

DALHOUSIE COLLEGE GAZETTE.

ORA ET LABORA.

The Archive

Welcome to our Archive issue. We're celebrating 143 years of recording Dalhousie student life by dipping into our history and retrieving some favourite gems.

Everyone has an urge to write posterity. Disproportionately, people who work for newspapers suffer from an extreme version of this disease. As newspapers move online, along with everything and everyone else, more and more people are recording more and more words for the permanent record.

So, how do we make words matter again in a world where there is too much information?

We see the Archive issue as a chance to look back and recover some of that which had value. By curating our own past, we seek to honour the experiences of the writers and subjects whose stories the *Gazette* has told over the years.

We want to value our predecessor's efforts in chronicling life at Dal. In the same spirit, we hope people have gotten something valuable out of what we have done this year. Maybe, 100 years from now, another Archive issue will come out containing these very words.

It probably won't be printed on paper, though.

That's the thing about the past. It makes you think about the future.

In the spirit of exploring and expanding student journalism into the 21st century, seven staff members of the *Gazette* just returned from a week-long conference of the Canadian University Press (CUP) in Montreal.

CUP was founded in 1938 (story on p.8) as a student news wire to rival the Associated Press on a Canadian campus level. It has developed into a co-operative where students journalists go for professional development, legal support, national advertising clients, and a myriad of other services and opportunities.

The *Dalhousie Gazette* was a founding member of CUP, and recently re-joined the organization.



At the conference on Jan. 13-17, we grappled with student journalism and its place in the larger media landscape.

We had practical opportunities to learn skills, but the energy of the conference was rooted in the attendees more so than in the curriculum. You'd be hard pressed to find a group of 400 people who are more passionate about the role of the media in our world than CUPpies.

In the hallways and hotel rooms we talked late into the night about the unique position the student press is in. We aren't beholden to advertisers and corporate interests as much as commercial publishers are, nor are we tied to federal funding like the CBC. We have a direct responsibility to our student readers and funders, and as such we have more freedom to challenge the status quo in our society.

The student press has been concerned, throughout the years, with radically imagining a newer, better world.

Before we even approached the crawl through the archives, we knew it would be important to recover stories about race, gender, class, empire and corporations, the environment and human rights.

These aren't issues only of the 2000s. These struggles our society is engaged in have deep roots. In our archives, we hope you find interesting examples of the *Gazette's* continuing coverage of them.

The questions our society faces, as so many still struggle to overthrow systems of privilege and oppression, are not new. And they've yet to find answers.

The student press, and the *Dalhousie Gazette*, will continue to work to expose and support struggles against oppression in all its forms. *The Gazette* is proud to have told the story of this place and its students longer than any other student paper, we hope you enjoy the retelling of some of this story and look forward to continuing to tell this story, be it in these pages, or somewhere else.

—*The Dalhousie Gazette*





DALHOUSIE
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DSU Weekly Dispatch

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Events

Open Mic

Wednesday, January 26

Come and watch your fellow students perform or enter yourself to compete for a chance to win \$100.00. If you've got talent, we want you to bring it! The show begins at 9:00pm and you must be 19+ to attend.

Learning to Lead with Dean Connor

Wednesday, January 26

Dean Connor is currently the Chief Operating Officer of Sun Life Financial Global, and formerly the President of Sun Life Financial Canada. Mr. Connor will be sharing his knowledge on what it takes to be a successful leader in the working world.

Admission is free, so come out to the Scotia Bank Auditorium, located in the McCain Building from 7:30pm to 9:00pm. This lecture is proudly brought to you by the Dalhousie Management Society.

Fusion Friday

Friday, January 28

This event is brought to you by Engineers Without Borders! There will be three bands performing! More details for this event will follow so keep an eye on the DSU website and Dispatches in the Gazette for more information!

Winter Carnival Schedule

SNOW JOB in the Grawood!

Friday, Jan 21, 7pm-1am

This is the BIG kick-off party for Winter Carnival. Come out and try out our Skating Rink in the SUB lobby before it's used for a 2 on 2 Hockey Tournament later that night. Yes, that's right, a skating rink IN the SUB! It's going to be awesome! The Grawood will also be rocking with a performance by Clam Chowder (\$3.00 cover and must be 19+ to attend). Come kick-off Winter Carnival with Snow Job!

Two Hours Traffic in the T-Room!

Saturday, Jan 22, Doors at 8pm

Winter Carnival will be rocking down on Sexton Campus too. Come check out Two Hours Traffic in the T-Room! Tickets are \$10 and can be bought at the Info Desk in the SUB or at the DSU Sexton Office. You must be 19+ to attend this event.

Residence Sled-off at Gorsebrook Hill

Wednesday, Jan 26, 8pm-10pm

Gorsebrook Hill will be taken by storm with hundreds of students on anything that can slide. Come out for some fun and bring your own sled, laundry bin, garbage can lid...basically anything that can slide! We will be hosting the first residence sled-off competition where one residence will be deemed the slipperiest team when they slide to victory!

Charity Ball in the McInnes room

Saturday, Jan 29, 7pm-1am

Every year the DSU throws its annual charity ball and auction in support of a select charity. This year the DSU has proudly chosen the Avalon Centre, a group that provides aid and support to local victims of sexual assault. This formal event is one of the social highlights of the year. Complete with dinner, dancing, auction and a performance by the vastly popular Mellotones, you will not be disappointed.

Tickets can be purchased at the Info Desk in the SUB for \$25 each or you can buy a table of ten for \$250.

The Ice Rink in the SUB will be open for skating during the day, Jan 21-Jan 28!

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The Archivist

Meet Michael Moosberger: The man who collects, organizes and preserves some of Nova Scotia's most precious archives



Michael Moosberger is Dal's steward of the past. ••• Photo by Abram Gutscher

Rebecca Spence
Arts Editor

History is with us, but it takes special people to guide you through it. When we wanted to put together a look at the place of Gazette journalism in Dalhousie history, there was only one group of people who could help us: Michael Moosberger and the Dalhousie Archive team.

RS: How did you feel when you first found out we were putting together an archives issue?

MM: I was thrilled. I thought it was a great idea. I've made some suggestions and I think the whole staff is engaged in the process. It's a positive for us to have students interested enough in history to take it forward.

RS: Why do you think an interest in archives is important?

MM: The reality is a lot of people still aren't aware that there is a university archives, and what it holds, and the potential it has for doing research—and just to get a sense of the appreciation of the university's history—we're coming up on our 200th anniversary, making us a pretty old institution—and a lot of students poke their heads in from time to time, but don't really understand what we hold.

We don't just hold university records, but a very broad acquisition mandate in the community as well. We've become the cultural archives for the province; we have archives for Neptune Theatre, Symphony Nova Scotia and the Theatre Arts Guild. And all of this material is accessible for research.

So being able to do this project with the Gazette makes students

aware that we exist and have a lot of interesting material. And it shows the difference in how the Gazette evolved as a newspaper. I think it's gotten to be a really good investigative reporting paper.

RS: What attracted you to becoming an archivist?

MM: I think the history component—which is something that's slowly being diminished. Most archive programs now are within Library Information Management, which is okay. But having that background in history is equally important in making you appreciate what's behind the documents. I think that balance is important.

RS: Do you consider yourself a packrat?

MM: I'm a quasi-pack rat. I collect things for a time and then I go on cleaning spurts. I keep income tax returns, credit card statements, newsletters—things like that. I try not to get sentimental—I think that's one of the things I'm actually pretty good at—is being dispassionate. If you get caught up in your collection you lose perspective because you want to keep everything.

RS: What are some of the toughest challenges that archivists face today?

MM: There are so many users from across the country and around the world and for some materials they're just not able to get them physically. You can't just come in and "feel" 17th century correspondence from James Dinwiddie, British scientist, because you're going to be looking at it as a digital image on your computer screen. I think there's a bit of a loss when you don't get that kind of aesthetic.

The other thing is how we're going to

make so much digital material accessible in the future. I saw some statistics about the differences between the Clinton White House electronic records and the Bush White House electronic records, and they both served 8 years so you would think that the content would be comparable, but if you printed out the Clinton records you would have 85 million pages. The Bush records: 685 million papers.

So the explosion of electronic information is going to be a challenge for any archivist. The biggest institutions in the North America are still wrestling with this. The Library of Congress is still wrestling with how to manage electronic records. How do you decide what you're going to keep, what you're going to destroy, and what's going to be important for future generations?

RS: Will you ever have to take all the issues of the Dalhousie Gazette and decide which ones to keep and which ones to get rid of?

MM: No, it's a fairly finite collection from our perspective. It's not growing by leaps and bounds. The next step for us is to preserve the issues because they were never intended to exist as long as they have. So we have done some microfilming [basically a photographic process on very high quality film]. That's where I'd like to take the Gazette. We certainly need to migrate it to a new format so it can be accessible for future generations.

I'm not thinking about my lifetime at Dalhousie. I'm thinking about my successor and his successor after that. Because what we've acquired is going to be here forever and that's important for people to understand. It's not going anywhere. Our collection is going to continue to grow but we have to ensure that it's preserved properly as well.

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"ORA ET LABORA."

THE ORIGIN OF THE "GAZETTE."

EXACTLY thirty years ago three enterprising Dalhousie students—John J. Cameron, A. P. Seeton and W. E. Roscoe—thinking that a college organ was needed, determined to venture a publication without the expressed sanction of their fellow-students. No sooner was the scheme conceived than they undertook its realization. In a few days the first number of the GAZETTE appeared. Copies were passed around among the students, who with wonder and curiosity in their countenances eagerly turned over the pages and commented on the innovation. In the "salutatory" was the following:—"THE DALHOUSIE COLLEGE GAZETTE is to be conducted mainly by students, undergraduates, and graduates of the college. Several gentlemen of known ability have kindly promised to contribute to its pages, among whom are Profs. Lyall and DeMille, Sir Wm. Young and Hon. Joseph Howe." It was very small—only four pages—and in ordinary circumstances would probably have done very little good or harm, but it was a start.

As might have been expected, it excited considerable comment, favorable and otherwise. The city press wished it well. Of the citizens, some encouraged, while others ridiculed it. Among the students themselves complaints were heard that it professed to be published by the collegians, whereas they were not consulted at all in the matter. Notwithstanding all criticism, however, the editors persevered and published the second number. This time there were eight pages instead of four. The editorial said in reference to the criticism: "We have no idea of stopping here, however. We prophesy, and it remains with the public to verify, that in a short time our journal will consist of twelve pages." In this number there was also a letter of encouragement and advice signed "Civis." We quote the first paragraph: "The want of a good literary paper has, I believe, been long felt in this city, which is so far behind its sister cities in this respect. When you issued your GAZETTE I hailed the enterprise with pleasure, and felt rejoiced that the university of which we are so justly proud, and whose name heads your paper, had in it young men capable of issuing and carrying on a periodical, small though it be. I saw in the GAZETTE promise of better things. I saw a flourishing literary journal arising from it, and as I have said before, I felt pleased that such was the case."

Four more numbers were published during the remainder

THE CONCENTRATION OF WEALTH.

"Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey,
Where wealth accumulates, and men decay."—*Goldsmith.*

He who is a close observer and has a taste for the study of political revolutions, cannot fail to discover that we are standing upon the threshold of a great conflict between concentrated wealth on the one side and organized wealth-producers on the other. These two elements are almost naturally antagonistic. Their antagonism is as universal as is the struggle for existence. As wealth concentrates into the hands of a few, the "long, low, distant murmur of dread sound" becomes louder and fiercer; but hard it is to fight against the imperial powers of consolidated wealth. The disease of wealth-lust has disseminated itself like a poison—the virus is in the veins of the millions. The great problem which confronts the civilized nations of to-day is, how to prevent this consolidation of wealth. The problem must be

...The 19th Century...

of the term. The literary tone throughout was high, in fact, striking. There were several articles of merit, probably by some of those who had promised to contribute.

At the beginning of the following term a general meeting of the students was summoned to consider the wisdom of taking over the GAZETTE from the hands of the private publishers of the preceding term, who offered to resign it into their control, to become the property of the students in general. The undertaking was shown to be both practical and praiseworthy, and the following resolution was adopted:

"Whereas, this meeting is of opinion that it would be highly desirable for Dalhousie College to have a periodical in connection with it, and that such periodical would have many beneficial results in providing the students with the opportunity of improving themselves in writing, as well as in furnishing a depository for all thoughts and feelings about our college life; and

Whereas, the editors of DALHOUSIE GAZETTE have offered to resign their paper into the hands of the students;

Wherefore be it resolved, that this meeting accept the offer of the editors and adopt the DALHOUSIE COLLEGE GAZETTE as the property of the students of the University."

H. McD. Scott, Senior, A. P. Seeton, Junior, and A. D. C. Fraser, Sophomore, were chosen as editors.

The following is an extract from the "Prologus," which still expresses the purpose of the GAZETTE, its relations to the students, and the sentiment of the editors:

"The GAZETTE is to represent the views of the students, to advocate their interests, and strive in all things to cultivate that love and intensify that sympathy that should exist between Alumni. The editors are to be little more than judicious censors, to select wisely what shall be published, to endeavour, in a new sense, to practice the art of putting things, and by worthy service hope to earn the praise of being faithful exponents of students' views. If among much that may prove dull there be found some sparkling pleasure or wholesome goods let it expiate the faults. When you find many blemishes learn to avoid them, and ere you condemn produce a work more faultless, while we timidly suggest the words of Horace:

'Carmen sequar, ut sibi quisvis Speret idem, sudet multum frustra que laborat, Ausus idem.'

Thus was inaugurated the DALHOUSIE GAZETTE, which with varying success has fearlessly declared and maintained ever since the will of the students.

solved sooner or later. Great questions, like heavy trains, move slowly; but when they do move, they meet opposing forces with the clash of colliding worlds.

We hear it stated that the condition of the laboring masses is now infinitely in advance of, say, fifty years ago. True, comparatively; but not, relatively.

As far as ability to create wealth is concerned, no one need complain, there is plenty for all. When, however, the question—who owns the wealth? is asked, we are met with the startling fact that those who create and dig it out of the earth own but a trifle. But, it is to the best interest of all that wealth should concentrate into the hands of a few, as it is only by the accumulation of capital that the general wealth of the country can be increased. Organized capitalists are necessary to the development of a country's resources. We admit this, but we claim that the concentration of wealth is inordinate, the immediate and direct result of which is an unequal distribution.

HISTORY OF THE DALHOUSIE FOOTBALL CLUB.

IN attempting a review of this sort, the great difficulty which confronts one is the lack of reliable authorities. There are almost no records of sport in the old days. Graduates who played in the 70's have forgotten everything but the name of football. The GAZETTE is the only really valuable authority. Under these circumstances the critical reader is asked to deal leniently with one who, groping in the dark, has perhaps not been eminently successful in this search for information. Football was first played at Dalhousie in the session '68-'69; but at that time, and for at least another year, there was no regularly organized club. A few students met on the common for exercise, and the play, which was wild and free, was hardly foot-ball as we understand it. However, in the session '70-'71, interest was awakened and the game began to take form.

