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Dal Suffers Severe Loss



POTTER A. OYLER

Dalhousie has suffered a keen loss in the sudden passing of Potter A. Oyler, at Toronto, Sunday, October 4. One of the brilliant graduates of the University in 1934, Potter Oyler would eventually have added his name to that long list of distinguished graduates of Dalhousie, were it not for his untimely demise.

As a student at the University he was a leader in the many activities with which he was associated. A splendid athlete,—his name will ring down the ages as the story of the struggles of the grid-iron and rink are recounted,—he was a member of the senior football squad and hockey team for seven years, honored for his athletic prowess and fine sportsmanship. During his college career he was honored, and fittingly so, with practically all of the offices open to students, among which were Council membership, presidencies of the D. A. A. C., Sodales, and of Phi Kappa Pi.

Not only did he lead his fellow students in their activities but he also showed marked ability as a student. He graduated in Commerce in 1931, and in Law in 1934, when he was awarded the most coveted honour at Dalhousie, The Malcolm Honour Award.

Following his graduation he continued his studies in England, returning to this country to take a position with the Canada Permanent Trust Company.

Dalhousie bows her head in sorrow for this fine young man and in doing so extends her sincere sympathy to the family of the late Potter A. Oyler. Requiescat in Pace.

Wright Writes Sophs' Defence

Dear Editor:

With reference to a criticism which appeared in the last issue of the Gazette concerning the freshman regulations this year, although I consider that the reference borders on the ridiculous, still I should like to say a few words in their defence.

In the first place, at the Students Forum last year, as head of the Freshmen Initiation Committee I asked the house if they had any suggestions whatsoever with regard to the initiation. When no one responded either openly or privately we took it for granted that the student body was in agreement with anything, within reason of course, that we decided upon. Yet this year, when the committee has carried out the initiation to the best of their own judgment, they meet with anonymous destructive criticism. More than this, the criticism is of nothing in particular. The writer does not name anything specific of which he does not approve but everything in general alleging only the flimsy reason that it will strain relations.

Does the writer mean by this relations between the freshmen and the sophomores? As far as the freshmen are concerned the only sophomores they know as such are those on the committee. Will the writer deny that at Dalhousie as soon as the average freshman enters his second year he but rarely even notices the new students, leaving it all to the committee to "initiate" them more for the sake of tradition than anything else?

In addition everything that is done by them is in the spirit of good clean fun and is expected to be accepted as such. One need only glance at other Maritime Universities, or any other university for that matter, to see how many more freshman regulations they have than Dalhousie. But the writer calls Dalhousie an up-to-date college! If Mt. A. and Acadia are not in this class merely because they have more freshman regulations, then nothing could be better for student cooperation and spirit than an increase instead of an abolition of these as the writer suggests.

Signed,

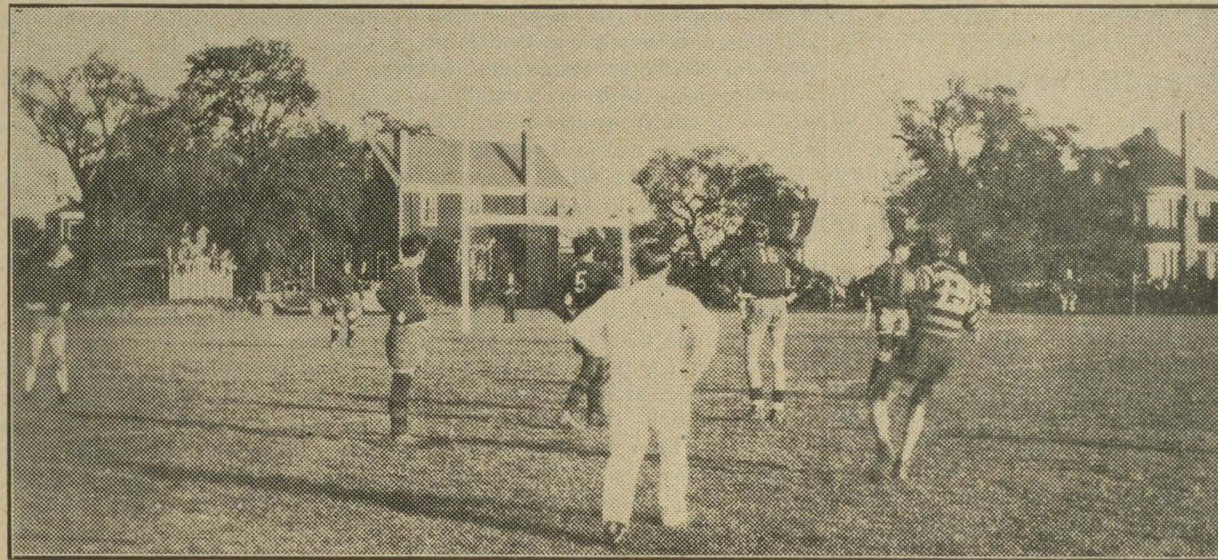
Wallace Wright.

