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My dear Sir Arthur:

The only paper published at the moment in the University of Toronto is "The Varsity". Last year for a short time there was a somewhat communistic paper called "The Soap Box", issued mainly under the auspices of a group of Jews, but after two or three issues it died. In the autumn of this term a similar publication under the same auspices called "The Spark" appeared twice, and then died. It is not true that there are five or six such periodicals published here. I thought that the best course to take towards "The Spark" was to let it flicker out, which it speedily did. "The Varsity", the regular student paper, vigorously attacked "The Spark" during its brief career. If any student paper came to be the organ of the Canadian Co-operative Federation, which is now a national political party, it could not receive any official recognition, as the University cannot take political sides. At present the hard times are impelling students to work harder than ever at their regular studies, so that there seems to be little inclination to go into sporadic journalism.

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The League for Social Reconstruction submitted its constitution last year to the Caput, the disciplinary body of the University. The Caput made certain modifications to the effect that all meetings should be open to any one who chose to attend. The League refused to modify its constitution in this way, and in consequence received no official authorisation. No university buildings under the control of the Superintendent of Buildings have been used for their meetings. It is possible they may have met in Hart House. Their chief meeting place, and the centre of the whole movement,