

Memorial Hall, 'Home of the U.P.E.I. Apes'

Have you ever been on a guided tour of a zoo? Well, stick close and we'll fill you in. First off, we are faced with the "cages". One hundred and fifty-two square feet constitutes a double cage which is supposed to accommodate two of the would-be animals. In this space, the university, (zoo keepers), have conveniently placed two beds, each with two drawers; one bureau for two people, (animals?); two reading lamps; two desks; one medicine chest; and one sink, or book shelf...you just can't have both.

Unlike the normal "zoo", Memorial Hall has no laundry facilities, no kitchenette facilities, and no mail delivery. The animals of Memorial Hall unlike those of Bernadine, Marion, and Blanchard Halls, have to "get their exercise" by walking over to Marion Hall for laundry, to Main Building for mail, and to the cafeteria for any and all food...that is, unless they indulge in extra spending at the K-Mart, (of course this must be dried goods as there are no cooking facilities in Memorial Hall.. Think of it, dried dates, chips, peanut butter sandwiches...all kinds of goodies, if you are able to keep them fresh on the window sill...no fridges either!). The people responsible for Memorial Hall must feel that the "animals" are getting fat since they, the animals, have to walk to use a phone too since the only phones available are in the Don's rooms, and no one in their right mind can expect them to be in twenty-four hours of the day.

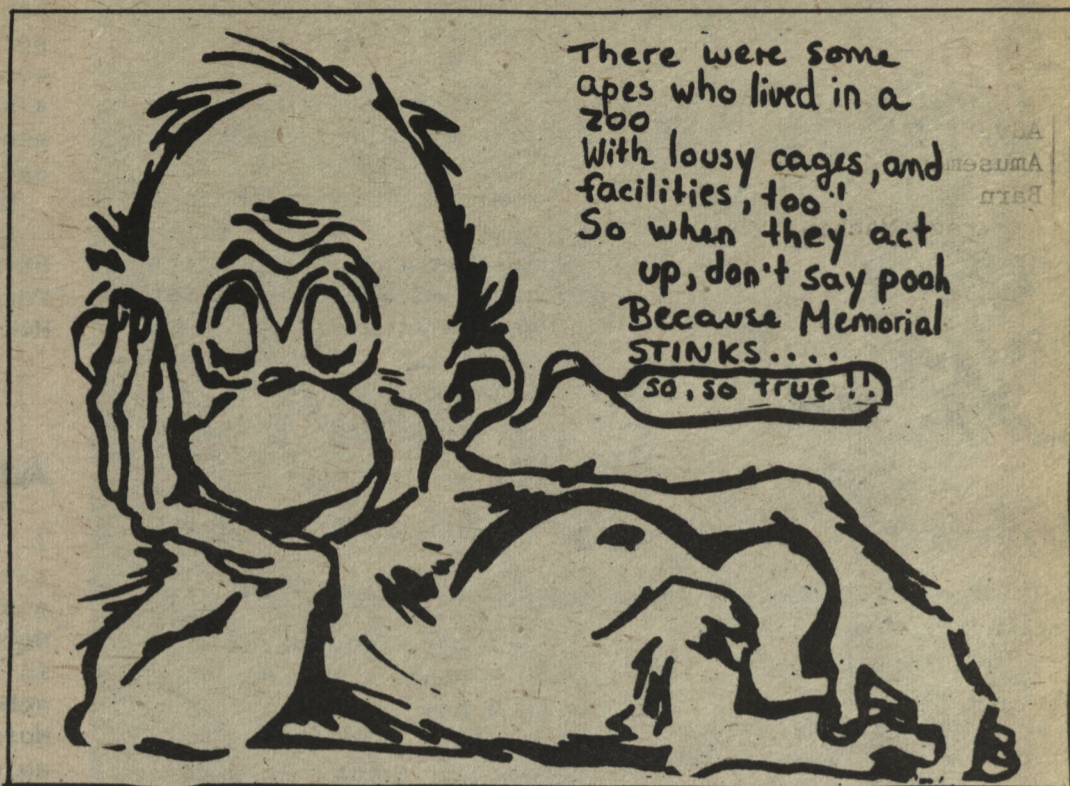
Although all residents of Memorial Hall have to pay caution fees, it appears that there is really nothing to protect the building since there is no actual method of checking the numerous "visitors" to the building. A main desk, night watchman, and locked doors are all non-existent in Memorial Hall.

