

## YOUR COMMENTS

Dear Editor,

After reading the views expressed in the 'Letters to the Editor' in last week's paper, I felt the need to express a few thoughts in an 'Engineering Light'.

Each of the articles submitted seemed to have a flavour of envy mysteriously hidden within their words. By saying envy, I mean that the words expressed seemed to show a distasteful jealousy towards the Engineering Society, and seem to use the 'controversial article' in the previous issue of the Gem to outlet their anxieties.

When in the past, people picked up a copy of the Gem, many turned to the Engineering page. WHY?? Probably because a laugh or two could be found there.

After all, it 'Is' a student paper, not a Religious-Morality Doctrine. The pages' articles aren't to be taken as Gospel or the ultimate belief of each and every Engineering student in general.

People like to laugh because

it serves as an emotional outlet to downcast some of the pressures found in the life of a student.

The Engineers 'View from the Top' is put together by (mostly) knowledgeable, intelligent people and a school

paper is our way of contributing to an aura of 'innocent' humour.

And if, by some chance a person finds an article not to their taste, they can always turn the page or go on to the next article.

Please; the sometimes 'crude' ideas are never meant to harm or give any person or group a bad name.

"It's all in fun."

Truthfully,  
Mike Doiron  
c/o U.P.E.I. Engineers

Dear Editor,

There is a reason for all things in life.

All things are named with a purpose.

Flys are called 'Flys' because they fly.

Bugs are called 'Bugs' because they bug people.

A blackboard is so named because it is a black board.

BUT WAIT. .... somethings wrong ..... there is disorder in the universe. People are making blackboards GREEN.

Does this make sense? I think not.

Were blackboards not make black for a purpose? Of course they were. One reason could be that white chalk shows up beautifully on a black background. So who's idea was it to turn these beautiful blackboards an ugly green? (Must have been an engineer).

Everybody knows that while shows up much better on black than on green. It's even worse when yellow chalk gets involved.

As all oranges are orange, so should all blackboards be black.

Karen Cullen

This article stems from a year of eye-strain in the Duffy Amphitheatre.

Dear 'New' Editor,

I would like to voice my opinion on some things. Rob Kelly's article: Great.

Sure, he may have used a few naughty words but it was a funny article.

Funny is the key word here. If the article had not been funny I think ninety percent of those who read it wouldn't have.

That's what I usually end up doing. The paper usually sucks. It doesn't last half a class while still taking notes.

The only way you're going to educate students on the politics

of the university is with humour.

Another thing I would like to know is how much the student union pays (ie. wastes) each week telling us who played at the Barn the night before.

Why don't they get off their rears and get their ads in on time. I would also like to see a listing of what's playing at the Movie Pub.

A lot of people got upset over the Oct. 16 issue of the Gem. They should learn to relax and take a joke. It would make life a little easier for everyone.

Y. A. Fuss

## WUSC Officer Killed

By Sam Okello

Doctor Hugh Pilkington, a World University Service of Canada Coordinator in the Horn of Africa, was hit by a car and killed while jogging outside Brandon, Manitoba, October 16, according to The Globe and Mail newspaper. He was 44.

Pilkington arrived in Canada September 14 to speak to 32 Canadian universities about the plight of African refugees and to seek opportunities for African students to be sponsored by Canadian universities. Above all, he brought with him a unique perspective of developmental issues about Third World countries. His tour, however, was abruptly shortened.

A naturalized Kenyan, Dr. Pilkington resigned his job as a teacher at the University of Nairobi in 1978 to work full time with refugees.

Pilkington dedicated his efforts to young people who had finished high school or whose university careers had been cut short. His aim was to see that these people received "the qualifications for life which would enable them to live in a new society such as Canada".

He worked independently, writing letters on behalf of refugees, answering inquiries, writing detailed reports and maintaining close contact with agencies involved in refugee issues around the world.

Pilkington visited UPEI last month.

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