HOCKEY.

This game is rapidly becoming a favorite winter sport in the Maritime as it already is in the Upper Provinces. Most of the colleges of Canada have now organized teams, and in the Upper Provinces it is customary to play for trophies. We do not see why Nova Scotia and New Brunswick should not follow their example. It is a sport which will fill the gap existing in athletics from the end of the foot-ball season till the spring. It will, to use a hackneyed phrase "fill a long felt want." Now to speak of our College team. This was not organized till late in the season and so was unable to play many matches. Although it is so young it has shewn itself to be the equal of clubs who can claim a much longer existence and as a consequence, more practice. So far Dalhousie's honor in the field of athletics has not been impaired in the least by the result of her "hockey matches." All the games were played in rinks, requiring a different style of play from that in the open air.

Hockey, as we know it, is essentially a Canadian game—in fact it has come to be regarded as the national winter sport of Canada. Its origin is very obscure, hailing from no one knows where. In a very crude form it was played by the ancient Romans, and the game of "Shinty" or "Shinny" was indulged in by our ancestors of Britain.

Contributed Articles.

THE PROVINCE AND THE UNIVERSITY.

We will not find any reasonable man in this province who will deny that it is the duty of the government to support free public schools in the province. Years ago we decided that these schools were not to be sectarian. We decided that in a democratic country, such as ours, where no state church is recognized, there was not only no need but also no room for "separate" public schools. If, then, it be the duty of the province to support public schools, so that the children of our country may receive a free education, is it not also the duty of the province to support a public, non-sectarian university, where the young people of our province can obtain such an education as will thoroughly equip them for their chosen walks in life? President Schurman of Cornell has said: "There is not a single argument in favor of free public school which is not equally cogent as an argument in favor of the free public university. The public school is maintained at the public expense because it is a powerful instrument for the preservation and promotion of that variety of agencies, influences, and results, to which we give the collective name of civilization. Universities have the same end and attain it more completely. Both institutions train human faculty and conserve the results it achieves, while one also multiplies these results. The cost of maintaining the state university is, therefore, as fairly chargeable upon the property of the people as the cost of the public school establishment. * * * In the interest of the large majority

Law Department.

MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY.

THE position of married women in the law of England has for many years been a subject of criticism and debate. The group of exceptions to the ordinary rules of law, embracing infants, lunatics and married women, has often furnished amusement to mirthful essayists and awakened the indignation of the strong minded females of the class that come up annually with umbrellas in the dreary spring months to the cellar opposite Boston Common to ventilate the grievances of their sex. In truth the position of this long suffering class at common law was something very bitter to be endured. The ancient rules were oppressive and unjust in the extreme and involved innumerable drolleries and absurdities which, as we read them in the light of more modern legislation, are a perennial source of mingled amusement and indignation. The rule that on the consummation of a marriage all the personal property of the wife in possession became absolutely the property of the husband, and that her realty became his for their joint lives, coupled with the deduction, which was not a logical consequence at all, that if during the courtship she made a conveyance of her property without the knowledge of her intended husband it was a fraud on his so called marital right, illustrates at once the oppressiveness of the rule and the degree to which matrimonial alliances were regarded as matters of business. In the good old days to which we are sometimes pointed as the days of purer manners if not of sweeter laws, it was quite the thing for the parties to have an eye to the windward, and the arrangement of little matters of dowry and the like was of as much importance as the question of social and mental compatability on which matrimonial happiness is supposed to depend. The amusing case of *The Countess of Strathmore vs. Bowes* in the Revised Law Reports, in which the noble lady who was engaged to be married to another lover learned that the defendant had fought a duel against a newspaper man who had traduced her character, and forthwith, by way of compensation for his pains and dangers, married him the very next day, is a good illustration of the same characteristic of our law. The wife was looked upon with all her belongings in the light of a valuable possession rather than as a person. Her personality indeed after marriage was gone,—as the books say,—was merged in that of her husband. They twain were one, and he was the one.

WOMEN AND THE BAR.

WE hear much now-a-days about "Woman's Rights." Strong-minded women of the day clamor for the enfranchisement of their sex, for the opening of all professions, trades and occupations to them. We notice by the press that the University of the City of New York has opened special law classes for women. This makes us ask ourselves the question; should women be admitted to the bar?

of our people, it is both just and politic for the state to offer universal free education of the highest as well as of the lowest order."

Again we have the statement of Huxley: "No system of public education is worthy the name of national unless it creates a great educational ladder, with one end in the gutter and the other in the university." I think that these statements cannot be successfully contradicted.

Nova Scotia has a magnificent public school system, and it is the duty of the government to extend this into a provincial "educational system, beginning with the primary schools and ending in a university, which, by the way, should not be a paper one. Many States of the American Union and some of our own Canadian provinces support universities as part of their educational systems.

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Dalhousie Will Do Her Duty

Most Enthusiastic Meeting in the History of the University Takes Preliminary Steps for the Formation of Officers' Training Corps.

Addresses by President Mackenzie,
Chairman Campbell and
Major Thompson.

Dalhousie University has taken preliminary steps towards the formation of an Officers' Training Corps.

At a largely attended and representative meeting in the law library on Friday afternoon last the project was most successfully launched, and everything now points to the establishment at our university of a corps second to none in military efficiency. The meeting was characterized by a magnificent spirit of enthusiasm, in fact the members of the faculty and students present were wrought up to an almost inconceivable pitch of interest which augurs well for the success of the corps.

Eloquent addresses dealing with the responsibility resting on every British subject and particularly on the students of the universities were delivered by President Mackenzie, Chairman Campbell of the Board of Governors and Major Thompson. The most striking and impressive feature of the meeting was the practical demonstration of the sincerity of the students in the movement, large numbers of those present signing the membership roll for the projected corps. Altogether the meeting was probably the greatest in the history of Dalhousie University and seemed to awaken all to a vivid realization of the fact that Dalhousie must do her share for the protection and advancement of the interests of our great Empire. And the response from those present proved conclusively that she is more than ready to do her share. The tributes paid by the various speakers to those loyal graduates of old Dalhousie who have already consecrated their lives to the service of the Empire, and have gone to the front were deservedly applauded by the large numbers in attendance.

The Law Library was filled to the doors when Earle C. Phinney, chairman of the

Students' Council, called the meeting to order shortly after four o'clock. Two members of the fair sex were among the students present and they manifested a keen interest in the proceedings of the meeting.

Mr. Phinney, in opening, outlined the proposals for the establishment of an officers' training corps. He said that Dalhousians had met to consider a problem that confronted every man in every part of the great British Empire. Already the Government of the Dominion of Canada had taken steps for the formation of a second contingent for foreign service on behalf of Great Britain in the great European war. Several universities of the Dominion had the honor of sending representatives to the front in the first contingent and he was sure that all were justly proud of the men who went from Dalhousie University. He was also informed that Mr. Billman, Dalhousie's Rhodes Scholar, had joined one of the companies which formed a portion of the fighting forces at the front. While all the students might not go to the front, it was their duty to do something to protect the interests of the Empire. Just what that something should be it was the purpose of this meeting to consider. It seemed to him that there were two propositions open. Men were needed for both home defence and for foreign service, and it remained for the meeting to take action in the matter. The meeting was especially fortunate in having the presence of Major Thompson, secretary of the Board of Governors, and a loyal Dalhousian, who would speak on the organization of an Officers' Training Corps. Before calling on Major Thompson, he would ask Dr. Mackenzie to speak.

DALHOUSIE GRADUATE AT THE FRONT

Writes of his Personal Experiences.

THE following letter was received in Halifax last week from a former Dalhousian who was in England when the war broke out. He volunteered immediately, and has been at the front since Nov. 1st, 1914.

The letter is dated Jany. 10, 1915, and reads in part as follows:—

"Along our immediate front there is a comparative lull which has continued since yesterday noon. The result is that it seems very unusual. On these rare occasions there is plenty of work to do, especially arranging dug outs, and deepening the trenches. The latter is very important. The heavy falls of rain and snow during the past week have been very disagreeable, and to lighten this, we are compelled to dig little V trenches in one part of our trench. The effect has been most beneficial. They act like caves on a house and carry the water away to a lower level. Take it from me there is little pleasure standing in trenches with water up to your knees. It is bad enough to have your feet damp. However conditions are improving and the chance of changing socks before going to sleep makes one think he is a plutocrat. After a long march I know of nothing more beneficial than a change of socks.

I dislike writing anything about the war. The newspapers probably contain nothing else. I can imagine you read the war news as entertainment and you do not see in it the life and death struggle of an Empire

We hate to face the obvious.

So far I have escaped without a scratch, but Heavens, how I dislike thinking of those who were less fortunate. Only last week one of my best friends a chap by the name of Wardrope from Aberdeen, was shot right beside me. The two of us had returned safely from the rear to the firing line, where we were about to assume our positions when I noticed Wardrope fall. A bullet has passed right through his chest. The body was left lying there. I will always remember the lighted cigarette which remained between his lips even when dead. All these things are in the days work.

At home you will not realize what the war is until the Ottawa Casualty List begins to recite its tale of woe regularly.

I was glad to see by a Dalhousie Gazette that the students realize all the war means. They are the people who should, and they can do nothing better than by becoming efficient officers. God knows, the test of this war will be efficiency. It is simply murder to entrust men to officers who are inefficient.

We are stationed and have been here for the past month in the Armentieres district, which is immediately adjoining the Belgian border. We are only thirty miles from the coast of the British Channel as the crow flies, and are about half way between Arras and Lille. Where we will be in another month, no one can say. One thing is certain though, we will have advanced and not retreated. The Germans have made several massed charges on our trenches but without injury to us, and at a great price to themselves.

••The 1900s••

After all that has been spoken or written in eulogy of our late beloved Queen, no one can hope to contribute anything which may the more reveal of that transcendent grandeur in her life and reign. But, even though no scope is left for originality yet reiteration upon such a beautiful theme can never become wearisome. Her life has been and ever will be a perpetual benediction to the whole civilized world, and any stimulus to our contemplation of it can never fail to elicit a healthful response. We cannot here recall the manifold virtues which made her life and reign so incomparable in beauty. These are familiar to all, but be it said to the credit of our nation that it has shown fully its capacity to appreciate the good, the beautiful and the true and has responded with its deepest love and devotion.

DALUSIENSIA

Richards-n, while walking down Spring Garden Road a few days ago, came into unexpected contact with what proved to be a telephone pole. But Dickie, who had eyes only for the other side of the street, hastily exclaimed, "Oh, I beg your pardon."

MORAL. Look not to right nor to left—notwithstanding that some fair friends may be on the other side.

Sanford, (on Sat. Jan. 19th.);—"It's against my principle to shave on Sunday. I'll attend to it after Y. M. C. A."

On Sunday, Jan. 20th, Sandy was seen with brush and razor in hand, evidently preparing to remove a week's growth.

A convenient kind of "principle" to have, Sandy.

McNeil says that the next time he calls on his lady friends he will take the precaution to don a shirt and collar.

"What's the matter with a sweater and bandanna, Frenchie?"

Sanfo-d, to Miss X., (at breakfast table);—"I came in pretty late last night and one of my boots squeaked awfully; did you hear me, Miss X?"

Sandy evidently thought Miss X. was listening at the keyhole for him.

Lectures on shipping: "Mr. Hans-n, what is the usual deck-load which a steamer carries?"

Hans-n: "Lumber." Then to seat-mate, "You know my father ships a lot of lumber; he owns a sawmill."

Plug, Plugger, Pugsley.

The residents of Coburg Road were recently disturbed about 1.30 a. m. by hideous sounds coming from the basement of a students boardinghouse.

The West—A Problem.

The West—a problem. A problem that concerns not west alone, nor east alone but one that confronts Canada as a whole. A problem that must be solved and one upon which the destiny of Canada, as a nation, depends.

The problem is not easy to define, it has too many sides, is too complex. That there is a problem one has but to read the newspapers of the east and the west and he will be convinced.

Ask a Westerner what is the problem confronting the west and he will reply off-hand, "How to rid ourselves of the dead weight of the east which clogs our progress." Ask an Easterner and he will probably answer, "How to prevent the stagnation due to Western emigration, how to stop the exodus of our young blood, these are the problems arising out of the west." Such replies may not be exactly literal but they are the substance of groanings that are uttered.

Both contain an element of truth; these are problems to which Canadians must not blind themselves. The great Problem, however, is far wider. Can we surmount natural

barriers? Is the national sentiment strong enough to make Canada a solid National Unit?

The natural divisions are about as distinct as they could be. The Maritime Provinces are almost completely severed from the Old Canadas. The rugged snow-bound country south of James Bay is not a very promising connecting link between Ontario and the West. In soil and natural resources the distinctions are still more marked, and because of these differences the development of the east and west must be to a greater or less extent unequal and along diverse lines. Herein lies the danger—and the Problem.

If the west were being settled by people who knew the east, and appreciated it properly, there would be little danger. Immigration returns show clearly, however, that the great body of settlers are from other lands, and, therefore, know nothing and care nothing for eastern Canada. You can hardly expect men from Iowa or Yorkshire to think of anything but Western Canada.

CONSOLIDATION.

The Consolidation Committees of King's and Dalhousie have agreed upon an Act of Union, which is very simple in its provisions. The preamble is as follows:—

"It is desired to constitute a university of the Maritime Provinces of Canada, and King's College, Windsor, and Dalhousie College, Halifax, are ready to consolidate for this purpose, in the hope that the other colleges in the Maritime Provinces will join in the effort thus to promote the interests of higher education."

The Board of Governors is to consist of a chancellor, vice-chancellor, nominees of persons, bodies, or corporations endowing a chair in the university, and twenty-six others, thirteen appointed at first by the Governors of Dalhousie, and thirteen by the Governors of Kings, and afterwards by the Governors of the University.

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Year Book Is Assured

Year Book Editor



Avis H. Marshall is Editor of Dalhousie's first Year Book, independent of the Gazette.

Senior Classes Decide To Publish First Year Book

300 EIGHTY PAGE COPIES WITH CUTS OF ALL GRADUATES WILL BE READY APRIL 15TH

WITH a Year Book assured, members of the graduating classes of 1927 are expressing pleasure that they are to have a fitting record of their college days. It will be Dalhousie's first honest-to-goodness Year Book and a matter of pride to all Dalhousians. An active committee has been at work, getting estimates, seeking the cooperation of student societies and friends of the college, appointing editors. The result is that the Year Book will appear on April 15th—a few weeks before college closes.

There will be three hundred copies of the Year Book printed—selling at two dollars each. The book, which will be eighty pages, will contain photographs of every graduate, group pictures of all student executives and teams, photographs of the President, the Chairman of the Board of Governors, and the deans of the various faculties, pictures of the University buildings, and probably the signatures of each graduate; also write-ups of each graduate and of all activities for the year, to foreword by Dr. G. S. Campbell and an editorial; perhaps more.

of student societies are contributing their bit. The Business Managers are counting on some help from the Council—about \$150.; at least that amount would, were it not for the Year Book, have to go toward a Graduation Gazette.

