Engineers Make First Survey Tour of the Season

SEE FACILITIES ON NORTH SHORE; LARGE GROUP MAKES FIRST TRIP

By Harry Swinnard

On November 9, members of the Engineering Society visited various places in the Miramichi Area. In all, over forty under-graduate engineers, along with eight engineering professors made the trip.

The first stop was at the site of the new bridge being built at the mouth of the North West Miramichi branch. Here the engineers were taken out by boat to inspect the piers. In constructing these piers, the "Intrusion Prepakt" method of pouring concrete was being used. At the time of the visit steel H beams were still being driven down into the bottom of the river to act as piles in the piers.

From the bridge, the engineers were taken to the Chatham Airport of the R.C.A.F. Here most of them had their first close look at the "Vampire" Jet. The Dexter Construction Company was busy laying new runways, made entirely of concrete. The old runways of an asphalt compound, were literally being melted by the heat of the jets, which necessitated their removal, and the laying of the concrete. The various hangers were inspected, where maintainance crews were at work, along with the various sections where repairs are made on instrumentts, wireless equipment and all the paraphernalia so necessary for the efficient running of modern aircraft. The engineers were then invited to dinner in the officers' mess, the first time some of the "Jo Erks" of the last war ever saw the inside of one of those buildings. It might be mentioned here that three of last year's engineering graduating class, who are now flying officers in the R.C.A.F., were seen on the station. They were Kenny Dick, Bernard Biddiscombe and George Ruickbie.

The Fraser Kraft Mill was then visited, where the engineers were shown how kraft was made from start to finish. The hydraulic barker, where the bark is stripped from the logs with jets of water, proved very interesting. Upon entering the mill the logs were taken to the chippers where large rotary knives cut the logs into chips in a matter of seconds. The chips then go to storage bins, from there to the digestors, where, under pressure, steam and acid cook the chips to what is known as sulphite. This white pottage-like compound is then filtered and sent to storage tanks. On the machine, the sulphite is formed into a continuous sheet, where some of the moisture is taken out by means of steam-heated rollers. At the dry end of the machine, the rather moist kraft is cut into squares of about 2 feet. This product is then shipped to Edmundstton, where, after being changed to its original pulpy state, by means of "beaters", it is reprocessed into five grades of paper. Many points of interest, in the methods of electrical distribution about the mill were also noted. The mill itself could almost be termed a "reclamation mill", for about seventy-five per cent of the normal waste products, such as bark and sulphite liquor are used over again to generate steam.

From the mill, the engineers were then taken to the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission Power Plant, where power is generated with steam turbines. Here, such terms as boilers, condensers, pumps, stokers, generators, exciters, ball-mill pulverizers, and switchboards were widely discussed, and the objects of discussion were there to inspect.

So campleted a days' outing for the engineers. The Engineering Society is indeed grateful to all who made this trip a success. Special mention should be given to the men in authority, at the various places visited, who arranged for guides and who helped to make the engineers feel welcome. The engineering Faculty, for their assistance in making the trip a reality, also deserves our thanks. To Sandy Valentine, chairman of the Tours Committee, The Engineering Society extends thanks for a well organized trip. May the engineers have many more of a similar nature.

McGILL DAILY SUSPENDED AFTER "EXTRAVAGANZA" STORY

The editor of the McGill Daily, along with several other interested parties was recently severely censired, and publication of the journal suspended for a period, due to complaints against a story publicising a Commerce Undergraduate Society "Extravaganza". Excerpts from the original story, and from a later statement on the issue by the editorial staff of the Daily, with an introductory comment on the incident in the commercial press follow.

The Dailies Said . . .

MONTREAL, Nov. 14.—Decision to suspend publication of the McGill Daily, official undergraduate newspaper, and four student leaders until a meeting of the senate on Wednesday was announced yesterday by Dr. F. Cyril James, principal and vice-chancellor of the university.

The action was taken by the committee on student discipline as a result of exaggerated publicity which the daily had used in advance of a student party in the McGill Union, and for infraction of university regulations in connection with the sale of liquor at the entertainment Saturday evening.

