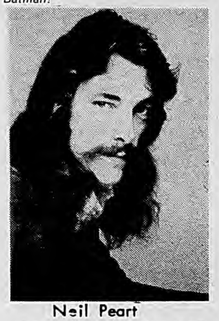
RUSH

by Doug Sulymka

Many Winnipeggers decided to play the fool on April 1 by not showing up at the Winnipeg Arena to see Rush in concert.

Although the turnout was sizeable, it would have to be termed a disappointment considering the fact that Rush is one of the top rock bands in the world at present. In fact, many believe that Rush is the main touring atraction in the world. *Holy Moley, Batman!*



Neil Peart

But it is not my intention to sit here and drag on about how poor the attendance was, because the partial purpose of this review is to inform all of those JAMTARTS who foolishly spent their money ona third term textbook instead of on a Rush concert ticket, just what happened.

The warm-up act, Saga, put in a credible forty-five minute set. This five-man band includes three keyboard-synthesizer players, a guitarist who trips over his stage cord, and a drummer. Two of the synthesizer players also alternated on bass.

As a whole, they looked like just another one of those obscure warm-up bands that nobody's ever heard of. But Saga actually has a number of good tunes to their credit. Their mystical style of music is similar to Rush in many respects, but they lack the hard crunch and depth of Rush. In other words, too many synthesizers can make one sick.

Rush played with all the confidence, and often apathy, of a well-structured professional band. With their brilliant light show, rear screen projections, and a well-rehearsed stage show, Rush proved to everyone that they are definitely rock'n'roll big leaguers.

Bass and synthesizer player Geddy Lee's pleasant stage personality shone through on occasion but for the most part, the band stuck to rock'n'roll.

The problem that Rush encounters is that they have to keep the audience's enthusiasm up for the length of their two-hour show. That is no easy task for any band. The power-trio even looked a bit routine at some points in their performance — guitarist Alex Lifeson got tired of standing around so he sat down on the drummer's box and played for awhile.

Geddy Lee's voice shrieked as much as ever but oddly enough, one's ears were still connected to one's head after the concert. That is, over the years, Rush has earned a reputation for performing at head-splitting volume. But this was not the case. Could it be that some clever roadie forgot to plug in the amps?

As usual, both Lifeson and Lee performed well, but drummer Neil Peart stood out in his own unique way. Peart appears to be the only rock drummer who can keep a seven-minute drum solo interesting all the way through. Its percussionists like him who keep drum solos from becoming obsolete.

Rush played all of their classics — 2112, Cygnus X-I and Hemispheres, and Bytor and the Snowdog, as well as playing a medley of some of their old favorites, such as Workin' Man, In the Mood, and Bastille Day. You could see that they enjoyed playing the material from their latest album, Permanent Waves, the most.

It's hard to blame them for looking bored playing some of the songs they've been hammering out in concert for over seven years now. Rush has been together for over a decade, and in that time they've worked their way from obscurity right up to a major spot on the world rock market.

They've done it their way and they've been successful.

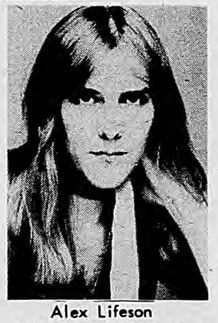
Rush is Canadian, and for that reason we should be proud. But the best part is that they make good music, so whether they're Canadian or not, that's enough for them to stand on. Actually, being Canadian has probably been a handicap if anything on their road to success.

Rush started out as one of the many garage bands in Toronto in the late sixties. With Geddy Lee performing on bass and doing the group's vocals, Alex Lifeson playing guitar, and John Rutsey manning the drums, Rush spent years playing the bar circuit of Ontario.

But their music — loud, hard rock — didn't convince many that they were star material. They were thought to be nothing more than a Led Zepplin rip-off.

When Rush's management felt it was time to cut an album, they couldn't get any record companies to show interest. They had to set up their own company, Moon Records, and release the album under that label. The album itself was recorded late at night, after the band had already made its pub appearances for the evening.

This album, released in 1974 and simply titled 'Rush', did not sell well and the main reason for that, aside from a lack of proper promotion, was the fact that Rush was Canadian.



Alex Lifeson

Now I don't want to get into a big sermon about how Canadian bands have been abused and overlooked (at least until now) by the Canadian record industry, but that's just what happened. That's why they couldn't find themselves a record company to sponsor their album.

Yessir, things looked pretty forlorn around the Rush camp at that time. At least until an underground radio station in Cleveland managed to pick up a copy of their (only in Canada, you say?) album. It wasn't long before the band's popularity grew in that town, and Mercury records soon decided to pick up a U.S. distribution deal for the group.

Ironically enough, this first album sold more copies in Cleveland than in all of Canada

A tour was planned to promote the album, but days before its commencement, John Rutsey, the group's drummer, decided to call it quits. His departure was for health reasons; he was a diabetic.

Neil Peart, a drummer from St. Catharines, came along to fill the vacancy, and the band started touring. Touring is something that they've continued to do up to today, and they play an average of 200 shows a year.

Rush released their second album in February of 1975, and the change in their musical style was already evident with the addition of Neil Peart to the group. Peart became the group's chief lyricist and together, they put out a still hard but more mystical flavor of rock.

Geddy Lee

This album, 'Fly By Night', became Rush's first gold album in Canada (selling over 50,000 copies) and helped the group win a Juno award for Most Promising Group. WHOOPEE!

Their third album, 'Caress of Steel', was released in the Fall of 1975, and although it was a fine effort it was still unjustly underrated by the critics. Sales were poor, and the record companies were soon coming down hard on the group, trying to get them to produce a more marketable sound.

Geddy Lee summed it up best when he stated, 'We were busy making a sound that we could call our own and these people didn't have the patience, belief, or confidence in what we were doing.'

The desire to produce their own sound and the desire to become successful, along with the desire to sell enough albums so they could afford to eat once in a while, spurred Rush into coming out with their fourth and most successful album to that point, "2112".

It was here that Rush finally found the sound that was both commercially and artistically successful.

Since then, things have gone straight up for Rush as their next three studio albums, "A Farewell to Kings", "Hemispheres", and their latest effort — "Permanent Waves" — have all been increasingly successful.

Rush is the only real heavyweight rock band that Canada has on the world rock market.

That's why the real red-blooded Canadians didn't pass up on seeing Rush, as this may be their last time around. (Writer's note: I think Rush is good for at least one more album, but then again I used to think that Poly-Fix was the name of a hallucinogen.)

Either way, Rush comes across as a band to be reckoned with. Canadian talent at its best.

