

International Student News

CUBA — A thousand Cuban students left Cuba at the end of August to take up studies in the USSR. They are part of the announced total of 2,000 Cuban students scheduled to go to the Soviet Union this year. Most of them will be studying agriculture for terms ranging from one to four years. (News Features, New York.)

NORWAY — The International Assistance Fund of the Norwegian students and graduates has turned over 140,000 Norwegian Kroners to the Pope Pius XII College in Basutoland. This amount together with some other donations is sufficient to set up a philological institute which will be opened during 1964.

In the near future the Assistance Fund will enable a student from Basutoland to study in Norway while a Norwegian physicist is to be sent to the African country. The Fund will also place money at the disposal of Basutoland students to meet living costs during their studies. (Universitas, Oslo)

PAKISTAN — A new outbreak

of anti-Government student agitation occurred recently when Agriculture Minister Fazlul Quader Chowdhury was greeted by demonstrations while making a public address in Dacca. Last February agitation against the policies of the Ayub Khan government exploded into rioting led by students from Dacca University. (News Features, New York.)

USSR — Eleven student unions were accepted as new members of the International Union of Students (IUS) at its 7th Congress in Leningrad in August.

They include: the General Union of African Students under Portuguese Colonial Rule (UGUEAN); The Association of West Indian Students in Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and the National Student Unions of Argentinian (FUA), Brazil (UNEB), Indonesia (PPMI), Nigeria (NUNS), Ethiopia (NUES) and the Congo (UGEC). The National Union of Peru (FEP) has put in an application for membership. (Deutscher und Internationaler Jugendinformationsdienst, Wiesbaden.)

MEMORIAL OPPOSES BOYCOTT

OTTAWA (CUP) — A Canadian University Press survey at the 26th Congress of the National Federation of Canadian University Students in Sherbrooke, Quebec showed most of the delegation knew nothing about South African economics when they voted for an economic boycott of South Africa. The survey came after Memorial University of Newfoundland, sole opposition to the motion, presented the press with a statement.

Memorial stated they fully agreed with the Congress's condemnation of apartheid but that they did not know enough about the South African economy to intelligently appraise the issue.

The CUP survey found that 25 out of 30 delegations polled admitted they know nothing about the South African economy.

The four survey questions pertained to South African's gold and diamond trade.

Memorial also questioned the assumption that, if the boycott was successful, the next government would be any better.



Council Comments

by Al Robertson
SC President

I suppose some of us are glad to be back. Not being the committal type, I won't comment until this first hectic month is well past. As anybody who has passed the office lately will know, it has been the scene of utter, organized chaos. Several people have left the office with blood in their eyes and foam in their mouths, having come upon us finalizing plans for the bookstore and coordinating the issue of council cards to our lawyers, doctors, nurses, and dentists. Not only have Council members themselves been active, but we've had help from numerous people who have given up a free afternoon or

morning. Wherever you are — thanks!

A lot of new things are happening this year, among them our much-needed cafeteria style Bookstore, a system of Council cards which makes their transfer impossible, and last, but not least, a completely new athletic set-up, thanks to the undying enthusiasm of Mr. Gowie and his staff.

From time immemorial until last year, our athletic set-up was such that the students had virtually complete control over the staff, their functions, and ultimately the success of the program. Last year's President, Dick Thompson, saw the need for a new type of program, and proceeded in such a manner as to give athletics a much-needed shot in the arm. He contacted Prof. Andy MacKay of our Law School, and together they devised a scheme with obvious good results, handing over almost complete control to the administration now headed by Mr. Gowie.

Spirit here at Dal is definitely on the rise, and with the help of our Freshman class, great things are ahead. A lot of new talent, both individually and as a group, will be at the disposal of the students in the coming years, and I hope it is exploited to the fullest.

If anyone has any suggestions regarding the Bookstore in particular, or anything in general, I certainly would appreciate any help they could offer. I can usually be found wandering about the old Residence, or the "Arts Annex" as it is officially called, with a daze in my eyes and a cup of coffee in my hand; and if you just can't wait to help, the Council office is usually open, and if it's not, there's enough room space between the floor and the bottom of the door through which to fit a note.

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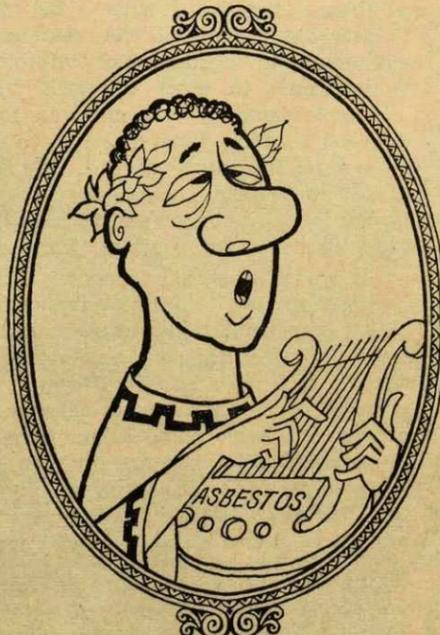
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