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Lieut.-Col. E. B. Q. Buchan
Officer Commanding

MONTREAL, TUESDAY, 6th, DECEMBER

- 62. Duties
Orderly Officer for the week commencing 11th: December, 1932—Lieut. F. A. McTavish, C. R. C. E.
Next for Duty—Captain W. J. Downs, Alta Univ. C.O.T.C.
- Orderly Sergeant for the week commencing 11th: December, 1932—L. Cpl. S. A. Cobbett.
Next for Duty—L. Cpl. A. G. Lane-Roberts.
- 63. Parades
The Contingent will parade at the Orderly Room, 3480 University Street, Montreal, Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1932.

Dramatics

THE comatose state of professional drama in Montreal has left our fair university in the unique position of holding the bag for local stage fans. In the old days when the Orpheum on the two-a-day and summer stock and His Majesty's bringing metropolitan hits to Montreal and the Princess staging occasional extravaganzas in the hiatuses of its vaudeville circuit and the Gayety throwing burlesque over the footlights, there was not much room for amateur shows and the Shuberts and Loew's flourished on the patronage of the Montreal public. Then came the talkies and the road-companies went over for the long count. Now the Orpheum, Princess, and Gayety are movie houses, and the sole refuge of legitimate drama and musical shows, His Majesty's, strives to supply all the needs of the Montreal theatre-going public.

That the demand exceeds the supply is well shown by the remarkable rigor of local amateur dramatics. These "theatres" are the McGill Dramatic Society, the McGill Dramatic Club, the English Department, the Choral and Operatic Society and the Red and White Revue each filling its place. The Montreal Repertory Theatre also has its roots at the university, many of its most prominent members having received their dramatic training at McGill and its performances taking place at Moysse Hall.

Thus McGill finds itself faced with the task of supplying the major part of the dramatic pabulum of a city of over 1,000,000 population. That it is succeeding well is evidenced by the large attendances at the performances of each of the groups taking part. This is a golden opportunity for the development of a Little Theatre Movement in the city, and the M.R.T. have shown that the public will support such a movement. If all groups could be united to forward the interests of the movement, a tremendous advance would take place and the cause of amateur dramatics would be firmly established once and for all in Montreal.

Student Coupons

THE Forum in counting the student coupons after Tuesday night's game with the University of Montreal, found that certain people attending the game as students had given in the wrong coupons. This cannot be classed as an accident for every time coupons are used, this occurs. The Athletic Board is forced to stand the loss by paying the Forum for all these tickets illegally passed. These tickets are of great advantage to the Student Body and it seems a shame that the majority should suffer for the injudicious action of the minority. The purchasers of these books of student coupons agree at the time of sale that they are not transferable so that it would hardly be asking too much of the students to request fair play and co-operation with the Athletic Board in this matter.

College Comment

Too Much Excitement

It is somewhat contradictory that while Canadian public opinion is definitely against war, some "patriotic" societies and organizations persist in trying to glorify it. These groups habitually adorn the walls of public buildings with gruesome pictures portraying scenes of bloodshed and terror or quarrel about the narrative of war histories and insist upon petty and biased opinions about the details of the terrible conflicts of history and never miss a chance to express a belittling opinion of some nation or other.

Patriotism, to the extent that it occasions a just pride in national institutions and a proper appreciation of those who sacrificed to build up those institutions, is a laudable thing. But patriotism that degenerates into a petty, selfish nationalism, fed by a thoughtless, feverish jingoism is a thing to be abhorred. The latter philosophy can arise only

from a well meaning but misled outlook or from sheer ignorance. Over-enthusiastic flag-waving and bugle-blowing are relics of a less sensible age when every nation has as its slogan: All for us and none for them. The necessary interdependence and co-operation of nations is a new idea and it will need a long time for complete acceptance; but we must guard against setbacks that might be caused by narrow minds who delight in stirring up unnecessary friction and animosity—Brunswickian.

Bare-Headed Heroes

Today you see 'em—those bare-headed collegiate chaps nonchalantly braving the whirling snow flakes with their curly locks crowned with a mantle of virtuous whiteness.

