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that time 25-30 prisoners died in our hall alone. Each time someone died, the living immediately removed the rags in which the dead were clad and cover themselves up. Many prisoners, unable to stand the physical and mental anguish became insane.

On the third day of our stay there news reached us that Omsk "refused to accept us" and that we are going to be shipped further to the East, somewhere to central Asia. In the evening they shoved us into the same train.

The cold grew more intense. Our misery increased also from the hunger and the brutal treatment of the guards. Once in a while we were given a piece of black bread, but most of the time we received nothing. As for water, we were thirsty most of the time and it was brought to us then usually in an old herring-barrel, uncleaned of course. Having drunk such water, our thirst used to increase tenfold. Our new guards were especially cruel and merciless. Since to them the journey must have been very boring, the thought of a diversion. If we stopped at a station, they would slide open the doors and shout: "Who wants bread? Come out!" At first, while we were still ignorant of their barbaric sense of humor, we all used to rush out of the cars. There we run straight into the bayonets and clubs of the guards, who would shout: "So you want bread! What about a bayonet!"

Soon we failed to realize when we were actually to be given food and when we were to be called out just to satisfy the sadistic impulses of the guards. Many prisoners, especially elderly men preferred to stay without bread and starve rather than die from

bayonett wounds. Those who got knocked out by clubs or wounded by bayonets were carried to the rear cars out of which none ever emerged alive.

At that time, I used to think: we have reached the limit of our sufferings. Nothing worse than this journey can happen. But how mistaken I was! All this was but the ante-room of hell. Hell proper awaited us still.

We were only 25 miles away from our destination, Alma Ata, when at the station of Tli we were told to disembark and were taken to a group of barracks. We stayed there locked up for a whole week. On the seventh day they lined us up in front of the barracks and we faced an officer of the MVD, all covered with medals. He announced that we are going to start on a long journey by foot. Afterwards we were spit up into two groups—the first of which departed immediately after breakfast. The group of which I was a member departed on the following day. The guards told us that we are expected to cover about 70 kilometers.

At the time of leaving, our group comprised about one thousand prisoners. We walked 5 lines deep, supporting the weak and dying among us. Guards marched on both sides of the column. For the first time the guards carried their guns, with bayonets fixed freely, in their hands, the muzzles somewhat bent. Usually they carried them thrown over the shoulder.

Only one hour after we had left, the first prisoner collapsed. Immediately, two guards jumped on him and in front of us nailed him to the ground with their bayonets. It seemed that the guards were underorders not to waste any bullets on us. A short while later, the horrible scene was reenacted, the only variation being the death of the prisoners—

INTER-FACTS

There were no games in the Inter-Fac Hockey League last week as the ice was being used for other purposes, and as a result Engineers, Med and Law are still in a deadlock for first place.

On the basketball front, up to Feb. 3, Law A and Commerce remain the only undefeated teams. The Law A squad gave Arts and Science its first setback as they defeated the A. and S. team 38-33 in a close fought game. Arts and Science held a slim two point lead at half time, but the lawyers, led by Medjuck with 10 and Carter with 12, pulled the game out of the fire in the last half. MacCurdy and Eager were the leading scorers for Arts and Science with 12 and 10 respectively.

Commerce continued its winning ways by trouncing Pharmacy 30-28. Cruickshanks garnered 20 points for the Pharmacy squad but it was not enough to upset the better-balanced Commerce team. Young with eight points paced Commerce, followed closely by Henley and Zebberman with seven each.

The Med B squad pulled an upset when they defeated their fellow colleagues, Med A, 33-39 in a closely contested game. Pandon,

Parker and Kinley paved the way for the Med B victory while Miller with eight led Med B in a losing cause.

In the other Inter-Fac game Law B outclassed the Engineers to come off with a 38-24 victory, their second in three starts. Big Eric Lane with 13 was top point producer for the Lawyers while Doliszny followed with eight. Buck Hollebome led the scrappy Engineers with nine, followed by Hopkins with seven. Engineers lost two other games last week, both in an indirect way. Engineers had defeated Med B 23-22 in a regular league game but Med B protested and won on the grounds that the Engineers had used an ineligible player. In the other game, Pine Hill won over Engineers by default.

Two other Inter-Fac sports have started functioning in the past week. A volleyball League opened on Monday, Feb. 1, with three games played. Play will continue on following Mondays at 8:00 p.m. in the gym. An Inter-Fac Ping Pong has also been formed with six teams entered and with games being played on Saturday afternoon. The schedules for both these leagues is printed below.

Inter-fac Ping Pong Schedule

- Feb. 6—Med vs Eng. Com. vs Pinehill Law vs A. & S.
- Feb. 13—Med vs Pine Hill Eng. vs A. & S. Com. vs Law
- Feb. 20—Med vs A. & S. Pine Hill vs Law Eng. vs Com.
- Feb. 27—Med vs Law A. & S. vs Eng. Pinehill vs Eng.

