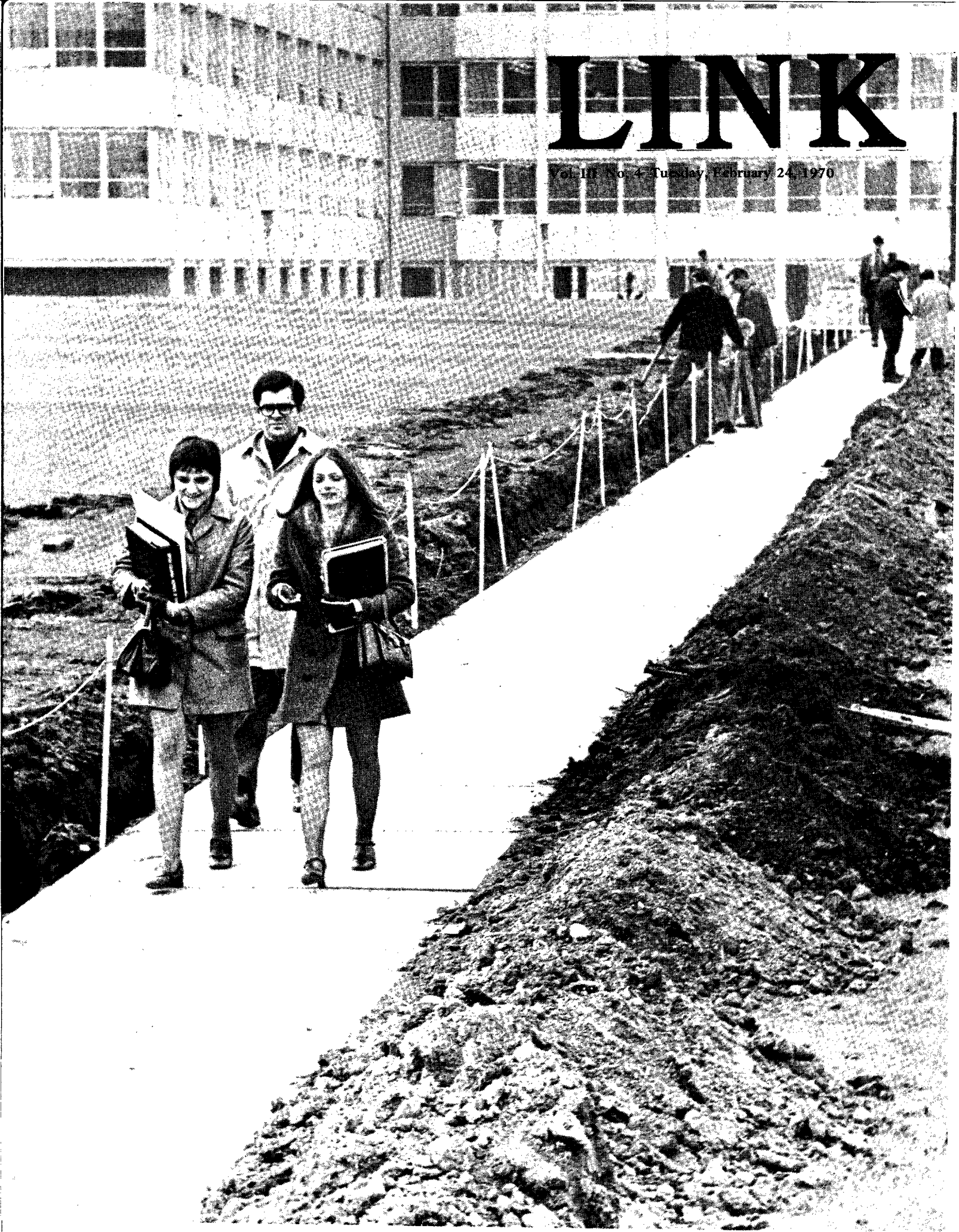


LINK

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LINK goes daily

By Toto Miller

Word has leaked out from the publications department that there is a move afoot to provide BCIT's official news-organ, the Link, on a daily basis to compete against the establishment rag, THE GEORGIA STRAIGHT.

The pro-establishment, liberal rag, The Georgia Straight, has made formal announcements over the establishment, broadcast mouth-pieces that they were considering going daily to meet the needed services of informing the public of Vancouver council meetings, court meetings, intra-mural sports, free school school board meetings, etc. — providing a public forum for the status quo. Besides this, the Georgia Straight, in true capitalistic tradition, will move into providing added advertising space for department store sales and will print in full-colour their leaflets.

Their editorial policy will also be completely altered from an effort to reduce the high cost of drugs and bring them to old age pensioners at cost to

siding with drug manufacturers and pot manufacturers to entice them into their advertising sphere. The Link abhors such turncoating and thus will move into the daily circulation field in Vancouver and outlying areas like BCIT. Such a move, the Link publishing staff foresees, will make a definite alternative to the daily Georgia Straight. . .

"This is a two paper town," Roy Wood said at a hastily called press conference in the Beverage Room of the Villa Motor Hotel. "We are offering the people of Vancouver what it needs, another voice written by the same editorial writers."

However, moves to have the Link print from the same building, using the same reporters and belonging to the same Student Association union have been officially denied, but secretly confirmed.

Roy Wood, a completely unquotable man, said, "We completely deny such a move." However, when questioned further Wood said that the Link would be a mourning publication while the Georgia Straight would be the alternative afternoon paper.

ROAD BLOCKS



There have been many complaints coming into our office regarding the road-blocks on the road between BCIT and BCVS. Perhaps an explanation of the reasons for them will be helpful.

The Campus Safety Committee recommended that the road-blocks be put in to protect the people who must cross the road. This includes the BCVS students who use the cafeteria and any of us who use the Athletic Centre. There have been a large number of near misses and it was decided to rectify the situation before anyone was seriously injured. It does cause a certain amount of inconvenience, but surely that's better than having someone killed.

The road between the roadblocks will be closed to all local traffic between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. If anyone has any better suggestions as to how to solve the problem, this publication will be happy to air them.

**BCIT OUTDOOR CLUB
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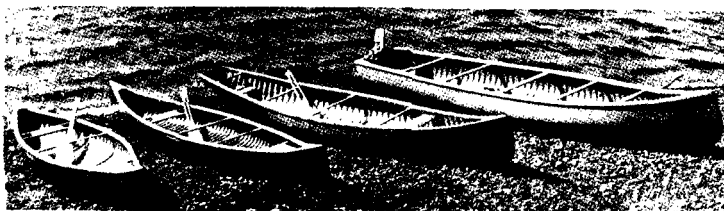
FISHING,

MOUNTAIN CLIMBING,

SURFING.

HUNTING

CANOING



BLACK SNAKE

About 250 people gathered in the Athletic centre Feb. 11 to watch (and dance to) the Black Snake Blues Band.

Considering that there were only four musicians in the band, this group laid down some pretty beautiful stuff in the realm of electric blues.

It would have been better if the acoustics were improved but I guess that was unavoidable.

All in all it was a great way to spend a Wednesday lunch break and let's hope we have more of it.

