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Farmers Should Not Enter Parliament

AGGIES DISCUSS ADVISABILITY OF AGRICULTURISTS ENTERING POLITICS

The Agricultural Discussion Club held its regular meeting on Wednesday last, when the subject, "Resolved that the United Farmers should enter Parliament as a party," was debated. The subject was a live one, and aroused considerable interest around the University. Mr. W. Riley and Mr. H. MacCallum upheld the affirmative, while Mr. G. E. W. Clarke and Mr. J. Barry supported the negative side of the argument. Profs. Larsen, King and Moe kindly acted as judges. The decision was in favor of the negative.

In opening the debate, the leader of the affirmative briefly reviewed the present unsatisfactory state of affairs. "The Farmers could not do worse than the old parties have done," he said. Continuing, he declared that, as agriculture is Canada's premier industry and is the backbone of the nation, the farmers should enter politics if the Government is to be representative. There are, he pointed out, two ways of doing this: First, by entering the ranks of the old parties; secondly, by forming a party of their own. The first way, however, was, he maintained, impossible and contrary to the ideals of the new party, for the old parties had sadly mismanaged affairs, and, moreover, represented the moneyed interests, not the people.

Mr. Clarke, leader of the negative, in his rebuttal, pointed out that the farmers were not a controlling factor in the affairs of the nation, and that the agricultural output of Canada did not nearly supply the demand. "Why should a new party, as yet untried and with a slight foundation, take over the government at this critical juncture?" he argued. Furthermore, he stated, the farmer is a stay-at-home, and is little acquainted with the world at large, and this man, sent out, will see no further than his own community.

Mr. J. Barry pointed out that the city people would not be satisfied with a farmer party, and that there are but few outstanding men among them to form a Government. Furthermore, if the farmers entered Parliament as a party, the Government would not be a representative one. They should form a coalition, he added.

The second speaker on behalf of the affirmative argued that, if the farmers got into power, the taxation system would be changed, and the wild lands, at present held by speculators, would be turned over to honest tillers of the soil; free trade would be established, and the whole country would soon see an era of undreamed of prosperity.

Mr. Hare, of the S. C. R. staff, gave a short address on "The Shorthorn Herds in Great Britain." He pointed out the difference between the English and Scotch breeds, the former valuable for milk production, the latter for beef raising.

Over The Top in Victory Loan

QUOTA OF $50,000 FAR EXCEEDED BY FINAL DAY OF VICTORY LOAN CAMPAIGN

As no definite objective was assigned to the University at the beginning of the campaign, the student committee set for itself the goal of $50.000. "You'll never do it," was heard on all sides. We thought so, too. The returns of the first week looked ominous, as only about $5,000 was raised. The second showed little improvement. About four days before the end of the drive we received the information that our quota had been fixed officially at $50,000. The effect was marvellous! From then on subscriptions came rolling in, and by the final night of the drive U. B. C. had raised $76,000, well exceeding its quota, and thus winning the Prince of Wales' flag. Special credit is due Miss Pittendrich, who raised over $20,000. Dr. Hutchinson was head of the Faculty committee, while the student committee consisted of the following: Mr. A. Peebles, Miss Abernethy, Miss Kilpatrick, Mr. Kingham and Mr. Leckie.

ANNOUNCEMENT

In future the "Ubyssey" will be distributed in the Arts and Science buildings between 12, noon, and 1 o'clock, on Thursday. Copies in the Arts building will be distributed as follows: First Year Arts, first floor; Second, Third and Fourth Year Arts Men, and Agriculture, second floor; Second, Third and Fourth Year Arts Women, and Graduates, third floor. No copies can be obtained before noon.

'Varsity Teams Have Busy Week

'VARSITY PLAYS FIVE GAMES, LOSING THREE—U.B.C. GIRLS WIN TWICE

Last week was a busy one for the basketball teams of the University. In all five games were played, U. B. C. winning two and losing three.

The girls were the only team to turn a victory. On Wednesday they met the Normal girls, and defeated them by a 25-13 score. Miss Stuart and Miss Weld were the leading scorers. U. B. C. was represented by the following: M. Kilpatrick, M. Gordon, G. Weld, K. Stuart and B. Pearce.

On Friday afternoon the girls opposed the King Edward High School, and easily disposed of them by a score of 18-5. The count at half time was 14-1. Miss Stuart secured eight points, Miss Eveleigh six, and Miss Weld four. The team: Guards, M. Kilpatrick and M. Gordon; centre, G. Weld; forwards, K. Stuart and E. Eveleigh.

