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## Will France Learn When It's Too Late?

It is becoming abundantly clear that some countries are going to be obliged to thoroughly review their present colonial policies. The British, whose imperialism was of a relatively mild character, realized this sooner than most, and avoided a lot of unnecessary trouble. The French don't seem to have learned, although their unfortunate experience in late years should have made them conscious of the fact that their policies were not entirely practical.

Eventually, the French will have to accept the North African natives as legitimate rulers. To avoid further bloodshed and political blundering, as well as a financial crisis, they would be advised to arrive at an amicable solution very soon. The day is long past when an uprising of this consequence can be crushed by brute force.

What is the alternative?  
 If they continue as they are, the French will have to wipe out the rebels completely sooner or later. Judging by the energy and zeal of these native insurgents, this would be a pretty tough assignment.

The proximity of several countries who are not exactly sympathetically disposed toward colonialism raises an interesting problem. Under the leadership of Nasser, a number of Middle East Countries are determined to unite the so-called Arab world. It might occur to them that Tunisia and Algeria qualify as members in good standing. In this event, the French would be faced with hundreds of thousands of irate Arabs, North Africans and Iraqi whose own recent experiences would make them more than mildly interested in evicting the French.

Someone has pointed out that support of the French 400,000 man army in Tunisia is having serious effects on an already shaky French economy. Hate and indignation for the French government is being engendered by Tunisian nationalists at home and sympathizers all over the world. The communists must be having a good belly laugh about the whole tired mess themselves with an incidental dig at the British and Americans.

For the sake of international accord and legitimate national aspirations, to say nothing of domestic stability, the French government should explore every avenue for an agreeable solution to their colonial problems.

Serious discontent of this nature is like an infectious disease. Perhaps we have no remedy for the disease as yet, but we certainly won't hurry the cure by aggravating the cause.

### LADIES SOCIETY NOTE!

Nominations for Council Executive should be handed to Jenny Prosser or Kathy Hart before Wednesday.

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## Letters to the Editor

The Editor, The Brunswickan, U.N.B.

Sir:

I listened with interest to the Founder's Day Panel Discussion until Dean Toole made his bigoted remark about the Forestry Faculty not being a bona-fide part of any university. At that point my disgust overcame my interest in what I was listening to and I switched off the radio and thought that the place I would have told the good Dean to go, had I been there, was really far too good for him.

How any man who is as intelligent as the Dean is supposed to be can get up before a crowd of people and say a thing like that is more than I can fathom. If he would take the trouble to tear himself away from his beloved "Toole Shed" on the hill, he would very soon see that Forestry is just as much on a university level as is engineering, and is, in fact, to all intents and purposes, a branch of engineering.

We, Foresters, are always being looked down upon on this campus and I think possibly a great deal of this discrimination might be traced back to similar remarks made by other narrow minded faculty members.

It would be interesting to hear Dean Toole's comments on just where this university would be if the Foresters were not around to supply a little spirit and generally keep the place alive in the minds of those outside Fredericton.

Sincerely,  
 Dave Irvine,  
 Forestry '59.

The Editor,  
 The Daily Gleaner,  
 City.

Dear Sir:

I was impressed by the charming way in which you attempted to justify the news coverage of your paper in the Editor's Note that followed Mr. Terence McCluskey's letter that you so kindly printed on Saturday, March 8.

You tried rather crudely to ridicule the Christian Atheist party and platform, and again managed superbly to present a one-sided view of the situation,

by pointing a rather crooked finger at both the Christian Atheist and the Liberal platforms.

May I point out to you, Sir, that whereas the Liberal platform indeed contained a plank concerning the deductibility of Mistresses for income tax purposes, the Progressive Conservative party had an equally ridiculous plank in their platform that read as follows:

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I might also mention that the rather illogical name of the

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Christian Atheist party was chosen as a satirical reply to the name of the party that I — and I believe you also — support, the Progressive Conservative party.

I will concede that to detect something amusing, one needs a sense of humour. Your treatment of this incident and some others — for instance that of the National Flag hoax, when your feelings of loyalty and patriotism obscured your imagination — indicate to some extent that this, your sense of humour, could do with a thorough review.

This letter might help to create feelings of a more bi-partisan sort as regards the activities of the students of the University of New Brunswick.

Sincerely yours,  
 Gino Blink,  
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