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The time of the year for budget meetings has come around again, with the preliminary meeting this week and the final budget meeting next week. With our greatly increased enrolment there is a consequent increase in the amount of money that goes through the Student's Representative Council. This means a considerably greater responsibility placed on the members of the Council. Since this is so, there must be a close liaison between the members of the classes and their representative on the Council. Class meetings provide this in a great measure. It is at these meetings that the representatives can determine the wishes of those whom they represent.

But this is not enough. It is a common occurrence to hear in the various "gab-corners" of the campus strong criticism of the doings of the S. R. C., particularly in the way that they throw money around. In nine cases out of ten it is these same individuals who seem to make a point of never attending either class or S. R. C. meetings. Particularly at the latter the attendance of the general student body is pathetically small. Yet each student has placed in the hands of the council the spending of his student levy of sixteen dollars. With an enrolment of 900 students this means a considerable sum at their disposal. It would seem that more than the usual twenty would be interested in seeing what happens to their money.

At the preliminary budget meeting the various eligible organizations on the campus present their budgets to the S. R. C. for discussion. It is here that those who are at all interested in the way in which the student levy is apportioned should make themselves heard. The members of the Council are only too human, and may make errors that could have been avoided if more man, and may make errors that could have been avoided if more.

However there can be too much of a good thing. When those individuals whose chief delight in life seems to be the heckling of those who are trying to do some sort of a job of the thing, waste valuable time with their inane remarks, the value of student opinion reaches a new low. Here again, though, is where those students who do take some interest in seeing things run smoothly, can prove of considerable value. If they would realize how much their interests were threatened by such things, their attendance at budget meetings would no doubt increase.

This year there are several items apart from the actual society budgets that should be of some interest to the student body. The S. R. C. has been asked to contribute to the Bryan Priestman Memorial Lectureship Fund. The question naturally arises, is this sum to be taken direct from S. R. C. funds, or is it to be raised by a canvassing of the students. This is a very important question and student opinion is necessary to decide it.

The S. R. C. also will undoubtedly find itself with a considerable surplus at the end of the year, when the amount of money in Victory Bonds and the surplus from last year have been taken into consideration. Several suggestions have been made on how to use this money. Should it be put in the bank for the use of future S. R. C.'s in case of possible depression financial difficulties? Or should it be used to form the foundation for a war memorial scholarship fund? It is for the general student body to decide these things, and they can do this only by making themselves heard. Using their representatives on the Council and by expressing their opinions at S. R. C. meetings is the logical way to do this. Let's see some action on this very important aspect of college life.

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What a mon, what a dance, what waitresses, WHAT A CHORUS LINE! That's right, it was the Junior Cabaret. It was, we are told by myriads of people the best event so far. We thoroughly enjoyed the casual air, dance if you want or sit and eat if you want. Let's hope that others will follow the Junior's example and have a few more nite club events. Sincere congratulations to the Junior Class and especially to Don Taylor for his swell job on the lighted marquee and bar and to John Baxter, the Junior's president for his super job as general host and manager of ceremonies. We can now see the result of complete class co-operation. Everyone in the class contributed to the success of the cabaret and as a result have a nice little sum under their belts laid away for their Senior Dinner.

When recuperating from the cabaret we decided to go up to the Gym and see the remnants of the night before, but, low and behold, the Gym was stacked with swacks of people and a fast game was in progress. Evidently the teams did not avail themselves of the opportunity of attending the cabaret because they put on a good, wide awake show. We won, we won and we'll do it again with such swell teams on our side.

We have given up the idea of telling you about events happening the day the paper comes out, after making fools of ourselves last week we decided it doesn't pay. From now on you are going to be told about things one week in advance.

To start off, the Snow Ball is Friday, Feb. 1. Proceeds are for International Student Service, an organization that helps students in war torn countries. It provided books, medical attention, food, and a hotly for them. In China, where oil for lamps is so scarce it provides lamps that 40 students can study around thereby saving oil and providing light for those who otherwise would not be able to have it. It is not going to hurt you to come to the dance, and the money you spend will help those who are not so fortunate as you are. We don't mean to preach but please come and make the dance a financial success. It is formal, but suits (for men) are perfectly O. K. Again we take leave of you... see you at the Snow Ball.

Letter to the Editor

To The Editor,
The Brunswickan,
U. N. B.

Dear Sir,
Student government in a democratic university should not be anything resembling the archaic "Family Compact" which at one time ruled Canada. The basic tenets of our life in Canada demand a proportional representation in any ruling body, and such principals should be a most important factor in any institution through which pass the future leaders of the "Canada that is to be."

The existing situation at U. N. B. is this. Over 500 students as well as their student fees (no small total sum) are governed and disposed by

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a group called (please note—called) the Student "Representative Council. These 500 students, well over one-half the entire student body, are represented in council by three people—three Freshmen who can be outnumbered easily by any four Seniors on the Council who happen to be at that meeting. These figures include the Freshmen at Alexander College who number nearly 200 and who have no voice whatsoever in the Student Council or in the expenditure of their student's fees.

We are governed by a constitution which was drawn up—when? It seems to have functioned satisfactorily for many years when classes were in proportion to each other, but this year and for the next few years things are different. I would advocate our returning to early Canada again and shouting "Representation by Population." We could amend our constitution for the period concerned without offending too many hoary traditions. An amendment requires only a petition

from twenty per cent of the student body for consideration by the S. R. C. or a majority vote to become constitutional if rejected by the S. R. C.

Freshman classes of this and the next few years especially, because of so many veterans, should be given a chance to express themselves more freely in student government. If we want our University to improve let our Freshmen speak! Let them speak before their perceptions and ability to criticize are dulled, and while their eyes are still open to prospects of better surroundings—before they succumb to that lethargy so typical of a disease prevalent in most upper classes—"traditionism" . . . "it was good for our fathers, and it's good enough for me."

Yours sincerely,
VERNON W. MULLEN,
Pres., Freshman Class,
Sec.-Treas. Veteran's Club.

February 1 is the date for the Snow Ball

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by "Mardie" Long

Hi, Reading Roomers! I see everyone back after the days and starting the new right, with noses buried in books—all the new fiction at Xmas, of course.

Welcome, welcome, welcome the female Alexanderites. You won't be bored with male company. Sigh! Ple that the Co-Ed Quarters in Building are as much yours are ours and make yours home there whenever you the hill.

If we Reading Roomers stions as to our great po among the males of the they certainly were shatt the dance welcoming the of Alexander College. Typ versation:

Co-Ed, dancing with h stranger: Are you from A College?

He: No! I go "up the hi you a "hostess?"

Co-Ed: No, I go "up the Well I'll be . . .

The Co-Ed Choral Club, Varsity Basketball and the ton Club are in full swing. With swimming now a ma, perhaps more Co-Eds will test in the Swim Team (fessional sort of way). It time we elected a hockey too.

Well, now we come to TE of the year—THE JUNIO AKRET. I don't need to as had a good time. I know y and that goes for us too, th Co-Eds. There's was much and walling and gnashing at pre-Cabaret meetings waitresses' dresses, but the results of the final dec with a-bout approval. T mittee deserves highest p their co-ordinated plannu quets also to those Co-Ed evening, the Croquettes ful, weren't they?

Then came Saturday eve the Co-Ed Basketers n midable team of Wrens fr grine. For a little while as though the "night bef going to have dire effects "evening after", but t wound up with the Co-Ed long end of a 23-10 sco girl's teams were ente Beaver Lodge after the S sixty game. "Thanks fell loads of fun.

And that's all, for a for

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