

MCGILL UNIVERSITY

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PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

11.15 March 7, 1933.

Dean MacKay:-

Some of our students are under suspicion of having violated the law, and of having published indecent, scurrilous literature about their own university, including their fellow students and principal.

He has thought the matter over all night. He is now absolutely convinced that you are right to have an examination, an inquiry.

The students have a right to be heard to defend themselves. They have a right to admit they are wrong, if they are guilty. In the interests of their fellow students and the university, which is under suspicion and criticism as a result of these publications. It is not merely a right; they must, in the interests of the reputation of their university admit what they have done. It is NOT a third degree at all, it is NOT an inquisition. We have a perfect right to cross examine and to inquire. Those boys who started the first edition have got to displace the suspicion that is on them that they are connected with the second. It is not enough to say they sent in a resignation. They must prove it and defend themselves from the suspicion now resting on them.