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Signs of the Times?

A few months ago it was the custom to point a finger at the British Socialist government as a "horrible example" of what happens when a government starts running the industries as well as the laws. It appears, however, that the same sort of thing can occur on this side of the Atlantic as well.

Recently a farmer in the province of British Columbia was haled into court and fined for selling milk not below but ABOVE the standard set by the Provincial Dairy Board. His milk was tested at 4.2% butterfat, it seemed, instead of the 3.6% decreed by the bureaucrats as the proper level.

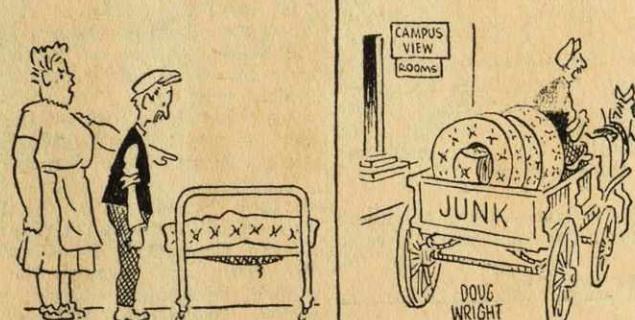
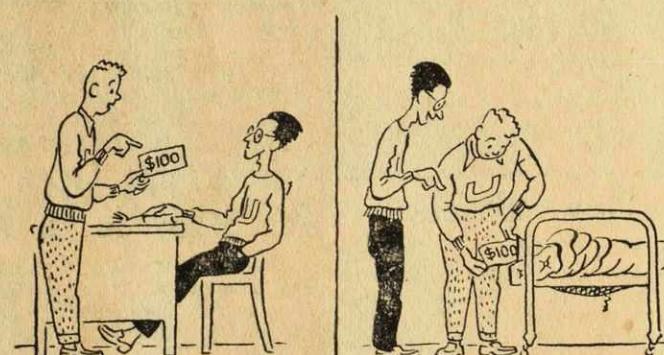
We had supposed that when the Board set the standard it was protecting the poor public from those unscrupulous farmers who would give us all skim milk, but it appears that this is a fallacy. "We must delude the public into thinking that we, the Board, are here for their protection, thus we will set a standard of 3.6% butterfat, but it really isn't a high level and we will protect you from your ambitious hard-working neighbour who wants to sell milk at 3.7% or 3.8%. WE WON'T LET HIM."

It appears that a man must now love his neighbour not only as himself but better than himself, for under no circumstances must he produce, or at any rate be allowed to sell, a product that his lazy neighbour cannot with comparative ease also produce.

When a man can no longer through his own hard labor legally sell a better product than his neighbor it is time to question the law. Laws were meant to protect, but not to hamstring.

Moderation is a fine thing—in its place—but when it is used for the purpose of bringing everything down to one level, above or below which one can no longer go, then its purpose is defeated and the nation that follows it is following the path to destruction.

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That Old Two Handed Engine

Once I wondered what Milton mean by the "two handed engine at the door, ready to strike once and strike no more". It sounded pretty fatal whatever it was. Just now I have a good idea of what it may have been. The Committee of Studies is said to be meeting daily in the west end of the Residence Building, and I have a vague feeling that I may occupy the attention of the red pencil for one fleeting, fatal moment. It is the annual review of the results of the Christmas Examinations. There is no crunch of snow under happy feet across the campus. To my sensitive ears there is a silence of foreboding, the hush of voices pending the word of doom.

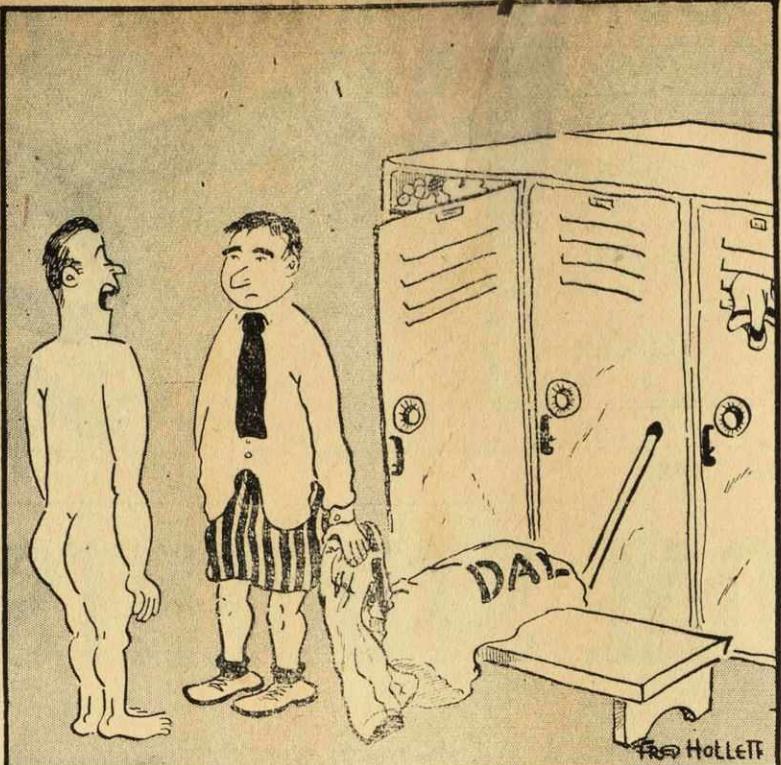
In the midst of it all I feel there is a ray of hope. Faculty "turned up the heat" a bit last year. It said:

1. Yuh gotta git complete matriculation before you go into your second year of attendance;
2. Yuh gotta pass in three subjects after yer freshman year by supps. or regular exams., before yuh can come back.

3. Yuh can't write more than two supps. a year.
4. Yuh can't graduate if yuh have passed more than five classes by supps.

Now, after doing this chore I expect the Committee will want to see how the brew works. It is pretty hard to cut a student down to a point where he hasn't a fighting chance of meeting the yearly requirement. So that makes me feel somewhat hopeful.

Of course the Committee works on the assumption that the results indicate that the gray matter is somewhat less than the timbleful necessary to pass in five classes,



"OF COURSE I KNOW THE GIRLS USE THIS AS A SHORT CUT — WHY THE HELL DO YOU THINK I'M STANDIN' HERE?"

and feel that by reducing your load they are giving you your proper dose. This may apply to some, but for my part I hope I am justified in feeling that I did not work as hard or as intelligently as I might have done. I also think that I put off hard work too long and then it was "too little—too late". Being in the Valley of Humiliation I think fifty per cent of us could have done better than we did.

Of one thing I'm glad, and I know a lot of students who feel the

same way, that we have mid-year examinations. They are tough, but they get us into the proper mood to do the chore we came here to do. Another thing that pleases me is that if I ever do get that blessed degree I won't feel that I got it by taking "cinch" courses. It will be worth having if that "bright and glorious morning" in mid May will ever dawn for me.

So, gentlemen of the Committee make it tough, but not too darned hard this time, puleeese!!

Non-Canadian Students at Canadian Universities

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University students in the majority of cases differ from the pupils of a school in that they have consciously selected the institution that they wish to attend rather than arbitrarily enrolling at the institution in their community. The association of men and women from many parts of the world within a single university is an important part of the educational process.

Thus a leader in higher education recently viewed a situation, the question of foreign registration, at one large Canadian university.

One student in eight on the McGill University campus is from a home outside of the Dominion. Students from an estimated 65 nations are registered at the University of Toronto. Whether by over 900 students, as at McGill, by 4% as at Queen's or by 2% as at Manitoba, every Canadian university has its numbers swelled by non-Canadian registration.

The great majority of the foreign students studying on Canadian campuses are from the United States or from the British Commonwealth countries. Over 100 from the British West Indies were registered at McGill, a student from Lebanon was doing graduate work at the University of Manitoba, seven from Germany were attending Queen's — during the 1950-51 academic year, the last term for which complete figures were available from most Canadian universities.

The international reputation of a number of larger Canadian universities had, it has been noted, led many of the foreign students to journey to the Dominion to begin or continue their college education. Virtually every field of study offered, and especially those branches dealing with graduate studies, has attracted the non-Canadian student.

Students from other nations have, as would be expected, brought to Canadian campuses views and cultural interests all their own. An illustration of the diversity of beliefs is provided by one of the larger Universities at which Christianity, Judaism, Mohammedanism, Buddhism and Confucianism are reported among the religious backgrounds of the non-Canadian students. The possible benefits to be derived from the differences in cultural interests have been illustrated by the concerts of Caribbean music that have been presented to capacity audiences at McGill.

And each foreign student who graduates from a Canadian University can become a life-long ambassador for the Canadian way of life.

A quick glance through the Registrar's records, reveals that there are 42 students here at Dalhousie, who have their homes in countries outside Canada.

As at other universities, the greatest percentage of foreign students is from the U. S., with the West Indies and British Guiana next. Many of the American students are studying at Dal under

the G.I. Bill of Rights.

The remainder of non-Canadian students at Dalhousie come from Venezuela, Norway, Sierra Leone, Czechoslovakia, and the British Isles. A great number of these are either Canadian born or have relatives or close friends living in this



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