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DON'T SPEND OUR MONEY!

Letters to the Editor

The Editor  
The Brunswickan  
Dear Sir:

In reply to "Persephone's" letter of Nov. 9th may I state that such high-school calibre trash should be, if anywhere, on the features page and not voiced as a letter to the editor. Persephone's mentality seems abnormally low and she blandly utters a group opinion with little backing from the group.

I suggest she straighten out her classical knowledge and differentiate between "Persephone" and just plain "phony". Women do not have to do everything men do to prove they are a (quote P.) "hardy race".

Letters like hers don't help our standing, and 150 drunken co-eds staggering en masse back to Fredericton after a "Broomfest", to compete with the Forester's Hammerfest, would only prove our collective ignorance. There is a time and a place for everything.  
Yours truly,  
Lois E. Lange.

ARTSMEN!  
HAVE YOU BOUGHT  
YOUR TIE?

Letter to the Editor

The Editor  
The Brunswickan,  
University of New Brunswick.  
Dear Sir,

I would like to express my sentiments in regard to the Red Cross Blood Donor Clinics, which have been held twice a year since my arrival here in 1953.

It seems to me that the competition aspect of the drive is over-emphasized. The primary consideration, is, of course, the saving of life. It may be argued that individuals will not respond, except under pressure of competition. Since this hasn't obtained the desired results, might I suggest that more clinic time be given, and at more convenient hours. The clinic would probably find it worthwhile to remain here on the campus for a week or more. With one thousand or more eligible donors, eight or ten hours hardly seems like a reasonable time to process them all.

Also, I would like to see that every donor, besides being tested for blood type, be given as a safeguard, a blood type to determine whether the person is actually capable of giving blood. This, I understand is a fairly laborious operation, but certainly should be carried out in fairness to the persons who so generously offer to donate their blood.

I certainly do not wish to unjustly criticize the Red Cross, and if I am misinformed, I would appreciate being corrected on this matter.

Sincerely,  
Gordon Campbell, M.E.

Your Editor Speaks . . .

Let's imagine that I asked for your reaction to this word or that word . . . The sort of thing that delights the Psychology Dept. You know what I mean: You and the examiner are sitting, alone, in a bare room. The psychologist looks wisely at a blank paper; you just look blank. Suddenly he looks up: "NFCUS!" he shouts. "Eh, er . . . ah . . . rubbish!" you stammer. A long silence while the "doctor" gazes at his blank sheet. But let us hurry on to more important matters.

The word I wanted to mention was simply "snow". We all know what it is. To quote the Cambridge Encyclopaedia (in the best of imaginative prose) "— is formed when excess vapour condenses in air below 32 degrees F. It is formed on the nuclei of dust particles, the minute particles of vapour forming tiny crystalline needles . . ." But then, that's all "old hat" to most of us. What I am interested in is your reaction. (For much the same reason scientists are pre-occupied with the Atom Bomb—to know why it glows.) Suppose I asked a recent English immigrant (there are several on the campus only they won't admit they're immigrants). He'd reef in another yard of scarf, blow on his hands and snort: "A lot of damn silly rot." Then, I'll ask a little boy because I'm sure there's something wrong with the first answer. "Oh, boy! Hot Dog!" he'd blurt, with a final "whoopee" for good measure. A student, "bloody long hill, that!" . . . and this could go on forever. But do you know why I wrote this? . . . Simply because it snowed Sunday.

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