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## STUDENTS TO PRESENT NEUTRALITY PROGRAM

### Radio Program Great Success

Campus comment shows that the Dalhousie Quarter Hour on the Air is fast finding favor with Dalhousie students. Catering, as it does, to a very heterogeneous audience the programs almost necessarily have been mixed, musical and informative. Four broadcasts have been presented to date depicting for the most part a cross-section of student life and opinion—the opinions being expressed through the medium of interviews.

The radio committee have attempted to get as many students as possible before the mike and a survey finds that six Arts students and four Lawyers have taken part in interviews while the greater percentage of singers come from the Arts faculty altho the Doctors are right on their heels. Those most responsible for the preparation of musical numbers are Rudd Hattie, Wilf Boothroyd, Marion Geldert, Fran Gardner, and Mary Marsh.

Most of the correspondents favor the interview—some of the older graduates while favoring interviews like to hear old college songs.

Last night's program—the setup of City Hall Government—was very illuminating to those who follow the Halifax newspapers—it is to be hoped that in light of the present dispute it will prove a real service to all citizens. And it proves that Dalhousie's Alumni are ever at her call.

Future programs that are being planned are an insight in the work of Dalhousie's Medical School and the Health Clinic work in conjunction with it; an intelligence test between faculties; a sport interview; and several other novel and interesting features utilizing the Glee Club.

This Quarter Hour is a very effective medium through which to sell Dalhousie to the people of the Maritimes.

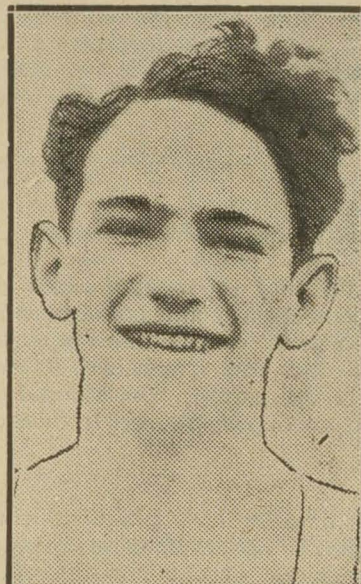
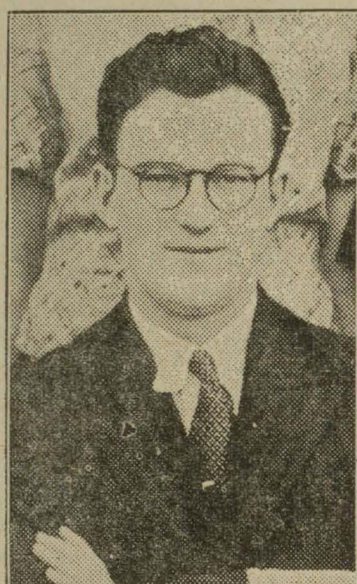
The heads of the various campus organizations should take cognizance of such fact and place their organization's aid at the disposal of the radio committee. Too much credit cannot be given those ceaseless workers who so far have contributed to the success of the program.

Dalhousie has many friends who aid her in quiet ways—Major Borrett, genial director of C. H. N. S., is one of these, and it is because of his timely aid and suggestion that Dalhousie has had the opportunity to broadcast. Dalhousie thanks you, Major. Listen in next Thursday to your program.

### Will Lecture

The next speaker in the Public Administration Course at this University is to be Sir Edward Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, who will speak on the Railway problem in Canada, in the gymnasium on February 19. Following him, Mr. Tom Moore, veteran leader of Canadian Trade unionism and at present a member of the National Employment Commission, will speak on the "Employment Problem" on Tuesday, March 2nd. Dr. A. E. Morgan, new Principal of McGill University, will lecture on "Government and Education" on Friday, March 12th, and Miss Charlotte Whitton on "Government and Social Welfare" in the first week of April.

### Dalhousie Graduating Class Elects Life-Officers



Reading from left to right we present the life officers of Class '37—Gordon Thompson, Life President, Sheila Stewart, Life Vice-President, Kay Finlayson, Life Secretary, Henry Ross, Life Treasurer.

### Dalhousie Medical Journal Presents Excellent Issue

This week the medical students and graduates of Dalhousie received the first 1937 issue of the Dalhousie Medical Journal, and judging by the comments, everyone was very well pleased. This is the first number produced by the new staff under the editorship of Chester B. Stewart, and it compares quite favorably with previous issues.

The Journal has had only a short life as compared with some Dalhousie institutions, but it is forging vigorously ahead to take its place among the important and permanent College organizations. It was hoped on its introduction last year that the Journal would serve as an extra link between graduates and the Medical School, and this aim is being fulfilled. The editors have received letters from Alumni in various parts of the continent, commending not only the *Alumnus News*, but also the excellent articles by both students and faculty.

The present issue contains two articles by faculty members, Dr. E. G. Young and Dr. N. H. Gosse. The former gives a very interesting account of the Tercentenary of Harvard University. Dr. Gosse tells a very interesting story of the activities of the cancer quack, not nearly such a rare personage today as many think. The student articles are all of high order as well. Dr. G. A. McCurdy presents his usual interesting news items concerning the Alumni, and Dr. Corston, a memorial to our late Professor of Physiology, Dr. Fraser Harris.

### Glee Club

Matching the high standard of last week's presentations, on Wed. 10th, the Glee Club will present the second set of three plays in competition for the Connolly Shield. The Newman Club—many times winner—have entered "Old Moore's Almanac" directed by Miss Pauline Corrigan. The next two are true "dark horses" in this competition—"The Man in the Bowler Hat" directed for the Department of Education by Prof. B. A. Fletcher and Sigma Chi's "The Rehearsal" under the direction of Ernest Higgins. As usual, Jerry Naugler and his orchestra after the plays.

Wednesday—Feb. 10—8.15

### Thurman Speaks

The students of Dalhousie had the opportunity over the past week-end of hearing Dr. Howard Thurman, noted poet, philosopher and educationalist. Dr. Thurman, who spoke here under the auspices of the Student Christian Movement, is Professor of Philosophy and Dean of the Chapel at Howard University, Washington, D. C., and a recognized leader of the educational movement among the negroes.

On Sunday afternoon Dr. Thurman spoke in the Dalhousie gymnasium on the "Tragedy of Dull Mindedness" in which he outlined various unproductive and unsatisfying attitudes of life and these he examined in the light of his penetrating criticism. The combined ability of a poet, actor and orator lent to his whole interpretation a unique charm. Having examined certain philosophies and found them wanting, Dr. Thurman proceeded to what he considered the prerequisites of a more vital life.

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### Dalhousie Debaters Prepare For Bishop's University

#### Dal Book Club

An excellent opportunity is given for all students to read at small cost and the greatest of ease, modern books on all subjects. These are the advantages of the Dalhousie Book Club situated in the gym. The fee is small—a dollar a year—and the membership is open to all registered students. The latest books, embracing diverse subjects—politics, education, history, biography, travel and science, etc., may be taken out under the same conditions as those applied at the MacDonald Library. Subscribers are asked to suggest titles of books suitable for the library, and they are obtained if possible. The Book Club is open during University hours during the whole week and students may look over the books at any time. All those who are desirous of reading good books should avail themselves of this golden opportunity which is within reach of all who are interested.

#### Talk On Europe

Dr. Hans Simons, who for six years occupied the position of director of the Berlin School of Political Science and who gave up the post after the change of government in Germany delivered an interesting address on the present condition and future procedure likely to be adopted by the League of Nations in his address "A New Deal for Europe" at the Dalhousie gymnasium last evening.

Conditions in Europe have undergone drastic changes since the major conflict of 1914, stated the former German professor. At one time it was possible to travel throughout all Europe without such hindrances as identification papers, etc. Today the scene is entirely changed. European nations question everything from their own ideals to foreign policies.

Added to this, there are important external factors which in themselves are having a serious effect upon the actions of the nations in Europe. Particularly is this true of Great Britain who with the trend in isolation, as proposed by some of her Dominions is faced with a problem of very grave proportions. This much is realized, however "that Europe must and will take care and solve her own problems."

