

ENGINEERING

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The engineering profession in Canada is fortunate in that a recognized body like the Engineering Institute is so well established in this country. The Institute is the oldest and largest engineering organization in Canada with an active membership of 10,000 at the present time.

The Institute was founded in 1887 under the title of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers. This title resulted from the fact that at the time of founding the degree of specialization now prevalent did not exist and all engineering work other than military was known as 'civil'. Since that date the many subdivisions of the engineering profession have resulted in numerous organizations being organized to serve the particular requirements of each division. However, the Institute has continued during the years to serve all engineers and the profession, without emphasizing any particular branch.

The present-day Institute membership activities embrace with equal emphasis all branches of engineering: civil, electrical, mechanical, mining, chemical, and so on. The Institute therefore serves to unite the various branches of engineering into one organization which, in a country with so small a population as Canada, can best serve the interests of the engineer.

The Institute enjoys the closest relationship with sister societies in other parts of the world, particularly in England and the United States. It is also a member of the Engineers' Council for Professional Development and international conference of engineering bodies organized to enhance the professional status of the engineer. Through membership in this Council, the Institute is able to work out with the leading engineers of other countries the best solutions to problems of professional importance. The Institute therefore performs an important educational function in making this information available to the profession.

The 10,000 members of this organization are located in 28 branches from coast to coast in Canada. Each branch functions individually with a large degree of autonomy which permits it to adapt itself to local conditions without sacrificing the unity required of a national body. The decentralized organization of the Institute is one of its outstanding features.

The Montreal Branch, for example, has its own officers and committees but combines with the other branches to contribute to matters which are of national importance. The local branch also has a Junior Section which operates primarily for the benefit of students and younger members. This branch is fortunate in that the national headquarters is located in Montreal.

Art Today FROM THE MAILBAG

"Art today, and art activities at UNB", was the theme of a talk given by Miss Lucy Jarvis, director of art at UNB, to the Sunday evening meeting of the Student Christian Movement held in the Community "Y".

Miss Jarvis, in giving a brief background in the field of art development, noted that art and religion have developed hand in hand. She said that art is a spiritualist thing and has always been threatened by any purely material environment or atmosphere. She went on to say that certain religious outlooks had been opposed to art by virtue of their dogmatic attitudes, but this is a contradiction of the relation that should exist.

Booklet on Art Centre

At the beginning of her talk, Miss Jarvis spoke of the art activities at UNB at present, and mentioned that a booklet is being prepared to familiarize the students with the art centre. This booklet will include a statement of purpose, in brief, to create an environment in which students can appreciate and understand art, a history of how the art centre evolved, and an outline of the classes and activities carried on.

During a brief business meeting which preceded the speaker, a report was given from the recent meeting of the SCM Advisory Board, and further plans were made for an Inter-Church Youth service on February 6. John Hildebrand and Stig Harvor were appointed as members of the InterFaith Council.

As a result there is a constant interchange of information between the branch and headquarters to a degree not always possible in the other branches.

The Engineering Institute is a voluntary organization and the results obtained are entirely due to the efforts of the individual member. The rapid development of the past will undoubtedly continue and through the untiring efforts of its members the Institute will exert an ever widening influence as the national engineering society of Canada.

London, (CUP)—A Western Ontario Arts student, Bill Brennan, now owns Superman. No, he hasn't got him in the flesh but he does own a good reproduction. The Supply Store recently received a cardboard Superman addressed to Bill and shipped collect by persons unknown. After paying the fifty-five cent express charge, Bill headed towards his London home with the "man of steel" tucked under his arm. Bill's only comment was, "He's not really my hero, I like Batman better."

Montreal, (CUP)—A three man team representing the McGill Debating Society has left for Prestwick, Scotland. From there they will start on a twelve day tour of the United Kingdom during which time they will debate against five British universities. This marks the renewal of Trans-Atlantic competition which was discontinued during the war. Their stops include Glasgow, Bristol, Birmingham, Oxford and London.

Palo Alto, (Exchange)—Now they are auctioning off shmoos. The Stanford University Relief Drive recently sold shmoos in a drive for student relief. The shmoos, drawn and photographed by Al Capp, received the highest bids in the auction.

Toronto, (CUP)—The students at Victoria College (University of Toronto) have voted against giving her a corsage. One student when commenting on the wearing of flowers said, "It is a very ticklish situation." When asked to elaborate, he refused on the grounds that the whole issue was much too personal.

ONE HONEST MAN

Vancouver, Jan. 10 — (CUP) There is at least one honest advertiser on the University of British Columbia campus.

An advertisement posted on a notice board is overpowering in portraying the virtues of a motorcycle. The ad reads as follows: "For sale. One decrepit motorcycle in exceptionally poor condition. Anyone who is crazy enough to think this is a good buy is a fool and a moron."

YOU SAID IT!

--So Whata Ya Goin' to do About It?

by Woody and Harry

In a column titled "On the Ball" (Urpl) of last week's Brunswickan it was stated that "a compulsory university athletic program should be initiated immediately" on the UNB campus. This program would mean that each student, physically capable, would be required to spend a specified amount of time participating in some phase of athletic program. In addition to the major sports at this university, it would include such things as bowling, fencing, handball, volleyball, tumbling, etc., to name only a few.

To show the author of this column that we are not only "On the ball" but a jump ahead of the ball, we have chosen his topic as the question of the week to find out how many students share his opinion. The question was:

Should a compulsory athletic program be initiated at UNB?

Yes 35%
No 59%
No Comment 6%

Among the comments made were: Ben Baldwin-Marks should be given for athletics.

Turney Manzer - Naturally - Look at the shape we're in.

Ross Crittendon - I don't give a damn. Jim McAdam-Yes. Athletic facilities at UNB aren't appreciated.

Mike Vincent-They should give a course in pin-ball machines.

Don Keith-Yes-Too many people are just plain lazy.

Steve Teed-It couldn't matter less to me.

Charley Kee-Up!

Henry Moffett-No man should be forced into anything.

Jack MacKay-It is up to the individual to decide.

This week we are forced to disagree with the majority. We think that such a program would be a good thing for the university. We also think that academic credits should be given for participation in athletics. Such a program would bring out the hidden talents that many of our students possess. A well planned athletic program should be one of the main items in our university career.

That's the situation as we see it, so what are you going to do about it?

BRUNSWICKAN PUBLISHES CUP BOOKLET

The Brunswickan has accepted the job of compiling a handbook for all member newspapers of Canadian University Press. It is expected that this booklet will be published within two months.

At the CUP Conference in Quebec City at Laval University UNB's offer of providing this booklet was readily accepted. Other University newspapers are handling similar projects for CUP. The Sheet of the University of Saskatchewan is publishing a CUP Calendar.

The Queens' Journal will publish a column concerning University camps while McGill Daily, besides its regular duties of CUP News Bureau, will investigate the possibilities, and if at all possible, establish contact with European organizations through a new university press organization of international character - Unipress.

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