



the Northern Light

a hanging minute
of an out-of-focus afternoon
wistful smile
breaks, forlorn
through my thoughts
so silently seeping
I hadn't noticed.

can a phrase
from some unremembered poem
or a not-forgotten song
revive my power

can a wayward glance
caught from nowhere
illuminate the filmstrip of my mind?

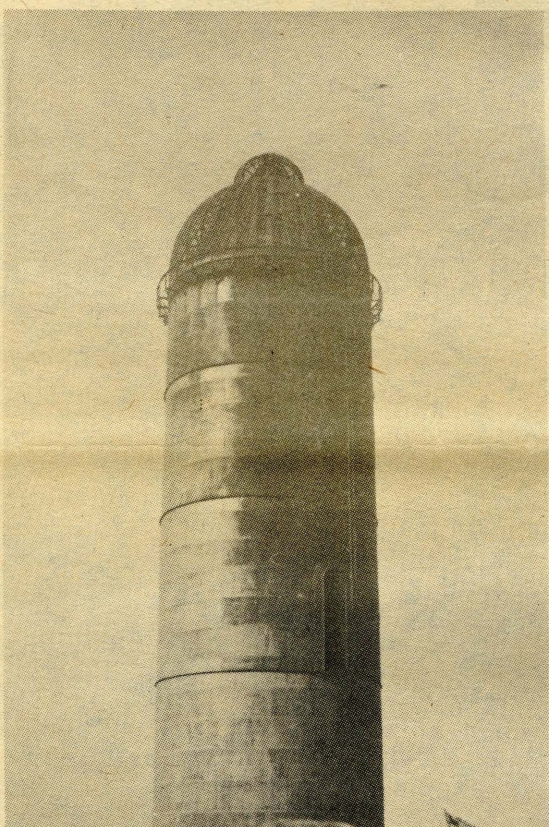
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Tower at the saw mill in Blind River



Part of the mine's administration building depicting the story of man.



A view of Dennison Mines as seen from Quirke Lake.

SHAFTED!

Late last month, Professors Haller, McCutcheon, McLarty and Harrington took an enthusiastic band of young geographers to Dennison Mines in Elliot Lake.

The group was transported through Thessalon, Blind River Elliot Lake and north to Lake Superior Provincial Park by W. Werner.

An extensive three hour tour was given of Dennison mines, with the group being taken down to a depth of 2,600 feet. It was described as an "unbelievable experience."

Other tours included that of a sawmill in Blind River, as well as the reforestation area north of Thessalon which was conducted by Mr. MacDonald a native to the area.

During the field trip which was extended over a period of three days they were accommodated at the Centre for Continuing Education, a nine building complex in Elliot Lake.

PHOTO FEATURE BY BROCK GILLIS



Down into the pit....

entertainment

So everything is hunky-dory. Academic Council is starting another year of thrilling debate and Student Council is starting another year of well whatever Student Council is supposed to be doing. Great. Well both you and I know that everything isn't hunky-dory and everything isn't great and Academic Council doesn't really run this place and Students Council is fighting a losing battle because they haven't got student support and their budget is largely committed to the jocks before they start anyway.

So everything is grand. We had an election in Canada and everybody went and exercised their democratic right to vote and now the government will listen to the voice of the people and all will be well. And in the United States the same thing happened and because it was done under the pretense of democracy we should accept it and continue to go to work every day and leave the important matters to those who know what's best for us.

Well everything bloody well isn't good and just and ideologically sound because in Canada a brainwashed people divided their vote between an egotistical, unconcerned, smart aleck fop bastard from Montreal and a poor half senile old underwear pirate from New Brunswick. And the U.S. finally

committed itself wholeheartedly to the particularly vicious kind of neo-fascism it has been flirting with for years.

And soon the people of Sault Ste. Marie will "carefully" choose whether their affairs will be guided by...a lawyer or a businessman or someone else with close "contact with the soil, or used to a hard eight hour day". And of course the result will be the will of the people and everyone should and invariably will go back to watching television and paying taxes.