Hello, yes Doug....fine....How's the Gazette doing?...Good for you....What's that?...What's new in Sodales? Boy, didn't you know: the Law School is scheduled to debate against St. John Law School this coming Tuesday....Yes, isn't that great; with pride our representatives may say that their irrefutable pleadings are broadcast by the whole Maritime network of the C. B. C. It sure sounds like a big affair, doesn't it?...No, I couldn't say who will be speaking for Law, the trials are still to be held, but rest assured that the smoothest Demosthenes will throw the cudgel. You remember last Fall that we had to grant victory to the St. Johnites, well this is a return attack and defeat should not tarnish our conscience. Yes, indeed, as you say, "Resolved that trial by jury should be abolished" is an interesting topic with a legal colour to it; undoubtedly such will draw many listeners to this program.

...Is that all? I should say Not, Great guns, Doug, Daniel Halperin and Roger Rand are to speak next Friday over the C. B. C. Yes, it's the annual debate, but this year we're fighting off as first opponents a team of Bishop's University. And another novelty is that the Radio Corporation has selected resolutions that lend themselves to some humour....You're right, it's about time but the danger is that our debaters will unquestionably have to hit below the belt to uphold the affirmative of "Resolved that the History of the World has been dependent on the digestive tract"....True, it's about time the students develop a sense of humour and learn the value of wit.

How did you enjoy the Seniors and Juniors debate....Good, wasn't it—Little Kay, with that genuine naivete, convinced us indeed, that assuming we would have grand-children, they shouldn't be pitied....Oh, yes, the other debaters had weighty arguments too. Who do you bet on for the Bennett Shield....You do, well you've a good wager, however, time will tell. Say, I have to leave you. Bill is patiently waiting for the line; it's Louise, no doubt. Well, call me up soon, I'll have more news for that "rag" of yours. In the meantime, don't forget next Tuesday and Friday at 8.30 p. m. It's worth tuning in.

### Colleges Will Make Petition

MONTREAL, QUE., Feb. 3rd.—(Canadian University Press).—At a meeting of the Student Peace Conference called to consider the possibilities of presenting a peace petition to Parliament held in Kingston, Ont., on January 16th, the following petition was drawn up. It is being sent to all Canadian Universities by the committee appointed at the conference with the request that it be circulated at the universities and that adequate publicity be given.

#### National Student Peace Petition

Whereas the present international situation confronts us with the imminent danger of war.

Therefore, we the undersigned Canadian students resolutely affirm our stand for peace and hereby submit the following petition to the Canadian Parliament.

1. Whereas the Militia Act is part of the Revised Statutes of Canada c. 132, 1927; and,

Whereas certain sections of this Act make it possible for Canadians to be conscripted for active service abroad by order-in-council,

Therefore we hereby register our opposition to conscription for active service abroad and petition Parliament to amend the aforesaid Act so as to remove this present power.

2. Whereas many rumors are being circulated in Canada today concerning the possible commitments of Canada to Great Britain in the event of Great Britain being at war; and

Whereas the relationship of Canada to Great Britain in this event is not clearly defined,

Therefore we petition the Canadian Government to introduce legislation necessary to establish and make clear that only the Canadian Parliament has authority to declare war and peace for Canada.

### Life-Officers

The election of Gordon Thompson as Life President of Class '37 marks the culmination of four years as president of this class. Gordon and Henry (S. W.) Ross, the Life Treasurer of the class, have held enough positions on the campus to last three or four men on their college career. Besides being president of his class Gordy has represented the Commerce Society on the Council of the Students for two years, been on the management committee of the D. A. A. C. for two years, to mention only a few. Work on the campus has not hindered his studies however for in his second year he got the Commercial Club Scholarship for the highest marks in second year Commerce. Henry has also been a Student Councillor and on the D. A. A. C., and his versatility in making himself known to the campus is evidenced by the currently popular phrase "What does S. W. mean, Henry?"

The Life Vice President of the Class, Sheila Stewart, has been President of the Delta Gamma Society, president of Alpha Gama Delta Fraternity and member of the girl's Senior Basketball squad. Catherine Finlayson, the Life Secretary, has been Vice President of this class and is a member of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity.



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## A CHALLENGE TO OUR DEMOCRACY

We have sometimes heard it said that the next world war will be a battle for supremacy between fascism and communism. On the one hand, the "red" calls upon us to join with him against the great menace of fascism; on the other, the blackshirt, actual or would-be, attacks the red bogey of communism and summons us to his support. Each claims that to oppose the other means to support the first.

Surely, however, the solution of this dilemma is plain. Social democrats, democratic socialists, liberal democrats, or whatever label you wish to paste on supporters of our present British evolutionary democracy, must oppose all fancy-shirts of whatever colour. History has shown often in the past that the man who holds the moderate view balanced between the extremes is usually right. We believe that such is the case today. Neither fascist nor communist should gain our support—democracy must stand alone or go under, although at times it may lean in support of one or other of the antithetical parties in order to maintain the balance of power.

Is communism or fascism the greater threat to democracy at the present time, both from within the state and from without? Omniscience as to international affairs would be necessary for a conclusive answer. We suggest, however, that fascism, that "black and savage atrocity of mind", is probably the immediate danger of which we must beware. Increasing establishment by government of social justice together with depression conditions is rousing vested interests in democratic countries to fight for some sort of fascism.

Liberal democracy must recognize this foe and fight it. The weakness of liberal democracy as seen in the history of the past twenty-five years in Russia, Italy, Germany, Japan, and Spain, is that it has not recognized the incipient autocratic party until too late to subdue it. Let us not make that mistake!

## THE HOME IMPROVEMENT PLAN

During the past few months we have seen the inception by the federal government of a far-reaching plan for building new homes and renovating others throughout the Dominion. Already this scheme has proved of untold value to hundreds of people of medium income whose home-loving aspirations have been aided and to thousands of skilled and unskilled labourers who have been given work. The government which instituted this plan is to be highly complimented.

Lest, however, somebody, of either party, should think that this step, valuable as it is, will solve the Canadian housing problem completely and at the same time abolish unemployment, let us look for a moment at the probable results of the application of the scheme. In Canada there are only about 182,194 people with incomes of over \$1,000 single and over \$2,000 married—this is the class which may reasonably be expected to be able to improve their homes under the scheme. If we allow to each a family of four, it means that at the most 7 1/2% of our population will be able to improve their homes. Our housing problem is thus by no means solved.

Furthermore, if we take \$500 as a living wage for a labourer, and consider that all the money that may be spent under the new plan will be spent for labour (a rather absurd premise), it will be seen that only 9.2% of the 724,284 unemployed (as of last July) will be given work. This calculation also does not consider the increase in unpaid clerical over-time work in the lending institutions which finance the scheme. Almost the only people who are absolutely assured of a happy result are these lending institutions, and the companies which manufacture building products.

Much as this step by the government is to be cherished, it is plain that it must be only the vanguard of a real attack on the unemployment problem which has been the one major problem in the administration of all forms of government in Canada for the past five years.

## BOOK REVIEW - - -

### THREE WORLDS

"Reading maketh a full man"—Bacon

"Three Worlds"; Autobiography, by Cal Van Doren, 303 pp. New York. Harper's. \$3.50.

Mr. VanDoren is a portentous figure in modern American literature. A professor at Columbia University during the World War he entered journalism immediately afterwards and as editor of the "Nation", the "Century" and the "Literary Guild", he led a life which makes his autobiography an intimate literary chronicle of the times. It is, however, not only the autobiography of one of our leading literary figures, but a book which deals with a whole period, depicting as it does changes in custom, both literary and social. He distills and crystallizes particular incidents and gives to us a picture of American life and letters during the past half century.

He was, as he tells us, born in a village called Hope in the American Mid-West, in 1885, and lived in that vicinity till he was fifteen. In talking of his life there he portays the small uneventful village in vivid and exciting terms. A "microism" he calls it—complete and self-existent—the background of many great men, and the backbone of a great nation.

From school he passes to the University of Illinois and there we find the picture of a mind awakening, of an ambition stirring, and a concerted precociousness being squelched. By a man's reading you may know him, and he says of himself while he was at college: "I read as a passionate experience or not at all....." From that we find the young Carl Van Doren. He had no motive in his readings. To him it was a simple instinct, like falling in love. Most college students now would rather fall in love. At Illinois he took his Bachelor and Master's Degrees and then departed for Columbia to take his Doctor's.

At Columbia he "fell into the hospitable backwater of the University system", and decided that literature was his career. He first followed this profession as a professor and then started his Second World as literary editor of the "Nation".

The first big event of his Second World was the War. To him it was more an emotional event than a physical struggle. He did not go to war for as he says—"How can I hate a nation when I have merely laughed at its bad manners and bad learning". His dissertation on the war itself is very powerful, combining passion and reason. "The war was epidemic and the epidemic was delirium."