On Saturday night the University first and second squads met defeat at the hands of the two ex-Normal teams. The 'Varsity were playing out of their class in both games. The U. B. C. Seniors went along at a fast clip until half time, finishing the first period on the long end of a 21-20 score. They faded, however, in the last half, the final score being 41-27. U. B. C. lined up as follows: Guards, A. Lord and G. Gross; centre, S. Anderson; forwards, G. Dixon and R. Anderson.

With the second team things were reversed. 'Varsity made a very poor showing in the first half, the score being 18-5, but held their opponents even after the rest, the final score being 34-21. The team: Guards, E. Caspell and D. Taylor; centre, K. Carlisle; forwards, G. Callahan and L. Fisher.

The University Intermediates gave the Normal boys a hard game on Wednesday afternoon, losing 28-19. All these matches were exhibition affairs. The Intermediates lined up as follows: Guards, L. McLennan and R. Hunter; centre, R. Anderson; forwards, H. McLean and H. Arkley.

'Varsity has entered the Senior "A" division of the Vancouver Basketball League, and played their first match against the Rowing Club last night. This step was taken following the decision of "Buck" Buchanan to turn out with U. B. C. "Buck" played with the ex-Normals on Saturday, and was a big factor in the University defeat.

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'VARSITY GIRLS TRIUMPH OVER S. VANCOUVER TEACHERS

The girls' hockey team carried off the honors in their second game this season when they defeated the South Vancouver Teachers by a score of 3-0.

The ground was typical of South Vancouver; but this did not dampen the 'Varsity spirits in the least, for they kept the ball in the Teachers' half of the mud almost continually. At no period during the game did the opposing team threaten the 'Varsity goal. Although the 'Varsity had the lighter team, they showed more speed and displayed more offensive tactics than their heavier opponents.

The game was mainly carried on by the forwards, ably supported by the backs. Two of the goals were scored by Miss S. Thorsteinson, the other by Miss H. Draper. The all-round star of the squad was Miss B. Gurlick, while Miss M. Copping and Miss R. Gross displayed great efficiency in tackling the Teachers' husky forwards.

Although the weather played havoc with the number of rooters, nevertheless the few yells given completely dumfounded the natives, and at the same time greatly encouraged our own team.

The line-up: Goal, V. Herman; fullbacks, M. Copping (captain), M. Wilcox; halfbacks, R. Gross, J. Buckerfield, B. Garlick; forwards, C. Fitch, S. Thornsteinson, D. Hopper, H. Draper and S. Smith.

SECOND RUGBY TEAM WINS

To celebrate the anniversary of the Armistice, the second Rugby team of the 'Varsity defeated King Edward High School 18-0.

The teams were fortunate in having a fine day for the game, and, had there been proper support on the side lines, the score would probably have been larger. The game was featured by one or two good rushes by the 'Varsity three-quarters line, although the scrum, owing to the fact that it was considerably lighter than King Edward, did not get the ball out often enough. 'Varsity was stronger in the back division than King Edward, who seldom got away. Scott in particular played a consistent game for 'Varsity, getting over a couple of touches and gaining a lot of ground at different times by his individual efforts. Sollaway, Harvey and Broadfoot did the rest of the scoring for 'Varsity. The tackling of both teams was good. In the first half 'Varsity scored twice, but towards the end of the game King Edward weakened, allowing us to score four more touch-downs. Although there was no converting done by drop-kicks, there was none done any other way, this being the weakest part of the game.

The team was: Hatch, Wallace, Gregg, Johnson, McLane, McPherson, Rear, Russell, Solloway, Baker, Harvey, Arkley (captain), Broadfoot Scott, Underhill.

"Gee" Ternan refereed.

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Constitution of the Alma Mater Society

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Clause 1—The name of the society shall be the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia.

Clause 2—The composition of the society:

(a) The society shall be composed of active and honorary members.

(b) Active members shall comprise all registered students and graduates of the University.

(c) Honorary members shall comprise all members of the Faculty and others to whom honorary membership may be given.

Clause 3—The objects of the society shall be:

(a) To promote, direct and control all student activities within the University as represented in the following associations and societies and their subsidiary organizations:

1—The Undergraduate Societies;

2—The Literary Department;

3—The Athletic Association;

4—The Students' Publications Dept.

(b) 1. The undergraduates' societies shall comprise the Women's Undergraduate Society, the Arts Men's Undergraduate Society, the Science Men's Undergraduate Society, the Agricultural Undergraduate Society, and subsidiary class organizations.

