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Just a word of introduction here to our new weekly feature at Lakehead College. This newsletter is published under the auspices of the SCM and its success depends largely upon your contributions—so come on all you budding journalists, start writing—if it's printable, we'll print it.

To ensure the continued good health of our contributors, we will refrain from publishing their names. Material may be handed in to Jack Reynolds, Sharon Moon, or any member of the SCM Executive. The SCM is this year planning a larger and more varied program than in the past, with the inception of the Newsletter, a regular film series, continuance of last year's successful study groups, weekly lecture-discussions, SCM Book Room, and occasional conferences. The SCM as a whole, in this writer's opinion, attempts a significant meeting between the Christian, the Agnostic, the Atheist, or anyone seeking new ideas, thought-provoking discussion, and a chance to express their views.

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Editorial

In a recent publication of the Orange Association the point is brought home that there has been an abject surrender to Roman Catholic pressure and a betrayal of all who are Public School supporters here in Ontario. It further states that Roman Catholic Separate Schools in Ontario are a privilege enjoyed by one religious denomination only. Anglicans, Presbyterians, Jews, and any others who support private religious schools are not relieved of payment of rates imposed for the Public School. Only a Roman Catholic, who is a Separate School supporter, is exempted from payment of rates imposed for the Public School. Now, the Ontario Government, by its announced "Foundation Tax Plan" intends to give Separate Schools a slice of revenue derived from corporations in order to bolster hardup Separate Schools. This puts it rather strongly, but the fact remains that it is the money of the 85 per cent of the population who are not Separate School supporters that is to solve the financial

problems of the Catholic schools. I think the point is well taken by the Orangemen that this issue should be decided by the people in a referendum. If the Separate Schools can't raise enough money from its own supporters to maintain itself, the difference should not be obtained elsewhere.

ELECTION TIME IN ONTARIO

Virtually every province in Canada has had an election in the last two years. Some have had even two elections, and in almost all cases, the government retained power. Ontario's ruling Conservatives are hoping the trend continues. This election campaign has been about the duller any province has had in the last ten years or so, with no one seriously believing that the Conservatives will be unseated. The Tories may not receive a mandate similar to the one Premier Manning of Alberta got, but they shouldn't lose too many seats. So desperate is the opposition that the most important issues in the campaign have been the "Mafia-Cosa Nostra" invasion of Ontario's crimeland, the White River Dept. of Highways Branch, and coloured margarine. The opposition has attacked the government's stand on public welfare and education, but the addition of five new universities in the last ten years and a rather extensive medical insurance program indicate that the Conservatives haven't fallen down as claimed by some. All in all, it would appear that 20 consecutive years of Conservative rule in Ontario will be extended to 24 after September 26, and there will be very little change in the party standings.

BEANS ANYONE?

Following the terrible turnout at last Wednesday's bean supper and dance two questions remained unanswered: where was everyone, and what should we do with all the beans? Let's hope that there is considerably more interest shown in future activities. Each student pays for the dances and should benefit from them. It seems to me that the students complaining about lack of activities when February rolls along are the same students who never attend any of them....See you at the next dance!

LECTURE SERIES COMMENCES

A panel discussion on the topic "THE RICH NATIONS AND THE POOR NATIONS" will mark the beginning of the SCM Lecture Series for 1963-64. Participants will be Mr. Peter Hennessy, well known principal of P.A.C.I.; Dr. Tom Miller, Associate Professor of History at Lakehead College; and controversial Mr. Harry Parsons of the Lakehead Planning Board. The discussion will be chaired by Rev. John Guy and should shed some light upon, and stimulate interest in, this topic of crucial importance. Time is 12:15, Wednesday, that's today, in Room 6.

Everyone is welcome.

NEXT WEEK: "WHEN YOU'RE DEAD, YOU'RE DEAD!". That means that the Christians are preaching an illusion. Most Lakehead College students are nominal Christians, and most of them believe in a "life after death", and most of them don't know why! Wednesday next, the Rev. Gordon Jardine (Broadway United) sets forth the Christian position and Dr. F. M. Doan, Associate Professor of Philosophy, offers some critical comment.

ON EDUCATION

Some 275 students have chosen to enter our college this year (as full time students), to continue the "learning process". What is it that leads each of us as individuals to make this choice? I wonder if too many of us want only to learn as much as we need in order to pass a set of exams, with what we personally consider as respectable marks? We want to pass our exams in order to obtain a degree; we want to use this document to obtain a "job" which pays well, so that we might live in some luxury. Our education, in this case, is but a type of insurance policy which guarantees our future income and security. If our courses should happen to aid in the development of our personal understanding, if they add depth to our sense of values and broaden our "world view", then this comes about more as an accidental byproduct of our central motivation than as a result of conscious intention. In light of the existing situation, each of us would do well to withdraw some time into a quiet corner and seriously ask ourselves what our formal education means to us as individuals: "If it is a means to an end, what is that end? and is that end worthy of my time, my effort---my life?"

FOREIGN MOVIES!!

The SCM is this year presenting a series of excellent films acclaimed by critics everywhere. The provisional line-up of films for this term is as follows:

- WILD STRAWBERRIES - an excellent Bergman film.
- PATHER PANCHALI - a widely acclaimed Indian film.
- LES VACANCES DE M. HULOT - a hilarious French movie.

Arrangements have been made to show these films in Room 16 at 8:30 P.M. on October 2nd, 30th, and November 27th respectively. A one night membership will be available at the door to students for 50¢ and to guest adults (including professors) for \$1.00. Suggestions for films to be shown in the next term are welcomed by Director J. Antero Elo, or any member of the SCM executive.

"PROJECT LAKEHEAD COLLEGE"

Beginning next Tuesday at 7:30 P.M. over CJLX-800, the Lakehead College will be presenting its own weekly radio programme - "Project Lakehead College". The purpose of the program will be to publicize the college, provide entertainment for the adult listening audience, and give college students the opportunity to express themselves. The first show will feature some unusual sounds in music, an interview with a faculty member, and a student panel on "Birth Control". If Project Lakehead College is to continue, student volunteers from all faculties are needed, including those with a knowledge of jazz or folk singing, and those who would be willing to express their own opinions on controversial subjects over the air. P

Please contact Shirley Barabash, Richard Smith, Len Anderson, or Allan Bitz.

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