Med Students Name Officers

At the first meeting of the Medical Society the following officers for the year were elected: Pres.—Carl Trask, Vice-Pres.—George Murphy, Secretary—Clarence Gosse, Treasurer—Bill Embree, Football Manager—Carl Stoddard, Track Manager—Abe Epstein. A highly satisfactory report on the Medical Journal was given by the Editors. Dean Grant and Prof. Bean addressed the meeting which was then concluded with the serving of refreshments.

If each student smoked ten less cigarettes for one day, more than \$90.00 could be raised for the Community Chest.

50 Yard Penalty Goal Clinches Dal Victory



The Ball cannot be seen but it is sailing directly through the uprights, Duff Stewart having just kicked a 50 yard goal. Freshmen are advised that if they look closely enough they will see the ball coming down between the goal posts. The kick inspired the following parody. Co-eds note, Duff is number 15

THE TERRIBLE TIGER

Axemen to right of him,
Axemen to left of him,
Axemen in front of him,
Tackled and thunder'd;
Stormed at with body check
Boldly he dashed, by heck!
Into the jaws of Death,
Risking his lovely neck
Weighing two hundred.

Flashed his white teeth so bare,
Flashed as he turned in air,
Shaking his golden hair,
All the girls wonder'd:
Plunged through the Wolfville folk,
Right through the line he broke
Al the crowd th under'd.

When can his glory fade?
O those grand kicks he made!
He showed he knew his stuff,
Knew there were none like Duff!
Honour the way he ran,
Showing his summer tan,
He is our wonder man
Covered with glory!

Council Dance Great Success

Some 800 students and their friends packed into the Gymnasium last Tuesday night for the annual free Students' Council Dance. Sweet music carefully-shaded lights, a happy crowd, combined, despite very poor food, to make the best Council dance in many years. The Gazette Winchell with his usual nose for sensationalism grabbed opportunity by the forelock and interviewed many of the students attending.

Here are some of their comments: Professor John Willis: "I wish all dances were in the gymnasium."

Charlie Clarke: "the best Council Dance in ten years."

Gordie Lea: "We hope to have more of them during the year."

Fran Martell: "It's too dark."

Harold the janitor: "It's a good dance, but who gets all the graft?"

Tobias Beeber: "Everybody's intoxicated with joy."

Marian Little and Alan Bigelow: "We like it very much."

Jack Worrell: "....." (censored)

A 1st year med: "It's O. K., but there should have been more advertising of it."

A freshman: "It is all right, but Wally Wright is here."

Roly Hurst: "There should be one dance a fortnight."

Don McGregor: "It's O. K., but Betty has to be in by twelve."

Anyway, a good time was had by all.

Law Society To Honour Memory

It was decided at the Law Society meeting last Tuesday noon to establish some sort of suitable memorial for Potter Oyler, preferably in the form of a perpetual scholarship. A committee composed of Hungerford, Arab, and Fisher, was appointed to look into the possible methods of effecting this intention and to report back to the Society.

At the same meeting the following were appointed interfaculty managers for law: Softball—Ferguson; Basketball—Jno. MacDonald; Track—Toar Baird; Hockey—Connor. Pat Gunter was also appointed a committee of one to go to Amherst at his own expense to interview Mr. Shipley of the A. A. U. of C. re the amateur standing of Layton Ferguson.

The meeting was remarkable for the small number of members present; such low attendance speaks ill of law student interest in their own affairs.

Arab, Mercer Win Trials

Edward Arab (leader) and Isaac Mercer were chosen at the Sodales Trials, Wednesday night to meet the British debating team, Oct. 20, at the Dal gym.

The subject for debate will be: Resolved that this house would rather live in Moscow than in Berlin.

Judges at the trials were Profs. Curtis, Willis and Maxwell.

Ruggers Seek Win Over Reds

The Dalhousie football team will try for its second straight triumph of the season when it meets the Wanderers at Redland Saturday afternoon. The Tigers showed convincing form in their first game of the year and gave a clear indication of what they can do to a redoubtable squad such as Acadia with only a week's practise as preparation.

This time with the added experience and training they will be out there to avenge last year's victoryless series with the Wanderers. It has been two years now since Dal has won from the Club team, and three since a victory has been scored at Studley. So let's all be out there in full force to give the Tigers a little support.

Just because they've won the first game by a good margin is no indication that they can run through the schedule without the backing of the Student body. Everybody out then, and along with the band and the noisy Freshmen give the Wanderer's supporters an idea of what Dalhousie can produce in the way of organized College spirit!