And of course it's a free country and I have the right to disagree with Dave Holbrook or the Curran tribe anytime I want and the matter will be decided in fair and equal contest... their resources against mine now isn't that beautiful.

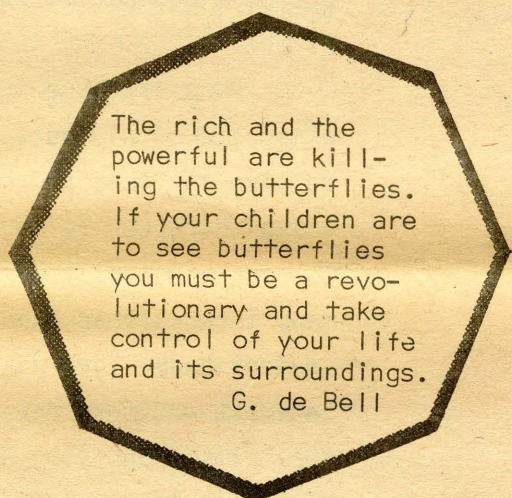
The most beautiful part of it all is that it's all our fault. They couldn't do a thing if we didn't let them because we have them hopelessly outnumbered and it's our money they use to do it all with.

Logical conclusion: We're all very stupid and naive... and if we don't soon smarten up and tell them where to get off we're going to forget that we can say anything.

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please, oh please!

Each year, each term, I hope to persuade my fellow students that language is a symbolic system in which one may express oneself with clarity, precision and simplicity.

Herein I celebrate the virtues of this sweet Eng-

lish tongue. It is not my native tongue, though I must acknowledge it is my mother tongue.

I know no other language so rich, so flexible, so precise. Other languages boast of their purity, and set up institutions to preserve it. But the English have created their language as they created their Empire. They took it from wherever it was available. In this way they garnered two great sources, the Latin and the Teutonic streams, and enriched this with words from every other tongue on Earth to produce the richest of all languages. From the simplicity of the parables to the most complex concetenation of a constellation comprising a multitude of component concepts.

From the shrill fife of flute notes to the reverbetartory thunder of drum beats, this language offers the glorious nich of its resources.

Do, then, make yourselves lords and ladies of this language. I do then beseech you. master a style that is victorious, but not vulgar, precise but not pedantic, elegant only in its economy.

Heidelberg

Brewed from pure spring water.



And that's the truth!

JUDY

Fellow Students:

For the amount of potential this institution has we have very few concrete things to show for it. Many social, cultural, and political events could be coordinated to meet a wide variety of interests and to add a much more diversified character to Algoma.

Politically we can investigate joining the Ontario Federation of Students. O.F.S. would help eliminate our geographical isolation and put us in touch with student affairs in the rest of Ontario. We weren't contacted about our position on the proposed fee hike. This could be the issue we need to engender greater solidarity among the students and more tolerance to each other by being involved in the same event which could be very meaningful.

The Athletic Committee has had enough initiative to get together and should be supported for their efforts. Other activities and groups should also be encouraged. For example, the Educational Committee which is interested in organizing teach-ins, widening our sphere of knowledge and experience by helping to sponsor speakers, films and using the help of the Sociology and Political Science Departments. Any other groups (even solely in a critical capacity) should be encouraged. Any meaningful activity or initiative should be supported as a means of lessening the gap between the students and their council. However, the students don't need the council; but the council needs the students. They can make use of it, but without their interest or support, it is meaningless in itself.

An Arts and Crafts Society could be nurtured, if any interest was manifested. One was attempted last year, but it bombed out because the attempt was made in December and nothing appears to get off the ground in December (that is speaking from experience).

Two groups needing added support are the Northern Light and the Ski Team. The newspaper could still remain independent and be indirectly supported by Council if student council guaranteed to buy a page or a portion for a price reasonable in terms of its finances.

