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The topic for discussion on the campus still seems to be the question of representatives on the Student's Representative Council. The latest proposal set before the students is the suggestion that the Veteran's Club have a representative, probably their President, who would also represent Alexander College.

Upon first looking at the suggestion it might possibly appear sound. But it does not bear very careful inspection before the obvious defects in it are evident. The possibility that the President of the Veteran's Club should represent Alexander College is certainly ridiculous, since the present President is not a member of Alexander College. If, on the other hand, the representative was an Alexanderite, then the situation would not be so bad.

In any case it would seem that some are of the opinion that the Veteran's Club should have representation on the S. R. C. Consider what such a step would mean. At present the Veteran's on the campus comprise a large percentage of the total enrollment. It can be argued that such a large group would merit representation on the Council. But is this actually the case? The veterans came to U. N. B. presumably with the intention of becoming assimilated into the life of the University as fully as possible. Of course it was natural for them to organize a Veteran's Club since they had specific jobs to perform in helping their members to become adjusted to the new way of life that the University presents. They are to be congratulated on the splendid way in which they have carried out this very important part of their activities, particularly in their well-organized and efficiently-run Housing Campaign.

But all this organization of the veterans was not done with the purpose of forming an individual group within the student body. They have taken their places in the various campus organizations along with the rest of the students, and this is as it should be. However, this assimilation into campus activities would be of little value if the Veteran's Club was set up as a closed group on the campus, and was used by the veterans as a means of forcing their collective will on the rest of the students. Such a state of affairs would exist if the Veteran's Club was recognized as a unit on the campus and therefore given representation on the S. R. C. I think that it can be assumed that the veterans do not wish this to occur. They are already represented along with their fellow student members of the classes and faculty societies.

With these thoughts in mind it must be evident that it would be a step in the wrong direction to ask the Veterans to elect a representative to the Students' Council. Things have been running very smoothly on the campus. There has been no friction between veteran and non-veteran students. And this has been due to the fact that the veterans themselves have made a definite effort to take their part in campus activities alongside the rest of the students, and have not asked for any special consideration because of their particular status. It is to be hoped that this arrangement will be continued as long as there are any students on the campus who have spent time in the armed services.

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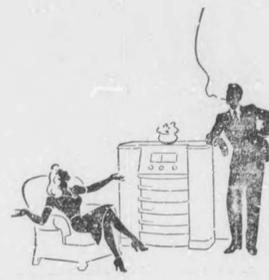
What an exhausting weekend. The Snow Ball, which made a lot of non-students feel so gay in an alcoholic way—with spring still a few weeks off. We hear the dance was a financial success which makes everyone happy—the U. N. B. R. A. and those at the dance. Next we had skiing on College hill on Saturday afternoon but we forgot to take pillows along and so had to watch the game standing up. Congratulations to the teams—it was a very good show. On Sunday morning we collected at the bus station and after waiting for the Experimental Farm bus to come in, proceeded to the Royal Road with the ski bus for a day of thrills and chills. It was a heck of a lot of fun with only three pairs of skis broken among the 65 or so that went. At the noon hour everyone gathered around the fire built by the Foresters and lunched, with one end hot from the fire and the other end cold from the snow. If the weather turns out well for skiing this Sunday, the ski club is going out again. The hill is in parts gradual enough for inexperienced skiers and steep and tricky enough in spots for the accomplished skier. Also, if we go out this Sunday, the farmer is going to let the club use two rooms in his house, with fireplaces and his wife is going to serve beans and brown bread and coffee for the noon meal. So, if the weather is O.K., turn out at the Bus Station (Capital Transit) at about 10:30 and we promise you a very good day. (This paragraph is too long so on we go to another.)

We are glad the beavers came back. We thought that the Navy Girls were too much for them. Oh well, they got over that quickly from the look of the mob at the formal. Congratulations to golly for a super new column. We are pleased that you aren't afraid to express your feelings. A few things around the campus need a shaking up and we are glad someone is not afraid to criticize. We agree that the number of people in the Freshman class there is not very much representation—but the seniors have no true representatives. The seniors on the S. R. C. represent the societies, not the Senior class. The freshman also, have been at the college only for about 5 months and it is our opinion that they do not know about the workings of the college as much as the upperclassmen. However, next year when there is an enormous Soph. class, it would be a good thing to have more representatives (on a per capita basis) so that things will be more fair.

We are getting tired of writing this drivlle so—G'night.

It is expected that 660,000 veterans will enroll at American colleges on their return to the U. S. This figure was derived from extensive surveys, and represents exactly 50% more than the highest peak load ever before handled by colleges. —Acadia Ath.

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## So! A College Orchestra

There is no doubt in the minds of most of you that a college orchestra would be a good thing. I think so too, but not under the shadow of circumstances I see ahead. It's all very fine to make big statements, through columns such as "Rationed", about forming such an orchestra, but it's another story to actually organize one.

It was stated that the campus societies would much rather pay their own orchestra than hire a down town one. To this I say phooey. Oh, I have no doubts they'd pay us all right, "Coffee money."

Since I have come up the hill I have been solicited three times to form undersized bands to work for cut rates and I also know of other musicians similarly pestered. I think you will find most of the musicians on the campus are of the semi-professional status and none of them intend to play for "peanuts."

Unfortunately many of our campus organizations figure that a college orchestra spells free music, free dancing, and so on. Phooey on that stuff. Most of the boys blow-

ing horns up here appreciate the tidy little income music nets them and so do their parents. As for myself my musical earnings pay for my room and board.

One of the professors up the hill consulted me last fall about a college orchestra, (not having his permission I shall refrain from mentioning his name). He had ideas and good ones. Through him progress could be made. However there are other problems to consider—lack of musicians being the chief one.

You can't build a successful dance orchestra without trumpets. So far the only trumpeters who have shown their heads above water are fellows who are completely out of practice or have given up the music business (as a steady diet) for good. A band can't be built that way.

I quote the author of "Rationed": "With over 900 students from both U. N. B. and Alexander College, surely there must be plenty of people musically inclined." Students, you must remember that you are in Canada, not in the United States. (Continued on Page Eight.)

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