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in previous years. Just as an aside we would like to say that we are the closest to parking lots A, B, and C which will surely be appreciated in months to come. These are but a few of the many advantages of being on campus and we are grateful to all the people who worked hard on our behalf. To all these people we say "THANKS!". To the many people who have welcomed us, again we say "THANKS!". Our only wish is to have the Music Students join us to complete the University Community.

Sincerely yours,
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President of UPEI Home
Economics Society

Mr. Editor:

This is with reference to Mr. Dalton's interview of Mr. Ian Glass which appeared in last week's Cadre (Oct.9) First, let me bring to your attention the following statement of Mr. Dalton--- "Once one articulates what faith is, it then becomes knowledge and not faith; faith is then, logically and metaphisically, impossible; in order to maintain Christianity, therefore, it is necessary to deny the reality of reality. For Mr. Glass, this must have been a shattering experience but he seemed to manage with a calm "What is it you are saying exactly?" Personally, I suffered a collapse. When I finally recovered, I heard my call--"man from Glad, trouble here" for a man of God but more so for

a son of man. Permit me, therefore, to make a few comments. (Pardon my bluntness in some of my comments but I would rather be frank than polite - for such is my call).

1. Philosophically---this long-winded statement is meaningless and the argument would also be invalid if the major and minor premise had made any sense. But then it would also be an absurd situation - since two sensible propositions could not generate a non-sensible conclusion.

2. Semantically---it is a verbal muddle, reflecting the tyrrany of words on the mind.

3. Psychologically---it is a signal for HELP (see recommendations below). Another analyst of the interview may have even called it a 'verbal bluff' but I am not going to go that far. My purpose is not to question the sincerity of the person, only the sensibility of the words and the thought if any, behind it.

Additional comments; a) One has to remember that there is a distinction between the ivory tower philosophy and the tower of Babel variety; the former enriches, the latter is a curse.

b) When philosophizing, it is far better to let one fly out of the fly-bottle than to add a dozen to the hugh collection that already exists. c) One has to be careful in playing Humpty Dumpty and making words mean what one wants them to mean. When under such a temptation, a simple reminder, that Humpty Dumpty also had a great fall, can go a long way.

Friendly persuasion: Whereof one cannot speak, clearly and without confusion, it is far better to remain silent. Too much high-flown philosophy (which appears in the Cadre from time to time) is nerve wracking and ruins what otherwise could be, and is, a fairly good paper.

Recommendations: The following simple books should help: 1. Straight and Crooked Thinking--R.Thouless. 2. Thinking to Some Purpose --S. Stebbing, and 3. People in Quandries--W. Johnson. Further information, clarification or assistance will be provided upon request.

With apologies.
Yours sincerely,
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Note to Editor
Article 'Women Unite' in second last edition of 'The Cadre' was mistakenly attributed to Dianne MacDonald, President of UPEI Student Union.

Gentlemen:

It is time attention was drawn to one of the most appalling conditions ever to exist at a university public or private. This is the Faculty Happy Hour. Held every Friday afternoon from 4:00 pm to 7:00pm the Happy Hour is evidently here to stay unless decency and reason eventually triumph.

It is little to be wondered that the students of UPEI continue to agitate for their own liquor license and lounge when they have no better example to follow. The enormity of the disgraceful situation is compounded by the fact that the Faculty Happy Hour conflicts with scheduled class hours.

What can the public and student think as they trip over the cartons of empty liquor bottles outside the faculty lounge? Is this perhaps a subtle obstacle course set up to test the steadiness of the degreed and gowned imbibers as they wend their way back to classes or shuffle in the general direction of a parking area?

What of their responsibility to their growing families? What must their wives and children think when they know that part of their husband and fathers' pay has gone to demon rum? Imagine trying to keep hearth and home together for a bleary-eyed wastrel reeking of alcohol and the noxious weed!

How can the faculty presume to hold their liquor better than anyone else? Is the situation so bad in UPEI classrooms and faculty politics that the bottle must be resorted to?

At no time have the faculty shown proof of their ability to drink and teach and drive. Should there not be rigid drinking standards set up? Before being allowed to drink on campus property (other than from the flask in the filing cabinet, over which there appears to be no control), perhaps a standardised, accredited drinking exam should be given. These exams would, of course, be set up by authorities in the field, of which there are an impressive number in the immediate vicinity upon whom to draw, and graded

by the university computer. Except among the Battleaxes Against tipplers (BATs), this position, like Truth, will have few defenders, but those few will be loyal.

Yours truly,
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