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# DAL GLEE CLUB PRESENTS FIRST MAJOR PRODUCTION OF THE YEAR

## Fleming and Hartling Star in "Macbeth"; Pigot Directs Shakespearian Tragedy



Is This A Dagger Which I See Before Me?

### REGULAR MEETING IS HELD BY CCUF CLUB

The C.C.U.F. Convention, to be held at Carleton College, Ottawa, the last three days of December, will have a representative from this University in the person of George Loucks, who attended Queen's University before his arrival here.

It was decided at a meeting held on Wednesday evening, to challenge the other political clubs on the campus to a three sided debate, like the one they had last year.

Mr. Coldwell, leader of the C.C.F., who will speak here on December 9, will, it is hoped, be followed after Christmas, by a series of speakers who will explain the policy of the C.C.F. in detail. Gordon Black, President of the Club, will contact these men.

### Over One Thousand Students Fill Gymnasium To Witness Glee Club's Effort At Tragedy

By RED LAMPERT  
Gazette News Editor

The Glee Club's major production of the year, Shakespeare's Macbeth went on last night to an appreciative student audience of over fifteen hundred, who packed the Gym and overflowed into the lobby.

With Art Hartling in the title role and Holly Fleming as Lady Macbeth the play was, from the point of view of most students we heard, as successful as any they have seen the Glee Club present before, if not more.

Directed, as usual, by Mr. H. Leslie Pigot, the play was the Glee Club's first attempt at a Shakespearian tragedy for over ten years anyway, and featured the talents of many of the Club's regular star performers. Art Hartling, a mainstay of the group for five years, played the difficult title role, ably supported by Holly Fleming as Lady Macbeth.

Frank Fleming, former President of the Glee Club, played Duncan, the old King. Others who have been heard before on the Dal stage are Marg Goode and Vince Allen, as the Lady in waiting and Ross. George Tracy, a newcomer, looked very good as Malcolm.

The play is running tonight and tomorrow night in public performances, with tickets on sale for any students who did not attend last night both at the door and down town, at Phinney's. A review will appear in Tuesday's Gazette.

### 'Macbeth', Wilcox Wager on Publicity

Macbeth has added the sin of gambling to his many other sins.

Art Hartling, taking the leading role in the current Glee Club production of "Macbeth", has laid a slight wager with Dal's Publicity Director, Jack Wilcox, that the publicity campaign for the play has not been sufficient to assure the financial success of the play.

Mr. Wilcox, of course, disagrees violently with Macbeth.

So, while in heated discussion the other day, Wilcox was heard to say, "I'll eat your beret if we lose money," and Macbeth replied in the best Shakespearian language, "Likewise."

The Gazette will have a photographer on the spot when Wilcox eats Macbeth's beret or vice versa.

## McKinney Delivers Speech On "State of The Union"

"We have more rights and privileges as a student body in conducting our own affairs, provided we do it properly, than most Universities in Canada—certainly a whole lot more freedom than any Maritime university that I can think of."

This was a statement made yesterday at noon, at a Student Forum of some 200 persons, by Russ McKinney, President of the Council of Students, in his "State of the Union" address.

"We have student government, and we have it in quite a large measure, in spite of what some people might say to the contrary," he said.

Dalhousie athletics also came in for some attention in the President's remarks;

"Something is lacking in our athletic set-up here. It will never be a source of personal pride to me that in the four years I've been at Dalhousie, we have never won a Maritime Championship in a major varsity sport."

"With more student support and interest, with a greater sense of responsibility on the part of our athletes, we can do better."

Mr. McKinney's address was followed by a prolonged discussion on the welfare of the Dalhousie student body.

A King's College student received a thunderous ovation after he declared that what the University needed was a residence — "and soon."

The applause continued as a law student proposed that the students "Lay the blame for the lack of success of student activities directly at the feet of the university authorities."

The same student urged that

"pressure be brought to bear on the university officials" so that they would act on the matter of increasing athletic facilities.