Concerning the Ski Team, how can one have a competitive winning team if it knows it doesn't have enough money to go on to provincial and national races if they are successful.

Along social lines, perhaps the Rectory could be used on an off-evening for informal social gatherings of faculty and students on a weekly basis. It would be an opportunity to make use of local talent, some of which is here at Algoma. The kitchen in the building could be made use of for refreshments.

For pub-night, the ideal would be to renovate the garage used for storage. This possibility was looked into before. Electrical and carpentry work would have to be done to meet Building and Fire regulations. The cost was estimated at over \$2,000. The major cost would be labour at over six dollars an hour. However, if enough people were interested to volunteer their labour, and that of skilled parents, neighbours and friends, the cost would be minimal... materials and perhaps an electrician. But this idea can only become real if people are seriously interested.

Additional social events should be well-publicized and structured to meet as many interest groups as possible.

Last year, rumours of student course evaluations were in the air but they never materialized. It is still a good idea, as well as a counselling service. Apparently Academic Council has a student counselling committee. It should be activated to a greater degree and taking the initiative by contacting upon acceptance, all new students, particularly first year students.

Some form of the possibility of a liason with Cambrian (Sault College) should be investigated to see if it would be to Algoma's advantage - perhaps the use of their gym if intra-mural sports get off the ground. The budget Cambrian's student union has to work with is four times larger than ours. Therefore they can afford to bring in Gord Lightfoot and finance events on a similar scale whereas we can't. We should take advantage of the things they can do that are beyond our own means. Cambrian's President is quite willing to be approached about a form of liason. I'm not suggesting any form of amalgamation which would be fatal to Algoma as a separate entity, but a cooperative effort could not prove to be anything but more productive than a single effort.

None of these ideas are elaborate or way-out. They aim to give a richer and more diversified character to the college and to give a material base for as many interests as exist within the student body. They aim to promote interest and more activity within the college and you, its body. We realistically have neither the finances or the people to create anything elaborate.

Merely, greater interest in College affairs would be encouraging.



OK, mark that one \$19.00

MARIO

Students of Algoma College
I Mario DeVuono am running for the office of President of your Students Council. I don't pretend to know all the answers to our questions about our place in this college but this I do know. Through students council we can take an initial step towards achieving our most necessary goal. That of removing the shackles of apathy. Whether you are aware of it or not we are the prisoners of our own social conditioning. To give this college an equal balance of academic achievement and personal identity we must create a formal social structure centred around the college. All I ask of you is to begin with your involvement in these elections. Think of Leadership, Think of Action, Think of Why Unity is needed now. Ask questions. Be enthusiastic about the college life. Your sweat is needed to keep it living. I believe we can get it to -
gether.

Don't blow your chance to have a council that will work for you. This just may be the year of breakthroughs. We all need to know how you feel so please vote on the 13th and 14th of November. We must meet this challenge. Together I'm certain we can. Let's have faith in our own power to change. Don't extinguish the hope I saw in many of you students. Support your student council by voting.

My reasons for seeking the office of president are few, simple, and important. I want to achieve unity of the student body. I would take immediate steps towards us joining the Ontario Federation of Student Unions. Another top priority would be the setting up of an Education Committee to deal with the bringing in of people to enhance our studies and broaden outlooks. Serious thought should be

