

—Or the policeman who told the idling passerby to keep moving, because if everyone should decide to stand still on the sidewalk nobody could get by.

—Or the old negro mammy who lamented the depression because it had to come in the midst of hard times.

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**Social Committee Entertain Themselves**

"On Sunday, March 30, an enjoyable meeting of the Fredericton Social Committee was held at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Donald Taylor. Mrs. Taylor conducted a short business meeting at which Mrs. David Stothart was elected to the head of a committee to plan smaller and worse dances for the City of Fredericton. Following the business meeting an enjoyable social evening was held. The hostess was assisted in serving by Miss Patsy Stothart and Miss Elsie Taylor."

Having seen this note in the Fredericton "Gleaner" and also having been present at the gathering, I thought you might be interested in savoring some of the conversation. As I entered the living room, (attractively decorated by Mrs. Taylor herself in white upholstery with black and white striped trimming). I heard Mrs. Taylor say she was very annoyed with her husband because she could not persuade him to take any interest in the work of her committee. He said that he did not see any reason why a lot of time should be spent on planning social events and that he for one, certainly did not intend to waste his time in such a way.

Mrs. Stothart complained of a similar lack of interest on the part of her husband in social events but she blamed it on the fact that his time was taken up with teaching their five sons, George, Bruce, Cecil, Arthur and David, how to play basketball. It had even come to the point, declared Mrs. Stothart in tears, that her husband was planning on having a whole team of Stotharts in the Dominion Inter-scholastic Championships. Then what would she and little Patsy do?

Mrs. Didington Cottingham complained of having had a small argument with her husband. He insisted,

even in the dead of winter on going swimming in the St. John River. He would chop a hole in the ice and dive in, swim merrily around under the ice for five minutes and then come up again. This alone was not too bad but he insisted also upon taking their young son Aubrey along and teaching him how to swim. This was too much indeed!

I was beginning to think that I had stumbled into a group of women who did nothing but complain about their husbands. Then I heard: "Well I really think Bill is doing a grand job with the paper. It's something that has been needed for a long time and I think everyone in the province should read 'The Woodchopper's Journal'. It was Mrs. William Martin who was speaking so proudly of her husband and she declared she kept the account books as she had had considerable experience at 'managing'."

Mrs. Cecil Garland rushed in for a moment just as we were drinking our tenth cup of tea. She and her husband were on their way to "another meeting". Breathlessly she apologized to Mrs. Taylor for not being able to stay longer and dashed out again. Mrs. Taylor afterwards explained that Mary and Cecil Garland both held executive positions in about ten societies so they were really kept very busy.

The function was breaking up and the ladies were gathering up their clothes when I heard a soft little voice murmur, "I must go home and see if Rod has finished Nancy's essay for her". It was Mrs. Rodman Logan who was speaking and I asked her what she meant. She explained that her husband was so fond of writing essays he always helped the children with theirs.

The guests eventually departed after singing the song of their old "Alma Mater"—"We go to College

**U-Y Holds Annual Banquet**

The U-Y Club held one of its unusual banquets in the Community Y on the twentieth of March. Toastmaster for the evening was Club President Vernon Copp. As special guest the Club welcomed Dr. Gregg who presented the boys with a short talk on the service that the club was accomplishing and wishing them greater success in the future.

One of the highlights of the evening was the proposed slate of officers recommended by the present executive: Wally MacAulay, President; Ralph Hay, Vice-President; Bob Howie, Secretary; John Blackmer, Treasurer. However officers will be elected at the next general meeting. A report from the A. A. A. showed that they were acting on the U-Y Club's suggestion of Cheer-leaders.

to get Knowledge (and husbands!)"

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