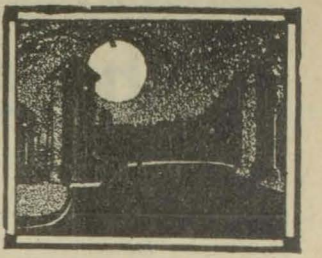




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## Noted Visitor Speaks At Studley

### Large Audience Hears Mr. Yusuf Ali

Mr. Yusuf Ali, on Monday morning at 12.00 addressed the Students in the Chemistry Theatre. One of the largest crowds that ever attended a University lecture packed the large room to capacity. Both doorways were crowded and some students even resorted to climbing in through windows in an effort to hear this famous speaker.

Mr. Yusuf Ali spoke of the obstacles in the way of Progress for India mentioning the fact that there is 92 per cent illiteracy in India; but the last 20 years have seen great strides in the advancement of education. Another hindrance to progress was the friction between the Moslems and the Hindus. He pointed out the basic differences between the two races, saying that Hindus are impractical and believe in a mystic religion and their caste system is an enormous detriment to them. The Hindus are an undemocratic people. On the other hand the Moslems are open-minded practical and ready to make any arrangement that is at all agreeable to all classes in India. They are extremely democratic.

The trouble at the Round Table Conference, was to reconcile the differences and attain representation from all types and classes of the people of India. Mr. Yusuf Ali also criticised the British rule in India. He could sufficiently not express his high opinion of the new Viceroy of India, Lord Willingdon, and he felt sure that we, as Canadians, would agree with him that India had a great and just man as Governor.

Mr. Ali answered questions put to him by the students after his illuminating lecture and briefly mentioned his connection with universities in England and India. He obtained his LL.M. from Cambridge with honours, attended Oxford, London, Sorbonne, Heidelberg, Florence and Rome. At the present time he is still connected with one or two Indian Universities so as he says, he "lives in an atmosphere of Universities."

He has served his country as Revenue Minister in the Hyderabad State. He was in the Indian Civil Service from 1895 until 1911. He was then appointed Under Secretary and Deputy Secretary to the Government of India. Prevented by his age from taking part in combative service during the war he took an active part in administration and giving advice to commissions and at the end of the war was one of the Indian Delegates to the Peace Treaty discussions in Paris.

Since that time Mr. Yusuf Ali has worked for Peace among the nations and a more intelligent understanding among the many races and peoples of both hemispheres. In 1928 he was appointed one of India's Delegates to the League of Nations.

From earliest days Mr. Yusuf Ali has been educating himself and trying to help others to see things with as wide a view as he does himself and his great knowledge and comprehension of the English Language he clearly showed to the students who were lucky enough to get into the Chemistry Theatre. Dalhousie was the first Canadian University to which he has spoken and we feel sure that had there been room many more students would have attended this interesting lecture.

### Shirreff Hall

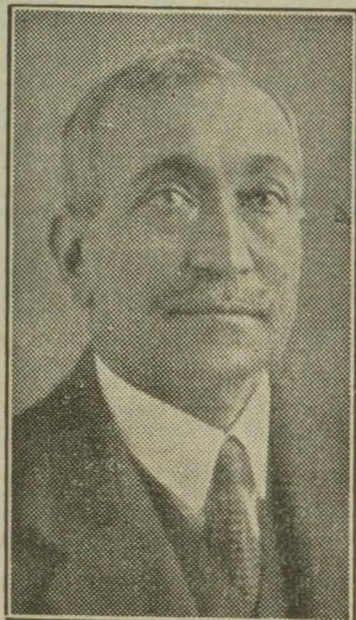
Miss Ruth Mackenzie from New Glasgow has been visiting Betty March for a few days.

Peggie Allen has had as a guest at the Hall, Miss Frances MacNeill of New Glasgow.

Elizabeth Tweedie of Chatham, N. B. has been a guest of Margaret Sadler at the Hall.

Even the lateness of the Engineers' Ball did not dampen the ardour for exercise of the girls. We hear that several of them went hiking with some of the Commerce boys Saturday afternoon. Looks as though they've gone in training for the Commerce Ball.

### Touring Canada



MR. ABDULLAH YUSUF ALI

### Classes Hold Meetings

#### CLASS 32 MEETING.

The Senior Class held a meeting Thursday January 14th in Room 4 of the Arts Building. Despite the fact that there was a huge attendance, and considering that it was not a Freshman meeting, only ten people agreed to go to their class party. So far the Senior Class have had no social activity this year. Time and time again requests have been made for a class party, with the good old Freshman spirit, but when the point is finally brought up, ten people agree to go! What do the rest of the members want? Why is it that class enthusiasm dies after the first year of college life? Come on seniors, pay your class fees and show a little interest in your graduating class.

#### CLASS 34.

We haven't heard much from Class 34 since Freshman week, but they are certainly still here, and still planning another party. It is rumoured that Class 34 are inviting Class 35 to join them, in a party on a bigger and better basis, it may even be a sleigh drive so don't fail to read the notice boards every hour or so.

#### MEETING OF CLASS '35.

After the class picture had been taken, the whole class '35 trooped into Room 3. The business to be discussed was that of the class rings and pins. After explaining fully prices and sizes, the president announced, "Will the ladies come up and look at the samples." Imagine our surprise when 6 ft. 4 inches of Andy Bruce leaped to the fore. After the aforesaid has been satisfied, —and decided not to have any—the ladies grouped themselves artistically around poor John, exclaiming and ejaculating over the designs. Sweet comments such as "cute," and "sweet" were heard.

Treasurer, Jack Slater, with the able assistance of Janet MacNeil informed the class that due to small-pox at the Hall, our class party was to be postponed until January 22nd. Incidentally the lack of snow was a factor, since the aforementioned party was to have been a sleigh drive. Since all business had been dealt with, the meeting adjourned.

#### YEAR BOOK NOTICE.

All biographies must be in by Jan. 29th.  
All individual photos must be taken at Gauvin and Gentzel's before Jan. 31st.  
Let us have your cooperation.

## The Boilermakers Engineering Notes

The Engineers held their annual dance last Friday evening in the Nova Scotia, and at 5 o'clock on Saturday morning the four hundred people present were unanimously declaring it bigger and wetter than ever, before crawling wearily into their respective beds.

Really the evening was an unqualified success. Everyone you ever heard of was there and many out of town guests as well. The Haggarty orchestra aided by a new man at the traps put on their very best music, "The Saint Louis Blues" as usual being the favourite number. On the platform were two strange creatures beside the musicians.

One was an elephant but it would take some prominent biologist to guess the identity of the other. A feature of the evening was the playing of Mr. Harvey Hebb, guest organist who accompanied the orchestra in several numbers and played during the supper intermission. The organ could be heard down in the hotel dining-room where supper was served in relays about midnight.

Several people from town came in at the close of the dance at Government House augmenting the already large crowd. Streamer confetti was handed around and soon decorated halls, ballroom and dancers. About this time a crash near the organ substantiated that certain damages were collected from the hosts of the evening, by the hotel management as did the sight of a bowler hat wavering about on top of a jardiner.

President Stanley and Mrs. Stanley chaperoned the ball and honorary guests of the evening were Professor and Mrs. Copp, Professor and Mrs. Theakston and Professor and Mrs. Murray Macneil.

The programmes were highly original picturing a girl dancing with a typical engineer. They failed, however, to mention the committee, in charge who deserve many congratulations. God Save the King was played at three-thirty, bringing to a close the first big dance of 1932. A dance let us add, that certainly set a high standard for those following to live up to.

A meeting of the Engineering Society was held on Monday, Jan. 11 and many important matters were discussed.

George Mackie was elected manager of the Interfaculty Hockey team, entered by the Engineers and expects to have a strong team by the time the first game is arranged.

