



CONVOCATION '69

RCMP, campus police, commissionaires, security police and plainclothesmen milled about with student demonstrators at last year's fall convocation. While the theme of justice and international law was expounded through out the ceremonies, demonstrators demanded a fair hearing for Dr. Strax. Justice Minister John Turner was among the prominent men honoured with doctorates of law and civil law.

This year six honorary degrees will be awarded at the 17th Fall Convocation, October 8th. Among those honored will be two well known men from New Brunswick.

Dr. James Alexander Corry, a Rhodes scholar and former principal of Queen's University, will deliver the Convocation address and receive an honorary doctor of civil law degree.

Dr. Corry has been actively involved in the affairs of Canadian and Commonwealth universities and has written numerous widely recognized books, such as "Elements of Democratic Government" and "The Changing Conditions of Politics."

An honorary doctor of law degree will be conferred upon Sir Thomas Blackburn. He is at present director of the Beaverbrook Newspapers and a trustee of Beaverbrook Foundations.

The Hon. W.W. Meldrum, Minister of Education for New Brunswick, is to receive an honorary doctor of civil law. After lecturing in commercial law at Mount Allison University from 1956 to 1965, he came to the N.B. Legislature after a Westmorland County by-election and was appointed Attorney-General on May 1965. He was sworn in as Minister of Education in April 1966.

Jerome S. Brumer will be recipient of a doctor of laws degree. A founder of the Center for Cognitive Studies at Harvard in 1960, he is now beginning a new phase of research which involves the study of perceptual attention in new born infants. In February this year he received the American Educational Research Association Award.

Also to receive a doctor of laws degree is a native New Brunswicker, Dr. George F. Clarke, a writer of nature, historical and children's books. Before devoting himself entirely to writing and archaeology, Dr. Clarke practiced dentistry in Woodstock.

A doctor of civil law will also be conferred upon Lord A.A. Goodman, chairman of the Arts Council of Great Britain since 1965. He received his master degrees of arts and laws from Downing College, Cambridge.

TIME OUT

by carolyn macleod

Why do you steal? Oh, you don't. Except for the ash tray you swiped from the SUB for your room. Except for the library book you took out in your handbag. Fine. You're fairly honest. I mean, you don't steal private property, just public property.

Since everybody owns it, you have a right to it. If we divided up all the ashtrays in the SUB and all the books in the library, you would be entitled to at least one of each. Oh yea?

Let's leave the obvious moral problem and ask why ashtrays and library books get stolen. And it's not because somebody's out of ashtrays or forgot his ID card. All the amateur psychologists around can tell us that such stealing is an anonymous, rather cowardly way of rebelling against standards set by someone else. More important, it involves a basic attitude of selfishness on the part of the thief. "I want it, therefore I am entitled to it." No consideration is given to anyone else in such action. Everything is focused on what "I" want.

The strange thing is that selfishness of this sort is directly opposed to the "love everybody" ideal most of us profess. Love isn't emotions or words; it consists of acts of unselfishness toward others. No matter whether we feel like it or not. No matter who the persons are. And most of us aren't overly endowed with such unselfishness. It isn't really hard to figure out why, though, when you find from the Bible that God is the source of love, that you have to go to Him to get it.

A lot of us aren't even on speaking terms with God, so we don't get close enough to Him for His unselfish love to rub off on us. And God doesn't just dish out unselfishness to men who want it, He practises it Himself. Almost everyone has, at some point, heard or learned to recite John 3:16 - "For God so loved the world..." Look at that again. God so loved... that He gave. Loving is giving, but the extent of your love is shown by what you give. By human standards alone, an only son is a father's most valuable possession.

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