

Letters to Bruno & Parmen

Dear Bruno and Parmen,
What is the idea of a university?
—J. Frosh '67

Dear Frosh,

In view of the caliber and complexity of such a question, the answer, though based on natural philosophy, will be quite inadequate.

We acknowledge, more or less, our superiority in the field of philosophy and especially in metaphysics. I think, but we do admit our intellectual deficiency on such an abstract topic, especially when you consider that we are not enrolled in education ourselves nor have we seen that question on any recent exams—hence the futility of even considering it. We must also point out that our concept of a university will be totally personal and will be at variance with the answer you may receive from one of the more noble and mature universities to the south where it appears that university life evolves around the libido.

The young freshman beginning his first days at university probably possesses an inexplicable combination of fear and anticipation. The next four years will be the most important for his future. During this period he will learn an invaluable pyramid of knowledge with which he will take up his position as one of the Christian intelligentsia of his community. During these four years he must develop into what his university stands for. The gauge for his success will be reflected by his actions.

During his exposure to higher learning, the ideal student, if successful, will have accomplished all the history 2 exams from the past ten years. This, coupled with his extensive outside reading assignments will give him a basic know-

ledge of human relations equipping him to take his position in the United Nations.

Others, while concentrating on one of the many arts of sciences, will undoubtedly find time to pursue the most noble of all skills and depending on the proper choice of afternoon classes will, after four assiduous years of back breaking effort and chalk stained fingers, graduate magna cum laude with a coveted degree in snooker.

Another segment of potential leaders will over the years develop their particular potencies in such a way as to facilitate their entry into such honored fraternities as have been alcoholized by the upper classmen.

Regardless of intellectual ability, every student on campus including the fairer set from MC, can obtain the epitome of excellence achieved by reclining in a horizontal position and assuming the conflict free comforts of unconsciousness. It is only with sedulous determination that this art can be mastered especially in an environment where one's fellows are attempting to outbid the other.

In closing we feel that it is necessary to mention that remote raison d'être of a university. It is vaguely manifested by the perfunctory accumulation of students in the local gym at various intervals during the academic year. We are extremely cautious when mentioning the word "academic" and warn our readers not to be disillusioned into thinking that academic pursuits do play a part in university life. There is a hierarchy of goals and this order must not be prevented at the risk of misleading any of our perplexed readers.

Trusting,
BRUNO & PARMEN

26 D's AWARDED

"I sing of D's and men" who in earning them left their indelible mark on this university.

The first category, Debating D's, are awarded only to preeminent successful debaters—a member of the team that has captured the M.I.D.I championship. This year's laurels have graced the collective brows of David Campbell and Weston MacAleer.

A gold Literary D is given for two years of service to the **Red and White** on any of editorial posts, or for three years as a staff writer. Paul D. Foster and Joanne Vatalaro have been recognized for their many outstanding contributions to this publication.

Thirdly, are the coveted Administrative D's. These are awarded by the "points system" (see Constitution, Article 17), whereby services in any of the executive offices of the various campus activities are valued at a certain number of points. At the end of their Sensed 1000 points (800 for co-eds and engineers) receive a gold Administrative D, and those with 800 points (600 for co-eds and engineers), a silver Administrative D. This year's gold D recipients, for their many outstanding contributions to the university, are Noreen Cameron, John Dunphy, Paul D. Foster and Colin McMillan. A silver D went to John Roy.

Lastly—for the gentlemen who upheld the name of SDU by fang and claw and sinew and bone—a cloth D is awarded for two years in any Varsity Sport, a bronze D for two years in two sports and a gold D for two years in each of three sports. (The recent demise of track and field has made the gold D as unattainable as the Red Belt in Judo.) The only bronze D awarded this year went to Fred Ripley for two years of football and basketball. Cloth D's went to Dan Eaton for two years of basketball; Walter Buotte, Jim Griffith, Wes MacAleer, and Dave O'Brien for two years of football; and the entire SDU hockey team for an outstanding season in the M.I.H.L.

RED and WHITE SALUTES

- ... the Debating Team for their Maritime Championship.
- ... Colin McMillan for winning the Rhodes Scholarship and

for his many unselfish contributions.

