"....and Lord Thompson looked down at the corporation he created, and saw that it was good."

The sight of a hard-hitting corporate expose in your daily newspaper is as rare as the politician who keeps a promise.

It's not that corporations don't make scandalous decisions adversely affecting peoples' lives.

They do.

by Mike McEvoy (CUP)
The Uniter

Muckraking journals like *Mother Jones*, which rely on donations from subscribers to survive, have exposed corporate corruption regularly. Revelations about the deadly Ford Pinto, and a company whose distribution of defective contraceptive devices caused several deaths are but a few examples.

But daily newspapers generally choose not to track down these stories themselves, mainly because they depend on corporate advertising revenue to make a profit.

As such, newspapers are themselves corporations; corporations growing larger and becoming more concentrated.

The Thomson newspaper chain is a good illustration.

Like a starving wolf in a pit of rabbits, British Lord and multi-millionaire Kenneth Thomson has devoured 51 papers in Canada's publishing hutch.

Thomson's latest $165 million takeover of FP Publications netted him another eight daily newspapers including the prestigious *Toronto Globe and Mail*.

The acquisition was financed largely by profits from his North Sea Oil investments. (These same revenues also helped Thomson buy out the Hudson's Bay, Zellers and Simpsons Sears department stores last year.)

But nary a whimper of protest was heard from Canada's communications establishment. No one suggested that this might represent too much control over the media by too few people.

Globe and Mail publisher Roy Megarry said the changing of the guard "augurs well" for the paper. Likewise, *Winnipeg Free Press* boss Don Nichol said the takeover coup would be "beneficial" for his paper.

But what does the future hold for the new Thomson acquisitions?

The British magnate has a notorious reputation for transforming reputable commmunity newspapers into what critics have called "Thomson clones." The papers are stripped of their individual face and are made look-a-likes of dozens of journals in Thomson's expanding chain.

"By 1971, Thomson newspapers were almost interchangeable; one had to read the masthead banners to tell them apart," says James Lamb in his recent book *Press Gang: Post-War Life in the World of Canadian Newspapers*.

Even the comics and features were packaged in Toronto and sent out to publishers, he said, adding that if a publisher wanted to run a feature from outside the package he would be bluntly asked, "How many new readers will it add?"

Lamb spent over 20 years at the Thomson owned *Orillia Packet and Times* and says that most of the newspaper's energy was spent on meeting profit quotas set down by the head office in Toronto.

Reporters spent so much time writing "boilerplate" (stories which were complimentary to advertisers) that they had little time left for actual reporting.

Lamb finally left the *Packet and Times* in 1971, disgusted by a head office attempt to squeeze more profit out of the paper at the expense of its carrier boys.

"The Thomson group was the greatest money-making organization in the country outside the Canadian Mint," he says. "The idea of this newspaper colossus wrestling some grubby-faced kid for another half-cent of his meagre earnings struck me as enormously funny."

But when it became clear Lamb's associates were serious about the move he resigned.

Penny-pinching efforts extended to other quarters as well.

Legend has it that at one Thomson plant, women workers were told to use less toilet paper in a bid to cut costs.

But if Thomson cares little about his news product and his employees, he does pay close attention to the bottom line of the balance sheet.

In 1978, Thomson reaped profts of $47.3 million and by 1979 he increased this figure to $56.5 million. It is no wonder that Kenneth's father, Roy, (who got his son started in the newspaper business) observed that owning a communication business was like "having a license to print your own money."

The Senate Report on the Mass Media brought out in 1970 concurred with the elder Thomson, noting that newspaper ownership generates profits which are on the average, twice that of a factory or a retailing outlet.

The Senate Report pointed out another trend amongst monopoly newspaper chains which seems particularly true of Thomson.

"Newspapers are pulling the maximum out of their communities and giving the minimum in return," it says, "this is what, in contemporary parlance is called a rip-off."

In short: with newspaper profts growing enormously they can afford to plow back more money to make the paper a better product- but they aren't.

Syndicated columnist Douglas Fischer says that when he was an MP for the constituency of Thunder Bay a number of years ago, he asked Roy Thomson, who owned Thunder Bay's newspaper, if he could include more columns about federal politics in his paper. Fischer argued that the local citizens had a high degree of interest in the subject.

Thomson replied, "Frankly, what would be the point of it? It wouldn't sell one more paper in the market area."

"Precisely," notes the Senate Report, "the paper is earning a pile already; why reduce profits by putting out a better product."

The attitude of FP Publications to their newspapers has been an "odd compound of patrician responsibility and estate planning," to quote a recent story in the *Globe and Mail*. "While the previous owners saw their paper as a good investment they were also proud of their quality and opposed any kind of editorial interference," the story said.

