new project to keep me occupied," said Prince Charles.

Some have suggested that Charles is taking this position to improve his tarnished image. Says Charles. "If I just wanted to improve my image, I could have found a job bloody closer to the palace than in Nova Scotia"

Charles is a graduate of Cambridge University and although he does not have a doctorate, it was deemed that he more than made for up it in practical experience.

One student who has already signed up for the course is Isabella Fleischman. "I'm hoping he'll drop a few tidbits here and there -- some-

MSVU English Prof Counsels Yeltsin

by Picaro Staff

Mount English professor, David Monaghan, has submitted a proposal to Russian president Boris Yeltsin outlining a plan for the re-establishment of a communist regime. This 127 page paper blames the fall of communism for what Monaghan calls "a disintegration of North American culture."

The secret paper, titled *Hey, Put That Wall Back*, was obtained by the Picaro staff.

"Mr. Yeltsin, you must understand the bigger picture," the proposal reads. "The end of communism has brought with it the end of the great contemporary novel. You've taken away the very elements that have made author John Le Carre a success. Ending the Cold War? Dissolving the KGB? Have you passed into the realm of lunacy?"

The proposal's cover letter scolds former Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev for having "single-handedly ruined contemporary Western lit." The letter referred to both Gorbachev and Yeltsin as "irresponsible." One section reads: "Some people just don't think before they act -- the two of you included! I hate you!"

Monaghan and several students travelled to Ottawa on a number of occasions to stage protests in front of the Russian embassy. Monaghan also made a special appearance on Saturday Night Live where he tore up a photo of Yeltsin and pled with viewers to "fight the real enemy."

Monaghan, who teaches a course on the contemporary novel, plans to boycott the class until the Russian president responds favorably to his proposal.

President Yeltsin was not available for comment.

thing I can sell to the National Enquirer. Times are tough, you know."

Enrolment for these courses is strictly limited so Dr. Dewar recommends that interested students sign up immediately.



NEWS BRIEFS

SMUSA Execs Impeached

The entire executive of the Saint Mary's University Student Association has been impeached after an incident in the Gorsebrook lounge involving flies.

The executive had paid the Saint Mary's football team to restrain houseflies while various council members pulled off their wings and incinerated them with magnifying glasses. A kicker for the Huskies was injured in the incident when he was mistaken for a fly and his arms were pulled off.

The motion to impeach the executive was seconded by Shauna MacNeil.

Parr-Johnston: No More "Women's Stuff"

Mount Saint Vincent University will be a men-only university next year. University President Elizabeth Parr-Johnston revealed the change in policy on CBC's Morningside. In response to a four-minute, 295-word question from Peter Gzowski, Parr-Johnston said, "We're tired of all this women's stuff. From now on, it's men only for us. Besides, do you know how much money a football team can bring in from alumni?"

Student Union President Dave Wynn would not comment until a committee was struck to establish an editor for his press release. The motion was seconded by Shauna MacNeil.

Canaan Times Obviously Inaccessible

Biblical archaeologists have discovered the site of Noah's Ark, located near Mount Ararat. Among the papyrus scrolls found was one apparently showing that the pairs of animals were all members of a committee established to select the editor of the Canaan Times. The motion was seconded by an ancient figure previously thought to be mythical, Shoshana ben machkneel.

Hilary In Charge

Hilary Rodham Clinton has established a committee to select the next president of the United States. Among the prospective members are Chelsea Clinton, a superhero named Bat-Child, and NBC personality David Letterman. The motion was passed in a secret meeting of Congress and seconded by Shauna MacNeil.

Psychopathic Graphics Editor Fired

Saint Mary's Journal Graphics Editor Andrew Bowers has been arrested following the discovery that he, through mind-altering drugs and threats involving 'borrowed' Disney videos, had induced SMU students to conduct various activities over the past three years, including:

- throwing a kitten from a 20th floor balcony;
- undertaking a psychological-warfare campaign on a visually-impaired residence student;
- displaying misogynist banners at football games;
- and inviting well-known Dr. Seuss character Dale Hendsbee to the Gorsebrook lounge.

When contacted, Bowers claimed no knowledge of videos Disney or otherwise, and produced a sheaf of Journal columns. "Anyone who reads these has to believe I know nothing about videos, not to mention the other things I know nothing about."

Bowers was removed as graphics editor after a staff vote. MSVU executive vice-president Shauna MacNeil seconded the motion to dismiss.