Sanford Scott was elected manager of the basketball team and expects support from the members of the Engineering Society. After discussing the events of the "Boilermakers Ball" the meeting was adjourned.

It has been announced by Mackie, Manager of the Engineering Hockey squad that they will hold their initial practise on the Forum ice on Wed. of this week. In conversation with Manager Mackie he announced that the Engineers have many good players and a banner season in hockey could be looked forward to.

Again the "Boilermakers" put it over when they held their 11th Annual Ball in the Nova Scotia on Friday evening, Jan. 15th. About four hundred people expressed their delight by the way the dance was handled. Frank Gouge, Gordie Elkin and Ken Mahen deserve a lot of praise for their untiring efforts.

Anyone out on Sunday afternoon, curious enough to know how a window on Tram car No. 105 returning from Chocolate Lake happened to be missing, please phone "Coolie" and he will explain all.

Jokes on Charles I. Bacon have been missing from recent issues of the Gazette for the reason that Charles has threatened action against the reporter of the column.

Campbell Fraser has again resumed his studies at the University after a lengthy vacation in St. John.

## ∴ N. F. C. U. S. Report ∴

In concluding the report of the National Federation of Canadian University Students Conference the major undertaking of the organization, that of debating and Exchange of Undergraduate Scheme, will now be considered.

#### Debating.

The debating history of the Federation shows that particular success has been achieved and this important field of College activity. As the three year schedule for debating expires at the end of this year it was necessary, at the recent Conference, to draw up a schedule for a similar future period. But before outlining the conclusions determined for the coming years it might be well to review the achievements attained in the past.

Dalhousie was represented on the first Debating Tour undertaken by the Federation when Mr. Ernest Howse joined representatives from Acadia and U. N. B. debating at Bishop's College, Lennoxville, and points west as far as Vancouver.

Other debates sponsored were as follows:

- Australian Team.
- Canadian-U. S. Team.
- Western Canada Team.
- New Zealand Team.
- Central Canada-Western Team.
- N. S. F. A.—Maritime Team.

British Debating Team: In the fall of 1930 the N. F. C. U. S. returning the invitation of their sister bodies in England and Scotland which had previously entertained a Canadian team received a team composed of Mr. H. Trevor Lloyd (nominee of the N. U. S.) and Mr. John Mitchell (nominee of the S. R. C.'s of Scotland). This tour was an outstanding success and the style of debating as exemplified by this team has done much to improve debating in Canadian Universities.

Arrangements have been completed for two tours to take place this coming month: representatives from Mt. Allison and Macdonald College will debate at points west and including Toronto.

At the same time Messrs. W. J. Garnett (Ontario Agriculture College) and Osmond Matte (University of Ottawa) will debate at points east of Montreal including Dalhousie.

The above two mentioned debated complete the three year cycle of debates sponsored by the Federation. In order to have sufficient patronage at these debates, an endeavor has been made in selecting subjects to avoid those of ponderous nomenclature, touching as much as possible upon the "light" type of subject without trenching upon the ridiculous.

As to the drafting of a new three year cycle the Executive Council decided that, after providing a schedule for the year 1932-33, the furtherance of that cycle could be more effectively treated by a Standing Committee on Debating working in conjunction with the officers. The Executive Council went on record as favoring the sponsoring of a Woman's debating team or teams to tour Canada during the months of January and February, 1933, meetings teams irrespective of sex. Arrangements will be undertaken immediately to have a British debating team visit Canada during the fall of 1932, and to send teams from Canada to the British Isles, United States, Porto Rico.

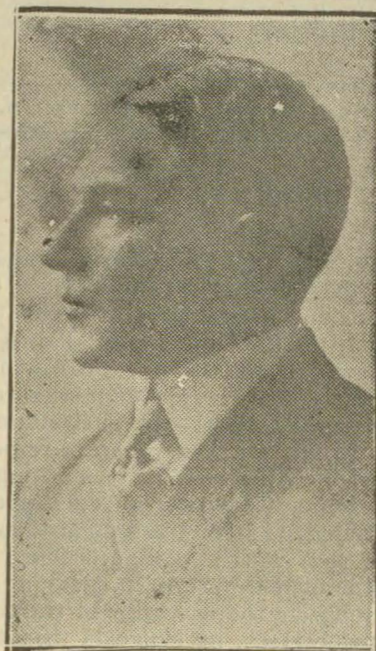
One of the duties of the Standing Committee on Debating will be a thorough investigation of the various systems of debating used in Canada with a view to arriving at some standardization of rules and procedure for debates held under the auspices of the Federation.

As a final word on this subject, the opinions expressed at the Conference were to the effect that the formal style of debate was dying out and interest was greatly enlivened by the introduction of the parliamentary system.

To pass out with dignity was evidently the motto of the Law Society President at the recent banquet, when in the course of his remarks he expressed a desire to be "borne out by his elders present."

## St. Mary's Victorious in Fast Hockey Battle

### Dalhousie Grad



MR. ALVIN F. MACDONALD

### A Distinguished Graduate

Of interest to graduates and undergraduates is the news of the transfer of Mr. Alvin F. MacDonald, Dominion Archivist for the Maritimes, from Halifax to Ottawa. Mr. MacDonald has had an enviable career which should be a splendid example to all Dalhousians.

Alvin F. MacDonald was born in Hopewell in Pictou County. He entered Dalhousie University in the Fall of 1889 as a Freshie-Soph. After graduating in 1892 with a Bachelor of Arts he then registered in the Law Faculty. He was granted his L. L. B. in 1894. His academic career was one of splendid success as was shown by his winning the Senior Munroe Bursary and during all the years that he was at the University he was known for his earnestness, his sincerity, and his good fellowship.

After graduation he was appointed to the staff of the Halifax Chronicle and later to the position of News Editor, afterwards becoming the Editor in Chief. In 1909 he was a delegate to the Imperial Press Conference in London. As one of the prominent members of this assembly of journalists he was one of the Canadian Executive Committee. In 1926 Mr. MacDonald took an active part in the work of the Maritime Rights Commission.

In Halifax Mr. MacDonald was well known and very popular. He was accorded the great distinction of being elected twice President of the North British Society; an unusual occurrence only duplicated by the Hon. MacCallum Grant, during the whole history of the Society.

Since the construction of the Archives on the Campus and the appointment of Professor D. C. Harvey, another Old Dalhousian, to the position of Archivist, it has been found unnecessary to keep Mr. MacDonald here, hence his transfer to Ottawa where he will continue his active interest in Canadian History at the Dominion Archives. Mr. MacDonald in his capacity of Archivist for the Maritime Provinces carried on his work with an effort that was untiring and a spirit of pride in Maritime history that was unflagging.

As a journalist Mr. MacDonald was blessed with the faculty of selecting the important and interesting matter for publication. His style was forceful and it showed his ability to record events in a logical and pleasant way. As an Archivist he exhibited a wide knowledge of history and a great interest in Maritime affairs.

The Gazette joins with all his friends in wishing him even greater success in the future and we wish to stress the fact that here again is another Dalhousian who has made good.

### Dalhousie Tigers Suffer First Loss

In by far the fastest game of the intercollegiate hockey league this season to date, the St. Mary's outfit defeated Dalhousie Tigers by a score of 3 to nil Monday night at the Forum, and thereby gained a one-game lead over Dalhousie in the league standing. By virtue of Tech's win over King's in the first game of the night, the Engineers are now in a tie for second place in the league with Dalhousie.