As literary editor of the "Nation" he was fully established in the field of modern literature. In this book he publicizes some of the letters he received from various authors. One of the most interesting is one he received from Sinclair Lewis explaining his condition, mentally and physically, before the publication of Main Street. It is an interesting sidelight on the greatest figure in modern American literature.

The author is one of the great literary critics of his day. In this work he gives the essence of literary criticism, and his test for a good book. He says, "Criticism ordinarily asks about literature one of three questions: 'Is it good?' 'Is it true?' 'Is it beautiful?' " He calls these the three dimensions of criticism, and in the same tone adds that there is a fourth dimension which "includes all the others and in a sense transcends them." That fourth dimension is the question: "Is it alive?" He says that judgment of all literature may be based on that query.

Dr. Van Doren gives us a portrait of Elinor Wylie which is hard to forget. It is probably the most alive part of the book, for Miss Wylie was very much alive. He shows her as a petulant, tragic, beautiful, joyful, and glowing creature, one almost capable of showing all those characteristics at the same time. Mysterious and unreal at times, her deep and sincere love for Shelley seemed to be one of the most real things about her. She lived with contradiction, was a contradiction herself. Her death was both tragic and beautiful.

The death of Elinor Wylie may be said to be the ending of the Second World, for after it came the Third World covering the Boom, Depression and the Future. He tells of the

growing change in American Literature—something he feels more than he sees. He does not deal with surface emotions but how Americans felt and thought and acted—How they changed their standards, both moral and material.

He deals quite thoroughly with the controversy raging around "Tobacco Road" (the Main Street of the 1930's, he calls it) and all the while the reader senses that he is a man not idly writing, but a man who understands and realizes his subject. As he says, "A man to write on something, must be in love with his subject". Such is his case. Van Doren is completely bound up with modern American literature—a moving figure in it for three decades. He speaks with an authority and simplicity which causes one to listen, and fully believe.

In his final chapter Dr. Van Doren barely escaped being trite. Unfortunately, for it leaves a somewhat sour taste. He harps on the old theme "Courage in the Future!", but, fortunately, he does view it originally and writes on it in the same way, but he gives the impression of a playwright with two good acts, and being sadly in need of a third, rehearses the first two and tries to present the result in an original light. It is the one drawback to an otherwise interesting and enlightening work. It is a book which is both a text-book and the lightest of current stage offerings.

R. J. F. M.

## On The Level

Some few weeks ago rumours began to spread concerning the disgraceful way in which the Engineering and Commerce Societies were slinging mud at each other. If the pessimists at the bottom of these rumours would only stop and think for a moment, they would realize that inspiration is often a result of competition. The two societies split on the dance, quarreled about dates, quibbled about hotels, and as a result both dances were tremendous successes.

The newly formed Arts and Science Society has hitherto been functioning very quietly—so quietly, in fact, that many of us wonder whether it functions at all. Just how does the Engineering Society stand with respect to the Arts and Science Society? Obviously any organization must have fees in order to keep going but we already pay class fees and society dues. Is all our money going into the coffers of societies? In other words, do we or don't we pay dues to the Arts and Science Society in order to have the privilege of finding out what's going on about the campus?

Remember last fall when the Commerce-Engineers team tied with Medicine for the Interfaculty championship? It was a hard battle and meant a lot of work for both teams to get out there. Yet nothing has been done to solve the difficulty of who should bear the title. Those interfaculty pins are not to be sneered at. But where are they? Surely it is time they were dishd out. Probably they should be awarded to each team. Certainly it seems that interfaculty sport could be entered into much more enthusiastically if the management was a little more firm and the reward more certain.

Now at last hockey has got under way. If you fellow Engineers would only come out and play hockey (this means you, Blair) the team should do pretty well. As it is, in our first game with Commerce-Dentistry we finished with a 2-0 win. Good old Dizzy Dean thinks nothing of catching the puck in his mouth. However, we warn all comers to give Bill Scott, the bad man of the interfaculty league a wide berth. He just revels in loosening teeth so that he can take the hapless victim to the Clinic and torture him.

One final thought. On Feb. 13, the engineers are holding their annual banquet at the Nova Scotian, followed by supper dance. We wish to remind all you engineers of the fact, so let's have a full house. By the way, did you notice how closely the Tech boys copied our dance programs? Glad to have helped you, Tech.

## Romance Or What Have You?

Much has been said of the vanity of women.....of the money they spend in cosmetics, finger waves and manicures.....but nothing can rival the attempts of boys residing in fraternity houses to beautify themselves prior to having their graduation pictures taken. Particularly do we cite the cases of Bill Simpson and Wink Johnston.....those two beau Brummels of masculinity who in an effort to obtain a wave in their locks drove poor little Petite de Landreville "The Sigma Chi hairdresser" to distraction through their demands.

We suggest that any member of either sex desirous of beauty treatment get in touch with Mademoiselle Landreville—for reference as to his ability, please see the photos of Simpson and Johnston.

The hockey team returned with tales of big doings at Mount Allison. Highlights seem to be.....Pooh DeWolfe, the triple threat man knocked chips off the boys on the way up while "Tunor" Sheehan used the rake on the way back. DeWolfe, as we understand, was top man in three games at one and the same time. Hence we suggest that the Saga Man, change his name from FIGHTING POOH to Triple Threat DeWolfe..... Eddie Cohn did something or other but we'd rather not mention that..... Freddie Campbell, Commerce Grad of last year and Undertaker at present, took the boys for quite a ride.....yes, quite a ride....."Baby Dumplin' " Payne made the trip.....Dickie and the French girl????....."Birdman" MacGregor.....Napier à la femme..... Pooh presents the Rose.....From Tigers to Roses.....

Friday night will see Kay Foster back in circulation. It's really too bad that romance can be shattered so cruelly by the arrival of any one person at such an inopportune time.

Tonight is a big night for the Co-eds of Dalhousie. The Phi Kappa Pi Formal—that affair à la supreme—will take place this evening. What an event—What an event—Headaches will follow later.

Rumor has it that Fred Fitzpatrick, that gentle soul in first year Law, screwed up his courage last Friday

night and went to town at the expense of Henry "S. W." Ross. It took Fitzpatrick a lengthy time to pop the question but now that events are underway one may expect big things.

Cawstain's says "There is a direct linkage between Marion Little and Gracie Allen." Perhaps that is true, but at the same time we wonder at times if there is not an equal linkage between himself and Fred Allen. Truly a lovely pair.

Steve Macnutt.....Jean Begg..... Tokie Dumaresq.....Betty Carten????

Just who called at the Hall at 3.30 Sunday morning is still very much of a mystery, but this much we do know that a party after making a deposit at the Hall took the Ferry to Dartmouth.....Missed the one on the way back.....drove around over the bank.....arrived home 3.30. Of course far be it from us to say there is any direct connection there.

## The Mouthpiece

Dear Editor:

Dalhousie has taken a wonderful step forward—she can now boast a radio program—congratulations.

Those in charge have worked hard and the result has been very successful. The interviews have been particularly good the subject was well chosen and the remarks were very good.

We would however like to make some suggestions. We feel that the program lacks 'pep'. It is supposed to represent college life. But does it, no. You very seldom see a group of students talking about world politics or singing lullabies. How about sport? Certainly there are enough phases of sport at Dal to speak on. You might make a questionnaire of it. It seems to us that it might add some enthusiasm about hockey etc. if one heard of it over the radio. How about the band? It appears at all college functions and we suppose that they know one number well enough to present to the public. We would like to suggest popular music to a certain degree but perhaps that would bring too much comment on our criticism.

Keep up the good work Fisher, and let's have "Dalhousie on the Air."

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## Great Dalhousians Of The Past

PROFESSOR JOHN JOHNSON, (1835-1914)

Professor of Classics at Dalhousie University, (1863-1894)

It is set forth in the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Governors of Dalhousie held on the nineteenth of October, 1863 that John Johnson of Trinity College, Dublin, is appointed to the Chair of Classics of this University. Johnson was then twenty-eight years old and had graduated from that famous seat of learning in Ireland—a Double First in Classics and Mathematics. How he came then to this College, which was at that time being newly organized, how he thenceforward with high credit and distinction held the position of professor of Classics for thirty-one years and how he helped at that formative period of our history to establish and maintain a noble tradition of training and customs is known to all old Dalhousians and especially to those who came within the influence of his teaching.

