



FLAG RAISING

The Executive of the SDU Liberal Club officially raise the new Maple Leaf Flag after having presented the flag to Monseigneur G. A. MacDonald, President of the University. From L. to R. are Ronnie Gallant, Bob Dick, Dave Mullally and Father MacDonald.

—Trotter Photo

"TALK ATS" TOO LONG, COMPLAINS AUTHOR

Reader,

Salut! I recently came across an interesting tid-bit over which you might have some concern.

A colony of ants, it seems, once settled in a sand-lot in a land where sand-lots were quite common. A political society was set up and all of the basic institutions were seen to within the colony of ants.

Each week, on a specific day, the white ants would gather together for a religious service which they called a "Communication". During this activity of communication, a reminder period occurred when the Director of Religious Things would deliver a "talk-at" upon some specific topic;

that is, the Director would remind the white ants upon this topic while talking at them. The Director increased his length of "talk-ats", week by week, until he, one day, spoke for one-half of an eon, which is not to be sneezed at, since it is a great length of time.

These exaggerated "talk-ats", which were verbose considerably, and altogether uncalled-for, had their effect solely in transporting the white ants to a mental state which they called ennui, approximating our state of boredom. And this became a weekly recurring experience for the white ants.

It was decided among them, the white ants, that this practice of their Director of Religious Things must be curtailed. They brought it to the attention of the Director himself, who, for some reason saw fit to disregard the point of personal courtesy.

One of the usually more selfish ants, acting this time somewhat unselfishly for the benefit of the entire body of white ants, offered a way for the white ants to escape their weekly half-eon of being verbosely talked at. His plan was this:

At the very next "Communication", they were to attend as usual. When the Director of Religious Things began his "talk-at" they were to listen intently, and continue so for about one-sixth of an eon, a length of time which was considered, by the white ants, quite sufficient to talk with one point in mind at any ant. When

sufficient time had elapsed the entire body of white ants in attendance would stand up, signaling to the director that it was quite the time to proceed with the next sector of the "Communication".

This idea was seen to be daring and somewhat insulting; though it was not their intention to insult but rather to correct the abuse of the Director of Religious Things. It was agreed that they would put this plan into effect, which they did.

The result was... well, the result is not known for sure and most probably shan't be known, since the diary which accounted this

tale was discovered in the remains of a bonfire, and the pages which presumably accounted the results were burned; some were only scorched, which is how you are able to read what you have. The result can only be really known, as soon as a colony of white ants sees fit to, and does, effect the plan recorded in the partially preserved diary. When that shall happen is not known.

Hoping that this tid-bit may be of some advantage, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

AUTHOR

P.S.—to Andre: amelioration is improvement.

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TODAY'S COLLEGE STUDENT IS LIMITED TO ONE HOUR OF ACTUAL STUDY PER DAY

SASKATOON (CUP) — A study at the University of Saskatchewan claims that after sleeping, traveling to and from campus, coffee breaks, dates, churchgoing, and other activities the student has one hour a day in which to study for exams.

The Unger Commission which prepared the study is under the direction of Dr. I. C. Unger, of the university's science-fiction department.

After extensive investigation the Commission reported that there are just two months—or 63 days or 1,512 hours—left in the school term. During these 63 days 8.5 hours will be spent sleeping and dressing. Over a period of 63 days this will amount to 535.5 hours. Classes and meals will, over a nine-week period, account for 251 hours of the undergraduate's time.

Dates, coffee breaks and traveling to and from campus will reduce the amount of study time available to 43 hours. Going to church Sunday morning will take a good five hours, subtracting another 45. A half hour bath once a week amount to four and one half hours, leaving 433 hours.

Dr. Unger allows 10 minutes a day for pre-examination crowding of the library. Reading the campus newspaper, Playboy, Mad and Time will come to two hours a week. Watching Bonanza, the Ed Sullivan Show and The Hour Has Seven Days will total another three hours per week, leaving students with 837 hours for studying.

Most students will also goof off another hour per day and day-dream, while studying, for half an hour. It is safe to assume that two hours a week will be spent

on coffee dates and 21 minutes per day on cigarette breaks. This leaves the student with 254 hours.

Special lectures, concerts, rallies (Jaz concerts, student election meetings, etc.) will total five hours a week. League bowling will total 27 hours for the nine week period. This now lowers the total to 182 hours.

Completing overdue assignments and essays will take 50 hours. Meeting old and new friends for ten minutes a day will total 10.5 hours leaving the student with a possible 121.5 hours.

For other activities (lightkeeping duties, and unexpected visits from relatives, etc.) Dr. Unger allows 27 hours. Consultation with professors over next year's classes will take two hours, and two daily visits to the washroom at five minutes leaves us with 82 hours. Students who haven't yet donated blood must allow another half hour.

Dr. Unger summarized his report by saying that, give or take a few hours, the student is left with one hour per day in which he may fully devote his time to studying.

Most students take five classes, thus allowing 12 minutes study time per day for each class. Since 12 minutes is hardly adequate, Dr. Unger suggests that to make more time available the student should either quit smoking or refrain from going to the bathroom.

Since most students would become nervous wrecks if they quit smoking and encounter serious complications if they gave up going to the bathroom, Dr. Unger suggests either quit going to church or quit going to university.

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