

3 a.m. Thoughts

ON THE UNIVERSITY RIGHT

by Joseph Sanlei

Its 3:00 in the morning and I can not sleep. Perhaps its the overriding sense of guilt felt from neglect of this column since December. After all, On The University Right is often this campus' sole purveyor of truth and slayer of dragons. At least it is the only propagandist of truth which is just shy of the Divine.

Much has taken place in the world since last this pen set forth from my desk (beneath my portrait of Bill Buckley) a message of gloom and doom, or another chapter in the ongoing saga of humankind's demise. Perhaps it is my insomnia-induced state of paranoia which now pervades my brain; but I feel that since December, the world has not become any more promising a piece of real estate in which to invest in 1981 than it was in 1980.

There were some encouraging signs afoot: for example Ronald Reagan and a Republican Senate, with the G.O.P. but 26 seats short of a majority in the U.S. House of Representatives, promises

a more secure future- if there remains any time to secure a future- for the Free World over the next four years. The rapid recovery of Jamaica from its socio-economic and political malaise (contracted under the Marxist Michael Manley), due to the brilliant efforts of Prime Minister Edward Seaga and the Jamaican Labor Party, seems to be putting yet another nail into the already overburdened coffin of defunct socialism. If anyone is paying attention: British Prime Minister Thatcher and German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt sounded the all-too silent anthem of Western unity in opposition to Communist aggression - now if they in Moscow would only take us seriously!

Speaking of Moscow, let us now turn to the darker side of this winter's events: Red troops are still attempting to crush Islamic resistance in Afghanistan, and appear poised, ready to give similar assistance to its neighbour, Poland, as given in the past to East Germany, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, and Afghanistan

(to name but a few Red stars of a cast of thousand).

For five centuries Poland has fought bravely for survival against Imperial Russians, Prussians, Austro-Hungarians, Stalinists, and Nazis, and the post war Soviet state. All those who hath dared seek Poland's demise, and will ever in the future seek that end, should learn from history- the brave Poles will live to play the "Polonaise" on their graves!

In Red China, the "Gang of Four" trial has come to an end. Guess what? The "Gang" was found guilty! Surprise, Surprise! - It seems the error of the "Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution" was their fault. - Shame, shame. Yet Mao hath been vindicated. Not being a god (like Lenin), it seems he committed some "errors" himself in his autumn years; now he can rest in peace, or whatever it is that Communists do once more dead than Res. Forgiveness came to him from on high in the trail- the Great Hall of the People (located in Peking right near the ancient "Gates of

Heavenly Peace", and some new "Coke" signs).

Enough of foreign Marxist-Leninists, for now. We have right here in North America our own heathens in dire need of civilization. A prime candidate for this civilizing process is none other than Canada's own Pierre Elliot Trudeau. Dear, dear Pierre, what can we say? There is such a paradox in a man who could enoble Canada with Charter and Constitution, such honorable intent, while running roughshod over Canadian law; history, provincial sovereignty, and a whole range of "minor" issues - like the opinions of the people who oppose the actions of a Government who would entrench their right to express their opinions?!

Finally, to wrap this up (since it is now 4:00 a.m., it seems, following a series of trades, the Red Sox yet lack that all important pitching staff! It seems we Boston lovers will be subject to another Christians - 0, Lions- 10 season. Oh for 1918, that was a year in Baseball!

Jazz Beats Irish Jive and Rock

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The winter carnival last week provided us with perhaps the widest assortment of musical groups the campus has seen. Credit must be given to the winter carnival organizing committee for choosing such a diversified collection of talent. With the presentation of "Ryan's Fancy", "Copperfield", "Titan", "Jive Duckytail and the Dukes", all musical tastes should have been satisfied, since all the bands put on tremendous shows.

However, for this critic, the most surprising and enjoyable concert of winter carnival week was the U.P.E.I. Jazz Band's Recital given last Sunday.

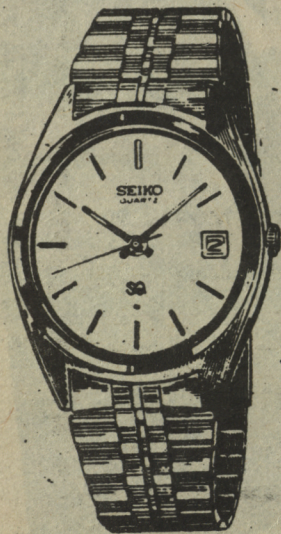
Under the direction of Prof. Jim Montgomery (who also doubled on the trombone), the band gave us a run down of some fine sounding, traditional big band charts. Although the band's majority of tunes were in the Basie/Nestico genee, the highlighted soloists made up for what could have been a less than exciting performance. Featured soloists included

Rowan Fitzgerald and Dennis Edell on Tenors, Danny Reid on alto, John Barrett, Jamie Brehaut, and Perry "Mr. Chops" Williams on Trumpet. Tony Reddin contributed some exciting work on trombone, as did bassist Roger Jabbour.

A most pleasant surprise was the ladies in the group: Sue Nicholson on alto, Lynn Davidoff on baritone and Janice Dowling of Vibes. The latter two were featured performers, Janice with some fine vibes work on "Fun Time" and Lynn with an extended version of the old Ellington standard "Don't Get Around Much Anymore".

For me the highlight of the evening was the lush sounding standard "Li'l Darlin' ". This chart was originally a Count Basie standard and the band's relaxed attitude (especially the vibes) would do the old master proud.

We can all look forward to hearing this band a few more times before the year is out, because they do put on a show of high quality and good taste, which is something rare indeed.



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