The Dal-St. Mary's battle, witnessed by the largest fan following of the year in intercollegiate circles, provided them with all the thrills of hockey bygone days, and the Tigers though finishing the game three goals down, by no means conceded the battle till the closing bell had sounded, and waged an equal fight with the Saints throughout the entire three periods. Two of the periods went scoreless, the first and third, and in the middle session St. Mary's took advantage of their opportunities and rang up three counters in rapid succession. All three scores however, came as a result of clever playing, the combination play of the Saints beating the Dal defence on each occasion. The first score of the game came from the stick of Nelson early in the second period when he took a pass in front of the net and hooked the puck in. It was an impossible save, and Purtil, who had been playing a wonderful game in the nets for the Tigers, protested the score on the ground that it was offside, but he was overruled by referee Timmie Hunter. The second goal followed within a couple of minutes, Carroll sending in a shot from left wing that rolled through Purtil's pads. Fullerton put St. Mary's three up five minutes later when he slid into the net, carrying the puck with him, and Hunter allowed the goal.

The third period witnessed a desperate rally by the Tigers in an effort to tie the score, but hard luck dogged their efforts, when time and again scores seemed practically certain. The fine playing of Oylar, Taylor and especially Ryan was a feature of the period, and the Dal players had a decided edge throughout the session, only the stellar goaltending of Norris for St. Mary's staving off scoring. The Saints' defence was especially strong, and proved a decided factor in stopping the Dal rushes. The Tigers although not playing as fine a defensive game, nevertheless had a fairly strong combination in Bent, McDonald and Connor, though Bent and Connor drew the censure of the referee, Bent going to the cooler three times, and Connor once, for the only penalties of the game, for tripping and illegal checking. McDonald turned in a good exhibition, showing up better on offensive than defensive work.

The teams lined up as follows:  
Dalhousie—Goal, Purtil; defence, McDonald, Connor, Bent; forwards, Taylor, Oylar, Coleman, Bishop, Robb, Ryan.  
St. Mary's—Goal, Norris; defence, Grant, Findlay, McDonald; forwards, Fullerton, Carroll, Fleming, Sheehan, Nelson, Pender.

## Law Society

The Law Society held a most enjoyable banquet last Saturday evening at the Nova Scotia Hotel. The President, Mr. Don Grant, presided. The guests of honor were, the Hon. F. B. Bligh, K. C. and Mr. J. C. MacKean. Both Mr. Bligh and Mr. MacKean spoke interestingly and instructively of their experiences in the legal profession. Dean Smith and Professors Horace Read, Vincent MacDonald and John MacQuarrie were present. The committee in charge, Messrs. Red Foster, Whit Cameron and Jack Miller are to be congratulated for managing a most successful function.

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### A TOPIC OF THE MOMENT.

The Canadian student publications that recently amused themselves by asking embarrassing questions about the C. O. T. C., have at last received signal recognition. They have attracted the attention of no less a personage than the lofty author of "Topics of the Day" in the Dalhousie Review. True, the critic finds only "a certain desultory interest" in the controversy, but fortunately this does not prevent him from devoting several platitudinous pages to it. He finds the matter to be "without inherent importance, and the answers to be devoid of either wisdom or learning," but then, as all students know, wisdom and learning are exclusively professorial possessions. However, despite some traces of academic philistinism, the critic's article is well worth reading. One can forgive everything, for that last line of his, where, in speaking of the C. O. T. C. apologists who emphasize the necessity of training troops with a view to possible emergencies, he suggests that the motto "Be Prepared" is a very appropriate one for Boy Scouts.

### RECAPTURING OUR SOCIAL WHIRL.

Last week the *Gazette* published a vigorous letter from the pen of Mr. W. G. Stewart, President of the Student's Council, setting forth a matter, in some ways nugatory, yet possessing considerable significance for the social life of Dalhousie. The writer's general theme was a definite deprecation of the ever-increasing number of college dances that are being held outside the university precincts. Not so long ago, such a thing was utterly unknown. But lately, the inadequate facilities provided on the campus, together with the more suitable, not to say sumptuous, surroundings of the local hotels, have induced the various societies to stage their formal functions at these downtown centres.

In many ways, the present custom is deserving of captious criticism, and Mr. Stewart has himself lucidly elucidated some of the outstanding objections. From a purely materialistic point of view, the average *per capita* cost of the hotel dances is far too high. This, of course, is a difficulty which cannot be easily overcome, and the result is that the ordinary student, since he is not an over-opulent person, finds himself rather restricted in seeking terpsichorean amusement. Moreover, it is a moot question whether, by making these functions exclusively formal, we do not lose a great deal of the essential value attached to the social whirl. The aim of university dances should be to include as many of the students as possible, to encourage a free intermingling of everybody in attendance, and by this to promote a widespread acquaintance among the undergraduates. But under the current regime, only a fraction of the thousand persons at Dalhousie can afford to participate in all the college entertainments. This is not as it should be. It seems to us that if in the future, the various societies could agree to use the new gymnasium for their dances, and at the same time make them less expensive and more informal, a definite gain would be made for the social life of our university.

### THE EDUCATION OF CHARACTER.

There is an old, old maxim attributed to the ancient Greek sage Heraclitus, who once declared that "man's character is his fate." How essentially true this statement is, hardly needs to be pointed out; history has multiplied instances beyond measure, and everyday life vindicates it ceaselessly. Continually we are called upon to witness the pitiful sight of some poor mortal degraded by the inherent weaknesses of his own personality. Constantly within our selves we feel the vulnerability of certain inner flaws, or momentarily become the victims of deep-hidden and devastating traits of our animal nature. These dangerous beasts which lurk in each of us must be overpowered, least eventually they overcome us. And the conquering of them is what we call the education of character.

No one realized the importance of this phase of human development more than the famous historian W. E. H. Lecky. In a fine passage on one occasion put the matter thus:

"Of all the tasks which are set before man in life, the education and management of his character is the most important, and in order that it should be successfully performed, it is necessary that he should make a calm and careful survey of his own tendencies, unblinded either by self-deception which conceals errors, and magnifies excellencies, or by the indiscriminate pessimism which refuses to recognize his powers for good. He must avoid the pessimism which would persuade him that he has no power over his nature, and he must also clearly recognize that this power is not unlimited."

Such is the process of self-scrutiny and self-examination that constitutes the initial step on the road towards full self-realization. As Edmund Burke said, "It is the prerogative of man to be in a great degree a creature of his own making." Weak persons blame their failures on bad luck or fate; the strong man admits his own responsibility, and girding up his loins, advances determinedly to better things. Among all the treasures which can fall to any individual, the will to foster a strong, purposive, fearless, independent character, is perhaps the most valuable of all. And college years provide a matchless opportunity for that will to blossom forth into some semblance of a full-blown, mature personality.

## COMMENT

### Another Suggestion. The Wets Have It. What of a new French Government

**The Wets Have It.**  
After a twelve year period of experimentation with the prohibition of alcoholic beverages the electors of Finland have emphatically denounced the policy and asked for its repeal. The recent referendum offered the three alternatives—retention of the dry law, its modification to light wines and beer, and its total repeal. Fully 70.9% of the votes were cast for repeal, 28.1% registered dry, while the middle course, oddly enough, appealed to a mere 1.4%. Perhaps more striking still is the fact that 66% of the women voting cast their ballots against Prohibition.

Pronounced "Drys" of other lands will hardly derive much comfort from the Finnish abandonment of the water-wagon, legally speaking. We note that American organs and organizations on the dry side are busily engaged in pointing out the fundamental differences between Finland and the United States and between their respective peoples. The inference, of course, is that so far as Americans are concerned the action of Finland doesn't mean a thing. One can probably read into such plebiscites as this just about what one wants to read, but for all that the dry element will have a difficult task in interpreting Finland's action to their benefit.

The Finnish reversion to legalized drinking leaves but two countries holding the fort for Prohibition—Prince Edward Island and the United States. And in the latter we note one of the latest plans for the solution of the problem, and one perhaps not so very new at that. The issue, Mr. Al Smith suggests should be turned over to the discretion of the individual States to which sphere of government it formerly and more properly belongs.

