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SOCIETIES WITH OBJECTIVES

There are several clubs and societies on the U. N. B. campus, only a few that add to the general cultural or extra-curricular well being of the individual student. Two of those societies are worthy of special mention at this time.

The Veterans Club has been until now a rather unrepresentative organization with few concrete aims. It has met as a club on several occasions for the purpose of furthering its own activities mainly, and except for the "baby contest" last year, has not made itself felt on the campus.

This picture has changed a great deal this year. It is still a club that has poorly attended meetings but now it has come to life. The club has adopted a goal towards which the active members are presently striving. The executive of the organization, together with a committee formed by the club, have decided to establish a scholarship or bursary for future students at U. N. B. in recognition of all veterans attending this university.

This is an admirable gesture on this part of the veterans. If more clubs and societies had such admirable aims, they would make themselves felt in everyday life on the campus. The fund is large but this should not mean that the veterans are being too ambitious; \$10,000 is a fair goal over a period of five years or more. The interest from this sum will make it possible for a few of the hundreds who apply for scholarships and bursaries each year to realize a college education. Many students on the campus today take their presence here entirely too much for granted.

Since no undergraduate is asked to contribute at present time the printed forms distributed at this week's pay parade should be considered carefully. The club has been patient and wise enough to allow a week for the forms return. We would like to suggest that each veteran consider this an opportunity to add his personal contribution to the advancement of "higher" education.

Another society which is still in the formative stages but one which promises to be worthy of its existence is the Film Society.

The purpose of this society is not to raise scholarship funds but to add something to the cultural experience of every student. Judging from the general run of movies in the commercial trade we could use some films with more substance (not necessarily with utilitarian substance) and less juvenile attributes. The film society hopes to bring films here which will not make economic capital at the box office but will make human capital at the university "box-office." Even the price of admission is small but we hope this will be inversely proportional to the value of the films to be presented. As soon as the initial organization is completed we will be anticipating some first rate films.

Student's Forum

This space is provided for any student wishing to express his views on any subject. Opinions expressed are those of the writer and do not necessarily represent Brunswickan policy. Any opposing views will be printed in this space and not as letters to the Editor.

CONSERVATION AND EDUCATION THIS MATTER OF MONEY

Just recently we have read two commendable contributions dealing with forest conservation. One of these appeared as an editorial, which will I am sure, do much to raise the value of the "Brunswickan" as a source of student opinion. The other, "Words About Woods" was delivered as a timely reminder that our forests policy requires a good deal more thought. They both indicate that we are at least beginning to think in terms of the future of our forests, which of course is a step in the right direction.

Although the direction of our efforts is still rather obscure we are sure of our ideal destination. This must mean for every one a future where man is in complete harmony with his environment, and an environment that provides man with a complete realization of his destiny. In other words, an equilibrium must be reached where nature's "undoing" by man may be balanced by a constructive and intelligent renewing process of our natural resources. The trend of civilized man has been to conquer and utilize his environment for his own good. Up to this point, through his technological "know-how" he has done a good job of conquering it - but has he finally utilized it to his best advantage?

It seems that more has been done to disturb the delicate laws of nature by our concentration on ruthless techniques to extract our needs - at a profit, than to provide the essential lubrication in the form of planning and control necessary to keep our agriculture machine running smoothly. It is an intelligent plan of control that must be adopted and a

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To a casual observer who reads the Brunswickan with an open mind, the activities of the student representative council would not appear to be an example of the working of brotherly love. In fact, from the time that the writer can remember - Alexander College in its pristine innocence and purity the S. R. C. meetings have been a beautiful and heated wrangle over funds, the wrangles more nearly approaching bad temper brawls as wrath overflowed, the bounds of etiquette and good manners.

The latest mood of this distinguished council would probably be appreciated more by some of the better known radio programs because, as an apt headline put it so well, they seem to be staging a "give away show". The writer is sure that all the lucky students of this University entirely concur in this program - after all, money is what makes the world go round - or so they say. Or do they? However, my good fellow students, there is one trifling catch - WE HAVE TO PAY FOR IT. Maybe those lucky boys and girls whose papas dish out the filthy lucre don't really mind to much, but a stray thought wandering around asks "What are the veterans Daddy going to ask about it?" In other words, it is highly possible that our kind and respected government will say "No rise in student levy". What do we do then?

You know, considering the Council in an abstract manner permissible to one who has never been a member and who has more or less sat on the "side-lines", the miserable author of this article would suggest to his

thoughtful readers, if any, that the functions of the S. R. C. would fall into three distinct groups, something like the following.

1. To represent student interests,
2. To guide and lead students activities and aims,
3. To ensure justice to the body as a whole and the students as individuals.

It is with the last function of the Council that we - all of us - are concerned. The second function, to guide and lead, is intimately bound up with the last in the allotment of funds. Unless the council is strong enough to withstand the pressure groups within it, justice either to the body as a whole or to individual students will not be forthcoming.

One principle should be followed: That any society recognized as such by the S. R. C. should not be refused funds. Recognize or do not recognize that it is strictly the affair of the Council, but when recognition is given Societies within the student body and within the meaning of student regulations, they should be allowed an operating budget. Recognition of a Society or Club implies approval and support.

The procedure of the Council in the past, as far as can be ascertained from the by-laws is something along these lines: budgets are brought up; it is taken for granted that they are fair and accurate (as far as possible) forecasts of expenses to be incurred, and then the "budget bearer" is put under fire from other members of the council and a whittling down takes place, and then the budget in question is passed. This procedure is repeated until all budgets have been passed or thrown out.

Then the responsible members ask themselves "Where is the money coming from?"

It is suggested that the whole student body, as well as our hard working representatives, ask themselves the following question:

1. Surely the primary question, at

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