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In the Guise of Committment

The last issue of the "Cadre" revealed, perhaps quite by mistake, the underlying motivations of our faculty members.

A professor, genuinly committed to teaching, will always, in my opinion

put financial matters second to his primary function : teaching. However, their obvious concern and annoyance at having been subjected to a test of proficiency which used a point system of measurment at

which somehow resembled their salary-range, seems to indicate that financial matters are indeed primary.

Now , those students who strive for "marks", "scholarships", and "degrees" manifest an alienation due

to being categorized as "students" which is not a real phenomenon but is rather, an abstraction. Individuality is forgotten in favour of the safe role of "student".

Correspondingly, the individual who attempts to play the abstract role of "professor" must, of necessity, experience alienation which is manifested by showing undue concern over such matters as "money", "status", and "evaluations".

Two abstractions ('student' and 'professor') cannot relate effectively to the advantage of the individuals involved in these roles; consequently, the primary aim of the educative attempt, understanding, is placed subordinately to those things which will assure the "survival" of the individual i.e., money, status, etc.

I am stricken with shame for the "professor"; they appear to me as children in adult clothing. The "students" I fear, are heading in the same direction.

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Centennial Students

The UPEI Centennial students, those Prince Edward Islanders 60 years of age or over attending classes at the university were honored by the Student Union on Monday Feb. 22nd.

Honorary Life membership in the student union and its attendant privileges were given to the 64 Centennial students by the outgoing council as one of its last official acts. Pat Duffy the past UPEI-SU President, on behalf of the Union, presented the students with their membership cards.

Then along with Bob Gray and Norbert Moran two former Vice Presidents, hosted a casual party for the Centennial Students.