2. The Literary Department shall comprise the Women's Literary Society, the Men's Literary Society, the Players' Club, the musical organizations, and such kindred organizations as the Council shall assign to this department.

3. The Athletic Association shall comprise the Women's Athletic Association, the Men's Athletic Association, and all their subsidiary societies.

4. The Students' Publications Department shall comprise all boards or organizations undertaking student publications.

Clause 4—Meetings of the society:

(a) A semi-annual meeting will be held within the first ten days of the fall term, at which the treasurer will make a financial statement and the functions and activities of the Alma Mater Society and subsidiary societies will be outlined.

(b) The annual meeting will be held in the last week of March, at which the president and treasurer will make a report, and the reports of each subsidiary organization will be presented and passed upon.

(c) Special meetings may be called at any time by the president, on the request of the Students' Council, or on the written request of twenty members of the society. At these meetings no business can be transacted except that for which the meeting has been called.

(d) Only active members may vote at the meetings of the society. Honorary members may not vote, but may take part in all discussions.

(e) Thirty-three per cent. of the students registered for the current session shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the society.

Clause 5—The Executive.

(a) The name:

The name of the Executive shall be the Students' Council.

(b) Members:

1. The honorary president.

2. A president, who shall be an undergraduate of the Senior Year of any Faculty.

3. The president of the Women's Undergraduate Society, who shall be an undergraduate of the Senior Year of any Faculty.

4. The president of the Arts Men's Undergraduate Society, who shall be an undergraduate of the Senior Year of the Faculty of Arts.

5. The president of the Science Men's Undergraduate Society, who shall be an undergraduate of the Senior Year of the Faculty of Science.

6. The president of the Literary Department, who shall be an undergraduate of the Junior Year of any Faculty.

7. The vice-president of the Literary Department, who shall be an undergraduate of the Junior or Senior Year of any Faculty.

8. The president of the Women's Athletic Association, who shall be an undergraduate of the Junior or Senior Year of any Faculty.

9. The president of the Men's Athletic Association, who shall be an undergraduate of the Junior or Senior Year of any Faculty.

10. The president of the Agricultural Undergraduate Society, who shall be an undergraduate of the Senior Year of the Faculty of Agriculture.

11. The editor-in-chief of the Students' Publications, who shall be an undergraduate of the Junior or Senior Year of any Faculty.

(c) Officers of the society:

1—Honorary President;

2—President;

3—Vice-President;

4—Secretary;

5—Assistant Secretary;

6—Treasurer;

7—Assistant Treasurer.

(d) Duties of Officers:

1. The president shall preside at all meetings of the Students' Council and of the Alma Mater Society; shall convene all ordinary and special meetings of the Students' Council; shall be an ex-officio member of all committees under the Alma Mater Society, and shall undertake all such other duties as usually fall to the office of the president.

2. The vice-president shall, in the absence of the president, assume all his duties.

3. The secretary shall take minutes of all meetings of the Students' Council and of the Alma Mater Society; shall conduct all correspondence of the Students' Council, and keep on file copies of all leters written and received by him relating to the affairs of the society; shall read the annual report of the subsidiary organizations at the annual meeting.

4. The assistant secretary shall assist the secretary in the discharge of all his duties.

5. The treasurer shall take charge of the funds of the society, which shall be divided into two parts, namely: (1) appropriations to the Students' Publications; (2) the remainder of the funds of the Alma Mater Society. The treasurer shall, immediately on receipt of these funds, have them deposited in chartered banks selected by the Students' Council—a bank for each of the respective divisions of the funds. He shall not disburse the funds under his direct control except in payment of bills certified by the president and treasurer of the society which contracted the bills, and then only by cheque, signed by him and countersigned by the president of the Students' Council. He shall keep careful account of, and be responsible for, all money received and disbursed by him and by the assistant treasurer, and shall file all bills and receipts under his direct control. All other bills and receipts, namely, those of the students' publications, shall be filed by the assistant treasurer. The treasurer shall render to the Students' Council a statement of the finances of the society each month. He shall submit a financial report at the annual meeting, and at any other time, upon the written order of the Students' Council.

6. The assistant treasurer shall be the business manager of the Students' Publications, but shall not sit on the Council. He shall manage and keep accurate account of all monies of the Students' Publications received and expended by him, his accounts being subject to audit upon the request of

the treasurer of the Students' Council. In his capacity as business manager of the Students' Publications, he shall make all expenditures by cheque on its account, signed by him and countersigned by the president and treasurer of the Students' Council.

(e) The duties of the Students' Council:

1. The Students' Council shall be the only recognized medium between the Alma Mater Society and

(1) The University authorities,
(2) The other organizations,
(3) The general public.

