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## DIEF VISITS CAMPUS



DEF AND P.C. CLUB PRESIDENT PHILIP MACDONALD TO HIS RIGHT TOM McMILLAN

The 1965 federal election may go down in the annuals of Canadian history as a need- and unwanted election. It for more than 350 students and faculty of St. Dunstan's University, the Oct. 28 visit to the campus by the Rt. Hon. John G. Diefenbaker and his wife was well worth the time and furor of the political contest.

Arriving by motorcade from the roadside more than an hour behind schedule, the Diefenbakers were met by members of the Progressive Conservative Club and welcomed officially by Vice-Rector Fr. Richard Sworth. Flowers and cords were presented to Mrs. Diefenbaker by the co-eds in the Conservative Club. It took some time for the distinguished visitors to make their way to the Student Union Coffee Shop, where more than half of the student body was waiting to greet the fiery political campaigner. Mr. Diefenbaker used many times to view the university buildings. "Mr. Vice-Rector," he said, "your campus is magnificent. You must be extremely proud." While stopping to study the college coat of arms emblazoned over the portal of the science building, he inquired how the university was in existence.

## THE RED & WHITE — FOREVER

From over one month of happenings our brilliant editor-in-chief Lawrence Don-Elysyn has managed to fill only 2 medium sized sheets of newsprint thereby becoming the proud publisher of one of the most popular, dull, and useless publications I have ever read.

And upon analysing that which he did fill the paper with, we can see more clearly how there really is in there.

A quarter of one sheet is filled with "IS TWELVE LOCK REALLY THE BECHING HOUR?" On the next page is a witty article (I think) SOB STORY SOUR SENIORS. This category in which the editor is out one of the least likeable complaints, lights out at the feelings, (represented by seniors) towards the pre-regime (represented by rulebook).

The next quarter sheet has a NEW YOUR PROFESSORS, there are no pictures to

match up with the man. And next to it is an unfair criticism of our cafeteria.

A dull article entitled "WE WANT FREE EDUCATION", presents a lot of questions but does not answer one of them. It is an article designed to make one think. It even says so.

"P.C. SPEAKS" informs us "Several questions were asked the candidate for member of parliament in the next election; his replies were seemingly adequate though perhaps less than thorough. Two senior students of S.D.U. asked interesting and pointed questions to which the speaker replied in an amiable and thoughtful manner." How's that for thorough, comprehensive coverage. What were the questions? Who were the students? What were the replies? WHEN? WHERE? WHY? WHAT? WHO? Many congratulations to Charley MacMillan who in 750 words summed up the issues and the problems of the recent elections.

Approximately a quarter of a sheet in advertisements, another in pictures, - it really doesn't leave much room for zany or original or interest holding articles.

Which brings us to the whole point of this article - WHAT IS THE ROLE AND FUNCTION OF A CAMPUS NEWS-PAPER? This is a vital question on other Canadian campuses. The University of Saskatchewan is thrashing it out! The University of Montreal is wrestling with it, and the Dalhousie Gazette is embroiled in it now.

But ours is a different problem. Theirs is over what was written, ours is over what was not written.

It is a tradition, according to the Dalhousie Gazette for the editor to run his own show. And there is another tradition to balance the first. The staff must back their editor. Then if it is a poor show the editor is to blame. If it (the show) continues to be bad his staff too shoulders the blame.

"But", our editor cries, "There is no news."

(A voice from the background) "Ever hear of the C.U.P.?"

Editor - "But the students don't take any interest in my paper".

The Silhouette, from McMaster University, has the same problem. But - they publish 10 big pages.

### TRY US

Yes, I am throwing the full blame on the staff. The quality of the publication is directly proportional to the effort of the staff.

There is no lack of news. I have heard no mention of Vietnam; I guess lights out at 12 is more important. Our country's centennial is coming up; no mention of Expo. 67. A few hundred miles from here in Quebec, a new dynamic students union has been formed, complete with student organized co-operatives for buying, credit unions, and life insurances, to mention a few. Flip through and see if you can find any mention of these.