Globe and Mail publisher Megarry does not believe, however, that Thomson will interfere with the Globe's quality. He believes the Thomson organization will treat the Globe in the same manner accorded the *Times* of London, the venerable journalistic institution in England which Thomson controls.

But there is good reason to suspect Thomson may attempt to alter the face of FP Publications and it lies at the bottom line of FP's financial statement.

In 1978 and 1979, three FP papers, the *Ottawa Journal*, the *Montreal Star* and the *Vancouver Sun* were all hit with labor walkouts. While the *Sun* and the *Journal* continued to publish at strike's end, the *Star* folded after incurring losses estimated at $30 million.

In addition, the *Calgary Albertan*, once that city's number one newspaper, has fallen behind the Southam owned *Calgary Herald* in circulation and is losing money.

Exactly how Kenneth Thomson will attempt to put the struggling chain back on its feet again is anyone's guess.

The chain, which scored increasing profits and steady expansion until 1972 is now suffering financial woes. The last decade has brought FP no further acquisitions and profits have been declining steadily.

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Red River Community College Student Newspaper

Tuesday, February 26, 1980

The Projector

Photo: Frank Reimer

Under the Cover

The SA wheeled and dealed last week at their Casino Rouge, raising money for the Lions Telethon. The Casino was only a part of the February Frolic Week, which also included Freebie Movies, a Steak and Eggs Breakfast. *page 3*

Gurney Anderson, twenty-nine-year-old country and western soloist, reveals his belief that country music is everybody's music and not just for truck drivers and old-time farmers. *See what he says on page 6.*

Frederic Storaska offers women a non-violent method of getting out of a rape situation. He spoke to Red River students about what he calls the 'humane' way to handle a rapist. *Turn to the back page.*

EMPLOYER RECRUITING SCHEDULE

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WHO, WHERE, WHEN, WHAT

Freebie Film Festival

Wed. Feb. 27. 'Animal House'. 11-1. 4-6, 7-9, White Lecture Theater.

Artist in Residence

Today - 'Video Juke Box', 11-1 Tower Lounge.
Wed. Feb. 27. 11-1, Tower Lounge.
Thurs. Feb. 28. 11-1, Tower Lounge.

Rebels Hockey

Fri. Feb. 29. Stonewall vs. RRCC, 8 p.m., Stonewall Arena.

The Womens Building, 730 Alexander Avenue, needs volunteers. You can help staff the building, compile resource material, or assist in community outreach programs.

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SUMMER EMPLOYMENT REGISTRATION

Provincial Government Employment Services Office will be in the Tower Lounge (S.E. corner) on Tuesday, February 26.

Students who will be continuing their education in the Fall of 1980 and are wishing to register for summer employment opportunities may do so between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Copy of Landed Immigrant Status must be provided.

College Update

February Frolic a big success

by Bill McLeod

February Frolic week was a big success for all concerned, except maybe for the gamblers in the college.

Casino Rouge was quite successful in raising money for the Lions Telethon this year, and any extra money raised goes into a special charity account for donations next year. This year, the RRCC pledge was larger than the University of Winnipeg's and the University of Manitoba's combined.

February Frolics Week is a carnival week organized by the Students Association to, give students a chance to have some fun, and to also give students who entered the college in January an introduction to some of the activities the SA arranges for students.

Capitol recording artists Private Eye packed the South Gym with rock music fans at a free non-hour concert last Monday. Private Eye is well known for its single 'Your Place or Mine', and has performed as a warm-up act for such headliners as Trooper.

Throughout the week the Classic Comedy Film Festival featured showings of Shampoo, Every Which Way But Loose, and The Goodbye Girl.

The only event not exceptionally well-attended was the Videotape Network, but crowds were at an average size.

One of the more successful events of the week was the Steak and Eggs Breakfast served by the SA executive last Wednesday morning

Program Co-Ordinator Lynne Gurdebeke was very pleased with the success of the event and extended her thanks to everybody who helped to make it a success.

The SA wheeled and dealed to raise money for the Lions Telethon.

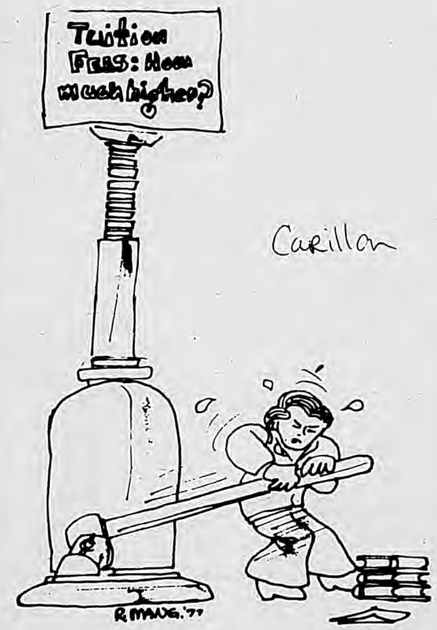
Noise levels in LRC a concern

Too much noise in the Learning Resources Centre is a complaint that students have frequently made to library staff. The stereotype of "the library as tomb" is one we'd like to dispense with here at Red River, but it isn't that easy since the LRC is serving both as a library and as a study hall for the student population. In fact, the LRC is the only place in the College designed and equipped specifically for use as a study area.