A motion from the floor by Lew Miller was passed unanimously. It was worded;

"I move that the University be urged (by the Students Council) to commence construction of a students' residence, and that they be further urged to act immediately."

After a lively discussion centred around the question; "Do Dalhousie students lack school spirit?" it was decided to adjourn the meeting to next Tuesday at 12.15 noon. (See Page 4 for additional story).

### EMPLOYMENT NOTICES

The National Research Council requires workers in many fields of science. Applications are invited from scientists and students for TERM and SUMMER EMPLOYMENT. For further information, see notices or ask at Registrar's Office.

### VETERANS NOTICE

In spite of a reduced staff for approximately the same number of students under benefits, the Veterans' Adviser's Office hopes, by close liason with the D. V. A. to maintain prompt payment of monthly cheques. In the interest of all concerned the Office asks that the following conditions be observed.

1. Two full days will be required for payment, one for Arts and Science and one for professional faculties.
2. When a full day is assigned to each group, only that group will be paid on that day.
3. Unless otherwise announced, pay will begin on the hour and will end so that the necessary clerical work can be done in time for the next pay.
4. When the number in line is

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### CONSTRUCT LIME BINS AS START ON ERECTION OF ARTS BUILDING

The initial steps in preparation for the construction of the new Dalhousie University Arts Building were taken Tuesday as employees of a local construction company began building two pits which will be used to store over 10,000 cubic feet of lime mortar.

Actual construction of the building will start some time in April or May. Professor H. R. Theakston, Dean of Engineering, and Engineer in charge of the buildings and Grounds at Dalhousie, said that no definite date for the beginning of construction has been set.

The Arts Building will be constructed on the site of the old Murray Homestead, and the present Arts Building will house the Law faculty. Architects have been studying the plans which are fairly well finalized, and a tentative start will be made this spring.

### ADVANCED STUDENTS ATTEND LECTURE

Sir Robert Watson Alexander Watson - Watt, noted British scientist who developed radio location, the radar system first used by the R.A.F. in the Battle of Britain, addressed a gathering of naval technical service personnel and students of advanced physics in the Physics Theatre at the University yesterday at 12 noon.

Sir Robert spoke on recent developments by British scientists in this field to about forty interested listeners. He is well-known in British science for his contributions to physics over the last ten years.



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## THE WITCH HUNT

The lessons of the Reformation and the Thirty Years' War have apparently not been learned.

Over the length and breadth of America a radical or a radical idea is sharply dismissed as "Communist". That is all there is to it. Further assessment of the individual or the idea is thought unnecessary. It is new, it must be "Communist."

The only idea entertained in the hard heads of those whose ancestors burned witches in New England is that here is a new damnation to apply to anything of which they do not approve, a new crusade to which they should attach themselves.

Who bothers to look beneath the epithet itself for the objection which it represents? And who, doing so, will not often find a hate or a prejudice which has nothing to do with either Socialism or Russia? Or are we beginning to ape the Russians themselves?—he who is not with me, the fascist pig, is against me.

Russia has an idea to which it seeks to compel adherence, but what is our idea if not liberty of thought and expression? Or are we expected to conform to the personal tenets of Mr. J. Parnell Thomas?

When a prominent—a most prominent man in Canadian politics refers to another political party as harbingers of Communism, what exactly does he mean? Does he mean that they are Russian agents? Or does he mean—as Marx would have meant—that the party was composed of the leaders and organizers of the bloody revolution? Or if these seem unlikely, does he mean nothing at all? Is he merely taking advantage of a public confusion and a public fear for political ends?

An intelligent U.S. student told a Canadian last summer at the I.S.S. European seminar that he was afraid that his countrymen were beginning an absolute witch hunt, inspired by a fear all the more fearful because they could not explain it. With their outlook narrowing to the things they were familiar with and could trust, they became suspicious and repressive of anything which seemed new or unorthodox.

A number of societies of the loyal and patriotic variety were indignant at the thought of Dean Hewlett Johnston speaking at the University of Toronto.

"Why," they said, "the man is a Communist."