Ride 'er Cowboy.

Johnny Weldon rode a cow at surveying camp and broke his nose. He is gradually recovering from this severe injury.

Support the COMMUNITY CHEST CAMPAIGN next week. Buy a red feather!

Dal Smashes Acadia Jinx

Playing behind a powerful scrum the Dal Tigers last Saturday gained an easy 11-3 victory over Acadia's Axemen for the first time since '31. The game afforded ample illustration of Coach "Big Jim" MacDonald's protest concerning the league schedule, for although the weatherman provided a perfect day the players easily proved his point by their sloppy ball-handling and lack of teamwork.

However, the Tigers seem on the whole to be a much-improved team over those of recent years. The acquisition of several new players seems to have instilled that much-needed punch so noticeably absent in the past. Too much credit cannot be extended to Prof. Fletcher, coach of the Tiger scrum. It was the work of the scrum in their heeling and dribbling that was one redeeming feature of the game.

Duff Stewart, perhaps the most popular of the newcomers, measured up to pre-season expectations and his penalty-kick from a difficult angle in the second period was undoubtedly the highlight of the game. Doug Crease, veteran flying-quarter, proved the value of short kicks with fast following-up, making long gains by this method.

Don Archibald, Acadia flying-quarter paved the way for the one and only score of the Axemen after five minutes of play by intercepting Tiger Veniot's pass in Dalhousie territory and carrying it to the Tigers' 5 yard line where he was brought down by Hal Connor, Tiger fullback. From the resulting scrum Beveridge plunged over near the corner to open the scoring.

Play see-sawed back and forth for the next 10 minutes, moving into Acadia territory with the Dal scrum gaining much ground by dribbling and making way for the tying try. This came when the Acadia fullback, in trying to clear after a penalty by Doug Crease that fell short, had his kick blocked nicely by Jack Buckley, and Jimmy Mont grabbed the loose ball to register for Dal. Captain Pat Gunter easily converted to give the Tigers a 5-3 lead.

Play was fairly even throughout the second half with the Tigers having a slight edge owing to their superior kicking and their scrum. At the halfway mark Stewart increased their margin to five points with a beautifully kicked penalty and Gunter completed the scoring with another penalty from directly in front of the posts.

The lineups:—

Acadia—Bayne, fullback; Archibald, Balcom, Feindel, Willis, Shaw, three-quarters; Eaton, Beveridge, halves; Gillis, Demmings, Allaby, Edwards, MacDonald, Ellsworth, MacCausland.

Dalhousie—Connor, fullback; Stewart, Mont, Buckley, Crease, Corston three-quarters; Veniot, Dougan, halves; Gunter, Stevenson, Cooke, Storey, Ideson, Mercer, DeWolfe.

Returns to Classes

Friends of Duncan John Chisholm of 2nd year Law will be glad to hear that he is again attending classes. "D. J." was indisposed the past few weeks.

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ALUMNI AND STUDENT "BUCK-PASSING"

Another letter from one Mr. Shucks was submitted to us this week and appears elsewhere in this issue. We cannot agree with the bulk of his letter; if he will look up the facts he will find that he is wrong in attributing so much importance to the fee question—it is not cheaper to take an Arts or Science course at Acadia or Mount Allison.

In one point, however, we heartily endorse his views—Dalhousie needs more up-to-date advertising methods. But the fault is not so much with the University administration as with the alumni and students. If they would spend less energy on words and more on action, if they would spend less time pointing out how much, in their opinion, Dalhousie has deteriorated since the mythical "good old days" and more in improving the situation, all problems would disappear.

What do we suggest? Let Dalhousie follow the example of other universities! Let us organize alumni associations in every town and city of the Maritimes, associations pledged to sell Dalhousie to prospective students. Surely Dalhousie's alumni are as numerous, as distinguished, and as influential as those of the small colleges we affect to despise. Let them prove it.

Let each student similarly pledge himself to Dalhousie's support. Presumably he is attending Dalhousie at present because he really believes, no matter what he may at times say, that Dalhousie has something to offer which no other college has.

We suggest nothing shameful. Dalhousie should not stoop to "athletic scholarships" or other dubious inducements. All that is required is efficiency. If the alumni and Governors would but apply the same thoughtful and effective methods in the pursuit of Dalhousie's well-being as they do in their own business, there would be no storms to weather. Let the proud parents of young hopefuls be informed of the advantages of Dalhousie. That's all we ask. Alumni, present and future—give Dalhousie a chance!

CO-OPERATION

The Gazette earnestly solicits the whole-hearted support of the various societies on the campus in an endeavour to bring to the student body a really live publication worthy of its hallowed predecessors.