2. The Students' Council shall have control of all affiliated student activities, subject to the approval of the joint committee on student affairs.

3. The Students' Council shall act as a court, before which any student may be called to account for misdemeanor.

4. The Students' Council shall appoint a returning officer and scrutineers for the election of honorary president and president of the Alma Mater Society.

5. The Students' Council shall appoint two of its members to sit with the president of the Alma Mater Society on the joint committee on student affairs.

6. The Students' Council shall meet regularly each week during the session.

7. Immediately after the close of the spring term, the Students' Council-elect shall assume its office at a joint meeting with the retiring Students' Council.

8. It shall be the duty of the Students' Council to promote social intercourse and academic unity within the University.

Clause 6—Elections:

(a) Honorary president and president of the Alma Mater Society.

1. Nominations shall be in the hands of the secretary seven days before election day, and shall be posted immediately by him on the bulletin boards. Each nomination must be accompanied by the signature of not less than ten members of the society.

2. No student may sign the list of nomination of more than one candidate for each office.

3. The election shall be by ballot.

4. The election of the honorary president and the president shall be held on the third Monday of March; polling booths will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

5. Only students registered in the University for the current session shall have the privilege of voting at this election.

6. After the ballots have been counted, the returning officer shall place them in a package, which shall be sealed in the presence of the scrutineers and preserved until after the annual meeting of the society.

(b) Appointments by the Students' Council:

1. The Editor-in-Chief of the Students' Publications.—The Students' Council shall appoint this officer on the day following the election of the president of the Alma Mater Society.

2. The Assistant Secretary.—The Students' Council, in collaboration with the editor-in-chief, shall appoint this officer the day following the appointment of the editor-in-chief.

3. The Senior Editor of the Students' Publications. — The Students' Council, in collaboration with the editor-in-chief, shall appoint this officer on the day following the appointment of the editor-in-chief.

(b) Duties of Senior Editor:

The senior editor shall superintend the editorial work of the Students' Publications, and shall be responsible for it to the editor-in-chief.

(c) Appointments by the Students' Council-elect: Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer of the Alma Mater Society.

The Students' Council-elect shall appoint these from its members before the close of the spring term.

(d) When a vacancy has been definitely established in any of the offices of the society, the election of a successor shall be held in accordance with the procedure prescribed for in the election of such officers.

(e) Officers of the Undergraduate Societies, Literary Department and the Athletic Association:

1. The election of officers of the undergraduate societies shall be held on the Thursday following the election of honorary president and president of the Alma Mater Society.

2. The election of the officers of the Literary Department and the athletic associations shall be held on the Monday following the election of honorary president and president of the Alma Mater Society.

Clause 7—Finances.

(a) The funds of the society shall consist of the following:

1. Fees of admission to the society collected by the registrar of the University under authority of the Board of Governors.

2. All monies, excepting special membership fees, received by student organizations under the society.

(b) Estimates of the proposed expenditures of the undergraduate societies, the Literary Department, the athletic associations and the Student Publications shall be in the hands of the treasurer before the end of the third week of the session.

(c) A budget shall be prepared by the treasurer from these estimates, and presented in the fourth week of the session to the Students' Council for consideration and adoption.

(d) Any student organizations under the society may spend money for the purpose and for the amount prescribed for its use in the budget, but shall not spend monies which are not prescribed in the budget, except by special permission of the Students' Council.

Clause 8—

Reports from the secretaries and treasurers of the undergraduate societies, the Literary Department, Publications Department, Athletic Association, and their subsidiary organizations, shall be in the hands of the secretary of the society immediately after the election of their officers.

Clause 9—

No student shall be elected as a representative of the Students' Council for more than one society.

Clause 10—

The Joint Committee on Student Affairs shall be composed of three representatives of the Faculty of the University and three members of the Students' Council. It shall confirm the activities of the student body by endorsing from time to time the proposals of the Alma Mater Society. Should this committee not endorse the proposals of the Alma Mater Society, it may amend or annul them. The decision of this committee shall be considered as the combined judgment of the Faculty and students.

Clause 11—

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority of votes at a meeting of the society, provided two weeks' notice of the meeting is given on the bulletin boards.

Amendments to the Constitution proposed by Students' Council, 1919-20

Clause 2—Section (b):

Active members shall comprise all registered students of the University (graduates and undergraduates) who have paid Alma Mater Society fees for the current session.

Section (c):

Honorary members shall comprise all members of the Faculty, graduates of the University and others to whom honorary membership may be given.

