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EDITORIAL

Can They Make The Grade?

Among the many visitors to the city of Halifax are 2000 university students, who spend a considerable amount of money for meals, after-movie snacks and other commodities in the run of each year in city restaurants. To these students as well as citizens, the city owes the responsibility of ensuring sanitary food and eating conditions by means of sufficient sanitation laws and inspections.

A few weeks ago the City Council refused to pass legislation for the grading of restaurants and eating-houses according to their relative degree of general cleanliness. This would have allowed public notification of which restaurants were maintaining their standards and which allowing them to diminish at intervals. Its result would have been greater incentive for those establishments nearest the minimum requirements to improve and maintain a higher standard of cleanliness.

All neophyte doctors at the Dalhousie Medical School learn about the conditions in city restaurants through their studies in Public Health. All are required to carry out a sanitation tour of city restaurants as part of this course of study. All immediately recognize that many of these establishments come much too close to the line in following minimum requirements to protect the health of customers. All complete the course, finish their medical studies and begin practice, knowing full well that the more unsanitary offenders are not closed down because no enforcement regulations exist and because of lack of knowledge on the part of the general public.

The minimum sanitation requirements in this city are fairly low. Yet, sometimes even the better restaurants momentarily fall below this level.

These words are not intended as a general condemnation of all city restaurants for there are many clean, inexpensive and well-run ones operating in the city. But one can only guess how many people would continue to patronize some of the other eating places in Halifax were they permitted to view their kitchens, cutlery, garbage disposal, refrigeration or food-handling processes.

AT ALL TIMES public eating places must be forced to maintain minimum standards. If not, legislation is required to force these on-again off-again offenders to close until more sanitary conditions are evident. It is much better to deprive offending restaurateurs of their means of livelihood than to permit the continual existence of publicly dangerous conditions.

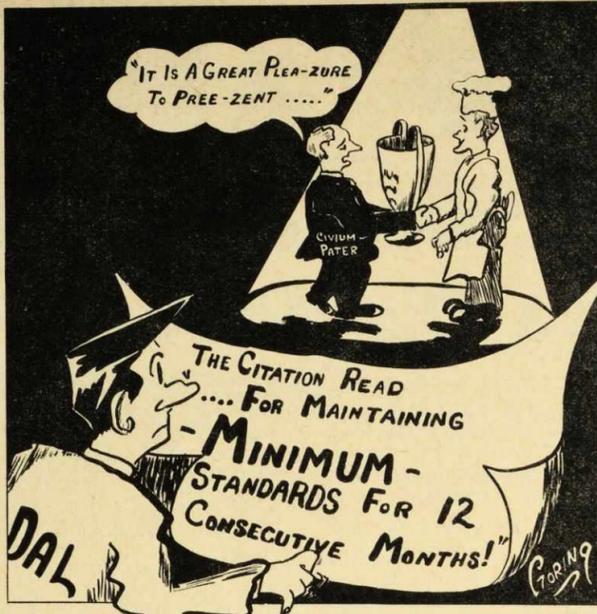
Even if it means more work for the over-burdened sanitary inspectors of the city the proposed restaurant grading system is a meritorious suggestion, which merits more consideration than appearing from newspaper accounts.

A restaurant grading system, like those for other purposes, is intended for the protection of the public. There are presently grading systems for eggs, fruit, clothing, cars, colleges, students, newspapers and people. Why not one for restaurants?

We can only hope that the future impetus for implementation of such a plan is not the direct result of a series of food poisonings. While death has a way of forcing the authorities to act, it seems much better common sense to guard such a possibility by doing something now.

—H.N.

Letters to the Editor should be handed in by 1:00 p.m. on Thursdays. If possible, they should be type-written, double spaced on one side of paper only. The Editors reserve the right to select letter to be published and if necessary to edit them. Names will be withheld on request, but must be in our possession.



Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,
The people who feel strongly enough about the government of their nation to give permanent support to one party usually do so because of deep convictions about the abiding political principles which guide the actions of that party on current issues.
One of the fundamental principles of the Conservative Party in Canada is free enterprise (e.g. Expose Personnel). The Conservatives make no apologies for being a party of traditional free enterprise. Freedom is one and indivisible, if economic freedom is lost, political freedom will be lost.
Economic freedom is the essence of competitive enterprise and competitive enterprise is the foundation of our democratic system. A glance at history will well serve to show that competitive enterprise provides the maximum of Social Security. It is for these reasons that the Conservative Party affirm their belief in the principle

of economic freedom.
Economic freedom will promote thrift, foster and encourage the qualities of self-reliance, industry, and initiative which are the very qualities that are needed today in order to make Canada the most prosperous nation in the world.
The welfare state subordinates the individual to the state and means security for the lazy, hardship for the ambitious, and death to our nation.
The present Liberal administration in compromise between Socialism and the principles of Conservatism, has unfortunately compromised itself out of principle into expediency.
The Liberal philosophy of such great leaders as William Lyon MacKenzie King and Louis Joseph Papineau has gradually taken a strange twist. Perhaps the C.C.F. have the answer.
Yours truly,
G.K.C.B.

A Brunswickan Editorial

NFCUS is a controversial topic that has been discussed in Students' Representative Council Meetings at UNB since its inception. The SRC meeting of Wednesday, October 5, was no exception. The topic, as usual was whether or not to join again, and what is to be gained by membership in NFCUS. The council voted, as always, to stay in the NFCUS but the question of why is still unanswered.