On every campus path you bump into one, smiling as if he were submitting lackadaisically to a sun bath instead of carrying a miniature snow drift atop his ruffled bangs. Others, brazen at first in their Spartan indifference to the wintry elements, now hunch their shivering shoulders and shuffle in the slush at a stiffened gait, their snowy white hair and ice-crueted eyebrows giving them the appearance of doddering old men.

Of course, there is the kittenish gigolo who, with his coat dangling open, skips and "charlestons" to class, playfully tossing snow into each passing coed's face. His ears, glistening red like Christmas tree baubles, protrude from beneath his snow-laden, musician's bob like frozen beetles in an ash heap.

Today you see 'em—in all their Herculean glory, blustering like so many brawny lumberjacks. Today you see 'em—tomorrow you'll hear 'em—punctuating their sniveling with an intermittent hacking cough, their throats swathed in flannel, unable to sit up in bed except to gulp a glass of hot lemonade—Indiana Daily Student.

For Fools Only

To read it the first time is all right! Curiosity is too strong a human trait to accept denial. To read it again is merely a personal admission of meagre intellect and a warped mind. The amount of sordid material that can be pumped into the crowded print of a dirt-sheet is truly remarkable. The regularity and eagerness exhibited by some undergraduates in their weekly descent upon the newsstand bent upon the purchase of the sickly-green journal is truly deplorable. All too many read and re-read, standing open mouthed, and sop up the delectable harangue like thirsty sponges.

This particular area of the press caters to the tastes of the lowest, meticulously distorting and embellishing the news which sensible papers have seen fit to suppress. Love nests, rape, racket, black mail and seduction scream their lurid tale from every page, sending the reader's mind racing down just such channels.

There is no need to print all the filth that occurs in this world of ours. The newspapers should be controlled by thinking people, instead of little scandal-mongers who prey upon night court and back-stage gossip. To mouth it is unethical but to print it is criminal.

Still it makes its appearance weekly, still college men continue to buy it.

More Scholarships Needed

College scholarships were distributed as follows: P. M. Malout, L. D. Turner, L. E. W. Deathe, Henry and Mlle. Salleron will be there.

ed or needed than at this time. Many men and women are pursuing studies that they would find denied them without such help. Yet scholarships available are far too few to meet the demand. It is an awful shame when a deserving individual who might better society by higher training finds himself cut out by a lack of money. His chances of succeeding in working his way through are practically nil. Only one man in a hundred can stand up under the dual strain. So few can afford college that some urge free tuition and books. But the possibility of adding this to the existing crushing tax burden seems slim. In some places they have set aside funds, mostly endowments, to make loans to needy students, who are charged a moderate rate of interest and required to repay out of their first earnings in fair instalments. This is a very good plan and it might be instituted here to advantage when things improve. Judging by the quality of average leadership being displayed in the world today, we cannot afford to neglect any opportunity to build better minds.—Brunswickian.

Youth

One of the most heartening features of the present unhappy social conditions is the reaction to it which youth is making. The young people of today are meeting a serious situation with a sanity which is as cheering as it is unexpected. Some years ago, while prosperity still lingered with us, there seemed an indication that the present growing generation was being governed entirely by false values. The general opinion was they were a pleasure-loving, low and immoral lot, recklessly spending their decreasing energies.

We, with others, have been forced to revise our opinion. The University student of today is meeting his or her problems with unequivocation, instead of being dismayed or demoralized or recriminating or lethargic; they have summoned initiative and energy as if determined to make the most of a bad bargain.

We submit that the much maligned "young generation" will bear their share and more in discovering the way out of the depression. —The Sheaf

Correspondence

Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1932.

The Editor,
McGill Daily,
Dear Sir,

Allow me to express my profound surprise concerning two remarks of the Music Editor appearing in the Daily of December 7.