Team-work is the foundation of success and if the student body will not reciprocate the result will be nothing short of chaos. We have been receiving complaints from the different societies that they have not been getting adequate advance publicity.

We might remind the officials of the above-mentioned societies that the Gazette is only too willing to aid in that respect, but first of all it must be brought to our attention.

It would greatly aid all concerned if contact men were appointed to inform the Gazette of their doings. Let's have that cooperation.

OUR EDITORIAL POLICY

We had hoped to avoid making any editorial confession of faith this year. The statement of a policy in an enterprise such as ours is a vain venture at best—vain because the execution of that policy depends upon so many factors beyond the complete control of those formulating it.

Nevertheless, some of the terse comments upon our efforts seem to require some answer. These comments have been from two very different types of readers. There are those who want the Gazette to be a tabloid, Winchellian sort of Dalhousie "Bally-hoo", and there are those who want it to be merely the scholarly organ of student "literary efforts". We fear that we must disappoint both types.

The Gazette should not be primarily either a news organ or a learned review. At the risk of being trite, we say that the Gazette's functions are two—to act as a glorified bulletin board for student activities and to serve as an activity in itself for those who work for it. We shall support all efforts to improve the opportunities at Dalhousie for obtaining a fine education in the fullest sense, and to draw to the attention of students, present and future, the facilities already available. In this connection we hope to print a series of articles through the year which will aim to make the student realize more fully that he is attending a university with past record, present reputation, and future prospects which are unsurpassed.

Lastly, remember that the Gazette is an organ for the expression of student opinion—on any subject, including the Gazette itself. Remember also that many articles which appear to you poor, would be gladly shelved were you to overcome your ill-founded reticence and give us something better. Freedom of the press is a Gazette prerogative; therefore, in writing to us say what you like—but remember that a man may say what he likes, but to say certain things is not to think.

THE BAND

It just goes to prove that it can be done. We are referring to the nattily-dressed Dal band which made its initial appearance of the season Saturday to aid in Dal's great victory over Acadia. Too much cannot be said for the backers and players of the band for the splendid way they went about their business.

A spirit of optimism is in the air—plans are in formation for a big day tomorrow, so let's see everyone at Redland.

The Mouthpiece

FRESHMEN, ATHLETICS, AND COLLEGE SPIRIT

"It is not for Knowledge that we come to College, But to raise Hell all the year."

This exaggerated concept of University life may be only the words of an old College song, but nevertheless they do suggest that a great part of the extra-curricular activity of student life centers round social intercourse in its various phases. It is good that it is so. Unhappy are those in the medical faculty, doomed by their professors to at least five years of social starvation, for it is their lot to serve as lookers on. But that is another story.

The criticism is abroad that college life today allows a disproportionate part of its time to social activities. Be that as it may, the undergraduate of today is not the scholar of 50 years ago. It is agreed that modern society is more complex. The Freshman entering college encounters a bewildering maze of societies, fraternities and faculties vieing with one another to outdo the efforts of the others. He needs guidance; and it is readily provided, but what kind!

Now that the hazing of initiation has given place to the more appropriate introduction, he soon becomes engulfed within the whirling stream of events. One day he analyses that elated emotion that has been growing for the past few days, and he writes home of the great college spirit.

This emotion is stimulated and nurtured by the appearance of rugby-football uniforms until it becomes a mighty and passionate force; difficult to restrain, and capable of warping the outlook of even the sanest.

At school he has been taught that games are good for all round development. They keep one fit. Through them one learns how to lose. Friendships made and strengthened on the football field are worth while. Apart from this there is or should be an hour of glorious fun and thrills aplenty for the XV selected for the afternoon's encounter. In addition there exists the pleasure of visiting other clubs, and of being entertained away. Again at school he has learned that he is the host of the visiting team. He derives pleasure from entertaining his adversary, before the game, during the game, and after.

With these, the traditions of pure sport and athletics down through the centuries, and with youthful idealism, the Freshman comes to college; there in his hours of recreation to seek participation.

But see how college spirit blasts the hopes and ideals of youth. With what shame and chagrin he broadcasts his desire to BEAT ACADIA. A host to a visiting rival? Let us suppose that Acadia have a stronger XV. What then? The better team wins, deservedly. For 80 minutes on a glorious Autumn afternoon his soul is in agony lest his team lose. Gone are the thrills of run, tackle, kick, goal and try, always present in abundance for the weakest team against the strongest foe.

Instead bitterness and disillusion. Poor Freshman when college spirit thus violates his soul.

Dalhousie is not distinctive from other Universities in this regard. I recall with shame being engaged in a match with U. N. B. at Wolfville. The whole town was placarded with BEAT U. N. B. None of us could truthfully have enjoyed the game, and the overwhelming sorrow of defeat afterward remains now as a disgusting reminder of the travesty wrought by the wrong kind of college spirit.