And do you have any idea what this is costing you? The student union allows the paper \$2800.00. We can expect at best 9 editions. That means the students give the paper 300 dollars per edition. The paper prints 1200 copies each month. That means it costs us .25 cents an edition. And you thought it was free.

So - after much deliberation, I have drawn up what we want and what we expect.

1. LETS NOT HAVE A PAPER JUST FOR THE SAKE OF HAVING A PAPER.
2. LETS TRY TO BE ORIGINAL, DYNAMIC, AND COMPREHENSIVE, A PAPER WE THE STUDENTS WILL BE PROUD TO CALL OURS.
3. LETS HAVE SOME NEWS.
4. LETS REPRESENT THE WHOLE CAMPUS FROM THE FRESHMAN TO THE SENIORS.
5. LETS HAVE IT AT A REGULAR AND REASONABLE INTERVAL.
6. LETS HAVE IT NOW.

Robert J. Chornenki

Editor's Note: Though not fully true, 'tis true.

## POLITICAL PANEL A SUCCESS

Saint Dunstan's University's first attempt at political panel discussions met with extreme success on Wednesday, Nov. 3, 1965. A panel of four professors, chaired by Joseph O'Connell, head of the SDU Economics Dept., offered their partisan views on the major items and issues of the then forthcoming general election. The panelists were: Rev. Dr. F.W. P. Bolger, History Dean; Dr. Ian MacQuarrie, Biology Professor; Rev. Alan MacDonald, Sociology Professor; and Joseph Revell, Commerce Professor.

The topics discussed can be broken down into four major categories:

1) Morality: It was generally agreed among all panel members that this was not a basis upon which any party should concentrate its efforts. Dr. Bolger summed this question up very well by stating that the integrity of the Liberal Party Leader, the Hon. Lester Pearson, is above questioning, and that it would be politically unwise for any party to use this as its main point of approach.

2) The Necessity of a Majority Government: This argument, and the one upon which the Liberal Party based their whole campaign, produced divergent opinions. Dr. Bolger, an apparent ultra-Conservative, claimed that there was no need for a majority government and cited examples of productive minority governments during the Mackenzie King reign. He then went on to state that minority government is a check on all legislation to be passed in that it

insures no legislation will be railroaded. Mr. Revell disagreed, and the chairman, hinting favoritism for the Liberals, said that a majority government was like a virtuous woman, "she can always say no." This was just an argument shadowing the Progressive Conservative's veto of the Liberals yell for Majority government.

"Leadership: This whole election is a question of leadership," so spoke Mr. Revell. However Dr. MacQuarrie was not that strong on this point. Dr. MacQuarrie claimed that leadership plays an important role but that there was little difference between the two major party leaders. Dr. MacQuarrie was inclined to the New Democratic Party because he claimed they are the only political party in Canada with a sound policy.

Perhaps Dr. Bolger once again best summed up the situation. The often partisan and sometimes prejudiced history professor took an objective view at the question. He claimed the Liberal Party to be more of a team effort and less of a look - to - the - leader campaign, whereas the Conservative Party members have familiarized themselves with the expression, "Follow John."

4) Economics: The question of economics was the bright light for the Liberal panelists. Mr. Revell proudly boasted that Canada was now relishing in one of the biggest economic booms ever. He claimed that former Finance Minister Walter Gordon was extremely competent and doing a fine job. Mr. O'Connell agreed with the economic "high-times" present,