Commenting on the dismissal, MSVU student Kevin Fraser said "Huh? Who? Oh, the pictures guy...I guess that ruins the Journal for me - the pictures were my specialty."

Adhami-Adamski: What's really up with that?

Journal editor Ayesha Adhami and Picaro editor Paula Adamski were revealed to be the same person. An enterprising King's Journalism student, Jim Nunn, discovered the hoax when former graphics editor Andrew Bowers admitted he had never seen the two women in the same room, despite carrying on long-term adulterous relationships with both of them.

MSVU Student Council President Dave Wynn said, "We really need to get on with other things...There's really no winners and no losers here...The important thing is how we play the game."

Smokes, Tokes
and Pokes

One day while having
a smoke,
Security gave me a poke.
He'd wounded my pride,
And kicked me outside
You'd think I was
having a toke!

Jamie Foster

Crescent Moon

In a foreign place
in a far off land
it's in the centre of the village
where my hut stands.

The lamp light flamed
an hour ago,
at first they danced
then burned down slow.
Now through the window
of my darkened room,
I sit and gaze
at the crescent moon.

and wonder-
what fate it was
for me to be
the person here,
with this angle to see
the way things are-
or as I perceive.

I should be reminded
lest I forget,
that as I basque
in my crescent moon,
scorching rays
burn one I never met
as the sun passes
their high noon.

With odd tongues
and differences many,
some with nothing
others with plenty
Dogma of place
will fall to one side
for the passion within us
did coincide.
Regardless of when-
and where
we were first swooned
by the beauty of
our crescent moon.

Greg Frampton



Hey, Gimme a Bite of that Head!

by Bob LeDrew

As I was saying the other day to a vertically-challenged public relations faculty member who is not Judith Scrimger, but is not averse to performing war songs in class, the metamorphosis of modern media is multifariously monotonic, which brought to mind something Neil Postman once wrote, but which would be far too complicated to explain in the paltry amount of space I am allocated here each issue; a situation that reminded me of something Marshall McLuhan once wrote, to wit: "The cathode-ray tube is a tube made for the purpose of transmitting cathode-rays."

This stunning insight brought to mind the existential agony of George Grant, the behemoth philosopher whose Lament for a nation lamented a nation.

And of course, who could teach George Grant better than Bob Lake, our presently-absent Mass Communications teacher extraordinaire, who just happens to teach (and exceptionally well, I might add) a research methods course which by some quirk of fate I must take at some point in the near future, but all of which should not be interpreted as some baser-than-base attempt at apple-polishing, especially since Prof. Lake, ever the consummate professional, is now sampling the technology of the East, to wit, Korea -- a country known to have embraced the philosophy of Haal Keel, the sage who enlightened thousands through his judicious use of print media.

Print media are a media -- is a medium, perhaps -- which should interest the student of media greatly, considering that, after all, as has been pointed out by Innis, Freud, Jung, Kant, Kan, Descartes, Deshorse, and of course by me in my own inimitable way, the medium of print is by defini-

tion a medium created through the use of print, and therefore germane (not greer, however, who I have read extensively, shared cappuccino with, and helped to form the thought thereof -- greer, not cappuccino, of course), to the study of the student of the media, of which print is one, of course; not to say, in any way, at any time, that the non-print media, that is to say the media which rely less on print than other things, such as broadcasting, which is the sending of waves of one sort or another (excluding -- but really excluding? indeed -- the wave of a hand or both hands of many hands, as at a concert) through the air with the use of some sort of transmitter at one end and some sort of receiver at the other...which is not surprising, considering the transmission of the waves would be meaningless without the reception thereof.

This particular piece of cogitation has put in mind the ancient Zen buddhist fable of "If a tree falls in the forest with no one there to hear it, is clear-cutting a mortal sin?" A worthy thought, to be sure, and one which, had I not written it myself, would be worthy of discussion in this very column, but my modesty forbids such intellectually masturbatory antics...

Please come again, my children. I look forward to de-muddifying your sullied world views.



VP Finance Christina Rogers plays a cruel April Fools Day prank

The Liquid Laugh

by Rob Hawgood a.k.a. Joe Strolz

Nausea is a disagreeable sensation best described by the familiar phrase "sick to my stomach."

When we digest, our stomach muscles and small intestine contract to push the food we have eaten down through our bodies. When, on the other hand, we vomit, these muscles work in reverse to push the food up into the mouth. A person usually has a feeling of nausea before vomiting. Vomiting is controlled by the medulla of the brain, or rather, the BRAIN STEM.

