CONSERVATIVE PROFESSORS

"A GREAT deal of so-called faculty conservatism results from lack of confidence in the student body" is the suggestion of a recent student. "The student as a whole sounds very nice, but we being supposedly scientific students, hurrying for details. What relation can confidence have to conserva-

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**DOLLARS AND SENSE**

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