Clause 3—

(a) 2. The Literary and Scientific Department.

Clause 5—Section (b):

3. The secretary of the Alma Mater Society, who shall be an undergraduate of the Junior or Senior Year of any Faculty.

4. The treasurer of the Alma Mater Society, who shall be an undergraduate of the Junior or Senior Year of any Faculty.

7. Pres. Science Undergrad. Junior or Senior.

Omit vice-president of Literary and Scientific Department.

Section (e):

3. The Students' Council shall act as a court, in closed session, before which any student may be called to account for any misdemeanor, and to answer, on his or her honor, whether guilty or not guilty of said misdemeanor. The accused shall be given an opportunity to state his or her case, and, if satisfactory evidence cannot be ascertained, the court shall have authority to call witnesses. This court shall reserve the right to impose the following penalties:

(a) Fines, not exceeding ten dollars ($10);
(b) Suspension from Alma Mater Society privileges.

The moral conviction of the truth of the charge is all that is necessary to find the accused guilty of the charge.

Clause 10—

The Joint Committee shall partake of all the powers designated to the Faculty Committee and the Students' Council.

N.B.—A few automatic changes resulting from some of these amendments, such as dates of elections, etc., are not posted, but cannot be objected to if the amendments are passed by the Alma Mater Society.

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On Tuesday last Dr. and Mrs. Coy were the hosts to the University Historical Society in their beautiful residence on Eleventh Avenue. Practically the full membership of the club was in attendance, a tribute to the interest aroused by the previous discussions.

Papers were read by Mr. Lincoln Baker and the Rev. F. H. Buck. The former dealt with the history of the American negro, tracing the development of the colored problem from the time of Hawkins and his slave ships, down to the present riots in the United States. Mr. Buck discussed the problem now confronting the governments on this continent in view of the rapid increase in the numbers of the negro population. During the reading both gentlemen were repeatedly challenged on various statements, and, in defending their opinions, some interesting arguments took place. After the papers were finished a general discussion took place, in which all the members took part.

SCIENCE NOTES

The Science Undergraduate Society met last Thursday to discuss part of this winter's programme. The annual skating party was first discussed, D. M. Morrison, W. O. Scott and S. Anderson being chosen as a committee to make arrangements. However, it was found later that the rink could not be obtained on a suitable date, so this matter will probably be shelved till after Christmas. The Science dance was also taken up, and it was decided to book Lester Court for February 13th. The Science men accepted the challenge of the Aggies to debate, and will probably meet them next Wednesday night. The subject chosen was: "Resolved that Canadian railroads should be nationalized," Hodgson and Wallace representing the Science men on the affirmative.

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The Women's Swimming Club is in full swing now, with a membership of 42 girls, which shows a decided increase on previous records. The use of the Chalmers' swimming pool has been obtained for the season, ending in April; and it is open to the girls on Monday evenings, from 6.30 to 9.30.

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STATISTICS AND DREAMS

An examination of the numerous notice boards in the main hall a few days ago revealed some interesting facts. In the first place, there were one hundred and eight notices distributed over the four boards and the adjacent walls. Of these notices, twenty-one were partially obscured by their neighbors, and the writing was totally covered on nine different announcements. Again there were twenty-three sheets posted in different places requesting students to call at the Registrar's Office. Of the regular announcements, seventeen were out of date, three of them referring to events over a week old. Finally, the general appearance of the notice boards was about as neat and orderly as if those posting the notices had stood at a distance of ten feet and thrown the sheets, one after another, at the boards, where they had stuck just as they happened to arrive.

Unfortunately, this case which we have instanced is not at all an unusual occurrence. Similar scenes may be witnessed at almost any time. Would it be too much to hope for if we asked that a few simple rules be adhered to in the matter of posting notices? Suppose, for example, one part of one notice board be reserved for Faculty notices, another for invitations issued by the Registrar, a third for 'phone calls? Then, in connection with student activities, have social events announced in one place, athletics in another, Council decrees in a third (the minutes of the Council meetings, by the way, are as a rule posted in the same place from week to week, which is a start in the right direction). Special notices and notices of societies not affiliated with the Alma Mater could then be marshalled together on the ungainly affair which first protrudes itself on the gaze of a person entering by the main doorway. Now a word in general. Cannot those in charge of the boards see that the notices are taken down as their usefulness ends? In the past the administration offices have been particularly remiss in this duty; but for the general student body we would suggest that the secretaries of the different societies should take thought, as well to withdraw the notices, as to post them.