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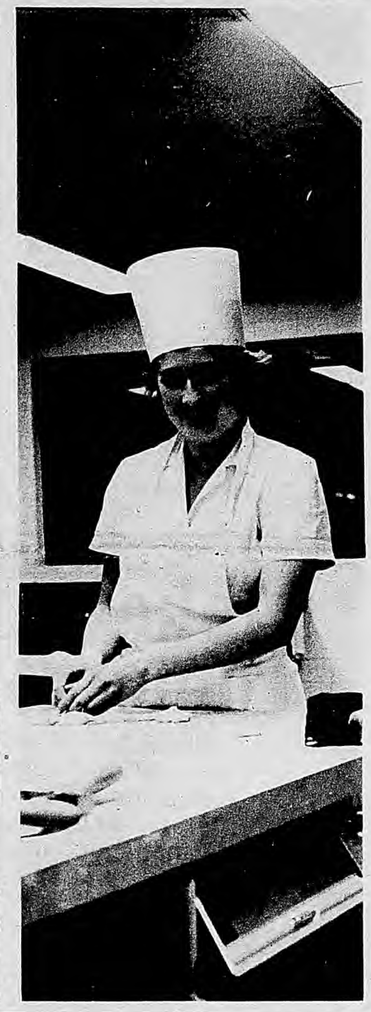

Under the Cover

Welcome! Walk the halls, visit the art displays, watch a student-written play, and tinker with the college's computers. All this and much much more is available to you and yours at RRCC's Open House. See pages 6 and 7.

The new tuition policy proposed by the student ad hoc committee will become effective in the Fall of 1980. For those of you who narrowly escaped termination in the past, this could be the news you've been waiting for. For more info, see page 3.

Canada's community college system ,with an approximate national enrollment of 250,000 this year, has earned the envy of many university registrars across the country. Colleges are becoming more and more popular and there seem to be good reasons for it. Page 8.

BILL HEINDL BENEFIT GAME

On Friday, April 25, 1980, at the Winnipeg Arena, a Benefit Hockey Game will be held with all proceeds going to the Bill Heindl Trust Fund. This game was first suggested by Bobby Orr as a means of hockey players rallying together to help a fellow player. In fact, Bobby Orr, a former Junior teammate of Bill's, was the first player to confirm that he would come to Winnipeg and play in the Benefit Game at his own expense. Since that time a number of active and former N.H.L. players, as well as members of Canada's National Team, have indicated their intention to come and play in the game AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE. The contest will pit a team of pros and ex-pros led by Bobby Orr and Gump Worsley against the original Nats.

An entertaining evening has been planned including a between period "Showdown" segment. With the exception of a summer exhibition game in the late 60's, Winnipegers have never had the opportunity to see hockey's greatest player perform. This will be an excellent opportunity to pay tribute to Bobby Orr and at the same time contribute to a worthwhile cause.

Tickets for the event are $5.00 for adults and $2.50 for youths, 15 and under.

Student Fellowship Training Plan

Are you looking for a source of work experience in your related studies? If you are, you have made a good decision towards securing a better job. Nowadays, most of organizations prefer their applicants (or employees) to have some sort of experience. Whatever field you are getting into, this trend seems to be emerging.

In view of this social tendency the Winnipeg Y.M.C.A. has a training plan for you. Especially for those students engaged in studies or training in physical education, child care, recreation, hotel management, marketing, sales, promotion, international development, camping or outdoor education, there are ample opportunities for you to practise what you have learned from school with real situations.

This plan is called the Y.M.C.A. Student Fellowship Training Plan. It is designed for technical school or university students who wish to test their abilities in different areas of jobs. Students who participate in the plan can experience on-the-job training. Furthermore, they may be able to obtain certain certified skills according to the students' own choices.

The Executive Director of Y.M.C.A. Central Branch, Mr. Alan Burpee, will direct the entire plan and supervise the participants. In fact, students will have a lot of chances to work with senior staff and volunteers in the program and administrative aspects of the organization. The expected number of participants in the plan is fifteen. Such a number was chosen so as to ensure that every participant will receive sufficient direction and supervision in their training.

Primarily, participants have to spare fifteen hours per week for the volunteer in-service and the training. Training will be closely related to the work and activity experiences of each participant's own interests. On the other hand, participants wil be offered free accommodation. The Y will give each participant a single room to stay during the training. The progra... will be started in the coming September until the end of the regular school year. In addition, it is very likely that the participants will be given a summer job in the organization at the end of the training.

Application basically involves two steps. First of all, phone or go to the Y.M.C.A. Downtown Branch to get and complete an application form. Secondly, an interview will be arranged.

After an interview with Mr. Burpee, the applicants will be informed if their application is accepted.

If you are interested and wish to get further information, call 942-8157 or drop in at the Y.M.C.A. Downtown Branch, 301 Vaughan Street. You are very welcome to ask any question regarding the Y.M.C.A. Student Fellowship Training Plan. The Y staff is very willing and ready to help. So think about it! Plan for you coming school year to build up your knowledge, experience, confidence and inter-personal skills.

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Film and group presentation at 11:00 a.m. in the White Lecture Theater.

Sports Banquet

Thursday, May 15

6:30 p.m. Cocktails

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Everyone Welcome

New tuition policy set for September

by Bill McLeod

The tuition policy proposed by the ad hoc committee after the termination of 14 students has been approved by the Deputy Minister in charge of Community Colleges, Peter Penner, who also said the policy will come into effect this September.

An ad hoc committee had been established after the Students Association decided to withhold their representation from all joint administration-student committees in protest of the terminations.

The new policy states that if a student does not pay his fees after a one-week period of grace, a $10 late fee will be added on with an additional $10 per week for the next five weeks.

After these five weeks, the student will be suspended from classes. He will receive a letter stating that termination will then occur after a specified date.

A letter will be included with registration material explaining how the new system operates. In the past, many students didn't understand the old system or even knew that it existed.

Instructors will also receive lists of suspended students. This will allow for prior warning to students by their instructors.

According to the ad hoc committee, the new policy will give students an incentive to pay on time, gives students sufficient warning of impending terminations, provides a definite deadline date, and it will discourage students from withholding payment before they find out how they are going to do in their course. The late fee will also provide extra revenue for the college.

Assistant deputy minister Penner said that the new policy only had verbal approval thus far because it involves money. 'The extra $10 is the key. Because of it, nothing has really been made final,' he said.

The new policy initiated here will take effect in all of Manitoba's community colleges.

Students association president Dave Church was very pleased when informed of the approval, but he cautioned that until September, students still have to make sure that they have their fees in on time. Since January, 180 students have been late paying fees.

Manitoba now has a policy for late fees similar to the rest of Canada. Only Saskatchewan has a policy similar to RRCC's old format but according to a National Union of Students' report, it is not exercised. The British Columbia Institute of Technology suspends students 14 days after a letter of warning but the students may get back in simply by paying a $10 fine.

Although this policy will not help any students who have already been terminated, in the future we can look forward to more leniency at a higher cost.

College Update

RRCC to host SAM conference

by Shirley Muir

The Student Association of Manitoba will be hosting their spring conference at Red River Community College on April 26-27.

This is SAM's second conference since it was established in the fall of '79. SA Treasurer and SAM coordinator Cathy Park said that the theme of this conference is the value of a provincial organization that represents secondary and post-secondary students.

"One of the workshops is specifically on the purpose of SAM," said Park. "It's to help give SAM direction and make it stronger," she added.

SAM represents students from community colleges and universities in Manitoba and through the Manitoba Association of Student Councils it represents high school students. Each institution and MASC has one representative in the organization.

