

# editorial

Next week will be the last issue of the Sun and my last editorial as I will be graduating at Christmas and not returning to Campus in 79. This is my fourth attempt at writing this weeks editorial. My earlier attempts were on my opinions of how the members of the S.U. Executive did their job during their first semester in office. As much as I've planned on doing this...I've decided that it is not my job to compare this year's executive with the executives of other years or to point out the weaknesses or strengths of the individual members on the Executive.

As much as I would like to air my criticisms of certain positions, I have decided instead to comment on the various S.U. sub-committees and where they are headed.

To start, I feel the Sun has done only a fair job as a student paper. There was not enough news covered, not enough students involved (although more than in years past) too much sports coverage and the paper will once again be facing staff problems next semester.

Radio CIMN Took a long downward sweep during late Sept. and Oct., revived for about two weeks in Nov. and is on the downswing again! Too many tapes, same news stories repeated day after day, staff problems, not enough ads but has some excellent D.J.'s and should improve a lot next semester under Manager Sue (Bert) Boyd.

Orientation Committee worked hard, things went fairly well, but the 1st chairman didn't return to U.P.E.I. in Sept. and the rest of the executives had little experience. Should be an excellent group for next year though, as all members are planning on returning.

Fall Fest would get a FAIR rating. Events were "fun" but there was no real "Spirit". Hopefully things will go better at Winter Carnival with more student-faculty interaction, more dry events, and sports events spread out over the whole week. Sharon Timmons, Social Committee Director, was one of the Fall Fest Chairpersons and has applied for Co-Chairman of Winter Carnival.

Pig N' Whistles would rate a little better than FAIR. Bands have been good, Peter Wilson and his campus police have been doing an exceptional job. Brian Masson, Chairman of the Student Disciplinary Committee has been handling all cases fairly (and promptly).

The Drama Society ran into a number of problems and couldn't get off the ground first semester but have an action packed second semester planned with M. and D. Nite in January, Campus Cabaret in Feb and a couple of single act plays in March.

The Student council has done little during the first semester. Only four meetings in three months and one of these covered the agenda in 1/2 hour (5 of the 7 topics on the agenda had already been discussed at the previous meeting.) Many of the councillors have still to say their first sentence at a meeting. The Executive will probably continue to run the show in the New Year!

The Exchange would have to get an EXCELLENT rating. Not only are they a nice, quiet relaxing place to go Wednesday evenings but they are also DRY. Al Ward has done an excellent job since he started these coffee houses last year and let's all hope he doesn't run into budget problems next semester. The only problem I can see the Exchange running into next semester is having to turn people away once the lounge is sold out!

The New Photo Club, under the able leadership of Lee Donnelly has built a large darkroom complete with two sinks, double curtain doors, tables for up to five enlargers, a film drying rack and all equipment needed to process film and develop prints. This club aside from the monthly photo contest provide photos for the Sun and Yearbook

All in all not a bad semester, but nothing exceptional. No real "Spirit" and I don't mean the liquid form, at UPEI. At least the old cry of Apathy couldn't be raised because there were a lot of students involved. Perhaps the New Year will see a bit more life on Campus.



'I thought of something student council can do tonight—let's pay the editor'

## the üpei sun

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## Letters & Opinions

Dear you:

Last year the ACT Committee held a Christmas toy-raising drive for poor kids. This year, we (or rather, you) are doing it again. In other words, we're planning already on your over-

generosity.

Boxes marked "TOYS" will be placed in the Library and in Main. It is necessary that these boxes be picked up by December 10. Now, we realize the Christmas

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