They all forget, apparently, that a higher sanction than any they can command says that the Dean or anybody else shall think and act as they please, within the law, and that University of Toronto students are quite entitled to hear him speak. Communist or Conservative, our tenets afford the same freedom to all ideas and all individuals.

It is not in the fat, easy years that democracy must prove itself, but in the lean years that are ahead, when the challenge of a new, Godless philosophy rises up against it.

Let it not be said of our generation, when we pass on into History, that mob panic drove us to forsake the very ideals we pretended to protect.

He who is not with freedom is against freedom.

## Letters To The Editor

The Editors,  
Dalhousie Gazette,  
Dear Sir,

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Levine for his most informative letter. I, like all Dal students, am now satisfied that the funds appropriated for the noble game of "general" have been budgeted with caution. I was unaware that Webster listed the expenditure of the Student Council until Mr. Levine drew it to my attention.

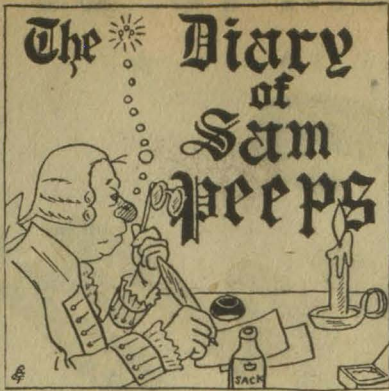
I would like to suggest that the Gazette carry a detailed account of the proceedings at the Forum for the benefit of those who may find it impossible to attend on the 24th. A statement in black and white is much more impressive

than a jumble of figures tossed from a platform. It must be remembered that it is the students' money that is being spent by the executive; the students have the right to know how and why such expenditures have been made.

In closing, I would like to thank you, Mr. Editor, for the attention you have given my letters. My humble gratitude is also extended once more to Mr. Levine.

Yours respectfully,  
James A. Proudfoot

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Gazette has recorded student forums for over eighty years. It is, like paying your bills, a well established custom.



Wednesday, Nov. 24—Good God, what a row there is this morning about candidates for the seat of President in the Council of Students at the college on the hill. Soon, the scholars are to write examinations, yet they talk mightily about presidents.

As I can see, and as I did foretell to my wife, there are not many willing to be connected with the difficult task, which is worth only one award in the shape of a letter.

Some do mention vice-president Hen, but he is of the Tories and his appearance with General Pull-ed is against him. And he leaves the college this year, too.

Others do mention a mighty young fellow named MacEyewash which some think to be too pure for the job of premier.

Gusty McSpike did loudly assert that he would not take the job, until someone remarked drunkenly that no one would ask him.

Much disturbed that I was not a unanimous choice, or a choice at all, I left, sneering.

Did think, though, that it was time to look for a new president, for the elections, in the new manner where there are votes, and sometimes two elections, will be held in the Spring.

On the street, did learn that the Spectator (early edition) would not appear for some weeks after next Tuesday as there is to be a long trip for the editors, blessed be God.

Thursday, Nov. 25 — Laughed much this morning at hearing that my wife wished to take another bath this year, she already having had one in warm water as is the new fashion. As for myself, I have not yet perceived a louse in my wig, and think I shall not have another bath till I do.

Had a call from a student of the school of engineering and mathematics, who tells me that my old friend of the teaching staff there did jokingly tell the scholars not to worry as he always said what would be on the exams when he gave his final lesson.

Some do think it a trap, as he has said nothing yet, and as no scholars go to his tutoring classes.

Things are bad in the college on the hill, especially where the new sciences of cutting up animals are taught. Great quantities of killed cats are kept in a bin, each with a student's name on.

One McPill, an athlete, told me in confidence at the Gym Inn yesterday that he has been cutting up the same cat for three years. When I did remark that he had been cutting up too much, he replied he did take the course for three years only, which is strange, as I must needs take each course in one year, or so the instructors do inform me.

There was held in the great gymnasium hall today a meeting of all the scholars, but I did not go, as it was of no importance.