While discussing the notice boards, may we request that the minutes of the Students' Council be printed in such form as to make their meaning clear to the uninitiated? In the last minutes posted, the following illustrates our point: "Shall be amended to read, with such exceptions as the Students' Council shall permit." There was no explanation whatever regarding the subject which had been discussed. Again, the amendments to the Constitution were so drawn up as to comply with the letter of the requirements; but as far as conveying any intelligent idea of the proposed changes is concerned, they might just as well have never been written.

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INTER-COLLEGIATE RELATIONS

This year a certain sentiment of closer fellowship with the other universities of the continent may be observed in the attitude of U. B. C. students. So far our inter-collegiate contests have been confined to the Pacific Coast, as the universities across the line are sufficiently close to permit of the easy interchange of teams. From the other colleges of Canada, we have been isolated almost entirely by the barrier of distance. This year, however, much greater interest in the strengthening of inter-collegiate relations has been shown, and, on the other hand, an appreciation of the growth of U. B. C. seems to be evinced by the desire of the University of Alberta to initiate an inter-provincial debate.

Another hopeful sign of the spread of a feeling of fellowship with our sister colleges is to be found in the decision to send delegates to the Des Moines Conference. There our representatives will take their places with men and women from all the widely differing universities of the continent, and assist in the interchange of ideas which must result.

In short, the tendency of the University this year seems to be shaping towards a more close connection with other academic institutions. This is something which must be developed still further before U. B. C. can be entirely free from the reproach, so often cast at it, as lacking true university spirit. Can you help?

EX CATHEDRA

By the Editor for the Week

The members of the two senior years are at present racking their souls over the question, "Why are History essays?" Will Mr. Sage please answer?

The confusion in the distribution of the "Ubyssey" which occurred last week will not happen again. The cause is to be found in the fact that the publishers were preparing a new mailing list.

We hope that last week's issue of the "Ubyssey" satisfied our critics. "We aim to please."

It does not add to the pleasure of the circulation manager to find that certain students have been unable to wait until the appointed time to receive their copies of the "Ubyssey." Those gentlemen who opened the bundle in the

Council room last Thursday might have been better employed.

The correspondence column is rapidly becoming the easiest part of the "Ubyssey" to edit.

We appreciate very much the delightful see-saw motion of the sidewalks leading from the Arts building; but surely some steps might be taken by the powers that be to improve walking conditions a little.

We wish Mr. Wood every success in the popularity contest at present running in several down-town theatres.

Is the noon-hour song practice put permanently on the list of defunct occurrences?

On Friday, the thirteenth, Mr. Ridington gave another lecture to the reading-room.

Five 'Varsity players on the Vancouver rep. Rugby team. Good work!

Correspondence

All correspondence must be written legibly, on one side of the paper only, and may be signed by a pen-name, but must be accompanied by name and class of the writer.

Editor "Ubyssey."

Dear Sir:—Permit me to express, through your columns, the thanks of myself and my committee for the splendid co-operation of the students in the recent Victory Loan drive. It was only through the individual assistance and enthusiasm shown that the University was able to make such a splendid record, raising, as it has done, over $76,000.

I am sure the committee will always remember with keen pleasure the campaign of 1919, and the hearty support afforded by the student body.

Yours, etc.,
ALLON PEEBLES.

Editor "Ubyssey."

Dear Sir:—As a humble member of the "student body as a whole," whose sentiments and opinions are so modestly claimed by many of your correspondents, may I venture, even with the greatest trepidation, to express my surprise and dismay at the letter of "D. A. W." in your issue of November 13th? Surprise, Mr. Editor, at the spirit of that letter; dismay at the thought that such be construed as the feeling of the students of this University.

If, as Mr. Wallace admits, in seconding the letter of "R. A. F.," news is the standard of editorial policy, he must conclude the Historical Society worthy of a place—a prominent place—in the college paper. But no, he would relegate it, not even to the "*comparatively unimportant position*" of the middle ages, but rather to the bottom of the last page, which position, judging from Mr. Wallace's theory, is of no importance whatsoever. Truly, there is a sad lack of non-partizan feeling!

Furthermore, does Mr. Wallace realize that in characterizing (or, should I say, condemning) the Historical Society as a "minor organization of bookworms," he is at the same time incriminating, to a greater or less extent, all of the discussion clubs in the University? Is he serious in his contention that, as such, the Economics clubs, the Agriculture Discussion Club, the Literature societies, as well as the Historical Society, do not command the "interest of all healthy and full-blooded students"? Because among the most enthusiastic members of these organizations are to be found the personnel of the editorial staff, is that sufficient cause to designate them as the "pet societies of the editors"?

