

Jim Hornby Busted

Charge: Impersonating

Mr. C. St.Clair Trainor
Chairman, Board of Governors,
University of P.E.I.

Dear Sir:

I wish to bring to your attention a recent incident on campus which, although of relatively minor importance, I feel nonetheless merits your notice in terms of future policies your Board may wish to pursue in the area of parking on campus.

On the evening of March 20 of this year I and a friend were on campus, with the intention of visiting another mutual friend and later seeing a movie downtown, I parked my car in the visitor's lot in front of the Duffy building. As we were leaving the lot a member of the UPEI security police approached me to ask if I knew that this lot was for visitors: when I replied in the affirmative, he asked me, "Are you a student at this university?" to which

I replied, "No". The Officer with a certain brutal logic, said "If you're not a student, why are you carrying books?"

I then asked him if I had to be a student to carry books; as he seemed to have nothing further to say to us we went on our way.

Our friend had a 7 o'clock class that evening in the annex beside Duffy, and we decided to sit in it with him as the professor is an old friend. I found out later that the officer we had met looked in a window during this class, apparently concluding that I had lied to him about not being a student. When the class was over around 8:15 we went to our resident friend's room for half an hour; arriving back at the parking lot at 8:40 we found the car missing and were told that the car was at Bell's Garage and could not be obtained that evening without paying the towing charge. The officer in

question was ingenuous enough to tell us that he had made sure my car was well blocked into Bell's lot, because he thought I "looked like the type" who would try to recapture it. Recognizing futility when we saw it we took a cab downtown, but were too late to get into the film at Confederation Centre as all the seats were by then occupied. We had lost approximately half an hour getting to town and thus missed the film, "Anne of Green Gables," which was on that night only.

The next morning I telephoned chief A.J. MacLeod and let myself be persuaded into a meeting with him and the officer who had had the car towed, so that he could hear "both sides of the story". Mr. MacLeod did not make it to the meeting that afternoon but instead sent word to release my car, and I was driven to the garage to reclaim it at approximately 2 p.m. A UPEI

Is This Man

A Student,

Or

An Impostor ?

