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S.M.C. ELECTION-KEEN CONTEST.

TWENTY-ONE MAKE BID FOR FIVE SEATS.

This issue contains short statements of policy submitted by the candidates for tomorrow's election.

DIDCOTT C.C. (3rd Year)
Prop. B.B. MacGillivray.
Sec. P.V. Tobias.

Activities:

Represented Science Faculty at NUSAS Conference in 1950.
Vice-Chairman Science Society '50
Chairman Squash club 1950.

I support all the five basic principles of NUSAS and stand for racial co-operation and harmony. I vigorously oppose any moves calculated to curtail student freedom.

I believe that the solution to university and inter-university misunderstandings lies in

(a) a thorough knowledge and appreciation of the "other man's" point of view.

(b) and getting him to see yours.

In short, a complete, unbiased knowledge of BOTH sides of a question. This can be achieved by greater contact with opposing groups via conjoint activities, scientific and philosophical discussions, debates, tours and sporting activities.

Thus, if I get on to the S.M.C. I shall do all I can to bring about this greater understanding which I consider to be of fundamental importance to progress in South African University affairs.

FREEMAN N.V. (2nd Year)
Prop. B.R. Meyerowitz.
Sec. P.M. Harrison.

In standing for S.M.C., it is my policy to strive, to the utmost of my ability, for the betterment of conditions, and the furtherance of students' interests at Medical School, together with any other matters related to internal policy. As we all know there are problems, already enumerated by

fellow candidates, together with many more, which require urgent attention, and it is to the solution of these problems that I will direct my energies. In doing so, I wish to have no hand in any external or political issues, but if this is totally unavoidable, I will take a purely passive interest in these matters.

GOLDBLATT Elton (3rd Year)
Prop. Sydney Brenner
Sec. Godfrey S. Getz.

Activities:

1. Member of local NUSAS Committee-1948-1949, 1949-1950.
2. Elected secretary of this committee for 1950-1951.
3. Member of Health Group Committee
4. Research delegate to past two NUSAS conferences. Represented wits on Finance Commission at last conference.
5. During my stay at university, I have always taken a keen interest in the activities of S.R.C., S.M.C. and all cultural societies at Medical School.

Policy:

1. I feel that student-staff projects should be promoted on a larger scale.
 2. Will do my best to further co-operation between all medical students on a national basis, but will stand firm in upholding the status quo at our Medical School.
 3. If elected, I will do my utmost to better the amenities for the student body at Medical School, as well as devote a lot of attention to curricula.
 4. I wholeheartedly support the A.M.S.T.F.
 5. Finally, but most important, by
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THURSDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER 1950.

A glance at the notice boards brings to view a most amazing, sudden, explosive transformation. Where a few days ago the notices drably announced that a mere 8 candidates were "competing" for 7 S.R.C. positions, it is now found that with 5 vacant seats on the S.M.C., the comparatively enormous number of 21 candidates have staked their claims. Nor is this all. At Monday's election meeting, the Harveian was well filled. Enthusiasm rivalry and all the other signs of a full-blooded election battle were exhibited by the packed rows of candidates, supporters and potential voters. These events, as highly desirable as they were unexpected, must surely be acclaimed by every well-wisher of Medical School.

It is very probable that there is going to be a record poll, in keeping with the universal interest and competition which has been shown. Indeed, there must be an unprecedented volume of voting if the revitalization which has come upon us is to have any future meaning at all. Only the combination of a practically 100% poll with the above-mentioned determined, widespread campaigns of the many contending groups, can show in a clear, unequivocal fashion precisely what kind of S.M.C. is desired by the majority of medical students. Such a vote would cleanse the air of any doubts as to the state of Democracy at Medical School.

The 5 fortunates who win the election are entering on duties which are far removed, in dramatic value, from the exhilarations of a boisterous election meeting. Their work will have to be done quietly and efficiently, and will doubtless, whatever their views, be always subject to criticism and even hostility from some section or other. Therefore, a really powerful "O.K." is required by them from the electorate. Their mandate to go ahead in confidence, must be absolutely undoubted.

Best wishes for success are extended to each and every candidate. It is to be hoped that with the impressive unfolding of student opinion which has come upon us this week, these will be a healing of many radical dissensions, and that the incoming S.M.C. shall work with the student body in mutual respect and inextricable unity.

B.B.B.

DO YOU SUPPORT

ACADEMIC

NON-SEGREGATION?

IF SO, UPHOLD YOUR
PRINCIPLES IN PRACTICE -
SUPPORT THE A.M.S.T.F.
BY PAYING YOUR 10/-
AT THE S.M.C. OFFICE.

GENERAL MEETING -

THE GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY WILL BE
CONTINUED TO-DAY AT 1 P.M.
(LUNCH HOUR) IN THE
HARVEIAN.