He retired from active service at the University following the Convocation of the year 1894, and Howard Murray, an old student of his, resigning the principalship of the Halifax Academy was appointed his successor—the disciple taking over and carrying on the work of the master.

After his retirement he lived for the most part at Drummondville, Quebec, where he died on the 23rd day of December, 1914.

I have before me now a copy of the *Dalhousie Gazette* of the date Jan. 22, 1915, which contains an appropriate and warm tribute to the character and abilities of this noted scholar who had just passed from among us. This contribution is not signed but from internal evidence I can confidently set it down as coming from the pen of Dr. MacMechan—a firm friend of his older colleague for a quarter of a century. From this article and from other documents and from my own memory of my old teacher and friend I have written this short sketch of the man and his work for the readers of the *Gazette* of the present day and generation.

I see him clearly today in my mind's eye as he sat at his desk in the old classroom on the east side of the Forrest Building well-nigh fifty years ago. The room was seated with chairs and had long common desks rising theatre-wise from the front to the back of the room—an arrangement which gave his keen eye an easy control over every student, but he would have that by any arrangement. I see him hitching up his gown over his left shoulder with his right hand like a sailor hitching up his trousers. He had lost his left arm in his early years and it is typical of the reserve with which he hedged himself around that nobody knew how he had lost it.

On the right of his desk was a door opening into a smaller room where he met his more advanced students and it is as we knew him there that I remember him best. On Fridays we gave him a Greek or Latin version of a piece of English prose. These he read on the next Saturday forenoon returning them with comments on the Monday—always then for care and punctuality were strong features

of his character. I have many memorials of him belonging to this time, some of them of too intimate a nature for mention here. One of them is a Latin version of a piece of English prose which, as he told me, when he bade me wait behind the others for a minute or two, he had read with some degree of satisfaction. On another occasion, when I had used a word of somewhat doubtful ancestry he said, "may such words and I be better strangers in the future". They were. Being an Irishman his ready wit was sometimes biting as well as genial. To a former student, who said to him, "You didn't make a classical scholar of me," "No", he replied, "I never professed to work miracles."

He had no use for a showy appearance of acquaintance with Greek or Latin literature not based on a sound basis of knowledge of the accidence and syntax of these languages. At the end of a term, to a student who had a zeal not according to knowledge, and who asked him what Latin he should read during the summer vacation, he said, "What you had better read is your Latin Grammar."

He was noted for the extreme accuracy and justice with which he estimated the work of his students on their examination papers, dividing one man's work from another's even by the fraction of a point.

He loved to be outdoors in the intervals of his work—an untiring walker, a skillful skater, and an enthusiastic lover of the game of Rugby football.

In 1900 Dalhousie bestowed upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

In 1907 on the occasion of a visit he was making to Halifax some of his old students gave him a little dinner at the Club. That was the nearest he ever came to making a "public" address in words never to be forgotten. I saw him once after that when he was passing through Halifax on his way to Bermuda seeking an improvement in health.

In March 1914 he was invited to lay the corner-stone of the Macdonald Memorial Library, but his failing health would not allow him to come. In a letter sent at that time he speaks of the "heart-breaking" task of having to write declining the honour.

There is much more that I have in my mind to say, but I have probably by now used up all the space allotted to me by the *Gazette* editors.

I shall close by quoting the concluding words of the tribute paid by Dr. MacMechan, to his old colleague and friend, to which I have already referred.

"Fine in intellect, fine in courage, fine in courtesy, proud, reserved sincere, Johnson has passed away, leaving none like himself behind. He had no small share in founding the Dalhousie tradition, and in setting the Dalhousie standard. Without child of his own, Dalhousie had a son's place in his heart. Dalhousie must remember him if all others forget."

J. W. LCGAN.

## Turn The Dial

Judging from the fan mail and telephone calls received by the committee this program has evoked widespread interest throughout the Maritimes. The committee have endeavoured to give a high class program devoid of anything that would cheapen Dalhousie's name and to date have built around student interviews supported by music of Glee Clubbers. The crisis in Spain, an insight into Canadian government, and facts about Dalhousie have been the subjects of discussion and male and female songsters have been heard over the ether. If anyone can suggest a really good and entertaining fifteen minute program the committee will welcome them with open arms.

### NEW FEATURE

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## Smoke Gets In Your Eyes

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Would like their women  
To be like cigarettes—  
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And when finished with  
Just to stand aside.

But more fastidious men  
Prefer women like cigars—  
They are more exclusive,  
Last longer and are more comforting,  
And when the brand is good,  
Well, they don't give them away.

But nice men  
Treat their wives like Pipes—  
The older they get,  
The more attached they become to them,  
And when the flame is out  
They may knock them  
Gently, but lovingly;  
They keep them safe,  
And no man shares his pipe.

## Tale Of English II

When I had finished English 2  
As all of us must sometime do,  
I thought I'd take another class,  
Quite hopeful for another pass.  
Of course, I studied very much,  
And thought I had the poets touch,  
Made up my mind the previous day  
The very same the prof would say.  
So, I thought I was doing fine,  
And strung the boys an awful line.  
I said I'd make round 85;  
They said, "My goodness, sacks alive,"  
Or "Yeah, like—" (rhymes with well)  
"You might, though, one can never tell."

The day of publication came:  
For many students there was pain,  
But I was happy as a lark;  
In everything I'd made the mark.  
I was in bed when mother came  
And said, "My boy, where is your name?  
It's four times here in column seven,  
But isn't under English Eleven."  
"Ha, Ha," I laughed, "the paper's wrong."  
That was a cinch exam, a song."

I went to the office, you know where,  
And asked the lady who was there  
What I had made in my last exam.  
As he took my name, and her finger ran  
Down through the lists in vain awhile  
And I stood straight in my best style  
Until she said "Oh, entered late,  
English 11, 38."

I saw the prof on Friday morn;  
He said "Poor lad, you look forlorn,  
Now you know what Housman meant  
When to these lines of worth gave vent.  
'And while the sun and moon endure  
Luck's a chance, but trouble's sure.  
I'd face it as a wise man would,  
And train for ill and not for good.'"

## Toothsome Topics

Competition and rivalry are those stimuli which tend to bring out greater achievements on the part of the individual, that is, when these driving forces are directed into the proper channels and a sportsmanlike attitude is assumed by both parties involved. This in short is a brief idea of one of the many factors which constitute progress, not only with regard to the individuals themselves but also to the profession as a whole. This does not necessarily pertain to the didactic and scholastic principles which are employed within the Dental Faculty itself but just as well to the extra-curricular activities. The successful participation in the latter is thoroughly demonstrative of whole hearted co-operation and tends to augment that School Spirit which has shown itself to be so lax in the university as a whole.

This year we are happy to say that the Dental Faculty has come out into the open and entered into those interfaculty competitions, the results being far better than any of the other faculties on the Campus, with regard to the proportionate number of students. In the field of sports Dentistry is still undefeated in softball, Basketball shows only one game to the bad, and Hockey shows some brilliant stars looming in the very near future—watch them shine when the schedule starts!!! When that much talked about interfaculty track meet takes place, the Faculty has a great surprise in store for all.

Last week the Glee Club saw the Dental Faculty as a new contestant and dangerous rival in the competition for the J. P. Connelly shield. We take this opportunity to congratulate the Gazette for their excellent criticism in the placing of the Dental Society presentation "Thunder On The Right" as being the best of the three plays on the first night.

This is our first attempt on the part of the Faculty alone to show what it can do in the way of cooperation and we want to express our thanks to those men for the time and effort they put into develop a school spirit—and we don't mean Rah! Rah!

### Dental Society Notes

The tentative date for the Annual Dental Society Smoke is set for February 5th. Arrangements have been made by the committee and Henry M. Gold for an excellent and entertaining time. Don't forget—we expect 100% attendance.

## Views On News

The "Star" and the "Mail" have started out to clean out or clean up the City Hall. How would it do, if they took over the job of running the city between them for a time? If what they say of the present method of conducting civic affairs is true they couldn't make a worse mess of it. If they did, we could hoist them with their own petard.

The pessimist who is always complaining of the Halifax weather, must feel a little less scornful this week when he reads of what the Weather Man is doing to our neighbours in the South—where it is claimed that in the floods, over 350 are dead, over a million homeless and four hundred million dollars worth of property has been destroyed. Many Nova Scotians have shown their sincere sympathy by sending contributions of money and clothing through the Red Cross. Premier Angus L. Macdonald has also offered help on behalf of the government. And, so it is, that Canada seeks to play the part of a "good neighbour" to the United States.

