

# University Violates the Landlord and Tenant Act



When you move into residence, whether it be Marion, Memorial, Bernadine, or Blanchard Hall, the University becomes your landlord. You, as a tenant, have certain rights which the University, as a landlord, has no right to abridge. One of these is the right to privacy.

Besides the key you are given to your room, there is also a key in the possession of the procter, security, maintenance, house mother, etc. In order

to facilitate these people with keys you are forced to sign a residence agreement when you move which has a clause stating that a representative of the University can enter into your room. It also states that "This right will be exercised with extreme prudence".

The entering of rooms by people with pass keys has not been exercised with extreme prudence as anyone in residence will inform you. People have come back to their rooms only to find someone from maintenance working in there and Arnold MacLean goes walking into rooms in Blanchard Hall saying that he's looking for damages". Procters in Bernadine will use their pass keys in order to see if somebody is or is not abiding by the set down moral code of no boys in after a certain hour.

There are many cases where the University allows people to enter other peo-

ple's rooms without exercising great prudence. The

University doesn't have the right to enter your room even if they do exercise great prudence. As landlord they have to abide by the Landlord and Tenant Act which states that, except in cases of great emergency, with your consent, or after you have abandoned the premises, the landlord shall not enter the rented premises unless he has first given written notice to the tenant at least twenty-four hours before the time of entry, shall be between the hours of eight o'clock in the forenoon and nine o'clock in the afternoon and specified in the notice."

There is also a section in the Landlord and Tenant Act that states that a landlord must pay his tenant interest on his security deposit. When I asked Murray Stevenson about the University's policy he said, "No, we don't pay interest".

There is also a statement in the Act which says a landlord must return your security deposit within ten days after termination of tenancy along with statement of what the money was taken for. They don't return this money within ten days although Murray Stevenson says they do. It took the business office eight months to return a caution fee to me.

Students have raised complaints about such matters before but they have had little success with getting anything done. You can complain to the Student Union but they have accepted an attitude that they are nothing but a glorified social committee and they won't try to be anything else. Maybe the new Council will realize that as the elected representatives of the student body, a primary responsibility is to stand up for the student's rights, as small as they may appear to those elected.



To the UPEI Mafia

The name you have chosen for your group is most

appropriate. Your claim to a prize for placing a float in the torchlight parade is, at best, illegitimate.

According to Webster, a float is "a platform on wheels or a vehicle with a platform used as a base for a tableau or other exhibit in a procession". If, by some stretch of the imagination a 1936 Chevy did qualify as a platform on wheels. What was the exhibit? The occupants?

Your letter implied that you really exerted yourselves and were not being justly rewarded. I suggest it was a lot warmer in your 1936 Chevy

then it was for those who marched.

Yours Sincerely

Wade MacLauchlan

Dear Editor,

I have just finished reading this week's edition of the Cadre and I must say that I am very disappointed with some aspects of the paper.

I would like to comment first on the article by Louise Mould. I have been a student here at UPEI for three years now and I'll be the last to say that there is nothing at ALL good about it. We certainly don't have the facilities or the experience of other universities but I think we give it one helluva try.

Louise talked about people making promises. Is this any worse than someone being friendly at election time and then start back stabbing when they are elected. She has also implied that the Student elections are a popularity contest. I agree that they may but I think you also have to take into consideration that some of these people have become popular through participation and interest something that I think Louise lacks unless it

has the connotation of ill effect.

I don't want this letter to sound like a childish response to someone who has nothing better to do but I hope to bring to light some of the circum-

stances. The article in the Cadre was the second piece of garbage that was written by the same author. What I am saying is that if anyone of you have nothing good or worthwhile to say about this organization, at least be constructive in your criticism or else keep your ideas to yourself because I for one am getting damn fed up with it all.

In regard to your grandstand play on the front page, I complement you. It was very impressive but I only wish you had the common sense to print what lays behind the headline. We have lost four good people from council. Sure there are some who will say that it is a rule and it must be obeyed but man has fought against rules and regulations since his beginning if he thought that the morality was lacking.

I can't speak for all four of the impeached members but I do know that

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