### Another Suggestion.

While the various Empire governments are preparing their policies for submission to the coming Ottawa economic conference there is much newspaper talk and speculation as to what those policies be. Recently the *Morning Post* re-suggested one way in which the Dominions might repay the United Kingdom for imperial preferences granted in the new tariff. The Dominions, this London daily suggests, might absorb some of the surplus population of the Old Country.

The *Post* founds its proposal on the argument that unemployment in Canada and Australia "may be due to lack of population rather than a surplus of population." Assuming, as does the *Post*, that Canada cannot expect prosperity until its population reaches fifteen millions we might expect that the Dominion would welcome this delightful way of paying her bill for market preferences. However we venture to suspect a hitch in the scheme.

If the Empire were tomorrow suddenly placed under a master control it is quite probable that some such migration of Britishers would be ordained. But as conditions are at present we imagine that most Canadians would be appalled at the prospect of a sudden influx of men needing employment. Assuming the immigrants to be transported, settled in the Peace River district, and equipped for agricultural labour by the Land Companies which the *Post* calls for, we wonder just what the next step in their economic existence is to be. They will presumably have to sell something, so what and where? We have enough people in the West now asking those same questions.

We might suggest that the plan has possibilities subject to a very large "if." If there was much, very, very much organization and a great deal of coordination, which all would mean a strong central economic control over the Dominion with cooperation from the British Government, if in other words we had a master planning exercising control over the basic industries of our country, then such a plan might be carried out successfully in these hazardous times. But barring that unlikely systematization we doubt the feasibility of the plan on any extended scale. And anyway how many surplus Englishmen equal a one per cent increase in the Canadian quota of British grain imports?

### What of a new French Government

French governments come and go with such rapidity that the world was hardly surprised when a change occurred last week. The world, however, will be very interested to discover if the new alignment of ministers under Premier Laval presages any alteration in French policy. With Lausanne and Geneva in the immediate offing, and such a great deal depending on the attitude of France at those all-important meetings, the internal political situation in the nation may well be watched.

While governments in France are so notoriously impermanent as compared with those of nations with bi-party system it is interesting to note that post-War French Foreign policy has been very regular and consistent. Premiers and ministers have changed but the foreign policies of all have amounted to much the same thing. Yet in Britain, where sudden political changes are out of the ordinary, these same years have seen fundamental changes backward and forward between Labour and Conservative policies. There is no doubt but that such swift changes as that on the Geneva Protocol and other matters of the like have proved disconcerting to the League and its other members. French policy, in contrast, has been quite uniform, if not as high-minded from an international viewpoint.

## THE PASSING BLOW

### The Forum—A Public Utility Monkey Business The Necessity for Hypocrisy

### The Forum—A Public Utility?

In a classification of business enterprises according to their methods of administration, a *Public Utility* would seem, in principle, to be the most widely different form a *Private Monopoly*. In the practical world, however, a concern that ranks in the newspapers and in the speeches of politicians as an example of the former, is not unlikely to be in reality, a culpable example of the latter.

Some years ago a rink was erected in Halifax—called the Forum. It was constructed half at the expense of the people of Halifax and half at the expense of the Province of Nova Scotia. It is managed by the Provincial Exhibition Commission whose membership is comprised of gentlemen in responsible positions all over the Maritimes.

Among the functions of the Forum (in common with most other rinks) is that of providing skating facilities to the public. The Forum is equipped with machinery for making artificial ice, and is therefore at no time dependent upon cold weather. The least that the Halifax Public may expect, then, of those in charge of the Forum includes:

- (1) Good Ice.
  - (2) Good Music.
  - (3) Good Clothes Checking Service.
  - (4) A reasonable number of seats and benches for use while changing into and out of skating boots.
- Do the people of Halifax (and among them Dalhousie Students get what is due them in these respects? We think that all who patronize the Forum and who exercise any discrimination in these matters will agree that they usually get:

- (1) Poor ice.
- (2) Rotten Music.
- (3) Indifferent Checking service.
- (4) Conspicuously insufficient benches and seats to accommodate them in changing out of and into skating boots.

The management of the Halifax Forum in these respects is a disgrace in itself, a disgrace to the Commission, a disgrace to the City, and a disgrace to the Province. And yet the Forum is owned by the Public—A *Public Utility*.

It is most unfortunate that at a time when purely capitalistic administration has shown itself grossly incompetent throughout the world; that at a time when people are looking for their salvation to some degree of Government or public regulation—it is most unfortunate that at such a time there should exist in Halifax so unsatisfactory an example of a *Public Utility*.

### Monkey Business.

It has been ordained that the members of Class '32, the expectant graduates of this year in Arts and Science, will carry canes. That reminds us of the limerick we heard recently.

Each little monkey who's taught,  
In the college of Simian Thought,  
Be it he, or a she,  
When it wins its degree,  
Proudly carries it's tail in a knot.

We have always believed that measures like cane-carrying for conspicuousness were laid aside when initiation had purged the aspirant of his youthful follies. If the members of Class '32 insist upon this practice, however, we suggest that they at least be as sensible as the little monkey, and keep away from the cane until the degrees are safely framed.

### The Necessity for Hypocrisy.

No profession is perfect. The Student in Dentistry and in Medicine as well as in Law must somewhere in his course come upon practices that make him carry on for a little time with his tongue in his cheek. At such times the necessity for hypocrisy is manifest. Every living person has his idiosyncrasies of character and his peculiarities of feature. Our friends are no exceptions. Yet even in the most cordial and unreserved friendship a certain amount of discreet dissimulation is a requisite. The friend may have a bulbous pronosus; you must allow yourself no facial expression that would conflict with an opinion on his part (if he had such an opinion) that his nose conformed to all the requirements of Grecian classicism. He may laugh like a hyena or cough like a hippopotamus. It is essential to your friendship that your face remain always as tranquil as if laughed and coughed with all the nice discretion prescribed in a book on Etiquette. These considerations are requisites in friendship. They are taken for granted. If a friend is worth having, his defects are worth overlooking.

The same principle ought to be applied by every student and by every professor in his relations with his profession. If a profession is worth being embraced, it deserves all the courteous treatment that one would bestow upon a friend. The attitude that seems to say "And that's Medicine for you! Aren't you proud of it?"

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## FROM OUR CONTEMPORARIES

### Students and Poverty.

### The Class Stenographer?

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### Students and Poverty.

Students and faculty at Yale have recently been forcibly reminded of the financial crisis overhanging the continent, the ardent declarations of politicians to the contrary notwithstanding. A bank at New Haven which numbered among its clients a large number of students and staff, and the university as well, crashed leaving anyone with money in the bank in immediate poverty. At the University of Illinois the same process has come about. The university has had to lend money to many students who were so hard hit by the closing of the banks that they would otherwise have had to drop their year. How far such a state of affairs will go has been the theme and incidentally a source of livelihood for magazine writers for a long time past. Perhaps another Henry George will arise from the ranks of these collegiate victims and reduplicate "Progress and Poverty," or some American Marx may be calling us all to unite years hence. In the meantime we might be well advised to buy up one or two of the old-fashioned socks to take care of the superfluous coin.

### The Class Stenographer?

When all plans had been laid by a University of Toronto student with business ambition to distributed typewritten copies of lectures to those who could pay for them, some senior members of the faculty objected to the idea and a perfectly sound scheme was frustrated. A stenographer was to be present at the lectures and do the writing for the students. The notes would then be mimeographed and mailed to each subscriber at the end of the week, at a fee of five cents a lecture. All the professors whose lectures were to be thus distributed favoured the plan. There does not seem to be any valid objection to the practice, and no doubt many students would appreciate it here at Dalhousie especially in large classes where the professors are addicted to the habit of dictation. Such gems of wisdom as are usually contained in notes could be accurately collected by a class stenographer with a knowledge of shorthand and an ear for dialects.

