

EDITORIALS

CARNIVAL DROPS INTO THE RED

Red and white hats are safely back to their rucksacks; the vexing voice of Campus Radio has long vanished, and the threat of examinations has quickly restored a state of normalcy to St. Dunstan's. Winter Carnival days have drifted anonymously away. Only a few remnants remain of the Carnival—they are the frightening and horrible bills that inevitably awaken to reality.

Reality means that after a pair of financially fruitful ventures, the Winter Carnival has suddenly incurred substantial losses. Fortunately, in one respect, the organization is no longer a separate entity, and will be consequently rescued from bankruptcy by its parent Students' Union. In any event, the perennial question: "What happened."

Several factors have been suggested to explain the financial reversal. Rental fees for the elaborate Confederation Centre, the absence of attractive entertainment, an element of faulty judgment surrounding certain events and a lack of complete cooperation are among the reasons proffered. Some or all are undoubtedly valid, but above and beyond any technical points, the Carnival was simply too short.

Monetary success or failure has always rested largely on the sale of \$5.00 general passes. In 1964, when the event lasted five days, one was naturally disposed, because of the Carnival's length alone, to purchase such a ticket. The situation was much different this year. Able to absorb the entire program at a ready glance, many quickly calculated that a pass was unnecessary. Consequently, substantial numbers discharged considerably less than the expected \$5.00 per student. A longer Carnival would have discouraged such speculation.

Other reasons of course, contributed to the debacle. A sum of \$500.00 was, for example, required to secure the Confederation Centre for the concert, reception and ball. While admitting the superiority of setting and atmosphere, we feel financial considerations deserved priority. Again, many contend that the "Bitter End Singers" failed to provide the "name" necessary to arouse interest; disappointing concert gate receipts clearly affirm this opinion.

Aside from all difficulties, though, the Carnival did provide three days of welcomed entertainment. Bob Lymburner and his committee are to be thanked for their efforts on our behalf. After all, it is probably easier to criticize a Carnival than to produce one.

Letters to the Editor

Opinions expressed in this column are not necessarily the opinions of the editor and staff. Whether we agree or disagree, they will be published subject to the availability of space.

The editor strongly urges all students to make the best use of these columns.

HEAVEN FORBID!

Dear Sir:

What happened to our class columns? The funniest, most interesting, and best loved part of the "Red and White" has gone. It is even possible to read the latest edition in the Reading Room of the library without breaking into giggles under the disapproving eye of the librarian. Nobody has threatened to ban "Senior Slops" or to lynch the author of "A Bird's Eye View" since Christmas, so surely there is no danger in keeping up the columns. Must we depend on History 2 class or occasional hints dropped by those guys whose faces are so familiar on the front steps of Marian College in the evening hours for news of what goes on in the residences across the campus?

Heaven forbid! We want our columns back, even if it means dropping such absorbing articles as "Student Cats Thrive on Stress" (p. 6, last edition of "Red and White"). Some student cast (us) would strive even better on humor—and a little gossip. So please, bring back the class columns, and keep the flavor of "Red and White" intact, whether we now belong to the C. U. P. or no.

Sincerely yours,
MRS. R. POPE

CONFERENCE

Dear Sir:

The week-end of the carnival I attended the Annual W.U.S. Atlantic Regional Conference at the University of New Brunswick. What is W.U.S.? World University Service is a voluntary association of students and faculty in more than fifty countries in all the continents, working for the material and intellectual advancement of the world university community. What does W.U.S. do? International W.U.S.

and the W.U.S. National Committees administer a global programme worth \$2,300,000 per year. The core of this consists of mutual assistance, projects in fields of student health, lodging educational activities and faculties, and individual and emergency aid. What you contributed to Share Campaign went into this scheme.

The theme of this conference was "The Problems of the Overseas Student on Campus". Each WUS committee had been sent questionnaires to be distributed among the foreign students, the results of which were synthesized and a report was given by each delegation. Some of the problems were administrative, financial, cultural, social, and personal.

It is up to the university to solve these problems. Who is the university? You, and I and everyone else on this campus. Always in something like this there are few who lead and many who follow. But there is need for more of the few and more of the many. There has been a tremendous awakening of interest in this field over the past few years. Anything that you want the university to do, you must do yourselves. The only spirit in which you should approach this objective is one of enthusiasm.

The appreciation and knowledge of the ideas and ideals of other people is perhaps one of the most important things which one requires to prepare himself adequately for citizenship in the world of tomorrow and even today. The twenty foreign students on this campus are really interesting and they are different. This kind of conduct with the East is the most important kind because it breaks down the barriers of prejudice which exist in an uneducated mind.