S.M.C. ELECTION

THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS
ARE ENTITLED TO VOTE :-

2nd. - 6th YEAR MEDICALS.

2nd. YEAR DENTALS.

PHYSIOTHERAPY.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY.

MEDICAL SCIENCE.

DIPLOMA IN NURSING.

POLLING WILL TAKE PLACE

FROM 8.30 A.M. - 5.30 P.M.

IN THE S.M.C. BOARD ROOM.

ROLL UP! CAST YOUR
VOTES!

standing for these elections, I undertake to carry out the work conscientiously demanded of a member of the Council.

HANDELSMAN Jack (3rd Year)
Prop. Basil Bradlow
Sec. Sam Price.

Activities.

1. Research delegate for Health Group at NUSAS Congress '48 to '50.
2. NUSAS Committee - Medical School Secretary for Travel 1949-50.
Secretary for Relief 1950-51.

Aims:

1. To maintain our Medical School as a universal institution, where all may come for personal and mutual benefit, and enjoy equal academic opportunity - and shall work to this end through African Medical Scholarships Trust Fund.
 2. To improve internal harmony at W.U.M.S., and to extend overtures of friendship to Pretoria Medical School and the Afrikaans Centres without sacrifice of principle by means of exchange of lecturers, visiting lecturers, sporting activities etc.
 3. To improve student-staff relationships and investigate and improve curricula.
 4. To extend Refectory and common-room facilities.
 5. To support and work for the M.S. All Sports Council and Cultural Council.
 6. To further improve internship conditions, bursaries, and other domestic problems.
- In conclusion, I am prepared to work for the extension of academic, cultural, sporting and social amenities at our Medical School.

HEARN "Big Bill" (5th Year)
Prop. S. Mitchley
Sec. M.J. Kehr.

1. No Dabbling in Politics.
I am entirely apolitical
2. Improved Common Room Facilities.
 - (a) Clean the common room. How can we invite bridge and chess teams to play at Medical School.
 - (b) Better W.C. facilities. Soap towels etc.
 - (c) To allow indoor games to take place in the common room except during lunch-hour.
 - (d) NO GAMBLING ON A BIG SCALE.
3. Closer Relationships with Afrikaans Medical Schools.
 - a. Inter-medical school sports meetings.
 - b. Inter-medical school bridge contests.
 - c. Inter-medical school chess contests.

d. Inter-medical school debating contests, etc.
4. To confine myself to domestic Matters.

HUNT J.A. (3rd Year)
Prop. J.A. du Plessis
Sec. I.W. Simpson.

No administrative experience at Medical School.
Vice-President of the Boat Club.
Organised Tara Tours 1950.

Aims: To get on to S.M.C.

Once there, to work for the student body which elected me, in every way in which I am called to do so.

To co-operate when and where necessary with anyone, subject to my own principles, and not to policies dictated by anyone or anything else.

KATZ J.S. (2nd Year)
Prop. P.V. Tobias
Sec. B.A. Bradlow.

Activities:

- a) Rag Committee 1946-50. Chairman 1949. Medical Rep. 1950.
- b) Treasurer Students' Benefit Society 1948-1950.
- c) Class Rep. on S.M.C. 1949-50.

NUSAS - I wholeheartedly endorse NUSAS and its principles, to which organisation I give my full support. With regard to non-NUSAS centres, there is a need for greater co-operation, to be achieved where possible, without any sacrifice of NUSAS principles.

Academic Non-Segregation - This policy has led to a definite understanding between European and non-Europeans, which policy I will strive to maintain, more especially by wholehearted support of the A.M.S.T.F.

Common Room - Will make efforts for improved common room and locker facilities for men and women.

MBETE Charles (2nd Year)
Prop. B. Phillips
Sec. J.S. Katz

Keenly interested in student affairs and improvement of facilities.
Recently appointed to Night School committee.

Advocates:

- (1) Academic non-segregation as a basis for studentship.
 - (2) Co-operation of all students in matters of common interest
 - (3) Support for NUSAS and its principles.
 - (4) Improvement of Medical School Curricula facilities for all students
- (Cont. on page 4.)

- (5) Foster interest in extra-curricula activity at Medical School.
- (6) Support of the A.M.S.T.F.
- (7) Generally to serve the interests of all students.

MITCHLEY S. (5th Year)
 Prop. J.A. Pratt-Johnson
 Sec. J. Marais.

As is evidenced by the remarks of the S.M.C. auditors, the S.M.C. have been devoting too much time to extraneous affairs and too little to domestic affairs. In the words of the auditors with reference to S.M.C. affairs "we have not obtained all the information and EXPLANATIONS we have required". This indicates inefficiency and it will be my endeavour to see that this does not occur again. My assention is that most of the affairs the late S.M.C. have dealt with are in the province of the S.R.C. on which we have 7 members, and should be left to them, and S.M.C. deals only with medical school affairs.