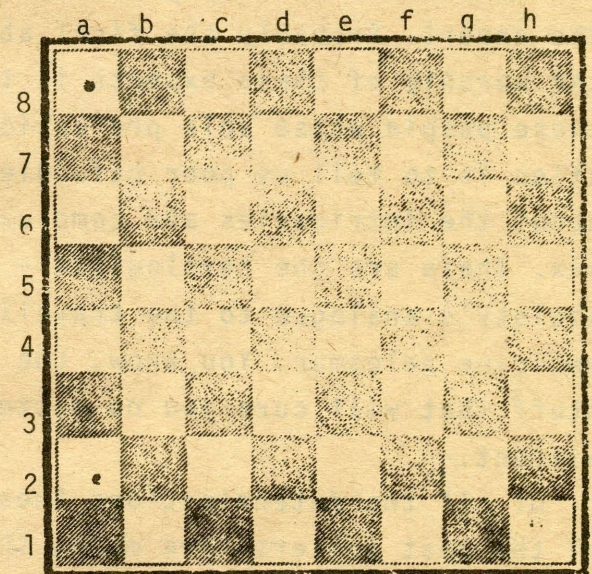
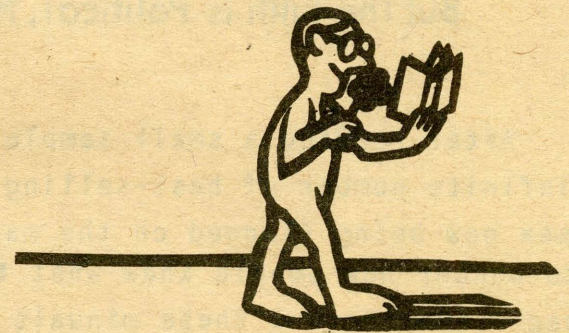
given to the setting up of an emergency fund for students who need financial help. A coordinating committee is needed to ensure no duplication of services to the students. Money can be saved in this manner and used where there is a need.

A fund raising committee should be set up. I have great expectations for this college but your help in voting for me is needed.

Far too much money was spent on sports last year. We spent \$4535.00 from a starting figure of \$5293.43. Surely that money could have been spread around to include other activities involving a greater number of students.

I have great expectations for this college but your help in voting for me is needed. Let us take our greatest step together.

"Human history becomes more and more a race between education and catastrophe."
H. G. Wells



ALGEBRAIC NOTATION

ZUGZWANG

with Dale Martin

'Zugzwang' is a German word meaning compulsion to move. In chess it means the player is forced to make a move which will lose material or the game. Chessplayers are faced with another kind of zugzwang at this time of year--the problem of Christmas presents.

I propose to discuss over the next few weeks the five chess books I think a chessplayer would be most happy to receive. Each is a paperback worth between two and four dollars. Each book contains only annotated master games--the best aid to the amateur.

The books are: "Championship chess" by F. W. Sergeant, "My 60 memorable games" by Bobby Fischer, "My best games of chess, 1935-1957" by V. V. Smyslov, "100 selected games" by M. M. Botvinnik, and "Grandmaster of chess" by Paul Keres.

"Championship chess" is an engrossing history of the development of the idea that there could be a world's champion of chess. The book serves as a useful history of chess. There are sixty-six games covering world championship chess up to Botvinnik's successful return match against Tal in 1961. Sergeant only carried his history up to 1938, so Fred Peinfeld added fourteen more games to bring the book up to 1962.

The notes to the games are quite good, but it is a generally held opinion that the tensions of world championship match play result in games that are not up to the general standards of the players. The most recent example is the Fischer-Spassky match where neither player was really at the top of his form.

I give below my favourite game from world championship play which is not in Sergeant's book.

Spassky-Petrosian, Queen's gambit, fifth game 1969.

1 c4 Nf6 2 Nc3 e6 3 Nf3 d5 4 d4 c5 5 cxd5 Nxd5 6 e4 Nxc3 7 bxc3 cxd4 8 cxd4 Bb4+ 9 Bd2 Bxd2+ 10 Qxd2 0-0 11 Bc4 Nc6 12 0-0 b6 13 Rad1 Bb7 14 Ffe1 Pc8 15 d5 exd5 16 Bxd5 Na5 17 Qf4 Qc7 18 Qf5 Bxd5 19 exd5 Qc2 20 Of4 Oxa2 21 d6 Rcd8 22 d7 Oc4 23 Of5 hC 24 Rc1 Oa6 25 Pc7 b4 26 Nd4 Ob6 27 Rc8 Nb7 28 Nc6 Nd6 29 Nxd8 Nxf5 30 Nc6 (1:0)



Dirty Books

But The Filth is Political, Not Sexual

After reading a small sample of the almost infinite number of best-selling non-books on sex now being flogged on the market, I began to wonder how people knew what to do with each other before these manuals came out.

