

UBC Meds Report Good Progress

AND SO WAS I

The moon was yellow,
The lane was bright;
She turned to me
In the summer night
And gave a hint
With every glance
That what she craved
Was real romance.
I stammered, stuttered,
And time went by;
The moon was yellow
... And so was I.

ROLLING STONES

Watch the scramble; the race is on. They're off, loaded with books. Facts, opinion, learning. Transcribe it; describe it. Book to self, to paper and back again. 'Round and 'round it goes.

The source, great halls stacked with learning. Row on row, floor to ceiling. Warm and dry and cosy. Drowsy, dull and musty. Read the books; write the papers. Transfer an education from shelf to self.

Gather unconflicting fact. Reinforce preconceived misconception. Cut, edit, all along the line. Not the whole truth; take nice little bits. Safe. Acceptable. Support the party, the credo, the dogma. Right, correct, then and now. Consult the book, authority in black and white. It's written; it must be so.

Change, develop, grow? Vision wide and open, so to see? No, eyes closed. Hold tight to the old familiar, tried and tested.

Look outside; see the world of men. Another authority, living, proud, real. The toilers, the fighters. See them, dirty hands, lean bodies, knotted muscles. And clear eyes. Travel here for reference, and you may become a Vagabond.

Rovers Report—

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bag under his arm; when questioned about the bag he told us it was his next three meals in the bag. We assured him we were glad that he had his meals planned but why did he carry them with him. He told us it was because he was working nights and could not always get home for meals between classes and working.

After a few minutes talk he pointed out another student whom he felt we would like to talk to. As he approached we hailed him and put the question to him. "Was he working his way through College?"

"Yes", he said. "And do you not find it difficult?", we asked.

"Sure", he said, "but if anybody really wants to they can do it".

"About how much money did you earn last summer?", we asked, excusing ourselves for our inquisitiveness.

"Nearly a thousand dollars", he said.

Rather curious at this we showed him the facts in the 'Defender.' He read it carefully and handed it back with a smile.

"Don't pay an attention to those Commies", he said, "they'd argue the world was flat if it suited them".

The Faculty of Medicine of the University of British Columbia entered the third year of its existence in September, and this seems an appropriate time to review its progress so far, to call attention to some of the problems which yet remain, and to touch upon points of special interest in connection with this new Faculty of the University.

The first year of the medical course and most of the second year are given on the campus of the university. The physical plant of the medical school consists of well-lighted, well-equipped student laboratories, lecture halls and research laboratories. These have been created by the conversion of frame buildings which were constructed shortly after World War II. This temporary housing of the pre-clinical departments of Anatomy, Physiology, Pharmacology and Pathology is fitted out with excellent equipment for teaching and research. The Department of Biochemistry and the Crease Clinic Research Unit are in a less favourable position than the basic science departments previously mentioned because they are housed in surplus war huts. All departments mentioned find themselves crowded for the best of teaching of undergraduate medical students. The problem will become more acute as graduate and post-graduate programmes are undertaken.

As to the accommodation of the clinical departments, "teaching beds" at the Vancouver General Hospital have been obtained through an agreement with that institution. However, there is entirely inadequate departmental space for the Faculty, and very little accommodation for the students. Lectures are given in the auditorium of the Tuberculosis Hospital and other extemporization is in evidence.

It might be expected that the quality of teaching of the future doctors for the Province would suffer severely under such limitations. However, this has not proved to be the case up to now. The student body is notable for its high morale and earnest attack upon its studies. There is fine esprit de corps within the faculty, although everyone hopes that new and permanent accommodation can be provided for both pre-clinical and clinical departments in the very near future.

We queried him on his statement. "What they mean there is that \$283.00 on the average, includes those that didn't have to work and those that didn't work at all".

"Tell us", we asked, "do you know of many other students that have to work their way through college?"

"Sure", he said. "Off hand I could get up a list of at least a hundred that I know of."

We chatted for a while and then went on our way, rather upset at learning that the "Defender" had misled us. From our conversation with the two boys we discovered that there was one essential for getting through college that did not depend on wealth, social position or government grants, and that essential was the "will" to get the education and nothing more.

Feeling rather pleased that the

BBC Shorts

HEAD AND HEART

"It seems to me that there are two main sides to our personalities—the thinking side—the head, and the feeling side—the heart. In all human beings there should be a balance between the two. And speaking very broadly, the masculine personality is the one in which the balance is slightly on the thinking side, and the feminine one, on the feeling side. But in both cases, a well-balanced person is one in whom the balance is not overweighted on either side."—Joan Butler speaking in the BBC's Light Programme.

FULL TIME JOB

"The farmer in our rough northern climate has, even with all the modern inventions to help him, a rough, arduous and absolutely full-time job. But he is probably amongst the happiest, best nourished and healthiest of our community.—Moray McLaren speaking about farming in Scotland.