Besides this, the Men's Common Room needs attending to and I shall see to that if elected. Internes "living out" and conditions of service will also claim a lot of my attention.

Anything as far as policy goes, I shall be glad to discuss with anyone getting in touch with me.

MONK C.J.E. (2nd Year)
 Prop. A. Kushlick
 Sec. J.A. Parsons.

I stand to keep our Medical School a place where those wishing to learn the arts and sciences of medicine may do so without fear of racial, political or social prejudice. I shall do my best to foster co-operation, both academic and recreational, firstly among ourselves and secondly with other universities and medical schools both at home and abroad.

POPPER Susi (2nd Year)
 Prop. J.S. Katz
 Sec. A. Barnett.

Being a woman I am adjudged by some of my fellow students to be frivolous. That may be, but in this I am absolutely serious and feel that the S.M.C. requires a representative of women students.

I am a firm supporter of NUSAS & opposed to all outside interference in student affairs. I wish to promote closer co-operation between.-

- (a) Staff and student bodies, by encouraging combined research work during vacations.
- (b) Other S.A. Medical Schools, by

an exchange of students as well as lectures.

I will do my utmost to lower fees and improve amenities.

Concerning my activities, I have attended two NUSAS congresses, have taken an active interest in cultural societies and am at present secretary of the Students' Benefit Society.

PRATT-JOHNSON J.A. (5th Year)
 Prop. L. Schubitz
 Sec. P.S. Kincaid-Smith.

I believe that the S.M.C. should look after the intrinsic interests and affairs of all students at Medical School, including the non-Europeans in the widest possible sense: for example, Finance, Vacation Employment, Cultural and Sporting activities.

That moderation be their guide, having disregard for extremists and total exclusion of Party Politics.

Previous Experience:

1. Chairman University Tennis Club for 1949.
2. Member University Tennis Committee 1950.
3. Member University All Sports Council 1949.

ROBERTS Tony (3rd Year)
 Prop. O.A. Prosser
 Sec. E.C. Morley.

After some consideration, I have decided to stand for the coming S.M.C. elections for the following reasons: 1) It seems desirable to have someone on Council who has been there some time.

2) I am prepared to do a spot of work to improve the lot of us poor students.

3) I wish to be a moderating influence on actions extreme in any direction.

4) It appears I might create a record if I get on again!

At various times during 4 years on the S.M.C. - member of constitution and F.O.S.A.M. sub-committees; student member of Sutherland Strachan Memorial Fund; sub-Editor of Auricle as 'Periwinkle'; Hon. Secretary of University Hockey Club; produced and played in play-readings at Medical School; played the lead in "The Wind and the Rain".

SALKINDER Mary (3rd Year)
 Prop. J. Segal
 Sec. A.R. Levin

Activities:

- 1950 - Chairman of Music Society
 - Vice Chairman of Cultural Activities.
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1949 - Secretary of Leech.
- Secretary-Treasurer of the
Music Society.

Principles: Having organised a most successful concert and dance for the Music Society and founded a record-library which is expanding rapidly, my interest lies chiefly in the development and improvement of cultural activities and amenities at the Medical School. I would like to see the BONDS BETWEEN THE VARIOUS MEDICAL SCHOOLS STRENGTHENED, AND IMPROVED CONDITIONS OF INTERNSHIP.

Furthermore, I wholeheartedly support A.M.S.T.F. and all the principles of NUSAS.

SCHAEFFER H.R. (5th Year)

Prop. J.A. Pratt-Johnson
Sec. J.R. Quantrell.

My Policy is -

- 1) To help create a University spirit at Medical School - that spirit of fellowship which has up to now been sadly lacking. With this purpose in view I was one of the founders of the Medical School All Sports Council.
- 2) To attend to the numerous domestic problems at Medical School.
- 3) To keep party politics out of Medical School. I would here like to take the outgoing S.M.C. to task for not preventing active participation in politics at Medical School.
- 4) To encourage interchange of views with all other universities with a view to promoting closer relationships with them.
- 5) To strongly oppose extremist ideas.
- 6) To act to the advantage of all students, and always to be tactful and practical.

SCHULTZ Effie (3rd Year)

Prop. G.S. Getz
Sec. I. Eisenberg.

Activities:

1949 Diogenes Secretary

1950 " "

'Wits Student' sales manager
Chairman of University African
Night School.
NUSAS Conference.

If elected, I will work to the best of my ability:-

- 1) In the interest of S.A. Medical students in general and in particular for Wits. students.
- 2) To preserve and advance the principle of NUSAS and academic non-segregation as the only basis for national and Wits student co-operation respectively.
- 3) For co-operation with non-NUSAS centres as far as 2 will allow in regard to curriculum, interships,

sports etc.

