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ELECTION RESULTS

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	Etter	Offley	Spoiled
A & A Building	107	80	4
Howe Hall	93	76	9
Arts Annex	67	106	7
Education Building	52	12	-
Chemistry Building	44	30	1
Tupper Building	138	43	-
Dental Building	36	3	-
Dunn Building	66	31	2
Shirreff Hall	119	59	-
Law (Weldon)	76	15	-
Totals	798	455	23

Etter triumphs in Vice-Pres. vote

Pam Etter won a clear-cut victory, by 798-455 votes, in the October 18 vice-presidential election. The election, in which slightly more than 1/3 of the student body voted, was neither a decisive victory for, nor a denunciation of president Randy Smith, who supported Miss Etter.

Etter gained overwhelming support in the professional school polls (Education, Law, Medicine and Dentistry) where she picked up 74% of the vote.

The race was much tighter in the non-professional polls (A & A building, Howe Hall, Arts Annex, Chemistry building, Dunn Building and Sheriff Hall) where Etter squeezed out Offley 58%-42%.

Offley captured only one of the ten polls, that in the Arts Annex, which he carried by 106-67 votes.

The classic non-campaign was punctuated only infrequently by discussion of concrete issues. Policy and ideas did not figure magnificently in this election, rendering the meaning of the results questionable.

Lecture depicts fascist manipulation

By SHARON COOK

Adolph Hitler was one of the great moral teachers of all times. This was the insight, Prof. J.P. Corbett told a packed audience Wednesday, he had gained from living with the Germans during the war as a POW — and later from his research into Hitler's experiments with falsehood, untruth, and irrationality.

Hitler did not see himself spokesman for the German people. It was not their great cultural achievements which inspired him to establish them as the "master race". Instead, paradoxically, it was the fact that this people had always been politically weak, "representing ignorance and cowardice" in their political strife. Therefore he saw the Germans as "reluctant vehicles", capable of being so manipulated as to achieve for himself the exalted power position he sought.

Prof. Corbett described the errors of Hitler's irrationality. The first was his practice of shifting or redefining the meanings of words such as socialism or Arian culture, extracting the most favourable connotations for the moment, regardless of how he may have defined the words in previous statements. This was because he never took these ideas seriously himself. He was interested only in the results that such myths could achieve. Here lay his record error; he put forth ideas of race which were never seriously intended. He regarded them as weapons, not commitments. The conception of race suited him well because it was not an idea which was politically used up.

For Hitler, the key to successful propaganda was in the emotions of the masses, to be aroused by will accompanied by force. "The masses want horror... not handshakes." With regard to his theory of the Big Lie, he remarked in "Mein Kampf", "such distortions always leave traces behind them, even after nailed down." "It was incredible that he would declare these theories publicly," continued Prof. Corbett, but Hitler was in fact destroying their morality. By accepting these facts, the people accepted themselves as intellectual paupers. This was a timorous humiliation; it made them humble and able as putty.

It was not only the people he tried to dislocate intellectually, but his own party members too. Using excerpts from Goering and Himmler to illustrate his argument, Prof. Corbett explained how and why Hitler sought men who were unhappy and discontented in life and trained them to remain aloof from the masses, to keep dissatisfaction among them alive and to breed intolerance. They were taught not only to generalize their principles, but even to reverse them, and were persuaded that the repercussion of their feeling was heroic. The result was that the party had no principles to share, only orders. The eventual outcome was gross inefficiency within the state. Officials could not plan together effectively because of the distrust among themselves and the selectivity in the facts and information distributed to the party lead-

ers concerning the progress of the war.

But the ultimate depth of irrationality was Hitler's acknowledgement of the origins of his racial myth and the fact that he did not really plan the total extermination of the Jews. A "visible demon" was necessary to keep the people mobilized.

In this way, he proceeded to break down reason within the masses, the party, and himself. He did not believe in pursuing a concrete program, never really doing anything he said he would except rearming and becoming aggressive. He bragged about discarding all prejudices to wait for intuitive convictions. He wanted only to get the party on the move, with no real diplomatic goal in sight. In the end, he reared a party incapable of any rational, national planning at all.

P.C.s meet: are born anew

A new outlook on university affairs and a growing willingness to criticize both the Government and their own party, marks the attitude of Dalhousie's Progressive Conservative Student Club this year.

These trends emerged from the October Fifteenth meeting, at which a new executive was elected and this year's programme was discussed. Of the two previously nominated candidates for President, George White obtained the office over Horace Carver. All other offices were filled by acclamation with Janet Lee as secretary, John Cameron as treasurer, and Horace Carver as Vice-President. George White and Horace Carver were elected to represent the club at the Regional Conference in Amherst.

A constitutional problem was neatly sidestepped in order to increase the voting membership. Nichola McCleave, a new member, had not attended the mandatory two meetings in order to be allowed to vote. The meeting was adjourned by interim chairman Cathy Smiley and a new meeting was called to order by new president. The subject of committees was introduced and it was observed that there are "not enough members for one on each committee" so committee appointing was deferred. Carol Beal and

Nickie McCleave were made jointly responsible for working out agendas.

Questioned on attendance, the new president said that the thirteen present were most of the members but a raise in membership was expected as the club is changing its format — "breaking away from die-hard Toryism and tending towards student concerns, (i.e. - student housing). Many good programs are in the offing. Members could still attend conferences but the opinions they expressed on federal P.C. issues would be their own and not those of the club. "This means," he said, "that you need not be a strict P.C. to join."

A weekend retreat at Mount Martock for sometime in January, was discussed and it was suggested that at least representatives from other political clubs be present in order to facilitate obtaining the lodge free of charge. The privacy of the house is needed so that "crap on the government should not necessarily be made public."

It was stated last week that the aim of the P.C.S.F. is to be "more of a university club than a party club with an emphasis on more student involvement." "Great things are expected from the new executive."