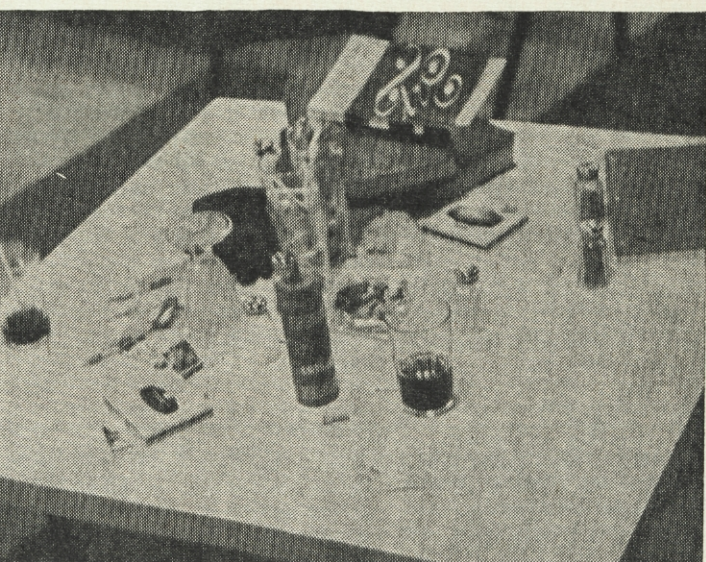
but thought somewhat less of Mr. Gordon than did Mr. Revell.

Reverend Alan MacDonald, the sociologist on the panel, mentioned that he favored the party who will increase the welfare payments in a way most beneficial to the Canadian nation, but he could not pin-point the party who would do this.

The discussion ended with a question period for the audience. Rev. E. Roche claimed that the Liberals "Co-operative Federalism" would split the country, and asked the panelists for their views on this subject. Dr. Bolger agreed with this view and expounded by saying that "Co-operative Federalism" would, if not at once, eventually split the country to the detriment of the inhabitants of all the provinces.

A Montreal student gave his opinion that Quebec should secede from the rest of Canada in any event. This brought a reply from a radical of the other extreme that the rest of Canada was fed up with Quebec and should take appropriate action. Neither of these two eruptions offered any worthwhile considerations.

Thus the program ended. It ended with a promise from the Chairman for an attempt on his part to have more political discussions in the near future to help the students to know better the situation in Canadian political affairs. By the way, I guess we won't have any virtuous woman in Ottawa for the next parliament, but rather we will have Victoria whom we can call Virgin for short but not for long.



## COFFEE SHOP BLUES

What is the trouble with the Coffee Shop? How come the service is so slow? These are some of the questions that one continually hears around the residences and among the day students. However how many times do we hear people asking about the cleanliness of the coffee shop. If they do mention this aspect of the coffee shop they seem to put the blame on the management of the shop. Is it really the responsibility of the management of the shop? Is it really the responsibility of the waitresses to clean the tables and at the same time ask them to serve us at the counter? The answer should be a unanimous and emphatic NO. It is our duty and obligation to make sure that the coffee shop is kept as clean as possible

at all times. How are we to do this? First and foremost we could help by returning our dishes when we have finished eating or drinking. Here we are paying a woman to wash dishes and half the time there are none to be washed because they are laying around on the tables. Is it embarrassing or something to bring dishes back? Do we feel as if we're lowering ourselves or are we waiting to be paid, or is it that we just don't care what the Coffee Shop looks like? I'm sure that if we can spend a half an hour or an hour or in some instances a couple of hours in the coffee shop that we can take twenty seconds to walk over to the counter to return our used dishes. Yes, that's right it only takes twenty seconds to

walk over to the counter to return our dishes. If we should happen to be sitting near the counter it won't take us more than ten seconds. Secondly, we should keep the tables much cleaner. We can do this by using the ashtrays that are made available. But how can we use the ashtrays when there are none at the table? What's the trouble, are we crippled? Can't we go to the counter and ask for one? Let us not be so lazy, let us move ourselves and let us do something constructive and then maybe some of our complaints will be eliminated. We must realize that the cleanliness of the coffee shop is our responsibility. Lets get on the ball ladies and gentlemen. Never mind leaving it to the saints, do it yourself. We should be ashamed to see tables that look like the one pictured above.

Herman Glutertree

## EDITOR GOES INSANE

Rumour has it that the dearly beloved editor of this wonderful paper has just gone insane. Friends of his of long standing will tell you that this is not so. They say he has been crazy for many years. However, as we all know how friends of a great man always try to cover up his eccentricities we can wisely conclude that this is not so. We think that at one time he was very sane indeed, but when he started having to do with members of this University in a more active way, it inevitably drove him