OPTOMETRIST

**EYE EXAMINATION
OPTICAL SERVICES**

J. W. Russell,

B.Sc., O.D.

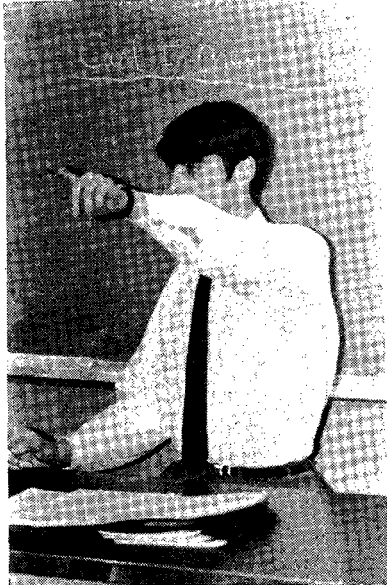
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SH CENTER**

**(Cunningham Drugs Bldg)
WILLINGDON AT KINGSWAY
437-4515**

WHO'S WHO?

By Jim Steeves

from an Interview



Name: JULIO RUSSO

Job: STUDENT ASSOCIATION
PRESIDENT

Found: frequently in room 464
(COUNCIL OFFICE)

THE POSITION:

This is an administrative position to carry out the wishes of the students through students' council. That is, he co-ordinates all the activities of the student association and maintains its efficiency.

Julio guides himself by ideas presented to him and by what student council wants, modified by his own thoughts on the matter.

TIME INVOLVED:

If one organizes himself well he will be all right and this goes for any Association position.

STRESSES:

The job can be overwhelming (as can any) but this is simply a matter of not letting things bother you. If a problem is too much there are plenty of students who would be delighted to help and if this doesn't help there is nothing preventing you from resigning. (In other words you need not be "carried off in a straight jacket".)

TECHNOLOGY:

The position is best suited for business technologists (Julio in Administrative Management). One reason is that they are oriented for such a position and also in certain cases course credits may be obtained (but don't count on it ahead of time). Again it is important to remember that work load sharing is essential if credit cannot be obtained.

SUGGESTION FOR NEXT PRESIDENT

1. Use the system as much as possible
2. Use committees to relieve the work load
3. Give your executive the full responsibility of each individual's function.



REFLECTIONS BACK:

The executive was essential for the successful year. Julio is greatly pleased with the student participation in social activities and intra and extra-mural sports. Dividing the vice-president position into internal and external solved many problems especially the work load.

Improvement is needed on the social side, the social chairman needs help with advertising and organization — it's too much for one person.

The main problem this year was executive-student communication which was somewhat reduced by the Room at the Top page last term. Julio feels that it will improve with the new closed circuit radio loudspeaker system. There have been hassles with this because some instructors want control of it, these are being solved and will be eliminated with the multi-purpose building.

FUTURE OF THE ASSOCIATION

An office manager will be a necessity. He will be maintained on a salary basis and be permanent. His function would be to run the association's basic business and prepare necessary executive reporting. In other words he would relieve the executive from non-decision making jobs. It will be important to limit this individual's power which could be accumulative.

MONEY

An honorarium of \$360 is given by the student association (as it is to all executive members). This is not only meant as an incentive but also takes care of many additional expenses and compensates for some time that could have been involved at a part-time job.

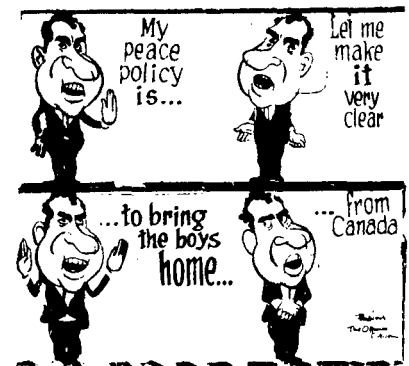
ROBERTS' RULES OF ORDER

Julio guided himself this year on how council was run the previous year — a semi-formal system where basic rules were used to maintain order. The rules, he feels, if used rigidly would bog proceedings down and only a small minority would be proficient with their use. (This is what almost occurred at a couple of meetings this term.)

PERSONAL BACKGROUND

Julio was born to an Englishman on the Canary Islands and moved to England at one where he lived for 21 years. He then came to Canada and worked for CPA for two years. He heard about BCIT from an English friend Terry Wilshire our vice-president two years ago. From him Julio learned about the student association even before starting first year.

He is in the administrative management option of business. He hopes to get an administrative position with the U.N. in Geneva and utilize his fluency in French and Spanish.



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Remember a few months ago when your set representative gave you a questionnaire regarding residences on our campus? Well, the results were compiled and sent to Victoria and everything seemed to be going pretty well. But at a Staff Society meeting on Wednesday, February 11, it was announced that there will not be student residences built at BCIT. This may seem fairly logical, if the B.C. government was going to have to put up the bread. But this is not the case. Our Student Association had plans to finance the entire residence complex through CMAC. All the government would have had to do was let us use some of the property along Willingdon. But, for some reason they didn't think that residences are a worthy use of their land. They seem to think that if no one is sleeping in the streets there isn't a housing problem. It matters little to them that some students must travel many miles to get here or that some of us are paying exorbitant rents for very poor quality housing. Thanks a lot, guys.

BCIT Student Association Executive elections will be held on April 15. The campaigns will be held during the week of April 6-10 and nominations will be accepted between March 23 and March 27. The positions open are President, Vice President External, Vice President Internal, Secretary Treasurer, Clubs Chairman, and Sports Chairman.

Last year only two of these positions were contested. This is simply not good enough. If you think that you could fill any of the positions competently, then run for that position. If we want to have a sound and competent Executive next year, we must have sound and competent people running for office. Let's not make this year's elections a lesson in apathy like they were last year.

The issue of dress regulations has been argued, discussed, punched, kicked and dragged around this campus for the last six months. We of the Link staff have decided to try and arrive at some sort of decision as to how students really feel about dress regulations.

The first Student Association at BCIT was in support of the regulations. We feel that an up to date poll should be taken. The results of this survey will be taken to a meeting of the Traditions Committee as representative of student opinion.

Please fill out the ballot below and place it in one of the boxes in the South and North fovers:

Do you think that compulsory dress regulations at BCIT should be:

Abolished

— 18 —

Retained

Comments

JULIO'S RAILROAD

The Student Council meeting of Feb. 10 was one of the better meetings. Aside from a few interruptions it ran smoothly and was quite informative.

Julio negotiated with someone, and the library will have extended hours for two weeks before final exams this term. From Monday to Friday it will stay open until 12:30 midnight and hours on Saturday and Sunday will be 9 AM to 9 PM. The BCIT Book Store will be handling used books next year, so you will be able to unload your unwanted texts (for cash) at the end of this term. The survey

regarding the grad dance indicated that most graduating students wanted it before the end of May, but due to scheduling difficulties, it must be held June 13.

Vice President Internal Al Newbury gave us the facts on the upcoming elections. Nominations open on Monday March 23 and close at 5:00 PM Friday March 27. The week of April 6-10 will be devoted to campaigns and the election of the Executive will be held on April 15.

