

# LETTERS ...

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Hurt

Dear Editor:

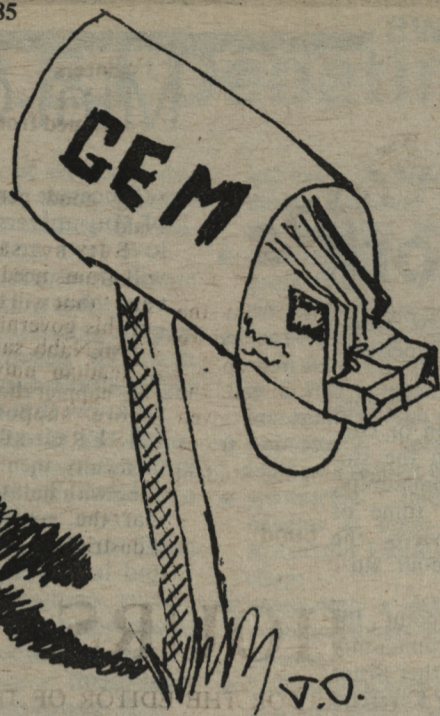
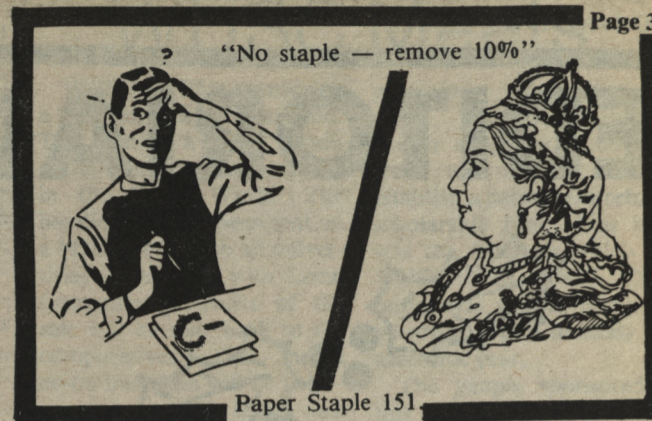
As a professed student marker, I am deeply hurt by the recent editorial in the last issue of the newspaper.

As to the 10% deduction of marks for no staples, I think that is quite fair. Without staples, the papers would be scattered when I mark them. The result is that papers with no staples are utterly mixed up and I am forced to either give 0% or waste hours sifting through the sheets.

Staples are cheap. If I had my way, 50% of the marks would be deducted. So students will learn a lesson early in life.

Students markers are very much underpaid, so only sadists like myself will mark papers. My sole enjoyment in life at UPEI is the subtraction of marks. What right does anyone have to infringe on my petty pleasures?

A marker



Book Stolen

Dear Editor:

Not too long ago this land was ruled by the law — an eye for an eye, a thumb for a thumb, a HAND for a HAND ... for stealing.

But nowadays a more timid law for stealing is imprisonment, fines, or public disgrace.

One evening last week after a night class, I went up to my study carrel in the Robertson Library to pick up some books.

I decided to leave one of my course texts at my study carrel overnight, thinking everybody must have gotten their texts (three weeks into courses). Evidently I was wrong. The next morning I went to my carrel and the text was gone.

The person(s) who took the book must think that money grows on trees, or they don't know perhaps that a person might be in a bind for money. Everyone knows that course texts bought from the bookstore cost an arm and a leg.

Yours Sincerely,  
A concerned student

Vandalism

Dear Editor:

I happened to be looking out of the window in the Main Building, when I witnessed an act of vandalism, on the Cass Building of "OUR" University. The act was the knocking to the ground of two flower boxes which were sitting on the railing of the entrance.

Someone must have went to a little trouble to try and make the property value of the Cass Building go up.

It takes a stronger person to pick up something which has been knocked down, than to stoop low and knock it down.

Just Looking!

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the new student councillors on their acclamations. Miles Turnbull for Senate, Parker Grimmer for Board of Governors, Mark Griffith for Science Rep, and Kevin O'Brien for Ombudsman.

I would also like to extend congratulations to David Doiron and Steve Zakem who have served as Student Senator and Board of Governors Representatives in the last year. Their presence at council and in the other two bodies will be missed. I want to especially thank Steve for his contribution to the Board over the last year and his assisting me in becoming familiar with the Board over the last five months.

I also want to express my concern over the lack of people putting their name forth for Student Council positions, especially Senate and Board of Governors. This Univer-

S.U. Treasurer

sity is facing some very tough financial and academic problems. During the past year \$380,000. was hacked away from the UPEI budget of \$13 Million — all of this was from the 20% of the budget that is non-salaried (the 80% of the budget that consists of salaries of professors and support staff was not touched). The end result has been higher tuition and residence fees for a lower quality of education (larger classes, fewer library books, etc.)

These items affect students' future education. The student representatives on the Board and Senate are there to remind these bodies that the University must serve the needs of students, not only the administration and faculty.

John Orr  
S.U. Treasurer  
Board of Governors  
Representative

S.U. Hiring Practices

Dear Editor:

I did not want to bring up the problems of our hiring board within our Student Union. BUT!!!!

The board recently decided that since it was one hour behind schedule it should delay the interviews for CIMN staff two weeks. This reminds me of last year when several jobs went unfilled for the whole second semester, simply because by the time they were ready to do the interviews the year was over. These positions exist for a reason, without these positions filled, either they suffer noticeably or the staff must assume the responsibility, which

is unfair. I do know the work involved since I've held these positions before.

The hiring board is so tied up with red-tape that it is destroying the very groups it is attempting to help. I do not blame the members of the board itself, but rather the chairman and the mandate since these are the only constant variables over the past few years in which this problem has occurred. Get your act together...

Signed, Bob Stanley

PS. The screening process is wrong, too.



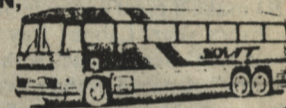
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