Visiting Sour's Inn, whereat I have once more established credit, did hear that Breton Less-Daughter had changed his name to Gus Molson, it having a better sound, especially when heard by instructors and his parents, who do not let him play too much at games.

Friday, Nov. 26—This morning to the Dental school to have some exploration of my mouth made by the scholars there, which is free, and almost as good as the real thing.

Do now have a set of teeth shaped like those that are found in the mouth of the horse, but find that I can chew well although I perceive there will be some difficulty in learning to talk again.

Am resolved, on our next meeting, to bite the man who did this (Continued on page 3)

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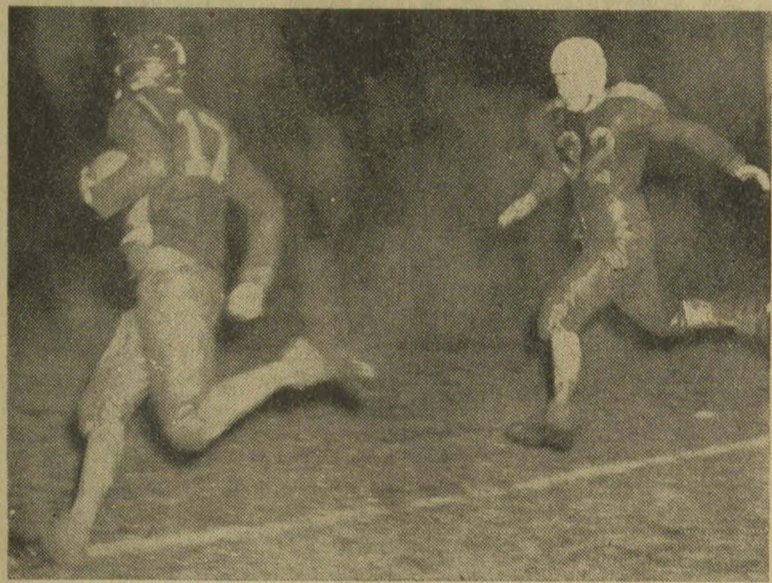
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# TORRENTIAL RAIN RUINS FOOTBALL



Photogs Soberman and Ritcher had a hard time getting these shots as rain poured down on Wanderer's during last Saturday's game. In about six inches of mud unidentified Navy players bring down a Tiger who looks like Murray Malloy, who has just succeeded in bringing the ball forward from the small lake where the play began.



This is definitely Murray Malloy going over for the Tigers' only touchdown. Murray of Navy vainly tries to get in the way. At the ends of the field the situation was a little better—only about three inches of mud and water.

Mud, mud, mud . . . . .

## Wanderer's Becomes Minor Swamp As Tigers Drop Championship

The game at Glace Bay two weeks ago was the climax of a season which saw a good team work just as hard as any in other years, only to be defeated by bad luck, more than anything else. Nobody would deny that the Glace Bay team deserved the game, but the Tigers had the edge of the play for a lot of the game, and looked as though they were going to take their opponents.

Even more so, last Saturday's game was the climax of a season in which a Dal team which has inspired more enthusiasm among a large number of students than any team we have ever seen, went down to Navy, largely due to bad luck. The team had twice defeated the favoured sailors, but when they did so they were playing football on a field, and not a swamp. The weather played a large part in their defeat.

The Halifax Weather Bureau has missed an excellent source of

advance information. Almost consistently the weather has been bad for Dal games, with the result that the team which looked good enough to win when smart football was possible fell before the superior weight in the line their opponents were able to muster. For a number of players it will have been their last season on a Dal football team, among whom are some of the stalwarts who made the team the excellent one that it was. For the others there are other seasons.

### Books

By Nancy Allen

(Student reaction in early December)

We're look—look—look—look—lookin' over everything!  
Read—read—read—read—readin' over everything—  
(Books—books—books—books, on the shelf and down again!)  
We've written exams before!

Seven—six—eleven—five—and another pile today—  
Four—eleven—seventeen—and some more the day before—  
(Books—books—books—books, try to put 'em down again!)  
We've failed exams before!