Each of the undergraduate body and the supporters of Dalhousie wants his team to win, yes, but greater by far, each of us desires to see good football, played in the proper spirit, and the better team win.

Let us, in fairness alike to sport, college spirit, and the Freshman, have no more of this BEAT ACADIA Hitlerism.

J. A. N.

Editor,
 Dalhousie Gazette,
 Halifax.

At the meeting of students called by the President last week, he told the assembly that Dalhousie has weathered all storms and is now rosily situated. This can hardly be so when the fees in all faculties have been raised again this year. Surely

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COMMENT

The European Enigma

President Stanley, in his annual address to the students stressed the importance of a thorough study of the European situation and the debacle of the League of Nations. From hearsay evidence, it is difficult to understand the true significance of the President's exhortations; whether he meant that the student should beware of the subversive forces that are shaking Europe and spreading to the rest of the world, or whether one should acquaint himself with the complex political structures that have gripped this continent.

A glance at the map of Europe today will soon show the student what a difficult assignment the President has given. Europe is an armed camp in which fearless dictators play the role of chiefs. The League of Nations around which a new and better Europe was to be built has struggled against adversity. Today, it is the butt of an Italian dictator who proved it's weakness to the world. It presents the anomolous situation of allowing a conquered state to sit in the Assembly, while only a few weeks before that same League lifted sanctions against the aggressor which brought about Ethiopia's downfall. An obvious inconsistency, but what was the League to do? If the League refused, it would have admitted failure and lost the support of the smaller powers. To permit her to remain would be tantamount to recognition of Ethiopia's sovereignty, and invite the consequent disapproval of Mussolini. With the League already weakened by the absence of some of the World's greatest powers, the United States, Germany, and Japan, it was a strong temptation to encourage Italian goodwill. What a riddle this is!

Pledges, national honor, international comity and the *status quo* mean little to Europe's madmen. Mussolini damns eternal peace as insulting to the nobleness of the Italian people. Hitler, too, instead of seeking conciliatory measures openly repudiated the Treaty of Versailles. Some time later he broke the solemn pledges of Locarno by marching his troops into the hitherto demilitarized Rhineland. He shouts defiance to Russia, and says he would like to have the Urals and the riches of the Ukraine. He bullies the Jews and suppresses freedom.

The German Minister of Economics, Herr Schacht, is sent abroad to arrange commercial and financial relations with the smaller European nations. But look at the methods. All purchases of foreign goods, and they are large, are on a credit basis. When collection time comes the smaller nations can't realize on them, and they are forced to take their claims in the form of goods. Thus the Third Reich can dispose of her surplus products and develop the great munitions industry.

But there is more behind it than meets the eye. This policy coupled with Nazi propaganda abroad is designed to pave the way for the realization of a beautiful dream—"Mittel-europa". That dream originated more than two decades ago and once was nearly fulfilled. But the Great War in attempting to expedite it really killed it. Hitler seems to envisage it once more in his book "Mein Kampf". What is this dream? It envisaged a great German Empire whose political and commercial tentacles should stretch from the Baltic through middle Europe to the Bosphorus and thence to Bagdad. Such a Germany would dominate Europe, then Asia and with her military might perhaps, even the world. How far has Hitler moved in this direction? Herr Schacht by a stroke of financial legerdemain has forced Yugoslavia into the German economic camp. The logical sequence to economic penetration is political control.

French control in Rumania has weakened. Czechoslovakia is left with Nazi sympathizers on both sides. It is feared that Czechoslovakia will be the next to be forced into the German fold. If she doesn't, the spectre of Nazi invasion will haunt her. Already Nazi propaganda is at work in this peaceful little democratic country.

The story of Poland is parallel to that of Czechoslovakia. She too was a product of Versailles and French influence. Despite recent overtures to France, Poland has lost much of her French support. Not that she dislikes France, but, that she fears Germany. With Germany on one side, and Russia on the other, Poland

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Something to Think About

When the Communist party begins to solicit contributions for their cause, we suggest that the first people they should approach are the following: Adolf Hitler, William Randolph Hearst, the Republican party of the United States, the Spanish rebels, the governments of Austria, Portugal, Poland and Japan. The Reds could argue that each and every of the above mentioned have been the greatest beneficiaries of communism. The party delegates could point out in turn to Hitler that the dangling of the communist "bogy man" before the German people has contributed almost as much as the Treaty of Versailles to the attainment of his present position; to the rulers of Germany, Austria, Poland and Portugal that under the guise of the communist menace they have been enabled to abolish fundamental civil rights of the individual, to maintain their control by dictatorship based on force, to prevent criticism of their rule by summarily sentencing any liberal who dares protest against their usurpation, to a concentration camp as a "communistic traitor" unworthy of the right of trial or the right to express his opinion; to William Randolph Hearst that the small and powerless Communist Party of the United States has furnished his reporters with the flimsy material for the sensational stories of "Control of the U. S. from Moscow" and enabled his papers in maintaining their circulation among their readers, those "100% red blooded American" morons; to the Republicans that they have been enabled to summarily dismiss all the progressive legislation, every humanitarian principle of the New Deal as radicalism.