The highlight of the meeting (yes folks, every meeting has a highlight) came when second year Forestry President Andy Ackerman stuck the

Business reps with a devastating low blow. He stated that a meeting of Engineering representatives decided that baby rattles be given out to the business representatives who persist in disrupting Council meetings. Second year E&E President Larry Haffmen informed him that he, representative of the largest engineering technology, had not been consulted. Mr. Ackerman said his opinion wasn't considered necessary. Mr. Paul Kopinya, first year Business Administration, moved that Mr. Ackerman receive the first baby rattle. The motion was seconded but went down to defeat by a narrow margin.

A Council Comment by Roy Wood

GUEST editorial

By Paul Kopinya

Reprinted from 9AM.



DON'T UPSET THE APPLE CART!?

Time has come again for the weak and meek. Books-Projects-Assignments-Essays-Tests-Quizzes-Lectures-Seminars are becoming a real pain in the head.

Life at BCIT seems to be unbalanced. For the conscientious permanent student there are no nights — no days — no weekends. Just one full-time obsession with the "Institution". Everything for two years evolves solely around it. We are told that getting an education (as defined by BCIT) is an all enveloping, all consuming, way of life. But even God rested for one day out of seven, so why can't we? We're creating our own world here, and we need relaxation as much as anyone else. We are being threatened into learning!

If anyone should waver off the norm and assume other preoccupations such as: involvement in student activities, a part-time job, or just any other social involvement, he has to suffer the consequences of

lower marks. There is no encouragement or consideration given in this area.

This brings up the question — are we not trying to do too much in too little time? Maybe BCIT should have a three rather than a two-year program. Maybe a tri-semester system should be considered. In this way, more can be learned with fewer mental breakdowns, nervous tensions and ulcers.

Come on BCIT — aren't you interested in developing and preparing the whole person. Let's consider the emotions, the social, the person as a human being. What is this — an assembly line, a factory? Come on BCIT, let us protect our image! An intelligent revision of our present system would not upset the apple cart or rock the boat but could succeed in giving the students of BCIT a more balanced education and better prepare them to be assimilated into society. Remember, success is the horizontal flow with vertical pull.

Detour . . .

By Business Admin Council

What's happening to the main driveway between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.? If you try to use it you'll find yourself making a quick about face and driving an extra ¼ mile to get to the BCIT parking lot via one of the alternative entrances. (You have your choice of the mud route from Moscrop or the 8 lane entrance/exit from Canada Way).

Why not put a painted crosswalk down and erect a flashing amber light for pedestrians to use? If this was done it would accomplish four goals:

1. Students and staff would have a place to cross in safety.
2. We could then use our main driveway to get to the parking lot (the purpose for which I think it was built).
3. The three commissionaires who have to stand outside in the freezing rain all day would probably be much happier to be in the warm library watching and searching to see if they could find any persons who might know anything about all the disappearing books.
4. The taxpayers would be saved the cost of paying the three commissionaires.

And what about maintenance of Moscrop Road? It seems there was quick money for speed mountains.

And by the way what's the purpose of those warning tickets issues by the commissionaires? There are people who have received up to eight tickets with no effect. Are they being ignored? Why?

letters

Dear Mr. Isaac Steimwicz,

When I first read your letter I almost fell into the trap you set and penned off a scathing counter-reply. But it was drawn to my attention that your name is not in the Student Address Book and you may not be a student here at all. I tend to disagree, I feel you are a bit of a cowardly fellow hiding behind a nom-de-plume and trying to stir up trouble. Whoever and wherever you are I advise you to let "sleeping dogs lie".

The ground you are treading upon is dangerous and it hints at the beginnings of racial prejudice. A little harmless controversy is good for a campus, and I am really enjoying my classmate Craig Walker's battle with conformists over the "god-awfully important tie". However, when anything like what you are suggesting comes about it should be nipped in the bud.

The Organization which is sponsoring the "Afro-American Show" did not have Negroes in mind when they thought about it. I think they are primarily concerned in giving us as wide an education as possible. I have no particular need to see an "Afro-American Show". I know my own culture already, but your letter suggests that some Canadians might not be all they boast to be.

By the way, Isaac, what set and technology are you in? So you take human relations? What business are you going into? What will your attitude be when you have to deal with people of different skin colorings?

As you should have guessed by now, Isaac, I am a Negro, a Black, an Afro-American, Afro-West Indian, whatever term you use.

There are many areas which you can select to write on: pollution, poverty, war, but for God's sake let's keep such garbage as you are hinting at out of BCIT. That will keep the school clean and healthy for us students, regardless of Coloring!!

Sincerely,
Chetwyn G. Buraham
Set 92A1, 1st Yr. Hotel/Motel

Dear sir:

This letter is in response to a request for the results of the "Expo '70 Girls Bottle Drive".

In all 2749 cases of beer bottles, along with numerous wine and soft-drink bottles, were collected. This amounted to \$663.00 for the cyclists.

In general, BCIT response was not quite what we expected. This may have been the result of a petition circulated by some Computer students relating to the issuance of technology points for this event. The results of the BCIT drive were:

First — Administration

Second — Electrical & Electronics

Third — Mining

E&E Set 43 G1 was the highest contributing set and will receive a suitable prize.

Yours truly,
Bill Thwaites
Tech-Man

Letters to the editor must be signed to be printed. However, a pen name is permissible for actual printing.

Dear sir:

I feel that "Our boys in Black" deserve a special mention of appreciation for their fantastic little goodies they keep managing to produce for the betterment of the Institution.

They are doing a terrific job of defending the school from students' hostile friends and relatives on the weekends.

One must not forget their tactful contributions to traffic control. Their discreet, unannounced speed-bumps and road blocks greatly smoothed the flow of traffic, even coming off the freeway.

One question arises however, does their \$2000.00 (?) Kiddy-Cart serve a useful purpose? If not may I suggest using it for an emergency vehicle for those in distress along Moscrop Exit.

In closing I feel an award should be initiated for their undivided service, possibly new whistles and larger coffee cups.

I.M. Pistoff

Notes on Studying Mathematics — and related technical courses.

The beauty of natural laws (due mainly to their unvarying simplicity) astounds me. So many of the forces that define our world have, in turn, been so nicely defined on paper. But my sense of elation arising from long study of man's knowledge is so often negated by short glances at what we do in defiance of this knowledge.

I have heard complaints from other students about studying ecology, pollution, and population, and I would like to add my own complaint: When I think about the world in these terms, I find my chosen field (electronics) almost irrelevant!

I fail to see the point in building power distribution systems, communications networks, and computers to aid a system of industry that assaults the environment with automobiles, detergents and pesticides, then adds insult to injury by advertising (often in very poor taste) their accomplishments in all the public media.

And how much better will the world be when the money-grubbing graduates from BCIT have bought their resource-guzzling, world-polluting material objects that they are working so diligently for?

It is discouraging that their money won't change the frighteningly simple laws of nature that we are all studying — so discouraging. I think it's time for a cigarette.