The editors are already at work, getting the book together. All that is necessary, the Editor-in-Chief told the Gazette, to make Dalhousie's first Year Book a complete success is the co-operation of every student.

There will be a place to attach supplementary sheets containing an account of the Class Day Exercises and Convocation. The book will be in attractive form.

The Year Book Committee has surmounted business difficulties. Arthur Jubien and Harry Bell are in charge of that essential part of the undertaking. The Royal Print and Litho will publish the book, which will cost somewhere in the neighborhood of \$1,000. President MacKenzie and other friends of the students are getting behind the Year Book. The University is giving cuts of the various buildings. There will be a certain amount of advertising.

Utopian Dalhousie

(A reporter of the Gazette canvassed various students at Studley to ascertain what they are in favor of at College).

1. Classes to commence at 10 o'clock.
2. Five day week.
3. No classes to be held on stormy days.
4. Allowed on the gym floor without sneakers.
5. Allow poker playing in the University.
6. Dalhousie with a champion hockey team.
7. More Glee Club presentations.
8. A new joke from Herbie.
9. Dispense with the "Bible" in Commerce 7.
10. A liquor store on the Campus
11. Abolish Economics 1. (This was favored by a Freshman).
12. Abolish Latin 2. (Favored by one who has written 6 examinations.
13. Bigger Polar Pies.
14. Abolish Committee on Studies and Attendance.
15. No Examinations.

Free Skating

The skating session after the game tomorrow night at the Forum will be free to Dalhousians who show their D. A. A. C. card.

Sorority Dance

A delightful tea was given on Sunday afternoon by the members of the Sigma Theta Pi Sorority at the apartment of Mrs. W. Russell Maxwell, Oxford Street. The guests at the tea included Mrs. C. Wilson Smit, Miss Lowe, the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the Kappa Beta Phi and Kappa Kappa Sigma Sororities. Mrs. Maxwell presided over the tea table. In the absence of the President of the Sorority the guests were received by Jean Love, the Vice-President of Sigma Theta Pi.

Movement Encourages Peace -- Says Former Editor

Major J. S. Roper commends local organization on showing—Now one hundred per cent student activity.

Editor-in-Chief,
Dalhousie Gazette,
Halifax, N. S.

Sir:—

As an original member of the Dalhousie C. O. T. C. and the present Command Officer, I wish to commend the Unit to the Student Body.

The C. O. T. C. was formed in 1914, under the command of Col. W. E. Thompson with the idea of training men for war. Its strength at one time was over 600, many of whom enlisted and went to France. At that time it consisted of members of the Board of Governors, members of the Senate, members of the Alumni Association, Students And Citizens. Its record is a proud one. No Dalhousian, however great a pacifist, need be ashamed.

Today the C. O. T. C. is composed entirely of the Student Body. Its purpose is to keep men fit and give them an opportunity of getting some Military training so that they may be better able to practice the arts of peace. We started last year under conditions which were far from satisfactory, but the strength of the Unit at the end of the college year was 75. I think all those who took part will vouch for the advantages of the training they received. This year we got off to a better start, and we hope that all those who are interested in this sort of thing will come and join us. There is nothing compulsory about the training. We want volunteers. The Government pays the bills. Those who successfully pass the examinations are entitled to the rank of Lieutenant in the Canadian Militia and to that of Captain if they wish to take further training.

As Commanding Officer of the Unit, I ask all those who are interested to join us and turn out for enlistment at the Gymnasium next Wednesday night at 7.30. Of all others, members of the Board of Governors, members of the Senate, Students and Alumni, I ask their cordial co-operation and support. The C. O. T. C. is just trying to do for Dalhousie what similar units are trying to do for other Universities. We are not training to start another war or to instill into the minds of our members the love for war. Those of us who have experienced war, with all its horrors, would be the last to do that. All we are trying to do, is through the C. O. T. C. to train a body of men physically fit, mentally equipped, and so disciplined that they may be better able to take their part in the life of Canada.

Yours truly,
J. S. ROPER.

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Radio Audience Hears Important Debate

Nationalization of Radio Broadcasting Discussed

On Tuesday night, March 3rd, the last of a series of four debates arranged by Sodales Debating Society of Dalhousie University, was broadcast through C. H. N. S. Professor Mercer of the University was the announcer for the occasion. In view of the controversy during the last few years on the question of nationalization of radio broadcasting, the subject was an interesting and timely one, namely, "Resolved that Radio Broadcasting in Canada should be nationalized."

The first speaker to support the resolution was Mr. T. D. MacDonald who briefly outlined the present system. Canada has eighty-seven broadcasting stations. Of these twenty-five comprise amateur and phantom stations, and two are under the control of the Government of Manitoba. The remaining sixty are privately managed. The speaker recognized the creditable work which was being done by these stations, yet he deplored the inadequacy of the type and the lack of continuity of the programs. Only two out of every five Canadian homes are reached by Canadian broadcasts. Regional difficulties and isolation prevent many from receiving Canadian programs. It is from United States Stations that many Canadians are being entertained in whole or in part. This entertainment is too restricted in type. Canadian people are dissatisfied with it. They are capable

of appreciating the world's best music comedy and drama. As for education that which is now given to Canadian by United States broadcasts, is negligible. To replace or supplement this, a national system of broadcasting should be adopted in Canada, following the recommendations of the Royal Commission Report of 1929 along with a suggestion from the Radio League of Canada. Seven major stations would be established, each with the power of fifty Kilowatts, thus providing a program during daytime and night, under normal conditions with a five tube receiving set. One representative from each province and three from Canada at large, would form the Board of Control. Small stations would be allowed, to cater to localities in local news, sports and election returns. Compensation would be given to owners of stations now existing but which could not be used under the new scheme. The Competition among the stations would stimulate effort to provide good programs. Well balanced programs would be assured to appeal to the majority of Canadian people. Canada should encourage Canadian talent and employ it at home. The proposed scheme would help to develop a distinctive Canadian outlook. Through the present method of broadcasting United States is influencing the thought of Canadians, too widely. Nova Scotia can give Canada and the rest of Canada can provide Nova Scotia with entertainment, and educational programs, equally as well as United States. The educational programs now being broadcast through local stations are not reaching many outlying school districts. The province cries for education and is given Yankee wise cracks. There are difficulties in the way but these can be overcome, when it is realized that the action is a great national project.

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Dalhousie Champion Basketball Team who will Play Off with St. John Trojans. The Players are:
Back row, MacKenzie, Brittain, Anderson, Kennedy, Handler;
Bottom row, MacOdrum, (Mgr.), Davidson, MacRae, (Capt.), Fairstein, Nichols (Asst. Mgr.)

College Press Release Today

History has been made in the realm of college newspaperdom. For the first time since the Dalhousie Gazette appeared just 69 long years ago, the Gazette to-day carries a despatch which will be published in the college press of all Canadian Universities and it was brought to Gazette readers through the facilities of the Canadian University Press.

The Canadian University Press, a pocket size edition of the Canadian and Associated Press, was formed at Winnipeg during the past Christmas holiday season when college newspapermen met to organize some wire system for the college papers throughout Canada. The Canadian University Press represents the fruit of their labor.

John H. MacDonald, editor of the McGill Daily was chosen as president of the newly formed venture, a venture which will result not only in wire despatches each week but an exchange of features interpreting student opinion on the topics of the day from time to time. Ian MacKeigan and Roland Hurst, associate editors of the Dalhousie Gazette represented Dalhousie at the Canadian University Press conference. Jack Thurrott of the Uni-

versity of New Brunswick and editor of the Brunswickian, the student publication at that university was appointed regional vice president for the Maritime Universities.

The new Press Service will provide many new features which will broaden the scope of the college papers. There will be an open telegraph wire provided on Wednesday nights for the release of campus stories of national and regional interest; a weekly news bulletin carrying news stories and feature articles will be published in co-operation with the National Federation of Canadian University Students, which made a grant to the Canadian University Press to help it in its early stages. The grant will be devoted partly to the bulletin and partly to administrative costs. Other features to be provided will be mat services for pictorial improvement, exchange of editorials, and a standard handbook for reporters.

The following newspapers were represented at the conference: The Gazette, Dalhousie; The Argosy, Mount Allison; The Brunswickian, New Brunswick; The Daily, McGill; The Journal, Queen's; The Silhouette, McMaster; The Varsity, Toronto; The Gazette, Western Ontario; The Manitoban, Manitoba; The Sheaf, Saskatchewan; The Gateway, Alberta; The Quill, Brandon; and the Ubysey, British Columbia.

ECONOMIC DEPRESSION.

The economic depression from which the world is at present suffering has produced a flood of speculation as to its causes and remedies, with a view to the prevention of similar occurrences in the future. Officials of the great Canadian banks have expressed opinions in statements of annual meetings issued recently. Heads of insurance companies have drawn attention to what they consider causes and cures for the ills of depression. Business men and editors of the daily press have filled columns with their views and comments. The "quack economists," as one financial paper labels them, are crying for the purchase of prosperity by more buying. They are apparently oblivious to the fact that indiscriminate buying serves only to encourage economic waste and discourage the accumulation of capital through saving, which is after all the foundation of enterprise. The more responsible economists and business men believe, however, that radical changes must be made in the economic structure to ensure a permanence of normal development. Mr. C. E. Neill, Vice-President of the Royal Bank of Canada, states that the general price drop, bringing misery in its wake, may be attributed to an under-supply of money due to policies of the central banks of some countries. He asserts "if the central banks of all the countries on a gold basis should deliberately adopt a common policy they could within a certain time lag, raise or lower the price level almost at will." He calls for international action. Mr. T. B. Macaulay President of the Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada suggests that the Federal Reserve Banks of the United States, who hold 40% of the world's gold, should purchase Government bonds to the amount of half a billion dollars, the payment for which would go into circulation directly, or form the basis for an extension of credit by commercial banks. Thus would prices be raised, since it is axiomatic that the more money (for credit) there is available the higher prices will be in the area affected by the increased money or credit. The Wall Street Journal endorses this plan.

Out of the situation so briefly outlined above two conclusions are suggested. First, that the time has come when in the economic world international considerations must replace those designed to promote a national self-sufficiency. No nation can pursue an independent economic policy. For example the action of the United States and France in hoarding gold has produced a widespread shortage of money with a consequent drop in the world price level producing disastrous consequences, from which they themselves are not immune. International action in the economic sphere will be followed by an international political life unknown today. As Sir Josiah Stamp has truly said, "when we look at politics to day we find that at bottom practically all political questions are economic." Secondly, a tremendous sphere of usefulness is open to the student pursuing economic studies. There are many and varied problems to be solved in this field, and on the proper solution of them rests future prosperity and happiness. Opportunity is here for highly-trained service. The complex economic structure of today demands international co-operation and very study for a proper handling of its basically important functions.

THEATRE MOVEMENT BEGINS

Management Of New Club Hope To Introduce Better Plays At Dalhousie

Program of one act plays is planned for 27th and 28th of this month at Navy League.

With an efficient committee of management, the newly organized Little Theatre Movement is planning a program for the 27th and 28th of this month which merits the support of all Dalhousians. The committee announce that on these dates in the Navy League Theatre this dramatic organization will present their first public performance under the auspices of the Dalhousie Glee and Dramatic Club.

Cercle Francais Presenting Play Tonight

Tonight at the School for the Blind, the members of the CERCLE FRANCAIS are to present Labiche's comedy, "La Poudre Aux Yeux," which, being interpreted, means "Bluff." For the

The play has been carefully prepared by an unusually well-qualified cast, and should draw a large audience.

The program for the evening of one acts plays at the Navy League Theatre on March 27th and 28th is as follows:

(a) Trifles, By Susan Glaspell, Directed by Richard A. Donahoe. A Mystery Melodrama.

(b) For England, From the Musical Revue "Tricks", Directed by Miss Daisy Foster. A Farce.

(c) Fallen Angels. An Adaption from Noel Coward's Three Act London Success. Directed by Miss Isabelle MacNeill.

(d) Barbara's Wedding by Sir James M. Barrie. Directed by Ralph S. Morton. One of Barrie's Finest Plays.

The evening of one acts plays which have been in preparation for the last few weeks are now shaping up well in rehearsal—capable casts and directors have been chosen—special scenery and effects have been planned and Dalhousians are sure of their money's worth when they attend the premiere of the local Little Theatre Movement.

This organization was formed at Dalhousie a short time ago. The Committee of Management consist of Madeline Page, who is known well as a writer, playwright and producer, Edith MacNeill who did considerable work for English 9 and Glee Club during her stay at Dalhousie, and Ralph Morton who has always been active in theatrical work at the college.

The purpose of the organization is to produce read and study the world's best plays. The purpose of the evening of One Act Plays is to acquaint the college and the public of the work of the Movement—and to make enough money to provide equipment for next year when an extensive program of monthly plays is planned, and when the organization's work will get under way in earnest with a large enrollment from the student body.

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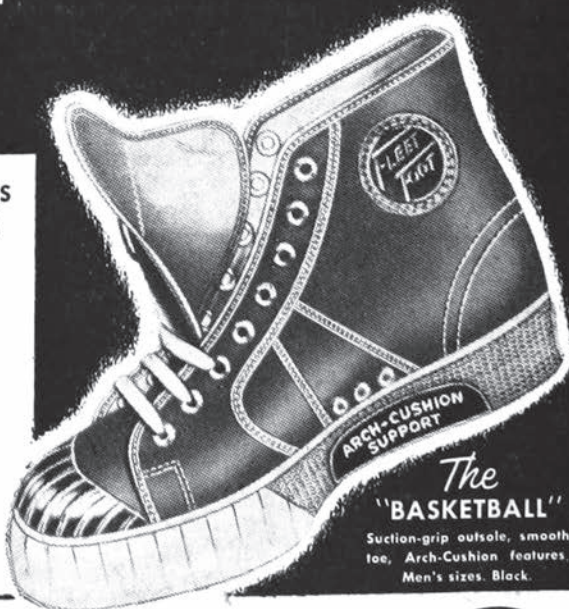
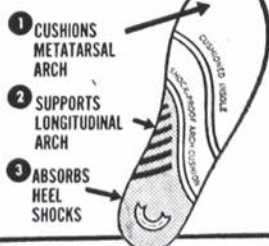


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Nominations should be signed by at least three students or staff members, and should include evidence of teaching excellence. This will vary, but might include letters from sponsors summarizing the evidence justifying the nomination, results of student evaluation questionnaires, pedagogical publications of the candidate, confidential letters of support from colleagues and/or former students, evidence of innovative pedagogy and of service to the Faculty or the outside community. Nomination forms are available at the office of the Dean of Arts and Social Sciences. Please contact 494-1439 for more information.

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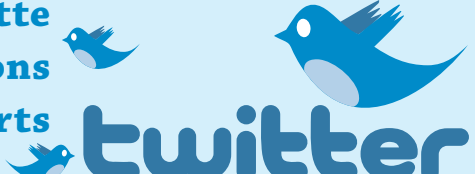
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To opt out of NSPIRG during the winter term:
Please come to the NSPIRG office in room 314 of the Dal SUB between 11am and 3pm January 24-28.

