

The Chief Comes To Trent



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Canada's two most famous war horses still seem to be trying to out-do each other, even though both are now almost completely out of the political limelight. On Thursday afternoon, March 28, Prime Minister Pearson's motorcade drove around the traffic circle at Champlain, then disappeared down highway 28; it was one of Mr. Pearson's last public acts as Prime Minister. Scarcely a week later, on April 4, John Diefenbaker was here. The main purpose of Mr. Diefenbaker's visit was to present a seminar to a group of honors students in history and political science though he took the opportunity to consult with Prof. Neville who is doing a study of Canadian Politics with emphasis on the early Diefenbaker era. A special dinner was planned for the former Prime Minister in Champlain's private dining room, which was attended by members of the faculty and a few students. Keeping away from current political issues, Mr. Diefenbaker confined his remarks to personal anecdotes and praise for Trent and its educational ideas.

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Let Ontario Pay Your Way

The Department of University Affairs has announced the details of the Ontario Student Awards Program for 1968-69. The amount of the provincial grant portion of the awards program for students attending post-secondary institutions was up from \$13,750 million originally estimated for 1967-68 to \$26 million. This is one of the highest percentage of increases in the entire budget of the Province.

The Ontario Student Awards Program which provides a combination of grants from the Province and loans from the Canada Student Loans Plan, will provide more than \$50 million of assistance to students during 1968-69.

The program is designed to adjust automatically to increases in living and educational costs, so the majority of students will, in effect, receive larger grants next year. This feature along with the allowance that has been made for the increase in the number of students requiring financial assistance to attend post-secondary educational institutions, is expected to absorb the entire increase in funds,

As for last year the basis of each award for 1968-69 will be as follows:

- The first \$150 of any award will be granted in the form of a loan.
- The next \$750 of any award will be granted as 60% in the form of a loan and 40% in the form of a non-repayable grant.
- The remainder of any award beyond \$900 (\$600 loan and \$300 grant) will be in the form of a non-repayable grant.

Among the changes being introduced in the 1968-69 student awards program are:

- introduction of deadline dates. Now, any student enrolled in a regular academic program must submit his application by October 31, 1968.
- an increase in cost of living allowance for dependent and for married students. For students living at home the basic allowance has been raised from \$350 to \$400.

Married students are now permitted to claim as allowable costs the equivalent of the cost of board and lodgings in the local area as specified by the institution concerned. Formerly they were allowed only \$350, the same amount as for dependent students living at home.

- the regulations governing the independent status of students have been

changed. To qualify as an independent student, an applicant must,

- have completed four successful years of post-secondary education or
 - have been employed in a full time job for a period of twelve consecutive months prior to first enrolling in the academic program for which he is requesting financial assistance, be 21 years of age, and be prepared to provide a declaration of financial independence signed by his parent or guardian or
 - be married prior to registration in the academic year for which he is requesting financial assistance.
- a revision of the parental contribution table. This table has been revised in accord with a proposal under consideration by the Canada Student Loans Committee. Its revision is a very significant improvement in the program, for the level of contribution parents are expected to make is now more in accordance with their financial ability to assist their children.
 - a student who has full use of an automobile during the academic year is treated in the same manner as if he were the owner in calculating his resources.

Application forms are available in the Registrar's office at Rubidge Hall.

Guinivere

jutta bechmann

The following fairy tale is to be read in a soothing sing-song voice five minutes before bedtime: Once upon a time, about 850 people came together into some halls of learning, in order to have Meaningful Dialogue and Genuine Communication and a B.A. They were divided into two groups: the first paid money to the government, and the second received money from the government. Since Meaningful Dialogue etc. had not yet been included in Robert's Dictionary, the second group were forced to accept less money than they might have got Elsewhere, as well as less Status. Their acceptance of these things of course constituted sociopathic behaviour, and in order to justify this type of behaviour, the second group had to become Idealists.

The first group however did not have to resort to the same label since they did not have these problems, and besides they had been brought up on the SATO manual in which Meaningful D. and Genuine C. were also inadvertently admitted.

When the first group came into the halls of learning it soon noticed that there was something funny about the second group. This made people very ill at ease until some pamphlets were circulated on "How to beat the Tutorial System by

Saying Something for 5.3 minutes." This didn't work at first but after a quick struggle there was a day some of the first group got together and suggested that there seemed to be a lot of money around. They said they'd heard of some starving people somewhere in the world outside the halls of learning, and couldn't some of the money be sent there. But then what about our dances, cried some others, and our magazines, and our painting exhibitions on our walls; in other words, the accoutrements of our position in Life? Should we be deprived of what is inextricably linked with being in the halls of learning? How can we get an education without those Things?

