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EDITORIAL.

Dalhousie has had every reason to be grateful to her friends in the early months of 1918. First came the practically unsolicited aid of the Carnegie Institute, and now we are able to record the splendid gift of Senator and Mrs. Dennis, in memory of their son Eric who yielded up his life at Vimy Ridge. Eric Dennis needs no memorial; his loveable personality and courage will not soon be forgotten; but in thus erecting a monument to him, his parents have made themselves the benefactors of countless generations to follow after.

The gift is well given. Dalhousie needed a chair in the Science of Government or Political Economy. The fact that the Professor in this subject is at present obliged to deliver lectures in history has seriously limited the scope of these two courses. The creation of the new chair will thus make possible a greater number of elective subjects for upper class students, as well as facilitating honour work.

Words are of little avail to thank Senator and Mrs. Dennis. Perhaps they do not care for thanks. This gift must seem so small to them after having given up their son to the Empire. But if they can look along the years and see the proud and happy possessors of the Eric Dennis Medal, they will know that their own names as well as that of their son will never be erased from the list of the builders of this University.

A GIFT OF \$60,000 TO DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY.

In Memory of Their Son Eric, who fell at Vimy Ridge, Senator and Mrs. Dennis endow a Chair of Government and Political Science.

Mr. G. S. Campbell, chairman of the Board of Governors of Dalhousie University, has issued for publication the following statement.

It is my privilege to announce a notable gift to Dalhousie University. Senator and Mrs. Dennis have tendered to the College, the sum of \$60,000 for the purpose of endowing a Chair in memory of their son, Lieut. Eric Reginald Dennis, who fell fighting for the Empire at Vimy Ridge on Apr.

5th, 1917. At a special meeting of the governors held on the 28th ult., the following letter was read:

Halifax, February 23rd, 1918.

George S. Campbell,
Chairman Board of Governors,
Dalhousie College, Halifax.

My Dear Mr. Campbell:—With an earnest desire to establish a suitable memorial to our eldest son who lost his life in the war, Mrs. Dennis and myself, after careful consideration, have decided to offer to the Governors of Dalhousie University a sum sufficient for the full endowment of a new Chair. Two main reasons move us to this decision. The University is about to celebrate her centenary; and in these Maritime Provinces, and in Nova Scotia in particular, her influence thru all these years has always been on the side of sound learning, liberal and progressive thought, democratic ideals, and a wholesome patriotism. Moreover, we are glad to think that Dalhousie, and the other Colleges in the Maritime Provinces, have been to an important degree the inspiration to the public service patriotism which are the proud record of our people during this esting period in our history. We are convinced that Colleges like Dalhousie are of a supreme value to the State, and we feel that they should receive a larger measure of public recognition and support.

Therefore upon being notified that our proposed gift is acceptable to the Governors and Senate of Dalhousie University, we will be pleased to have over to the Governors to be held in trust, in perpetuity, the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars for the endowment of a Chair, which we should like to be designated "The Eric Dennis Chair of Government and Political Science." Our definite intention is that the income from the endowment will be sufficient to place the salary of the Professor, at his appointment, at least on an equality with the other full Professors, and also allow for an increase in his salary from time to time as the Governors may deem wise in the interests of the work of the Chair.

We would like it to go to the Professor as a suggestion from us that in each College year he should arrange to give two or more public lectures of a popular character in connection with the Chair, these lectures to be delivered at Halifax, or at some other place in Nova Scotia or Maritime Provinces, as might best suit the occasion. In this connection we think it is to be regretted that the talents of many College Professors are not more used, in like manner, for the benefit of the public. It is further our definite intention that from the surplus income a portion shall be annually used for the purchase of books relating to the subject of "Government and Political Science," and that these books shall be placed in the College Library.

With the residue of the income it is our intention that prizes shall be offered in the courses of the department, the one in the final year to be not less than \$250, perhaps in connection with a Thesis, but carrying with it when awarded an obligation on the successful student to pursue at least one year's post-graduate study in the same department in another University to be approved of by the Senate.