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WHY ARTS?

A never-failing subject of controversy at any university has long been whether or not students should be compelled to take some measure of classical training. A poll conducted by "DIPO" last fall disclosed that exactly half of those whose opinions were asked favoured compulsory Latin or Greek, while the other half opposed it. Whatever the accuracy of these figures, it does disclose a definite difference of opinion among students.

Recently the utility of the Arts course in its entirety has been questioned by a good many. It has been pointed out that a student may succeed in obtaining a B.A. and yet be fitted for no skilled employment; that the training given in the so-called cultural purposes simply lacks utility. It is not hard to account for this opinion being held by many people. A medical course is a natural training for doctors, Dentistry naturally produces dentists, Law lawyers, but what does an Arts course produce?

The answer is, of course, that an Arts course is intended to produce culture. It is intended to keep alive in the world that flame of finer civilization which is so feeble that it is always in danger of extinction, not to train craftsmen for jobs.

A survey of young people ten years out of college disclosed that Arts graduates were earning more money than those who had not gone to university, but this is beside the point. It is science which produced the great practical advances of our time, and it is science therefore that should be studied if utility is the end in view. The Arts course, as its name implies, is intended for those interested in the arts. It is not meant to be practical. It is natural, therefore, that the attack on the Arts course should be centred on those studies which are farthest removed from practical utility, namely, Latin and Greek. It is not on the ground of their practical utility, however, that the upholder of the arts will attack or defend compulsory Latin or Greek. The criterion must be on their contribution to the cultural life of the student.

And it is precisely here, we think, that these languages are proving themselves inadequate today. The influences the Classics have had in the past is not to be despised. The Renaissance, which Professor Bennet has publicized so well that most Dalhousie students must have heard of it, received its chief impetus through the study of the languages of the ancient world. The writings of Greek philosophers and poets and Roman lawyers have a worth which leads some people to read

them today. There can be little doubt, however, that it would be utterly impossible to interest the great mass of modern university students in the Classics. A survey of any compulsory Latin class, even at Dalhousie, might not show that the students in it were uncultured, but it would certainly show that they were not getting their culture there.

For this there are reasons. In the first place, a great deal has been written since the Golden Age of Rome. No student could possibly hope to exhaust the learning of modern times, nor are the modern writings by any means inferior. Milton compares very favorably with Homer, and while there may have been no philosophers as great as Plato or Aristotle, certainly no one today would accept their systems in preference to more recent theories of the world and life. The wisdom of the ancients may not have been surpassed, but it has been superseded. In the second place, most of the important works of the Classical Age have been translated. Anyone can read Plato's "Republic" or the "Aeneid", but there are important works in modern languages which have not yet been translated, and which would be well worth reading.

The essential aim of culture is to enable man to understand the world and himself as well as he can. In times past the Classics were a means to that end. Today, for most people, they are not, and a substitute must be discovered. A group to study art has recently been organized on the campus. This is one method for attaining culture, but the curriculum of the Arts course provides others. Through a study of the sciences the student gets some idea of the processes of matter and of life; in the History department he may trace the development of man; and even a course or two in Philosophy will help to link the other subjects together.

The practical man may still ask, Why bother with culture at all? If he is content to be a practical man and nothing more, there is no reason. If he wishes to be a leader of thought in his community, however, there is every reason why he should be interested in obtaining a comprehensive view of reality. If the doctor is content merely to be skilful with the scalpel, if the dentist has no ambition beyond making teeth, if the lawyer merely wants to juggle cases for money, let them avoid any study of cultural subjects. But one can hardly restrain a feeling that this would spare some of its skilful scientists and clever technicians for a few men with a true sense of values and a sound philosophy of life.

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Ghandi Goes To Jail

By Ganesh Sawh, B.A.

With repeated failures to bring forward a satisfactory solution to the situation of India, the British Government has at last decided to take the matter firmly in its hand, and to deal with any situation that might arise by very effective methods. The first move was, of course, to send Mahatma Ghandi to prison, or rather as is reported "to be placed under restraint during the pleasure of the government for good and sufficient reasons."

By statements issued during the second Round Table Conference, and by world-wide newspaper propaganda, it was blazoned forth far and wide, that the Indian National Congress, and incidentally Ghandi, did not represent the majority of intelligent Indian opinion. The case against the nationalists has been made out so very clear, that the outside world, British to the core and with a bias for British justice, government and rule, feel that Ghandi and the Nationalist Party only appeal to illiterate (but not unintelligent) India.

Ghandi left the conference in London somewhat disappointed, but not an entirely disappointed man. He might have had high hopes that the National Government of Great Britain would yield to the cry of an oppressed India, but he would not have been an Indian if he had implicit faith on the strength and value of British promises, which have been so often broken in the past.

Ghandi realized that India's struggle for freedom had to continue. It was India's only resort in view of the attitude of the Conservatives and of the Home Government. Staunch Englishmen who would not yield a bit of their pride and give more concessions to an India struggling for freedom. That indomitable spirit of Britain, that spirit of bulldog tenacity, the spirit which built up the British Empire again held sway. Strange that the spirit which made India a part of the Empire is tending to alienate India from England. When Ghandi went home he said that it had to be war, a fight more bitter than ever before, for his people would be called upon to face bullets and the mighty power of Britain. By their attitude to the whole problem and by their unwillingness to yield a bit of their pride, the people of Britain have alienated whatever sympathies a hopeful India might have ever had. It is a great error in the annals of British diplomatic history.

Ghandi, the Nationalist party and intelligent India realize that the only solution lies on the hard and difficult road of freedom and independence. Britain has again repudiated India's rights to government and has cast another reflection on whatever little Indian intelligence there might be. Could anyone expect Indians to be sympathetic and friendly when the air seethes with disorder, discord and war? Surely it is too much to expect good feeling and good friendship when the spirit of India is aroused to antagonism. There have been only one Vishnu, one Rama, one Krishna, and one Christ, and no nation has ever yet embodied within themselves as a composite whole the salient religious principle of friendly sympathy in spite of pervading discord. So Ghandi and the Nationalist party step off the beaten path of conciliation and again tread the highway of "non-violent non-cooperation."

Britain's move and incidentally her trump card, is that of the firm hand. With passive resistance in abeyance since the Gandhi-Irwin truce, with peace in India, with the Congress authorities dormant and with their activities suspended. Britain feels that she has a good start. So as soon as Ghandi declares that "non-violent non-cooperation" must start again, the Government of India (i. e. Britain speaking through the Viceroy's voice) sends Ghandi to jail and begins a round-up of his lieutenants. It would seem as if Britain is moving on safe ground.

Non-cooperation and all that it means has been appealed for by

Gandhi. The boycott on British goods the non-payment of taxes, the giving up of positions held under the government, the picketing of liquor and tobacco shops will all be resumed. Britain is trying her utmost to strangle the movement before it gets under way. Here we have two forces pitted against each other. One the force of power, the other the force of passive resistance or as Gandhi aptly describes them "brute force and soul force."

Britain is playing her strongest card. Will she win? She has everything in her favour. She has a chance to strangle a movement before it starts. She has wealth, arms, ammunition, a well-equipped police force and army in India, and the ever-increasing loyalty of her Anglo-Saxon sons in her dominions overseas. Already Britain has passed drastic laws. Already has she increased her army by supplemented detachments from home. Already has she jailed Nationalist leaders and confiscated Nationalist newspapers and property.

The odds are against India. She has nothing in her favour. No wealth for it has all been eaten up in national expenditure or stored in personal coffers. She has no arms and ammunitions; no well organized army and no sympathy from the white-skinned races abroad. India's only stronghold is "soul-force," the cry of nation that right should triumph over wrong. Because of soul-force, and the doctrine of Ahimsa (non-violence), India's boycott worked effectively the last time. Britain was forced to compromise in the last "passive resistance" campaign. Can India force Britain's hands again? Can Manchester and British finance stand another British boycott?

Many of my readers and all those who have been fed by the spoonful on British headlines, with a perfect unwillingness to place themselves on the other side of the hill, and with the utmost faith in Britain's strength, will feel that force will win out in India. That is they are also relying on the assumption that Ghandi and the nationalist party do not represent the voice of the peoples of India. Let's hope that they are right. Time alone will tell whether it is only the minority who will respond to Gandhi's appeal. The Nationalist party promise a surprise to those who believe in its weakness.

Ghandi sensed Britain's move far in advance when he announced that his people will have to face British bullets. In the days of the East India Company and Clive, British bullets conquered India in order that a "barbarous heathen nation" might be ruled for their own good out of the then-apparent seething disorder and chaos. India's lack of political interest, lack of political unity, and selfish ruler help to keep India for Britain. Earlier British administration, reliable British promises and an excellent type of Britisher won the favour of grateful Indians. India has stepped out of the cradle of political science. She asks and does not receive. Britain, after all her trouble, is now faced with an upstart revolutionary nation. Britain renounces goodwill and takes up the strong hand. British bullets will be effective in destroying Indian souls, but force can never maintain peace where the soul of a nation cries out for freedom. Can the force of British power ever cool an Indian's heart and make him thrill at the thought of British friendship?

But it has to be war. Not the kind where there is wholesale massacre on both sides. But the war of a nation trying to maintain "peace and order" against a revolutionary people whose weapon is "non-violent non-cooperation." India will be all astir in holy reverence to the greatest patriot any country has ever had, for the "Mahatma" goes to jail.

To Shirreff Hall

She is a beauty who's by none excelled,
And a great favorite of the gods is she.
Diana smiles down on her as she sails
past,

Clothing her in moonbeams fair to see.
E'en Phoebus looks upon her lovingly.
She hides herself 'mid pines of sombre
hue.

She stands apart, with maiden modesty,
She doeth naught that any one could
rue,

For she is ever good and ever true.
You cannot blame us if we love her so,
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The Honour System At Dalhousie

For over forty years now, written work and examinations at several of the great American universities have been conducted under what is known as the honour system.

An examination taking place under its rules is conducted without the surveillance of professors or proctors; students may enter or leave the classroom at will, write their papers in the places most convenient for them, and are free at all times to do as they will. When a student has finished writing the examination, he simply signs the honour statement, giving his word as a gentleman that he has neither given nor received aid in that examination.

A professor is rarely in the room during the course of a quiz; students converse freely with one another, get up and leave the room, if they wish, for a cigarette or a cup of coffee. With the advent of Spring and warmer weather many of the papers are written out of doors, on the lawns.

The advantages of this method are not many, but great. The tension complementary to an examination is practically eliminated; there is a feeling of mutual cooperation between professor and pupil; it builds up the self-respect of the student by relying entirely upon his word; and destroys the feeling of suspicion and distrust prevalent at this time.

There is one disadvantage—one that is always put forth, i. e., it makes cribbing incredibly easy. To answer this, digression is necessary. Using random figures, not proven statistics, let us say that fifty per cent of the students are eminently upright, and under no condition would they cheat. The other fifty per cent is shady. given to cribbing. But of this latter half, which now cheats freely and conscience-free under the near-sighted eye of the professor-wardens, what percentage would combine cheating with the damnation of their word?

Moreover, under the covenant of the honour system, each student is pledged to report (in secrecy) the name of any pupil whom he has observed cheating. A favourite query at this point is, "Does any student ever tell on another?" The answer is "yes". But it might be added that rarely indeed is a student forced to do this.

Whether or not the honour system would be acceptable to the faculty and undergraduates of Dalhousie is not known, but it would be interesting to have a few opinions expressed via the "Forum." Adoption of this system would be a radical and broad-minded step, and could be accomplished only with the unanimous approval and whole-hearted cooperation of students and professors alike.

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Short Skirts

It seems according to the view of the Paris creators of Fashion that the short skirt is doomed to a quick and sure death. The present tendency is from knee skirts to ankle skirts. This trend of fashion has taken the fairer sex by surprise. They have now recovered from their surprise and are waging an energetic war against the long skirt. For a long time while moralists and others were criticizing modern dress, they quite gladly submitted to the rule of the Paris designer. This seems to be one occasion when they are not prepared to submit.

There are many arguments for and against, and it is of great interest to note what each side has to say.

There are those who say that economically it would be in the best interests of the community. In the past women have been wearing less and less clothing and the trade in dress material had decreased. Cotton goods, was scarcely in demand, while the silk trade profited immensely. The present trend of fashion towards long dresses would bring about an increase of trade in cotton goods. Incidentally many factories will be kept in commission and many persons will be kept at work.

There is a small party of moralists who declare the long dress would create a greater atmosphere of dignity—a dignity which the ladies of the eighteenth century possessed. They

claim that the short skirt is very immodest. It is also a highly immoral article of wear and has produced a most devastating effect among the younger generation.

Those who are against the introduction of the long skirt claim that the present trend of fashion tends to curb the athletic freedom which our twentieth century women have just found. The short skirt is conducive to utmost athletic freedom. The modern athletic girl is the product of sensible styles in dress. Further they contend that woman's sphere in modern life is different to that of past centuries. The long skirt in the days gone by, might have had some claim to existence. In the present age, it would be more a handicap than a help.

They also claim that the beauty and age of the modern girl will be affected materially by this new trend of fashion. This is about the best argument in the whole affair and one which will carry most weight. Women are, after all, daughters of Eve, and they will naturally keep far away from all things which will tend to decrease their attractiveness and increase their age.

Yet in spite of the fact that the modern girl is up in arms against this trend of fashion we find the Paris creators still adhering to their present fashion idea.

Freshman Interviews

After a fortnight of expending their surplus energy whooping around the streets of Halifax, instead of attending rugby games the Freshmen were approached by an inquiring reporter to find out what they thought of Dal.

One group of freshettes, too shy to have their names published, produced the following:

The Frosh Find—

That Dal is even better than expected. A rousing cheer for the Sophomore Committee. It was a week we'll remember for many a moon (so will several citizens, oh! oh!).

Something puzzles us, though. Having revived a bit of the old Joe College spirit (and why not?) we find ourselves the objects of supercilious senior snickers. Is Dal a place where any display of honest, whole-hearted enthusiasm is scorned by blasé sophisticates? While we admit a little more restraint might have been in order, we think you upper classmen need some prodding. Is it that you are afraid to show us you're alive? Granted that the hue of our hats was appropriate, may we humbly suggest

that the delicate shade of our placards would have better suited some of our critics?

Others interviewed had this to say: **Carleton Stanley, Jr.**, Halifax—I don't think. Just a blank.

Reg Stubbs, Dartmouth—First of all Canadian football should be played. The English game is not fast enough but would be better with a regular coach. Professors appear to do a lot of unnecessary work. *Professors are fine men.* I am proud to go to such a distinguished college.