The twentieth century is the century of the expert. Probably the final absurdity of the worship of these experts is the rise of those people whose sole professional occupation is to tell us poor befuddled "laymen" about the intricacies and complexities of sex. These are the Sexologists - modern society's analogue to the travelling patent medicine salesman. You know, the kind of stuff that will cure you no matter what the ailment.

Of all the determinations these sexologists of the best sellers have made, the female orgasm is the most imposing in its consequences. Little attention was paid to the female orgasm before the Era of Sexology. Where did the sexologists find it? Did they discover it or invent it? Or both? These are not absurd questions, as one might at first think. In the past (and today in other cultures) the female orgasm was always a present, though not essential, part of a woman's whole sexual experience. The orgasm had not yet been totally abstracted and isolated from the meaning and measure of sexual life.

Let us glance at these technical manuals for further illustration. In "The Sexually Responsive Woman" by Drs. Eberhard and Phyllis Kronhausen, Chap. 6 is entitled The Struggle for Orgasm. I don't know about you, but for someone like myself who hates exercise, even jogging sounds like more fun. In Chap. 15, Called The Future of Female Sexuality, we read "More and more women will over time adopt the male point of view." The male point of view boils down to what we used to call in my younger days, "one night stands". This is "sexual equality"? I suppose it is if one thinks distributing oppression equally is a democratic advance.

In "Sex and Human Loving" (a classic perversion of the English language), by Eric Berne, we come across an endearingly entitled chapter called "The Exploitation of the Sex Organs". Dealing with the penis, the good doctor tells us, "Used in sexual games, the phallus has all the authority of a baseball bat to score foul balls, a grand stand play or an away-from-home run". But he really hits his stride when dealing with the vagina; "The vagina has one advantage over the penis: like a pet cat it can be trained to do all manner of curious tricks which no penis has yet learned to master. This is one of the ways in which the vagina can be rented out to make money, and in general, the more tricks it has learned, the better it will be at its trade

by Louis Feldhammer

Now how is that for "human loving"?

"The Liberated Couple" by Susan Cohen is obviously another one of those items written to cash in on the women's lib book market. This one assumes that the problem of female-male roles is primarily a matter of sex rather than politics, economics, social organization, and social class. But even a cursory understanding of comparative social systems clearly shows that inter-personal relations- including sexual relations- reflect the underlying social structural reality, i.e., the wage- labour market the division of labour, the nature of the productive units, and so on.

"Sex and the New Single Girl" by Helen Gurley Brown is described as a revised, updated and expanded version for the Swinging Seventies". It's merely a female version of the Playboy syndrome. The tone is a breathless, ever-so-cute, syrupy treatment of sex for what must be the classic male- chauvanist image of the dim witted, brainless, semi-literate female twit. For example, in the section on "How to Please a Man" the reader is told that you can make your apartment sexy by having an extravagant spice shelf, lots of travel posters on the walls and "name book matches from good restaurants is a prime man attractor".

Finally, Playboy editor Nat Lehrman in his book Masters and Johnson Explained" tells us the major accomplishment of Masters and Johnson's research was to take sex off the drawing board and move it into the lab.

And that's exactly the whole point. It's our bedrooms that are being turned into labs. What these sex books do is treat the human body as just another inanimate object: sort of a steam engine or a hydro-electric dam.

In a society where the rules of making profit

In a society where the rules of making a profit are considered good and proper, everything must ultimately be reduced to that most exalted of holies. the commodity. And can any one one of us think of a better commodity than that which is universal and basic to us all-sex? When we are then told the lie that the only area in our lives where we can control in our lives where we can have some real degree of personal control and autonomy is in our sexual lives, -the attraction becomes irresistible.