With regard to the amounts which shall be used for the purchase of books, or devoted to prizes and scholarship referred to above, we desire that the President and Senate shall use their own judgment so as to promote in the best way the purposes for which the Chair is established. And it is our intention finally that to the student taking the highest standing in the aforesaid department at graduation there shall be awarded annually a gold medal to be known as "The Eric Dennis Gold Medal."

Yours very truly,

WILLIAM DENNIS.

The Board of Governors in accepting the gift passed the following minute of thanks and appreciation:

"The Board having received a letter from the Hon. Senator Dennis, offering on behalf of himself and Mrs. Dennis, to found and endow a Chair as a memorial to their son, Lieut. Eric Reginald Dennis, M. C., hereby gratefully accepts the gift under the terms stated in the trust agreement submitted to the Board. In accepting this generous offer, the Governors desire to record their appreciation of the fine spirit of patriotism which has inspired the donors to perpetuate the name of their beloved son in such a beneficent and far reaching way. By founding this Chair, they not only keep green the memory of a brave young soldier who answered the call of duty and died fighting for his country, but help at the same time in the most practical way to create an interest in the public life of Canada, and to inculcate amongst the youth of our land the highest ideals of public service."

This is the first Chair devoted especially to the Science of Government to be established in any University in Canada, and the friends of Dalhousie and all true friends of education thruout the Province, will rejoice that this honor has fallen to a Nova Scotia University.

By this noble benefaction, given while they yet live, Senator and Mrs. Dennis have shown a signal example of public spirit, of insight into educational opportunities, and of munificent generosity in meeting a special need of the time.

The Governors will take steps to secure a first class man for the Chair, and this make a valuable addition to the strong teaching staff of the University.

GEORGE S. CAMPBELL.

Halifax, March 1st, 1918.

LETTER TO MEDICALS.

Chu Chia Chai, via Te Chau, Shantung, North China.

November 11th, 1917.

Dalhousie Medical Students. My Dear Fellow Students,—

You may remember my being with you over a Sunday last spring. Little did I think then that it would be my happy lot to be so soon back at my loved Mission work. God has granted my heart's desire to begin again, and now I am 68 years young. The United Methodist Mission, the senior members of which are old friends of mine asked me to take charge of their hospital in Shantung (their Doctor has gone on war service). It is a general surgical and Medical hospital, and two days journey from the nearest hospital. Some very serious surgical and medical cases have to be dealt with. The hospital is well equipped with instruments and drugs, and I find it most interesting work. We have a men's hospital and a women's hospital. I have three assistants. I have had several serious abdominal stabbing cases and we have to act right off on our own initiative to save life. Quite apart from the great object of our work of bringing men and women to Christ, it is splendid practice. We have to do things in our daily routine that only fall to the lot of specialists at home, and in every branch. It is wonderful how God blesses me and helps me. Every day with its new work and difficulties brings that Divine aid without which it would all be impossible. We pray and work. We begin the day with prayer. The first thing every day when I meet my assistants we pray together and ask the Holy Spirit to take charge of us, our words, our thoughts and our actions for that day. Then we have a short morning service with our patients. The never-ending subject is How to find Christ; How to obtain salvation. No forcing, but we try to win them for the Master.

On Sunday afternoon, I go out on the Mission Donkey to visit the villages that are studded all over the plain. I carry portions of scripture with me, sell them for one cent, each. This gives me an opportunity of addressing little groups of people. We have a level sunny winter climate; cold of course, but dry and most enjoyable. We have a fine little dokey who carries me along at a great pace. I have been to several villages this afternoon.

Then I am examining a lot of coolies for France.—British Government war service. So we can do out little bit for our dear King and Country. When you are deciding your future, just ask Christ if he wants you out here, and happy is the man or woman who gets this Divine call.

My kindest remembrances to you all, not to forget Professor Harris. Yours very sincerely, G. PURVISSMITH.

(Note.—Dr. Smith gave an illustrated lecture at Dalhousie last year, and addressed several other meetings. He was the secretary of the first committee in connection with the great Edinburgh Student movement, with which Drummond was so closely associated. Mrs. Smith visited the Y. W. C. A. last fall).