Marion Patterson, St. John's, Nfld. I don't know what to say. It's great! It's swell

Doreen Dennis, Ottawa—It's the best college I have ever attended. The people are very friendly, especially the upperclassmen. I object to that last statement being printed. (*Editor's Note.—Sorry we print everything.*)

Jack Charman, Halifax—It's not bad. I like it better than High School. I like the professors very much. I find Physics I very difficult. (That's all right, Jack, so did we).

Harry Houser, Vancouver—Beautiful town. . . Beautiful college. . . and Oh the young girls.

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JUDOCRACIES

German settlement, denied to the North-American continent, has finally come to Canada. The Fuehrer has stated in a radio message to the Occupied Maritimes:

Our purpose in conquest will be to finally establish, in one of productive agricultural, mining, electrical-powered and raw power areas of the world, a civilization worthy of it. We have two programs:

- (a) to exterminate alien and unwanted races from contaminating the new social order;
- (b) to infuse into a hitherto sprawling and unorthodox civilization regimentation—to purge this judocratic and insensate society of the odium of adulteration by unAryan races, and to thus strengthen this society for culture.

Of course the ultimate goal of the latest conquest is the final and complete capture of this continent.

To us in Germany it has been one of the great mysteries, partially explainable to stupidity on your part, why the Maritime Provinces had not become an entity apart from the enervating Canadian-American stultification. Once you had economic completeness, and your carrying trade with wooden vessels was premier in your economy. Now you have lost this ability, but worse than losing your heritage, you have become vassal to the economic slavery imposed upon you from judocratic Upper Canada and United States.

For you in the New Order we, the Aryans of the world, promise a golden age. As part of German territories under conquest you will become for a while the centre of a terrific battle while the German army prepares for further conquest. Now we can only promise you sweat, and blood and tears, for your cities will be bombed, and your territories subjected to the vile militarism of the American-Canadian armies. But already the invader is being driven from your soil and soon you, as the first fruit of the invasion, will take your place as the co-leaders of a great civilization.

Yours is a temperament remarkably like the repressed Germany of the post-Great War years. Yours is the capacity for leadership which has been thwarted and perverted by the judocrats from outside, in regions of more power. They have enslaved you, but with German teachings you will become fit to lead. Many of you are of German descent, and others of a mixed Aryan-Italo descent. But most of you are English, French, Scotch or Irish. However, race will not bar anyone, for Aryan qualities are apparent in you.

With this in mind, we urge you, as co-workers, and not as subjects, to join in the fight against the armies now opposed to us. Last night, several large cities were bombed by American planes in retaliation for our destruction of Boston and Bangor. As a survey of the ruins indicate, the primary objective of the bombings was civilian residential districts. This indiscriminate slaughter was prompted by the Judocrats of our common enemy, who fear lest you see the wisdom of our side, and join the New Order. It was intimidation, and not war, that prompted the airplanes to make their raid.

We can promise you that the Luftwaffe, when it arrives in sufficient quantities, will more than repay this inhumanity; that it will wreck from the air the homes of these would-be enslavers of mankind. Meanwhile, you must take comfort in the fact that anti-aircraft defences of the city of Halifax disposed of a hundred enemy planes in two weeks of fighting, and will clear that sorry avian, the American eagle, from the skies.

Our Fuehrer has said we must work hand-in-glove towards the common goal; that our strides must be matched evenly to a greater destiny, and that now is the clarion to freedom. Aryans of the world, God has made you superior to be superior. Aryans, whether German or Czech or British or Japanese, and Italian too, fling yourself joyfully to arms. crush the Judocrats, the slavers of mankind. Enslaves no more, but conquerors we.

In Russia the German armies are now victorious everywhere, after a lulling campaign which drew out Russian reserves. like a cat before a nest of mice. England is now pinned to the death throes she will endure. North Africa, Italy, Spain have become the traps for Allied armies to die in; the North American world is ours. Help us. Heil Hitler.

(Sgd.) KURT VON GOEPLER,
Editor, Dalhousie Zeitung.

Killed in Action



P. O. RAND LUGAR

"Killed in air operations while on active service overseas, on September 20."

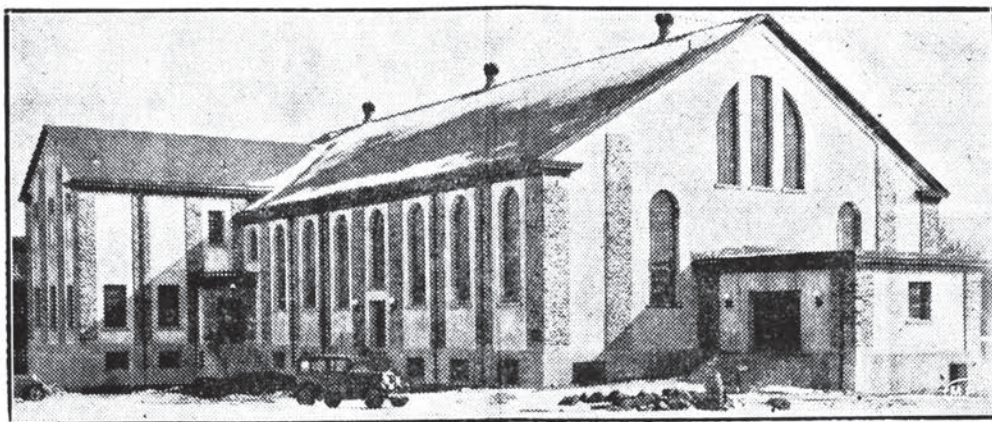
This is the message that bore to Dalhousie the sad news of the death of Pilot Officer Rand Lugar, R.C. A.F. Only 21, "Randy" left Dal. in the middle of his third year of engineering, and received his "wings" last February at Rivers, Man., along with his commission of Pilot Officer. Only a few months later he navigated a bomber to England for the Ferry Command.

Previous to entering Dal, Pilot Officer Lugar attended Bloomfield High School where he soon earned the regard and respect of teachers and students alike. Always a brilliant student, he soon became a leading figure on Studley campus. Socially popular too, he was also an ardent yachtsman and all-round sportsman.

On February 21, just after receiving his commission "Randy" married Audrey Kathleen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hopgood, of Halifax, who had been a student at Dal. only the year before.

Rand will be remembered to all who enjoyed the privilege of his friendship, in the words of the highest compliment one student pays to another—"an all-round fine chap." His affability and ever-present good humour; his scholastic ability and his sportsmanship; these and others combined to set him above the crowd. He gave freely and ungrudgingly of all that was his to give, even unto death itself. His place may not soon be filled; herein was found his strength.

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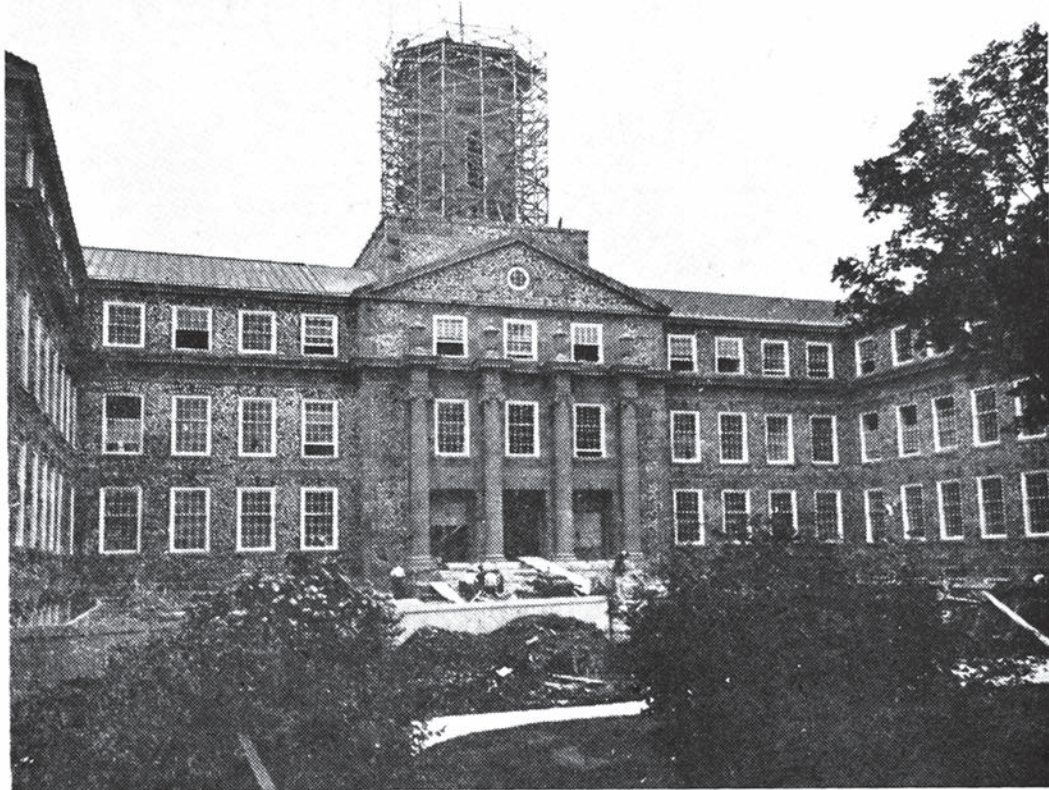
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Official Opening Takes Place Tomorrow



NEW BUILDING TO OPEN—Dalhousie's new Arts and Administration Building will be officially opened tomorrow afternoon. Ceremonies will start at 3.00 when Dr. Douglas will be presented with an honorary LL.D. in the Gymnasium. Following this, he will be given the key to the new edifice by Leslie Fairn, architect. Inside, the distinguished visitor will unveil a tablet to his father, outstanding benefactor of the University, who gave \$100,000 towards the construction of the building. Arts classes will be moved to the building after Christmas and the Institute of Public Affairs will set up office there.



Her Royal Highness Princess Elizabeth

His Royal Highness, Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

Princess Elizabeth, Prince Philip To Make Five-Minute Visit at Dal Thurs. Morning Tumultuous Welcome Awaits Royal Pair

By Noel Goodridge.

Their Royal Highnesses, Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip, are scheduled to make a five-minute visit to the Dalhousie Campus on Thursday morning. The President of the University and the Chairman of the Board of Governors will welcome the Royal Couple and cadets of the UNTD and the COTC will be on hand in uniform. Students from the King's and Dalhousie men's residence, wearing academic gowns, will line the motor route of the visitors.

The route of the Princess and her husband will take them to the Morse Room in the MacDonald Memorial Library Building, where they will be met by representatives of the University and will sign the Official Visitors' book. Members of the faculty in academic gowns as well as the UNTD and COTC cadets will line the walk from that building back to their car.

The Royal Couple, followed by other members of the official party, will arrive at the University gates on University Avenue at 10.27 on Thursday morning. They will drive around to the back of the Science Building, where they will leave the cars and walk to the Morse Room.

Lining this part of the route will be students from the King's College Residence.

When they leave the cars they will be welcomed by Dr. A. E. Kerr, President of the University, and Lt.-Col. K. C. Laurie, Chairman of the Board of Governors. Dr. Kerr and Col. Laurie will conduct the visitors to the Morse Room. There, Their Royal Highnesses will meet Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Laurie and the Deans of the various faculties and their wives.

In the Hallway outside this room, the Students' Council, representing the student body, will be lined up in academic gowns.

Before leaving here, the couple will sign the Official Visitors' Book.

From the Library Building they will go along the walk towards the present Arts Building. On either side of this walk cadets of the University Naval Training Division and of the Canadian Officers' Training Corps will be lined up. The walk must be about 30 feet wide. This will be to the advantage of the spectators, who will be able to see more. Their co-operation is requested. There will be about 130 cadets altogether.

Members of the academic staff will be lined up directly in front of the two lines of cadets as well as on the landing that leads into the Arts Building.

The Royal Couple will follow the walk to the left of this building and will get in the cars again behind it. They will then drive out onto South Street approximately five minutes after they entered the University grounds.

The motor route out will be lined with students from the Dalhousie men's residence, who will be clothed in academic gowns.

Students of the University who will be viewing this part of the itinerary will get the best view of the Royal Couple in the area to the east of the walk from the Library to the Arts Building. Others may view the party from the high ground between the buildings and Coburg Road. And still others will be lined up behind the residence, students who are marking the route out of the grounds.

Snow fences will be put in between the north wing of the Arts and Administration Building and the Library Building and between the south wing and the present Arts Building. In this area will be the families of the faculty members and the employees of the University and their families. They will all be issued tickets. Anyone who does not get a ticket should inquire.

The students are requested to respect the boundaries marked out by the cadets.



Belles Serenade Beaux. — Part of the Coed Week program, the Coeds serenaded the boys in the residence Wednesday night. The whole affair comes to a "glorious" conclusion this evening with the Sadie Hawkins Dance in the gym.

—Photo by Marshall.

POLITICAL ACTIVITY INCREASING IN POPULARITY AT DALHOUSIE

Political activity on our campus has been, in the last two years particularly, strong not only on our Law School but also in the Arts and Science faculty. Many people on Dal's campus are not fully aware of this particular activity and so fail to have the understanding and interest of it. And so, let us bring everyone up to date, as much as possible on the growing political activity at Dalhousie.

Radioactive Snow Found on Campus

Traces of atomic radiation have been detected in snow which has fallen in Halifax by members of the physics department of Dalhousie University.

The radiation has been reported to be in minute quantities and quite harmless to humans. It is believed that this snow is the result of atomic blasts that have taken place recently in Nevada. While these atomic experiments are carried out in utmost secrecy and under every possible safety precaution a strong northeast wind is believed to have carried the snow to the Maritime Provinces.

It seems the word "atomic" brings the picture of mass destruction to most of us. However, the physics department assures us that in order to be harmful the snow must be 100,000 times more radioactive.

Undergrads' Parliament

In 1954, a Maritime Students Parliament was organized by Acadia's Tom Denton and took place in the Nova Scotia Legislature Chambers. Eight Maritime Universities participated each being represented by five students. The Parliament was patronized by George Drew, C. D. Howe and several other high Canadian officials. The speaker was Gordon Romkey, who had been in the Nova Scotia house as a Liberal for 18 years.

Dalhousie's representation consisted of three Conservatives and two Liberals; the Form of the Senate was Progressive Conservative.

The University of New Brunswick had plans last year for a 1955 Parliament but due to financial difficulties, these were not carried out. It is rumored that this year may bring Parliament possibilities, as several universities have already shown interest.

