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TO: Editor of "Catch One"

Editor

Dear Editor:

THANK YOU ALGOMA STUDENTS

Every few weeks I read your paper with interest. There are many letters and editorials dealing with complaints of one nature or another.

Mine is not a complaint. Nor am I writing to criticize anyone. This a letter of thankyou.

To Mr. Mac Donald, for his hard work in making Algoma College what it is. For his undying effort to better the College in every way possible.

To Dr. Brown, Lawrence Brown, Mayor John Rhodes, and Professor Hahn for their excellent representation in Toronto. Many a day the pressure was evident, but with a great deal of perserverence and many a long night, we finally got our second year.

And most of all to the students. For Their superior showing of spirit and feeling for Algoma College.

I am constantly hearing about the apathy within the college. Possibly there are some who are apathetic, but as far as I am concerned the willingness and support of all was very evident the day Mr. William G. Davis appeared at Cambrian College.

To many this letter may sound corny, but I am sure many felt what I did when the announcement was made that we would get our second year. Thus I felt I must write this letter to thank everyone involved for their continuing endeavor to better Algoma College, not only academically but socially.

I feel I belong to something worthwhile. The hard work had its rewards and in years to come we can all speak proudly of our part in building a fine university for the North.

As chairman of the Seventies Society and representative of Cambrian College, I should like to thank the Algoma College students for their excellent and well-organized protest presentation in Cambria on the occasion of the Honourable William G. Davis' visit.

Mr. Davis' comments indicated later that he was impressed with the excellent manners displayed and the quality of the comments addressed to him.

At the same time, please remember that when the Seventies Society brings in guest speakers, it is only fair that the Speaker should have an opportunity to state his views on the matter brought up by the Society. Next time, let's get together beforehand and share the wealth, eh?

While I have your attention, here's a hint:-

Please attend the next Society meeting, March 8, 1971, 7:30 p.m., Cambrian College Cafeteria.

Yours sincerely,
Ralph J Niessen
Chairman
Seventies Society

Fight pollution before it's too late.

Fight over population before it's too late.

And for God's sake campaign for human rights.

Student - Faculty Relations

"There's something happening here.
What it is ain't exactly clear."

It seems now that everyone is upset and uptight it's time to take a deep breath and look at what's been done. As far as I can see the only concrete things that have been raised are a lot of tempers.

We have approximately two and a half months to decide on the future of faculty and student duties. Why not spend them wisely in rational discussion? Why do decisions have to be made immediately?

If you have ideas on how a faculty and student government should be formed, please submit them to the editors. We will try to print them all.

feeling like I'm caught
in the middle

Bruce MacKay

Magic, Miracles, and Mysticism

Now its the name of a note; could it become the name of a course? I would hope so. It seems to me to be a perfectly proper area of scholarly interest and investigation.

The actual impact of magical beliefs has been much more significant and pervasive than is probably realized. I could present considerable evidence to show how the development of science was affected and conditioned by a revival of interest in magic. Many works of art, many of the artifacts of culture, simply cannot be understood without some sympathetic awareness of the doctrines of Astrology.

The rise of magic can almost certainly be understood in terms of those factors that have led to the rise of religions, and the relations between the two can be quite close. God can certainly show his favour to those who live in accord with his commands; the normal tenor of their lives can show this, or specific events may display the direct inter-

vention of God. To some measure such powers may be delegated: Moses performed magic in the courts of pharaoh, and of course there are many accounts of miracles in the writings of most religions. Indeed in many cases one can only distinguish between magic and religion on the basis of the ends sought; religion seeks spiritual enlightenment and fulfilment; magic seeks knowledge and power. Even occultism, through the left-hand path, can lead to the religious experience.

While a course of studies would probably not be envisaged in terms of an applied course, yet studies would certainly involve some knowledge of various techniques. Tarot and I Ching can hardly be understood without some awareness of how they were employed, and for what purposes. Witchcraft cannot be understood without some knowledge of what witches do when they are witching, and how they achieve their powers. There are several theories as to how witchcraft arose, and what was its actual nature. One of the more sympathetic assumes it to be the persistence, into a later culture, of the earlier beliefs of nature religions. As most of these involved fertility beliefs and rituals, some of the ceremonies and celebrations associated with witchcraft can be rather fun. (Definitely not a part of any intended course to be investigated at the applied level) As the beliefs and practices of such an older religion came into confrontation with a more solidly established religion whose beliefs asserted that all other religions must be evil, must, indeed, be an indirect form of devil worship, then the underground faith would, of necessity, take on the colouration imposed upon it. In this way Satanism became associated with witchcraft.

It is in some such terms that the distinction may be made between witchcraft and Ceremonial Magic. Witchcraft gets its power through forces of evil by forming an alliance with them; magic commands the demons through the use of certain spells (the source of many of these methods are traditionally traced back to the wisdom of King Solomon.

But ultimately, perhaps, the end is Mysticism. Knowledge of magic, among other influences may turn one to this. This is the path that leads, as its expressed goal, to the attainment of identity with God. But of its highest truths, it perhaps can be said that all that can be said about it is inevitably false and inadequate. So, then, there is nothing further to be said.

Lloyd Bannerman

Power Structures

What I would like to deal with is how power is acquired, how it is kept and why it is mostly found in a structured organization.

In dealing with the foregoing questions it can be stated that in a social state of complex structures, power positions are more easily recognized and therefore easier to reach. This simply means that if it can be seen it (power) can be realized.

In political structures there is a definite route one must take in order to reach a position of power. However, knowing the route is not the only prerequisite for reaching the top. There are certain rules that must be understood and obeyed and it also helps if the power seeker is wealthy.

Rules for power seekers:

1. Be able to use many large ambiguous words when making a speech or proposing a presentation.
2. Be capable of lying, i.e., able to keep track of lies.
3. Do not be afraid to step on anyone's toes. But be careful not to alienate prospective voters.
4. Be an accomplished opportunist.
5. Be popular with as many social groups as possible, i.e., wear tokens of various social roles, such as sideburns that are but aren't too extreme.

6. Be able to talk endlessly without saying anything or committing yourself to anything.
7. Don't offer anyone else a chance to put you on the spot.
8. Don't trust anyone.

Now once power has been attained it is easily kept by not allowing people to be informed and not permitting involvement. I think it can be easily seen that apathetic people are a power seekers' best insurance policy against loss of power. One must always remember that "the only thing necessary for evil to grow is that good men do nothing". And, of course, always remember the most valuable tool of the power structure system - "The Neanderthal forces in the Pig power structure (Abbie Hoffman, a psychologist).

In summation I think it can be said that power in a structured system is easy to attain because it is easy to recognize and because it (power) can only exist amongst organized people who feel they need a leader. Anarchy may be an answer, but it is said to create chaos. Has someone been dreaming again?

Ron Bird

Parity or a new system?

Dear Turned Off:

FUCK OFF!

Turned On

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to understand
more than WHITE
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to understand
that there IS more than white
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more than white

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