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Dr. Wright Addresses I.R.C.

Last Wednesday evening Dr. Wright spoke to the I.R.C. on "The Impact of Science on International Affairs". Taking the silver industry as an example, Dr. Wright stated that fifty years ago ownership of a silver mine meant that one had considerable wealth. Today, because modern industry demands pure copper, and because silver is extracted in the refining of copper, leaving large quantities of it as a by-product of another industry, the mining of silver for its own sake has ceased to be worthwhile, especially since the 'thirties, when the depression caused the price of silver, which had already fallen drastically, to go still lower. About this time, senators from the silver-producing states of the U.S., introduced a bill to aid the silver mines by having the U.S. government pay the silver producers twice the world price of silver. This bill was passed. In a little while, smuggling silver from China into the U.S., melting it, and selling it to the American treasury, became very profitable. Chinese currency was almost entirely silver. In the course of a few months, the drain on Chinese money became disastrous. With money almost impossible to get, the Chinese people suffered from an economic crisis which caused thousands to die of starvation. Thus the demands of the modern electrical industry for pure copper exerted an indirect, but very definite, influence on international affairs.

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Arts Society Holding Dinner

All the Arts students (that is, all but thirty of them) met in Dr. De Merten's room on January 22, to talk about the proposed banquet. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to hold it at the Goody Shop, and to charge members of the Society forty cents for tickets, with non-members to pay seventy-five cents. All Arts students on the campus are automatically members of the Arts Society.

Dr. A. G. Bailey, the Honorary President, was chosen as guest speaker at the banquet.

The date of the affair was later definitely set to be Wednesday, February 7, at 7 p.m. Every Artsman should be there, for a pleasant evening is promised, particularly as the guest speaker is Dr. Bailey, who has taken a real interest in the society; and where else can you get a banquet for a mere forty cents?

The Honorary members of the Arts Society have been invited as guests. Be sure to get your tickets before Saturday, February 3 as the Goody Shop must know how many people to expect. You may obtain tickets from Eleanor Haines, Jean Smith, Nancy MacNair, George Royd, Carlisle Hanson or Bob Lawrence.

So, Artsmen, for an evening well spent remember the Arts Society banquet at 7 p.m., Wednesday, February 7 at the Goody Shop. See you all there!

Explains Travelling Board Plan

Third and fourth year technical students were given a very informative talk by Mr. McDiarmid of the Wartime Bureau of Technical Personnel last Thursday at a meeting in Memorial Hall. The purpose of this meeting was to clarify the position of technical students with respect to the present manpower regulations.

Mr. Diamond was one of the Travelling Selection Board of Army Navy and Civilian personnel that visited the campus last Thursday for the purpose of interviewing students who are going into the services or industry after graduation. This board also interviewed a number of Juniors who are interested in taking military training during the summer months.

The speaker explained that the most urgent need for technical graduates was in the army and went on to say that reinforcement officers for the Canadian Infantry Corps are expected to come from

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Ball this Friday

Reserve this Friday night; it marks the second formal dance of the year '44-'45, this time the Victory Ball sponsored by the U.N.B. War Effort Committee. Plans are completed and from the way things are shaping, one of the best dances of the year is in the offing.

The music is being supplied by Sammy Cohen who is coming from Saint John with a ten-piece orchestra. This orchestra has proved to be very popular of late around the south shore and the rumor seems to be that a great treat is in store for all those who plan to attend the dance. Decorations will be along the patriotic line and are in the capable hands of Helen Gibson and Eric Teed. During the evening a half dozen pound boxes of Mols (Continued on page five)

TO DEBATE AT HALIFAX SOON

The U.N.B. Debating Society, after a season during which only the usual meetings, consisting of routine business and informal debates, were carried out, is now preparing for its initial outside encounter. This is to be in the form of a radio debate with Kings University at Halifax. The debate will be held in mid-February.

In view of the oncoming debate, a meeting is to be held on Wednesday, January 31. The members are to prepare a talk entitled: "Resolved, The Interest of Higher Education in the Maritimes Would Be Best Served by the Erection of an Interprovincial University with Which All Existing Colleges Would Be Affiliated."

This will undoubtedly supply much material for the coming meet. It is hoped that the efforts of all the debaters, old and new, will be successful.

DEFICIT REMAINS AT \$6.89

Despite the adverse weather conditions which persisted Monday night and despite the jeering back seat drivers, the Final Spring Budget Meeting, held in the Mathematics Lecture Room, battled its way to an eventful climax. The meeting closed with a deficit of \$6.89 as the total expenditures reached the new high figure of \$6,857.46. For fully two hours the Council Members attempted to give the budget a well deserved consideration as select mob observers hooted and laughed at the slightest provocation. Happily, the exhausted representatives adjourned the meeting after the S.R.C. President, Jim Fettes, disregarding the fact that the totals are achieved by calculating expected Gats Receipts, explained that the deficit would be easily covered by a provisional \$300 balance of safety.

Late, as usual, the meeting commenced with the customary reading of the minutes. Several items of routine business were attended to before the assemblage attacked the budget. Freshmen Representatives to the S.R.C., the Ski Club Executive, dates for a Co-ed and a Freshman Dance were approved. The Junior Varsity Basketball team was given permission to hold a dance this Thursday evening after considerable discussion regarding the needs of the War Effort Committee, and \$7.65 was granted to the Boxing Manager to cover debts incurred during a trip last term.