### The Fifty-fifty Plan.

What is commonly known as the fifty-fifty plague is raging more or less in most of our Canadian universities. The plague appears to be at peak in the University of Saskatchewan, probably because of the extreme agricultural difficulties of the West in the last two years. The plan follows that good old principle of Dutch treat applied to dates between males and females. The strangest feature of the matter, according to The Sheaf (U. of S.) is that the "even Stephen" clubs have all been organized by men. At first glance it appears that the man is the one to profit by such a scheme. Moreover (says Even Stephen) since women are demanding equality in all fields of activity, it is only fair that they should carry their share of the financial burden (and anyway they probably do it that way in Russia). But, argues The Sheaf, if men surrender the right of paying the way they lose one of their greatest privileges. If a girl pays for part of the date she should be able to make dates with as much freedom as a man. The result would be that many males who now have small difficulty dating the little woman would be left sitting around the kitchen stove, waiting for the telephone to ring. But after all the problem is as old as history and Aristophanes in the *Ecclesiazusae* proved beyond a shadow of a doubt that the present convention is the safest one for such a dumb animal as man.

The Pine Hill Basketball League is now in full swing providing the boys with a measure of relaxation from the strain of the recently introduced "ping pong." John A. Y. MacDonald has undertaken to show just how this latter game should be played.

## PORTRAITS AND CARICATURES

### Harold MacGillivray Parker.

Harold, or Hardy, as he more commonly called, came here years and years ago from New Germany. Quiet and unassuming, he is however, very popular in the circle in which he moves—round and round. He is slight and dark haired, resembling Vic Oland in his more dramatic moments, but a veritable tower of strength on the football team which he has captained for the past three years. He is also rather shy where women are concerned but he can be a true friend as many a Haller knows. He is a brilliant and conscientious student and his seat in the Library is seldom vacant, as he spends most of his time there poring over the records of the Dalhousie Bureau of Research. He graduates this year in Law, Properties being his best subject.

Hardy's modest manner conceals surprising executive ability. He is president of the Dalhousie Chapter of the W. C. T. U., Assistant Dean of Women at Kings and convener of the Refreshment Committee at French Club. He is a model boy and his friends will not hear a word against him. If a report comes in that he has been seen throwing snowballs at President Stanley they deny it vehemently. "It's a lie," says Raymond MacCarthy with tears in his eyes, "If you don't like this country go back where you came from."

Hardy's favorite literature is the Christian Science Monitor, his favorite pastime is motoring, and his favorite song is "Keep the Home Fires Burning."

## Dalhousie Review

During the past week the Editors have been glancing over the last issue of the *Dalhousie Review*, and, although no formal review is attempted, a few comments are ventured here.

"On Living in a House," by Dr. E. W. Nichols is alone worth the price of the issue. Our pen is not enough subtle to describe the whimsical appeal of the article. You won't be sorry if you read it for yourself. Dr. R. A. MacKay writes upon "The Politics of Disarmament." The writings of Dr. MacKay in pamphlets and in magazines have been disseminated so widely during the last year and under such reliable auspices that the name of the author is a guarantee of quality; but if you still insist that the proof of the pudding is in the eating you'll agree that Dr. MacKay has not in this work fallen below his reputation.

"The Economic Development of Empire" was written by Sir Robert Hadfield, one of these people whose well-known-ness makes you feel as if you had lost touch with things. Sir Robert believes that the white man's burden is to nourish the white man and says so with refreshing frankness in a challenge to Liberalism. "Mr. Zero of Canada" is a charming little sketch of a poor but philanthropic French Canadian who keeps the largest city in the United States guessing. "Walt Whitman and Anne Gilchrist" is interesting if you like that sort of thing. "Dr. Samuel Johnson Views our Poets" is well written. (We're taking these up in the order in which they occur to us). *Culwitting the Mosquito* will recall to many with a pang of regret, the author, the late Dr. W. H. Hattie, of whose painstaking work the article is typical. "French Canada: Its Survival" is an interesting study of the French minority that retained its traditions and customs in the face of great odds for so many years to be weakened finally through its own adaptability. We thought that previous issues had about exhausted historic interest in P. E. Island, but along comes our Archivist, Mr. Harvey, with another instructive little account of pioneer days that must be very interesting to all good Islanders. On Poetry we have always been loathe to comment of the four poems, "Exile," "The Highway," "Fog Horn," and "Baconian Paraphrases," we liked "The Highway" best. The discussion of "Current Magazines" has attained its usual high level. "Topics of the Day" need to be read to be appreciated.

We congratulate the Editors on an issue that, through pre-eminent excellence in some parts rather than through general average quality is of great merit.

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# What's Wrong with Medicine?

The first degree shock produced by the recent first semester examinations, has now been absorbed almost completely by the youthful and vigorous beings, who were fortunate enough to have the privilege of writing them. Only in an occasional subject do signs yet linger. The many evils, wrongs, injustices, and what you will, that the individual believed were dealt out to him in the past few years were again felt keenly. But, these too, have lost much of the personal factor. Now with minds more calmed, and perhaps less biased, may one ask respectfully "What is Wrong with Medicine?" and expect that an intelligent reply can be given to the query. One may well ask this question because the number of those failing to get the necessary pass mark, especially in the first and second years, in the face of the apparent facts, seems to be greater than it should be. Why, then, are there so many failures? When one has explained these failures, what other criticism can one make of medicine, as such, at this university?

Adverse criticism, on the part of the students, is generally small, in amount and degree, as far as the clinical years are concerned. There are some complaints but perfection on the instructive side is no more probable than absence of "crabbers" on the students' part. For this reason, destructive criticism will be confined mainly to the theoretical years. Can failures there be adequately explained?

This may be more or less difficult to do. No explanation can be definitely said to apply to the particular case. The facts are known only to the instructor and the writer of the paper. On many occasions the student himself doubts the value of his answer—apart altogether from the opinion the professor may have of it. Forgetting this difficulty, we plunge into the midst of things.

In the first place, why does the number of failures, appear to be too large? It has been general conversation in many parts of these Maritime provinces that the number of applications received each year for entrance into first year medicine, at this university, runs up into the hundreds. The truth of this statement cannot be vouched for, but, if it is true, it is only logical to suppose that preference, or admittance, is given to those who have fulfilled the entrance requirements and have stood highest in their qualifications. The fact that Dalhousie is a Maritime University, receiving most of its endowment and support from the Maritime people, would lead to the acceptance of the Maritime student in the case where numbers are limited, providing the qualifications are approximately the same. Care, then, is exercised in selecting those who shall begin the study of medicine. A high standard has therefore been set up. Then what happens? One term is spent in the school, and of late years, about a half dozen students in first year, are shot out for always as far as Dalhousie is concerned. Another term passes, and generally another six follow where others have already trod. Over twenty-five per cent are forced to leave, in first year, because they cannot pass their examinations. This seems to be too high a percentage of failures in a selected group. Why have they failed?

Several conclusions can be drawn. The individual student has not the ability to pass. If he has the ability, he has not done a reasonable amount of work. Or, the professor plucks him on principle. The last one often explains when all others fail. This explanation puts all the responsibility on the individual student. If a man has the ability, and he works, he can pass the examinations. But the real end is not passing examinations. The student of average ability can pass in a given course in spite of a poor instructor. But then drudgery fills up the entire space that should be partly filled with inspiration. Responsibility is then rightly placed on the side of the faculty. They are the leaders. They cannot make a student absorb knowledge as they would hand out a chocolate bar. But they should be able, as teachers, to show the way. To the extent that any professor fails to do this, to a greater extent the average, or superior, student must indulge in unnecessary labor to get a knowledge of the subject. In such a state, energy and even interest for other better taught subjects is deadened. When an instructor fails to point out how a process occurs, as far as it is known, the position of the student is in no way different to what the position of an antediluvian would be, if he could be plunged into one of our modern Babylons. This failure occurs in more than one subject of the theoretical years. Can the student excuse himself on this account?