The RRCC representative position is empty, however. Both Park and SA president Dave Church have input into SAM's decisions but are not the college's official representatives.

Park says that SA councillors claim that they do not have the time to spare.

"They complain about student issues, but they don't want to contribute to SAM," said Park.

Although SAM had it's first founding meeting in the fall of '79, the idea for such an organization has been in the works for years, said Park.

President of Manitoba Federation of Labor, Dick Martin, is the guest speaker at the opening plenary. Park explained that labor has shown interest in lobbying for SAM issues.

The closing plenary will be given by Howard Pawley. Although SAM has achieved recognition from some MLA's, it has not yet met with Minister of Education Keith Cosens.

Other workshops at the conference include Tuition, Student Association Structure, and Student Aid. RRCC is allowed to have 10 delegates at the conference. Students interested in the organization and the issues discussed should contact Cathy Park at the SA Office.

SA treasurer Cathy Park is organizing the second annual SAM conference to be held on the 26th of April at Red River.

SA to ratify candidates

by Bill McLeod

On Thursday, April 17, a Student Council meeting will be held that will very definitely affect the student population. Several things will be discussed about the future council and the Projector.

First, the candidates will be ratified at the meeting. All candidates with less than a 2.5 gradepoint are technically can't run in the election but council usually accepts candidates without a 2.5 standing. If you don't have the required gradepoint average but are serious enough about the position you will not be barred from running.

But if you are thinking of running, do it quick. Tomorrow is the final day that nominations will be accepted, but Student's Association vice-president Darrell Driver has indicated that many councillors aren't elected until September. If you don't want to run but still want to get involved Driver is looking for volunteers to man polling stations on election day.

Another issue to be brought up at the council meeting is the Projector publications board. The Projector Publications Board would provide the Projector with an authoratative board separate from council which would have council representation on it. Council would continue to fund the Projector with the right to withhold funds if they so desired.

The board would also act as arbitrators should any disputes other than financial come up between The Projector and the Students Association.

Students are invited to attend council meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 17 at 4:00 in room D-107.

University grants cut back

WINNIPEG (CUP) – The allocation of Manitoba university operating grants has been a "mindless" process, says the University of Manitoba faculty association president.

Peter Noel-Bentley has attacked both this year's allocations, which amounted to about eight per cent increase in operating budgets, and the University Grants Commission (UGC), the body which makes the allocations and acts as intermediary between universities and the government.

"It has become clear that the universities have been badly served by the commission and that the government has little understanding of the essential needs of the universities," Noel-Bentley said in a letter sent to education minister Keith Cosens in early March. The letter termed the UGC as "a poor set of advisors."

Noel-Bentley says if the current system of the UGC is continued, where the Commission is considered as one of the government's "executive wings", he would prefer abolishment of the UGC. He called for the education minister to take a direct and personal concern in assessing the needs of the universities.

The university grants commission is supposedly an autonomous body which requests funding for Manitoba's three universities from the provincial government and distributes these funds to them. The commission, which had been viewed as a buffer body between the universities and the government, has been sharply criticized this year for its lack of academic membership and lack of independence from the provincial government.

Explosion nearly causes death

by Dave Barber

A member of the Government Services cleaning staff was nearly killed by an explosion in the incinerator on the morning of March 14.

According to an Administrative Services memo, "A container of fluid was placed or dropped in a garbage can and subsequently picked up by the night cleaners and dumped with other papers to be burned. The container which was thrown in with the papers for disposal by the night cleaners exploded, knocking out the maintenance man who was dumping it in the incinerator."

The worker was taken to the hospital and released the same day after being treated for burns to his hair and first degree burns to his face. Members of the Department of Government Services were reluctant to speak about the matter.

According to the source in the Workplace Safety & Health Committee, "People don't realize that turpentine-like containers and aerosol cans are like bombs. This is what happens when people get careless." Though there have been accidents in the past, none have been as serious as the recent mishap.

The source emphasized the seriousness of the incident, cautioning all Red River staff against throwing containers of flammable liquid into the garbage.

Staff can arrange to have any "chemicals, paint thinners, or gasoline containers" picked up by the Department of Government Services by phoning Mr. Roy Burkett at ext. 359.

Editorials

Let's hear it for mutual exploitation!

by Patricia Myketa

If you walk past the Buffalo on any given day, especially during a noonhour, you've probably noticed the healthy accumulation of railbirds dotting the landscape.

These bastions of male supremacy preen every passing female who have occasion to cross their paths during the normal course of their duties. Every member of the female sex falls unsuspecting prey to this unnatural phenomenon. It doesn't metter if you're six or sixty, twenty-two or forty-two, toothless or balding, because if you're female and breathing, that's all that counts.

And these self-styled egomaniacs don't just limit themselves to eyeballing. They make further spectacles of their masculine selves by voicing the appropriate comments as the passeby warrants, referring from anything like walk to anatomy to attire to bringing to life their innermost sexual fantasies.

But you can hardly blame these guys. After all, in a college with over 5,000 full-time students parading the halls, some of them female and some of them attractive, what else can a healthy young red-blooded Canadian lad do but take advantage of the situation to strut his male stuff and make the ladies aware of his presence.

I mean, there certainly isn't anything else for him to occupy his time with. He can't have his mind on food, or he'd be eating lunch. He certainly can't have an appreciation for music or he'd be taking in an Artist in Residence. And he can't be much of a moving picture buff or he'd take in the Freebie Films or Video Tape Network.

And he's a jock only in the innermost depths of his imagination, because there's more than enough intramurals and sports equipment to go around. But I suppose these gentlemen have all they can handle being what they are. We can't expect too much more from them, now, can we?

And what about the women who are unwilling victims of this harrassment? It's not until we're halfway down the hall and practically on top of them that we notice what luridness lies ahead. And short of ducking into the Tower Lounge, we have no choice but to turn a deaf ear to the catcalls.

Once in a while one of us will come back with the appropriate reply, but we don't delude ourselves into thinking that it does any good. Hearing a response from us only makes the insufferable become the intolerable because it inflates their little male egos to the point of bursting.

But some women in this college aren't taking it lying down. The other day - last Wednesday at 11:30 in the morning, to be exact - about fifteen hardy (female) adventurers carried out their own brand of scumminess by invading the hallway beside the Buffalo themselves and verbally rating the various male bods that pervaded their domain.

Each and every male that walked by was rated on a scale of 1 to 10 and received the appropriate shouted appraisals to boot. Some of the gentlemen who happened upon this little scene were taken quite aback by the whole thing and didn't know what to make of what they found themselves being subjected to (sounds familiar?). And all of them just innocent by-walkers, too.

Now I'm not stupid enough to think that this is going to bring an end to the whole thing. This has become a part of Red River's atmosphere. And, to be honest with you, I'd be kind of disappointed if it did stop. See, when I've had a hard day and things are looking down, I just take a stroll past the Buffalo at noon and I smile.

And when i turn the corner past the book store, I laugh. See, every place needs some sort of comic relief, and I get mine by watching Junior Jock mentality in action.

Some jerks just never grow up.

None of your Business but ...

by Bob Armstrong

I first realized I was not cut out to be an accountant at the age of 15.