Nero burned Rome safe in the knowledge that he could blame it on the Christians. In our own day and age how many thousands of Romes have burned, how many civil liberties and rights have been abolished, how much human misery and destitution have been allowed to continue without amelioration, how much persecution has been perpetrated, all because those who have most to gain from it can escape retribution by the simple expedient of shouting "communist".

There is a saying among the Jews in Palestine that there are no more birds in the Holy Land. They say they have all been killed by the British soldiers firing their guns in the air to disperse the Arabs. Thus in this cryptic manner do the Jews protest against the British failure to rigorously enforce order in the Palestine Mandate. They have politely reminded England that her first obligation as a mandatory power is to protect minorities from racial persecution.

On the other hand the Arabs have been pressing what can reasonably be considered their just demands by the only means open to them—riots. They protest against Jewish immigration on the ground that the continued infiltration of these foreigners from Germany and Poland will drive the Arabs out of their own land. They point out that the consideration for their support of England against Turkey during the Great War was the British promise of a Pan-Arabic state which was to include Jerusalem. The Jews however remind England of the Balfour Declaration made in return of Jewish support during the war.

Thus the double faced policy forced on England by the extreme wartime danger in the East has placed her in an embarrassing dilemma. To industrial depression, violent nationalism leading to the imminence of war, the Palestine riots can be included as an added toll of the aftermath of the Great War.

For the past few months the capitals of the great European nations have reverberated with threats and utterances of war. Mussolini proudly announces that Italy can mobilize 8,000,000 men. Hitler speaks of the restored might and the glory of the new German army. Vorshiloff assures the Russian people that the Red army is equipped and ready to repel the attacks of the capitalist nations. With each oratorical blast of military might the press of the world forsee dire possibilities for the future. Our suggestion however is that the greatest indication of peace is that all the nations are talking war. Our opinion is that the great dictators are actuated by the same psychological impulse that causes schoolboys who are afraid of being beaten by their comrades to boast about their pugnastic ability in order to discourage their would be assailants. Similarly the great leaders, knowing their countries cannot stand another war, boastfully display their military might to discourage would be invaders. It is only reasonable to suppose that a nation which is deliberately preparing for war will do so silently so as to take their enemies by surprise. Thus no country professes its peaceful intentions as profusely as Japan, the only country actually making war at the present time.

"The doctor should exempt me from any stunts—I have a bad case of dandruff."

"Oh, I know how to handle it; I can drink it or leave it alone."

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Pertinent Patter

At this time the various fraternities about the campus are rushing prospective members. For a few hectic weeks the new man is invited here and there and told ever so often what a fine fellow he is. Soon he announces his intention of joining one fraternity, usually the one which has monopolized his time the most during the rushing period. And after the fun comes the deluge. True he now has the experience of being "in" on fraternity business. But as the weeks roll on how often he finds that he has not joined the fraternity where he is most apt to make friends.

A few of the older men are more canny and refuse to answer any bid until they have definitely begun to adjust themselves to new college conditions. But why are these few happy cases the exception and not the rule? Fraternities have much to offer a certain type of college student but any man who is not worth waiting six weeks for is no asset to any fraternity. The present system of competitive and often rather subtle rushing is conducive neither to the pledging of the proper type of chap nor to building up of the prestige of the individual fraternities. Girls' fraternities have paved the way on this campus for a little more organization among the different local chapters with considerable success. While there is no need to wait a year in the case of men's fraternities, surely some dates can be set at least four weeks after the opening of the various faculties before which no fraternity will pledge a new man. So here's to the use of a little more co-operative intelligence in rushing and the consequent raising of the prestige of fraternities.

So the Dalhousie spirit has come back. It has—if by "come back" one means comfortably sitting down and razzing at the cheer leaders instead of helping them while the new band swings into action, or gazing dumbly while Dal beats Acadia for the first time in five years on its own field. But if that is the Dalhousie spirit—I'll take vanilla

Have you "yellow fever" yet? If not the directions are simple. Walk up the library stairs and turn to the left. Write the name of the book you want on the yellow slips provided. The book will be out. (Don't ask us how we know, we're uncanny). Then look for a waste-basket to place the rejected slip in. There won't be one. Trying hard to keep your temper look for some place—any place—to put that yellow paper. There won't be any place. In great anger stuff the paper in your pocket. Repeat five times, when you will finally get a book—and five slips of paper. But you'll be surprised at the number of times these yellow scraps will embarrass you. Especially when you try to pawn one off for a dollar bill without looking. And that is "yellow fever".