Two groups of students with quite separate needs have been in competition for the limited amount of study space the LRC has to offer - those students who want a quiet place to read and those who want to get together to discuss group assignments and presentations. Friction and complaints inevitably result when the two groups try to use the same area and library staff have had to intervene. Unfortunately the LRC doesn't have seminar rooms to meet the demand for a separate group study area. The problem is further complicated by students using the LRC to chat and visit because of the lack of comfortable lounge space in the College.

The whole matter of noise in the LRC and lack of study space was recently discussed at several meetings of the College's Academic Council - an advisory body composed of faculty and student representatives and chaired by Dave Church, President of the Students' Association.

In an effort to satisfy the needs of all Red River students, it was agreed that the LRC should be reserved for independent study with students working quietly so as not to disturb others. A classroom, D212, has been furnished with tables for students doing group projects. Room D212 is available weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Additional study space is available in selected classrooms in buildings A and D. Timetables showing the availability of these rooms are posted at the LRC entrance and exit. We hope this compromise will enable all students to find the study area best suited for their needs.



U of W fee strike possible

by Bill McLeod

The University of Winnipeg is considering a fee strike starting next September if a proposed 7 per cent increase in tuition fees is approved.

Wayne Anderson, president of the University of Winnipeg Student Association (UWSA) said, 'Education is not a commodity. Maybe this sort of action will give us some weaponry.' Anderson stressed the fact that tuition had risen 50 per cent in the last three years.

'It will give us more than a verbal strength,' said Anderson. 'The University of Manitoba has tried the verbal approach and they have never gotten anything for their trouble,' he continued.

The UWSA will probably start their campaign at the end of February-beginning of March. Anderson intends to bring the matter up before the Student Associations of Manitoba (SAM) in hopes of eliciting their support. 'It will give it more credibility,' said Anderson.

Anderson believes that the 7 per cent increase is unnecessary and unjustified, saying that it's along the same lines as the termination problem here.

The University of Brandon Students Union (UBSU) intends to organize a fee strike as well if the 7 per cent tuition increase becomes a reality.

Keith Poulson, past president of UBSU, said that they will send out letters to third- and fourth-year students requesting them to support thi fee strike. Poulson said, 'A 10 per cent turnout will hit the university and will force them to reconsider the tuition hike.'

Poulson also believes that SAM support would lend credibility to the strike. He feels it is necessary to have the support of other universities and colleges as well.

The University of Manitoba could not be reached for comment.

NATIONAL UNION OF STUDENTS

GET OUT AND VOTE!

The NUS referendum takes place Thursday this week.

Voting Day Thurs Feb. 28

REMEMBER TO VOTE!

Editorials

What is NUS, and why is everyone telling you to vote in favor of it

Lately there's been a lot of stuff coming at you from the National Union of Students, specifically, do you want to become a member of their organization.

Now it's pretty hard to vote on something you're not too clear on, so it helps some if you attended the general information meeting in the White Lecture Theatre yesterday. But if that failed to satisfy, we'll just fill you in a bit more about what NUS is and what NUS does for you the student.

Let's face it. You only go around once in life, so grab all the gusto...sorry, wrong script. You only go around once in life, and during this particular part of you life you happen to be a student. Of course you aren't going to be a student for the rest of your life but what concerns NUS concerns students, and you are students NOW. Therefore, get involved. Get informed. NUS can help. Just take a look what NUS is up to right now, for instance.

One of the Liberal party's election promises was to have a student sit on the Student Aid Task force. Student input into such a body is vitally important to ensure that student concerns are kept in the forefront and not allowed to collect dust on some bureaucrat's desk. This promise came out of the Liberal caucus before the campaign,and with their now having been elected, NUS will keep pressure on the government to follow through with that promise.

NUS has an ally in MP Lloyd Axworthy. He was receptive to student issues and concerns during his campaign.

If Axworthy doesn't help, NDP MP's such as Pauline Jewett will continue to prod the government with questions and friendly reminders.

NUS will also be concerning itself with how the Student Aid Task Force will be set up. The Liberals have been known to favor travelling task forces, i.e., once which have hearings in cities across the country., NUS hopes that the Task Force will travel to campuses across Canada and hold open hearings, inviting presentations from student association, administrations, faculty members, etc. This will ensure representation and input from a good cross-section of Canadian students.

As well, NUS is taking a survey of student associations across Canada to determine their involvement in the past election. (NUS itself does not endorse any one political party.)