I was in grade nine and I took a number of aptitude tests. I scored in the 98th percentile in writter. and verbal reasoning, and the 90th in spatial relations, and surprisingly, in the 85th in mechanical reasoning.

But standing out like a sore thumb in these scores was an amazing 30 in clerical speed and accuracy. The high school guidance counsellor held my hands as she told me, "Bob, I'm sorry, but you'll never be a clerk."

As if that wasn't bad enough, my tests showed that I wasn't cut out for any kind of office organizational work.

Now, I'm sure you can imagine how down in the dumps that made me.

It was made even worse when, just a few months later, I took Strong Campbell Interest Inventory Test and discovered the jobs that are best suited for me. And there, at the bottom of the list was accountant. Not only did I get my lowest score for accountancy, I went right off the register, scoring a minus nine.

At the time I was quite happy. I knew I'd always been a disorgarized slob, but now I had computer-tested proof. All through school I had the messiest binder and a locker that had two feet of papers on the bottom. Every year I vowed "this is the year I get organized" and every year I got more confused. But I really wanted it that way.

I'd always equated intelligence with sloppiness and disorganization ever since I heard the story of the time Albert Einstein used his pay cheque for a bookmark for a month before remembering to cash it.

Even now, I don't want to organize myself. I'm sure if I did start putting all my receipts and pay cheques in numbered files I'd start watching Love Boat, wearing leisure suits, and voting Conservative.

But now I'm regretting all those years of being an absent-minded slob. It's income tax time and it's time for all the nice orderly people with nice orderly minds to take out all their pent-up hostilities on people like me who can't remember where we put our pay information stubs because we're too busy thinking about what witticisms we are going to write tomorrow.

Why don't they learn to make exceptions for people like me? I do not have the ability to file things. It's not any sort of stupidity, it's just that I lack the mental equipment to put papers in neat stacks.

Punishing me for not filling out my income tax correctly is like punishing a kid with polio for not going to gym classes.

People like me like to believe we are important, but when the deal comes down, we all know who runs this country. Lazy, absent-minded, creative people like me don't have armies and police at our disposal.

All you have to do to get absolute power in any country is tell everybody you'll make the trains run on time, and I sure as hell couldn't do that.

And so, here I am, frantically searching for tuition receipts, T-4's, and pay cheque stubs, trying to keep from going to jail.

But one of these days, me and people like me are going to seize power. And when we do, the trains will run late, and confusion will be considered a good excuse for missing income tax deadlines.

Fashion Notes: Forget about your Calvin Klein uncontructed jackets and don't even bother with those Hawaii flowered shirts, the look for summer 1980 is Canadian military chic. It's now, it's today, it's fun. Be a free spirit! The man who wears military chic is making a statement about himself. He's his own man. He's independent! He says 'sir' a lot. All you need is a set of green army fatigues and some tatoos of knives and guns on your arms. Add a waxed mustache that curls up at the ends and you're ready to "stand on guard for thee." The Projector's fashion editor summed it all up when he said, "Wear military chic, travel to far away countries, meet interesting people, and kill them."

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Mailbox

April 3, 1980

Dear Editor,

I would like to comment on Liz Keep's report of the hockey playoffs, in particular, the comment about refereeing in Brandon in the second ACC vs. RRCC game which 'left much to be desired.'

I have to disagree because I felt the refereeing was fair and compared to other refereeingwhich I see regularly in the Western Hockey League - quite competent. If my memory serves me correctly, RR Rebels went up 3-0 in the first period while ACC was serving one major and one minor, and for the rest of the game ACC outscored RRCC 4-3, despite ACC's serving the majority of the remaining penalties.

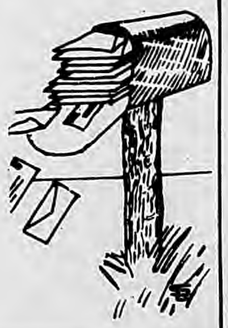
The fact that the qualified referee - appointed by the local association - happened o be an ACC student may have colored your reporter's eyes. And yet she alluded to the general quality of refereeing in the first ACC vs. RRCC game when she said,

'The Rebels scored most of their goals when ACC was left short-handed during Assiniboine's too frequent slashing and tripping penalties.'

Yes, Liz, ACC Cougars got what they deserved, but I don't think the referee deserved your 'much to be desired' comment, despite your natural partisan tendency to support your own capable team.

Yours sincerely,

C. E. Stonehouse
Chairman,
ACC Athletic Recreation Board



Television in isolated areas

by Rick Myers

Imagine life without television. No Kermit the Frog, Archie Bunker or Charlie's Angels. Rather difficult, isn't it?

Television is such an integral part of our society that we take it for granted. But about two percent of the Canadian population does not watch or receive TV. But the ubiquitous medium is slowly finding its way into these small isolated (deprived?) communities.

But it seems this story is not as rosy as it sounds. Some of the social problems encountered with the introduction of TV into non-television communities were discussed at the University of Winnipeg during the Television in the Developing World conference during the last week in March.

In an ongoing study Dr. Gary Granzberg of the University of Winnipeg noted there was an increase in the out group (Amerі-Canadian) identity at the cost of cultural loss with the introductin of TV in some of the smaller native communities in Northern Manitoba.

Granzberg said television is called the "shaking tent," a medium of foretelling the future similar to the practise of dreaming and conjuring. The Indians try to interpret the messages in the TV storylines.

Granzberg said the "role playing" or copying the heroes of dreams was also transferred to the copying of TV stars. Most affected by this were the children because, "they don't know the artificiality of TV and they think the TV stars really lead their lives the way they do on TV."

Granzberg also noted the fear, stress and aggression among the Indians since their role models were more aggressive.

Granzberg said the natives enjoyed soap operas, sitcoms, and adventure shows. However they dislike the Muppets and ads or specials on the personal feminine aspects of life. Granzberg said they couldn't associate with Kermit the Frog or Fozzie Bear because the frog and the bear are so highly symbolized in native mythology.

Dr. John Hamer of the University of Alabama said the native people could be classified in one of four groups dealing with the advent of TV. The "traditionalists" see a sinister similarity between dreaming and television. While bringing in new knowledge, the traditionalists feel TV "increases the craziness of reserve life," explained Hamer.

The 'modernists understand the superficiality of television. They see TV as a form of entertainment and a source of knowledge from the outside world.

As for raised aggression, the modernists feel the Indians wil become more effective in bargaining with government.

However, Hamer noted that if there was a loss of cultural spirit due to television, there would be little need to bargain with the government.

The "uncertains" neither accept or reject television. But Hamer said the group most affected by the introductin of TV were the children who found TV stars more feasible role models than imaginary hero figures and beasts.

Dr. Norma Forbes of the University of Western Washington said that in a study of rural Alaska, television scenes were seen in a fragmentary sense and therefore the programs made little logical sense. She said only 40 percent of the children could identify the theme of a TV program.

Forbes added that 91 percent of the non-television children compared to 74 percent of TV-receiving children could recall the title of a recently read book.