Inter-fac Volley Ball Schedule

- Feb. 8—Law vs Arts & Science Med vs Commerce Pharmacy vs Engin.
 - Feb. 15—Law vs Commerce Arts and Science vs Engineers Med vs Pharmacy
 - Feb. 22—Law vs Engineers Commerce vs Pharmacy Arts and Science vs Med
 - Mar. 1—Pharmacy vs A. & S. Eng. vs Commerce
- Results of games Feb. 1:
Law defeated Pharmacy, 11-1, 11-1.
Eng. defeated Med 11-2, 11-5.
Commerce won over A. & S. by default.

he was smashed to death with rifle butts.

The road grew worse all the time. We soon came to a swamp covered with some growth. It was covered with ice but at intervals that ice was broken and water could be seen. An order rang out: Stop for rest. Guards started running along the column, picking out the weak and the wounded. They were taken somewhere to the rear of the column. Then we were ordered to move along. Trying to evade the holes in the ice, some men stepped out of line. Immediately their brains

were smashed out with butts. When night fell, my strength left me. I was suddenly seized by a feeling of utter indifference to everything and everyone around me. I heard faintly the shouts and curses of the guards, dull thuds of heads being smashed in and cries of dying men. But all that seemed to by-pass my consciousness. I moved mechanically, step by step, across the snow, my feet bleeding, leaving dark spots on the snow. The ground seemed to beckon me like a magnet. Very soon everything went black and I lost consciousness.

THE KING'S COLUMN

There were two debates last Sunday night in the Haliburton Room, which saw a large turn-out from resident students. The debaters were Dave Walker and Bob Winters from Middle Bay, taking the affirmative of the resolution that Marilyn Munroe's marriage will hurt her publicity, and Dave MacDonald and Murray Dewis taking the negative for North Pole Bay; in the second debate, "resolved that women go to college to gain an academic education," Peter (Dixie) Walker and Fred Nicholson from Chapel Bay for the affirmative versus Peggy Preston and Mary Bell from Alexandra Hall.

In the first debate Dave Walker began by stating that M.M.'s heavily publicized sex appeal would lose interest for men after her marriage. Dave MacDonald retaliated with her vital statistics, including (quote) "... 37, 24, 37 is not a football play" (unquote). Winters built up the idea that with security she wouldn't need to seek publicity in the ways she is famous for, such as (censored). Dewis cited six points, including the fact that Betty Grable's publicity was not hurt by her marriage.

The judges, William Hill, Jim Nesbitt, and Joan Alward gave constructive comments at the end of the debate, which was followed by a spirited participation by the audience.

In the second debate arguments were based on two different premises, the technical and non-technical definition of "academic." Dixie Walker based his argument firmly on the definition of "academic" from the Webster Dictionary; Fred Nicholson called on the audience's imagination, and told of poor girls going to college and struggling with their courses, because deep in their hearts they wanted to justify Papa's faith.

Peggy Preston argued that most girls took part in many college activities in order to develop a well-rounded personality. Mary Bell continued in the same line of thought, pointing out that girls wanted to attract men, and the only means of doing so was by getting in their way; so they did so.

The results of the two debates were in favor of North Pole Bay and Chapel Bay. This leaves the Inter-Bay Debates almost equal insofar as results go, and should Radical Bay and Middle Bay win next week's debates, there will be a five-way tie among the respective bays. On the other hand, should both Alexandra Hall and North Pole Bay win, the result would be a tie. If one alone wins, that bay will be champion.

Inter-Bay sports continue. Inter-Bay basketball winds up this week. Standings so far as follows:

Games played Thurs., Jan. 14:	Middle Bay	20
	Radical Bay	17
	Chapel Bay	22
	North Pole Bay	10
Games played Mon., Jan. 18:	Chapel Bay	20
	Middle Bay	17
	North Pole (default) over Radical Bay	
Games played Thurs., Jan. 28:	Radical Bay	29
	Chapel Bay	21
	North Pole Bay vs Middle Bay:	no points

Games to be played: Semi-Finals: 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 4: 1st—Chapel vs Radical 2nd—North Pole vs Middle

Finals: Winners of 1st and 2nd games play immediately after the semi-finals.

Inter-Bay Volleyball, which begins on Thursday, Feb. 11, will be played according to the following schedule:

Games to be played Feb. 11: Chapel Bay vs Middle Bay North Pole Bay vs Radical Bay Games to be played Feb. 18:

Chapel Bay vs Radical Bay Middle Bay vs North Pole Bay Games to be played Feb. 25: Middle Bay vs Radical Bay North Pole Bay vs Chapel Bay

Semi-finals and Finals are to be played on Thursday, March 4. The Inter-Bay Hockey games started last week with a win by Middle Bay over Radical Bay, 3-1, with Dave Walker shooting the first goal of the season on an assist by Leonard Clarke, who scored the other two goals for Middle Bay. North Pole Bay and Chapel Bay tied 2-2 in a hard-fought game, which saw several Bermudians on ice for the first time. Games will continue:

Monday, Feb. 1: North Pole Bay vs Radical Bay Middle Bay vs Chapel Bay Monday, Feb. 8: Chapel Bay vs Radical Bay Middle Bay vs North Pole Bay

Monday, Feb. 15: Semi-final round: "A" series: 1st place vs 3rd place "B" series: 2nd place vs 4th place

Monday, Feb. 22: Final round: "A" series winners vs "B" series winners.

