

P. C.'s To Question Defense Spending

The Progressive Conservative Club will be sponsoring the second of its series of panel discussions, on Thursday, November 26, at 12:00 noon in the West Common Room, on topics chosen to acquaint Dalhousie students with some of the more pressing, though rarely discussed, problems of our life in Canada today. The topic will be: "Is Defence Spending a Waste?" a subject which is becoming more and more prominent in the minds of many Canadians. Just where, they ask, does Canada stand and where ought Canada to stand in relation to the Great Powers and the arms race?

The proposed panel for the discussion is as follows: Mr. Bob McCleave, MP for Halifax, Dr. George Langstroth, head of the Naval Research Establishment in Dartmouth, Rev. Hanns J. Skoutajan of St. Matthew's United Church and Chaplain of Dalhousie University, and Bill Sommerville, a third year pre-Law student. The panel will be under the chairmanship of Professor R. G. Murray of the Law School.

Panelists will attempt to decide this question by attacking three points: defence spending of the middle and smaller powers, such as Canada; defence spending of the Great Powers; and the correlation between the two, if any. Special emphasis will be given to Canada's role in the defence by arms of the ideals of western morality.

A meeting of the Progressive Conservative Club was held last Thursday in Room 222, with Mike Steeves, President, in the chair. The President reported that he had been appointed to the executive of the Progressive Conservative Association of Nova Scotia, at their annual meeting of two weeks ago.

Two delegates and two alternatives to the annual convention of the Progressive Conservative Student Federation were chosen by the meeting. Delegates are: Mike Steeves, President, and Bill Sommerville, Vice President. Alternates: John Cochrane, Pine Hill Representative, and Jim Hurley, Secretary.

free world. Morris added, "Canada cannot afford to sever her defensive ties with them."

Flemming exhorted the audience "as Canadians" to make their country, strong and independent. He said that Canada could achieve this by shaking off foreign domination, especially economic dependence on the United States.

Speaking last, Walsh said Canada's geographical situation "between two great and opposed powers," made it possible that Canada could become the battleground in war.

Suggest Canadian Neutrality Policy

Dalhousie won the first Inter-collegiate debate of the year last Thursday, Nov. 19, upholding the affirmative against the University of King's College that "Canada follow a policy of neutrality in foreign affairs."

Lequacies Brian Mulrooney and Brian Flemming, first year law students represented Dalhousie; Dave Morris and Rick Walsh argued for King's.

Mulrooney suggested that Canada could become a mediator in international affairs between east and west, and that abolition of armed forces in Canada would eliminate a "wasteful expenditure."

In the first speech for the negative, Morris urged Canadians not to underestimate Communist determination to achieve world domination. He said Communism could be stopped "only by a united effort" on the part of the countries of the

Greater Dal Political Interest "A Good Thing For The Country"

Sometime after noon last Thursday, November 19, the tenebrous pipe tune "Seumas McNeil" led Lester B. Pearson, Leader of the Opposition, and members of his party into Room 21, where the visitors prepared to hold forth before some 300 students, fewer by a third than the number attending Mr. Pearson's visit two years ago.

Bob Radford, outgoing leader of the New Dalhousie Liberal Club, introduced the dignitaries, among them Henry Hicks, provincial Liberal leader, Ted Flinn, leader of the Law School Liberal Club, and Rick Kinley, incoming leader of the undergraduate Liberal Club.

Mr. Hicks, invited to say a few words, stated flatly that he would be "available" to speak at Dalhousie if called upon in the future,

and continued with a short dissertation upon the history of his party.

In introducing Mr. Pearson, Bob Radford gave a brief rundown of that gentleman's illustrious career, mentioning his election to the House in 1948, his Presidency of the United Nations General Assembly in 1952; his positions as Canadian Ambassador to the U.S. in 1955, Secretary of State for External Affairs in 1956-57, and his receiving

of the Nobel Peace Prize in the latter year.

Mr. Pearson got down to serious subjects almost immediately in his address, stating first how much greater university political interest is now than it used to be. He suggested that the average university student today had a much greater awareness of national issues than he has had in the past, and that this is "most certainly a good thing for the country."

The Opposition Leader remarked that he soon hoped "to be unemployed from my present position," and that his party "has started afresh from the Foundations" to build itself up to its former stature.

He then went on to deal with Canadian economic problems, saying that although the Liberals had been blamed for the influx of American control over our business and industry, the P.C.'s had made things "worse and worse." After a few more remarks along this line, he turned to defence, expressing his belief in a collective, as opposed to a continental, defence system. He also felt that Canada should have nothing to do with large scale atomic weapons, and that another Royal Commission, this one to investigate the overall defence picture, should be set up. Finally, turning once again to the economy, he declared his support of "some sort of a freer Atlantic trade" area.

Finishing his speech, he gave an opportunity to the assemblage to ask him questions, which they did, and a dozen hands were in the air when further proceedings were cut off at one o'clock.



The above group of Liberals (top row: Ted Flinn (Law School Liberal Leader), Henry D. Hicks, Rick Kinley (Campus Liberty Party Leader); bottom row: Lester B. Pearson and Bob Radford (ex-leader of Campus Liberals) are shown coming into Room 21, Thursday, to the tune of "Seumas McNeil." It seems some people are divided as to which road they're takin' to powerrrrr. (Photo by Acker)

COMMUNISTS BLAST MANITOBA EDITOR

Winnipeg (CUP)—The Student Marxist, the organ of The Socialist Youth League of Canada, a self-admitted Communist youth organization, has condemned Dave Humphreys, editor of *The Manitoban*, for his handling of an interview with television personality Ed Sullivan.

Attacking the University of Manitoba editor for making the paper, "a sensationalistic rag," the SYL test, and attempt to raise *The Manitoban* to the position of a respectable university journal.

Mr. Sullivan said six of 150 Hungarian youth facing execution for their part in the 1956 uprising already have met death. *The Manitoban* reported that Mr. Sullivan had obtained his information from Dr. Bela Fabian, head of former Hun-

TREASURE VAN DEPARTS FOR GREENER FIELDS

The WUSC Treasure Van completed a five-day visit to Dalhousie's gym on Friday, Nov. 20, under the auspices of the WUSC at Saint Mary's University and Dalhousie, who take turns each year in acting as host. There are two such Vans in Canada, one covering the eastern section, and one rolling for the West.

Upon talking to Mike Steeves, Chairman of WUSC on Dal's campus, it was learned that the Treasure Van was started nine years ago, by Mrs. Mulvaney, and was, at that time, the sole support of a little town of 50 people in India.

Since that time, it has grown to include goods from Mexico, Peru, Greece, Jordan, Thailand, the West Indies, Japan, Germany, and Canada. With the retirement last year of Mrs. Mulvaney, WUSC has had complete control of the Van, and they hoped, through their plan of adding one country per year, to have the crafts of Yugoslavia for their year, but the goods did not arrive in time.

Mrs. Mulvaney was in a concentration camp in Japan, and through her many travels in that part of the world, she became very much aware of the lack of essential tools for the students. Upon her safe arrival in Montreal, she contacted a business friend and together, they began the Treasure Van, providing each Van with a professional driver. Canadian students were now enabled to help their fellow students the world over, by purchasing the beautiful articles from the countries represented.

Are you aware of the many worthwhile self-help projects to which your money has been added? A hospital for 20,000 Japanese students, residences for the needy students in poor countries, and overseas scholarships are just three of the accomplished deeds. In Indonesia, for example, textbooks worth \$5 were selling for \$40; WUSC, therefore, had the texts mimeographed and distributed, through your help.

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