

Students Forum

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Communists Run I.U.S. But N.F.C.U.S. Should Join

—by Pete Van der Meyden

It was decided at the conference of NFCUS held in December, 1947, that NFCUS become affiliated to I. U. S. for a period of two years under two conditions: that IUS exclude from it any political activities which do not embrace the basic rights of students and the establishment of an equitable system of representation. NFCUS reserved the right to disaffiliate itself from IUS at the end of two years or at any time during this period if these conditions were not complied with.

The headquarters of IUS are in Prague, just taken over by the Russians, and the organization is Soviet controlled. At the present state of affairs the proposition of NFCUS becoming affiliated to IUS is out of the question. Therefore the important question is shall NFCUS break all relations with IUS, or send observers to the next IUS meeting in order to keep some contact with this organization?

First let me answer these questions: "What is I. U. S.?" and "What has I. U. S. accomplished?" I. U. S. is a world-wide student organization set up in 1945 with the object of integrating university students throughout the world into a progressive union. Its accomplishments are student relief, setting up sanatoriums, travel reductions for students, international sports, and a student magazine. These accomplishments have so far, only been felt in Europe, but nevertheless they are admirable. Would NFCUS benefit by joining I. U. S. at present? "No," at the meeting of I. U. S. last year not a resolution was approved which did not coincide with Russian interests, and so by joining, NFCUS might become a tool of the Soviet.

On the other hand if NFCUS

breaks absolutely and sends no observers to the next meeting, other democratic countries which are still members will feel deserted, and there will be no chance of the democratic block developing a majority which will be able to insist that IUS maintain its program of student welfare and advancement. If NFCUS disaffiliated itself from IUS absolutely there is a proposition made by NFCUS at the December conference, to promote the formation of an alternative world student union which will satisfy the true functions of such a union as has been defined before.

To set up such a movement would require a lot of time, work and money. Therefore, why not try to make the most use of the already existing organization and try to put that organization to our own uses. The question is brought up: won't the Russian delegates turn the Canadian observers to their own use? The Russian delegates are primed and trained by their government, they know all the faults of the democracies, and have learned to put their mistakes to their own advantage. NFCUS found an answer to this, the delegates were chosen in December and their delegates are being intensely prepared for their task, and will be able to meet any Communist in verbal combat.

It is to the best interests of all concerned that NFCUS send observers to the IUS meeting this summer, it will give Canada a chance to learn the views of other students from all over the world, keep the Canadian students in close contact with the other students from every corner of the globe, and by lending her voice strengthen delegates from other democratic countries.

Door Is Prize At Frosh Prance

by "Geary Moan"

The Freshman have brought to an end a successful and "agitating" year by sponsoring their traditional dance for the upper classmen. The theme of the "Poverty Parade" (the posters said Poverty Prance) was hard times. The committee in charge, with Bill Haines as chairman, "Boss" Ralph, as C. O., and a few freshman as assistants, did a fine job on the decorations. A profusion of five dollar bills, coinage, and a startling "true-to-life" portrait of the typical UNB'er, were some of the added attractions at Memorial Hall.

Disappointment was felt in that most of the "distinguished upper classmen" were unable to attend—"they missed it." The few "distinguished" classmen attending were constantly reminded that they were the guests of those agitators down at Alex," by the presence of a very large and impressive red and blue scroll:

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The Mello-Airs, in full dress uniform, were mellow; the floor not too crowded; and the styles were very informal (due to the committee, who insisted upon taking off the ties of the dignified, and rolling their trousers up three inches).

The holder of the lucky number for the door prize was presented with a door—a very familiar green one, appropriately wrapped.

George Robinson thanked President "Buck" for the Freshman sponsored "do," and congratulated Bill Haines on his success as committee chairman. Following this, Mr. Robinson made the outstanding remark that this year's Freshman Class really was energetic (to say the least) and possibly the best group of Frosh that UNB had seen for some time.

The SRC Proxy also announced that next year would see the same executive of Bachan-Coan-Haines, the result of Friday's election.