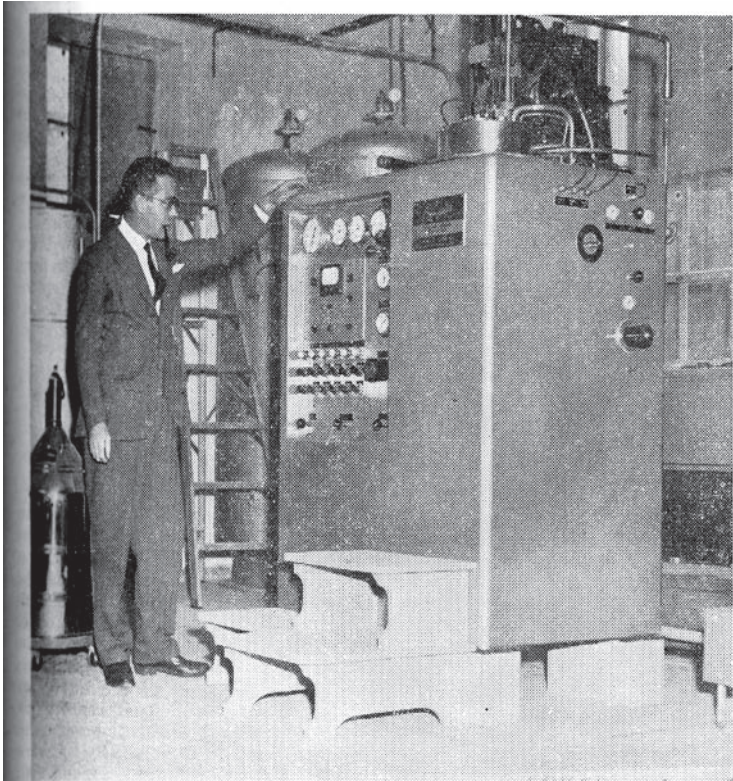
Last year in March, the first undergraduate parliament on Dal's campus came into being.

The Sodales Debating Society organized it, the majority of participants being of the Arts & Science Faculty. Three parties were individually organized by Peter McDermid of the Progressive Conservatives, Tom MacQuarrie of the Liberals and Ken Pryke of the CCF Party. During the campus-wide vote, it was estimated that more students voted in that election than any other Dal election.

The main reason for starting the Arts and Science Parliament was because in the past, the Law School's Parliament was exclusively for Lawyers and has been for many years. The feeling for the Want of a Parliament grew and so the undergraduates formed one.

The same feeling is continuing this year encouraging the enthusiastic leaders extremely. These leaders are most anxious to talk with anyone who is interested.





Dr. Guptil affectionately pats the new Cryostat machine, which science claims will cool atoms at an absolute temperature of zero.
—Photo by Acker.

Black And Gold Revue Is Success; Over 1,000 Attend



MAKING SAMMY TALK! John Sinclair is seen above with his sidekick, Sammy, who doesn't look too intelligent but drew a lot of laughs. John Sinclair, who is president of the class of '55, took part in the Black and Gold Revue last Tuesday night. He played the parts of a magician, comedian, musician (?) and ventriloquist very successfully. Actually, Sammy was the musician because he went off the stage singing Tennessee Waltz.

The Black and Gold Revue which was held last Tuesday night met with a tremendous success. Sponsored by the International Students Service committee and the Rink Rats committee, the show, which featured mostly Dal talent, was attended by over 1,000 people. The net take was around \$300, which will be split between the two sponsoring groups.

The chief attraction of the evening was Max Ferguson as Rawhide. He came on the stage twice. The first time he gave an amusing parody of Ma Perkins and the second time gave a reproduction of CBC Wednesday night. Any attempt to reproduce the humour of the incomparable Rawhide would be inadequate so it suffices to say that the audience were more than pleased with his performance.

The flexibility of his voice drew long laughter. It showed the secret of the success of his one man show. Adding to the atmosphere was his theme song which heralded him on stage.

John Sinclair was not overshadowed by Rawhide. His performance produced magic, music and ventriloquism and kept the audience entertained for half an hour—from the time he drew four bunches of flowers out of a handkerchief to the time his dummy,

Sammy, sang Tennessee Waltz. Dalhousie can really be proud to have such talent among the students. Demand for his show at future performances will be great.

From the sublime to the ridiculous was the Phi Delta Dixieland orchestra which was also a very entertaining part of the show. Ted Roundtree and his clarinet was the highlight of this act. Although the music lacked volume it was good despite a few discords from the trumpet.

Maurice Connors with his piano playing pleased the audience with three popular pieces of music. Phil Hebb and Astrida Gaigala also performed well on the piano.

In the vocalist field there were acts by the Med Quartet and the Triple Quarete, both of which have won fame on Munro Day shows. Brian Edwards, well known Dal singer, organized the Triple Quartet, whose best piece seemed to be Grandfather's Clock.

ACCEPT DAL'S BID; FIRST CONFERENCE EAST OF MONTREAL

SASKATOON, Sask.—Dalhousie's bid to host the 24th National Congress of the National Federation of Canadian University Students was unanimously accepted by the 23rd Congress meeting at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon last week.

The Congress, which will be the largest and most important ever hosted by Dalhousie, will be held during the latter part of September. One hundred delegates from 33 universities will attend.

It will be the first time the Congress has been held east of Quebec City. Dalhousie's NFCUS Committee must begin immediately the task of preparing for the conference.

Campus Girls Don't Want Marriage

Sir, In regard to your article in last week's "Hey Girls! Why Not Advertise"—obviously written by some dissatisfied male being, I would like if I may to bring in my 50c worth on the girls' behalf.

Has it never occurred to the egotistical manly creature that a girl just might come to college with other intentions than capturing an ivy league clad, desert boot Romeo? It is possible she actually came to study so she could be independent of some male to support her.

It has often occurred to me when I hear a member of the opposite sex repeat this worn out phrase: "Females only come to college to trap a man."—that why would any sensible girl pay hundreds of dollars on tuition and study like mad to keep those passing grades if she just came to trap a man? Why, everyone knows any man can be captured and tamed with a 15c bottle of exotic perfume, and 35c worth of paroxide!

A flat shoe and knee sox fan.

Dal Train To St. F. X. Game

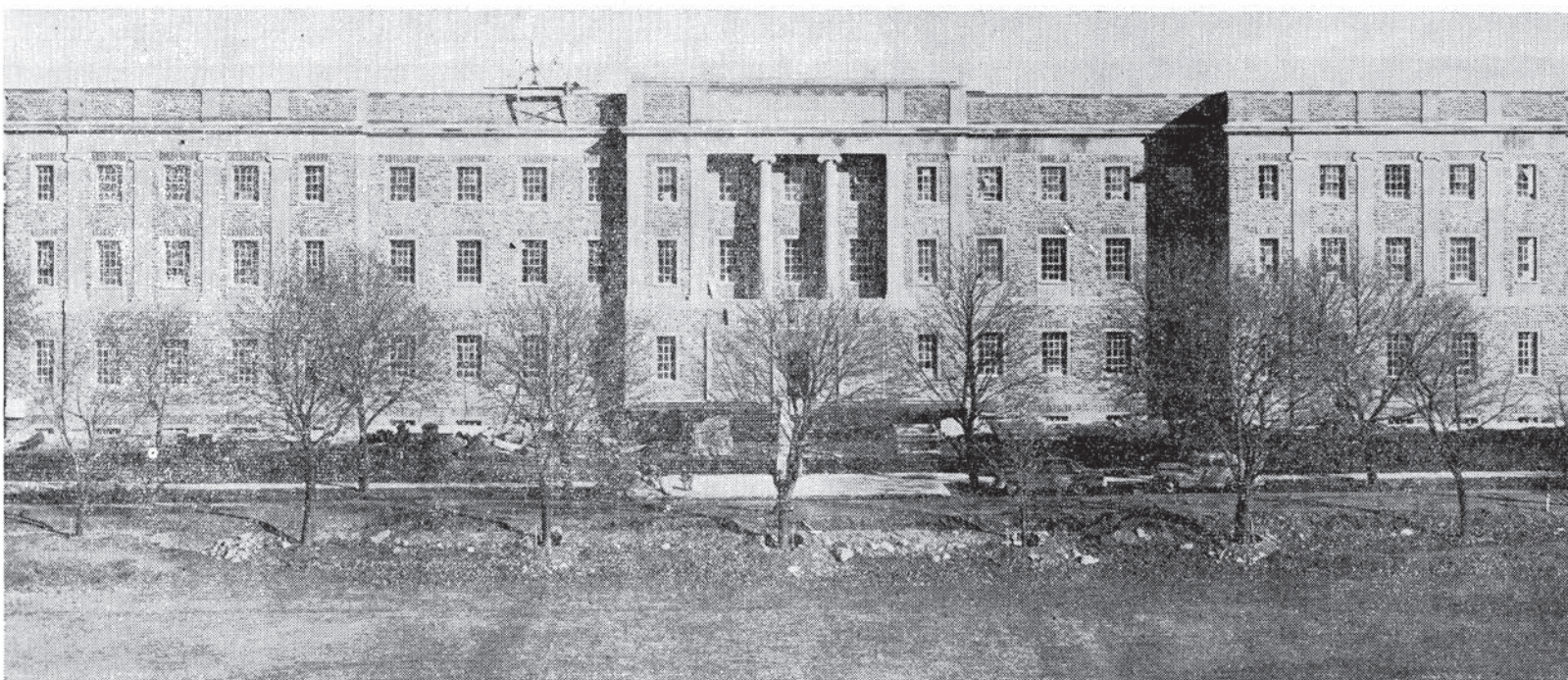
The Dalcom shareholders are working feverishly on a project completely new to them—the Commerce Company is organizing a Dalhousie Special C.N.R. train to St. Francis Xavier for the football clash between the Tigers and the X-Men on Saturday, October 27. It is expected that at least three hundred Dal students and alumni will be on board when the train leaves at approximately eight thirty a.m. that morning. Les Karagianis has been appointed as chairman of the undertaking and permission has been obtained from Dr. Kerr. It is reported that the majority of the Students' Council is also behind the plan and now the wheels are in motion to make the trip a resounding success. The return trip will cost a mere five dollars. The train will arrive in plenty of time for the game and will not leave the Cathedral town until approximately eight p.m. thus allowing lots of time for eating, etc.

Members of the Comm. Co. are supplied with tickets and any further information for the trip. Though the football team has as yet failed to win a game, this is the opportunity for the student body to show that we are still behind them.

Besides planning the big train trip to St. F.X. the Commerce Company discussed several other business items at their regular meeting held last Thursday. A representative has been appointed to work with Bob Weld in setting up a Dal band. The executive also obtained permission to draw up a brief concerning a new Advertising Bureau which they will present to the Students' Council, after having it reviewed by the Society as a whole.

The Comm. Society is inviting speakers from various companies to address members of the Society. Executives from Canada Packers and the Civil Service Commission head the list for this year.

The SIR JAMES DUNN SCIENCE BUILDING A SCIENTIFIC FIRST FOR DALHOUSIE



The Dalhousie Gazette

...The 1960s & 1970s...

New SUB will have "Something for Everyone"

By JACK SOMMERS
Now that the workmen are filling the walls of the new Student Union Building, it's time to fill the students in on what they can expect inside. Many thousands of hours of hard work and planning have gone into designing a structure that quite literally has something for everyone. The result has been worth it. Whoever you are, whatever you want, you can probably find something you will enjoy.

leisurely cup of coffee can be had in the pleasant surroundings of the 400-seat cafeteria. A competitive-price system and meal tickets will be certain to make it easy on the pocketbook. In a hurry? Two vending snackbar locations will serve you. One of them is accessible till late at night.

FRAZZLED

After classes, come on over and unwind. Two 25" colour TVs to blank your mind out and two stereo music listening rooms to blow your ears out (your

choice of dozens of different tapes) are open every day. Absorb yourself in North America's top newspapers, the best periodicals (even Playboy), or student publications from across Canada, all available in the Special Reading Lounge. If Bridge or Solitaire is your "forte" -- drop down and visit the Card Room. Budding pool sharks and ping pong addicts can play their hearts out in the Games Room.

All that too exhausting? Sit back and put your feet up in any one of five lounge areas. Sorry to discriminate against you guys, but the fourth level is the Ladies Lounge -- strictly for purses and pin-curlers! The other lounges are very co-educational.

NEED A SERVICE?

The Bank of Montreal can handle all your financial affairs from their bottom floor location. As neighbours, they have the Dal Bookstore's "Campus Shop" offering items from pocketbooks to sundries, the first campus barbershop, and a drycleaning & laundry depot.

Need a place to plunk your stuff? Locker space for 250 men and 250 women is available for an annual charge. Got to pull a quick change? Complete change room facilities on the fourth floor. Want to know what's going on around campus? We've got an information center fully staffed whenever the building is open.

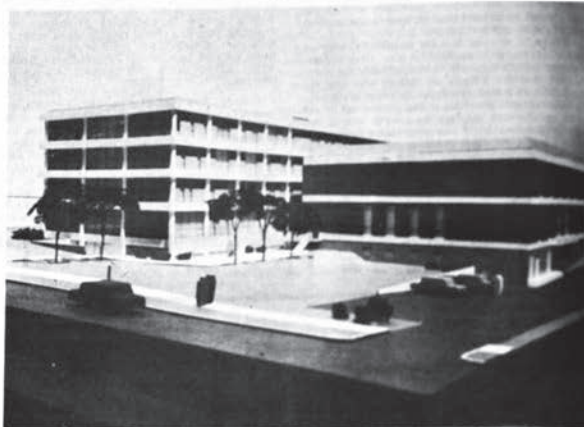
DANCE ANYONE?

The biggest and probably the most versatile room in the building is the general purpose auditorium-ballroom. Plays, dances, balls, banquets, large meetings, movies -- you name it, can all be fully accommodated. Over 900 people can be seated comfortably on padded chairs. A superbly adaptable (partly moveable) stage with a complete range of theatre lights will take individual speakers from full plays to entire orchestras.

A folding door divides the room in two so that events can be carried on simultaneously. A well-supplied projection booth and cinematograph camera is able to handle all types of 16mm motion picture films.

THE "BUSINESS" END

All the campus organizations operating within the framework of the Student Union will find themselves in a most enviable position. The facilities open to them are unmatched across the country.



Meeting and conference rooms of all sizes and capacities will be freely available. It is possible to handle the smallest executive meetings to large national conferences (even simultaneously) without fear of crowding or interference.

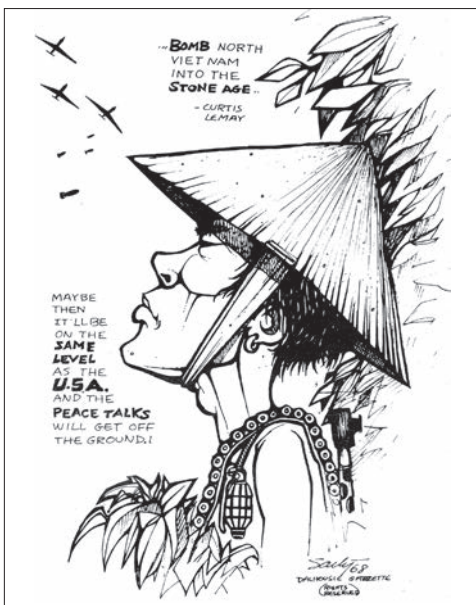
Office space, work rooms, display areas, storage places and all associated equipment can be obtained by the organizations requesting them.

Publicity, duplicating and reproduction machinery will be vastly expanded to meet the anticipated demands. Special equipment will also be on hand for groups to publish pamphlets, newsletters and even magazines.

The important executive bodies such as the Students' Council will find themselves meeting in what should prove to be the most luxurious and spacious Chamber and Board Rooms in the whole university.