And so, these best selling sex books turn the human body into the ultimate machine: the modern automobile gets going by knowing automobile which one gets going by knowing how to turn on the starter and press the accelerator. These books don't deal with sex, let alone loving. Their real subject matter is the same old story and it's called "good business".



SHINGWAUK SPORTS SCENE WITH RANDY GREENE



SUPPORT YOUR SHINGWAUKS

....Varsity "A" Hockey.

On Wednesday, November 1, the Shingwauks opened their season with a convincing seven to two victory over defending champions, ACP Bears. The play was dominated by the fast-skating Shingwauks who decided in the first period by scoring five goals.

Jim Conlin potted two goals while singles went to Mike Hogan, Randy Stewart, Ed Belanger, Steve Sommers and Larry Pankin. Richard Doviçi play a steady game between the pipes.

The team travelled to Lake Forest, Illinois for a two-game series against their University team.

The Shingwauks take to the ice every Wednesday night at 10:30 and every Sunday night your support would be appreciated.

....Miniature Hockey League.

The grand championship of table hockey will be decided this year. Jack Ujanen, Larry Johns & Carmen Gassi are hosting the challenge matches in the student lounge.

....Intra-mural Hockey.

Intra-mural hockey begins on November 23. Registrations will be accepted until that time.

....Curling.

Registrations will be accepted for Friday night curling until November 16. Curling is designed primarily as a competitive sport. The goal is to provide a social function.

....The athletic program would like to thank Puth Gardner and Pam Cameron for their patience and assistance.

SKIING

WINTER IS ALMOST UPON US.....WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO.....SKI OF COURSE..... SO WHY NOT FORM A SKI CLUB AND ENJOY THE WINTER TOGETHER.....PAUL SAARINEN AND THE ALGOMA SKI TEAM ARE ALL FOR IT..... IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE RETURN THIS MEMORANDUM WITH YOUR NAME ON IT TO *MISS ELIZABETH MCGOLDRICK.....AS SOON AS WE FIND OUT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE INTERESTED IN FORMING A CLUB A MEETING CAN BE ARRANGED PAUL....THEN HAS SOME EXCITING THINGS TO DISCUSS...SUCH AS REDUCED TOW FEES AND A DISCOUNT ON SEASON TICKETS....ALSO I HEAR THERE IS A CHAIRLIFT GOING IN AT SEARCHMONT AND WILL BE IN OPERATION THIS WINTER...AND BEFORE I FORGET PAUL DID MENTION SOMETHING ABOUT GIVING FREE LESSONS....ALSO WE CAN ARRANGE TO TAKE TRIPS OUT OF TOWN (down through the Boyne area where the skiing is simply marvellous)...believe me!!!!

Paul by the way is Alpine Director for Algoma College Ski Team, Alpine Coach for Searchmont Ski Runners and Ski Instructor for Snow Bird Ski School (YMCA)the other Algoma College Students on the Algoma Ski Team are: NORM COULTER, TIM FITZGERALD, DON SHUSHKEWICH, STEVE BOYCHUK & SANDRA MACLEOD so let us get together have funski...ski...OH!!!! CHILDREN ALSO WELCOME