Not to mention the fact that you've seen copies of The Student Advocate floating around the college. The advocate is the national newspaper of NUS. It keeps students informed about what's happening across the country and provides a nation-wide voice to express concerns.

All in all, NUS isn't a bad deal for 10 cents a month. In fact, it'll do more good than harm and when's the last time you got a set-up like this for a thin dime.?

Think about NUS. Vote for it. You'll be doing yourself and your fellow students a favor.

None of your Business but ...

By Kim Trynacity

Nick Danger, journalist extrordinaire, ladies man, and sexual pervert, was on assignment in Iran during the February 18th federal election. Covering the excitement was Nicoli Dragnet, Danger's back-up agent. The following is an interview Dragnet had with Prime Minister elect Pierre Trudeau in the privacy of his own sauna.

Dragnet: So, Pierre.
Pierre: So, Dragnet.
Dragnet: It's good to see you again after two months. I was beginning to wonder about you.
Pierre: Yah well wonder all you want, I'm back to kick you around again so don't get mouthy. Could you pass me my towel please?
Dragnet: Sure. It's good to see you haven't changed much. Now let's get down to business. You must be pretty sick and tired of packing this past year.
Pierre: Not really, I was only using about three rooms, and didn't bother hanging my pictures. I hear Joe booked the movers two months ago.
Dragnet: That's quite presumptuous. Are you saying that you knew all along that you'd win.
Pierre: Not really. I knew Joe would lose, at least that's what everyone was telling me. And if I didn't win, I was going to take all my toys, I mean, furniture, home to Montreal.
Dragnet: A lot of people are wondering, Pierre, how long you'll stay on as Prime Minister.
Pierre: I know.
Dragnet: What's the first thing you'll tackle once you're back in office?

more

Pierre: There's been a growing sentiment that the Liberals are a tired out party with exhausted ideas. To show the Canadian public we're not like that any more, I've come up with a great idea. I've decided to establish a new portfolio. Department of Disco Dancing and Fashion Design. We've got some young blood in the caucus now, so I feel that it's only fitting that Lloyd Axworthy should man that post.
Dragnet: Disco dancing?
Pierre: Why not? I've taken the time to study it while attending Liberal conventions in B.C., and everyone thinks its a great idea.
Dragnet: I was speaking to some farmers Pierre, and they can't wait to see you drive the first stake into the new railway line you've been promising.
Pierre: I can't wait to see it either. Just think how funny those farmers will look when I tell them it was all a joke. And everyone says that I have no sense of humor!
Dragnet: Let's talk about the Quebec referendum for a moment.
Pierre: Oh yea, I forgot about that. It's coming up pretty soon, heh? I guess now that I've won the election, I can talk about national unity again. Claude usually keeps me informed as to what's going on, but with all the excitement lately it's slipped my mind. I'll cross that bridge when I come to it.
Dragnet: Speaking of bridges, Pierre, you've always been the outdoor type. Did you find you missed the great outdoors while campaigning?
Pierre: I sure did. I was approaching advanced stages of claustrophobia. Thank God the polls came out in favor of my party otherwise I probably wouldn't have been allowed to go to the skating party in Toronto. My lips were sure chapped after kissing all those babes, I mean babies.
Dragnet: Well Pierre it looks like I'm running out of space here. Any closing comments.
Pierre: In the words of a great prime minister, here come the 80's, and welcome to it.

Mailbox

Dear Editor:

I can usually handle a certain amount of sexism in a given day. However, today I have reached my limit.

My first run-in occured with Rick Groom, your "Critic At Large". I quote "Adrienne Barleau are the only two reasons for seeing this one (movie)."

Rick Myers, a writer for your paper, might be interested in learning that there is not any group calling itself "pro-abortionist". Could your paper not find anyone qualified to report on the Great Debate?

No need to worry, however, the Projector is not the only institution in the college guilty of sexism. The disc-jockey working at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday made a reference to "bringing your women to the Casino for good luck." Have we replaced rabbit feet?

In order to calm myself down I decided to go to the Crazy Ox to see if I could find the March issue of Ms. No, it is not stocked in the Crazy Ox. However, Glamour and Oui are.

Need I mention the loiterers who feel it is their god-given right to inform passing women of how they feel about that woman's anatomy? Gloria Steinman has stated that a college or university is the only place a speaker can talk about "post-feminism" and not be laughed out of the room.

Are we really this apathetic? Do we not see the rampant sexism? The University of Manitoba has an organization devoted to fighting sexism in that school. We do not. If any of the students at Red River care, let's see some ACTION!

Louise Fehr
Business Administration
Student

Dear Editor:

May I have the space to say, hopefully, a few words of appreciation in the following paragraphs.