The publication arm of the Student Union has certainly not been neglected. Both the Dalhousie GAZETTE and the PHARGS Yearbook will now have the space and facilities to expand their operations. The photography department will move into a fully equipped studio and darkroom.

Other established bodies such as DGDS, Dal-Radio and the Chaplains' Offices will find themselves operating out of new quarters.



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Birth control-abortion crusader could speak at Dalhousie

By Ross H. Munro
Globe and Mail Reporter

WATERLOO — A man who has referred 8,000 American women seeking abortions to doctors in the United States said yesterday that he is helping Canadian set up similar abortion referral services in this country.

William Baird, a father of four from Hempstead, N.Y., said he has been approached by persons who want to set up organizations that act as links between pregnant women and doctors who are willing to perform abortions.

Mr. Baird was at the University of Waterloo setting up a lecture tour of Canadian universities for early next year. He was a guest of the annual conference of the Canadian University Press, an association of English-language college newspapers.

Mr. Baird, 37, said at a press conference that during his lecture tour he will help "to establish — underground if need be — abortion referral centres." He said he will also encourage students to set up "abortion slush funds" to pay for abortions for women who do not have enough money.

Mr. Baird claimed that quacks in the United States perform a million abortions each year and that 10,000 women die as a result. He estimated that proportionately the figures hold true for Canada.

He said his service has helped 200 Canadian women obtain abortions this year alone. A majority of them were from Toronto and Montreal, he said.

Mr. Baird's group, the Parents' Aid Society, works with 100 doctors in the United States as well as with doctors in England and Puerto Rico. He said he had regularly referred pregnant women to three Montreal doctors until about three months ago when "the authorities really cracked down."

Mr. Baird has never been arrested for operating his abortion referral service even though it has been well publicized. However, he has been jailed twice for giving out birth control information and is currently appealing a three-month sentence for giving a package of contraceptive foam to an unmarried Massachusetts woman.

Mr. Baird, a former clinical director of a large pharmaceutical company, said his service is free and depends upon donations. He derives his personal income from lecturing.

Despite his reformist zeal, Mr. Baird struck many of the students attending the conference as a man with a very conventional life style. He was dressed in a conservative suit, and talked about his belief in God and the family.

He lectured the students on various forms of contraception and stressed that none of them, including the pill, were fool proof. He said he could not tell them not to engage in sexual relations but he did say they had a responsibility to be both careful and informed about what they were doing.

To help avoid prosecution, Mr. Baird requires all his clients to sign statements saying they came to him voluntarily and that he charged them no fee.

Asked why the doctors were not being arrested, he suggested that in many cases the doctors are forced instead to pay bribes to local police forces. Besides, he added, "you may be surprised that policemen have intercourse too."

Mr. Baird said not one of the 8,000 women he has referred to doctors has died. He said abortions performed by doctors have a mortality rate which is one-sixth that of the rate for tonsillectomies. He said he keeps extensive records which show that of the women who have come to him, 62 per cent are Roman Catholics, 54 per cent are single and 18 per cent are black.

He said he is especially concerned about blacks and other poor women who can't afford to have neither a child nor an abortion. His organization tries to arrange low prices for such cases.

He said he has been criticized recently by Black Panthers who say he is part of a "white man's plot" to reduce the size of the black population in the United States. But he added that his main opposition comes from "the political arm of the Catholic Church, which is at my throat." He said he has received about 20 death threats, most of them from religious zealots.

PAPERS SEIZED

Seven thousand copies of the "Gateway" (University of Alberta) were seized on February 21 by officials acting under instructions of Student Union President, Wes Cragg. Mr. Cragg said the issue was in "extremely bad taste."

Forty-five minutes later, the papers were unlocked and handed back to the editors. Several members of the Student Union Executive were apparently angered by a front page editorial attacking rising educational costs and the provincial government's policies on education. The editorial predicted that many parents would be unable to send their children to U. of A. within five years "if present trends continue". Also included in the issue of the paper were two more critical editorials and a cartoon labeling the campus "A school for the rich." The issue appeared during the University's 'Varsity Guest Weekend'.

At a regular Student Council meeting on the following Sunday, a motion was introduced calling for the resignation of the Editor-in-Chief, Branny Schepanovich, on the grounds that he had "betrayed his trust." Critics argued that Varsity Guest Weekend issues are not supposed to be controversial.

KENNEDY

A great man has been taken from us, struck down in the prime of his life by an assassin's bullet. The analogy between Lincoln and President Kennedy is a striking one. Both men will be long remembered for their strong stands for human rights and the equality of man. Both gave their lives for humanity. It is almost 100 years since Lincoln's death and we still feel a sense of sadness and loss when we consider President Lincoln's abrupt end. This same feeling of emptiness will long pervade our thoughts when we consider President Kennedy's short career. This man through his actions and words fought to make the world a better place for all of us.

No black studies program

By Trevor Parsons

In talking with various members of the administration I have learned that no serious consideration is being given to a "black studies programme". This is unfortunate for a number of reasons.

First, the Halifax area has one of the largest black communities in Canada and therefore, if this type of programme is to be started anywhere, Dalhousie would seem to be the logical place.

This brings us to another question. Why a black studies programme at all? Because as well as being oppressed by white society, blacks are systematically being robbed of their identity. A well known example of this can be seen in an experiment conducted with a group of black children.

They were given the choice of either a doll with white colouring and features or one with black colouring and features. Almost all of the children chose the white doll.

More and more blacks, however, are beginning to realize that white is not necessarily right. They are beginning to realize that by raising their position in white society they are not raising their own group — they are simply escaping from it. When the young black person sets out on this line of reasoning, it is not long before he realizes that he is not alone among the oppressed people.

The Halifax area has one third of Canada's blacks and yet Dalhousie has only five local black students. This would seem to indicate a definite need for some type of adjustment programme to provide so-called culturally deprived students with the basic skills necessary for further studies. TYP is such a programme but it is apparently being sabotaged by the administration.

The official reason for not beginning the programme will be a lack of funds, but this did not appear to be a problem when it was announced earlier that TYP would probably start in January of this year.

The scarcity of money was not mentioned either when people were praising the administration for its outstanding liberalism in following the recommendation of grad students Terry Kemper and Paul and Sylvia Norton.

When it comes down to the crunch and the administration has to produce funds, the liberal veneer starts warping.

So, with no prospect of the Transitional Year Programme or a Black Studies Department becoming a reality, and City Hall ignoring the wishes of the black community concerning "the Oldland Affair," it seems nothing has really changed in beautiful downtown Halifax.

But how long are black people going to continue to take this crap?

WREXTRIP "To trip or not to trip" - Ginsberg

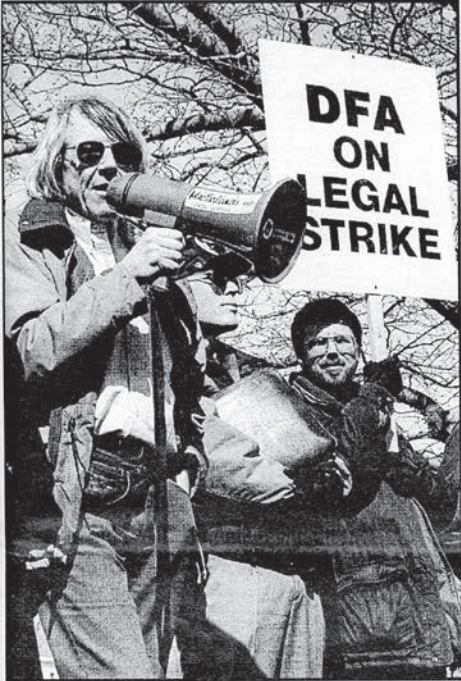


THE DALHOUSIE GAZETTE

...The 1980s & 1990s...

“Mellow out and grow-up...”

Dal profs go on strike



Chief DFA negotiator Michael Cross rallies his troops outside of the Student Union Building. For more strike information, see page 3. (Photo by Lisa Verge)

BY KAVERI GUPTA AND SHELLEY ROBINSON

Dalhousie professors hit the picket lines on the first day they were legally allowed to strike, but nobody knows how long they'll stay out. The strike came after a series of stops and starts in the negotiations between the Dalhousie Faculty Association (DFA) and the university's Board of Governors. Following the breakdown of scheduled talks, the failure of provincial conciliation, a mandatory two-week waiting

period, and 24 hours of last-minute negotiations, the DFA took to the streets on Mar. 25. More than 200 professors walked downtown from the campus and back again to protest what they say are unfair contract terms. The DFA represents 722 members, including professors, professional librarians, and counsellors. Counsellors are not striking as their work has been deemed an essential service. The university has instituted a lock-out in the face of the strike. Professors are not allowed to teach classes or use any university

facilities. Michael Cross, chief negotiator for the faculty association, says the strike may not be pleasant, but may have been necessary. "I'm not at all sure the board believed [a strike] was going to happen," he said. "So now that they know we're serious I hope that they'll come back to the table and we can have some really serious discussions." The issues still at the table are increased salaries and replacement of departing faculty, or complement.

NDP stuns Liberals

BY ANDREW SIMPSON AND JOHN CULLEN

Nova Scotia's political beast has just grown a third leg, and being a Member of the Legislative Assembly may now be one of the most interesting jobs in the province. In Tuesday's provincial election the Liberal and New Democratic Parties matched each other by winning 19 seats each in the province's 52-seat legislature. The Progressive Conservatives won the remaining 14 seats.

It was the first ever tie between two parties in Nova Scotia's political history, and the first minority government since 1970. "Something happened on the way to the Liberal coronation — it's called democracy," shouted NDP leader Robert Chisholm to a jubilant crowd at the Lord Nelson Hotel in Halifax on Tuesday night. Previously the NDP's best showing had been four seats.

"The NDP is here to stay in a big way," continued Chisholm. "It's time to get government working for everyday people in Nova Scotia." John Hamm's Tories placed third, but hold the balance of power. During a speech to campaign workers at his headquarters in New Glasgow, Hamm said he was pleased with the outcome. "If you go back three months ago, it was said our party was disintegrating...we certainly have a lot more power in our position now than as [the opposition party]." Having lost 19 seats, including four cabinet ministers, Liberal leader Russell MacLellan's night was less joyous. "We lost some very good people. We're going to have to work within the party and build it [back] up," he said to a sombre crowd at his Cape Breton headquarters. But he is not throwing in the towel. "The worst thing is to get queasy about what we're doing." Despite the tie, law dictates that the incumbent Liberals be given the

first opportunity to form government. Should they receive a vote of non-confidence within the next six months, the NDP would be given a chance to form government. A non-confidence vote after that period would result in another election. A further peculiarity of the election results is that the popular vote mirrors the distribution of seats in the legislature. The Liberals earned 35.3 per cent of the popular vote, the NDP won 34.7 per cent, and the Tories took 29.7 per cent. "This is one of those rare occasions in our system of government where the seat totals of the parties accurately reflect people's choices, people's perceptions and people's wishes," said Jim Bickerton, professor of political science at Saint Francis Xavier University in Antigonish. "This is a clearer expression of the people's will than we usually get in our system of government." MacLellan has made it clear that a coalition government is not an option. And both Hamm and Chisholm have pledged to work together with the government to best serve Nova Scotians. But professor Bickerton says that old political habits may be difficult to break.

Dal part-timers sign deal

BY PAUL MANSFIELD

Contract negotiations between Dalhousie and professors may still be up in the air, but an agreement has been reached between the Dalhousie administration and its part-time instructors and teaching assistants. The new contract was approved by 97 per cent of the members of the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) local 3912 who voted on Mar. 19 to accept the deal. Although the turn-out was relatively low, Mike Earle, secretary-treasurer for CUPE 3912,

is happy an agreement has been reached. "We certainly didn't get everything we wanted, nor are our pay levels brought up to comparable figures with rates paid elsewhere in Canada, but we have made a good beginning," Earle said. The biggest accomplishment in the eyes of the union is the collective agreement achieved at all three universities — Dalhousie, Saint Mary's and Mount Saint Vincent. "The establishment of the union with collective agreements at our

three bargaining units is itself a very big victory, achieved after [three] years of hard work," Earle said. The next step for the union is to wait for the agreement to be ratified by Dalhousie's Board of Governors. The time and date of this is unknown by either side. All three universities' contracts end on Aug. 31, 2000. The ratification of its first collective agreement in sight, the next challenge facing union members is the Dalhousie Faculty Association (DFA) strike that began Wednesday, Mar. 25.

DSU employee seeks revenge

BY LYNN DECKER

A former employee of the Dalhousie Student Union is preparing a lawsuit against the union that could amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars in damages. Andrew Younger claims that the Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) ruined his professional reputation by not rehiring him this fall.

Younger worked at the DSU for three consecutive academic terms and claims that he "had already been guaranteed the job" for this academic term. He claims that Pat Martin, director of facility operations, had asked him to return as an employee in September. Pat Martin was unable to be contacted to confirm this claim.

Younger says that based on the assumption that he would be retained, he upgraded his technical skills at his own expense over the summer. He says that he was shocked when he received a letter in the last week of July, stating that he was not being offered a position for the upcoming school year. Younger said that he immediately attempted to contact Pat Martin, but was unable to reach him.

Younger says that at this point he contacted Amy MacIsaac, executive administrator of the DSU. He says that MacIsaac told him that he was not qualified for the position. Younger says that he felt this explanation was unsatisfactory, as he had successfully retained the position for three years and had trained most of the technical staff employed in the Student Union Building (SUB). He says that he felt the real reasons he was not retained were personal problems between himself and MacIsaac. Younger was the president of the Student Union Public Service Alliance (a SUB staff support organization). He claims that this position put him in constant conflict with MacIsaac. "I was the one who made Amy's [MacIsaac] life difficult. She wanted to get rid of me last year." Younger says that he then attempted to contact DSU president Chris Adams and DSU executive vice-president Bridgette McCaig. Younger claims that he left several messages that have gone unreturned.

At this point, Younger retained a lawyer who wrote a letter to MacIsaac, with copies to Pat Martin and the DSU executives. The letter requested an explanation for why Younger was not rehired, or immediate reinstatement. "Their [DSU] lawyer responded... basically tough," said Younger. Younger claims that his lawyer is now preparing a lawsuit to be filed against the DSU within the next few weeks. According to him, the lawsuit will be for the amount he would have made during the year and the lost revenue from his decreased value as an employee. A representative from the Nova Scotia Labour Board said that there are many complexities to this case, but if it had been clearly specified in writing by the DSU that the position was for a specific term that ended in May 1997, then the DSU was under no obligation to hire Younger for this academic term. If Younger feels that he was not employed due to discrimination then it is a matter for the court system and not the Labour Board. Both MacIsaac and Adams were contacted for comments on the potential lawsuit, but responded, "We cannot comment because it is a legal issue."

Adams did say that Younger had to apply for employment with the SUB along with any other applicants regardless of whether or not he had worked for them before. When asked if they would normally respond to requests from a student as to why he or she had not been a successful candidate for employment, MacIsaac said, "We have no official policy on that."