Herr Hitler said last Saturday, "I hereby most solemnly withdraw the German signature from that declaration, forced upon a weak government.....to the effect that Germany was guilty of starting the Great War." Well, there's nothing new about that! Germany has repudiated her signature to the declaration of Belgium's neutrality, to the Locarno Pact, to the agreement not to send munitions to Spain and to many another "scrap of paper," to use Bethman Hollweg's phrase. Germany's signature appears not to be worth the paper upon which it is written.

"Those who keep dogs instead of children should not be too severely condemned. The dogs won't expect to be sent to college and nature has endowed them with fur coats."—*Kansas Record*.

There's a saying among lawyers to the effect that every man is entitled to his day in court. Mr. Simpson, it seems, believes this to be so, for we are told that he is bringing an action for slander against some "lady" who is alleged to have said he was paid for allowing his wife to divorce him. It's too bad the whole unsavoury mess can't be dropped into the limbo of forgotten things.

## Speakers Meet

The regular meeting of the Effective Speaking Club was held in the Law Hall, Forrest Building, on Tuesday evening, January 26th. The subject under discussion was "Do we approve of euthanasia?" Among those present were: Len Kitz, Gordon Daley, Jack Gillis, Neil MacLeod, Layton Ferguson, John Willis, Stanley Berridge, Jim Milner, Melvin McQuoid, (Chairman). Each member present expressed his views on the subject and at the conclusion of the speeches Professor Curtis offered individual criticism and then went on to discuss some of the different forms of public speaking.

We saw at the Glee Club Wednesday evening—

Bill Moss "The Scrapper" indulging in his pugilistic antics at the expense of "Battling Boy" Miller.

Louise MacCoubrey we believe should be informed as to Bill Simpson's actions on this occasion also.

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## THE CHALLENGE

What is wrong with Dalhousie? Or, for that matter, with any other university? Disregard for the moment such earth-shaking problems as the lack of silver-tongued aspirants for the debating team, the absence of a date bureau, and the social equality mistakenly granted to dental students by an idealistic academic community and consider, if you will, the basic flaw in our educational system.

The answer to that initial ever-absorbing question is that Gutenberg was born too late or that universities were founded too early. Since this is not the annual report of a Browning Society or one of Professor Bennet's more obscure lectures, an explanation is herewith appended.

Gutenberg, as every schoolboy and no college student knows, invented movable type in 1440, and thus made possible the printing of books on a large scale. Universities existed for hundreds of years before that epoch-making event. The plot now begins to become inspissated.

Previous to the printing of books, knowledge was preserved on parchment, laboriously handwritten by scribes. It should be clear, even to an economics major, that manuscripts were the products of much tiresome toil, that few copies of any one work were available and that their price was a bit steep, especially to the eternally impecunious student. The use of textbooks at mediaeval universities was, therefore, impracticable.

Consequently a system was devised which solved the problem in an eminently satisfactory manner. Students came to listen to lecturers who read ("lecturer" is derived from a Latin word meaning "reader") and the students thus copied their texts from dictation. There is the origin of the modern lecture system.

Then came Gutenberg and Caxton and a host of others, and books began to pour forth from their presses. Through the centuries technical improvements continued to spring from man's fertile brain and the price of books steadily decreased until it came within nearly every one's reach.

It would seem that with the necessity for the lecture system past, that it would enter the limbo of forgotten things which have done their part and have made way for their successors. Not so, however. The lecture system, for what reason Academic Senates only know, has persisted and universities remain schools of penmanship.

Professors are no doubt superior creatures, but they hardly know much more than can be read in the standard texts of their subjects. Even if they do, that is no reason for their dictating all that is in the text and then adding a little that is not.

What a terrific waste of time and energy it is for a professor to dictate day after day to a scribbling class material which they can read from books better than they can read it from their hastily scrawled notes! What an unnecessary addition to the etiology of writer's cramp!

In many of the undergraduate courses there is some reason for this, since the students do not buy books. But in the professional schools, where books are bought because they will be used in later years to earn their owner's bread and oleomargarine, there is no excuse for the droning recital and mechanical copying of facts which are waiting upon the student's bookshelf for his perusal.

Small wonder, then, that the powers that be in Medicine have found it necessary to drastically enforce a former dead letter in the University regulations—the rule making a definite percentage of attendances a prerequisite for writing examinations. The student, who occasionally—very occasionally—almost shows a spark of intelligence, decided that where there is a choice between listening to a rehash of what is in his textbooks and observing the gyrations of Miss Eleanor Powell, it would be a pity if the aforesaid Miss Powell were neglected.

What, then, is the remedy? Most of our instructors have material to transmit to us that is the product of original research and of original thought or that has been culled from periodicals which we do not habitually read. This is legitimate lecture material. But why, in sanity's name, hide it in a mass of stuff which is not?

Let them then dictate this material to us, as they have in the past, but

without the camouflage which hides it. Or, better still, let them issue mimeographed noted detailing points which are not in the texts. For the rest, let them instruct us to read our textbooks. Their duties thus become more congenial to them and to us. For instead of boring dictation, classroom hours will be spent in explaining difficult or obscure parts of the text, answering questions, and—this is important—asking questions.

If each classroom period is a potential oral quiz period the student is constantly kept toeing the mark. It might be offered as an argument against this that the strain on the student's nervous system in knowing that he might be called on at any time would be unbearable. It is, however, preferable to the strain on his nervous system on the eve of the sessional examination when he realizes that his notes and books are still virgin. Far better that constant quizzing keep him alert and that his hazy conception of the subject be cleared up in classroom discussions.

Another advantage of this system, and by no means a minor one, is that the importance of the sessional examinations would be lessened. It has ever been a contention, here at Dalhousie and elsewhere, that it is unfair to base one's grade in a course on one or two examinations. Too many things can happen to mar the accuracy of such a measure of the student's knowledge. Through constant classroom quizzing a more thorough and complete conception of his standing in the class is obtained and the obvious unfairness of one great bat is eliminated.

Nor is this hypothetical theorizing or Utopian dreaming. Dr. Atlee in his class has made a good start in this direction. He has eliminated the formal lecture and dictates only such material as his personal experience and wider reading have taught him and which the texts cannot teach the student. He has substituted explanations, questions by the student and oral quizzes for what might have been a resumé of Eden and Lockyer. The ideal system is only a further expansion of the method which is being used in a classroom of this university, and no doubt in other classrooms here of which your reformer has no personal knowledge.

## That The Students May Know

Dear Editor:

"Dalhousie Awakens"—that in my opinion would have well typified the Front Page of Last Week's issue of the Gazette. For the first time in memory, students have been aroused to interest—yes even to some activity. A topic which can elicit a response of some thirty letters from Dalhousie Students merits our attention. It is for this reason that your scribe considered such a column should find its way into our College paper.

What has aroused the student body from their lethargy? Luckily for Dalhousie there has always been within its gates a handful of students deeply concerned with the well being of their Alma Mater. For years they have struggled on, apparently in vain, to elicit from their colleagues just that kind of revival which we saw manifested last week. To the organization which has finally precipitated this reawakening goes our sincere thanks.

It's the Year Book that's made the student think! For many years this publication has made its appearance, quite unheralded, and obviously taken for granted. Years ago it was found necessary to discontinue its edition. Last year it was revived with questionable success. This year the Council of Students after much deliberation has decided to give Dalhousians their last chance. "Do they or don't they want a Year Book?" With some reluctance they had to admit that Dalhousie Students have not sufficient interest in their own school that they could not after spending four years at this university leave without any published record of their own activities, of their fellow graduates yes, even of the school at which they spent many happy months.

It was however the contention of the staff that such was not the true

## Saga-Man

In days of yore, (or was it gore?)  
(English students read no more!)  
Norwegian saga-men would sing  
Tales of Iceland's noble king,  
Toar!

These tales, I'm told, in language bold  
The ancient bards did e'er unfold;  
In manner not unlike "True Story"  
They made their sagas good and gory,  
They sold!

Since saga-men lived long ago  
We little of their heroes know  
But Morris in the 19th Cent.  
Revived the name of one fine gent,  
A noble man!

Sigurd the Volsung was his name,  
A man of never-dying fame;  
Sigurd of Sigmund was the son,  
And Sigmund's father was a Hun,  
(I've just begun!)