But something is happening at Dalhousie. Those of you older students who haven't done so yet take a look in the library. Or ask your friends what they are doing with their spare time. Lectures have only been under way a little over a week at Studley, but already a surprising number have begun to "buckle down". It looks as though we're off to a great start—but as the after-dinner speaker said, anxiously looking at his frayed suspender just before he arose, "How long will it last?"

A Message to College Men

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John Fisher requires no introduction except to the freshmen, and not even to them if they live anywhere on Canadian soil between Toronto and the far East (Cape Breton); for his voice, politically speaking, has not been confined within the walls of Dalhousie University and socially speaking has reached as far west as Toronto.

However, it was within our college walls that we knew him for years as the annual representative of the Freshmen on the Students' Council; a students' organizer and a constructive critic of student Government at Dalhousie University.

His wide-spread interest in all student activities at Studley was so pronounced, that he was soon recognized by the students as the ideal pilot to lead incoming students through a sea of bewilderment and make their debut happy and informative.

Even during his first two years in the law school, where he was already saddled with vicarious liability, he was still acclaimed freshmen representative, whether he liked it or not.

And now having passed the heyday of his life as a single student and entered into the great abyss of wedded bliss, he has extra-vicarious liabilities imposed upon him by the very profession he proposes to pursue.

John is in his final year law and ready with wise and willing counsel for any who wish to approach him.



JOHN FISHER

John came to us as a Commerce student from the lumbering wilds of New Brunswick. He will leave us next year as a law student to embark upon the high seas of life; but he will not go alone; his adventures will be shared by Mrs. Fisher, a student from the University of Toronto. Here's luck, Mr. and Mrs. John, you have our best wishes.

The Studley Moscow or Berlin Story

Last week we offered the initiation committee some constructive criticism.

We have heard rumours that Wally was excessively peeved at the idea that anyone should dare to question his rulings. However we can assure him that our remarks were in an entirely friendly spirit. This week we feel far from friendly, and for very good reason.

A certain freshman with journalistic tendencies came to one of the Gazette editors and asked for some assignments. He was forthwith told to cover the Dal-Acadia Intermediate football game. Now the freshmen had been instructed to assemble on the campus some time before the senior game started, so that they could march around the field with the band. Our particular freshman explained the situation to Boss Wallace, and asked for leave of absence so that he could watch the Intermediates in action. For some inexplicable reason this permission was denied.

We may be wrong, but we were under the impression that freshmen were to be encouraged in every possible way to take part in extra-curricular activities. Wally the Great's idea seems to be to hamper them. Just where he imagines he will get, we fail to understand. The whole incident seems to us to be a demonstration of the petty use of an unnecessary power.

We noticed with disapproval that the Dal girls basketball team played an exhibition game on the Capitol stage last Friday night. Just who was the originator of this brilliant scheme we are unable to inform you, but to us it smacks of cheap publicity. We wonder that the team consented to be a part of a mad burlesque of this sort. We understand that it was unfavourably received. May we con-

Moscow or Berlin

Undoubtedly this dilemma has puzzled you many times and may still be one of those brain-teasers that remains unsolved until someone makes up your mind. At the Dal gymnasium on October 20th, a debating team drawn from Edinburgh University and the University of London will uphold that you should prefer to live in Moscow!

The debaters are Malcolm MacEwen, selected by the National Union of Scottish Students and Bernard Ungerston, nominated by the National Union of Students of England and Wales. They sail from Liverpool and land at St. John on the 14th. They will proceed to Halifax on the 19th and for the following six weeks will face a barrage of teas, debates, dinners, luncheons, theatre parties and bun fights by which time they will be prepared to return to the Old Land knowing that Canada is a fine Country.

Dal is fortunate in being one of the first to receive the British Team. Much could be written about the visits of previous teams here and their visit promises to be the highlight of this year's debating programme. But such a "down to earth" topic alone should be the drawing card for a full attendance of the student body So, check-off October 20th; it's a date.

gratulate the Halifax movie public on its display of taste.

This lad Egbert certainly seems to be asking for it. As we recall it, the Egbert who contributed to the columns of the '33 Gazette was a gentlemanly scholar who used only the best of English, and wrote in perfect taste. But it appears that time and tide take their toll. Egbert has decidedly degenerated. His flawless style has been corrupted, the years have dulled his sparkling wit. In short, to use his own lingo, the '36 edition of Egbert is lousy. Never since that Coed from Shirreff Hall contributed to this sheet have we seen a more vulgar display of misdirected humour, than was contained in the opening paragraph of his column last week. And in defense of Merle it is only fair to give her credit for her adequate knowledge of elementary English grammar. To you, Egbert, we say, arise and go forth—indeed so far forth that never again will your illiterate babblings calumniate the noble pages of this, our hallowed Gazette.