Dr. Tannis MacBeth Williams of the University of British Columbia said that in her study of an isolated B.C. town, reading skills decreased due to TV viewing. Television also had a tendency to negate creativity and increase aggressive behaviour among the children. She said sexual stereotyping became prevalent among the children, especially the boys, as perceived by the stereotypical characters portrayed on television.

Williams also noted the widening generation gap. She said there was a general decrease in sports participation and a drastic decrease of elderly participation in other community events.

She said there was now little interaction between the young and old in the previously unsegregated community.

Dr. Steven Rada of the University of Eastern Texas studied the effects of the introduction of community radio to the Navojo Ramah reserve. The Navajo decided against television since they believe the camera can steal the human soul.

It was hoped that radio would increase the participation in community politics by announcing meetings well in advance.

Previously, meetings were announced by word of mouth. However, people stayed at home and listened to the results of the meetings aired over the radio.

As the young obtained Anglo-American knowledge over the radio, many left the reserve in search of the big city.

Rada conluded there was a general loss of time sense. Reserve life quickened to the metronome beat of radio programming.

Hamer said the advent of television to isolated communities was analogous to a "religious conversion experience." But according to the aforementioned five people, the introduction of television also included the introduction of new unforeseen social problems.

Groucho Marx once said, "Television is a medium because nothing on it is done well."

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RRCC's Open House

Take it in this weekend. There's a lot more to Red River than meets the eye.

by Rick Myers

Open House is the day when we students get to show prospective students, employers, mom, dad, and maybe even little brother or sister what we do here at Red River.

Ray Newman of Student Services is supervising the organization of various displays on Friday, April 18 (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and Sunday, April 20 (1 p.m. to 4 p.m.). Eight to ten thousand people are expected to tour the vast corridors and explore the aspects of 75 full-time courses and 400 varied evening programs offered at RRCC.

A few of the exhibits displayed will be computer games by the Computer Analyst Programmers, ham radio demonstrations by the Radio Operators, gamma camera displays by the Nuclear Medicine Technologists, decorated food displays and demonstrations by the Chefs, complimentary hairstyles for young men by the Hair Stylists, scale models of student projects by the Drafting students, and a visual art display by the Advertising Artists. The Business Education students will display their model office and Child Care services will show their model daycare center.

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It is hoped that a number of graduates will also attend to offer their services and answer questions.

The LRC will display the latest features of information retrieval, namely TELIDON, Canada's videotex system, CHOICE, a computerized career information system, DIALOG, an on-line information retrieval system, and a video disc projection system.

Students and Malabar's will feature a fashion show of past, present, and future styles.

Murray Lloy and the Cultural Company will be presenting two lighthearted comedies written by two Crecom students, Dave Barber and Val Kruk.

And, visitors will have their choice of musical presentations. Blakeman Welch will conduct the college choir and instrumental group between sets by Dan Pelfry and friends. Pelfry plays some good jazz with companions Ron Paley, Ron Haldorson, and Reg Kellyn.

So even if you think you know all about the college, there will still be lots of entertainment to keep you happy.

Free parking will be available and a special shuttle bus to the college will be operated on Sunday.

Lynne Gurdebeke is looking for guides to assist lost people at Open House. If you have some spare time and are interested, see Lynne at the SA office.

Entertainment

Les Pucks: worth the wait

by Penni Mitchell

Any band that can churn out passable Talking Heads gets extra points for doing so, but Les Pucks do "Psycho Killer" justice. And it wasn't even the highlight of the performance.

Students were treated to a rare rock and roll sound Thursday that even Ed-Z couldn't reproduce and thank God for it. When Les Pucks brought a full capacity crowd to the South Gym, there wasn't a rock and roller in the crowd who didn't think that the hour line-up outside and three bucks admission wasn't worth what they got for it - three forty-five minute sets of new wave-straight rock, heavy on the rock. Courtesy of one of Winnipeg's hottest bands. Les Pucks combine rock-originale, with tunes reminiscent of Pappa Pluto (two of Les Pucks were previously with Pluto) and some heavy rock.

Three of the band members are from Winnipeg while Randy Boothe has roots in Snow Lake. Fans of Les Pucks say that Duncan Wilson, singer-guitarist, has a stage act like young Buddy Holly or a more "life-like" Elvis Costello, but whatever his appearances, Wilson's sound is original stuff.

It's too bad that almost every band has to be marred with the ill-jinx of one attention-starved member clamouring around on stage in search of a begotten limelight. Jim Creasay's musical talents are undeniable. He'll probably go places, someday. A really talented guitar player. But there's nothing worse than seeing a talented musician making love to his guitar and himself to get attention when his talent is reason enough alone. It draws attention away from the issue of making music. And it's pretty sad for the crowd, who might respect Creasay's talent if it weren't so blatantly egotistical. Sigh. But there's one in every band.

Generally speaking, Les Pucks is a crowd pleaser. They can churn out the commercial tunes of The Police one minute, a raunchy "Buggary on the High Sea" the next and then break off into one of Creasay's Hendrix-style, teeth-picking solos.

And the crowd went wild. They beered. They bashed. And they danced. They indulged in illicit drug smoking and God only knows what else. And a lot of them probably passed out at ten like me.

The Cultural Company choir performed in the Tower Lounge despite poor acoustics, a badly tuned piano and CMOR in the background.

Choir performs well despite obstacles

by Debbie Gordon

The sounds of spring filled the air last week, as Red River's Cultural Company Choir presented Spring in Motion during noon hour in the Tower Lounge.

The choir was successful in its attempt to shed the image of the College as a purely technical institution, despite the forces which appeared to be working against them. A badly tuned piano, the music of CMOR radio and the nomadic sounds associated with the Tower Lounge were all obstacles which the choir successfully overcame.

The concert featured several lively and popular songs such as Consider Yourself from the musical comedy Oliver and If I Were A Rich Man from Fiddler on the Roof. Pianist Marilyn Brooke, a research librarian with the LRC, performed solo versions of the modern classics Love Story and Homecoming. Vocal soloists included Bob Bargan, department head of Industrial Math and Science, singing Where Ere You Walk, and student Kathy Barkman who played the guitar while singing the popular songs Have You Never Been Mellow and You've Got a Friend. Barkman has had considerable musical and singing experience, and was warmly received by the audience.

The Cultural Choir, in its first year of existence, has as its musical director Peter Blakeman Welsh, the past conductor of Opera Manitoba.

Upcoming performances will include two concerts during Open House and an appearance at the Graduation Services in June. Performances outside the college are presently being arranged by Cultural Company Organizer Murray Lloy. Practices will be held Wednesdays from 4-6 p.m. in room BB02. All are welcome.

Wicked Witch and Goldilocks

by Gloria Taylor

Sh-h-h, don't tell!

The wicked witch is looking for Hansel and Gretel.

Don't tell!! They'll be on stage April 20th in the Black Lecture Theater at 2:30 and 4:30 p.m.

But Timmy is out to save them.

Goldilocks, the three bears, Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood and others - join them Sunday for Open House.

Irene Karasick's second-year Theater Arts group is rehearsing the play. And it promises to be something special for the kids.