Howard Kennedy had an interesting phone call last week at the University office, "Seek and ye shall find."

**BASKETBALL**  
**Y. M. C. A. Sat., Jan. 23**  
 7 p.m. St. Johns vs Kings  
 Intermediate  
 8 p.m. DALHOUSIE vs Y. M. C. A.  
 Senior  
 9 p.m. Wanderers vs N. S. Tech.  
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One should not rush to condemn entirely all note-taking. Examples of note-taking to great advantage can be easily pointed out. However, when notes are dictated, hour after hour, term in and term out, the monotony broken only by a late-comer to class, the enthusiasm of the best student has well nigh disappeared and he will do well if he manifests its absence only by a yawn. One hour of such dictation as far as education is concerned is entirely wasted. Textbooks have been selected for clearness of exposition and reliability and they cost much less than a whole year's tuition fee.

One could go on picking flaws in any teaching which does not follow the latest findings in the science of pedagogy. One could reasonably say that the responsibility for this high percentage of failures must be borne, in part at least, by the faculty of the school, even if one admits that the drudge car muddle thru. The criticism that should be applied, if it is applied correctly, is that the education of the pupil is not helped by the teacher, in class periods.

This inadequate explanation of the failures must be supplemented by the pointing out of certain unfairnesses which many students feel. Why demand that a student, because he fails to pass in half his examinations at the end of the first semester, should leave the university? Is it for the student's own good? If so, why not refund him a portion of the tuition he has paid for a full year's instruction? A cheque is more tangible than a letter of advice. However, apart from the financial aspect, does not the individual who gets plucked badly deserve a second chance? If space and convention permitted, many of the most successful doctors, in other places as well as these provinces by the sea, could be cited as having suffered many plucks, and repeated ones, when efforts to discourage their taking medicine were not so numerous. No one can always tell definitely in four months, or in four years, the eligibility of a particular individual for the practise of medicine. And to the individual, his own case is most important. Also, there seems to be no definite regulations with which the student can become acquainted. One man may have two plucks but allowed to write supplementaries. Another for no apparent reason is denied this. He may be denied even the privilege of repeating his year. On the other hand, some can repeat ad infinitum. This is fair not even to the University.

Further criticism can be made of the motivation employed to get students to study. Much may be said for use of the "fear complex", but when it works a group of students into feverish anxiety in which optimum efficiency in studying for, and writing examinations, is prevented, little commendation can be given to its use. Is it any wonder that some of the more susceptible to nervous excitement blow up under the added strain? The novice is always fearful enough without a stage being set.

Closely associated with this fear environment is the conflict between these entities, "Student Body and Faculty." Sometimes it seems to rival that of "town" and "gown." Why should there be this "war" when individually student and professor are on such amicable and co-operative terms? Competition between the two groups that should be characterized by the maximum of co-operation is not conducive to good work individually on either side. Upon those who have played the roles of both student and teacher lies the responsibility for the solving of this problem.

But it is easier to criticize destructively than to do. It has been said that those who can, do, the others teach. Like other platitudes it is probably wrong. Perhaps someone may suggest that which will bring us nearer perfection as a medical school, from the point of view of the serious, energetic, thoughtful "discoverer" in the most mysterious of all professions. Then, there will be no failures, and no one will think of anything wrong.

Fraser Nicholson and Neil Ferguson are still getting unmitigated benefit from Pine Hill vocal talent, etc. It is fortunate indeed that these two gentlemen have an appreciation for such things.

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## U. K. C. NOTES

At a recent meeting of the student body of the college, the date of the next King's dance was fixed at Thursday, February 4. King's dances have become so popular this year that it is expected that a large number will attend. The committee in charge of the affair will be named by Staff Tanton, chairman of the body. In addition to making arrangements for the dance, several other matters were discussed, including food and the wearing of gowns at lectures.

King's College basketball team played their first game of the season at the Y on Saturday evening against the Y Seniors, losing out by a score of 56 to 18. Despite the one-sided score, King's made a good showing with a scarcity of subs, and for the first fifteen minutes of the game led in the scoring. The King's team are entered in the intermediate section of the Halifax City League, and will face the season with a strong outfit.

King's hockey team, which put up such a surprisingly strong showing against the last St. Mary's outfit and the Nova Scotia Technical College, will go up against Dalhousie in the intercollegiate league next Tuesday at the Forum, and an exciting game is in prospect, as the teams should be well matched.

Another badminton tournament will be held in the college gymnasium, starting within the next few days. An unusually large number have entered, and it is likely that it will be even more of a success than was the first meet, held during the pre-Christmas term.

A King's badminton team of twelve members will compete in one of the local city leagues this winter, and the selection of the team will depend upon the showing the players will make in the coming tournament. Several good players are being developed, and it is expected that King's will have a strong representation in the league.

The first meeting of the Haliburton Club since Christmas will be held in the Haliburton room next Saturday evening. The President, Professor C. L. Bennett, will preside, and the Secretary, H. H. Dysart, has announced that the program will be an interesting and entertaining one.

This evening the King's Co-Eds are staging the first of their receptions for the post-Christmas term at Alexandra Hall. The affair will take the form of a masquerade dance, which will be held in the gymnasium.

King's students were honored Sunday morning by the presence of Archbishop Worrell, Primate of All Canada, in the college chapel, when Archdeacon Vroom conducted the service. His Grace Archbishop Worrell delivered an inspiring and interesting sermon which was greatly appreciated by King's students and others who attended the service.

## Passing Blow - -

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 with infections that indicate that shame ought to be the reaction reflect only upon the professor or student by whom it is manifest. The student or professor in Law who in effect, says with contempt, "That's the Law—your profession" is just as unethical and indelicate as he who mocks a blemish on a human countenance. If improvement can be effected, then let it be effected, not with sneers, but with sympathy and dignity and respect. The benefit will be in instituting the good, not in berating the wrong. The doctor does not cure an obsession by poking fun at it nor does a lawyer explain how his client may keep out of litigation by laughing at his previous torts. The student and the professor ought to exhibit the same consideration for his profession. After all he has chosen it for his life work and owes that consideration to his own self respect.

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## The Student Forum

A Column devoted to Comment and Controversy

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The Editor, Dalhousie Gazette.

Dear Sir:—

Mr. W. G. Stewart's letter in last week's Gazette has aroused so much comment that I venture to ask for space in your publication in which to express the viewpoint of those on the opposite side of the question.

Mr. Stewart demands a lessening in the number of hotel dances, on the plea that the expense is too great for most students. He states that on this account the majority of people attend only one dance a year—the dance just by their own group.

The hotel dances are expensive, but so are most other amusements, and it is a fact that boys who go to dances at all generally attend at least half those given during the course of the year. Moreover it is perfectly natural to attend the dance at which one's friends are present. The place at which one's circle of acquaintances is not a dance, your collection of dance programmes will show practically the same names on every programme, you cannot force people to be friendly. Bring everyone in Dalhousie together at a dance and they will spend the evening with their own groups.

Mr. Stewart states more boys stay away from dances because they do not own evening clothes. This is undoubtedly the case but why should it be so. Let any boy with the necessary courage, who does not own or is unable to borrow the proper clothes come to a dance in informal dress and if he is the right kind of boy I venture to say that he will enjoy the evening in spite of his attire. "Clothes do not

make the man" is an old saying but a very true one.