Dr. Thompson Speaks To Scientific Society

"Some aspects of psychology are definitely scientific," said Dr. Louise Thompson in her talk entitled "The Place of Psychology in Science" to the Scientific Society on April 14th. Dr. Thompson, of the Faculty of Psychology and Education, went on to illustrate this statement and to show how the Scientific method may be applied to many problems in psychology.

Dr. G. F. M. Smith was elected as the new President of the Scientific Society at this meeting. Other officers elected were: Dr. A. P. Stuart, Vice-President, Professor H. V. Pritchard, Chairman of Program Committee and Frank Clarke, Secretary Treasurer and reporter.

Dr. Thompson began her talk with a definition of Science and went on to point out that the scientist observes his experiment while the psychologist observes the observer. "The word psychology," she continued, "comes from two Greek words meaning a study of the soul. This original concept has been modified several times and the word 'soul' replaced by the word 'mind' which in turn gave way to 'consciousness' and, finding this inadequate, psychologists referred to their work as a study of behaviour; so that some people would like to say psychology lost its soul, then its mind, and finally it just lost consciousness."

"There are today six schools of psychology concentrating on different areas of human activity," the speaker continued. "The modern experimental movement began in 1879.

U. of Sask. Vets Raise \$10,000 towards Memorial

By CUP

At the University of Saskatchewan, veterans have raised \$10,000 as a contribution towards a Memorial Union students' building to be erected on the campus. The money was raised principally by conducting a lottery with a new Chrysler sedan as the prize. Tickets on the car were sold throughout the whole province.

The students themselves have raised \$21,000 towards the \$200,000 total besides \$25,000 contributed by the alumni and outside donors among which is included the veteran's \$10,000, making a total of \$46,000 or almost one-quarter of the final sum raised to date.

This movement seeks to replace speculation by known facts and holds that as the area of speculation gets smaller the area of known facts gets larger."

Dr. Thompson went on to point out the difficulties involved in applying the experimental method to human subjects. "One of the greatest problems of the last 20 years," she said, "is whether heredity or environment is the greatest contributor to intelligence." "It is often difficult," said the speaker, "to repeat an experiment that involves human personality."

The speaker went on to discuss the meaning of I. Q. and its value as a means of measuring a person's intelligence.

Dr. Thompson pointed out that external observable facts (objective) may not be so different from the subjective because we have to accept as true what a person says he sees. On an illustration she took the case of the motion picture where a person sees movement where in reality there is a succession of still pictures.

A lively discussion on extra sensory perception followed the talk.

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Music: "She is Only a Gilded Cage."

Ann: Ladies do you f bird in a gilded cage?" D work tire you out? Do di you want to scream? If so, let us lighten your burd the new sensational wond will solve your troubles. derful for dishes and all y little undergarments. Qu wink but oooooh ooooo g ply sprinkle a little Atom lead lined dishpan and s Atomic power does the r you make this simple grocer has it. Order t minutel For security ro product is available only i ed States of America.

Music: "Hearts and F Ann: Today, Big Ber crisis. Her husband John ed. Believing John to b has married Reginald her close friend and ad is she to do? We find John, and Reginald in room of Bertha's humble apartment. The atm charged and expectant.

Bertha: Oh John, w do?

Refi: Really my dear problem. My duty as man and a gentleman must step aside.

Bertha: But, Reginald I know this seems very John, but when I hear missing in action my crumbled down about n someone strong and abl through the misery.

Regi: I did only w tleman would have done

Bertha: I am only a an of the people and I my whole heart to Reg

John: I understand it must have been for you completely forgotte and beautiful love. I w if you will cast off thi rage and return to me

Reginald: Yes, my the only right thing to not forget that John h ing to preserve the Am life. I shall leave for land tonight. I love y I must do my duty. must be annulel.

John: You are a tr sir, to do this for B And now, darling, we life. I will teach you again as you once did

Bertha: But Reginald is something I must te Reginald: What is

John: All is forg Don't tell me anything wish to.