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EDITORIAL

The new medic sweater that was out recently has seemingly gained general acclamation.

Before this, medical students were merely marked by - besides the books in their hands - the medic tie and blazer. And now it seems that there is suddenly a new population of medical students walking about in their brand new navy blue sweaters.

These people constituted part of the "out" crowd of the first and second year medics who have so far been denied of the privilege of wearing a medic tie, let alone buying one.

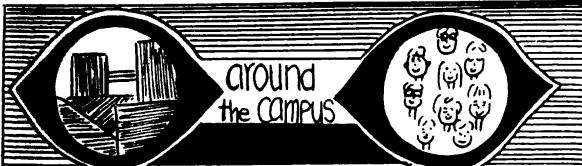
The fact is: although there is no hard-and-fast regulation whatsoever governing the exhibition of this article, members of the Medical Society who are not through yet with the 1st MB examination are just refrained from doing so by a tradition that has been handed-down for all these years.

Perhaps one may argue that the medic tie has become some form of a reward for the 1st MB candidates. But that just started one remembering the cute little white pig one got in the good old kindergarten days when one should present a clean epidermis.

The point is: the medic tie, with its present status, stigmatised a barrier between seniors and juniors among members of the Medical Society -- conferring a sense of inferiority and insecurity to the latter.

While fraternising the freshmen (as we always do every year when a new academic year starts), such barrier and the stigma of it, must be abolished...

The sweater is a good start. Let's see what will happen with the tie.



MEDIC-ARTS-SOCIAL BARN DANCE

The Medic barn dance was held in the evening of 15th Jan., 1971 at our Medic Canteen. Over 40 ladies and a few gentlemen from the Faculties of Arts and Social Sciences honoured the occasion by their presence. This was the first time that our warm hands were extended to the Social Sciences fellow undergrads. The function was well supported by more than a hundred students from the various classes. Many were only too reluctant to go when the gathering ended by midnight.

Sequelae: Decrease in the population of the Medical library with a corresponding increase in the Union Library.

WHERE CAN ALL THE MOBILES GO?

While the traffic condition in Hong Kong is deteriorating day by day, the Medical students have also started appreciating its malignancy lately. With the car-park in front of the Canteen gone, the car-owners already felt the inadequacy of parking spaces; and cars are seen scattered all along Sassoong Road. And as from Jan., 5 cars of medical students are prohibited to park in Queen Mary Hospital Compound until further notice. So really, where can all the mobiles go?

PROFESSOR FREQUENTER-OF-LIBRARY

Many a time, prof. Roberts can be seen sitting in the library, well absorbed in his books. He is the professor I come across most often in the library. Those who have attended his lectures must admit that they are concise, full of concepts and ~~so~~ digest. His effort to prevent cerebral indigestion among us students is to be complimented and I think his presence in the library helps to make the place less noisy too.

AS THEY SEE US

Miss J. Thompson and Mr. D.J. Hodgkinson, two of the students from the University of Sydney who are here at present doing their Specialty Clerkship in Medicine, were kind enough to let us have some ideas as to what other people do, and also how others see us.

They have come specifically to Hong Kong on several grounds. One of these is that their curriculum includes an elective period. Another is that the materials available and the teaching standard are more or less comparable in both universities. Moreover, the great number of cases in Hong Kong, concentrated into a few hospitals, provide ample practical experience and increased opportunities to see rare cases.

EXCELLENT TEACHING FACILITIES

On their arrival they were agreeably surprised to find the place cleaner than expected and everything very well organised. Most impressive was the "excellent teaching facilities", especially at the outpatients' department. As yet, language posed no problem, and patients were not uncooperative. In addition, everyone around the wards were most helpful. They suspect that this happy state of affairs probably exists only for them.

Their Medical Society back home does much about the same things most medical societies do. Among other things like running a cheap bookstore, producing a newspaper, printing notes, sponsoring a variety of sports, and taking care of all political manoeuvres, the Society occupies two seats in the Faculty Board thus directly participating in criticising their courses, and also organises medical conventions.

STUDIOUS, CONSCIENTIOUS STUDENTS

When asked what they

thought of the students' attitude, they were of the opinion that local students, at least those they have come across in the hostels, are very studious, very conscientious, but somewhat disinterested in extracurricular things. They believe that this condition could be due to the importance of the degree to students in Hong Kong, so much so that nothing would be done to jeopardise its realisation.

LAMENTABLE STUDENT-STAFF RELATIONSHIP

As to the student-staff relationship, they found this being kept at too professional a level, resulting in a lamentable lack of dialogue between the two. What they most de-

spire is the way in which students are openly criticised in front of the patients. They have so far never encountered such treatment abroad. They suggested that a more acceptable method of setting right errors could consist of simply informing or demonstrating to the students the correct way how things should be done.