I refer, in the first place, to a part of his article on the Svengerknafen, the Singing Boys of Vienna who gave a performance at the Windsor Hall on Monday, December 5. The Music Editor wishes us to believe that the soloists were insuperable and that the voices were of fine quality and consistent richness. This statement would have been corrected if it had been made to apply to one soloist, the boy who took the part of Colas in Mozart's little opera, Bastien and Bastienne. As far as the rest are concerned, there was less fervour and less vocal velvet than could have been desired. These voices were often harsh and brutal.

The extensive training has, nevertheless, made them supple and pliable to as great an extent as only adult voices reach after much study. This greatly atoned for the lack of quality in the voices; and, on the whole, the performance was highly enjoyable.

I now come to the remark comparing Gilbert and Sullivan's light operas to those given by La Societe Canadienne d'Operette. This comparison was very unfair, I think. The Music Editor seems to forget that the Savoy operas were written by Englishmen for Englishmen, and that most of the others show another mentality, that of Frenchmen. He also seems to forget that, at McGill, there are several persons with French blood in their veins. By now you have certainly guessed that I am a French Canadian, and you are perfectly right. You may think that I am prejudiced, but let me remind you that I might say the same thing about you. As a matter of fact, I do. I do not wish to convince you that French "operettes" are better than the justly famous works of Gilbert and Sullivan. Not at all. Everyone is entitled to his own opinions and these differ according to the mentality that his nationality has given him. But I object to the way in which you take it as a universal fact that the English light operas are superior to the others. Many artistic people do not think so, let me tell you. If you want to ascertain this, read the musical articles in a good French newspaper once in a while and you will soon be convinced. And that is why I think you are prejudiced Mr. Music Editor.

Thanking you for your valuable space Mr. Editor, I remain,

Yours truly,
Jacques J. Bernard,
Commerce IV.

The Editor,
McGill Daily,
Dear Sir,

With reference to the question "Are Radicals Crazy?" and the answers you so kindly took the trouble to bring before the uneducated mind of the Student body, may I make one point clear. Down through the ages people labelled radicals have always been the ones who have accomplished the most for society. Jesus Christ and his Apostles were radicals to their contemporaries. So were Socrates, Galileo, Farx and the host of others who refused to sit back and allow their minds to sink into apathy. They suffered for their beliefs and often died for their convictions yet do we today doubt the fact that they benefitted society. In closing, may I point out that humans always have and always will look upon men who think and think freely as radicals, as men dangerous to public order and welfare and as people who are crazy. I think you for your valuable space.

Maurice E. Katz,
December 6, 1932.

The Editor,
McGill Daily,
Dear Sir,

May I take advantage of your columns to express my sincere thanks to all those who supported me in the elections for Arts Representative to the Students' Council last Monday.

I am,
Yours Sincerely,
Malcolm Ransom.

the Faculty Arts, on Monday, December 12th, Room 110.

McGill Daily,
Dear Sir,

May I through your columns extend my thanks to those who supported me in the Scarlet Key election.

Yours truly,
Donald Young,
690 Sherbrooke St.,
Montreal, Que., Dec. 6, 1932.

The Editor,
McGill Daily,
Dear Sir,

May I through the medium of your columns thank those who so kindly supported me in yesterday's election.

Yours Sincerely,
Donald Small.

The Editor,
McGill Daily,
Dear Sir,

May I take this opportunity to thank those who so kindly supported me in Monday's elections.

Yours Sincerely,
Hollie E. McHugh.

The Editor,
McGill Daily,
Dear Sir,

May I through the medium of your columns thank those who nominated and supported me in Monday's Scarlet Key elections.

Sincerely yours,
Bert Denton.

The Editor,
McGill Daily,
Dear Sir,

May I, through your columns, express my sincere congratulations to Bill Mitchell, my opponent in yesterday's elections.

Sincerely,
R. Wilson Becket.

The Editor,
McGill Daily,
Dear Sir,

May I through the medium of your columns thank those who supported me in the recent elections.

Sincerely yours,
Lorne Ogilvie.

The Editor,
McGill Daily,
Dear Sir,

May I take this opportunity of thanking those who nominated me as Commerce representative on the Students' Council.

Sincerely yours,
Donald McRoble.