Another point brought forward by Mr. Stewart is that only those blessed with an abundance of worldly goods may attend the dances. To remedy this condition he suggests holding as many dances as possible in the new gym. It is certainly too bad that we all can't be rich, but anyone who wants to attend a dance should be able to save three dollars on cigarettes and milkshakes the week before. Is the number of automobiles limited because everyone can't afford one? Must everyone eat bacon and eggs for Christmas dinner because a great many people are unable to afford turkey? That may be fair to the unfortunate but it is hardly just to the poor rich people. Must one attend gym dances while he prefers to go to a hotel? The hotels are much more comfortable, they have an atmosphere which goes to make a successful; the catering is attended to by the staff. No matter how fine the new gym is, it cannot hope to compete with hotels in this respect. The last gym dances were absolute failures financially because people preferred to save their money and go to the hotels. You cannot force gym dances on Dalhousie and I sincerely hope that the Student Council will not attempt to do so. By all means let us have the informal Student Council and Freshie-Soph dances in the gym, but let us also have the more formal dances in the hotels and you will satisfy the great majority of the students.

Thanking you, sir, I am,  
 Very truly,  
 CONSTANT READER.

There is no truth to the rumor that Delphine Wallace has gone into mourning for her beloved side-kick Fran Huntly. But we do believe, however, that the light snow which fell a week ago last Sunday completely buried THE city of Parrsboro. It was only last Saturday that word filtered through to civilization that our Fran was alive and kicking as usual. Three cheers!

House phones have been installed at Shirreff Hall—a different ring for each floor. They provide real amusement for the girls too—par example—Ross Morrison drove up to the Hall, and five minutes later the basement ring sounded through the halls—"O'm, said Mary Lee, "the Queenstone or Beth Atherton."

Five years ago, during a lecture on Permutations and Combinations.

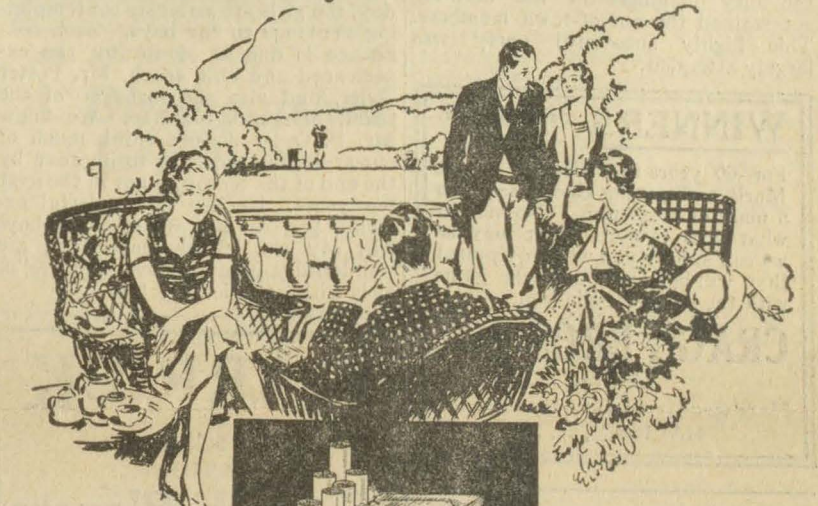
Murray Macneil (to very sleepy-looking male student)—"How many chances are there of making a royal flush in a poker game?"

(V. S. S.)—"Not a chance in the world, sir."

Note. If you don't believe that ask Helen Biden.

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 The *Golden Book* is printed in the United States, but is usually free from U. S. isms. Occasionally a short story or allegedly humorous skip by an American author creeps in with, seemingly, little justification, but on the average, we endorse this magazine wholeheartedly. It certainly ought to exercise a greater appeal than many of the scientific journals with which the library has been in the past flooded and which not even the professors seem to read.

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### Basketball Team Seeks Support

The Editor, Dalhousie Gazette.

Dear Sir:— Dalhousie opens the basketball season on Saturday night next at 8 o'clock. The game will be played against the Y. M. C. A. Seniors at the "Y" Gymnasium.

No matter how good our individual players are we cannot expect to win by simply sending down our own players. The team needs the wholehearted support of the student body in order to be successful at games.

The boys spend many long hours at practice and make considerable sacrifices in order to worthily represent the University. The least the students can do is to turn out and support them at their games. That is all the team asks of you.

The game on Saturday will be the first in the League, but it will be one of the most important games for Dal. You, the students, might forget the shows etc., for one Saturday night and turn out to support your team. The boys are willing, let's get behind them. They deserve and need your backing. Don't forget, Time—Saturday night, 8 o'clock; Place—Y. M. C. A. Gymnasium; Opposition—the Y. M. C. A. Seniors. Let's make it a gala Dalhousie night.

H. A. NICHOLS, Manager.

### Seniority Notes

Miss Margaret Burris entertained the Sigma Theta Pi Sorority at a charming tea at her home in Dartmouth on Sunday afternoon. The function was enjoyed by a large number of members.

On Tuesday evening of last week, the Kappa Sigma Sorority held an informal party at the home of Miss Marion Morton on Robie Street, when the city members of the Sorority entertained the out-of-town members. This highly successful party was largely attended.

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### C. O. T. C. Notes

The showing at the last parade was most discouraging to instructors and members alike. This was due both to the small attendance, and the motley appearance of those who did attend. Regarding this last, enough has already been said by Sergeant-Major Lolley. It remains for me to discuss the attendance proposition.

The absentees may be roughly divided into three classes. Firstly, those who "think they know it all." To them I would say that they might well serve as an example to those poor unfortunates who are still learning. I might even suggest, were it not that my words may be taken as blasphemy, that it is impossible for any one man to "know it all." Secondly, those who know nothing about military drill, but are afraid to come for fear of making fools of themselves. They need have nothing to fear, they will be in good company. Thirdly, there are those who "don't give a darn." These should never have joined the organization in the first place, but now that they are in it they will, if they have any decency, take as active a part as possible in its work.

Let us have a full showing at the next parade, and let every man be there five minutes early. Remember Lord Nelson's famous remark, "I owe all my success in life to the habit of always being a quarter of an hour ahead of time."

### Girls Sports

Now that the new Y. W. C. A. is finished we are expecting results from the girls' basketball team, as they will now have an excellent place to practice. All concerned are expected to turn out on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5.30 to 6.30 and on Saturdays from 12.30 to 1.30. The hours are rather inconvenient for Hall girls, but it has been arranged to have a hot dinner ready for them at 7.00 on those particular nights.

After such a good practise on Saturday, the girls are seriously contemplating challenge to the boys. Such confidence is due no doubt to the experienced and able coach, Mr. Potter Oylor, and also the manager of the team, Margaret MacRae. We know Mr. P. Oylor doesn't think much of our style, but we hope to improve by the end of the season, if not in the next ten years. Hockey is wonderful exercise, yes, and I am sure the boys will say the games, especially, are wonderfully funny! Never mind—"us girls will just stick together."

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### Boxing

Boxing, like other phases of sport at Dalhousie, has suffered owing to lack of a gymnasium and equipment. Dalhousie however does not lack material and there is no reason why we cannot send a winning team down to St. F. Xavier this year and bring the Phinney Shield back to its former place. Regular hours (as shown by the bulletin) have been reserved at St. Mary's gym for the boys to train. So far quite a number have been turning out but we should like to see more new material.

The Maritime Intercollegiate finals are to be held at St. F. Xavier near the middle of March. Probably two weeks previous to these we will have our own elimination tournament at Studley to pick the team. In the Dalhousie eliminations, bronze medals with a boxing figure mounted on the front will be given to the man coming second, while a silver cup, engraved with the name and weight goes to the winner. A man winning one bout in the Maritime finals will get an Athletic "D." Cups are also offered for first and second in the respective weights.

There is only a little more than a month to get into shape so that all those interested should begin training at once.

### Millionaires' Ball

At the general meeting of the Commerce Society held recently, an executive was chosen to arrange the details for the Millionaires' Ball to be held on Jan. 29th.

Under the watchful eye of George Thompson, "Duke" Mahon and his committee have already been functioning. Laurie Hart and Edith Allen have secured the Nova Scotian Hotel and promise us refreshments "elaborate and delicious." Gladys Jost and "Duke" have shown good taste in booking Joe Mills and a ten piece orchestra for the gala night. George has promised faithfully to provide the newest and best in favours and decorations.