Do—do—do—do—look at what's in front of you  
(Books—books—books—books, oh to put 'em down again);  
You—me—you—me—we all goin' mad with readin' 'em,  
An' we'll have to read some more!

### Dent Notes

We went over to Joe's after a hard night's work in the library. We waited a long time for a booth which was occupied by some heavyweights from Shirreff Hall. The mere reference to a book on dietary factors halted all mastication by the girls and they fled back to their quarters.

The Dents are thinking about donating a special dressing room to the only woman dental student in Eastern Canada — Kay Stack. The third years are forced to keep their eyes closed while the fourth years are allowed to wear dark glasses during the dressing operation.

Eric Whyte has made an astonishing change in his love operations. Having forsaken the Stork Club, he has signed up a Dental assistant from Lower Slobbovia. She calls him quite often now, and he has discovered that she is related to Little Noodnik from the above-mentioned place. He is now planning to break off diplomatic relations.

We are glad to have Miss Litter back with us again and none of us are quite as glad as Miss MacRae.

### Sam Peeps--

(Continued from page 2)

deed, one Sask-Knell and his scholarly and ill-learned helper, Carlo Clumsy.

Home to bed, but kept waking, as I found myself champing at a bit which I soon perceived to be the draw string of my nightgown.

### Canterbury Club Meets

The formation meeting of a Dalhousie-King's Canterbury Club was held last Sunday night, when

a tentative slate of Officers was drawn up. All Anglican students are welcome at next meeting, Sunday night at 8.30, Cathedral Parish Hall.

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## The Campus Roundup

by Windy O'Neill

Probably the most discontented, irascible group of men in the country are the Halifax tram drivers. Their baleful, pernicious looks each morning allow Haligonians to commence the day in suitable fashion, by telling off the nearest underling or kicking the newsboy, stationed outside their building, in the shins.

One drizzly night, we saw one of this group beat an old lady to the stop where she had to wait for the next. With apologies to Wilyum Shakesbeer the Immortal Card, for lousing up his iambic pentameter, we imagine the Tram Driver's Soliloquy.

Is this a passenger I see before me,  
Running for the stop? Come let me beat thee:—  
Ha! You have me not and yet I see thee still,  
And drops of rain upon thy cap and cloak,  
Which was not so before. Now a stealthy pace,  
To sneak me by that crowded stop near Sweet's,  
These very stones and rails prate of my coming,  
But zounds—a vehicle does cross my path,  
Fool! And now I must sound the alarum,  
Hear it not, people, but it's a knell,  
Echoing surely to the depth of hell.  
I'll pass them anyway. What confronts me?  
So, a poor pedestrian unwary,  
I shall strike thee mighty, and it is done—  
Ha! He rolls like some round object on the street.  
It is this bloody work which brings the red  
Thus to mine eyes—Now o'er the one-half world  
Nature seems dead—some men with wives do sleep,  
A lovely sleep. And now to sheds with haste,  
Then, my nightly bout with grog — no time to waste!

Last week, two Dalhousie medical students were fortunate enough to make a trip to Toronto-not-so-good-now, to represent Dal at the CAMSI conference. Dick Groom, the Thane of Forrest, one of the two, reports that they were treated crown royally. After the conference sessions were over, the delegates were shown to pews on the fifty yard line where they witnessed the great Toronto-Western football game. As is well known, Toronto upset the Mustangs and there followed a great victory parade to the city hall—a relatively non-important building near the local burleyuce house.

Dick graciously accepted a ride from his host, a Toronto Med student, on the rear bumper of President Sidney Smith's car. Knowing that Sidney Smith is a loyal Dal grad and a former professor at the law school, our hero shouted—"give me a 'D'." President Smith's hand appeared out of the window and Richahd shook it heartily.

A shouted conversation was interrupted on arrival at the city hall, where Dr. Smith mounted the steps, threw his arms up in a token of victory and shouted "I love you all." We are told that the students also love the former Dal man.