We can scarce credit such sentiments—such prejudices—amongst any of our fellow-undergraduates, and we sincerely hope that we are justified in our attitude.

"E."

Editor "Ubyssey."

Dear Sir:—I have read, with feelings varying from disgust to sorrow, the various criticisms of the "Ubyssey" voiced in the correspondence columns.

Does R. A. F. think it possible for the editor for the week to express, either in his editorials or in the other articles he may

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write, the opinion of over nine hundred students? Ridiculous! The only thing he can do is to express his own opinion, minus his prejudices, on subjects which he has reason to believe are interesting to the student body.

Also, I would like to ask R. A. F. what the policy of the "Ubyssey" is if it isn't News! News! News!

Then, with regard to the "penny horrible" language of the Rugby write-ups, would R. A. F. like them to be literary productions of the highest order? What can portray the spirit of a Rugby game better than spirited colloquial language?

As for the "Ubyssey" being "merely a glorified publicity sheet of an exclusive society known as the Sigma Delta Kappa," I would like to draw the attention of R. A. F. to the fact that, out of six issues of this year's "Ubyssey," in only one has the Sigma Delta Kappa had a front column, and in three it has not even so much as been mentioned in the announcement column. The privilege of a front column is impartially accorded to all the different societies throughout the year. Athletics, in fact, get a front column almost every week.

R. A. F. seems to imply that this year's "Ubyssey" is not an improvement on last year's. He certainly is not expressing the opinion of the majority of the students.

Yours truly,

PAM.

Editor "Ubyssey."

Dear Sir:—In the last two issues of the "Ubyssey" several letters appeared in criticism of its editorial policy — or lack of editorial policy. The writer hereby extends his sympathy to that much-criticized body —the editorial staff. He is aware that they cannot forever "rave" on such hackneyed questions as "The Time-table" or "The Removal of the University to Point Grey." He realizes that repeated editorials on such "serious" subjects as "What One Should Get from a University Course" and "The Need for Leadership" are scornfully criticized by many students as dry and uninteresting. Therefore, the writer deplores the fact that a certain portion of the student body cannot appreciate an interesting editorial on a new theme, even though it be slightly sarcastic and exaggerated.

Yours sympathetically,

M. E. S.

Editor "Ubyssey."

Dear Sir:—In view of the numerous societies which are formed in the University, would the following suggestion be considered as in place: Why not start an "Away-from-Home" society, to be composed of those students who are attending U. B. C., but who are not residents of Vancouver? This would give the aristocratic Victorians an opportunity to assemble and expatiate on the wonders of their distant village; those from Prince Rupert could come together and rejoice in the lugubrious and tearful weather that sometimes afflicts even Vancouver; and, similarly, the expatriated children of other famous, but distant, cities would have ample opportunity to mutually indulge in the fond and childish reminiscences of times that are not now.

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THE COLLEGE CAT

The rain was raining all around, with all its might and main; the sun had tried to shine, and said it would not try again; you see, it couldn't, anyway, by reason of the rain. The land was wet as wet could be, no single spot was dry, and still the rain fell gently down from out the cloudy sky. If one would cross the campus safe, one certainly must fly. The Pussy and the Janitor were walking hand-in-hand; they wept like anything to see the liquid state of land. "If we were only at Point Grey," they said, "it would be grand." As they were walking to and fro, strange things there were to see; and suddenly the Pussy cried: "Whatever can this be?" "The sidewalk," said the Janitor, "or so it seems to me." And all about them, everywhere, were swimmers far and near. "Who are they?" cried the Pussy Cat, "why do they act so queer?" "They're Freshies," said the Janitor, and shed a bitter tear. For some were swimming gleefully, and some were paddling round, and all of them did cheerfully despise the solid ground. And some there were who could not swim; but these, of course, were drowned. And then they heard a dreadful noise of splutterings and coughs, and in a puddle they beheld a lot of graceful toffs. "This pool," erplained the Janitor, "has been reserved for Profs."

"Oh, stay thee, gentle Janitor, and do not walk so fast," the Pussy cried; "don't hurry so, I don't wish to be the last." The Janitor said nothing, for he had already passed. And all at once they came upon a puddle deep and wide; the Pussy Cat did hesitate, then promptly fell inside. The Janitor stood by and sympathetically cried. The puddle, as I've said before, was very wide and deep, and no one else was there to see, and no one else to weep. The cruel little waves rocked Pussy gently fast asleep.

PUSSY.