REVOLUTIONARY LEADERS

"What matters in a despotic State or indeed any State is the secret mind of its elite, the free, the educated, the expert. Revolutions are not made by proletarians but the middle class. They are not led by peasants but by poets, philosophers, cranks and fanatics."—Joyce Cary speaking in the BBC's European Service about "Freedom and Power".

future of the country did not, after all, depend on the activities of splinter groups, such as printed the "Defender," as much as it did the determination of our country's young people doing what they felt was right. We marched back to the office decided to write the editor of the Defender a red hot letter under we remembered that the best way to kill those leftist gangs was to ignore them and let them die of their own insincerity.

UNAPPRECIATED WOMEN

"My point is that if women are

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Science reports that there has been found off the coast of Africa last week a fish that was believed to have been extinct for fifty million years. The discovery is considered important because the coelacanth (pronounced see-la-canth) is believed to be the missing link between the earth's original sea dwelling creatures and early land animals. The coelacanth is about the size of a man and has on the rudiments of what were later to develop into legs and arms on land creatures.

Welcome from your ocean depths oh leggy coelacanth
We've found you out my finny friend from your ancestral haunt
And though you've hidden carefully for fifty million years
Together we the Church's lore publically will flaunt.

You are the brave exception to evolutions golden rule
Although they say exception doth make the rule conform
But I would ask one question if I may be so rude
Where were you brother coelacanth when Adam first was born.

For the Church doth maintain my submarine friend
That he was first of creatures of all this earthly mould
But it seems to me oh coelacanth with your fifty million years,
That at father Adams coming you were already somewhat old.

Now I'd be the last to want to doubt our churchmen sage and wise
But consider what you've done to them with all their folksy lore
And retreat oh shady coelacanth before they damn your eyes
Be gone and hide forever on your prehistoric shore.

For though the Church explains you and all your brother kind
I have one debt I owe you and I write it here in ink
For though you're no ancestor (excommunicate me if I lie)
But at least oh silent coelacanth, at least you've made me think.
S. O. S.

not physically appreciated, they fade. It's the unplucked flower that fades, not the plucked one. They have the mistakeable look of the woman who has not been chosen; unused spinsters are like machines who rust from disuse."—Mollie, one of four anonymous women who discussed with Olive Shapley in a BBC programme the problem of "Women Without Men".

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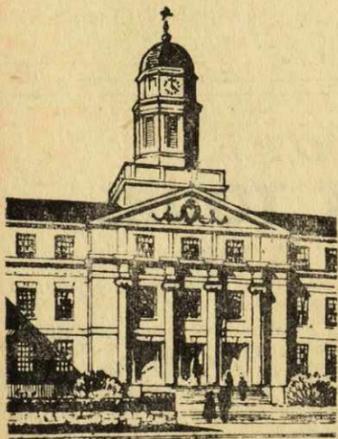


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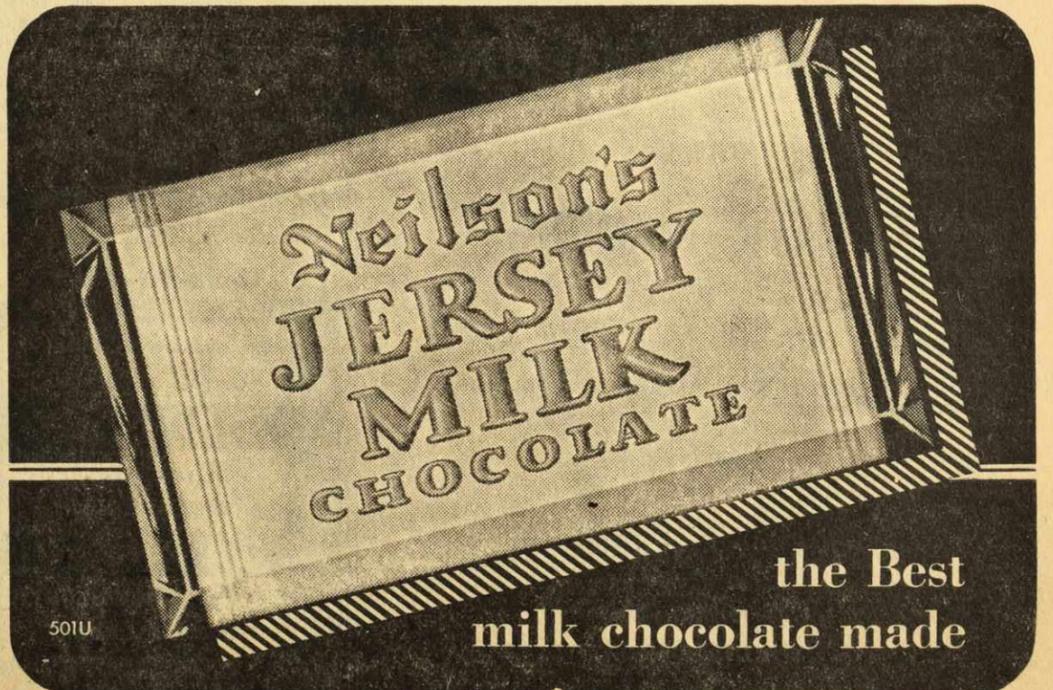
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