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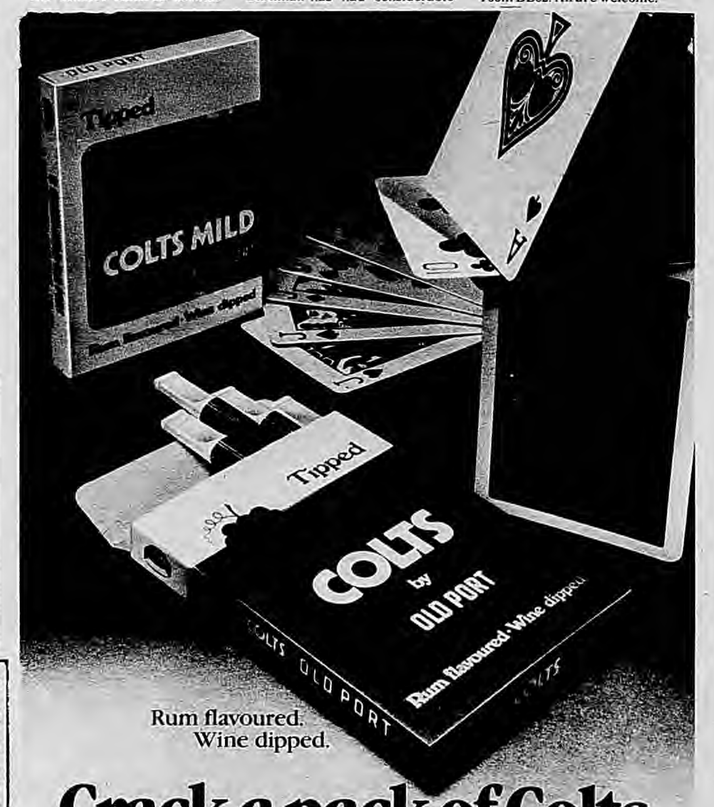

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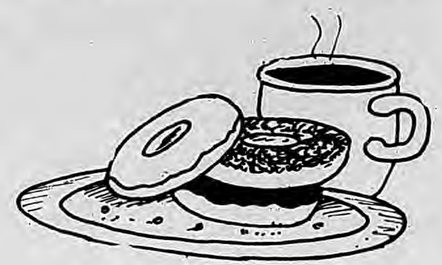
Before you take that morning cup of coffee . . .

by Helle Simonsen (CUP)



The symptoms are not unfamiliar. About three-quarters of an hour ago, you drained the last few life-giving drops of warm, murky coffee from a cardboard cup and it is beginning to take effect. Maybe your hands begin to shake, your heart quickens, you jump up and scurry off with nowhere to go.

Caffeine directly affects the outer layer of the brain and the spinal cord. It is occasionally used to counteract depressant drugs like alcohol because of its stimulant effect. An average dose can range from 60 to 300 milligrams, and a lethal dose would be equivalent to one hundred cups of coffee drunk at once.

A cup of brewed coffee contains, depending on the strength of the coffee, between 100 and 180 mg per cup. Instant coffee is not as hard on your system, it has 70-177 mg per cup. Even a cup of tea has between 50 and 70 mg.

A fix of caffeine does not require swallowing steamy dark liquids. It appears in chocolate at about 25 mg per bar.

And it is a vital ingredient in cola and diet cola drinks, at 25-75 mg per can. But if you do not want to waste time, over-the-counter drugs like No-doz tablets are straight caffeine in a convenient form.

Five cups of coffee is enough to cause irritable behaviour, tremors or insomnia in most people. A high intake of caffeine, about six to eight cups, can produce symptoms almost identical to those of anxiety neurosis. In large doses caffeine can cause insomnia, high blood pressure, headaches, nervousness, delirium, digestive disorders, rapid breathing, twitching of limbs and possibly convulsions.

People who drink five or more cups of coffee a day are twice as likely to have heart attacks as those who do not drink coffee at all, studies have shown.

Recent reports that caffeine might be linked to birth defects are as yet unproven. "It should certainly be looked at with suspicion, but they look at any drug as the possible cause of birth defects, and usually recommend that all these drugs be eliminated during pregnancy," Burton said.

The moderate consumption of caffeine is thought to be safe. The drug increases the ability to do mental and physical work by disguising bodily fatigue.

Sigmund Freud smoked 20 cigars a day. He developed cancer of the palate and jaw. He also suffered from "tobacco angina," a constricting sensation of the throat. Napoleon, on the other hand, tried smoking once but found it so unpleasant, he quickly returned to his habit of inhaling seven pounds of snuff each month.

Nicotine develops in the user both a psychological and physical dependence. Because it can act as both a stimulant and a depressant, the user's psychological state can determine its effect.

To Dr. M. Macconail, a pharmocologist at the University of Ottawa, a nicotine addict is "someone who battles a roaring blizzard or spend the last of his school loan for that package of cigarettes." Only a third of smokers at best are able to quit, Macconail said, and a year after they quit are most susceptible to starting again.

According to the Addiction Research Foundation, 44 percent of all Canadians over the age of 14 smoke. Though this number has decreased in recent years, the number of teenage girls who smoke has increased substantially.

Cigarette tobacco contains about one to two per cent, nicotine, pipe tobacco about 1.5 to three per cent, cigars average one to three per cent and chewing tobacco contains the highest among of nicotine at 1.9 to 4.8 per cent.

Nicotine is one of the most poisonous substances known to man and has been used as an effective insecticide for many years. Just one drop (about 50 mg) of pure liquid nicotine on the skin could be lethal. The ingestion of two cigarettes can kill a child if the nicotine has enough time to be absorbed through the lining of the stomach.

Along with nicotine, there are 1,350 chemicals which have been identified in burning tobacco.

Besides increasing the probability of lung cancer, smoking can produce coronary heart disease, chronic bronchitis and emphysema (a thinning of lung tissues) as well as tongue and lip cancer.

Nicotine also affects unborn babies of mothers who smoked during pregnancy, according to studies done by Dr. Peter Fried, a psychologist at Carleton. Nicotine crosses the placenta and enters the bloodstream of the fetus and even appears in the breast milk, said Fried.

Many studies show that "smoking increases the probability of having smaller sized babies and reduces the birth rate by as much as threefold," he added.

As well, smoking affects the behaviour of babies. Newborn babies tend to cry more if their mothers smoked during pregnancy.

Despite these risks, most people remain puppets to their nicotine nerves. One popular but incorrect myth is that switching over to a pipe or cigar will reduce the risk of cancer.

Most cigarettes are made from flue-cured tobacco and as a result have acidic smoke. The nicotine from acidic smoke can only be absorbed through the lungs, which is why satisfaction from smoking cigarettes comes with inhaling.

On the other hand, pipe and cigar smokers do not have to inhale to get their fix. Air-cured tobaccos are used for pipe and cigar tobacco and burn with alkaline smoke. Its nicotine can be absorbed directly through the tissue in the mouth.

The risk of smoking, however, is not immediate. Dr. Mary O'Brien of Health Services at Carleton wants students to cut down or quit smoking now before the problems begin. Most students are too young for heart or lung problems or high blood pressure due to smoking, said O'Brien.