One argument for NFCUS membership was its program of international representation of the Canadian student. From the published reports it would appear that this avenue of effort is receiving adequate attention. We are members of COSEC through NFCUS and have been represented abroad at every important student conference for several years. This is all very well but, the actual benefits to the Canadian student from this great expenditure of time, money and effort has been notably absent in concrete terms. If we admit it, concrete results are the criteria by which the Canadian student measures success of worth. Accordingly the NFCUS international program is a waste in the eyes of the majority of its members.

The NFCUS national policy is the one in which the most interest is placed, at least here at UNB, but the one into which the least thought and effort appear to be directed. UNB joined NFCUS and gave it life on the campus for 1954-1955 if the local committee would concentrate on the local scene. This was done, and sales tax relief on text books is light proof of it. The sentiments of the previous year were expressed last Wednesday. Canada, in many respects, is still international within its borders and it would pay the NFCUS to concentrate on the National in its name before the international.

Staffers - - Take Notice—

All Dal Gazette staffers are reminded of the staff picture to be taken at 12.15 p.m. tomorrow afternoon at the Gazette offices. All reporters, writers and columnists are reminded further that in view of rapidly approaching exams, they are to check closely with their respective sections in complying with assignment deadlines for the next edition.

Final Edition

The next edition of the Gazette, No. 9, will be the final edition of

C. O. T. C.

A Pay Parade for Dal-Kings Contingent will be held in the COTC office (gymnasium) on Friday 9 Dec. 55 at 1900 hours.

Individuals concerned should check with the RSO, Maj. Gillan, on 7th or 8th Dec.

Only two lectures remain before the Christmas vacation begins: Third yearThurs., 1 Dec., second year Wed., 30 Nov.

The first lectures of the new year will be held as follows: First year 10 Jan. 56 in Room 234, Arts and Administration Bldg., second year, 4 Jan. 56 at St. Mary's, third year, 5 Jan. 56 in Room 234.

As a reminder to all COTC personnel, the COTC dance is set for 13 Jan. 56 at R.A. Park, Officer's Mess. Keep that date in mind because we want to see everybody there — it's one of the few times that we all get together!

NEWS OF THE U'S

by Garry K. C. Braund



U. of B.C. (Ubyssy)

Student flees Turkey — Paul Romeril to Turkey on exchange program — arrival found not expected — student responsible for arrangements had become involved in a riot and fled country — only lodging was bed-bug-ridden hotel.
Ed. Fleas from Bed-Bugs.

Memorial (Nfld.) (the Muse)

Did you know that Memorial became a full-fledged university, by an act of the Provincial Government in August, 1949?
Ed. No.

D.A.C. (Ontario)

"The art of kissing" — Ont. agricultural college girls don't know how to kiss. This is disastrous because the art of kissing should be mastered by all college graduates for future references.
Ed. Snagged at first base by a dodger.

St. F.X. (Xaverian)

St. F.X. to debate against St. Mary's — date Dec. 5. Resolve "that the senate should be abolished".
Ed: May the best saint win.

McGill (Daily)

"McGill campus proposed as site for expected overflow announced by Dr. F. Cyril Jones, principal and vice-chancellor of McGill.

McMaster (Silhouette)

"Seaway Myth Exploded" Professor W. H. Parker says Canada not to be too optimistic re St. Lawrence Seaway. There will be no immediate prosperity for Canada. It would hurt Canada's trade and industry.
Ed. Professional ballyhoo.

U. of B.C. (Ubyssy)

Dialogue during CPP's leader Tin Duck's visit to campus. Student: Are there any slave camps in Russia?
Tin Duck: Not to my knowledge.
Student: I just arrived in Canada after escaping from one.
Ed. Advice to Tin — He who throws dirt loses ground.

C.U.P. (across the Board)

It is noted with regret that Manitoba U. has decided to pull out of NFCUS. Your loss will be our increased responsibility.
Ed. Can't see wheat from chaff.

C.U.P. (across board further)

At least four delegates to hit Quebec city C.U.P. conference from Journal by the sea. Time between Xmas and New Year.
Good-night Carolyn. (Brigadier U.S. Cavalry ret'd).

Letter To The Editor

The Editor
Dalhousie Gazette

Dear Sir,
We were requested by the president of Sodales to judge a debate on Thursday, November 24th. This debate was not held. Why? The affirmative side, representing Law, Graham Day and Ian Farquhar did not appear. Considerable time and effort was consumed by all parties interested in this debate. Law was apparently disinterested. Does

such discourtesy reflect the attitude of Law or only of the individuals concerned? Our sympathies are with those who prepared and were inconvenienced by the inconsiderateness of their opponents.

Yours truly,

The Judges,

Evelyn Bennett
Ken Rozee
George B. Hallett

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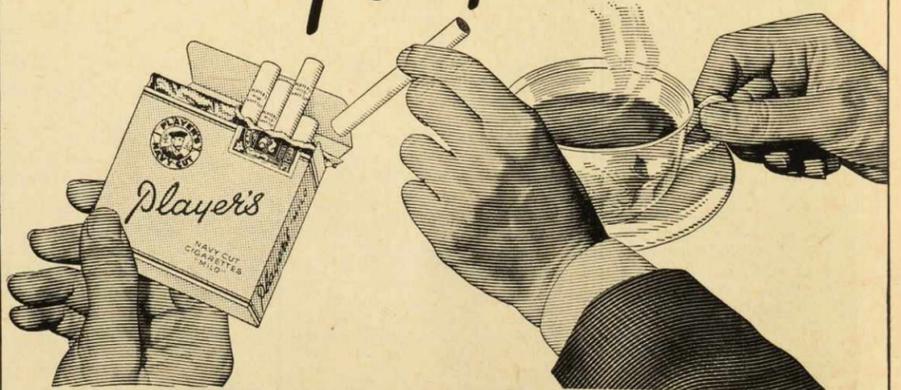
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