"AWFUL" VISITORS WELCOMED

THE following professors from abroad will visit our Medical School to act as External Examiners in their respective subjects in the dates indicated:

Prof. R. Warwick, B.Sc., Ph.D., M.D., Head of the Department of Anatomy, Guy's Hospital Medical School, London, from February, 28 to March, 8, 1971.

Prof. Williams, M.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.C. Path., Professor of Bacteriology, The Wright-Fleming Institute of Microbiology, St. Mary's Hospital, London, from April, 14 to April, 25, 1971.

Prof. Eleanor Zaimis M.D., B.Sc., Professor of Pharmacology, Royal Free Hospital Medical School, London, from April, 18 to April, 28, 1971.

Prof. Fairweather, M.D., F.R.C.O.G., Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Honorary Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Obstetric Hospital, Hurnly Street, London, from May, 10 to May 24, 1971.

Their Specialty Clerkship ends by the end of February. Let us wish them every success.

EXCHANGED PUBLICATIONS IN THE LIBRARY NOW

In reviewing that in the past, there was a confusion in the exchange of publications, it was passed in the first Council Meeting of the Medical Society that the External Affairs Secretary will take care of all the exchanged publications with other Universities or organisations. In order to facilitate the reading of these exchanged publications, it was arranged with the Librarian to provide a corner in the library where the above mentioned publications could be placed.

Want to Become a C.D. or O.O. ?

The 5th General Assembly of ARMSA will be held in Sydney from 10th Aug., 1971 to 15th Aug., 1971. The 20th General Assembly of IFMSA will be held in New Zealand from 16th August, 1971 to 27th August, 1971. Applications are now opened to all FULL MEMBERS of the Medical Society for a Chief Delegate, and Official Observer to the two General Assemblies mentioned above. For further details, please consult the External Affairs Secretary or the poster that will be put up in Medic Centre. Application forms are available from the General Secretary. Deadline of entry is 26th Feb., 71.

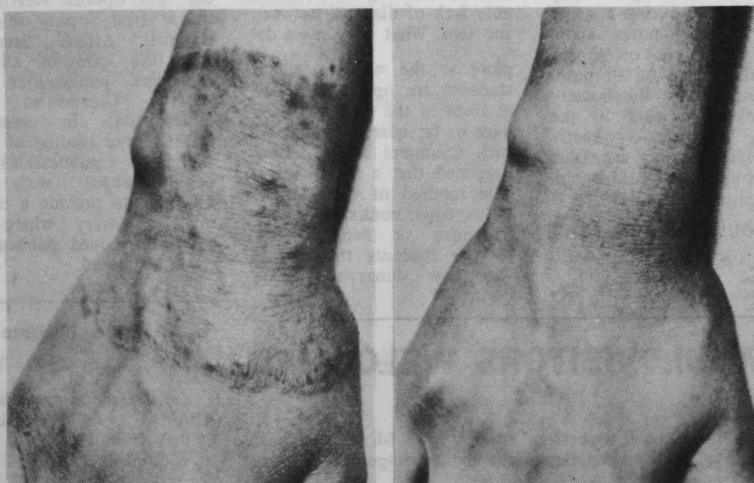
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CAR PARK

BECAUSE OF the construction work in QMH and the Medical Students' Centre car-parks in these two places become limited. The prohibition of students from parking in QMH has no doubt created much inconvenience to clinical medical students.

This problem was brought up during the Dean-Undergrad meeting on 5th February, 1971 again. Those present were informed that the principal of Northcote College of Education had kindly agreed to permit medical students to use eight parking spaces (on the right in front of the main entrance) when they are not needed for college purposes. It is important that students using the car-park should accept any directions given by the college staff.

The possibility of obtaining Student Parking Permits in QMH was also touched upon. It was decided that a survey be carried out by the class-representatives of 3rd and 4th

years to find out if there were unoccupied parking spaces at times when medical students are in need of them. This is essential, according to the Senior Hospital Secretary, while the construction in QMH is going on. It was suggested that the survey be carried out for a number of consecutive days at regular time intervals, say, 8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. etc. It is hoped that a favourable report of the survey will facilitate negotiation with the Senior Hospital Secretary.

It is understandable that this parking problem has become a headache to all those concerned. Even so, it must be emphasized that there is no room for forged parking permits. Anybody found using forged parking permits will be reported to the Police and the central authority of the University.

Please be patient, and should you have any suggestions or possible solution to the problem, do not hesitate to forward it to either Mr. A.P. Walker, the Faculty Secretary, or any one of the ex-co directly or through your class-representatives.

(M.C.)

So you think you know love now! No!

Bernard Lau

"When people have some strange, pleasant feeling towards others, especially of the opposite sex, which might be beyond their description or understanding, they will naturally and immediately attribute this to love; hence the abuse of the word."

"If love does exist and if love is really respected, even the sparkles of it can enlighten a new path of life, the driving force of which becomes dependent on love."