"If they stop within the next few years, they won't have these problems," she said. "This is why it is so hard for some of them to quit. At this stage they can get away with it."

It's possible that aspirin, the most easily accessible painkiller, shouldn't be. While it can't normally become addictive, it can become habitual, in the psychological sense. Aspirin can also lead to ulcers and irritations of the stomach's lining, causing it to bleed.

Symptoms of over-use are stomach pains, deafness, ringing in the ears or delirium. But that is not all.

One day those two little pills might send you to the hospital instead of curing your headache. Some people suddenly develop aspirin intolerance which makes them extremely sensitive to the drug. The allergic symptoms are hives, difficulty breathing and gastrointestinal bleeding.

Buffering agents in some brands are in minute quantities and do not provide much protection against stomach irritation downing the pills with a glass of milk probably gives the best protection.

Besides killing pain, aspirin has a beneficial side effect. It thins the blood, which can help people who have had or are in danger of having a stroke or heart attack.

"People who have strokes often take one daily, and studies show they tend to have less strokes than the people who don't. There's some speculation that taking aspirin would prevent the first stroke," said Burton.

In Person
Vincent Bugliosi

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COMMUNITY COLLEGES:

the long-awaited solution

by Phil Hurcomb

(CUP)–When community college systems moved from provincial government drawing-boards to full operation in the mid-1960s and early 1970s they were billed as the long overdue solution to the Canadian problem of developing secondary industries without an adequate skilled labour force.

Through the 50s and 60s Canada had depended on skilled labour from Britain, Germany and Italy to build its houses and businesses, and build and operate the heavy machinery necessary in any industrial nation. High schools were incapable of providing the depth of training necessary for industry and our university system with its lofty academic ideals, provided no real career oriented programs beyond the fields of law, medicine and management and business skills.

Although the need for institutions providing training in the health services, industrial trades, community education, and communication skills was immediately obvious, acceptance as a legitimate member of the post-secondary community was slow in coming for the Canadian college system until the recent boom in applications and job placement successes.

Community colleges across the country are reporting impressively high placement rates for graduating students in their own field and many colleges are receiving four times as many applications for first year courses as they can accomodate in their classrooms. Peter Penner, the assistant deputy minister of education in Manitoba, recently reported that college graduates in that province have maintained a steady level of employment with most finding employment in their particular field. Most other provinces have reported equal placement figures.

'impressively high placement rates'

Non-university post-secondary school enrolment has risen approximately seven per cent in the last three years while university enrolments across the country have dropped off by approximately four per cent. An even more impressive endorsement of the concept of community college training is that the number of students transferring out of university courses into the college system is on the rise. Several Ontario colleges have more than nine per cent of students in their first year of college have had previous university experience and almost three per cent of students entering the college have already received a university degree.

There are a number of fundamental differences between these two types of post-secondary education in Canada which have resulted in the swing to the college system. In a recently published article in the Journal of the Association of Canadian Community Colleges Dr. James Colvin, President of Fanshawe College in London, Ontario, points out that the career and community orientation of the community colleges is at the root of the difference.

'they can live up to the very high expectations of their creators'

"Universities have tended to be producers' cooperatives while the colleges have from the outset been consumers' cooperatives," says Colvin. "The universities have been more prescriptive than responsive to the community; while the colleges have been the reverse. The colleges pay heed, not to a senate, but to a local advisory committees meeting in church basements, business offices, school rooms or in someone's parlour."

This difference in structure has played an important role in the development of the community college as an extension of the employment needs of the community and has resulted in an emphasis on a practical, job oriented education.

Dr. Laurent Isabelle, president of Algonquin college in Ottawa, says there can be no question that a community college education is a very practical education.

'career orientation is the root of the difference'

"Their (community colleges) objectives are career oriented programs whose content are roughly defined as 70 per cent vocational and 30 per cent general education," according to Isabelle. "It is because of this emphasis that there are an increasing number of people from the workforce, from high school and from university attending community college today."

The consistently heavy emphasis on practical, job-oriented programs in college curricula is undoubtedly the prime reason for the surge in student interest in a college education, but many college administrators give almost equal credit to the official presence of community business, industry and labour representatives on the committees that decide on the nature and scope of the courses to be adopted.

Although the actual decision-making structures of colleges differ from province to province, serving both industry and business and the individual student by reflecting the needs of the local economy through its programs is the bottom line philosophy of all of Canada's community colleges.

Through participation in course advisory committees these community representatives can bring shortfalls in a given skilled labour area to the attention of a provincial government through the college in their community.

For instance, ie Ottawa the local electronics industry was instrumental in the development of electronics courses at Algonquin college. They brought the need for skilled technicians in this area to the attention of the college board of governors, and after the courses were set up, industry representatives were made part of the course advisory committee to ensure that the courses would graduate students whose training was applicable to the local industry.

This constant contact with the community has resulted in the establishment of varied college curricula across the country, supplying trained students in the essential industrial trades such as tool and die making and machine operation, as well as specialized training from less traditional courses for would-be jockeys, chefs, cabinet makers; the list goes on and on.

The major question concerning the provincial community college systems is can they live up to the very high expectations of their creators in the early and middle 1960's: expansion of facilities to every major community in Canada, fully adequate training to ensure the development of an indigenous skilled labour force and to achieve 'parity of esteem' with Canada's university system?

The possible expansion of college facilities depends largely on the levels of provincial government funding that they receive. In the past, funding increases for both the university and college systems have fallen well short of the rate of inflation and this has been a major roadblack preventing the developing of new programs in industrial skills.

Ontario, for example, already has almost one hundred community college campuses in operation, but the demand for places on these campuses indicates that there is still plenty of room for expansion if the system receives adequate government assistance.

Provincial governments and industry itself will also play a large role in our future ability to develop a completely indigenous skilled work force.

'we are always a step behind the real industrial needs of the country'

According to Joe Hanafin of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace workers, the system that enables the community colleges to meet the needs of their immediate communities is hampering the ability of the colleges to deal with the overall need for skilled labourers across the country.

"The federal and provincial governments are trying to solve the job training crises on an ad hoc basis rather than developing any comprehensive program," says Hanafin. "We still do not have a real commitment to a domestic trade force in Canada."

Hanafin points out that we are still importing skilled workers from Europe and more recently from the Third World because we are always a step behind the real industrial needs of the country because of a lack of planning.

Hanafin also asserts that a community college education in an industrial skill will not make a student eligible for a high paying job unless they receive adequate apprenticeship training on the job. Hanafin says this essential apprenticeship training is not always what it should be.

'A lot of employers just want someone to work for them for peanuts. They might take someone with community college training as a machinist and bury them on one machine during their apprenticeship so they will never become real journeymen machinists,' says the union spokesperson. 'Before we will ever have a large skilled labor force the employers will have to give proper apprenticeships after community college training.'

'on-the-job training should be a must'

Industries' major complaint about the present calibre of community college graduates is that they often lack the on-the-job perspective of their field that should be an important aspect of their education. Graduates of community colleges may understand their skills, but in the working world it is equally important that they be able to do their job quickly and efficiently, not just correctly.