No sex, no drugs, no welcome

BY SHELLEY ROBINSON

A guide welcoming new students to Halifax — including pieces on sex and drugs — didn't make it into fresh packs at Dalhousie due to what the Student Union considers inappropriate and inaccurate information. The Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) pulled the pamphlet, produced by local magazine *The Coast*, because of the articles titled "Savage Love-In" and "How to get High".

"Savage Love-In" was based on the weekly column "Savage Love" written by syndicated columnist Dan Savage in *The Coast*. "The flyers, with the sections on sex and drugs, were not distributed because the DSU believes this information was produced for shock value rather than for informational purposes," said DSU president Chris Adams in a letter to *The Coast*.

"This was most prevalent in the 'Savage Love-In' section which not only contained mis-information but was unnecessarily crude." DSU vice-president Bridgette McCaig echoed these concerns. In particular, she was worried that the pamphlet, by claiming that lesbian sex doesn't require sexual protection and is at no risk for HIV, misrepresented facts about the spread of HIV. "If this is censorship then so be it — I'd rather have people

healthy than practicing in unsafe sex," said McCaig. McCaig also had concerns about what she saw as the pamphlet's irresponsible attitude towards drug use. "There are risks to drug use," she said. "[Taking the pamphlets out] might make the student union look uptight or anal-retentive, but I'd rather be uptight than push drugs on first-year students."

The pamphlet was pulled after fall orientation chair Andy Doyle read the articles and consulted with the director of advertising and promotions Andrea Agliardi. Doyle said it was the articles' biases, and the DSU's responsibility to their students — not the tone of the articles — that concerned him. "By putting this in the fresh packs you're saying, 'I support this, I condone this.'"

"I would have no problem whatsoever with an article called 'How to get High' if it listed the positives and negatives of using different substances — if it were balanced," said Doyle. "Students should be responsible enough to handle these decisions on their own, but it would be irresponsible of me to provide this to them without also providing information on the negative effects of drug use." Kyle Shaw, editor of *The Coast*, says the pieces are neither misinformed, nor biased. "I think 'How to get High' is totally realistic...especially if it's a

16-year-old kid from the country. They come to the city and someone says, 'Oh do you want some heroin?' If they have absolutely no idea what heroin is, or crack...or pot — this is a way to give them that information," he said. Shaw wrote an editorial in *The Coast* criticizing the student union's decision to not include the pamphlets, but also contended that Dalhousie's Board of Governors was to blame. "The [Board of Governors] has encouraged a very timid culture, which has filtered down throughout the school...[a] guide to illicit drugs was censored — by the [DSU], fearing reprisals from the university," Shaw wrote.

Since the editorial's printing, DSU President Chris Adams wrote *The Coast* a letter claiming full responsibility for the pamphlet's removal from the fresh packs. Adam's letter has not changed Shaw's views.

"I believe what I was saying in my editorial, that Dal doesn't push the boundaries much as a school," said Shaw. "Assuming that because these people are frosh, they're younger, they're inexperienced...that they're still being protected from four letter words and the fact that pot exists...just strikes me as so the reverse of everything a university is supposed to be."

returning to what it once was...since Dalhousie no longer has a football team, we need something to motivate students." Tam's letter was printed in *The Journal's* editorial section. In it, he huffed about Dalhousie's contribution to the community and issued a challenge to Saint Mary's to become more involved. We found it interesting that Tam's letter was published with four typographical errors, when a copy Tam sent to us only had one. The *Journal's* cartoonist, Andy Bower, weighed in with a big caricature of Chris Adams, as a giant baby, sitting in his DSU office, sucking on a soothe. In a comic strip later in the paper, the Dalhousie Tiger, an unnamed frosh and Terence Tam are depicted sucking on large phallic objects, which Bower writes: "proves that Dal does suck!!!" Ironically, Bower concludes the comic strip by advising Adams to "mellow out and grow-up. It's university..." This is all a little absurd. In fact we at *The Gazette* can hardly wait for the next round of party-raids, spiked-punch, and that classic liquid-heat-in-the-jock-strap gag. Most people have lost sight of the real issues in this mini-drama. First, no matter what school they were from, it was wrong for one group of people to obstruct another from collecting money for charity. Cystic Fibrosis is a brutal disease that afflicts children. Those with advanced cases of the disease slowly starve and suffocate as mucus coats both their lungs and intestinal walls. They can hardly breathe or digest food. Second, to make fun of those who worked to raise money for such a worthwhile charity is crass and ignorant. You wouldn't make fun of the Terry Fox Run, or the Aids Walk — is there something especially tickling about suffocating children? Third, and both schools are guilty of this, to promote charity events as replacements to sporting events is obscene. There is something seriously wrong when the greatest motivation to participate in a charity event is the desire to beat someone else. Finally, this rumoured rivalry between Dalhousie and Saint Mary's is bogus. The trashing of Dalhousie may be a popular pastime at Saint Mary's, but for most of the students I attend classes with, the notion of an inter-school rivalry is decidedly lame. Besides, we haven't had a football team since 1976. Andrew Simpson

Is unity the road to freedom

by Nuri Katz

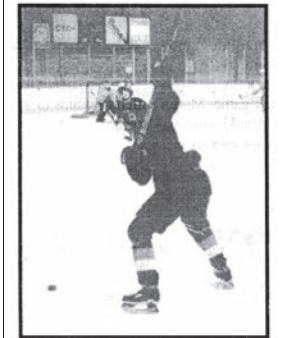
"Freedom," declared the cover page of the Nov. 20 *Time* magazine, referring to the opening of the borders between East and West Germany. "Nov. 9, a date that not only Germans would remember, thousands who had gathered on both sides of the wall let out a roar and started going through it as well as up and over," *Time* eloquently wrote. "Overwhelming" is the best word to describe that night in Berlin. Seemingly the "Iron Curtain" began tumbling down at the hands of the German youth. The power of the people survived in East Germany.

This inspires the people of Eastern Europe, and of the world, to believe that maybe, just maybe, we are entering an unprecedented age, an age of peace and freedom for all. Is the eventual reunification of Germany, implied by the opening of the wall, the beginning of such an age? Throughout the world, hope is burgeoning; yet I must confess feeling some ambivalence at the prospect of a unified Germany.

As a Jew and as a Zionist, I support the national rights of all peoples — of the Israelis and, yes, of the Palestinians. How, then, could I fear the reunification of a people that has suffered a enforced division for over 40 years? As a human being, I support freedom from oppression wherever it occurs, both in the East and in the West. Then... the ambivalence? Many astounding occurrences are taking place in Eastern Europe. The Gorbachev phenomena has swept through Europe, displacing the corrupt leadership of nearly all the communist countries. Hungary no longer considers itself Communist; Poland is ruled by a non-communist government; Czechoslovakia's government just stepped down, and, of course, the Wall is coming down. Most astounding, however, is that relatively little blood has been spilled, something for which we must all be grateful. Stemming mainly from Gorbachev's innovative policies, Europe and the world are seemingly on the path of unity and understanding. Nevertheless, we must step back and look at the

unification of Germany within the context of these overwhelming changes. We must look at the sad history of Germany. It is important to remember that in this century, Germany, as a unified entity, was a major military aggressor. However, starting with World War I and World War II, Germany has shown a great deal of resilience. Having been militarily dismantled by the Versailles treaty ending World War I, its military power rose once more, enough to instigate World War II and perpetrate the worst atrocities ever known to humanity. Now, 40 years after the Allies' eventual victory, the progress this divided country has achieved is truly admirable and commendable. West Germany has become great again — this time economically. Even East Germany has become the most successful of all Communist countries. Thus, we must acknowledge the enormous impact a unified Germany could have on the future of the world and its economy.

Women's hockey gains experience at AUAs



Blueliner Simone Page tees one up during practice before the Championship. (Photo by Ryan Lash)

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Views on Canada from a Kazakh's perspective



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I first came to Canada during the summer of 2006. Although I have been here for almost five years, most people still answer "Oh, like the Borat movie?" when I tell them I am from Kazakhstan. Either that, or they assume that I am Chinese. Then they hear me speak in Russian and they get confused. In reality, most people know very little about Kazakhstan. Here are a few cool facts about my country:

- Kazakhstan, located in central Asia, borders Russia (which is the longest administrative border in the world), China, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan
- Kazakhstan has the 9th largest territory in the world
- There are about 131 nationalities in Kazakhstan, 63% of which are Kazakhs
- Baikonur Cosmodrome (the world's first and largest operational space launch facility) is located in Kazakhstan.

- According to some estimates, Kazakhstan has the second largest uranium, chromium, lead, and zinc reserves, the third largest manganese reserves, the fifth largest copper reserves, and ranks in the top ten for coal, iron, and gold
- Kazakhstan also currently has the 11th largest proven reserves of both oil and natural gas

I came to Canada in the summer of 2006, through a governmental scholarship called 'Bolashak'. I chose Dalhousie, since it had high standards for international students, and I liked the location. I am the only Kazakh student from Kazakhstan at Dalhousie, and as far as I know, the only one in Halifax.

I learned a lot of things since I first arrived to Canada, and the following are the major differences that I noticed over the last five years:

First of all, I find Canadians very friendly, and very open. I feel that my classmates want to help me, as well as my professors. Every time I don't understand a word, they

are willing to spend a minute, and explain it to me. My classmates always help me when I need them to look through my grammar if we have a project. However, I remember one day I asked one of my professors to talk slowly in class since I could not follow him. He responded negatively, saying that I just had to get used to it. Even though I didn't like his response at the time, I understand him now. He challenged me. That was his way of teaching me, in a way. As a result, I got used to him within a couple of weeks, and wasn't as stressed out when I took his other classes.

In Kazakhstan, teachers and professors have lower salaries than in Canada. That is why they sometimes want to make extra money; therefore, students can bribe them, and "buy" marks and diplomas. Of course, the government is trying to fight it, but you can't really expect much if the government still hasn't raised their salary.

Another point that I have noticed is the quality of customer service in Canada. Last week, in one of my classes, we were discussing cus-

tommer satisfaction and customer service. It came to my realization that customer service does not exist in Kazakhstan. You can never return your purchases back to the store if you are not satisfied. It simply does not exist.

I like how Canada embraces cultural differences. Every minority is represented and accepted. In Kazakhstan, we don't have gay societies, or gay parades. We don't have Black History month. Additionally, we don't have access to buildings or buses for people with disabilities or handicaps.

I am glad that I studied in a country so different than mine, challenging me in so many ways. I have met so many wonderful people, and found so many friends. I am very excited for the coming Iron Ring Ceremony in March and I will proudly wear my iron ring in Kazakhstan!

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CO-OP CORNER

Things to Remember:

- The Co-op website offers many tips and is very informative. The website is engandcompcoop.dal.ca
- Round 1 is from January 6 to February 14.

WORD OF THE WEEK

PTFO (v): Acronym standing for Passed the **** out. See Word of the Week used in a sentence in this week's Gossip Geek column.

Editors' note: Word of the Week is a humour column based on popular expressions around Sexton Campus. If you have any complaints or suggestions, please email sextant@dal.ca. Obviously we prefer suggestions!



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Student rights and advancement of knowledge

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We, the students of Sexton Campus are being deprived of our right to evaluate the courses delivered to us. I completed a course with the Earth Sciences department, at the upper campus, which was a solid course delivered in a professional way.

The most astonishing thing about the course was the completion of a student survey form that every student filled out. It had questions such as: "were your doubts cleared in a timely way?", "are you satisfied with the delivery of this course?", "do you feel advancement of knowledge is enhanced by this course?", and a few other questions. During my master's, I completed six courses at Sexton Campus and nobody ever asked the students to fill out the course survey forms.

I checked with a few friends of mine at Studley Campus, and they told me that these survey forms are a routine procedure at both the graduate and undergraduate level. The students at Studley Campus have the right to evaluate the course delivery, while at Sexton Campus, students fear asking the professor to clarify material regarding the course. I witnessed a situation where an intelligent student asked the professor to clear his doubts about the material and the professor reacted negatively.

Another unfair scenario is when a student asks a professor a question, the professor responds, and the student spends a few days working on it only to find out that what the professor told him was incorrect. When he confronts the professor and says "Sir, you told me the wrong thing. The question is not getting solved as you explained", the professor denies ever saying that, and instead claims "I never said that. You must have heard me wrong". What proof does the student have in this case? Does he need to record the conversation

with the professor? And how can he hear wrong this one time, and hear right every other time?

The academic needs of students must be fulfilled, and the completion of course evaluation forms by students is a good tool that Dalhousie University has implemented on paper, but Sexton Campus master's students have never heard about. It is my opinion that professors who try to deliver the course in an honest way will appreciate the students' feedback.

I did some research with other universities and found that a few of their surveys had questions like "did you face discrimination based on religion during the course?". Such questions help ensure that students have equal rights, according to the Canadian Charter of Human Rights and Freedom. We, as students, have to work for the advancement of knowledge of engineering by ourselves, so I feel that someone should provide us with a good environment....

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Gossip Geek

Gossip Geek here, your one and only source into the scandalous lives of Sexton's engineers. Nothing beats a weekend abroad. But when travelling far from home, it's nice to bring along your whole class. Oh Montreal! Cobblestones and Notre Dame, Super Sexe and the SAQ, Poutine and French accents: While others stayed home, sang Karaoke and played trivia, our Industrial Engineers were busy dirtying up those New Year's Resolutions in Canada's Sin City.

And then there are those that just cannot handle all the city has to offer.. spotted: W PTFO'd.



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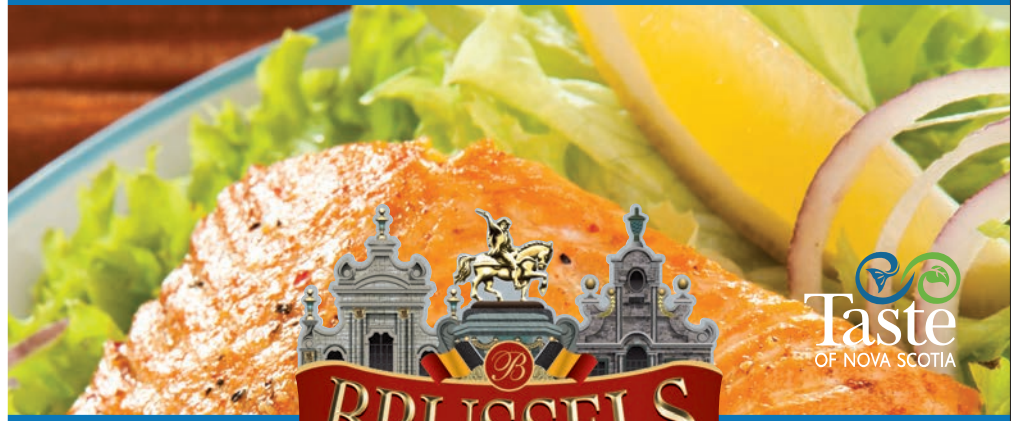


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