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Lister Rules Unjustified

Wednesday evening Students' Council went on record "as not sanctioning the 'Lister Hall Dress Regulations' as set down by the Men's and Women's House Committees, and challenged the right of these committees to legislate for the students at large."

They are to be congratulated.

What right have these committees to dictate standards to non-residence students? Whether or not the administration "rubber stamps" the actions of the House Committees is immaterial.

On their own initiative, without consultation with the elected representatives of the students at large, these committees have seen fit to prescribe the attire that must be worn to gain entrance to the Lister Hall Cafeteria.

Council has questioned the principle of dress regulations, especially the arbitrary decision as to what is acceptable and unacceptable. More important, it has objected to the way in which the regulations evolved. And so it should have.

Until such time as the Lister Hall residence complex is declared closed to the students at large, and until such time as there are adequate food services on this campus to accommodate all students, there is no justification for refusing meal service to any student. The House Committees' actions show a complete disregard for the opinions and interests of off-campus students.

If these regulations constitute a new university policy then surely they should apply to all campus cafeterias. If this is to be the case then a great many students will be refused the right to eat dinner simply because they happen to be wearing blue jeans, or are not dressed "smartly."
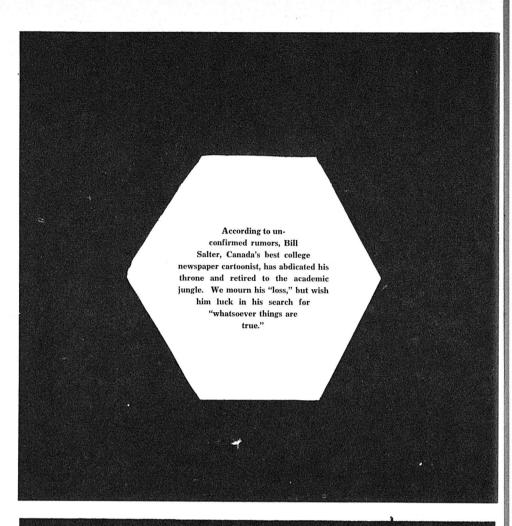
Certainly students should be encouraged to "dress smartly." However, it is a little ridiculous to refuse a person a meal because his only clean pants are blue jeans. And more ridiculous to turn away a hungry co-ed in sub-zero weather because she is wearing slacks.

It seems apparent that in order to protect the interests of the non-residence student, an off-campus student, preferably a Student Councillor, should be appointed to each House Committee.

Board Waits And Waits...

Where are all the students who last year so violently opposed the SUB expansion project?

Where are all the students who last year had the answer to our expansion problems?

These are questions the Board of Inquiry is asking.

This body, which was designed to be a sounding board for expression of student opinion on the new Students' Union Building, languishes in the present Students' Union Building waiting for students with something to say about the project.

It is a futile wait.

The Board of Inquiry's minutes indicate that students are not interested enough in this multi-million dollar project to appear before it with concrete suggestions. And unless a sharp increase of interest is shown this body will cease to exist October 15, the date on which their report is due.

Once that report is given the students at large on this campus will have very little to say about the project. It will be in the hands of the planners and Students' Council. And there will be no excuse for sweeping criticisms come Christmas.

According to unconfirmed rumors, Bill Salter, Canada's best college newspaper cartoonist, has abdicated his throne and retired to the academic jungle. We mourn his "loss," but wish him luck in his search for "whatsoever things are true."

Looking Back
through The Gateway

December 5, 1929
Brief History of the University 1929-1950:

1929—Overcrowding in University residences . . . Christian students invited to lecture on Soul-Saving—Non-Christians commit suicide in despair.

1930—Government promises new library building.

1931—Chemistry class holds lab in Covered Rink.

1932—Ventilation system in Arts Building enjoys prolonged rest . . . Ten students suffocate in lecture.

1934—Five students suffocate in lecture room.

1935—Foundations for new Library commenced.

1936—Plans for new Library altered—students complain of meals in Residences.

1937—Beds placed in corridors of Arts Building to accommodate overflow from residences.

1938—Forty students suffocate in lectures . . . repairs to ventilation system promised . . . Beds placed in Med Building.

1939—Plans for new Library revised . . .

1940—Fifteen students sleeping on top of Arts Building die of exposure

1941—Beds placed in Convocation Hall . . . Chemistry lab moves to dining hall in Athabasca.

1942—Athabasca Hall burned down by fire originating in Chem. Lab . . .

1943—Government says library will be ready next year.

1944—Ventilation system repaired —Forty-six students suffocate in lectures.

1945—Assiniboia Hall collapses . . . Fifty-six students die of exposure.

1946—Government says library will be ready next year.

1947—City Council deplores rowdyism of University students . . . . . . Arts building torn down to remedy defects in ventilation system.

1948—Government says library will be ready next year.

1950—Canadian Pacific Railway builds large hotel for accommodation of resident students . . . Work on library building suspended.