Groom says that the game was good and the football excellent, but thinks that the day isn't too far off when Dalhousie will give either team a real game.

Miss Mowat, the warden of Dalhousie's shut-ins, is credited with the bon mot of the week. The Prime Minister spoke on the day of the Dal-Navy final game and the decorations of the stage were surmounted with a sign yelling "Sink the Navy". Miss Mowat, on seeing this, turned to her neighbor with a sly smile and said, "Gracious, is THAT a new plank in the Liberal's platform?"

Responsible publications have noted the decline in influence of newspaper editorials. The editorial writers, through their boards of directors, have too many axes to grind for people to put any trust in what they have to say.

For years, Nova Scotians have been subjected to that inane, thoughtless torrent of drivel that flows from the editorial columns of the Halifax Herald and Mail. It is irksome to thinking people who usually pass it with a shrug and a smile.

But, last Thursday, this publication reached a new depth in irresponsible editorials in a piece called "Want Freedom To Destroy Freedom". Here, they take the side of the B. C. Law Society which has recently barred a graduate of the University of B. C. from practising law, because, he openly avows himself to be a communist.

"People who prate of 'freedom and civil rights', and at the same time embrace Communism, must have strange mental processes—" says the item. What strange mental processes has the writer of this piece who mention freedom and censorship of political theory and of speech, in the same breath. There are various breeds of communists in this country. Surely the editorial writer should know that all Canadians are not satisfied with the present system—there is poverty in our country!

One of the basic tenets of our democratic system is to let ALL speak out—"crack-pots" and ALL—and the majority political thought will rule. Joe Howe was considered a "crack-pot" but he had the courage of his convictions. This B.C. law student speaks out; he has the courage of his convictions too. The sinister communists are those who deny that they are communists.

Freedom of speech is fastly becoming a luxury for the financially secure. If we want to shut up communists and other radicals, let's pass legislation declaring a national emergency and make it legal. The writer of this column is certainly not a communist but we have the courage of our convictions and abhor such thoughtless articles, as that in question, which are dangerous to what democracy is left. We suggest that the motto for all Canadians should be the one expounded recently by a great Christian leader, "Love communists but hate atheistic communism." With a little Christian charity we may yet preserve freedom of speech in our great country.

### D.V.A. CHEQUES—

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5. Alphabetical order will assist.  
6. Business requiring office time or reference to files should not be discussed on pay days.

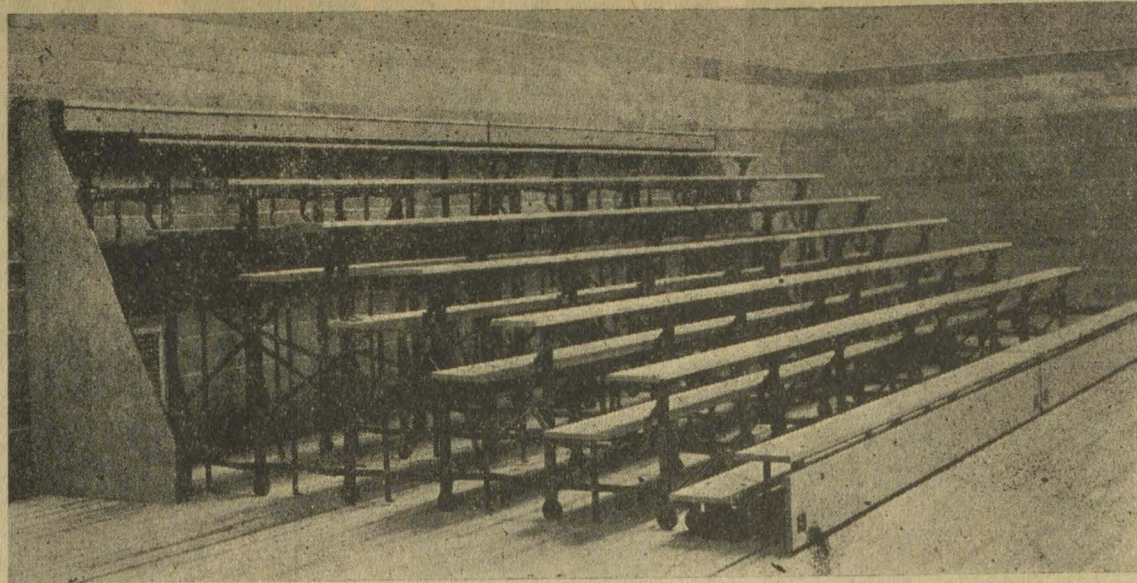
7. Personnel missing the regular pay-day should apply as soon as

possible after the second day.