Garry Haskins
43G1

Dear sir:

Seeing that the Wednesday noon break is usually written off as three hours of cards or something less stimulating the dance last Wed. 11 was a great relief. The Black Snake Band was particularly good, although the acoustics left something to be desired. Everyone there seemed to enjoy themselves whether they were dancing or just listening to the music, which could not be ignored if you were in the building. Let's hope there will be more of these Wed. noon hour dances, something everyone can participate in.

Glen Wiebe
2nd Yr. Business

Dear editor:

Re: Editorial "Please Let Us Know"

I would like to make the point clear about the "Poor Advertising" as you call it, in this institute. There are a limited number of notice boards and a limited number of students who are concerned enough to help me promote my functions. Notices were put up on the assigned notice boards (main foyer, south foyer and others) as for all noon-hour functions and also mention was made at the Council meeting (before the concert) at which there were 41 representatives out of 50 present.

You didn't know??? Where was your reporter? Seems he must have shut his ears to words of wisdom and just heard the points he could criticize! Wasn't that reporter you? Also, isn't it true that you receive a copy of the minutes of the Council meeting?

Point your fault in the direction it belongs — at you and the other students who walk with their eyes on their toes.

Tom Hudson
Social Chairman

Mr. Hudson,

I should think that you as an Executive member would know that this publication has a copy deadline of 6 (six) days before issue. There is no possible way that information given to me at the Council meeting of January 26 could have been published in the issue that came out the following day.

Sorry Tom, but your attempt to shift the blame has failed. Don't feel too badly, we all make mistakes.

Editor



WHAT IS A STUDENT?

Dear Mr. Richard Wey:

In reply to your letter of the February 10th issue of the Link, I would like to bring out an important point which you seem to have missed. The whole idea behind wearing a shirt and tie at BCIT is to create an impression, especially for prospective employers, of an institution whose students display alert, organized minds. It is a generally accepted fact that the way you dress daily reflects on the type of person you are and the attitude you take toward your studies. It's not a matter of doing what we are told to, but a matter of doing what we feel will be best *for us* in the long run. That's why it was voted in and if Mr. Richert's statistics are correct, it will probably stay. Perhaps this impression is 'phony', but at least it shows prospective employers that we care enough about our image and reputation and how we appear to industry, to care about the impression we give them through the way we dress. After all, let's face it, we're here to get a job, or a better job, so why not let us make the best of it by making the product of BCIT appear attractive to industry.

Sincerely,
Neil Honkanen
43A2

To the Administration

And it was in the year of our Gord, 1969 that he did send disciples forth to each sector of our world to punish and banish the sacrilegious. For it was at this time that blasphemy did threaten the welfare of the religion.

Hence, due to this the great benefactor created the commandments, and they were good?

A Student is the most important person on our campus. A Student is not an interruption of our work, he is the purpose of it. We are not doing him a favor by serving him, he is doing us a favor by giving us the opportunity to do so. A Student is not dependent upon us, we are dependent upon him; he is not an outsider to our halls of learning, he is part of them. A Student is not a cold statistic, he is a flesh and blood human being with feelings and emotions, biases and prejudices.

A Student is not someone to argue or match wits with or turn over to some other office. A Student is a person who brings us his wants; it is our job to handle him with courtesy and friendliness ... else why are we here?

These were:

- 1) Thou shalt not wear running shoes
- 2) Thou shalt not wear open toed sandals
- 3) Thou shalt not wear apache scarves or ascots
- 4) Thou shalt not wear loud print shirts
- 5) Thou shalt not wear blue jeans
- 6) Thou shalt not attire thyself in cardigan or leather jackets
- 7) Thou shalt wear thy hair in neat manner
- 8) Thou shalt attire thyself in appropriate costume for the role

These wise oracular statements were good, agreed the disciples, for they were afraid as well. And it was, in the year of our Gord 1970, that the commandments were to be enforced. And those who dare to commit sacrilegious or blasphemous practice best bow their upraised heads or the fury of the gods shall be rained upon them.

Roy de Vries
96 A1, 1st Yr. Marketing



I'm majoring in archeology. I plan to be a rubble rouser

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Room at the Top



Edgar Rhomberg, Clubs Chairman

It worked out very well, I thought. The Club Dance was over, the pizza all gone, and there was still plenty of beer left to give all those guys who helped a healthy hangover afterwards. All in all, the net loss amounted to \$120 and that wasn't too bad. Thanks again to everybody for coming.

And while we are having party talk — the ski club is planning to hold a "cheese fondue a la Swiss" party at the Outpost on Grouse Mountain the end of March. They have rented the whole place and made special arrangements with the lift company for the gondola. Let's wait and see.

During the mid-term break this very active club is going to Whistler. One week of skiing for an all round

package deal of \$35 can't be beat and that's why the trip is already sold out with a waiting list of about 20 people.

Congratulations to the Film Society! Their members enjoy a well thought out series of feature films with *The Pumpkin Eater* coming on February 25, followed by *Blow Up* on March 18. For the remaining 6 films to come, one has to pay only \$2.25 and you can see them all! Their shows are Wednesday noon and at night.

The Chinese Student Society, which is one of the best organized clubs on the campus, will bring a variety of activities for the remainder of the year starting with Chinese Night on February 28.

Shinerama '70 is coming! I think everyone still remembers the shoe-shine campaign to aid cistic fibrosis which was held in September '69. Well, I have attended a meeting on Sunday, February 15, with the organizer of last year and a representative from Ottawa, where we discussed the plans for September '70. Since I will be coming back for a third year (hopefully not for the same courses) I offered my help but I need all the support from first year students I can get. So, if you are interested in helping to organize it let me know! (Room 462)

To The Phantom, who leaves those mysterious notes on my desk, a word of passion ... I love you too (Whoever you are!)

P.S. BCIT's first Outdoor Club is coming. For information please see me.

TO: ALL BCIT AND BCVS STUDENTS

The staff members of both BCIT and BCVS are trying to negotiate with the provincial government with respect to paid parking on campus. What they need is time to negotiate. We can help them!

If all students who presently park on Willingdon Avenue obtain their free parking stickers and, effective March 1st, park on the campus lot, the staff, if necessary, will be able to use Willingdon Avenue. The date by which they must pay for their parking is March 1st. If they are still negotiating with the government at that time they will need somewhere to park until negotiations are completed.

Therefore, please help them by not parking on Willingdon after March 1st. You will also be helping yourself in the long run.