As I bid adieu to D.G.S., Staff. Instructors and Students I can only do so with a very heavy heart. The year I have spent in R.R.C.C. I really enjoyed. The good mornings, hi, and have a good day were really super. Except for incidents like the flasher, a man sliding down the bannister, falling, and living to tell the tale and a few other incidents, life was great there.

I remember one time running up six flights of stairs in "C" building (because of an emergency) I almost collapsed from exertion, while a person from D.G.S. did the same and hardly puffed. (Guess Who).

It was quite delightful to be stationed by my favorite watering hole next to the men's and student's locker room , watching all the men go by, boy what legs (We women should worry?)

All kidding aside, I have some very important thank yous.

To Gerry Neustaedter, a very special student, for his concern and effort to try and do something about it.

To the fellow from the Mechanical Engineering Technology Building "A", thank you for the gift, which I never once expected. It left me rather weepy that a group of young men would do this. I shall never forget and my heartfelt thanks is very sincere Good Luck to You All.

Thanks to Mrs. Rowene Clark of D.G.S. for gathering the people together to have a luncheon for me. I had been at R.R.C.C. exactly one year on that last day.

To the Staff that I had coffee with in Building "C" on the 6th floor, we did have some laughs and I will really miss it.

Nearly all instructors, I met in the hallways had a good morning for me too.

And finally, to the very, very friendly people of D.G.S., may your lives be full of sunshine and that goes for all the above mentioned, too.

Yours sincerely,
Beryl Simpson, Commissionaire

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Why are some people so violently opposed to guinea pigs anways? I mean, who do they think they are?! These cute, furry little critters curl up nicely in your lap, nibble at your fingertips, and are cheap to feed (they eat only veggies; mine also likes the occasional piece of toast). Guinea pigs don't look at you funny, stuff themselves into emtpy beer cases and beg to be dragged around the room, or eat somebody's spatula (like some cats I know).

Claude Tupperware reviews Steak 'n Eggs

by Claude Tupperware
Projector Food Editor

The Steak and Eggs Breakfast served up by the SA executive last Wednesday morning in the Buffalo cafeteria was perfectly yummy!

There are just so many things to say about the quality of the food that I don't know where to begin. Renowned epicures such as myself found the meal to be *pure bliss*...

Chefs de cuisine **Photo: Frank Reimer**

I have to start *somewhere*, I suppose, so let us check out the steak first off. The steak was real-type stuff--none of this fast-fry business, no sir--and it was done to order. Tender and juicy, not too much fat, it was a joy to behold and a joy to be eaten.

The eggs were impeccably served up by that master chef himself, Dave Church, who has this sunny-side up business down to a science now. Moi, je prefere le sunny-side up, and it was a treat to sample the efforts of a master craftsman.

The hash browns--well, suffice to say that they have McDonald's beat by a mile. For hash browns, that says it all. (Of course this gourmet wouldn't be caught dead in an icky fast-food place, but I do have friends...)

The perfect touch to it all, though, was the toast. Eric Skoglund's nimble fingers made sure that each golden toasty little piece was crunchy on the outside and tender on the inside. Quel plaisir!

For $1.49, there was no way to lose, further attested to by the long lineups waiting to get in.

Claude Tupperware salutes the SA executive for their efforts.

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Students react to tuition hike

Halifax (CUP) --Dalhousie Univerrsity students are dismayed at an expected tuition increase next term of $75-90.

According to Dick Matthews, president of the Dalhousie Student Union, an 8.1 per cent increase in government funding to Dalhousie was not sufficient to allow the university to keep tuition at its present level, thus the anticipated ten per cent hike in tuition.

The reaction of some students to this announcement was that of wry resignation.

"Oh well, I'm already angry at what I'm paying, I guess I'll just have to get a bit more angry..."

Others, however, expressed much stronger dismay at yet another rise in their expenses.

"Another one! What more do they want from us? Our first born child?!..."

Chris Mitchell is an arts student who is totally financing his degree by money he has earned.

"I guess I can cope with another hundred or so dollars. This increase just means that I'll have to work that much harder this summer and I also will probably be applying for a student loan next year."

"Thing is, it's not just this increase alone, but these things do tend to add up over the years. It is all getting further and further out of my already overextended reach. But what else can I do? Sure, I could always drop out of college and go to plumbing school and learn plumbing, but then I couldn't be an English major. So, I guess I'll have to pay it."

Canada World Youth accused

Montreal (CUP) --A group of students recently returned from Haiti, are charging that the Canadian government's Canada World Youth exchange program does not serve the interest of the populations of the Third World.

The accusation is levelled by Canadian participants in a youth exchange with Haiti, who left after three weeks of a scheduled three month "intercultural experience" sponsored by Canada World Youth (CWY).

All but two of the 32 Canadian youths who flew to Port an Prince December 20 returned Janurary 15. Both staff and participants in the project were supposed to stay until April.