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Ottawa Calling

A Canadian University Press Feature
By Neil MacDonald

OVER THE FENCE IS OUT

OTTAWA: It may now be fairly assumed that N.R.M.A. troops in large numbers are not behind the government policy of sending up to 16,000 of them overseas as reinforcements. Yesterday, the figure of soldiers A.W.O.L. was estimated at up to 700; today—Saturday the 20th—the number has climbed to 2,000 or more.

It is quite probable that the attitude of the soldiers is the result of too many announcements in the past by the government that compulsory service overseas was unnecessary coupled with an inept introduction of what must have, to many soldiers affected by the order, discrimination in sending 16,000 soldiers overseas out of 65,000 eligible men.

The government was experiencing, in the resentment which it stirred up, the inevitable reaction to its policy of intimidation, carried on over several years, to get the soldiers overseas. Military spokesmen have acknowledged that such a policy was carried out in the past, and I have heard eyewitness accounts of just how by ostracism and "Joe-Jobs", draftees were persuaded to "Go Active".

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Drs. Gregg And Pacey at Alumni

Extensive expansions of the facilities of the University of New Brunswick is under study by the University Senate to provide for an anticipated large increase of students after the war. This was announced at the Alumni Beatty Hotel.

Projected alterations involve the construction of new and alteration of present buildings, faculty and course adjustment. The general upsurge in enrollment will tax the present facilities beyond capacity. Dr. Milton F. Gregg, President, declared in his report of University conditions at the Alumni Meeting, Friday night.

Said Fred Magee, Port Elgin, "We must retain the high status of our state institution... it is nationally recognized at the present time... and we must support morally and financially any plan to keep us in the good favour we enjoy now." A university faculty committee has been studying the proposed alterations and problems which

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Hoopmen's Bounce

Last Saturday night, after the Red and Blacks beat the Whites (pitch-hitting for Prasque Isle) in a stirring game of basketball, a dance was held in the Gymnasium as some of the U.N.B. students knew or hoped. The crowd was so excited over the basketball game it was quite some time before anyone could think of dancing—a full half-hour to be exact.

After much "pleading" from Bob Evans the dance floor was enhanced by eight beautiful co-eds, who had worked up courage enough to walk onto the floor. The men waited no longer and soon the dance was underway and everybody got into the spirit of the event as the admission fee was dropped.

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BLOOD DONORS NEEDED TODAY

Getting blood out of a stone would be much easier than getting blood out of many of the students around the campus. Do you realize we have over one hundred and thirty donors on our list. Many of these "active" donors have given only one donation and it is to these members that we say "Pull the plug".

As one of the students ably wrote in the "Silhouette": "So little is this pint of blood to give. That, far away, a dying man might live."

Take this, my blood; and know a part of me Has gone... to keep my homeland free.

This term we rely on the freshmen to make their deposits so that we may keep the University's balance out of the red. Get in contact with Roy Bradley as soon as possible.

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All Class Meetings Held

The Freshman class met last Friday, Jan. 26, at noon, to discuss the proposed Spring Budget, as did the Sophomore and Junior classes. The Seniors met Monday, Jan. 29, at 7 o'clock. At least six of them braved the blizzard, another six dripping in as time wore on toward the half hour. With the exception of the Freshman meeting, all were poorly attended, showing either a thorough satisfaction with the Budget as is or an unwillingness to think, discuss, or even care about the spending of the student money.

The following paragraphs give some account of the respective class meetings. The Freshman class met in the Chemistry Lecture Room with Pat Harper in the chair and about half of the class in attendance. The election of S.R.C. representatives was completed first with Betty Price, Bill Morrison and Ray Tower getting the opportunity to fill the three freshman chairs on the student governing body. On to the discussion of the Freshman Dance to be held whenever the S.R.C. could find them a free day. A committee was gathered together, the girls agreeing to attend to programs and refreshments if the boys managed advertising and checking. It has since been learned that March 16 has been granted as the date for the Freshman Dance.

Due to the absence of President John Baxter, the Vice President, Mary Lawson called to order the meeting of the Sophomores in the

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Chessmen Loose to Fredericton

The U.N.B. Chess Club met the Fredericton Chess Club in the back of the Goody Shop last Tuesday night, January 23, to play the biggest chess tournament ever attempted by the collegians. A total of ten U.N.B. players (including one co-ed) were on hand at 7.30 p.m. when the tournament was scheduled to start. However due to various reasons, the chief one being that all the Fredericton players weren't present at that time, the meet did not get started until 8 p.m. Each player played two games with his opponent and the last game ended around 11.30. The Fredericton men were captained by G. Stegmann while the Hillmen were led by Bob LeEel. The point system was: a win, one point; a draw, one-half point. The team scores were:

Fredericton won 11, drew 2, lost 5
U.N.B. won 5, drew 2, lost 11
Totals:
Fredericton—12, U.N.B.—6
The individual players and their scores were:
H. Frohls 1½ vs J. Hough ½
Drew 0 vs R. Leibel 2
R. Whiting 1½ vs M. Marcollan ½
G. Stegmann 2 vs J. Lawrence 0
T. Hallett 1 vs I. Babb 1
C. Tweeddale 1 vs E. Teed 1
M. Neville 2 vs D. Boyaner 0
Bate 2 vs I. Sewell 0
W. Beerristo 1 vs H. Baxter 0
W. Beerristo 0 vs L. Morgan 1