Julio S. Russo
President



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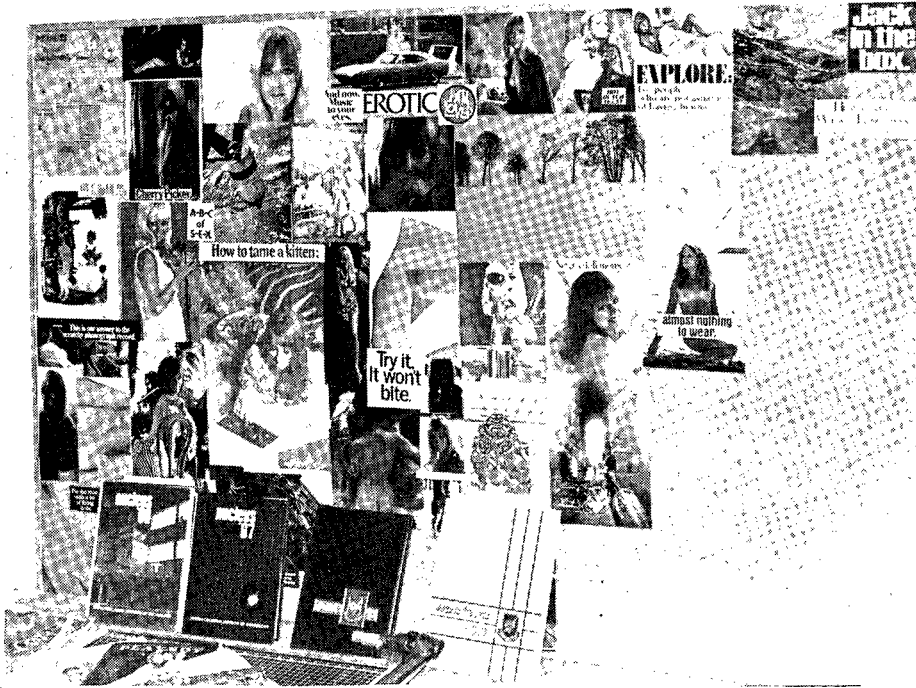
Elections: A request was made in the last Link issue for persons interested in next year's social chairman position to see me but to date there has been no response.

Activities: It seems that some of the going technologies' efforts are futile. This is due to a lack of participation from you, the students of this institute. Out of our approximately 2,600 students, at least 1,500 haven't

BY Tom Hudson, Social Chairman

been to a dance this year. Even rough probability wouldn't come up with a figure this high. What is the problem? Lack of transportation, a date, or not really knowing how much fun there is to be had after dark?

The St. Valentines Day Massacre was an example of poor attendance. It was a fantastic dance and those who went had themselves a ball (hopefully). Unfortunately, it was a financial failure and this is very discouraging for those who try.



NUCLEUS LAYED OUT

The Nucleus, BCIT's Student Yearbook is now well under way under the leadership of Fraser Clark BCIT Pub Chairman.

The staff is now in the final layout stage. Shown in photo are previous year books and layout table and work done to date.

A MODEST PROPOSAL

by Craig Walker

Observing the off-campus and extra-curricular activities of BCIT students can prove to be a good exercise in sociology.

It appears as if many of our fellow students are leading rather schizophrenic lives, with one personality from 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM, Monday to Friday and another personality for the evenings and weekends. This fact can be borne out by watching students at school dances or school sporting events. Drunkenness and occasional rowdiness appear rather frequently as a means of escape. For the students who don't attend these events, other means of escape exist. For some it is dope, for others their own private means of letting off steam. In general it appears as if a large number of students are not leading the jacket and tie influenced life off-campus as they are on-campus.

Now a number of you reading this may think this is normal. But is it? Compare this with UBC or SFU (much as some of you may hate to) and you will realize that the students there have their lives much more oriented and together than a large number of BCIT students do.

This disorientation has a number of causes. The most obvious ones are the amount of work and the social pressures to succeed that are put upon the shoulders of each individual upon entering BCIT. The hours of classes per week here are higher than most other post-secondary institutions in the province. Certainly we graduate in less time than the universities, but is this load we carry beneficial to us in our two years here? I don't think so.

The social pressures of our work-oriented society to succeed and be productive, almost unbelievable in North America and these are reflected

here. Too many students are attending this institute due to these external pressures and this is reflected in their split-up lives. Failure or being kicked-out is a disgrace which is hard to live down. Constantly we are reminded that we must please the future employers in our respective industries. In doing so we pay the price of giving up our private lives from Monday to Friday and being allowed to recapture them on Saturday and Sunday only.

Many of you will argue that we will have to do this when we get into industry anyway, so why not start now? This is a defeatist attitude and if we follow it change will *never* come. We must change things here and now if we want them to be changed at all.

Another cause of disorientation is lack of motivation. This is the main cause of apathy or non-involvement at this institute. Obviously a great deal of the students here only wish to take as much of the pressures of the institute as they have to and leave as quickly as possible to go out and "do their own thing". BCIT students are being dictated to and they show their response to this, by being involved with the institute as little as possible. One of the duties of the institute (which it has ignored) is to gear itself to the views and desires of the student body.

One definite step that can be taken to remedy this situation is via the avenue of a student body which has a major participating role in the decision making processes of the institute.

I therefore propose that:

1) Students be elected to sit on the Advisory Council of the institute and participate in formulating policies.

2) Students should have a voice in deciding upon courses of study and course content. Being told that the instructors and administration know best, simply is not a good enough excuse.

3) A student board be set up to make assessment of instructors. After all, usually the students know better than anyone else how good an instructor is.

Many people will dismiss these proposals with charges of "student power". You may call it what you wish, but it is a positive step in getting students really interested in the time they spend here five days a week and allowing them to have some voice as to how this time will be spent.

GREENER GRASS

It started so simple
you and I
were friends
and laughed and cried
on rainy days
strolled under stars
our minds were one
in thought
yet also two
for then, somehow
the paths we took...
no longer shared
and so we parted
as people do.
Now you are gone
I stand alone.

Why did you go?

L.M.M.

WHEN I LAST SPOKE TO YOU...

I went to bed tonight,
to dream about your golden hair...
But got lost in the confusion of your words.
When last I spoke to you.
Yes, I remember now how it was you spoke.
Was I only a stranger at your door,
trying to explain the reasons for my knocking.
You'd think I'd never been your lover.
I never really knew your name...



THE PLAY

The lights go on
a house warms up
a family living life
as it were
with trials, small crises
hates and loves
good times and bad—
but mostly good
the sound of laughter
running feet
and shouted orders

The heat is on
and curtains up
everything is go
and works,
for once like clockwork—
perfectly,
the minutes tick away
some will like it
some will not
but life it is

OF LOVE...

of love...
we never spoke.
of caring...
only with politeness.
of need...
only in wanting.
and of grief...
only in tears,
the rain of our missing.....



LOOKING AT THEN...

Painted shadows dancing across the wall,
crystal vases blazing with firelit brilliance.
Monotone of Cohen moving through the room.
Warmth of autumn's rain weaving down the window pane...

Lost in the dreams of a girl beside me,
laying content in the warmth of her eyes.
Moving with liquid motion,
loving with careless passion.
We spent the days as distant pennies.
Thrown together by chance at birth...

Nights within her arms,
days beside her smile.
Soon will be gone faded from my hold,
only memories to protect the love we held...



And then the lights go down
not out
finally the last curtain call
people leave reluctantly
this make believe world
for another—
all is quiet
no laughter now
or running feet
the lights are out

Strange how desolate the set—
without actors.