The Dalhousie-King's Sociology Club met in the Haliburton Room of King's College on January 25 at 8:15 p.m. for their first meeting of the new year. Mr. Peter Jangaard showed slides on Norway as the main attraction of the evening. Max Clattenburg, president of the club, also showed slides of scenic parts of Nova Scotia, the Rockies and British Columbia. Dr. S. H. Prince presided.

Last Saturday night the King's orchestra played at a dance in the Haliburton Room, and tried out several new techniques before a moderate crowd. There were five special soloists during the course of the dance; Thad Hollis, Avis Francis, and Doug Morrison were the singers, while Colin Bergh played the accordion and Jack Hatfield the harmonica.

In the outlaw bridge tournament, Middle Bay beat North Pole Bay on an unnamed night last week.

Last Saturday night the King's College basketball team played HMCS Stadacona at the Dalhousie gymnasium. King's took the lead early in the game, and held it all through the first half. In the second half the Stadacona team put on a determined offensive as King's faltered. In the closing minutes of the game Stad drew to within a few points of tying the score, and finally did so, at 58-58. A Stadacona player received two shots for fouls, but both failed to go in for the winning point. The game went into overtime, and Kings emerged victorious with a score of 64-61.

The following are the scores and percentages for the game, as compiled by Ian Campbell:

Kings' lay-ups	25	18	36	72%
floor	62	7	14	11%
total	87	25	50	29%
Navy lay-ups	16	12	24	75%
floor	57	14	28	25%
total	73	26	52	36%
King's foul shots	39	14	14	36%
Navy foul shots	24	9	9	38%

.... A New Cafeteria or A Revolution

Everybody knows that the present Lunch Room in the Men's Residence is a miserable failure in the function of serving the students coffee, smokes, cokes and meals. Well, at last a partial solution to the slowness of the service has been put forward.

Instead of the long useless counter that now exists, it has been suggested that the whole thing be removed and in its place a short counter be put across the end of the cafeteria room at the end where the kitchen is. It would then simply be a matter of having a waitress stand behind the counter and hand out the desired items. There should also be a cash register instead of the cigar box now in use. If the present great cumbersome counter were removed the girls behind the counter would not have to walk half a mile to get a bottle of milk or a coke.

And the big advantage of this proposed remodelling is the fact that it could be done with the material now in the cafeteria, and, as far as that goes, it could be done overnight by a few good carpenters.

Of course the space left over would be filled up with tables and chairs like any other self respecting restaurant.

While it is well recognized that the university is not inclined to spend too much money on the Men's Residence, the university's not doing anything to alleviate what is at present an intolerable situation, can only be classed as gross indifference.

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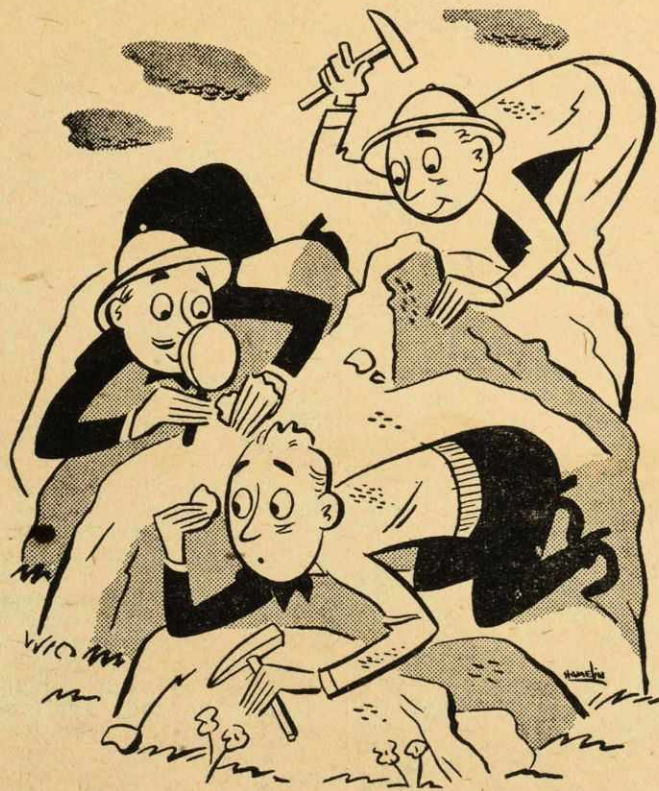
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