8. Names and amounts should be checked before a receipt is signed. Cheques for the wrong amount should be accepted and application made to D.V.A. for adjustment as also application for missing cheques.

9. All pay parades will be held in the Men's Residence in the hall outside Room Six.

Proposed . . .



Courtesy Universal Stands  
... Bleachers for Gym

# COLLAPSIBLE STANDS RECOMMENDED IN GYM

## Athletics Receive Boost As Committee Appointed To Approach Senate With Request For Stands

The subject of bleacher seats for the gymnasium was brought forward at the Students Forum, held last Thursday, the 25th of November. The problem was placed before the students by Scott Morrison, who stressed the urgent need of adequate seating facilities in the gym. The collapsible type of bleacher was recommended (see cut), which call for a seating capacity of eight hundred people with an assembly price of about eight thousand dollars. The students after hearing a long discussion on the subject, passed a motion that a committee be formed to approach the senate with the offer that the Students Council were prepared to dig into their sinking fund to cover part of the expenses.

## DAL GRADS DEFEAT LIVERPOOL IN EXHIBITION GAME

The Dalhousie Grads Basketball team travelled to Liverpool on Wednesday evening to play an exhibition game with the Intermediates of the Liverpool Community Club. It was a highly successful evening for the Grads as they defeated the home team by a score of 52-32.

During this time the Intermediates were held scoreless; as the Grads showed their ability in passing. The score at the end of the first half the Grads held a 23-7 lead.

The play was also in favour of the Grads during most of the last half but Liverpool surged forward in the third quarter and a splurge in their scoring netted them twelve points. However they could not sustain the drive and three quick baskets by Cunningham put the Grads in front again with a commanding lead. The final score was 52-32.

Dal Grads: Sweet (1), Haley (4), Tomarelli (6), Griffan (6), Woodward (4), Cooley (3), Farquhar (2), Connoly (7), Cunningham (17), and Brown (2).

## Dal Badminton Champ Plays Exhibition

Last Wednesday evening at Liverpool, N. S., Noel Hamilton, the university and intercollegiate singles champion badminton player, played an exhibition match against Don Bauld, the Maritime senior singles champion for the past two years. Although Don captured the best of three sets in three straight games, Noel made the champion jump as the sets went 17-16 and 15-12. Both games were hard fought with no quarter given on either side. Both men were given a great hand as they left the court.

Noel Hamilton, a M.A. student at Dalhousie is one of the finest intercollegiate badminton players in the circuit and has been instrumental in bringing the Mercer Cup, emblematic of intercollegiate badminton supremacy in the Maritimes, back to Dal the last two years in a row.

it could easily accommodate that number.

The bleachers recommended by Mr. Morrison are made of wood with steel supports. There will be five possibly six tiers of seats and when collapsed they will project about two feet from the wall, with a flat surface facing outward. They will be extended along both sides of the gym and may possibly be removable from one position on the floor to another which lends itself to the idea that they could be placed along the end of the building in order to carry the overflow for the D.G.D.A. performances and other functions.

## Dal Curling Club Will Hold Meeting

All students who are interested in curling this winter are requested to meet in the Physical Directors office, Tuesday, November 30, at 12 o'clock, noon, according to an announcement made by Ken Faulkner, manager.

This is the second year the Curling Club has functioned in the university. Last year they carried out a very successful program and this year a more extensive program is planned and a large number of curlers are expected. The Halifax Curling rink has been obtained for the use of the students.

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