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It is difficult to compare McGill with universities in the States, as yet. The great majority of McGill graduates are non-fraternity ~~XXXXXX~~ men, most of them having strong contrary feelings. They claim that these groups tend to split up the college and to encourage cliques. Among the fraternity men there is great loyalty to their respective houses, many of them claiming that they are assisting McGill in subscribing to new fraternity houses which are being built on the campus.

It must be borne in mind that this may help the University, but reflects no credit on McGill, who, up to the present, has failed to recognise fraternities as part of the college.

SEC.B. (3) d. High Cost of Living at McGill

The lack of facilities at McGill has a tendency to widen the breach between the wealthy students and those who are partly working their way through college, and those who, while not working their way through college, have limited means. It has been mentioned by several graduates that they were unable, while at college, to take part in any activities because they could not afford them. The University is apt to become divided into groups according to financial standing, with the fraternity class out of reach of a great many owing to the limited funds which they have at their disposal. The only remedy for this state is to make McGill more residential by the introduction of dormitories, and to promote student activity that will cost the student as little as possible. At present everything is on an elaborate money-making scale, including athletic events, theatrical productions, student publications, and coupled with the high price of living in Montreal makes these events prohibitive for the student of limited means.

SEC.B.--(3) e. The Appeal to Prospective Students

It is the view of many that the appeal which the University holds for the prospective student should be considered very carefully, as upon this depends the standard of man who is afterwards going out into the world as a McGill graduate. In choosing a college at which to complete his education, the high school graduate does not only consider academic standing; there is also athletic standing, excellence of recreational facilities, living conditions, and, more important still, cost, to be observed.

To the prospective student the University cannot claim lack of funds because of not being aided by the Government. If he can afford to attend Toronto, and that university appeals to him, he will go there. Proximity is often the cause of men attending McGill, and often the cause of many undesirable students.