There are many causes of nausea, both physical and mental. Physical causes

include severe pain anywhere in the body and pregnancy, especially during the first three months.

Mental causes of nausea include the following:

Revoltng sights -- For Picaro editor Paula Adamski, it is the sight of her brother Greg hawking greeners.

Disgusting odours -- For Picaro News Editor Joe Strolz, it is the smell of hot human sweat on old green vinyl.

Sudden fright -- For Clayton Park resident and Picaro Entertainment Editor Rebecca

Moore, it was the sight of her favourite video store's night-time manager.

REAL CLASSIFIEDS

These aren't funny.

D.

At last, I'm able to tell you not to flatter yourself. Those ever so safe, self-deprecating comments ... Lost phone numbers, asking me to call ... How self absorbed, egocentric, selfish and cowardly. Next time, you can honestly mumble "I'll let you go

now, I'm reading the paper," while picking this up and reading it.

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BY JOE STROLZ and PAULA ADAMSKI

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YORK
...
IT'S
LATE
NIGHT
WITH
DAVE



HEY, KIDS! TONIGHT WE
HAVE CHER, SEINFELD,
AND THE ~~REASON~~ REASON
YOU ALL
TOOK A NAP...



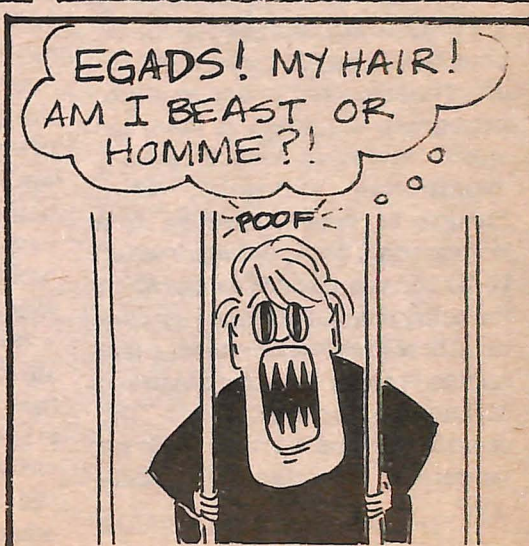
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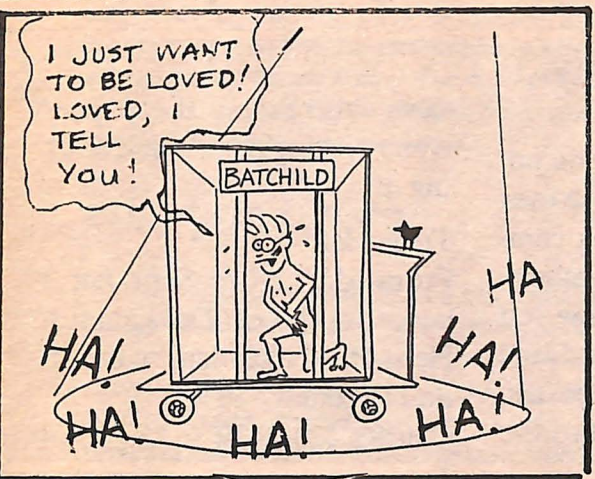
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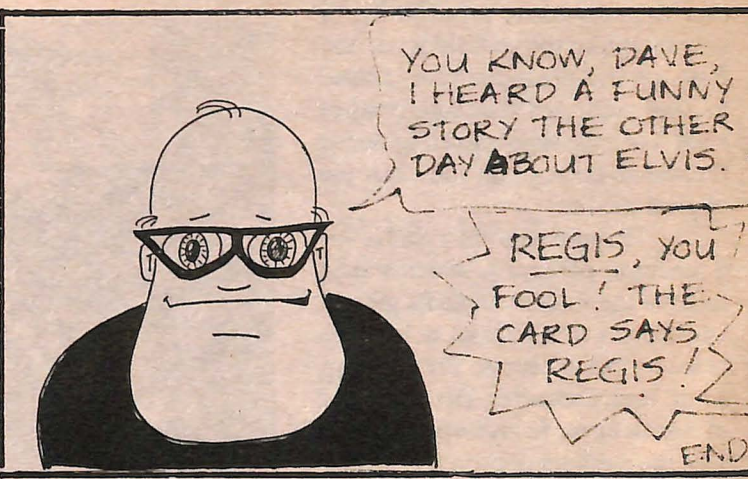
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Once AGAIN,
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BATCHILD...



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