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THE BUDGET PROBLEM...

Despite the S.R.C.'s earnest attempts last spring to avoid many of the problems and stalemates that had faced councils in previous years, last week's second marathon meeting showed that all is not going to be smooth sailing.

The preliminary budget shows a surplus of about \$2000 in actual budgets, which should allow the Year Book debt to be almost entirely rubbed out . . . that is the debt from former years. Last year's book which is still in the process of being written, (minus its official editor) is still to be accounted for. Although for the first time in years the actual financial condition of the Year Book is known, that doesn't provide the money to pay for it.

This term's budget, with its increased levy, gives but a comfortable margin. We can only wonder what is to be the situation next term, when the Year Book must budget for this year's book minus the selling income which cut it down in previous years. All indications are that the S.R.C. will find itself back in the old cycle, with more endurance-test budget meetings.

Added to this is the financial implication of the Freshman Week fracas, an entirely unnecessary expense that is to fall on someone's shoulders when the special committee completes its report and recommendations. To take the money from the S.R.C. levy would be disastrous both to the budgets, and the opinion of students who are now paying for debts incurred in former years.

The S. R. C., at the close of last term, expected the increased levy to alleviate the budget strain. Under ordinary financial conditions, they would have been right. But our financial obligations at present are far from normal, and the S.R.C. has a hard job ahead of it, if it is to come out on top. We can only hope that the members we elected will keep in mind those who they represent are going to wonder what became of their extra seven dollars!

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Letters to the Editor

The Editor,
The Brunswickan.
Dear Madam;

I have been asked by The Brunswickan to make a statement regarding the damage done down town, and about one or two other acts of 'rowdism', which somewhat spoilt this year's initiation week. I may say at the outset that while I have some correspondence on my desk relating to these incidents and have had conversation with the President of the S.R.C. and others, I have left the negotiation and settlement of this affair to the student officials themselves.

In the first place, I find that the attitude shown by the upper-classmen and the S.R.C. officials is excellent. Excellent though this attitude is, it is not enough. We need to develop a spirit on the campus which will reach and influence the new members of the student body—and others as well—and thus give us a chance to prevent occurrences of this kind, which offend citizens of Fredericton and sometimes inflict damage.

May I put it to all students that the destruction of good property is never funny. Even if we pay for damage which we have done, the act in itself remains vandalism, and as often as not subjects someone to serious inconvenience and loss. There can be no defence for it. As for the car incident, in which a woman and a three-year old child were frightened, we can only be ashamed of it, even though no one set out to frighten women and children. The disturbance at the Capitol Theatre is another illustration of the unforeseen consequences of this sort of thing.

In fact anything which is a practical joke has in it so many unpredictable

The Editor,
The Brunswickan.
Dear Madam;

Many complaints are heard from the non-athletic students regarding the thousands of dollars of their money spent each year on athletics compared to only a few hundred dollars consumed by other student activities.

Since I am not a member of the S.R.C. and hardly think it necessary or feasible to start a "Society for the Promotion of Student Typewriters" I would like to suggest through your paper that \$70 of the S.R.C. (i.e. students' funds) might be well spent in providing a students' typewriter for use in the library.

With the hope that this request to the S.R.C. does not arouse a storm of protest about my ears, I remain,
Yours sincerely,
BILL REDDIN.

possibilities of harm that sensible people do not play practical jokes.

I congratulate students on their decision to pay for any damage which was caused during these initiation celebrations; but, I repeat, that is not enough. We need a wide-spread conviction that high spirits and jollification, appropriate to certain periods of the academic year, should not involve harm to others, the senseless destruction of valuable property, or bad public relations. It may be that other young people from the city joined with the students in these proceedings. But even so, the major responsibility is ours and we must therefore assume it, and plan better things for the future.

Yours very truly,
A.W. TRUEMAN,
President.

CAMPUS CO-ORDINATOR'S CORNER

Campus Coordinator Corner *! *!catch I am pleased to report that the presidents of several campus organizations have contacted me regarding their forthcoming events. Would those presidents who have not already done so please contact me? Bill Reddin, (9154). Make it a Date. (Reserved for Major Activities).

October 17
Sadie Hawkins Dance, Memorial Hall
October 24
Forestry Dance, Beaverbrook Hotel
October 30
One-Act Plays,
October 31
One-Act Plays,
November 3
Intramural Debates, Art Centre
November 7
Fall Formal, Gym
November 24
Intramural Debates, Art Centre

Regular meetings:
Thursday, S.R.C., Forestry Bldg.
Sunday, SCM, St. Annes.
Sunday, Musicals, Art Centre.
Sunday, U-Y, YMCA.
Monday (alt.), Forestry Assn. F. Bldg.
Tuesday, Investment Syn., Art Centre.
Wednesday, Debating Soc. Art Centre.

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