In days of nineteen thirty-seven  
When all's not what it is in heaven,  
In Halifax, once more appears  
A saga-man (of tender years!),  
Undaunted!

Some say he goes to Dalhousie,  
But surely that could never be!  
A Dalhousian has never yet  
Written in the old Gazette  
A Saga!

No! It's never been attempted  
Till this beardless youth was tempted,  
Lured by hope of fame and glory  
To compose on sport a story  
Called a Saga!

Sport, you see, is to the saga  
What "V" is to the Latin *vaga*,  
The only common thing I see  
Is "S" in Saga, in *Vaga* "V"  
You see! Ah me!

If you'll excuse reiteration,  
One see's (above) alliteration!  
Which brings us back to Saga-men  
(This seems enough for my poor pen)  
Amen!

ANON.

### DO YOU KNOW THAT:

The present premiers of the three Maritime Provinces are all Dalhousie graduates?  
Dalhousie has had five presidents in ninety-eight years, the first three of whom were ministers?

state of affairs. Other universities no better than our own have been able to edit a Year Book which has found its way among the invaluable treasures which we all so dearly guard. Thus, a staff of twenty strong set itself to find the defect in our student organization. Obviously something had to be done and that something was to be novel, an idea which must catch on, at least must elicit comment, interest or even criticism. There is no doubt of their success.

It is noteworthy that some one hundred and twenty ballots have been cast and those mostly by the male students. It might be of interest also, to those uninformed, that the greatest objections to the newly instituted popularity campaign have come almost exclusively from the Co-eds themselves. Apparently endowed by nature with a complex of false pride they probably fear the implications which their exclusion from the winning list might mean. They're a great bunch of sports indeed!

The Students' Council sanctioned the Poll unanimously. Furthermore, Mr. Gold and Mr. Reardon have taken a job which will not pay them unless the Year Book is a financial success—a Year Book utopia at Dalhousie as yet not achieved. Yours is the reply that is awaited.

Do you or don't you want a popularity poll? Do you or don't you want "Pharos" as a permanent publication at Dalhousie? The editor has suspended the contest for one week to be convinced of student desires. Your opinion on the matter is awaited and will be acted upon. WHAT WILL IT BE?

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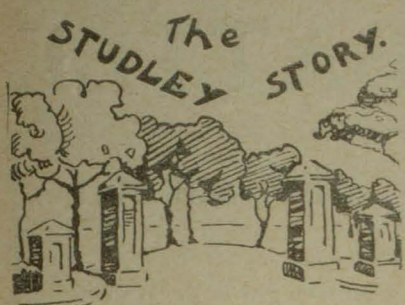
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**Manitoba Meddlers**

Let's hope that the members of the Dalhousie Student Christian Movement don't come out in a burst of misguided enthusiasm with a "liquor crusade" such as their well-meaning University of Manitoba confreres have been attempting to launch. They would certainly be asking for it and they would even more assuredly get it. Conditions must be very different out West for those Manitoba boys to even dream of attempting such an idea. The report says that "armed with baseball bats.....the members intend to clean up the university or find the reason why." Well, we can't prophesy how things will turn out at Manitoba but at Dal the reformers would find that a busted beak is a very good "reason why" for desisting any practise. May heaven help what men there may be among the students at Winnipeg if they fail to meet and speedily crush such an infringement on their own private rights. Meanwhile it looks as though every dance that they hold will turn into a free-for-all.

**Compulsory Coronation**

At the risk of re-hashing a subject that may appear hackneyed to many we want to make one final plea that THE YEAR BOOK POPULARITY CONTEST SHOULD PROCEED. From last week's campus interview we gather that it failed because: (1) it was thrown at the students without any preparation or advance publicity and (2) it met with the universal disapproval of the coeds. Now there are nearly four times as many male students as there are female at Dalhousie and yet the former allowed themselves to be bullied out of an excellent idea by a handful of prejudiced women filled with an unholy fear and glorying in the exaltation of their own false modesty. Ignore them! men. We've had the publicity we know all about the contest. Here is a glorious opportunity to impress upon the females their real ineffectuality in campus affairs. Let's have the contest and crown our unwilling Queen!

**Looking Around**

The One Act Plays were a trifle Gaud-elp-us weren't they—particularly when a freshman, without visible make-up announced that he was sixty-two years old.....and a gun failed to fire at the essential moment.....why does the News Editor write the Sports column.....might give the Sports Editor a crack at it.....involved pair those two.....by all reports Henry (S. W.) Ross is getting a little tired of making the paper so regularly particularly the scandal column..... Bob and Betty were none too pleased last week either.....and we'll catch hell for that one.....why not have the popularity etc. contestants present their platforms.....the gigolos their methods of approach and—um—execution.....the athletes their training methods.....and the politicians their methods of obtaining office and how it feels to be big stuff.....yeah.....we're thinking the same thing only we don't want to get personal.....

**What's Wrong With The Maritimes**



Canada during these depression years has produced many a political Messiah who professes to know the cause of all wrong in his particular province and has a remedy for each ill. Their cures have varied from the application of social credit to outright secession from the Dominion fold. In short the policies have been chiefly of a radical nature. In the Maritime provinces on the other hand, there has been talk ever since confederation of the wrongs that confront these three Atlantic provinces. Hard times have not witnessed any new developments of such a far reaching nature as those that have occurred in other provinces of Canada. The failure of these so called radical parties to seek footing in the Maritimes is due to several reasons of which the following may be briefly mentioned: (1) The geographical position—the province of Quebec serving as a "buffer state" from the rest of Canada. (2) the traditional conservatism of the people. (3) the absence of large industrial areas and cities that serve as good bait for such movements. (4) less extremes of wealth than in other regions of Canada. Yet in despite of this the typical Maritime psychology of "What's wrong" is still being discussed. But it is just talk as opposed to concerted action.

A sane and constructive policy for the Maritimes chief industry would alleviate the situation. But before any such policy can be related a clear conception of just what is wrong, the history of the causes and an analysis of the attributed reasons and the steps already taken to remedy them must be at hand.

**What is Wrong?**

Prior to Confederation the Maritimes were a bright spot in the economic life of the provinces of British North America. The people were well housed and the majority had their own little garden lots which diminished the monetary outlay. Their's was an easy economy. In her ports were many shipyards busy with the task of building the great sailing vessels for which these sea girted provinces are noted. Many of their surplus products from the sea, forest and soil were carried to foreign ports in bottoms of home make. The United States, England and the West Indies took the greater share. With the former country they had their own reciprocal treaty. Fish and lumber went to the West Indies in return for molasses and salt and indeed not an inconsiderable quantity of rum. Even in Winter when nature froze many of her ports and commerce slackened the lumberman called to work those who would ordinarily be idle. In short, the Maritimes were economically secure. Then came confederation and the scene gradually darkened. At this time too the Maritimes seemed to grow relatively less prosperous than the other parts of Canada and also poorer in relation to her economic status prior to confederation. This had unfortunate results. As the post confederation generation grew up they found little attraction at home and thousands of them at the turn of the century began to flock to the more populous centres

of Canada, the United States and also to the pioneering west. In the hey day of 1928 there were as many people of Maritime stock living in the New England States and other parts of Canada as there were people at home in either Nova Scotia or New Brunswick. This drain of the best brains and ambition had its repercussion in development of a Maritime complex that has haunted these provinces ever since, that is to say, a feeling that the Maritimes offer no opportunity that things will be as they are, that far fields look greener, and so on. This migration of youths, who came chiefly from the rural districts robbed the farmer of his sons and successors, and left him without hope. As the parent farmer became older he had no one to carry on and as the economic situation did not warrant the hiring of extra hands the farms were in many pitiful cases abandoned. In fact even some of the older farm people packed up at the call of a successful son or daughter, and joined them in their new homes, which were chiefly in the New England States. At the last Dominion Census in 1931, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports that in every country of the Maritimes except one the number of abandoned farms has steadily increased. Even among those who still farmed there seemed to be no incentive to improve their methods. Scientific farming and modern marketing methods were not favored save in a few cases. The farmer was impervious to change. He was content to just farm in the old method. His incentive was gone. Nobody seemed much concerned. The result of this stares the Maritimesi stark in the face at the present time. It is estimated by some that annually these provinces import nearly twenty million dollars worth of farm produce, the bulk of which could be grown at home. But, be it remembered that this excessive food importation comes to provinces whose basic industry is agriculture, and whose soil boasts a fertility as rich if not richer than any other in Canada. This is a fine state of affairs. The farmer used to be able to soft pedal his position by lumbering in the winter time. But this one time profitable business is in a slump from which it will probably never recover. The great mills of northern New Brunswick are idle. Englands housing scheme helped a little, but the future looks dark. The ship building industry went with the passing of the sailing vessel. The plight of the fisherman is also well known. He too needs assistance. The advent of the trawler, decreased consumption and keener competition from foreign countries, chiefly Iceland and Japan have rendered his position less secure. The Maritimes are not a manufacturing centre. There are some small industries, excepting of course the Iron and Steel industry and a few others, but many of them are struggling with keen Central Canadian competition or are under the control of these firms. Naturally then the establishment of new industries in the face of such competition is negligible (Continued on page 6.)