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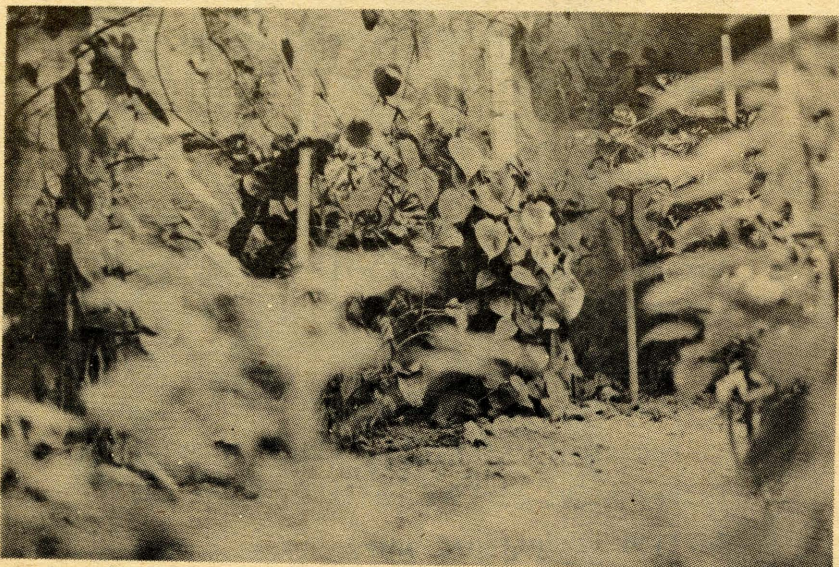
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LOTUS BLOSSOMS



THE REVOLUTION STARTED A LONG TIME AGO

The tree was bent and twisted a long time ago
To grow a different way than straight
Most of the grafts were good but some shrivelled and died
Some were poisonous. They are still growing and spreading
But it is a new kind of poison
We don't know how good or bad it is yet
All we know is that it is different.

We see that some of the old branches are rotten at the core
Many realize that they must be cut off
But they are scared because those branches have been there
along time
They don't know how
They think that it will fall off some day by itself
Someday.
Maybe..
But maybe also the whole tree will be rotten. And fall
down by itself.
The tree of life.....

Jude

A Poem: For a Friend

Each day I see you
Smile at you, talk with you
Each day is the same:
"Clothes, clothes and more clothes,
Going here, going there,
Seeing him, seeing her."

And I feel like saying
"Don't you care for someone?
Is life all material things?
Don't you have feelings?"

but I can't,

Because you are my friend,
And I don't want to hurt you
And I know I can't change you.

Anonymous.

Dreams

I had a dream last night on my bed of steel.
And no one knows just how it feels.
To be awakened by such a sight.
Of bars of iron —
Gives me a fright.
The dreams I have, I am not here —
But in a land, that seems so dear.
Did you ever see a land of stars?
Well people there, they have no scars.
Everyone is strong and free.
And in their eyes there is glee.

A dream in here is just like in hell.
And to you my friend
I hate to tell.
About the time we have in here,
Covered all up by a lonesome tear

We say no prayers beside our beds.
And we hate the man over our heads.
The dreams we have are nice,
But then,
We awaken in the Collin's Bay Pen.

STINK-Evil, Selfish, Sadistic,
Cruel, Brutal,
No compassion, No understanding, -
As long as it is no skin off of your nose
Your big nose
Can't stay out of anybody's bussiness
Just to fuck it up more.

Cheap, Tough-skinned, Narrow-minded,
Cynical, Hard,
Wicked, Evil,
A trifler of people's hearts, souls, minds
Playing relentless, twisted, sick
Games with other people for your own amusement
As long as it's no skin off your nose
You spit in the eyes of one who has any shred of
Integrity, Sympathy
Or
Sweat and Tears.

Jude

AFTERMATH

Today I ran into
Someone
I knew, someone whom
I once loved

Time, the ravaging
Warrior
Touches all, changing
The way things were.

I stepped aside for
Her sake
To let her find the joy
I may never taste

Time, the ravaging
Warrior
Touches all, changing
The way things were.

Today I ran into
Someone
I know, someone whom
I once loved.
She seems to be
Happy.

Matthew

**2 TONS OF BOMBS
PER MINUTE.
1 TON OF CANADIAN
NICKEL IN EACH B 52.
3000 VICTIMS PER DAY.**

*"I just stayed in my cave...
I did not see
the sunlight
for two years.
I used to repeat;
"Please don't let
the planes come,
Please don't let
the planes come."*

(lao refugee)