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-- Larry McNally

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The Carleton Lecture Series: "The Scientific Tradition in Canada"

If the present state of the history of Canadian science in the liversities is taken into account, any lecture series that gives recognition to the fact that Canada has a scientific tradition should be appleaded. The series owed its existence to the personal initiative of Carleton biology professor Margaret McCulley. There was obviously a significant audience in the capital for such a series: attendance at the first lectures was more than 250 but dwindled steadily to fewer than 75 at the end. As with most first attempts, there were both strengths and weaknesses and these should be recognized by any who might emulate this series in future.

- RABKIN, Yakov, Institut d'histoire et sociopolitique des sciences, Université de Montréal, C.P. 6128, Montréal, Québec; Engineering education.
  - ROLAND, Charles G., Faculty of Medicine, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ont.; History of Canadian medicine.
  - RUSSELL, Loris S., Royal Ontario Museum, 100 Queen;s Park Cr., Toronto, Ont. M5S 2C6; History of Canadian invention.
  - SHEETS-PYENSON, Susan, Dept. Science and Human Affairs, Concordia University, Montréal, Québec; J.W. Dawson and 19th century Canadian science.

The Carleton Lecture Series (continued from page 9)

The majority of speakers, being scientists, have spent most of their lives in working within the scientific tradition of Canada whether they realize it or not, and could speak from first-hand experiences. factor gave the series its strength. Unfortunately, the nominal theme--the scientific tradition in Canada--was addressed by only a couple of the speakers. If the series demonstrated anything, it was that Canada does not have a scientific tradition or at least if it does, that tradition is irrelevant to most of the lecturers. It was very obvious that most of the speakers had little if any training in history and their attempts to convey the historic basis of their specialty to the audience was, for the most part, totally inadequate. Like many other gallant forays by scientific groups into the history of science, the Carleton series seems to manifest two hidden assumptions: (1) that because scientists often achieve consensus in scientific matters, they are likely to agree on other subjects like history, and (2) that someone who is a genuine expert in a scientific subject X is also likely to be a competent historian of X.

The Carleton lecture series, if continued under much stricter guidelines, could prove to be highly successful and not alienate a large proportion of its audience. The point must be made that the history of science has two components, history and science. This will mean that humanities and science departments must work in conjunction with one another and not in isolation.

-- Donald Phillipson and Arnold Roos