



News and Comments — The Caduceus

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The Editorial Board

In the Editorial of the Union Magazine, our sister Journal expresses herself in no uncertain terms about the lack of support and interest from a majority of the students. To be said in extenuation of this attitude, it must be remembered that during the four or five years of his or her hectic existence in the University, the average student has little time to think of anything else but work. It is said that Eastern students take life far too seriously — and ours certainly seem to think the fate of the world and the future of humanity depended on their passing the First Professional!

We would like to see our students to take more interest in the various societies, journals and magazines which are after all run for their benefit, but we cannot be too hard on them if they cannot find the time or inclination to be enthusiast in the various activities of university life. But what we detest is that species of humanity called the critic — and in its more virulent form the Arm-chair Critic — an individual whose one main function in life seems to be his destructive cheap oratory. We started the year with soft words pleading for support and suggestions; we end the year with plain English, if “candied” words will not do, we must use candid words.

What this Journal was like before we took it over some two years ago, is now History. In our time we have managed to print three issues a year, and next year we hope to go to four issues. Our present circulation is world-wide. If any Critic feels in the mood to dissect us or work, let him remember that.

The Executive Committee has been carefully watching the influence of the Caduceus, and it feels our purposes are better answered if we change the name of the Journal into that of the “Hong Kong University Medical Journal.” It is not fair to work the few willing horses to death and we appeal for more sporting spirit that will carry the Journal to a successful destination — a legacy that we can proudly leave behind to those that come after us.