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If we may be permitted a generalization, we would like to say that the world will never progress until people rid themselves of the fetishes of popular thought, of those sacred first premises whose validity nobody dares to analyze critically. The sacredness of democracy, the freedom of the press, the supremacy of the law are concepts that may be utilized for the public benefit if they are considered rationally rather than being worshipped as the sacred cows of modern mythology.

Democracy is but a system of government, a process of determining who are to conduct the functions of government and the extent of their powers. It has no more claim to sanctification than a manufacturing process and no more reason to be ceified than the Pittman method of shorthand.

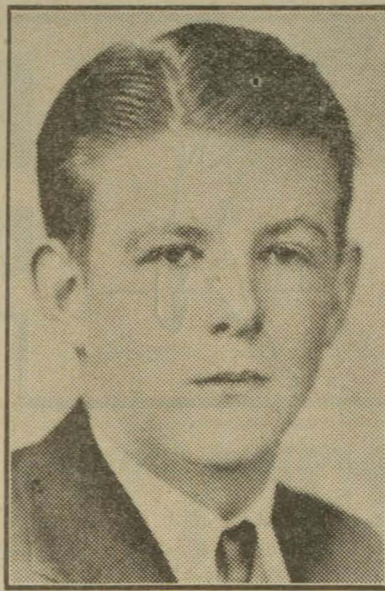
People in order to live together conveniently must set up institutions for the purpose of regulating their relations to each other. If these institutions fail to function properly in changing conditions they must be scrapped and new ones substituted or, if more convenient, altered in structure. Their change or modification should involve no more emotional disturbances than an adoption of a new manufacturing process. Because institutions are considered sacred, governments find it difficult to set up commissions in place of courts (even though common sense would show that a commission unhampered by technical rules would function more cheaply and efficiently), to appoint trained civil servants to run local districts in place of untrained and inefficient local legislatures.

When we begin to sanctify institutions we become slaves to the instruments of our own making and allow them to throttle progress after they have ceased to serve a useful purpose. When it is said that Germany and Italy are governed by dictatorship people should no more be shocked than they would be at the statement that the Germans or Italians are using a new type of internal combustion engine which however does not function as efficiently as the ones used in Canada.

A great English judge once said that you cannot fight a war according to the principles of the Sermon on the Mount. That is precisely our response to horror stories about poison gas and bombing from the air. The purpose of a war is to kill as many people as quickly and as efficiently as possible irrespective of the manner.

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**We See By The Papers**

That Gordon Thompson and Henry Ross have reached the climax of a magnificent combine in the affairs of the graduation class. Upon entrance four years ago this duo was elected President and treasurer respectively, positions which they have been re-elected to year after year and now they reach the uppermost pinnacle in the class organization—the posts of life officers.

That the Year Book will be dedicated to the sacred memory of Potter Oyler. A very fitting tribute to one who through his efforts contributed so much to the student life of Dalhousie.

That Dalhousie's Student Christian Movement have been challenged to take up the issue of "Bust the Bottle on their Hips and Lips". It is doubtful whether the organization need answer the challenge. Conditions in this particular line have enjoyed a steady improvement at Dalhousie and any action such as this seems absolutely unnecessary.

That Dalhousie Tigers hockey squad upset the dope when they defeated Mount Allison last Saturday. The standard doled out in the city senior hockey loop has been more or less of a question mark and by their victory the Tigers gave definite answer to a wide spread local query.

That Feb. 10th will mark the entrance of fraternity organizations into the affairs of the student activity of Dalhousie. The step taken by Sigma Chi in presenting "The Rehearsal" is worthy of commendation and let's hope they have taken the lead in what will be a regular contribution from the Fraternities.

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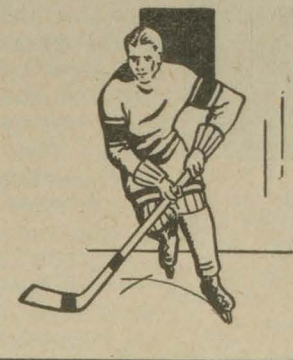
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Basketball—  
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Intermediate  
Dal 33 R. C. E. 24



# SPORT



## SPORT SAGAS

## SPORT SCHEDULE

Basketball—  
Senior—Dal vs Y. M. C. A.  
Thur., Feb. 11th.

Intermediate—  
Dal vs St. Andrew's  
Sat., Feb. 6th.

Hockey—Dal vs Dartmouth  
Tues., Feb. 9, 7.45.

### Dal Hopes Dashed As Wilson Scores

A basket netted by Johnny Wilson as the final whistle blew, knocked from the Tigers' grasp a victory which had seemed secure a few seconds before when Duff Stewart had sunk a shot giving Dal the lead. Thus in the most spectacular fashion seen in some years ended a hard dog-fight between Dalhousie and the Dal Grads at the Gym last night.

Standing toe to toe and matching basket for basket, both teams turned in a fine display of defensive ball. Neither team had a lead of more than 4 points on the other at any time. Lack of any steady forward line which clicked and some tendencies towards individualism seemed to keep Dal from getting any effective shots and on the other hand Dal's stalwart defence of Cook and MacLeod kept the highly-reputed Grad forwards quite effectively cooped up.

Captain Doug Crease sparkled on the Dal forward line with heady basketball, and Duff Stewart was high-scorer for Dal, and Simmonds for the Grads.

### CUBS DEFEAT R. C. E.

The Tiger Cubs pulled off a 33-24 win against the Royal Canadian Engineers in a scheduled Intermediate League contest last night. Dal played heads-up basketball through the whole game and never seemed to be particularly hard-pressed by the Army. They left the floor at half-time boasting a three-point margin and returned to stretch out their lead until at one time they were ahead by eleven markers. The general play was not quite up to what the Cubs are capable of producing and practice in shooting in and around the basket is essential. Ed Stewart was the outstanding player on the floor, picking up thirteen points.

### Frosh Takes Arts

Freshmen 6—Arts and Science 0

The verdant frosh pasted a trimming on dignified Arts and Science in a hard-fought hockey game Wednesday night. Mont, MacGregor, and McAvity of the freshmen, swamped the Arts citadel, and apparently popped goals in at will.

It is understood that Arts and Science are protesting the games to the D. A. A. C. on the ground that the Freshmen used two allegedly ineligible men, namely, Bigelow and McAvity, who are registered at King's. The frosh manager informs us that he had the consent of Interfaculty Manager Johnny Carroll to play them since they had Students' Council tickets.

Frosh line-up—Mont, MacGregor, McKeen, Lane, Gordon, Walter, Dickie, McAvity, McQueen, Bigelow.

Arts and Science line-up—Unavailable at press-time.

### What's Wrong With Mar.

(Continued from page 5)

and as the population increases very slowly and in some places decreases the incentive of establishing branch industry by Upper Canadian concerns is thwarted. It is seen then that the basic industries, agriculture, fishing and lumbering are in dire plight. Manufacturing is small and the tendency is for young men and women to migrate elsewhere. The last economic commission investigating conditions in Nova Scotia found that by every test the people were poorer than in any other part of Canada. What applies in Nova Scotia is common to New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. Before suggesting a cure one should know the causes for this decline in prosperity.

(To be continued next week.)

### Exciting Games

Law and Arts and Science each added another victory to their list in Interfaculty Basketball competition at Dalhousie University yesterday. The Lawyers triumphed over Medicine by a score of 25-10 with the finest exhibition of the hit 'em hard and knock 'em down strategy seen in the Studley Gymnasium in some time. Reverting to a brutal and bone-crushing attack which carried and trampled the Doctors down to the lowest depths of obscurity the Lawyers succeeded in sustaining their no-defeat record.