DEER JANE—JOE

See what was found on the letter-rack in the Arts building by the energetic cub reporter of the "Ubyssey." We publish the following without any comment, only hoping that we are not hurting the writer's feelings by so doing.—The Editor.

Deer Jane:

Since you have moved I do not no where you are liveing now, so wil leave this letter in the rack in the front hall of the bilding which they call Art's in this University and I will put your name on the outside and soon Mr. Tansley will see it and I gess he will no where you are liveing because he nos everything and whenever we want to find out something we ask him for it and he tells me for which we are very grateful. I wood have ritten before but I have so much to do with studdying and danceing every Friday nite and sum other nites too. This is ritten on Saturday afternoon, which there was to be a Rugby game against New Zealand but there boat did not come in time so there is no game. Anyhow I dont want to see any game unless Messers Lord and Morrison play, who I no by sight and will soon no personally so I can introduce them to you if you ever come to Van.

It has raned here for about 3 wks. and is still raneing as if Mr. Pluvius had ment to let it rane 1 nite and the pipe had broke, or else he went to sleep like Mr. Winkle, which I hope he didnt.

I went to the skateing rink last nite when it opened, and they was a hole bunch from this University there, and also Mr. Grimmett who owns the hockey team in this University, who has asked me to play hockey for him which I will do since he needs good players like me and the first practice is on Monday nite.

I am riteing this in our readeing room which is all full of other students and Seniors, which is people who are in there 4th year in this University and another Freshman, which is first year students, is tryeing to see what I am riteing, so I will have to say goodby because I dont want other people readeing my letters to you.

I never new I could rite well until Dr. Sedgewick told us to always be natural when riteing and not to use floury language, which I do not do and he said that I rote naturaler than any in this University. He does not give me good marks for my compositions though, but perhaps my language is a little floury. I wish he could see this letter, but I gess you would not like it. I will rite again soon, and hope Mr. Tansley gives you this.

JOE.

BOUQUETS

In view of the discussion recently started over the policy of the "Ubyssey," the following extract from a letter of a graduate may be of interest:

"I am enjoying the paper very much, and consider it quite an improvement over last year. I think if you would devote a little more space to the editorial column it would be an advantage as well as a pleasure to the majority of the students, as well as to the outsiders."

ATTENTION!

Copies of the present Constitution of the Alma Mater Society, and the amendments to be voted on next Tuesday, have been printed and placed in the copies of the "Ubyssey" distributed today, in order that each student may get an idea of questions under consideration before the meeting is held. This has been done for your benefit, so please keep these copies for future reference.

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MEN'S LIT.

The second of the inter-class debates conducted by the Men's Lit. was held last Wednesday afternoon in the Physics lecture-room. The subject under discussion was: "That compulsory mathematics should be eliminated from the curriculum of First-year Arts." Messrs. G. V. Scott and T. Fahey, of Arts '23, upheld the affirmative, and Messrs. Heaslip and Limpers, of Arts '22, the negative.

The affirmative claimed that, since this was an age of specialization, no one should be compelled to take a subject not relating to his life work. They also took exception to the idea of compulsion in any form. If a student needed a subject, he could be trusted to take it voluntarily.

The negative held that mathematics was essential to a liberal education, as it broadened the intellect, strengthened the reasoning power, and developed a well-ordered imagination: three things which are essential in any sphere of activity.

The judges were Mr. Wood and Dr. Sedgewick. Both spoke shortly on the debate, pointing out merits and faults. They gave their decision in favor of the Sophomores.

ECONOMICS DISCUSSION CLUB

A meeting of the Economics Discussion Club was held on Thursday, Nov. 13th, at Chalmers' Church. "Methods of Financing the War" was the subject under discussion, and interesting papers were read by Miss Ella Crozier and Mr. A. E. Boss, the former supporting Victory Bonds and the latter upholding the method of taxation.

Miss Crozier outlined the many needs for immediate funds—war gratuities, soldiers' settlements, and so on, pointing out that taxes could not be collected quickly enough to meet these demands.

Mr. Boss stated that the war would be ultimately financed by taxation, even though Victory Bonds be a temporary means. Taxation is therefore the simplest and most direct method, and should include the excess profits tax and the income tax. Raising money by Victory Bonds increases class differences, since it is the rich man who buys the bulk of the bonds, and the poor are thus eventually taxed to pay dividends on the bonds held by the rich.

As usual, open discussion followed the reading of the papers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Junior Economics Club — Chalmers' Church, Thursday, 8 p.m. Members please bring fees.

Senior Economics Club—Wednesday, November 26th. Address by Thomas Richardson, ex-M.P.

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