

# The Divine Right of Kings

TO BE SIGNED BY ALL STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF KING'S COLLEGE, HALIFAX NOVA SCOTIA

Number II of the 1968 Revised Regulations of the University of King's College states:  
STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

"No member of the College shall be guilty of immoral or unseemly conduct, and all members are reminded that this is a Christian College of Anglican Foundation, dedicated to the maintenance of high moral and intellectual standards."

The College Board has ruled that (see Regulations #13 and 14) the interpretation of regulation #II means not less than the following:

(1) Visitors in the Men's Residence will be restricted to the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 a.m. The only exceptions will be male visitors who have the consent of the Residence Councillor or the Don of the Bay.

(2) The use of College premises, including student rooms, for sexual intercourse by unmarried couples will not be tolerated.

(3) Drunkenness and disorderly conduct will not be tolerated on the campus.

(4) The possession or use of drugs contrary to the laws of the Province of Nova Scotia will not be tolerated on the campus.

(5) Infractions of the regulations of Alexandra Hall by the male students, or infractions of Bay rules by females will not be tolerated.

(6) The phrase "will not be tolerated" means that offenders may be expelled from the residence.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge receipt of a copy of the REGULATIONS of the University of King's College (revised 1968), including the above interpretation of regulation #II; and do solemnly declare that I will observe such regulations and the above interpretation to the best of my ability.

Signature of Student

*an interview with dave harding, president of the university of king's college student union, and a noted anthropologist, social critic, and biker. here, dave talks to gazette reporter, don maclennan*

*the pledge at left was passed without discussion with the students of the University, at the College Board meeting of April 20, 1970.*

*gazette . . . other than king's use of college premises for sexual intercourse.*

*canada, possessing the youngest spirit, what else give it a unique quality?*

*harding . . . one of the most unique things about king's is the fact that the student is never put in the tragic dilemma of having to make decisions - real decisions that other universities sometimes get to make, at least in student affairs. i mean hamlet would have lived to a ripe old age at king's - i mean we get practice in making decisions but it is just practice which prepares us for "the real world".*

*harding . . . it makes you feel warm inside to realize that the church is taking such an active interest in youth. in a larger institution such as dalhousie i have heard the complaint that you are treated like a number and that no one cares anymore - but we at king's have a real home away from home, why, it is made quite explicit in the statutes of the university that the president shall have the duty of personally acquainting himself with the character of his students and to advise and admonish so as to act "in loco-parentis" i.e. in place of your own mom and dad.*

*harding . . . well, we elect residence councils at our university and make our own rules but because we are only students the administration recognizes that we can make very serious mistakes.*

*harding . . . fortunately we have the benevolent guidance of our college board to look to (oink) for direction in these situations. in our christian college of Anglican foundation, it is these people whose devotion to high moral and intellectual standards give them the right to make further rules and regulations as they see necessary. mind*

*harding . . . well yes. the president is a very busy man and it is almost impossible for him to be on intimate terms with the whole student body - however he is the chairman of the college board and through this position and his very example he tries to show us the christian way. while this task might be a wearisome one he does have the*

*harding . . . oh really?*

*harding . . . well, it has many functions. one might surmise that it's all part of a christian depopulation theory to combat the population explosion or something like that, but i have a different view as to the purpose of this programme? i think, given the observation that so many young people are showing a marked failure to adapt to society and the responsibility that it entails, that the king's college board is implementing this far-reaching philosophy to avoid this problem. i mean, if mayor tom cambell had implemented this philosophy in vancouver he wouldn't have had such a problem with all those long-haired hippies, yippies and far out, stoned up freaks.*

*harding . . . yes, of course! in this age when so many young people are becoming degenerate anarchistic rabble-rousers under the guise of improving the world, we at king's are breaking new*

*harding . . . oh, yes - i most certainly do. it was to our great fortune, when we neglected to consider the perversity and lasciviousness of children as students that the college board interceded and made rules against the*

*harding . . . oh no, three students on the eight man board are given the enlightening opportunity to emulate their experience in christian living.*

*harding . . . do you consider this fair?*

*harding . . . mr. harding, do you think king's is a viable institution in our modern, chaotic, and sacreligiously materialistic world?*

*harding . . . thank you, mr. harding.*

*harding . . . amen.*



ground by implementing the old christian principles. for instance, we are encouraged to involve ourselves in the democratic processes and yet prevented from falling into any of the pitfalls that have confronted some of our contemporaries.

when the moral direction of the student body was called into question the college board was quick to grab the reins of decision - despite the pressure of exams on all of us, and make a set of rules which would prevent us from being guilty of immoral or unseemly conduct. these rules encompassed many modern problems and pressing social issues such as drunkenness, disorderly contact, the possession and use of drugs, pre-marital intercourse and residence visiting hours.

what is the purpose of this philosophy that the college board has adopted with regard to the student body?

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