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THE FRESHIE FEED.

After the thrills and tribulations of chemistry lab, last Wednesday, there gathered in a certain room, certain folk, we the freshettes, laughing, gay and exuberant. It took three of us to make the coffee. Dr. Bronson most sweetly and unselfishly allowed us the use of his lab. with its gas jets and other wonderful appliances. As we bent over the coffee urn, steaming and temptingly delicious, the sound of laughter from the adjoining room announced to us that the hour of celebration was at hand, and summoned us to attend. After a delightful repast, salad, sandwiches, olives, cakes, ice cream and all the other requisites of a meatless day, we washed up dishes cleared away the debris, and left everything in a state of neatness that even the most spic and span member of the Delta Gamme could not detect a flaw in the precision and decorum of the merry Freshettes.

A. CHISHOLM.

ENVY.

If I could sing, . . . ah love, if I could sing And through the purple night a questing breeze Called me to waken and arise and see, And to the listening ear of me Numbered the witcheries that were abroad, I would arise and down the road Threading in shady whiteness through the wood, I'd quickly fly, as lover should. If I could sing, ah love, if I could sing!

Close by thy house, deep in the darkest glade, Trembling at the beauty star-crowned Mid-night made— The dusky trees, . . . the jewelled lawn, The long straight shadows by the poplars thrown,— There would I voice the ecstasy Thrilling in silence in the heart of me, An oldtime Serenade. . . . but sung for thee. If I could sing, ah love, if I could sing!

POWDER PUFF.

OBSERVATIONS.

V. C. M.

Students should not confine themselves wholly to the past, even in their reading. While the classics and standard works of other generations must be read and studied extensively, still the literature and current opinions of today merit equal consideration. A course of reading in modern literature is both a necessary and salutary supplement to the prescribed curriculum. For these reasons, I suggest, (following Emerson) the advisability of the appointment of a Professor of Books.

Skilled guidance is needed to enable youth to make any progress in the mazes of present day literary productions. The ability to discriminate between the thousands of annual publications to select from among them those worthy perusal, (perhaps a score), or worthy of purchase, (about two), is a quality as rare as it is valuable.

Short pithy digests of recent books, lists of worthy-while authors, suggestions as to their place in contemporary literature,

their style and customary themes; all these and many other items would be of immense value to those of us who wish to keep our heads above the current of the literary thought of our times.

Chesterton, Shaw, Belloc, Galsworthy and Kipling are as essential as Emerson, Carlyle, Ruskin, Thackeray, and Browning. Whatever rank posterity will give to our present writers, it is important that we be conversant with their works and opinions.

I need not labour this point, but should any gentleman offer to assist the young minds of Dalhousie towards a better appreciation of Twentieth Century Literature, his name will not be forgotten in our University Annals.

Every human institution has its platform, its programme or policy, which is at once a statement of its purposes and ideals and the justification of its existence. That vast and powerful system called Education has no single authoritative exposition of its fundamental theories; it is no scientific principles, no universal method, and no fixed goal. Yet it is to this unsystematic, chaptic establishment that all men, no less volens, must submit their plastic years.

Students, who are wont to accept all necessarily dogmatic utterances of professors and writers of text books as gospel, to the consequent loss of originality and personality, should note these words of Emerson; "Meek young men grow up in Libraries, believing it their duty to accept the views which Cicero, Locke, and Bacon have given; forgetful that Cicero, Locke, and Bacon were only young men in libraries when they wrote those books."

When Macaulay wanted to utterly condemn and demolish a person or institution, he first proceeded to praise and eulogise its good points before releasing the thunder of his rhetoric, his motto being, "the bigger they are, the harder they fall."

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LYRIC.

Who shall remember me when the first
brave swallow
Nests in the red barn's eaves, and in a
woodland hollow
The first, frail violet wakes, a purple ember
Of spring's eternal flame? Who shall re-
member?