The Arts and Science victory also had its spectacular side, the victorious Artsmen making a rally to eke out a narrow 18-16 decision.

In the Lawyer-Doctor game the Lawyers ripped right into the attack with the opening whistle and with "Rusty" Baird leading the attack notched up three field scores before Medicine could get into action. The Baird-Connor-Cook line using a long passing attack carried the brunt of the offensive aspect of the battle with Cook annexing 8 points, Baird 7 and Connor 6. The long passes made for fast play and with the excessive weight and strength of the Lawmen the little Doctors had rather rough treatment.

"Pirate" MacKeigan together with Pat Gunter formed the Law defence and the pair handed out checks, which would have done credit to a hockey defenceman.

The Meds with Art Shainhouse former Senior Tiger star in the fore although not displaying the same fight exhibited by the Lawyers gave a fine, scientific exhibition of ball handling, Shainhouse, Miller and Harris with a smooth passing attack sifted through the Law line up time and again only to have the tall Law guards teac the ball from the basket.

Archie MacKenzie and Douglas Lyall handled the game but only with the greatest difficulty.

Dentistry, with a long list of victories in Interfaculty competition looked good to add Arts and Science to their list of victims when at the end of half time the score stood 10-5 in their favor but a determined and accurate shooting quintet of Artsmen made a thrilling comeback to eke out a narrow 18-16 decision.

### Crushing Defeat

Dal 9—Tramways 15

Putting up a game fight against the league-leading Tramways, the Dal hockey team last Tuesday night took the small end of a 15-9 count. As usual, the Tigers looked like champions in the first period, outplaying and outskating the Powermen at every turn, only to go gradually to pieces as the game went on, victims of their own lack of condition and of the superior experience of their opponents.

Dalhousie forwards turned in what was in many ways their best performances of the year. As the score showed however, the defence let them down, being as useful as the proverbial sieve, and not turning in anything like the great game of Saturday at Mount Allison. Korky Koretsky in the Dal nets stopped the rubberoid time and again, to stop the score from soring into three figures.

Outstanding performances were given by Buckley, the "Little Master", who in the brief moments he was on the ice astounded the spectators, and by Graham who played his usual fine game. DeWolfe and Napier also played well. The Dal marksmen were Napier with three, Graham and DeWolfe with two, and Buckley, Dickey with one marker apiece.

Dal lineup — Koretsky, Carroll, MacGregor, Beer, Buckley, Napier, Dickey, Cohn, Graham, DeWolfe, B. Corston.



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Dalhousie hasn't had a one-man football team since Monte Haslam left. Monte wasn't only an all-round athlete of note. He fairly dripped color, that certain-something that takes an athlete out of the "star" stage into the super-super adjectives class the sport writers love so well....

They tell us the cheer leaders aren't as good as they were back in the days when Graham Allen and Kelly Morton were tilting fancy megaphones and exhibiting intricate footwork....

Remember the season Fabie Bates had more hockey wounds than a sideshow fakir had tattoo marks....

There have been many outstanding hockey teams in Nova Scotia since the days of the Great War but none better or more colorful than the one that had Duke McIsaac, Jack I. McNeill, Lee Fluck, Hughey McKinnon, Grant Holmes, McEachern and Monte Haslam....

The first season these boys were together they played in the Dartmouth open-air rink, and the natives of the Harbor Town, at least the older ones, thought of them as kindly as though they were native sons....

Alan Dunlop, now a tooth-extractor, came into prominence when Lee Fluck, also in the business of making other people suffer, retired from hockey, and a great many people recall his practice days when he did his practicing with a pipe between his teeth....

You know, it's kinda nice to look back through the years. You young fellows may not know it, but Dalhousie boasted many great athletes in the old days, athletes still remembered by the sport loving populace of Halifax. Thanks, fellas...."

### Dalhousie-Tramways

Looking over the events of the week we see...Dalhousie-Tramways amassing an all time total of 24 goals in 60 minutes...Dalhousie scored 9 of the 24 and any team that can make the red light flicker 9 times against Tramways has to be good...Defence

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### Dalhousie-Mount Allison

The Tigers proved most conclusively by virtue of their 3-1 victory over Mount A that hockey as doled out at the Halifax Forum is as good as grade A hockey in N. B....The Mount A goalie according to the boys acted as a stone wall...apparently there were only three small holes.... All the boys acted as Birdmen at different times with MacGregor in the spotlight...Koretsky was a wow.... "Tumor" Sheehan reported that he had no difficulty with his boys and that everything was under control at all times....Congratulations Tiger hockeyists.

### Interfaculty Sport.

Something drastic should be done about Bill Cook and "Toar" Baird's participating for Law in Interfaculty basketball...It has also been suggested that the Lawyers use their excess energy on one another rather than on such poor, undefeatable powers such as the Meds....

The Frosh look good to take Honors in Interfaculty hockey.... Picture the embarrassment of the high and mighty barristers when they went down under a 3-1 count against the lowly Frosh....

Just what the softballers are doing is something of a mystery...It appears someone has slipped...yes, has indeed had a complete fall... However with the heavy call on the Gym as evidenced the last few nights, perhaps its just "CIRCUMSTANCES".

### Basketball

By the time this appears on the Campus Dalhousie will have won her first Senior Basketball game...Am I right— Loud has been the criticism of the Tigers themselves...of the managers...and the actions of the D. A. A. C....but the sky is clearing...the clouds are disappearing... and everything looks good for the remainder of the season....

### Badminton

Dalhousians are having a tough time in McCurdy Cup competition...It takes ten years to make a badminton player...and with the very few exceptions...we come and go within that period....

### HOCKEY STANDING

|           | W. | L. | D. | Pts. |
|-----------|----|----|----|------|
| Tramways  | 9  | 0  | 1  | 19   |
| Dartmouth | 3  | 5  | 2  | 8    |
| Sunocos   | 3  | 3  | 2  | 8    |
| Dalhousie | 3  | 4  | 1  | 7    |
| Wanderers | 1  | 7  | 0  | 2    |

### BASKETBALL STANDING

|             | W. | L. |
|-------------|----|----|
| Wanderers   | 3  | 0  |
| Acadia      | 2  | 0  |
| Dal Grads   | 2  | 1  |
| Dalhousie   | 0  | 3  |
| Y. M. C. A. | 0  | 3  |

### Dal Trims Mt. A. St. George's Lose

In a fast, rugged game last Saturday night the Dal hockey team took the highly-rated Mount A. team over the hurdles for a 3-1 score. The team which tied the Moncton Grads couldn't fathom the canny style of the Dalhousie team. Backed by a goalie, Koretsky, who played like a big-leaguer, and a defence which split the Sackville attack wide-open, the Tiger forwards kept control of the play throughout the game except for a portion of the last period.

The first goal was chalked up for Dal by Dickey, at the end of some nice combination play. Dal's second counter, which flukily bounced off the opposing twine-tender's stick, was made by Beer after some clever stick-handling. Cohn electrified the enemy bleachers to dribble the puck right through the Sackville team the whole length of the ice to score Dalhousie's third and last goal. The boys tell us that Mount Allison's goalie, Dickie, is one of the best they have yet sampled, and that Johnson of Mount A is a man to watch when he is on the loose. The men which Manager Sheehan herded along with him to Mount A were as follows: Koretsky, Carroll, MacGregor, Napier, Cohn, DeWolfe, Graham, Dickey, Buckley, and Beer. Congratulations, boys!

### Dalhousie 38—St. Georges 29

On Saturday night the Cubs upset the dopesters by taking the highly-touted St. George's Aces into camp with a 38-29 victory. Play was clean throughout the whole game and marked by good passing on the part of both teams. Dal started off with a bang and ran up a 12-4 lead before the Aces were able to find themselves on the big floor. The red-shirts then staged a comeback and almost overtook their opponents when half-time found the Dalhousians leading by a 20-19 score. On resumption of play the Tigers sank four quick baskets that gave them a substantial margin to rest on. St. George's tried hard to overcome the lead but the Cubs close checking held them to a few long shots which never seriously threatened a Dalhousie victory. The Cubs performance was featured by sparkling team play that worked the ball under the basket time and again for easy lay-up shots. This win leaves them tied for second place in the League standing. Leo Green was high scorer for Dal with eight points.

Dalhousie line-up  
E. Stewart 6; Green 8; Vair; L. Stewart; Steck 6; Mackenzie 6; Agrayn 6; Kazel; Lyall; Murphy 6.

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