It seems needless to refer to the past successes of the Commerce Society—but let us remind you that the Millionaires Ball is THE Dance of the year. With such a capable personnel we can rest assured that this year's Ball committee will surpass all previous dances. We'll be seeing you!

### YEAR BOOK NOTICE.

All biographies must be in by Jan. 20th.  
All individual photos must be taken at Gauvin and Gentzel's before Jan. 31st.  
Let us have your cooperation.

### Sports Review

The Bowling results are encouraging. Interfaculty games played Jan. 13 resulted in Law 1,111, Dentistry 940. In the Arts-Commerce game, Commerce won by the close margin of 15 points. Score 1010, 995.

Basketball has started out very poorly. Whether there is a lack of interest or whether unsuitable hours were the cause, it is unknown. The whole three games were defaulted. Arts & Sc. defaulted to Medicine. The Engineers turned out in full force to meet the Freshmen, but owing to an old injury to one of their team, Menzies, they defaulted to the Freshmen. Dentistry didn't even show up for their game with Commerce—the latter getting the default.

### French Professor Addresses Club

"Is Canadian French a 'patois'?" was the interesting topic discussed by Prof. Ernest Martin of the Department of Modern Languages at a recent meeting of the Halifax Branch, L'Alliance Francaise. Prof. Martin, who lately took a three weeks tour through Eastern Canada, states that the French Canadian dialect is quite intelligible to a native of France. He was at no time forced to ask that a word be repeated.

While French Canadians of different localities speak varying dialects it was suggested that such variations should no more be despised than the various dialects of English. Furthermore some French Canadians do not really speak a dialect but "merely preserve certain archaic forms, glorious relics of a past generation."

Prof. Martin was also of opinion that Canadian French usage differed from the Parisian to no greater extent than that of the English usage differs from that of London. He concluded that the necessity of a Nova Scotian acquiring a knowledge of French cannot be overemphasized.

### Fraternity News

Tuesday evening, Jan. 12, the boys of Phi Chi held a delightful informal party at their Chapter house. The rooms were strikingly decorated in their Fraternity colours—green and white. The music was such as only Yale Brodie and his boys could provide. At 11.30 novel refreshments were served to the thirty couples present. Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Ross graced the dance with their company—and to them we extend our hearty thanks.

On Monday evening last, Phi Alpha Mu held a banquet at which the pledges were inducted into the Fraternity. The pledges were Tobias Beeber, Sam Rosenberg, Morris Feuerstein and Stanley Glube. Following the meeting a social programme was held and Sam Margolian was the Chairman. Julius Rosenblum and Robert Kanigsberg were the speakers of the meeting. The Social Committee were already planning the best Phi Alpha Mu dance ever, and it is scheduled for Tuesday, January 26th. Among the new pledges are: Mark Brown, John Morrison, Nate Green and Irving Pink. Negotiations are almost concluded to bring a Chapter of a National Fraternity to Phi Alpha Mu and thus become an international fraternity instead of a local.

### Pine Hill Notes

A heavily-wagered narcissus growing contest is being staged between Russell McSween and Bram Chandler, two aspiring florists with no mean ability in that line. So far the honours go to Bram. McSween has found out that freezing is not particularly beneficial to plant growth and with this much experience promises yet to make the contest worth while. We see now a very probable cause for the increased water consumption at Pine Hill.

Mitsuwo Kitazawa—assisted by Howe Jones and Russell McSween gave a musical concert at Rockingham Friday night. "Kit's" popularity is by no means confined to Pine Hill. Presently, it seems, he will need a manager to select and arrange his many engagements. And the happy part of it, all is that "Kit" remains just "Kit."

### Physical Department

#### Bowling.

The alleys will be available for individual and practice bowling during the following hours: Mon., Wed. and Sat. afternoons, 2 until 6 p. m.

#### Interfaculty League Games.

Mon. Jan. 20—7-9 Commerce vs. Professors.  
9-11 Medicine vs. Theology.  
Fri. Jan. 22.—7-9 Freshmen vs. Dental.  
9-11 Engineers vs. Arts.

#### Basketball.

1st. Team Practice, Mon., Wed., Fri. 7.30 P. M. to 9.00.  
2nd. Team Practice, Mon., Wed., Fri. 9.00 to 10.30 P. M.

**Beginners Practice, Saturday 5 to 6 P. M. This period is for any Dalhousie student wishing instruction in basketball.**

Interfaculty games for Sat. Jan. 23rd.  
2 P. M.—Theology vs. Freshmen.  
3 P. M.—Commerce vs. Profs.  
4 P. M.—Law vs. Arts.

#### Gymnastics.

Students interested in gymnastics are requested to attend the regular class periods at the following hours, Tues. 12.15-1.15 Noon, Sat. 2.30-4 P. M. in the upper gym. (Beginners, as well as the advanced gymnasts, are urged to come!)

#### Boxing and Wrestling.

Students wishing to try-out for the University Team are requested to attend the regular instruction and practice periods.

Wed., Fri. 8-9.30 P. M. and Sat. 4-5.30 P. M. (upper gym.).

#### Athletics.

Dalhousie track men should drop in and try the new starting-blocks for indoor use (Upper gym.).

#### Badminton.

The Upper Badminton court at the St. Mary's Gym may be used during the following hours: Wed., Fri. 7-10.30 P. M., Sat. 2.30-5.30 P. M.

### Dal Loses By Narrow Margin

In a hard-fought, evenly matched battle staged in the Mount Allison Gymnasium on Saturday last, the Dalhousie Basketball Squad opened their current season by receiving a setback at the hands of the New Brunswickers, 46-35. The Tigers, although out-pointed were far from outplayed, and gave the Mounties a number of anxious moments.

The Dalhousie team was minus two of last years stars Dunc MacKenzie who graduated in the Spring, and Charlie Anderson who is unable to play due to injuries received while playing Football. Harold Davidson, regular winger was also unable to make the trip. Frank Creighton a newcomer to the squad showed up well in his initial bow to senior company, as did Handler and Kennedy on the defence and Sam Fairstein, high scorer for the evening.

The Mounties have their usual fast and well-balanced team; they will undoubtedly go far in their forthcoming competition. Particularly in their floor-work and their accurate shooting did they excel.

The game as a whole was excellent, though both quintettes displayed some rough spots that will doubtless be smoothed off as the season progresses. The Dal Squad opens its league schedule on Saturday evening. The lineup:

Forwards: Brittain, Fairstein, Creighton, Bauld.  
Centre: MacRae.  
Guards: Kennedy, Handler, Clarke, Anderson.

Manager: H. A. Nicholls.  
The Tigers were entertained by the Mount Allison Squad at a delightful dance and party after the game.

#### Schedule for the New Gymnasium.

Team managers, Class representatives, etc., are requested to get in touch with the Phys. Dir., Mr. W. E. Stirling at the Murray Homestead, to arrange for periods in the New Gymnasium. (First come, first served).

Office Hours, Mon., Wed., Thur., Fri. 10-12 A. M.

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8 p. m. DALHOUSIE vs Y. M. C. A. Senior  
9 p. m. WANDERERS vs N.S. TECH Senior

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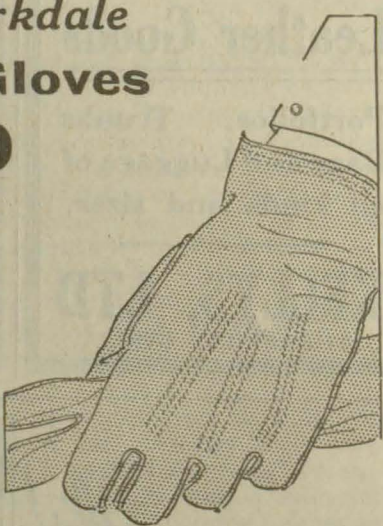
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