Who shall remember that I walked with
laughter
All through the April years, the valiant
years, and after,
When on my life there dawned a greayer
morrow,
Still unreluctantly I gave my hands to
sorrow.

And in the quiet dusk when man meets
maiden,
Heart calling out to heart, with love over-
laden,
Lip hungering for lip, to each other cling-
ing,
Shall they remember that I once was sing-
ing?

AT THE ORPHEUS.

Bab was back at the Orpheus again last week, Bab and Leila and Hannah and Jane Raleigh and Carter Brooks not to forget mother and father. The Diary ranks well with Caesar's Commentaries, albeit the spelling is primitive even for a sub-deb. This time Bab got into a tangle with a handsome Thespian, a tangle which while tragic to her, also proved embarrassing to those of the audience who were too tightly laced. Marguerite Clarke gives a splendid impersonation of a flapper, perhaps a trifle over ingenue. Nigel Barrie, ex-partner of the delectable, though not Deltagammish Joan Sawyer, makes many a feminine heart go pitter-pat with his Arrow Collar head. The rest of the cast resemble ladies and gentlemen, a rare thing in the silent drama.

GOING IN.

The golden russet twilight;
The long straight line of trees;
Shattered and torn by shrapnel,
Immovable in the breeze.

The uneven flags of the pavement;
The clattering tramp of men;
The staccato beat of the pack mules
In strings of nine and ten.

The dismal honk of the lorries
As they lumber and splash along;
The galloping hoofs of the M. M. P'S
The steam roller's rattling song.

The shattered broken steeple;
The crosses,—wood and stone,—
Uprooted, torn and broken;—
The crucifix standing alone.

The falling shadows of evening,
The last dying light in the west
As the first faint stars peep slowly
Through old Night's black lined vest.

The blinding flash from an iron mouth;
The tearing roar from the same
As the screaming shell goes over the
line
By the rules of the Iron game.

The murky flashes of mess-tins
As the long line bobs along
Through the crooked, bath-matted
trenches
That lead where the whizz-bangs
throng.

The whine of a peevish five point nine
As it grates through the darkening air;
The sickening crash,—the answering
bangs,
From the batteries everywhere.

The earth-quake, terrible, rending crash
Of a "Minnie" on business bound,
As if large hands were tearing the sky,
To judge by the ghastly sound.

The peering eye of a vagrant flare
With its white and ghastly light
As it glares o'er the torn-up landscape
And pales the face of night.

And here the wreck of a ruined house;
And here where a brewery rose,
A broken chain and a rusty plow
Mark the trail where the whizz-bang
goes.

The jam of men in the narrow trench;
The gluey and goey mud;
The vicious "Snip" of a Sniper bold;
The "Plunk" of a welcome dud.

And over it all the deep old stars
Look down on the curious sight
At the curious, funny, remarkable
places
People will go—at night!

D. F. MARSHALL,
ARTS '16,
Now in France.

The latest scandal has not progressed sufficiently far to be reported in these columns. The first inquiry, held March 1st, was adjourned until the following Monday. For the next few weeks mud will fly freely in all directions, let us hope not to the grief of those who insist upon raking it up.

The Sophomore Class is meditating a production of "Mid-summers Nights Dream," to be performed during the first weeks of May, probably in the Assembly Hall of the School for the Blind. Miss Jessie Macaloney, well remembered for her activities in the late lamented dramatic club, is the coach. Miss Macaloney is a graduate of Emerson, and is well acquainted with the canons of the Drama. The full dramatis personae has not been selected as yet; but tentative casting includes. Mr. Fraser as Bottom, Mr. McCurdy as Lysander, Miss Glasel as Hermia, Miss Moriarity as Titania, and Miss Colwell as Oberon.



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Candidates for examination must have passed their fourteenth birthday, and not reached their sixteenth birthday, on the 1st July following the examination.

Further details can be obtained on application to G. J. Desbarats, C.M.G., Deputy Minister of the Naval Service, Department of the Naval Service, Ottawa.

G. J. DESBARATS,
Deputy Minister of the Naval Service,
Department of the Naval Service,
Ottawa, March 12, 1917.

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