

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dief, Again

Sir:
Last week your Nov. 15th story on the Prime Minister appeared in the Halifax Chronicle Herald. In the same paper appeared another article which should, I think, be brought to your attention.

It appeared under the headline "Are professors really absent-minded?" and carried as part of its answer. . . . (Diefenbaker) jokes stem from the sly desire of lesser persons to cut (Dief) down to their own size. We don't like to admit envy of persons we consider superior in status, so we ease our inferior feelings without danger of guilt through good-humored(?) attacks on their supposed vulnerable traits."

With regard to this quotation I would like to say that I do not consider your attack good humored, and that you will never be able to use such attacks to ease the immense feeling of inferiority you must have when compared to our great Prime Minister.

Yours truly
A Student
Bishop's University
Lennoxville, Quebec
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Vote

Sir:
With the spread of international communism to this hemisphere it is becoming more and more apparent that if we, who live in democratic countries, do not wish to fall under this same brand of totalitarianism, something must be done, right now! The University is an excellent place for teaching people of their civic responsibilities and of informing them of the views of such men as Adams, Burke, Locke, Mill; men such as these who have helped shape the philosophy of our present political system.

However, judging from the lack of enthusiasm displayed towards campus politics here at Dalhousie I would say that a great many students are sidetracking these responsibilities.

On this Friday the annual Model Parliament election will be held, in which three political viewpoints will be represented. I would urge EVERY student at this University, be he Canadian or not, to read thoroughly and analyze carefully

the platforms of the three parties so that he may get a good understanding of what they, the Liberals, the Progressive Conservatives, and the New Democrats, stand for. I would then urge that the student vote for that party which he believes has the most sensible and logical solutions for the problems that today are confronting this nation. Only in this way, and by carrying out our rights and privileges can we be assured that, in a few years hence, this country will not "join" the Communist Camp as have so many of our countries in the past twenty or so years.

Sincerely
DONALD BRAZIR
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In an interview at McMaster university (Toronto Globe and Mail, Jan. 30) where he delivered a series of lectures Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer, who directed the Manhattan Project at Los Alamos, and who is regarded as the chief architect of the A-bomb, made these comments. Asked if he had to do it again, he said, "I would recommend to my government that they take it seriously this time, before they tried it out. They did not take it seriously at the time." Explaining that he was not happy with the development of the bomb, Dr. Oppenheimer added: "I think it is well known that I wish no one owned nuclear weapons." Commenting on Canada's position, he said, "Canada shows great political balance by not possessing nuclear weapons. There is already too much danger in the world."

Mr. Editor, as a supporter of the policy of the CUCND, I wholeheartedly agree with Dr. Oppenheimer's sentiments. Certainly they are in accord with the resolution recently passed in the UN which called upon all the countries in the world which do not possess atomic weapons to reject them on principle; as is well known, Canada voted in favor of this resolution, which was passed unanimously.

This resolution is in line with the policy of the CUCND which calls for the "freezing" of the atomic powers, that is keeping the so-called atomic club at its present number. The next step is of course, the control and abolition

of all atomic weapons, by those who now possess them; the only alternative is the inevitable use of these weapons, whether it be accidental or otherwise and with it, all its ghastly consequences.

Mr. Editor, in closing, I would urge those of your readers who are concerned with this question, to support the CUCND. For those who are not familiar with the programme of this organization, but are sympathetic with its aims, literature is available on the campus.

R. G. CLARK

11 Increase standards admission

The shortage of space has forced 11 of Canada's 43 universities to raise their admission standards over the last four years.

A report issued Friday by the Canadian Universities foundation said, however, that while many matriculants could not get into "the university first on their list", all could be accommodated in other universities or affiliated colleges.

"The extent of which universities and their affiliates are expanding their facilities and new colleges are being established, indicates that this will continue to be true for many years."

Another report by the foundation predicts that enrolment in Canadian universities may triple from 114,000 in 1960-61 to 312,000 in 1970-71.

Both reports were prepared by Edward F. Sheffield, research officer of the Ottawa-based foundation.

Mr. Sheffield said that five universities raised their standards in 1961. They were the Universities of New Brunswick and Manitoba; Assumption University; Carleton University and University de Sherbrooke.

Limited teaching facilities and insufficient residential accommodation also forced some universities to be selective in accepting applicants for higher courses such as medicine, arts and engineering.

Cheryl Reid, second year nursing science student, was crowned nursing science queen last Friday by Dr. F. R. Hayes.



MARATHON MONOPOLY CONTINUES

Bed-pushing and telephone-booth jamming have faded into the distant past of university crazes. The newest — marathon monopoly playing.

McGill was the first to start the marathon playing. During the Christmas holidays, McGill students played the game for more than 100 hours.

Not to be outdone, the University of Toronto last month claimed the record with six days and six nights playing — a total of 144 gruelling hours of play.

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Ottawa. She told The Gazette Liberalism among students "seems to be on the upsurge". She said she felt her party platform was very sound "and is designed to bring prestige back to Canada".

One-half of Trinity College at U of T actively participated in the game. It commenced Jan. 19 and continued until Jan. 25. During the daylight hours, the game was carried on by day students, and at night resident students took over.

But now Bishop's University, in Lennoxville, has taken over the record.

One hundred and fifty hours of playing was set by the dedicated monopolists.

Held to promote the World University Service's SHARE campaign there, the monopolists ran non stop for more than six full days. More than 100 different students took turns at the board during the endurance test, and the game was only stopped after the university's administration decided to re-invoke a regulation closing the common room at night.

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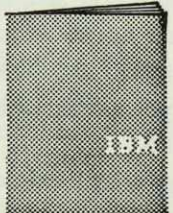
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