"Canada World Youth's existence is not justifiable as a development organization," says a written statement by nine of the Haitian exchange participants.

"Community development through the program is limited or non-existent due to Canada World Youth's emphasis on the participant's development being separate from that of the community (of the country involved)," the statement charges.

Former McGill student Chris Cavanaugh, one of the signatories of the statement, feels the CWY program in Haiti is used by local elites to bolster their prestige amongst the local population.

"Like many CWY projects the Haitian exchange helps to support repressive regimes," Cavanaugh said.

Among the 14 countries with which CWY organizes exchanges are: Malaysia and the Philippines, both renowned for violations of human rights.

Director of Operations for CWY Raphael Legare said the Haitian exchange participants had taken "a very narrow point of view; towards their experience.

"They focused on the negative aspects of Haiti and failed to realize that they could have learned many positive things from Haiti."

Responding to the charage that CWY is not beneficial to Third World countries, Legare said "The program is not directed to Thrid World countries, it's directed to participants."

Carter's call reaches Canada

Montreal (CUP)

American students studying in Canada may soon have to register for the draft according to a selective services officer in Washington.

Brayton Harris said the U.S. would probably begin registration for compulsory military service within the next few months. Student deferrment was removed from U.S. law in 1970. Before that date, students were exempt from the draft.

"The priority now is just to amass a pool of names and addressed," he said.

"The plan is to revitalize the selective service to increase the country's readiness," he said. "Now we're trying to get this sleeping nation on its feet." Reaction from American students in Canada has been mostly negative.

American students at McGill University, who represent about five per cent of the enrollment, were negative about the prospects of going to war.

U.S. president Jimmy Carter announced after his state of the union address that women would also be required to register but it would be for non-combat positions in the military.

I think that men and women should be equal in the draft if it comes to that," said one McGill woman, "but I'd oppose being drafted as a person."

Some students said they would not honour a draft and would consider staying in Canada illegally for citizenship.

Entertainment

Private Eye plays RRCC

by Rick Myers

'Rock music is not meant to be played at 11 o'clock in the morning, but we'll try,' said Hughie Leggat, member of Private Eye.

And try they did--a successful, entertaining concert.

Last Tuesday, Private Eye came to Red River to knock a bit of the old ear wax loose. About 500 students filled the South Gym for a free noon-hour concert.

Private Eye is Hughie Leggat, rhythm guitar and lead vocals; Gordy Leggat, lead guitar, slide guitar, harmonica, and backing vocals; Howard Warden, bass guitar; and Paul Stamp, drums.

The group started in October of 1977, when Hughie's band, A Foot In Cold Water, split up. Hughie got together with brother Gord and started composing. Gord brought in a friend, Howard Warden, to lay down the rhythm. The group auditioned about 30 drummers until they settled with Paul 'Boomer' Stamp.

Private Eye is a Toronto-based band that you may have seen touring across Canada with Trooper. This fall they decided to hit the road again but on their own this time. 'We're playing on a lower level, doing concerts at clubs and colleges. We want more exposure to a different audience than Trooper,' said Howard. 'And we're also trying to promote our new single 'Beneath The Wheels',' added Paul.

The band has an album out on the Capitol label, called 'Private Eye'. They hope to be recording again this summer.

During their performance here the band played a selection of music ranging from Chuck-Berry-style rock and roll to a number of their own original tunes. The most memorable tunes were 'Beneath The Wheels', 'Your Place Or Mine', and 'Changes'. Gord's harmonica burned as he did a rendition of the blues by Muddy Waters.

Gord and Hughie volleyed guitar riffs and licks back and forth while Howard pumped out bass and Boomer pounded the skins to keep the band in overdrive. 'We play our rock and roll fast and loud,' said Hughie.

'I only listen to guitar music,' said Gord, and obviously he has listened to a lot of good guitar.

Private Eye's sizzling performance was a pleasant surprise after listening to a rather laid back album. 'Yes, we'll be trying to elicit more of a stage presence on the next album,' the band said.

Look for this band for a possible return engagement to RRCC.

Private Eye played to a packed audience in the South Gym last week.

Anderson featured at Northstar

by Leslie Nielsen

"The rising popularity of country music be attributed to Kenny Rogers," says Gurnie Anderson, one of Winnipeg's few country and western soloists.

"It is singers like Kenny Rogers and Gordon Lightfoot who have helped to popularize country music," says Anderson. "because they don't just appeal to country fans, they appeal to anybody."

Gurnie Anderson has been playing in rock and folk bands for fourteen years, but has now separated from his last group "Raven Mad" because he didn't like their music. "Country" suits me better," he says.

Although Anderson plays alot of Kenny Rogers, Anne Murray, Hank Williams and Gordon Lightfoot, he prefers to play his own music. He recently signed a contract with a record company and says he will have an album out within the next few months.