The Editor,
McGill Daily,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir:
As an ex-bandmaster, an ex-president of the Musical Association and one deeply interested in the student musical organization, I wish to publicly express my appreciation of last night's fine concert. Heartly congratulations are due the heads of

the various societies for their excellent work in preparing their numbers for this concert. It is particularly pleasing to see the Glee Club again an active participant in campus musical circles.

Particularly loud praise is due Bob Shaw for his keen interest, untiring efforts and imaginative and creative powers of organization. His influence in the last two years has raised the standard and versatility of student music to a point well beyond anything seen or heard in the last decade at McGill. There have been very few Musical Association presidents who may be seen at nearly every practice of every club in his organization as is Bob Shaw.

If success is sufficient reward for effort, no more need be said. The fact that over six hundred enthusiastic people were crowded into Moysse Hall and, as Bill Gentleman will tell you, another hundred or more were turned away, speaks for itself.

One of the few advantages of a sustained depression is that people turn to the finer and cheaper entertainments. Music being one of them, it is gratifying to see the support given McGill's efforts in this direction. With Bob Shaw at the helm the public can rest assured that further pleasant evenings are in store for them.

Yours very truly,
RAYMOND CARON.

McGill Commemorate Great Philosopher At Locke Symposium

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law and discipline. Consequently he valued the common law of England and the institutions of the land, and, in particular, the Parliament of the English people. Being opposed in general to an authoritarian view of life, he advanced ideas of freedom in education as well as in political society.

He was Protestant in his beliefs, and went very far himself in a liberal interpretation of Christianity. Behind all this was the animating spirit of his philosophy, which denied to ancient traditions the status of being sacred and innate ideas, and which proceeded to disclose how every significant principle and idea employed by the mind of man has its origin and its proof in human experience.

Locke advocated the empirical test, that is, to get behind language to the ideas themselves, and to ideas that can be easily verified by references to our everyday experience. Empiricism is part of contemporary life and habit of thought, and its method of and attitude is applied not only in the realm of natural science, but also in morals, politics, religion and society.

It is the extension of this manner of thinking to the whole realm of human interests that Locke initiated over two hundred years ago. For this empiricism and the liberalism which was a consequence of it, Locke is nowadays being commemorated, and particularly in this year, which is the tercentenary of his birth in 1632.

All those interested are invited to attend this meeting.

"Daily" Managing Board Suspended By Students' Council After Conflict

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As a result of this admission the Students' Council withdrew the suspension, which they now for the first time heard

officially had been passed with incomplete knowledge of the facts.

The further question remained to be decided as to what action the Council should take as a result of what they considered the unwarranted resignation of the Daily Board, as above stated. The President of the Council had also been informed by the News Editor that he had sent the story of this domestic dispute and the resignation to a number of other college dailies and over the Canadian Press. This was confirmed by the Editor-in-Chief, during the Council meeting, when he stated that this broadcast was authorized by him, during the time he had taken for reconsideration.

In face of these facts, and after mature deliberation, the Council unanimously passed the following motion:

The Resolution

Moved by A. Watt and seconded by Stuart Ebbitt, that the present managing board of the McGill Daily be suspended indefinitely, for abusing the trust placed in them by the Students'

Society, that is by resigning without giving fair notice to the Students' Executive Council; by stating that they deliberately circulated their story of the dispute in outside papers and thus jeopardizing the interests of the student body, particularly as represented by those campus organizations which depend on the Daily for their publicity and affecting contractual relations of the student body with outsiders, when they had perfectly sound recourse by calling a meeting of the Students' Society in an appeal against the decision of the Students' Executive Council. Carried Unanimously.

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Christmas in Canada-1535

ALMOST four centuries have elapsed since Jacques Cartier and his scurvy-ridden crew huddled together on their ship at Stadacona to celebrate Mass on Christmas Eve, 1535. The intrepid explorer had returned from his voyage to Hochelaga to the site of present-day Quebec when the rigors of winter overtook his ships and held them icebound. The first white man's Christmas is one of the outstandingly appealing and heroic episodes of the old French regime.

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