Obviously there are many things that Memorial Hall does not have, let's take a look at what it does have. Thanks to the generosity of administration, we see a color T.V. in the main lounge of Memorial Hall. However, don't get too interested in a T.V. show unless you are aware of and used to the added acoustics.

Any toilet being flushed above you will cause a great surging sound of water through the BLACK pipes, (which, by the way, match quite nicely with the black walls, and the straight-backed chairs). The gurglings of a toilet aren't too bad when you are being exposed to the constant gush of water from the showers!!! Then of course, if you happen to be watching a show on Chinese torture, the added sound of the dripping from the leaky pipe, (which has been this way for two years), could add to the effectiveness of the movie. However, if you plan on getting deeply involved in a complicated movie, forget Memorial Hall T.V. lounge. No silence is available from the "Speaking Walls and equipment".

Since Memorial Hall is the only all male residence on campus, and Bernadine Hall the only all-female residence, it would seem that a comparison could be made between the two. But let's be realistic about the entire thing. Granted, Memorial Hall is a little more ancient than Bernadine, but the difference in convenience, accommodations, and all-round pleasant living quarters is unspeakable!!! Take for instance, the washroom facilities...Bernadine Hall accommodates four ladies to a bathroom, which by the way includes bath and shower, Memorial Hall, on the other hand accommodates twenty-eight men to a washroom, which includes three showers, three sinks, two urinals, and three toilets. For Pete's sake don't let those guys all get the "runs" at the same time!!! One similarity which may be found is that some of the rooms in Memorial Hall are actually painted "sweet pink".

The condition of the common areas in Memorial Hall seem to be the source of much agrivation to the visitors. However, we must be aware of the facts which surround the areas in question. Memorial Hall has been blessed with two fantastically capable cleaning women. However, Jesse and Bernie cannot possibly be expected to keep up if they are to be shifted from the President's house to various other places that "Lord Pushbroom" deems necessary. Memorial Hall gets their attention only on a



maximum, (usually never met) of four days per week. How, may we ask, are they to keep the lounges, stairs and halls in good clean condition if Memorial Hall sees them on such infrequent terms?

It is virtually unfair and unjust to label the eighty-five occupants of Memorial Hall "Animals". Do you not realize that the majority of them are between the ages of twenty, and twenty-two? Who in their right masculine mind would want to "sow their wild oats?" Perhaps they are a **might** mischievous.. but then, have you ever been in the halls of Bernadine when tension mounts? Try Blanchard Hall on for size after the Pig 'n' Whistles. Could be that we are all animals... However, we fail to recognize

the fact that we, the occupants of Memorial Hall are any more deviant than the majority of the student body. If the population of U.P.E.I. wish to confuse the general rowdiness and occational hellraising with being an animal, our sympathies rest with you!!!! Signed...

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The enrollment this year at St. Dunstan's is the largest in the history of the institution, there being some three hundred students in attendance. The additional living quarters provided by the erection of Memorial Hall have enabled the University to accept approximately seventy-five students more than in former years. Even yet, however, applications for admission had to be turned down due to the fact that no more living quarters were available. The large number of applications received is an indication of the general recognition of

the need for education in our modern society. It is also a vindication of the judgement of those who foresaw the need for expansion at St. Dunstan's and took steps to provide for that expansion.

As was indicated above, Memorial Hall has been completed and presents a very pleasing appearance. It took a long time to erect this new building, and the cost of it certainly must have been high. It is hoped that the students of St. Dunstan's will not be unmindful of those whose untiring efforts and generous contributions made this building possible. One way by which they can give tangible evidence of their gratitude is by taking the best possible care of the building and its equipment.