A few of his songs which have been published in Nashville are "Shopping Bag Lady", "Honey I Waited", "I'm not over the Feeling", and "I'd Rather Be In L.A."

"It's weird how I get inspired," he says. "Usually I am inspired by bits of conversation or a phrase but often the idea will come to me from out of the blue."

For the next two weeks Gurnie Anderson will be playing at the step 33 in the North Star Inn. He plays from five p.m. and from 9 to one, Monday and Friday.

Literary Review

by Dan Tervoort

THE 1980 MANITOBA TELEPHONE DIRECTORY is a very ambitious work on the part of the writer but unfortunately bites off a little more than it can chew. The book contains a large cast of characters but the author, sadly, does not spend enough time explaining the motivation or defining the personalities of the large cast and thus the reader has no one to identify with.

This book, a sequel to last year's 1979 MANITOBA TELEPHONE DIRECTORY, uses many of the same characters as the previous novel but there are several small changes in the cast. Tom Qwizbyk who played such an important role in last year's work is absent in the sequel. On the other hand several bright, new, vibrant characters have been added: Jack Rimrot, Jill Stiblick and George Piddleworth.

The plot is very minimal; in fact, almost non-existant. The author seems to concentrate more on the varied cross-section of characters. The characters come from all walks of life. Some are plumbers, mechanics, brick layers, doctors, lawyers, and Indian chiefs. The only unifying factor which binds these varied personalities together is that each of these characters happens to own a phone.

The author of this "tour-de-force is uncredited but there is much speculation as to who is responsible for its conception. Some would have us believe that it is the long suppressed, final work of William Shakespeare but that is very unlikely. More plausibly this book is a new Harold Robbins novel. Large casts of characters with minimal characterization is Robbin's forte and this adds credence to the theory.

The first character the readers encounter is Aaron Aardvark of Abacus Alley. Aardvark is a likeable sort whom one wishes were given a more expanded role. The final character we are introduced to is Zachary Zzyzzyzz, a badly-conceived, stereotyped parody of a man who, mercifully, is restricted to a one line passage on the final page.

Another major problem of the book is that it is much too long. At 992 pages of very small type it is surely the longest novel I have read since THE ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITTANICA. Had the book been cut in half it would have been much more interesting to read.

All of these shortcomings aside, THE 1980 MANITOBA TELEPHONE DIRECTORY is a very absorbing book. Once started it is hard to put down. I was awake 76 hours straight eagerly turning the pages till its stunning climax. I look forward with great anticipation to next year's projected sequel - THE 1981 MANITOBA TELEPHONE DIRECTORY.

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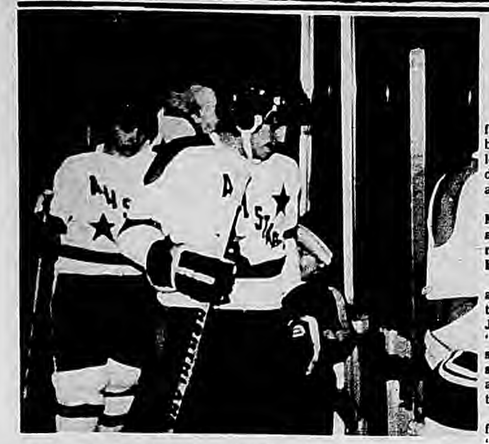

Rebels hockey team travels to Brandon to compete in the 4-West playoffs. Will losing two key players affect them?

Rebels lose 2 key players

by Liz Keep

The Rebel hockey team has faced a lot of hard luck this year but perhaps the worst of all is the loss of two key players, all-star defenseman Doug McCorrister and forward Ron Hedley.

McCorrister has finished his Motor Vehicle Mechanic course at the college and is technically not permitted to play as a Red River student.

"Doug wanted to apply for another course so he could finish the season with the team," Coach John Schillinger explained, "Doug is an excellent defenseman...it's a shame he couldn't stay for the playoffs. You can always use a player with his talents."

"It's a big loss for our team," forward Cal Freeman said, "Doug is a leader...he inspired everybody to hit. He always played hard and knew how to throw his weight around."

"Doug was the only defenseman chosen to represent the Rebels in the MAHL All-Star game played Wednesday Janurary 30. His hard hitting tactics and high calibre defensive play were a definite key to the 10-2 All-star win over the St. Boniface Riels.

Ron Hedley's situation is one that many college and university students can relate to. Ron was enrolled in Barbering but found the high cost of living too much to handle as a student and had to drop out to survive!

"Hedley is a very good two way player," Vetern goalie Doug Wetbe said, "the kind of player goalies really appreciate! Ron had a lot of team spirit. He would have liked to stay but just couldn't afford it."

"Hedley is another guy any coach hates to see go," Schillinger added, "He is a real 'team' player."

So that was the bad news...now for some more...