Because we go to university we are special. We are the elite. It is your responsibility to understand these problems of loneliness, poverty, language, social life, study,

habits and customs, and change of moral sets of values.

Let this concept of responsibility really mean something to us. Don't pass it off on someone else. We have an opportunity to develop natural understanding at St. Dunstan's before our likes and dislikes have hardened into prejudices. Prejudice is a luxury we can't afford. We must grasp this opportunity and be outgoing, the visitor less the host.

MARGARET ANN WARREN

BEST INTEREST IN MIND

Dear Sir:

The sobbing message of the letter concerning the dismissal of the J.V. team from the Junior Hockey League begs attention.

The purpose of the J.V. team at S.D.U. is to give its players the adequate coaching, opposition and playing time not found in the intramural league. The players are selected for the team with a view to future varsity participation. Five members of last year's J.V. team are now playing varsity. The situation was much different this year. The J.V. team is a fine group of spirited hockey players—but few, if any, have the necessary potential to play varsity at its present calibre. The High School team, brimming with future varsity talent, was faced with playing only five scheduled games against incompetent opposition. Viewing the situations it was only logical and fair to replace the J.V. team from the Junior Hockey as the St. Dunstan's entry.

This change was made through administration, University Athletic Director, and the Amateur Athletic Association, and was done so with a view to bettering the hockey interest at S.D.U. and with no ill intent toward the J.V. players.

EXECUTIVE A.A.A.

ALUMNEWS

By TOM McMILLAN



BILL LEDWELL

"They declared a rare holiday at St. Dunstan's University; the hockey players were told that they didn't have to come home until morning (11:30 was the deadline then) and wholesale uninhibited bedlam erupted everywhere. Players, student supporters, faculty members, and fans at large gave way to unrestrained demonstrations as they celebrated that victory on the night of March 12th, 1947."

These are the words of Bill Ledwell; himself a member of the 1946-47 Varsity Hockey team which has the distinction of having given to Saint Dunstan's, to date, its only Maritime Intercollegiate Hockey Championship.

"It is idle to compare the 1947 Saints with this year's team but we think the first title holders could hold their own with MacMillan, Mulligan, and Co. . . . The 1946-47 team lacked the depth and balance of this year's team—no doubt about this fact—but they were a hard-nosed, determined band and they defeated one of the truly great St. F.X. teams that year."

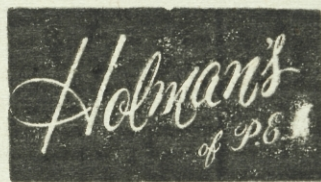
Bill published these remarks in the special S.D.U. Souvenir Hockey Program, which is being sold for the promotion of this year's Varsity Saints. He included in his article, titled "The Night that Really Was", a list of the present whereabouts and occupations of many of the players on that tremendous '47 team, and we thought we'd pass that information along to those who have not yet purchased a copy of the souvenir program.

According to Bill . . . Frank MacKinnon, native of Char-

lottetown and goalie for that team, is now teaching high school in Ottawa. Sub-Goalie, Frank Strain, from Charlottetown, is employed with the Government of Canada in Charlottetown. On defence: Bert Methot, Three Rivers, Quebec, is presently living in Indiana; Carl MacDonald, Westville, N. S., is with the R. C. A. F. at Ottawa; and Des Burge of Bedford, P. E. I., is now a public relations officer with the R.C.A.F. at Toronto. Forwards: Joe Mahar, Charlottetown, is now with the Atomic Energy Commission in Ottawa; Elmer Blanchard is practicing law in Charlottetown and is private secretary to Lt. Gov. W. J. MacDonald; Allister MacIsaac, Westville, N. S., is principal of East Pictou Regional High School; Reg Rodgers, Borden, is working with the Federal Fisheries Department at Shediac, N. B.; Jacques Thebault, Matame, Quebec, is a dentist in Montreal; Allison Farmer, Kinkora, is with the Ford Motor Company in Oakville, Ontario; Calude D'Amours, Trois Bistoles, Quebec, is a dentist in Matame, Quebec; Jerry McQuaid, Kensington, is teaching high school at Arvida, Quebec; and, of course, Bill Ledwell has long been a Sports writer for the Evening Patriot and is now with the provincial libraries in Charlottetown.

WE GET LETTERS

Last year we invited readers to submit bits of information which might prove interesting to readers of ALUMNEWS. The response was generally quite good and we hope people will continue to write. Please address letters to: Tom McMillan, Alumni News, St. Dunstan's University.



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