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ARE WE ABOVE POLITICS?

Mr. Drew raised a significant question here last week when he said that most people look upon politics as something rather dishonest and beneath them, and pride themselves on the fact that they have taken no active part in the government of their country.

It is a sad commentary on the state of civic sentiment if we are ashamed of associating ourselves with the men or the institutions that are the government of our country.

The point is especially well taken in a University from which so many graduating students go into government or politics.

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Richter's death came as a shock not only to friends and pupils at Dalhousie, but also to men of the labour, business and government of this part of the country, which benefited so greatly from his efforts.

His work is too well-known to need any comment which we might make; the Institute of Public Affairs and its subdivisions will be a much more permanent memorial to his energy and devotion for the welfare of his adopted country. Not only Dalhousie, which knew him for the scholar and gentleman that he was, but the Province in which he was such a good citizen will also remember him.

Letters To The Editor

Halifax, N. S.,
November 15, 1948

The Editor,
Dalhousie Gazette
Sir:

Re Financial summary November 8, 1948. If brevity was the purpose of the statement of revenue and expenditure, the Students Council has my congratulations. If the statement was submitted for the purpose of giving the students a fair idea of the disposition of the funds, they are still wondering whether gold lace was used in the footballs, mahogany in the hockey sticks, who plays squash, and how

ping-pong and badminton (in which many participate) get by with a mere \$278. Perhaps many of the students would like to know the answers to these questions, and it would seem the obligation of those whom they have elected to the Council to supply the information. In closing, I would like to ask a question myself. What kind of a game is "general", and who plays it? I am curious about these modern entertainments and I would be obliged if someone taught me the finer points.

Respectfully submitted,
James A. Proudfoot.

Daily Ubysey Scored By Forum

(CUP)—Censure of the Daily Ubysey has resulted in the appointment of a liaison officer to work between student government and the paper at the University of British Columbia.

The paper was termed "detrimental" to the university by students at a parliamentary forum debate.

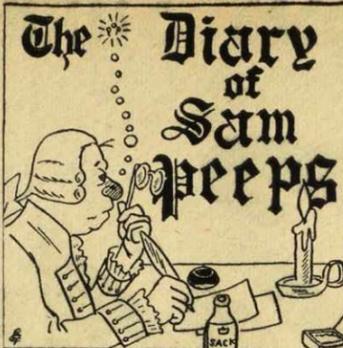
UBC law student Frank Collier won support from the forum audience on a four-point attack. The daily was charged with fostering inter-student discord, especially

between engineers and the rest of the student body last year.

Collier said the paper had not been ready to accept criticism, particularly on two charges of inadequate news coverage made in past years made by members of the Undergraduate Societies Committee.

The paper had conducted personal attacks against students, harming their reputations and the reputation of the university. It was also charged with distorting and sensationalizing the news.

Defending the Ubysey, Les Bewley maintained it had performed its function of reporting student activities. The Ubysey could not be responsible for the foibles of the student body.



Sunday, Nov. 14—Up early and by water to the Arcadia monastery where I did observe many water-babies disporting themselves, although gently, under the watchful eye of their leader, Watch'em Kirkstalin. Was much displeased to see that all there were wearing chains about their legs attached to the other end to heavy iron spheres.

This was to keep them from wandering to Hanson's — a local tavern where great pleasures are supposed to be had. I went there and found it only an ordinary inn with poor ale and common French wine.

Much was said by the students there that they were being kept behind a drapery made of iron and bolted firmly, and they are loathe to give any praise to their president.

They have a most unhappy home life, and are forced to live in small, bare cubicles, and must not leave without permission, and all of their time is taken up with studies. They are not allowed to partake of good ale, and cannot play at football as do the scholars at Dullhouse.

Indeed I was sure that they are a dull lot, and cannot look forward to any great future.

Disgusted, I home again by water where I did learn that in the great football game against the Sailors, the scholars from the college on the hill had won in a very exciting and vicious game.

After celebrating the contest, I to home and to bed, much disgusted with my trip to Arcadia.

Monday, Nov. 15—Slept late and rose after reading of a book for a political science subject which I am taking at the college on the hill—I am to write a review of the book and I do see much in it to criticize, which I shall do, and well I hope.

Walked down to Sour's Inn wherein I did discover many students discussing the great football game of Saturday. Many did say that George Mattison (a most difficult name) was over-zealous in knocking a Navy player into the grandstand or almost, while others did say it was a fine deed.

There was also a great deal of conversation about the list of moneys expended and gained by the Council of Students, and some did say the list, which appeared in the Spectator (early edition) was too short, and did not tell everything that was to be told.

I did remark that the whole, long story would be told at a Forum of the scholars to be held in the gymnasium soon, and others did say that nobody ever went to a Forum, which unfortunately seems to be the true case.

Tuesday, Nov. 16—On the street early and to the Gym Inn where I had a fine new drink called Rhum, which did cause me to tingle all over.

Readied myself for the contest between the money students and the students of letters who this afternoon are to play a great game of the old style rugby, at King's cathedral. Great honor will be given the winners who are to be known by all as the champions of the between-faculty athletics.

Great talk today that the flying sailors from across the Thames will sadly defeat the sea-going Navy from the old town. I do not think so, and have wagered with several that Navy will win tomorrow, and so I hope they will, that the scholars may play them once again.

Twice the scholars have trounced the sailors and twice the contests have been of great interest, stirring even my old friend Ilack Perception to writing about them.

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