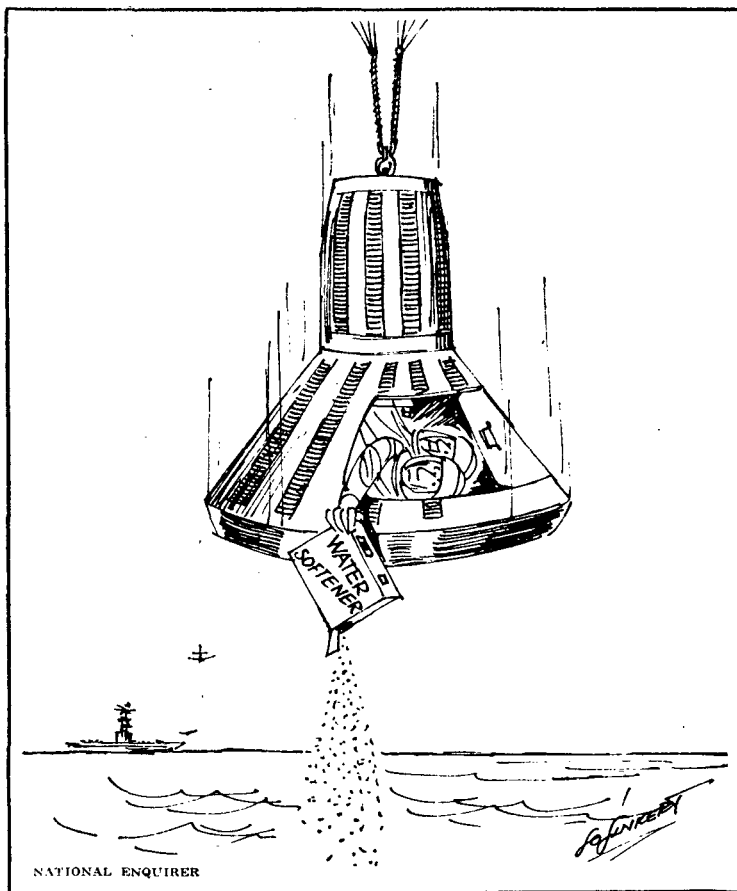
L.M.M.

V-2 RISING TIDES

Wind swept spray and salted rain,
homeward bound, with thoughts of her.
Angry seas, led on by maddened winds,
frothing with foam; howling in fury.
Mysterious in shrouded mists,
severed by scapilian bows.
Minds reach out for tomorrow but;
realities stuck in the muck of to-day.
Supported by cradles of steel, born on by twisted iron;
like a woman in labor, she bucks and tosses through her final days. . .

Washed by waves of miles gone by,
cleansed by the wetted winds of seven seas.
Rotted with salt infested crevices,
scorched by the three sun's,
and soaked in universal rains.
Like a reptile; regeneration is accepted;
yet like a ruptured burrow, she moans her discomfort,
and like always, is patched with sweat. . .

Only two days left, you bitch of the waves;
surely your hollow carcass is that strong.
Scream and shriek, moan and groan, but make those two damned days.
Shove your nose into the next wave, they're all the same to you.
Let all others take the side,
we've been gone too long, and we're in ON THE RISING TIDE. . .



WHAT'S ON...

by Philippa Steele

WHAT'S ON

In past weeks this column has carried criticism of local movies and events. Reactions have varied:

"I don't care what she says, *I* liked the film."

"Who does she think she is?"

"Everybody thinks it's great — whatsamatter with her?"

Basically, they add up to a questioning of the validity of criticism.

Mention the word "criticism" and you meet with disdain. It hasn't quite attained expletive value, but seems to be regarded as vaguely "dirty". As things stand, it may go the way of "discrimination". A mere whisper of d--- triggers instant reactions of holier-than-thouness and me-on-a-more-exalted-plane-than-thouness. Criticism seems to suggest you versus me, and of course according to democratic principle (bowdown and worship, ye masses!) I'm as good as you if not better, so therefore you, and your opinion can go hang.

What is criticism then? What is its function? And why has it been so maligned and buried in accretions of meaning?

To me, criticism is an informed appreciation of a work; a considered description and evaluation. It applies criteria of value, measures of excellence, and stands against indifferntiation and prefabricated response. Without criticism quantity would soon become interchangeable with quality. Majority opinion would become, per se, the best opinion, and the world would slide into a morass of mediocrity.

The trend against criticism is partly a result of misinterpretation of the word. To most people, it implies disapproval. Like me, like my work, they say, and if you damn the work of course you're damning me as well. In the words of the sage — it ain't necessarily so.

Criticism, then, is a bulwark of excellence, the White Knight of the "creative" world. Unlike the White Knight though, it's not likely to disappear just because it's out of style.

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BY JOHN dark HORBATCH

THE LINK

What is a school newspaper, what should it do? This is a difficult question to answer for it is mainly a matter of personal opinion.

Being editor of a paper is an impossible task in itself. It is like a report deadline every two weeks. Being once an editor of the Link, I know what Jim Steeves went through and what Roy Wood is facing now.

Just what do you put into the Link? Everything and nothing! It is a matter of the paper's policy. This is the key that relates the major portion of the content. The main policy of the Link is to inform the students and staff at the institute as to just what is happening. But there is more, there are also the editorial opinions and the letters submitted by our readers. Columnists relate their personal opinions also. But maybe that is the main problem with the Link. As one student stated "The Link acts too much like a god, it tells us what to do, why not have more news". I must in some respect agree, our job is not to *dictate* but to inform — place the facts both pro and con before you.

That is not to say that we should not editorialize, this is essential in voicing student opinions but we should not editorialize news.

Some people would like more jokes, this will come. The best opinion to date has been, "half the fun in having a newspaper is complaining about it. After all if it was perfect no one would read it."

We would like to hear more from you, the reader.

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CHANGE NAME

There have been suggestions that the name of the Link be changed to "The Wash" after all everything comes out in the wash. Thanks to the boys in Marketing for this thoughtful suggestion. PS Congratulations on winning the Rugby, finals.

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APOLOGY

In writing the article on the Traditions Committee I, not intentionally, reported incorrectly as to committee members, omitting some and adding others. This was not deliberate, and I shall in the future check my information more carefully. A full and accurate report on the traditions committee will appear in a future issue.

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NUDITY AROUND THE WORLD

There have been rumblings about dress problems at BCIT but we are not unique in this situation. Below is a copy of a letter indicating the dress problems in Malaysia.

Professional Circular No. 13/69
Pakaian Guru2 di-Sekolah

Many complaints have been received about the standard of dresses of teachers and teachers in training and these dresses are considered socially unacceptable in schools and teaching institutions. The coming to schools and to classes in transparent mini-skirts, and dresses with low plunging necklines revealing large areas of the bodies and wearing transparent dresses, is certainly not suitable as classroom wear.

It is generally accepted that teachers exercise very great influence over their pupils and their students and they share with the parents and the other community youth leaders the responsibility of teaching manners, morals and ethical values appropriate to the Malaysian society. These educational objectives are best accomplished if strict attention is given to the physical and emotional needs of the pupils by teachers providing and creating a favorable environment and proper appearance and personal good bearing when they are on duty inside and outside schools and in premises where they are involved with their pupils or students.