As far as the general goal of achieving 'parity of esteem' with the universities, there can be no doubt that the public perception of a community college education has changed drastically over the past decade and that the community college route will be even more attractive in the future as it becomes more difficult to get a job with a general university degree.

It is difficult to define just how much credibility the community college system has gained in the minds of the administrators of our education, from the high school guidance counsellor to the university president, but 'parity of esteem' or not, Canada's burgeoning community college system, with an approximate national enrolment of 250,000 this academic year, at least earned the envy of many a university registrar across the country, and who is to say that this is not an equally important guage of credibility.

sports

DiCurzio a bonus to RRCC sports

Joe DiCurzio is an interesting and competent guy around the gym. He's RRCC's sports director and a lot of other things besides.

by Dianne Levreault

Hey, did you know we have a very interesting and versatile Sports Director at Red River College? If you haven't heard by now, it's Joe DiCurzio.

"A sports director is a liaison between the teams and the administration," said DiCurzio, "and it's great to learn how to organize and work with other people. It's a super job."

DiCurzio became sports director at the beginning of last summer. His duties are numerous and varied. In the past year he has been in charge of the organization of three major tournaments; men's basketball, women's basketball, and men's and women's volleyball. He has organized a super-human contest, a tenth anniversary sports banquet and a year-end sports banquet.

Another of his major responsibilities is to set up the sports budget for the college. This includes making decisions on how much the teams can spend on such things as trips, buttons and awards.

"There are a lot of other things," said the twenty-five-year-old DiCurzio. "I also sit on many boards."

One of these is the Athletic Board of the college which consists of president Ray Newman, Phys. Ed. instructor Jack Kaplan, Assistant Sports Director Linda Montgomery, phys. ed. instructor Roy Pollock and S.A. Business Manager Don Hillman.

Said DiCurzio, "The Student Association complained about the operation of the physed program so an Athletic Board was established this year to improve the situation."

Joe has also coached the Rebel women's basketball team for the past three years. Last year the team won the provincial ladies' B championship, and this year they were promoted to the A division because they placed third in their league.

Manitoba women's basketball was improved tremendously in past years. "When they went to 4-West a few years ago, it wasn't unusual to be defeated by 100 points," said DiCurzio. "This year they lost one game by two points and one game by five."

DiCurzio also had a large part to play in Red River's hosting of 4-West this year, although he had the Athletic Board to help him.

DiCurzio not only has the ambition and ability to efficiently handle the position, he also has the background and experience.

"I've always been involved in sports," said DiCurzio. "You could say that basketball and soccer are my main sports. I played them when I was in high school."

Although his high school years were spent in Winnipeg, DiCurzio was born in Italy. He and his family moved to Winnipeg in 1967.

Joe worked in construction for two summers, sold vacuum cleaners for a summer, and worked for Operation SAM as a counsellor for high school students. In addition he was a bank caretaker for five years.

At the same time he was involved in many sports and related activities. 'I was a convenor for a 16-year-old soccer division. I've always coached about two or three teams a year.'

He coached a soccer team and a boys' junior high basketball team at Churchill High School.

In total, Joe has been involved in five championships with these teams - three in soccer and two in basketball.

At present he is coaching soccer at Lord Roberts Community Center. 'I started coaching the team when they were 12 and 13 years old. Now they're about 17. We won the provincial soccer championship and finished second twice.'

DiCurzio has worked hard with his team to raise money to travel to California. He and his team have flown south for the past two years now.

"They invited us for a tournament and we're going again this year to get some good competition,' Joe said. 'It's really good because you can stay there for two weeks. We work and raise money and their parents chip in.'

DiCurzio has travelled to many other places with his soccer and basketball teams, including Minneapolis, Toronto, Edmonton, Vancouver, and many parts of South Dakota.

Joe has spent five years at Red River, graduating from the Business Administration course in 1976 and presently finishing Teacher Education. The latter required him to spent one year at the college, one year at the University of Manitoba, and a last year here again.

During the four years that he was eligible to play on college teams, he was a member of the Rebels mens basketball team.

This last year he played basketball with the Alumni, which is made up of former Rebels.

Joe has developed some very strong beliefs from his experiences as both coach and player. He feels that all Rebel teams will improve when they can get into a better league - a college league.

"This college has a lot of potential," he said. "More and more athletes are coming here and turning away from the universities. They want the one or two years of education to get them a job so they come to Red River."

DiCurzio would like to see colleges from different provinces competing against each other. He feels that this would give more incentive to the teams in terms of trips and higher competition.

"The students here are good to work with," said DiCurzio, "and some of them are really keen on sports."

DiCurzio has on-the-job training at Tec-Voc High School for the rest of the year. In the future, Joe hopes to achieve a teaching degree and continue his involvement in sports.

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Sports comment

Jets integrity at stake in final

by Lori Smith

If you expected the Jets to finish their first NHL season smelling like roses, I guess you're disappointed.

Well, don't take it too hard, look on the bright side. When the Jets began the season there were two things they wanted to prove.

One, they would be hard working, and secondly be competitive.

Despite the dismal standings of 20 wins, 48 losses, and 11 ties, the Jets made good on both. They also ended their first NHL season with a 3-2 win over the Colorado Rockies, to offset the year.

Through the first week in March, Winnipeg had 18 one-goal games, in which they were competitive. Two of the teams they defeated were Boston and Minnesota.

Throughout the season the Jets totalled 20 wins and 11 ties while they won 5 games by more than a one or two goal spread. These stats may be of some consolation to a team that finished on the bottom rung of the NHL ladder.

It was of benefit to the Jets when their 1979 second-round pick, Dave Christian returned from the Olympic games in Lake Placid.

Christian, a forward, proved to be a very versatile player as he played defense throughout the Olympics and received a gold medal.

The arrival of Christian on the scene has revived the club's power play.

In the 3-3 stalemate with Buffalo and the 5-2 loss to Atlanta, the Jets scored 4 times with the man advantage.

Then there was coach, Tom McVie's move to bring in assistant, Bill (Sudsy) Sutherland to benchside. This attempt to put the Jets back on their feet, didn't help, as the results were as dismal as before.

Although the Jets season record is not what we hoped there are some brighter hopes for their future.

With the Jets being the second last place team, they should get their hands on a good draft choice, but not David Babych. However, Doug Wickenheiser, a good forward, may fill Babych's shoes well.

We can look forward to another impressive season from rookie Ron Wilson and Dave Christian.

Oh, and of course don't forget the Jets top goal scorers, Morris Lukowich, who finished the season with 66 points and Peter Sullivan close behind with 53.

Maybe next season Peter Marsh will score the goals that were cut short due to a thumb injury.

This season, the Jets top goal tender was Pierre Hamel with an average of 3.86. Although his average isn't so hot, maybe with a pick up in the Jet defense Hamel may prove to be a worthwhile investment.

Probably the most memorable game of the season was the 6-2 victory over the recent four-time Stanley Cup winner, the Montreal Canadiens.

With continued moral support from Winnipeggers, good coaching, and more hard work, we will hopefully see a better hockey club emerge after the summer.

All is not lost. Maybe we just expected roses too soon.