- 4) For staff-student co-operation.
- 5) For increased student participation in extra-curricular activity (Student Card Club, Sports etc.)
- 6) For increased and interesting vacation employment facilities.
- 7) For Refectory and Common Room improvements.

TEEGER J. (5th Year)

Prop. P.V. Tobias
Sec. I. Eisenberg.

Successive S.M.C.'s in the past have built up for us a very imposing edifice of student activity and initiative, and the new Council, when elected must certainly strive to maintain that high standard of student leadership.

Firm foundations have been laid, and it is up to us to enlarge and increase the numerous activities and interests which have made our student days more worthwhile, and at the same time, have brought considerable prestige to our faculty.

By training non-European doctors the University is making a very vital contribution to our national health, and also fulfilling the true function of a University, in providing higher education for those who are capable of benefiting from it.

As an Executive member of the outgoing Council, I feel that the experience gained during the past year will stand me in good stead in helping to make the term of office of the new S.M.C. a very active and successful one.

TREDWAY Charles (3rd Year)

Prop. C. Isaacson
Sec. T. Thorne.

I stand for election to the S.M.C. on the following contentions

1. The S.M.C. should work for students interests in the widest possible sense.
2. Absolute non-segregation and an equal opportunity for all.
3. As much co-operation as possible between all universities mainly on the basis of exchange of knowledge, but no compromise on the principles held at this university.
4. Everyone should hold some political views, but these should in no way interfere with the smooth running of the S.M.C. for the benefit of the students.

If elected, I shall further the students' interests in every way possible.

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VEITCH Marion (3rd Year)
Prop. G.S. Getz
Sec. B.B. MacGillivray.

I stand as a liberal with a wish and guarantee to work hard both to uphold the good standard in Medical School Cultural Activities and other domestic affairs, and to reiterate emphatically our policy of academic non-segregation.

I have always endeavoured to support societies here and at Milner Park, and have served on the committees of some. Film Society (3 yrs); Rationalist Society (1 yr); Cultural Activities (1 yr); NUSAS Committee (1 yr); NUSAS Research Council (2 yrs) I have been a Research delegate to NUSAS Conference (3 yrs) and am on the new Medical Conference Committee.

WAGSTAFF L.A. (4th Year)
Prop. I. Eisenberg
Sec. L.W. Osburn

Activities:

Member of University Social Services Society 1948/9. Chairman 1950.

Policy: I support the principles of NUSAS and that of academic non-segregation, and share the wish of all liberal and progressive students that this enlightened policy should be continued.

I favour co-operation with the Afrikaans speaking universities, provided always that the equality of all students is recognised, and that none shall be debarred from participating in any student activity, and that every individual shall be allowed to attend the University of his choice.

As a member of Cultural Council I have been able to observe much of the extra-curricular work, and promise my full support to the many branches of student activity. I place particular emphasis on the African Medical Scholarship Trust Fund, the All Sports Council, Conference and the Leech.

If elected, I shall endeavour to carry on the excellent work of previous S.M.C.'s.

I consider the following worthy of our fullest support:-

- 1) Adequately paid housemanships for Non-European students.
- 2) The right to live our for married interns.
- 3) The improvement of facilities in the Refectory and Common Rooms.
- 4) The reduction where possible, of the incidental expenses at Medical School.

We regret that Mr. J. Nel, one of the S.M.C. candidates, did not hand in his statement in time to go to press.

UNIVERSITY SOCIAL SERVICES SOCIETY

We wish to issue an urgent appeal to all students for assistance. Recently, we have received our annual grant from the Rag Allocation Committee. This has been reduced from £1,800 for 1950 to £1,225 for 1951, due to a decrease in available funds.

Naturally we are most grateful to all those who participated in Rag, and made this donation possible, but nevertheless, we must face the fact that it is going to be extremely difficult to carry on in future on this limited income.

We have considered all ways and means of improving our financial position without the necessity of actually reducing the activities which are already established, and we have had to give up all plans for enlarging and improving on our work and equipment.

Amongst students, it would not be fair to ask for donations of money, but we would like to put before you various other ways in which you might be able to help us.

Our Nursery School teacher has appealed for odds and ends of any description for the children to play with.

The following articles can all be put to excellent use, and no doubt there are many more not listed.

- Old cotton reels
- knitting needles and wool
- old tennis balls
- old toys
- scraps of material.
- books
- pencils
- magazines
- games
- old clothes etc.

May we also invite you to visit our Nursery School at Baragwanath which is housed in the Radio Room. Our four teachers there have their head-quarters in Ward 28, but they may be found at bedsides in wards throughout the hospital.

Our Nursery School teacher at Coronation has no settled abode, but you may see her working amongst the young patients in the children's ward

Boxes for collecting any articles which we hope you will remember to bring, will be placed in prominent places throughout Medical School, and we trust that this appeal will reach sympathetic ears.

VOTE TO-MORROW!