From the Original Story

Dancing, gambling, games and drinking will headline this event: Dancing will be to the music of Bix Belair and his orchestra in the Ballroom. Bix plays nightly at the Bellevue Casino. Dancing will continue throughout the evening.

All students will be given a chance to try their luck and make their fortune at the gambling games in the Reading Room. The committtee feels that the students will be attracted to the Hoop-la game. This game is the one in which hoops are thrown on wooden pegs. A slight change has been made here however, because human legs belonging to even real human females will take the place of the unromantic wooden pegs. Three girls will donate their net-stockinged ankles, calves and thighs.

Some other games will include Chuck-Luck and Crown and Anchor. These are spinning 'wheels of fortune' in which the person who picks the lucky number wins. 'Over seven and under seven' is a dice game where the player gets even money on numbers below or above seven, and two to one odds on the number seven.

The Editor's Comment

Friday's edition to The Daily, unfortunately for our reputation among unthinking folk and for the Combined Charities Committee, detailed quite explicitly the program the Committee had prepared for Saturday's "Extravaganza" — an evening of "dancing, drinking, gambling and games."

The upshot of our story was that the Dean of Women ruled that no resident students of the Royal Victoria College would be permitted to attend the event. That ruling, along with some choice quotes from The Daily's story, made news in one of the downtown papers and attracted considerable publicity, although the other papers ignored the incident.

Although no complaints on the matter have been communicated to us, we understand our story, through the publicity it received with Dr. Roscoe's statement downtown, has caused dissatisfaction and concern beyond the confines of RVC. What unsettled our readers was our reporter's bland repetition of what was to constitute the program as told to him by the Committee. His misplaced faith can at best be regarded as unfortunate.

A question that springs to mind is whether the article was unsetting because of what the Committee planned to do or because it said it at all. Convention demands that if people are to spend an evening drinking, gambling, dancing and playing games, even in moderation, the press not say so in so many words. Our story did say so, and because it violated convention, it was due criticism.

Our error was in calling a spade a spade, rather than an instrument used to extract earth from one part of the world to transport it to another. Because this is not usually done in discussing matters such as those with which our story was concerned, people got excited. That was the only unusual thing about the whole affair.

CONCERTS WELL LIKED

One of the most enjoyable additions to the extracurricular phase of campus activity this term has proved to be the Sunday night Pop Concerts held in the Arts Centre in the "O-Hut".

The concerts, featuring the enjoyable setting of the artfully appointed centre, and a good selection of classical and semi-classical music, have attracted a sizeable following.

The concerts represent the work of a number of music lovers on the campus, and have been made possible to a large degree by the efforts of Miss Lucy Jarvis. The program which will be presented on Sunday night, November 26, beginning at 8.30 is as follows:

Wagner.....Prelude to Die .....Meistersinger
Bizet..."Flower Song" from Carmen
Massenet...."Ah! Fuyez, Douce .....Image" from Manon
Debussy.....Nocturnes - Nuages .....and Sirens

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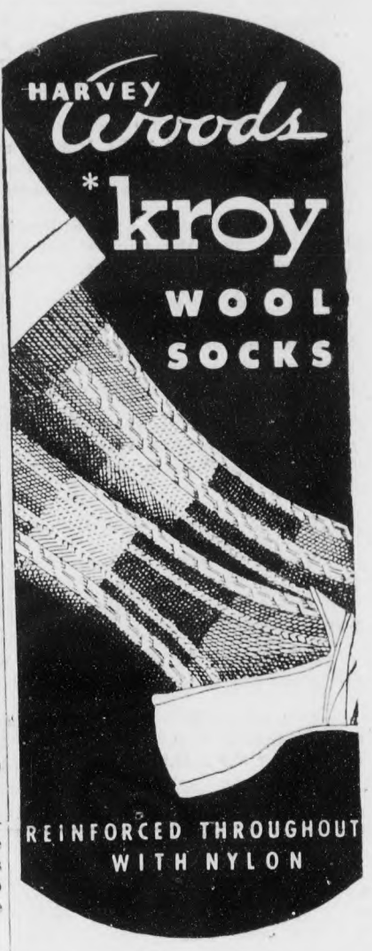
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