"Love is like echoes. The more you give, the more they will return unto you."

"If you rejoice because your beloved has gained what you have longed for madly, your love is true."

"No love can be said to be complete if there is no sharing of joy and sorrows, problems and solutions, pleasure and suffering, comfort and hardship, praise and contempt."

"If you are faithful,
LOVE = Like + Opportunity + Valour + Equality

And if you are really lucky enough,
LOVE = Life + Offer + Volatility + Eternity

However, as time goes by,
LOVE = Lie + Overindulgence + Voracity + Exclusion."

"The beginners are often depressed because they fear that all the feeling they have offered so readily and unreservedly might be lost into the air all of a sudden when they are rejected."

"Falling rain plays music for those in love, but the same noises are cursed by the melancholy and the lonely."

"Love can be like a game; there are winners and losers, tears and laughters, joy and sorrow, sweet and haunting experience."

"The more you are conscious of probability of love, the less likely you will experience true love, because of hypersensitivity and misinterpretation."

"The most beautiful sunset is one by your beloved together."

"Youngsters often feel disappointed in their love affairs because they always wish to gain, rather than offer, and their desires to be satisfied, rather than sacrifice."

"Platonic love is like natural spring water; it is not tasty but it flourishes the flower of love."

"How harsh is the see-saw type of love: When you are going to offer yourself, you find yourself not accepted; but when you are too grievous and scared to stay on, your beloved waves her hand to you."

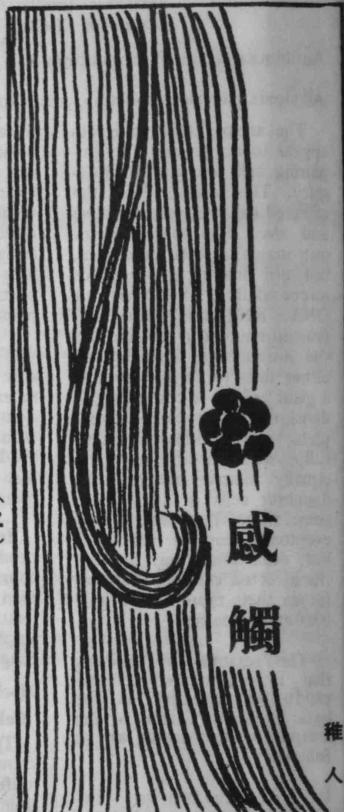
"Hatred is not the opposite of love, but disconcern is opposite to both."

"The deeper you love a person, the more you will all of a sudden hate her."

"An ounce of love can more than cancel a ton of hatred."

"The dilemma of deciding whether to accept or reject your proposer is like the breaking-and-closing potential in an electric circuit, which causes more disturbances than the normal flow."

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「連卡佛大減價，東西好便宜！」「考試嘛，誰才有心情去擠！」

「滿街都是中庸和密實裝，配上靴子，甚好看！」

「管他呢，考完試才算！」

「喲，今年的暑假一個月，要好好的玩一陣，不然，以後一年沒有假期，要推啦！我想到美國一遊，看看幾年沒見的老友，不過，這要用很多錢，退一步嘛，到東南亞及日本一行，也是樂事，只是，只是，我要考考考得不好，才可以去！唉！」

考試，考試，似乎我以後的生活方針，喜怒哀樂，都織繫在這個考試，畢業嘛，當然大件事，從××小姐先生，榮陞為××醫生，多少羨慕的眼光向你射過來，只要你合格！

畢業，興奮是當然，但老實說，我不想畢業，也不想留班，做學生多暢快，除了考試之外，輕鬆自在，無責任可言，考完試之後，又可以藉口狂玩一頓，畢業了呢？前面鋪的是什麼路我不知道，可能庸碌一生而毫無成就。

畢業雖說前途未卜，但畢不了業更慘，同學說，

留班最大的問題是面子，並不是浪費金錢和時間。很

多人說，女孩子怕什麼，一定不會「肥」的，我認為

，這是絕大的看不起女孩子們，合格，即是說被人開

恩，不合格嘛，便是糟透了扶不起的阿斗，事實是這

樣嗎？

不過，考試時不免汗顏慚愧，自覺無面目見老師

，因為他問的東西，教過的，也呐喊不知所答，老師

，希望你明白考試時是慌得魂飛魄散，六神無主，我

或許原本是懂得的嘛。誰不想做個好學生？

考試像個無影的籠，困得好苦，但想起考完後可

以去旅遊，心中不禁大樂，遊地方是我最大的愛好，

到別處短暫地換一下環境，欣賞完別地的風土文物人

情，回家後會特別覺得它親切。只可惜，廿多年來未

能回中國大陸，因為我怕毛叔叔忽然留我長住，台灣

，去過兩次，手續之煩，前所未有的，為什麼中國人不

能自由出入自己的地方？

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