Appropriate dress for teachers is therefore essential in addition to neatness and cleanliness. APPROPRIATE DRESS IS A MARK OF GOOD TASTE. To continue the Tradition of high standard of dress the following minimum points are expected to be observed by teachers in schools and teacher training institutions:

1. Mini-skirts, extremes of open-back dresses, Bermuda shorts, tight jeans and dresses with low necklines will not be accepted.
2. Excessive make-up is not in good taste.
3. Colorful Hawaiian shirts are not appropriate.
4. Long unkempt hair.

Please refer to para. 3 of Ministry of Education's Professional Circular No. 11/68 dated 25th September, 1968 regarding dress for Physical Education.

Please bring to the notice of all teachers the contents of this circular.

(end quote)

It is unfortunate that we do not have these problems here. Mini skirts just don't rate with Malaysian dress. We thank Dean Goard for bringing this to our attention.

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GOT A MATCH?

The BCIT power staff will be playing a match floor hockey game against the Electronics staff this Tuesday at 4:30 in the Athletic Centre. Last Tuesday the Nursing students took on the staff in a volleyball game in an upsetting and victorious defeat.

We have in BCIT a very small and obscure technology called Gas and Who. Well we don't hear much from these boys but they have now come out of the wood-work and have won a floor hockey game.

Did you notice the forestry boys have some new jackets.

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DELAY

Because of examination and study pressures we were not able to have the interview with Dean Goard ready for this issue. The article will appear in a future issue.

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DO IT TO ME

Last Wednesday the BCIT nurses held their annual "back rubs" in order to raise money for their technology. Actually it is part of their practical training but we won't let that stop it. The girls really gave the guys a work out with many falling asleep and others refusing to go. One of the nurses commented to a BCIT male, "you want to get on the bed". Some even came back for seconds and the specials.

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SEX ON CAMPUS

We would like to print the facts about sex on campus, however due to the lack of space our editor had to cut it out for this issue. It will appear in the next issue after all the staff have read it.

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BRIDGE CLUB

With all the people in the cafeteria playing bridge you would think they would get together and form a club with Julio Russo as president. Now seriously why don't you people get together form a club and then you can get some money from the association to pay for incidentals. We could even set up a games room in the multi-purpose building in the new student complex for bridge and other assorted games.

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ENGLISH DEPT.

It is with extreme sorrow that I bring up this topic but it's about time someone said something. There is a general attitude within BCIT as to the WTC, W&CT or whatever they call it. The material unfortunately is good but the presentation — well, speak of failure in communication. True, I may after taking the course twice have prejudices but what about the rest of the class, do their actions and comments not indicate to the english department their opinion of the course? I don't want to knock the course out of our program but I would like to see it improved.

The boys in the English department to me seem to be the preachers of our school, criticizing everything and yet not constructively. Maybe this is just the type of course it is supposed to be, who knows.

The course could be directed more to in class writing and reports (no homework), directed towards the field the student is studying.

If you have comments about the English course we would like to hear them. Talk it over with the instructors.

We would also like to hear the department's point of view.

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Dear Doctor

Dear Doctor,

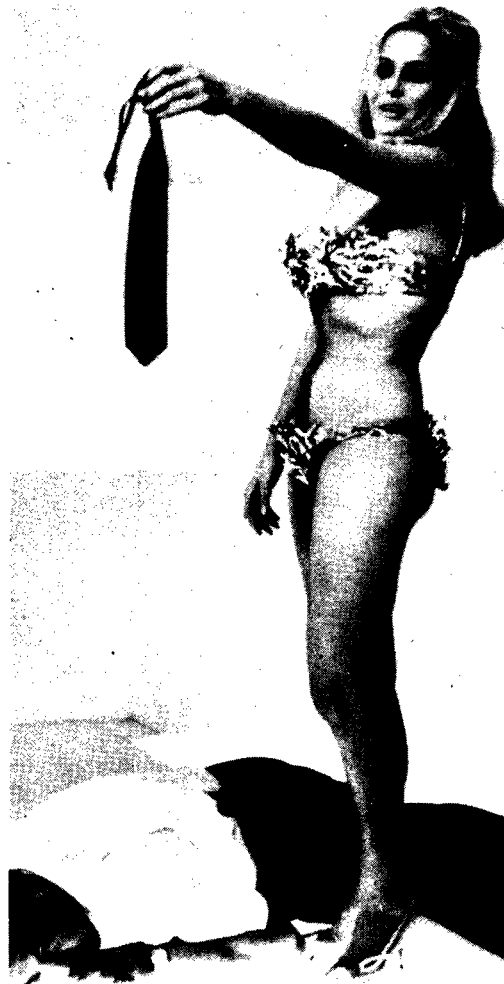
I am a well adjusted male student here at BCIT, but there is something that has been on my mind for some time. There is a certain chick around here who occasionally wears the tightest pair of hip-hugging pants I have ever seen. I can't figure out how anyone could possibly get into those pants.

WOW

Dear WOW,

You could start by buying her a drink.

Dr. D. (Dirty) Oldman



Dear Doctor,

I am a middle-aged man and I am beginning to find out that my capacity for erotic activities is waning. However, my wife is twelve years younger than I and she still has a rather healthy sexual appetite. I feel that I should do my best to satisfy here. Do you know of any pill on the market that would increase my potency.

Slowing Down

Dear Slowing,

Yes there is a new, fast acting potency pill out called "Potency Plus". However, when using it you must be sure to swallow it very quickly or you will have a very stiff neck.

Dr. D. (Dirty) Oldman

THOIDY-THOID PSALM

The Commissioner is my shepherd, I
shall not want
He maketh me to park in far places
He leads me through the rain waters
He weareth out my soles
He leads me in paths of mud, for his
name's sake

Even while I walk through the valley
of mud & water
I fear great evil
For thou art behind me
Thy tickets and tow truck discomfort
me

Thou preparest a ticket behind me,
In the presence of other enemies
Thou cause my head to be annointed
with rain water my boots floweth
over,
Surely badness and evil shall follow me
all the schooldays of my life
and I shall dwell in the office of the
commissioners often.

Len Polley



"Between 'The Pill' and 'Pollution' we'll probably get it all back"

SPORTS



PANTHERS VS. EX-BRITTS

BCIT showed themselves very well in this game. They kept Ex-Britts on the run and generally held them in their half. Abdurhaman has informed me.

Unfortunately BCIT lost the game due to some unfortunate mistakes at the end of the game and the final score was 9-6.

Dick Koch finally kissed his virginity goodbye as he scored his first try of the season. John Maillie got the other three points on a penalty kick.

The next game (although it will be over by print time) is against Capilano Seconds on Saturday.

Also there are Sunday games being played in a sandlot fashion for those of you who wish to play some rugby. Dr. Abdurhaman would particularly like to get a look at some first year students in these games as potential for next year's team.

COUGARS vs CLANSMEN

After handing the SFU Clansmen a 5-3 defeat on Feb. 6, BCIT failed to get the follow-up on Friday Feb. 13 at the Forum. SFU opened up the game with two quick goals and kept up their lead throughout the game. It appeared as if the Cougars were not skating up to par and they certainly didn't look like the same team that beat the Clansmen the week before. The final score was 7-3.

Darryl Reid, Arnie Carpenter and Mark Rawkins got the three goals for BCIT.