In the face of these objections, the Oxfam people didn't know what to say and were struck dumb. They were also struck out. You are fuzzy activists, they were told. You compromise and then everybody got along just fine. The second group agreed that they wouldn't say anything as long as the first group came to every meeting and spoke no less than 5.3 minutes each time. The first group agreed that they would not miss any meetings and would say things for 5.3 minutes each time as long as the second group would stop being fussy about the kind of things they were saying. Of course there were a few dissenters on each side, but both sides had their measures for attaining a generally pleasant dialogue level. The second side had letters numbered from I to F for blackmail. The first side had a manual entitled "Surely being an idealist can't be all wrong."

So the people in the halls of learning prospered and grew educated. One should have been thinking of how you could make the student Body more active, get them to participate in more of the events, get them to come out of their Shells, and instil some More Spirit into this university. Instead of that you were thinking about the starving people in some place that we don't even know of. (How are we to know that they exist if we have never seen them?) What you neglected to think of was the fact that, with that money, we might even be able to get Leonard Cohen down here to sing protest songs for us.

The Oxfam people recognized the wisdom of this and were subsequently accepted back into the group, on the condition that they spend every second Wednesday morning reading the manual "The position of a Student in Society or: Why the World owes me a Living." In this manual they would find many useful suggestions concerning the most effective ways to fill out a government loan form, the Moderate Approach to Peoples Other Than Ourselves, the rationalist approach to foreign aid, and the 3-step method towards an understanding of Ayn Rand's early writings.

Meanwhile in the halls of learning Meaningful D. was taking place among the students, who were wont to group themselves into informal seminars and discuss the problems of the World, as well as Life in General. One day some of them sat down in front of the fireplace at a place called Traill

(.. to be continued at bedtime next Wednesday)

A New Cabinet

w.r. fletcher

Cabinet government changed hands at Champlain college last Wednesday night as the new president Stu Butts took over the chair and outlined only his policies for the coming year. Mr. Butts stated that at the discretion of the chair meetings would be opened for discussion from the floor. He intends to bring important matters up in cabinet for debate with the intention of tabling them until the following meeting in order to permit further thought and to allow the college to express its opinions before decisions are made.

Items on last week's agenda were: the year end party and a discussion of the aims of the college cabinet. Mr. Inglis (Social Comm.) informed the cabinet that the year end party

had been cancelled owing to the problems in organization of clean-up and the length of the examination period this year. However other arrangements are being made for those Champlain students who will be here on the final day of exams.

Discussion followed on the aims of the new college cabinet. The opinions were expressed that the cabinet should endeavour to prevent itself from becoming a "priveledged group of people", and that its prime object must be to fight student apathy and create at Champlain the feeling of a community/family life.

In his final remarks before turning the meeting over to the new president, Harvey McCue presented the college with a set of 40 candlesticks for use in the dining hall on formal occasions, as the gift of the retiring cabinet

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Events

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Wed, April 17

8:00 pm - Trent Christian Fellowship presents Paul Gooch in "The Existence of God" in the W. H. S. R.

Sat, April 20

3:30 pm - "Break Through", a Trent University Christian Fellowship sponsored "speak-through" at P. C. V. S. - dinner, lecture, hootenanny - \$1.00.

Mon, April 22

8:15 pm - Congress meets to elect new TUCC executive.

Mon May 6

9:00 am - SPECIAL EVENT * - first exam in the Great Hall.

Wed, May 15

5:00 pm - EVEN MORE SPECIAL EVENT - last exam written, also in the Great Hall.

Trent Makes Le Devoir

In a recent issue of Le Devoir, Trent University was featured in the religious section.

The Article had to do with a visit to Peterborough by Monsignor Emanuele Clarizo. A translation by our erstwhile local frog, Graham Weeks reads as follows:

"Mgr. Clarizo ended his visit with a 'friendly meal' with the students and professors of Trent University, which gave him the chance so he said, to chat 'with some cultivated, warm-hearted hippies...'"

To Let

For rent for the summer months: A comfortably furnished apartment close to Rubidge Hall. Suitable for three or four persons. Very reasonable rent. Call Tony Lovink.

Books Still Not Returned

The Champlain College Library is back to regular hours. However it now has two librarians on duty at all times. The second librarian is stationed at the door to prevent students from taking books without signing them out.

Since the second librarian has been on duty, no more books have been taken unsigned. However neither have any of the books that were previously taken been returned. There are still approximately 400 books unaccounted for at Champlain's Library.

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The results of the Trent University Dramatic Society elections for the 1968/69 executive are as follows:
President: Ronald Clark
Vice President: Christopher Stone
Treasurer: J. David Barron
Secretary: Miss Penny Harwood.

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College Athletic Awards

The Champlain and Peter Robinson College Athletic Committee has decided to present awards for participation in athletics on the college level. Suitably inscribed pewter mugs will be presented to deserving third year students who have taken an active part, organization as well as participation, in the sports of the college during their undergraduate years. The college aspect of the awards is heavily emphasized as participation in University athletics does not necessarily make one eligible for a Champlain or Peter Robinson award. This year's winners are Chris Hardess and Rick Playford of Champlain and PR winners were Bill Stuart, Bill Halderson and Don Sutherland.

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