

Dalhousie University has its flag flying high, despite the difficult conditions of the time. The progress made by a university is for the most part unseen by those outside even at a time when it is making itself felt in the community. It is not to be measured by extension of buildings, numbers of students, - not even by academic honours so-called. It is a ferment rather in the minds of those who come under its influence.

It is apparent that, since the War, Dalhousie has grown greatly in numbers and has erected on its new campus strikingly handsome buildings. There has been a notable advance made in the work of the Medical School, which has won for itself the highest rating given medical schools in North America. In other Faculties, also, there have been great changes. The business depression has inevitably brought a lull in advances which are made possible only by money. But it may in all sincerity be ventured that such a lull is necessary as a breathing-time and a stock-taking of our tendencies. For example, we must ask whether our Medical School, which has won so much distinction, is to become a magnetic cosmopolitan institution, or whether it exists more especially for those in the Maritime Provinces who wish professional medical training. Students from many countries are seeking admission to us.

Again, like other Canadian universities, Dalhousie must ask itself whether, in this rapid world of changes, the true purpose of the University is being remembered. There was a time in Canada when relatively few in the community aspired to a university degree. But in that time it was also true that almost anyone who was qualified to profit by a university course in Arts was able to do so. The Faculty of Arts is still, and must always remain, the very heart and soul of the University. But it can keep its edge and temper only if the professors who teach in it are eminent in scholarship and divinely inspired teachers; and also it can keep its edge and temper only if those students who enter it are

trained and qualified to profit by association with such men. The Dalhousie Faculty of Arts has always maintained fine scholars and great teachers, and we believe that its ranks have been greatly strengthened in the last year. Much of the work that is now relegated to the Arts Faculties in Canadian universities could be done much better in the secondary schools. The closest and friendliest relations between universities and schools are, therefore, inevitable. This does not mean, of course, merely an attempt on the part of universities to get the best boys possible from the schools. It means that the universities must support and encourage the schools much more than they have been doing. Above all we must put some of our very best male students into the schools as teachers. And we must make room in the university for the best product of the schools, even when mental endowment is poor in purse.

A country must always be renewing itself, mentally and morally. Its bridges will be built and its business carried on, whatever comes. But ideas perish, and principles languish, unless they live continuously in the minds and hearts of men. For provision of intellectual power and integrity in our Canadian press, in our pulpits, in our schools, the University is the high-level reservoir. The press and pulpit and school, in their turn should be the springs from which the reservoir draws. Thus Nature remakes one thing from another, and our vital force is undiminished.

Dalhousie University,
Halifax, N. S.,
December 6, 1932.

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The Evening Times-Globe,
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