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Mrs. Stephen
Feb.

SNAPSHOT = KODAK

PITIFUL PITFALL

by Sue Ashton

I think it's unfortunate that some of us students commonly commit the error of dogmatic thinking. It reveals itself in our talk and in our writing, and was exhibited quite forcefully in the March 4th issue of Snapshot. Specifically what I object to is the anonymous article which labeled the whole college community, including every person in a position of responsibility, as archaic. This is what Joe McCarthy has been criticized for doing - blanketing an entire group with an accusation; whether it is McCarthy or a fellow student, I object.

First let me say that my criticism of the article stems from an evident misunderstanding of a policy which was set for Snapshot last year and which was to be continued, calling for either signatures on controversial articles or for it to be made clear that they are the opinion of one person, or of a group of people. The recent article on "archaic" education put forth the false impression that all of us students feel that Downer is not giving us sufficient opportunities. This is not a fair implication, I feel safe in venturing that there are

other students besides myself who do not feel that way.

Furthermore, it seems unjust to call all education at Downer archaic. In my judgment that objectionable article holds no water without examples, because I know that the statements made are not true in many cases. We have a pertinent example of what I call an outstanding opportunity for all students in our college who are interested, it is the course in critical thinking which Mr. Johnson is offering to us, at the expense of his limited time, because he is interested in us. How appropriate that course seems right now!

Here I want to return to what I said about "every person in a position of responsibility"; this, I strongly believe, includes us, the students. We have a responsibility to seek out, create, and take advantage of opportunities. I see a parallel situation in the social side of our college life; we have at least half of the responsibility on any social situation whether it involves our guests at mixers or faculty - student relations. Why is it that many students will not decide what they want of

Social Committee?

I would like to see something come of the article on our education, something valuable and constructive. I do not object at all to having such a problem, if it is a problem for someone, brought to the attention of the college so that improvements might be made, and Snapshot is the right place to air it; (cont. on p. 2, col. 2)

NEPTUNALIA

Neptune was the Roman god of the seas. Oceans and rivers everywhere, as well as all creatures which inhabited them, bent to his will. He was aided in his forceful government of the earth's waters by his wife the sea goddess, Salacia.

Neptune, or Poseiden as he was known to the Greeks, is pictured as a heavy powerful figure, bearded, with long curling hair. His attributes are a trident and dolphin. He is frequently represented in works of art as crossing the sea in a chariot drawn by Hippocamps, or other weird creatures of the deep.

His awesome power placed him among Rome's major deities. Each year in July the Romans celebrated a festival in his honor, called NEPTUNALIA.

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flimsy shower curtains in McLaren, that is being worked on by the Housekeeping Department. However, it was pointed out that maybe the girls don't draw them properly.

The hole in the floor that is covered by the rubber pad is perfectly safe. This has been proven because several people jumped on it. Also brand new tile has been laid under the pad.

The Housekeeping Department would appreciate your cooperation in reporting anything that might be wrong.

NEWS

The Ohio River region is having its worst flood in seven years. 16,000 persons have lost their homes.

Whether the United States interferes in the business of Communist China and Nationalist China is in the hands of one man - Mr. D. D. Eisenhower.

The latest soap opera: will the American people get a \$20.00 cut in taxes or can these people from a little nation in the west find happiness as the subjects of a wealthy and renowned Uncle?

The U. S. is going right ahead with its plans to test H-bombs, the biggest explosion being seen in seven western states.

Red China is due for a change. Liu Shao-chi will be the big figure-head in the eastern world.

Yugoslavia announces that it will start A-bomb testing as there is an abundance of raw material there.

Albania refuses the helping hand of the U.S. and calls it charity with strings attached.

HOUSEKEEPING DEPARTMENT REPLIES

The Housekeeping Department has a very difficult job keeping the buildings in good condition. They would appreciate it if the girls would report anything directly to them.

In reply to a recent criticism published, they have explained that McLaren Hall has no need for fire buckets because for the past several years they have had two fire extinguishers on each floor - one at the south end and another at the north end.

As for the so called

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I do not, however, approve of the way it was presented. If this problem can be clarified and channeled (perhaps Faculty-Student Council could help us take constructive measures) then, I believe the disadvantage of the article will be outweighed by possible advantages.

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IN YOUR FUTURE