The game was marred by outbursts of fighting and it appears as if the referee will turn in a report on the game to the referees association and the Pacific Intercollegiate Hockey League. Also it appears as if the fans have been getting out of hand lately. Reports have reached my ears that drinking is getting rather commonplace at the games. Much as I enjoy drinking, there is a time and place for everything, eh guys?



Sports Car Club

ST VALENTINE'S MASS A CAR

By Craig Walker

This rather unusual gymkhana put on by the sports car club was held Sunday Feb. 15. After being delayed for a few hours it got off to a good start with about twenty entrants. Each car (complete with driver and navigator) had three runs through a course which tested not only driving ability, but fishing ability, driving blindfolded and over blocks of wood.

Not being very familiar with the sports car scene, I was very curious about this event before coming to see it. I thoroughly enjoyed all four hours of it as I'm sure all the participants did. If there are any sports car or rally enthusiasts reading this may I urge you to join the club.

The respective winners are as follows:

MIXED CLASS:

1. Holle, Foxcroft 2 min. 54 sec.
2. Olsen, Higgins 2 min. 56 sec.
3. Sutherland, Prissick 3 min. 5 sec.

MEN'S CLASS:

1. Houser, Higgins 2 min. 31 sec.
2. Quarry, Drake 2 min. 50 sec.
3. Morr, Lu
3. Morr, Lynch 2 min. 53 sec.

GIRLS' CLASS

1. Corra, Chatwin 3 min. 13 sec.
2. Paterson, Lewis 3 min. 20 sec.

1st prize Overall Class:

- Houser, Higgins 2 min. 31 sec.

Booby Prize Quarry, Ellis



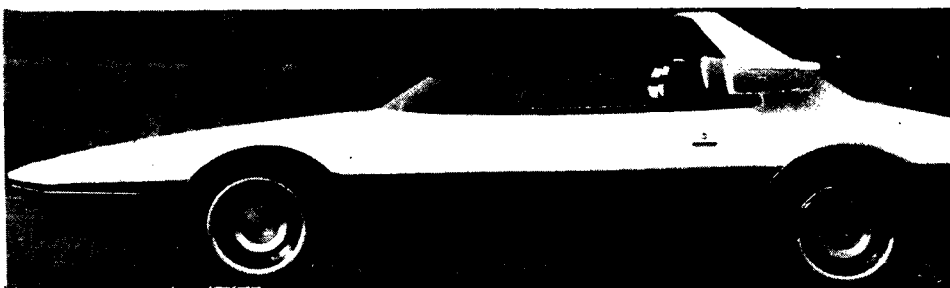
COMING EVENTS

- Sat. Feb. 28: Sir Walter Rally — a Knight Rally! Start BCIT 7:00 p.m.
 Sun. April 26: Computer Rally — Novice Event
 Sun. May 10: Orbit Gymkhana

Name changes: BCIT MOTORSPORT CLUB

The BCIT Sports Car Club has been renamed the BCIT Motorsport Club. The club felt that since CASC — the sanctioning body of Canadian motorsport — is moving into all fields

of the sport, the BCIT club should follow. This means that the club now includes Race, Rally, Drag, Oval and other forms of motorsport for which there is interest.



BCIT MOTORSPORT CLUB NOON HOUR RALLY FEB. 11 RESULTS

Car no.	Driver	Navigator	Penalties	Time	Total
*18	Krotlinger	Lynch	0 0	0	
10	Cryer	Lee	0 0	0 1	
14	Mears	Meredith	0 10	10 2	
17	McLeod	Eluok	0 10	10	2
16	Crawford	Hollingsworth	0 20	20	3
19	Hollis	Palmateer	0 20	20	3
20	Stregger	Pruden	0 30	30	4
13	Richardson	Beales	0 60	60	5
12	Thompson	Morrison	0 60	60	5
11	Dorron	LeFroy	0 70	70	6
15	Wright	Satre	30 180	210	7
9	Lohnes	Buckley	30 250	280	8

*disqualified

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The Missing Link

by Bill Learmont

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Following John Horbatch's article on how to woo the interviewer and tie up a job, my roommate has just announced his sequel "how to woo the bottle and tie on a whopper". Yes my famous drunken roommate has just been informed that he has been picked for final screening at a local department store. At present he's leaning against the bathroom door pleading matrimony, and it will be only my sly manoeuvring that brings me close enough to catch his words of happiness.

"I shée thachu have sought not my companionship 'til now; since I've become a shecurely employed individual; first class number one" gulp, gulp, as he swallows more intoxicating fluid from the brown bottle. "I'm a needed and wanted hard worker in this hic!! hic!! our dizzy world" as he slowly slips to the floor, closes his eyes and mumbles "Good night! hic!"

I take no credit for those qualities he's so well developed and I remember him stating the words that way. "You've got a drinking problem" he sadly stated "you don't drink!!" A gross exaggeration, I assure you but I regrettably am not man enough to challenge his authority in that department. One Sunday night he recounted "I had to have my hands tied behind my back on my sixteenth birthday and then have them force the homemade booze, made by one of the guys, down my throat." As a result, he boasted "I haven't missed a Saturday,



photo — Bill Warkentin

Sunday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday since then."

The landlady invariably brings him to our apartment door from the foyer where the guys drop him off each night; and then she invariably says that this is our twenty-third warning this month depending of course on whether that was the twenty-third time she had carried him in that month. To prevent the occasion where she might incorrectly call it the eighteenth when it's the seventeenth I mark each time on the calendar by an X.

"If the Lord wanted me to chew apples he would have given me a bunch of friends who chew apples," but my roommate points out "all my friends drink booze; good booze, fair booze or Villa beer, so I drink booze, Halleluja." His friends knowledgeable of his religious tendencies often entice him on those days when he's flat

broke by that soul satisfying world collage "the Lord Provideth" and sure enough he does.

But things are getting tough in the money world and as his father relayed to me "Tell him that his mother and father are tightening up their belts a little to fight inflation and we expect him to also as for ourselves, this year we're not going to Palm Springs." Upon this and in the name of inflation he cut down to a four day boozing week and chivalrously exclaimed "Man cannot live on Booze alone."

As surprised as I was to hear about his new founded interest in fighting inflation I was even more surprised to find him making a determined effort to cash in the empty beer bottles in our apartment to buy soup and crackers. In all fairness to my understanding of the battle ragin within him; I can understand how sentimentality can step in at the last minute and prevent him from cashing in the 29 cases of beer in the closet.

About the job he has all but landed; and for which he is flat on the ground celebrating; seven of the guys have just phoned to let him know they were also in for the final screening and want him down in the Towers within five minutes, to celebrate. So at this point: it's best I wake him up; get him dressed and head him in the general direction and let him smell his way, should he get lost. And that, John Horbatch, is what is required to woo an interviewer.

LOST AND BADLY NEEDED

Around Feb. 4 or 5 a blue colored teflon hockey puck was left in the cafeteria. This puck was handmade and has great importance to the owner. Could the finder please turn it in to the Link or Nucleus offices. This is very important as the puck is needed in a new type of hockey game to be introduced in this area.



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