- ... the Winter Carnival Committee—for making our Carnival a success.
- ... Father Arsenault and the Drama Society—for winning the Regional Drama Festival.
- ... the staff of Mnemosyne—for their extremely beneficial, but unheralded efforts.
- ... the Hockey Team—for playing their best, and for a very successful season.
- ... the Football Team—for a respectable showing.
- ... the Basketball Team—for trying hard.
- ... the girl's hockey and basketball teams—for showing up.
- ... all those who participated in the Blood Donor Clinics.
- ... the Student Council—for their efforts.
- ... the administration—for their devotion to our cause.
- ... and to you—our readers—for reading RED and WHITE.

F. S. U. ELECT EXECUTIVE

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Foreign Students' Union, April 10th, the new executive for 1964-65 was elected.

Nicholas Wong was chosen President and Stephen Caples Vice-President; the Secretary's post is to be held by Miss Angela Mohale and the new Treasurer is Miss Theresa Liong. Constance Croteau was elected correspondence Secretary.

The Foreign Students organization here on campus has as its aims the fostering of good relations, the promoting of understanding, friendship, and cooperation among the nations represented and the peoples of Canada. In fulfilling these aims it has presented various affairs ranging from radio broadcasts to Foreign Student shows. The latest of these, a series of slides on Hong Kong and a film of Oriental dances, was held April 7. The tour of Hong Kong was the first of a proposed three part series. Two other cultural tours, one on Botswana, South Africa, and the other on British Guiana are planned for next year.

The President would like to take this opportunity to urge all students to make themselves familiar with the various customs of the different nationalities represented on the campus. Questions are welcomed and will be answered in the **Red and White**.

LETTERS TO THE SPORTS EDITOR

Dear Sir:

The members of the Co-Ed hockey team and basketball teams wish to take this opportunity to express their appreciation and gratitude to our hockey coaches, Bas Haire and John Roy, and to our basketball coach, Bob Pelrine. We know that without their patient assistance, girls' sports would not have been as successful nor as enjoyable as it was this past year.

We wish John and Bas success in their future plans (whether it concerns Nurses or Day Students), although we'll miss them next year. We hope to find someone who can do as well in coaching us and there are rumors that a certain Mr. X., a valuable player of the Junior Varsity Hockey Team may well be the man for the job. We sincerely hope that Bob Pelrine will be back with us next year as our basketball coach.

We would like also to thank our ardent fans who attended our games and supported us too. We are sure they got as many kicks out of our games as we did and we hope that next year we will still have their attendance as well as their support.

Thanks and appreciation are due to the referees who gave their time willingly to referee our games.

Finally, our thanks go to the A.A.A. who were so generous in obtaining for us the suitable ice time and basketball time, as well as providing us with the necessary hockey sticks. While dealing with the A.A.A. we wish to congratulate the new executive council of the 1964-65 year.

In conclusion, we would like to say that next year we hope that girl's hockey and basketball, as well as the other sports, will be as successful and satisfying as this year's or more so because of the fact that we will probably be entering a basketball league as well as a hockey league—a girl's league of course!

Thank You,
Members of the Co-eds'
Basketball and Hockey Teams.

Dear Sir,

There appeared in the last issue a note of thanks from the Buzzer Hockey Manager which I believe was well taken for the most part but there are some aspects of this letter that should be further explained in the interest of the A. A. A. Mr. DiBella implied complete bias and neglect toward himself and his class. On the contrary Mr. DiBella was heard out just as any other member during the meetings at the discretion of the chairman. Although the minutes inform the students of the decisions and discussions held at the meetings, there is no substitute for actual presence. May I remind Mr. DiBella that in such an organization which coordinates the interclass sports of the University, it is difficult to please each and every one. If he contends that the sophomores control the A. A. A. which is the reason for the decision being awarded to the Sophomore Buzzer Team then I pose the question, why didn't the Sophomores win the vote on the Freshmen Intramural Protest? A protest which contained much more questionable evidence than that of the Sophomore Buzzer Protest but nevertheless, I'm sure the other members will forget Mr. DiBella's touching pleas tinged with the fragrance of 5c cigars!

In closing I would say Mr. DiBella is a representative of one of the finest classes in many years at S. D. U. It is reputed to be one of the best classes academically in the past two decades. Many fine athletes also contributed their share to the success of our intercollegiate teams, to them we are indebted. I don't think the seniors fared too badly this year, walking away with the carnival competition and winning the intramural Championship from a very determined Freshman team.

—A Member of the A.A.A.

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