The Rebels lost an exciting 6-4 match to Transcona last Tuesday February 19. The teams tied one all (1-1) at the end of the first period and two all (2-2) by the end of the second. Rebel forward Cal Freeman opened the scoring in the third but Transcona saw Freeman's goal and raised the Rebels two, for a score of 5-3. The Rebels scored again on a sizzling shot by Tom Thomas. With 30 seconds left Red River gambled for a tie pulling goalie Gerry Palidwar.

However, Transcona's goalie, Norm Schmautz, wouldn't give in.

Lynn Matheson slid a long one into the Rebel empty net with only one second remaining. Other scorers were Gene Giebracht, Keith McClennan, Ted Lopansky, Wayne Prawdzik and Brian Sych for Transcona and Larry MacDonald and Bill Hiebert for the Rebels.

Doug McCorrister

Ron Hedley

Mens V.B. effective

by Leslie Carey

The Rebels scooted by Los Paraguay 3-2 in a men's volleyball match, February 18.

Rebel coach, Chuck Bridle was pleased with the effort of his team and said, "It was an 110 per cent improvement from the previous games played this month."

The Rebels dumped Los Paraguay 15-9 and 15-6 in the first two games, lost 10-15 in the third pulling away 15-4 in the fourth, and falling back 7-15 in the final game of the match.

"Rebel spiker Neil Klassen played an outstanding game. He was hitting well in the middle," said coach Bridle, adding the team had a well-balanced attack and the setters set a good match."

Rebel spiker Darrell Driver said, 'We played to a peak for the first two games, then we slipped into a lull.' Driver added that the Rebels' middle attack and play-setting was better.

This victory was short-lived, though, as the Rebels were defeated 4-1 in an exhibition match against the East Kildonan Junior Voileyball Club February 19.

'It's hard to say how this will affect our team for the 4-West playoffs,' said Bridle, 'although the competition shouldn't be as strong as some of the teams we play in our league.'

Womens V.B.

In an exhibition match, the Red Sweaters from the Double A Super league burned Rebels 4-1, February 18.

The Sweaters covered Rebels 15-12, 15-13, 15-5, 15-7, with the Rebels skinning by them 18-16 in the final game of the match.

The Red Sweaters had one middle attacker that was really effective and scored a lot of points.

"We lost points on service reception," said Rebel coach, Barb Francis, "although the team spirit was really high."

"I'm glad this was a game that we didn't have to get too serious about if we lost," Francis added.

Rebel trip a winless effort

by Dianne Levrault

The Rebel women's basketball team failed to pick up a win when they travelled to Saskatoon to meet a senior women's team on February 15, 16 and 17.

"The Harmony Center, the senior team, was much better than we were," said Rebel coach Joe DiCurzio.

The Rebels lost all three games to the Saskatoon team.

On Friday they lost by a score of 61-31. Top Rebel scorers for that game were Wendy Goodbrandson with 10 points, followed by Wanda Matieshin with 7 points.

The girls picked up on Saturday for part of the game but failed to maintain a steady pace. The final score was 62-32.

"We played one super half in that second game," said DiCurzio, "The half-time score was 26-20, but we ran into foul trouble in the second half."

Top scorers for the second game were Marion Phillips with 11 points and teammate Barb Kuz with 7 points.

In the third game, Harmony Center won with a larger point spread than in the previous games. The final score of that game was 75-35. Donna Faryon led the Rebel scoring with 10 points, followed by Karen Biliski with 7 .

Wanda Matieshin played "super" all weekend and was especially good on the boards. "She really dominated the boards and was great on rebounds," said coach DiCurzio.

Both the Rebels coach and players commented on the lack of refereeing intervention.

Said player Donna Faryon, "The refereeing is a lot different. They play a lot rougher style there. In that respect we were at a disadvantage."

Coach DiCurzio added, "The games were a lot quicker and more aggressive than they are here and it was tough to adjust. The referees don't call anything."

For the three weekend games the Rebels tried some new techniques to prepare themselves for the upcoming playoffs and for the 4-West games.

They used their new zone defence to keep Harmony Center on the outside. "For the first time, the zone defence worked really well," said team member Donna Faryon.

She described the other team's fast break as excellent. "They were a lot quicker then we were," said Faryon, "and were overall just a better team."

In regular play, the Rebels won their game against Manitoba Alumni on February 14 by default. "They didn't have enough players to make the game," said DiCurzio.

The women's basketball team is hoping to do well in the playoffs and 4-West, which are coming up shortly.

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REBEL OF THE WEEK

Rebel of the Week honors go to Neil Klassen of the mens volleyball team. 'Neil played an outstanding game of blocking and hitting,' said Rebel coach Chuck Bridle. Neil will receive two tickets to the next SA social on April 11.

Congratulations, Neil. Keep driving 'em!

Neil Klassen