It is a well-known fact that Dal girls, particularly those in Shirreff Hall, are a fickle bunch. Of course us lads have no delusions about ourselves. We realize that the Coeds are merely making the best of a bad situation, and that we are really being favoured in that we are allowed to spend our money on them. However these facts notwithstanding, it seemed a bit raw to us, that as soon as Acadia hit town, a couple of the more prominent Shirreff Hallers should drop all proposed dates in order to journey about with a pair of Axemen. Insult to injury, so to speak!

Knock! Knock!!

For the past several years with monotonous regularity Dalhousians have been asked the question "What is Wrong with Dalhousie." This year has proved no exception; and we are already threatened with an epidemic of the same sort. In most cases, however, the disease or would be disease seems to be preferable to the cure.

The goodly number of students who turned out Saturday afternoon at Studley should wipe out the erroneous belief that Dalhousians do not lend their support to their football team in the right manner. There were no signs of discourtesy on the part of the student spectators nor was the "rah rah" overdone. In short, the true Dalhousie spirit was shown by loyally cheering their teams and in being courteous and reasonable in their attitude towards the losing team and its supporters, both on and off the field.

The spirit of co-operation, of give and take, with the accent on give, is the proper spirit for a University, all will agree. But can this truly exist this side of Utopia? However, there are unmistakable signs in the world at large today manifested openly both in governmental legislation and in the various co-operative movements, which would suggest that the trend is towards that ideal at least. In my mind Dalhousie has been very fortunate in the personnel of its faculty without exception through the years. They have laid wisely and well the foundations of our great institution as a seat of learning. Some of us, young perhaps in ways of management, have not seen eye to eye with the authorities on many occasions, but we have trusted in their wisdom and in most cases that trust has been justified. Let us remember the bare words of Burke, when he said: "There is often more truth in institutions than in men." We believe that Dalhousie is giving us the best she possibly can, are we taking advantage of it, while at the same time being fair to the University and ourselves?

Disarmament seems to be a thing of the past. Every nation is arming; yes, we admit, no one intends to attack another. Even Great Britain exemplary advocate of disarmament has joined the procession as a measure of security. Hitler and Mussolini have killed the prestige of the League of Nations and have started the world on its mad rush. Whither bound! that is the question. There seems but two courses one of which must be taken finally. The one is to keep blindly on kill off the surplus population and perhaps irreparably destroy civilization; the other lies in common sense emerging triumphant and the ushering in of an era of international co-operation in its truest sense. We all hope for the latter and somehow believe that it will prevail, but for the present are forced to admit that the actions of the nations speak so loudly that the affirmations of their leaders for peace cannot be heard. If the day shall come, when they shall beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks, when nations shall not lift up sword against nation, neither learn war any more; if the day shall come "when the war drum throbs no longer and the battle flags are furled, in the Parliament of Man, the Federation of the World." "If that day comes" as come it will for a' that it can only come by instrumental co-operation which shall break through the dark masses of race hatred and national rivalry and jealousies.

The University should stand as a possible means to accomplish this international fact. It can and should stand as an international institution to pave the way for better understanding by sowing the seeds of international co-operation in fertile soil. For certainly there is not one attending a University who contends that war is the only way of the present situation; if there is, then Burn's words are applicable, when he said: "What's a' this jargon o' your schools. Your Latin names for stocks and stools. If honest natures made you fools, What sair's your grammars." Students then will not say that in no case will they take up arms, for King and Country, but will lose no opportunity to have their ideas take root when they will do most good in this great cause; thereby helping in a cause which will finally, all hope, see the better nature of the peoples prevail.

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BAND POSES AT ACADIA GAME

Believe it or not, Dalhousie, the College by the Sea has a Brass Band all its own, seventeen pieces strong at the game last Saturday when the Tigers vanquished the lads from Acadia. The Band appeared in sight with the strains of *My Girl's A Crackerjack* floating across the field. It did its share in urging the Tigers on to victory. At last a Dalhousie Band has been firmly established. Dalhousians, it is your duty to see that the band continues to flourish.

This is the first all-Dalhousie Band of any size. True, last year a small band was formed but it died out. However, this year 12 instruments were purchased and one of the greatest obstacles in the way of a successful college band was removed. The boys responded nobly and by next Saturday when the Tigers meet the Wanderers it is believed that the band will have at least twenty members. Last year the Glee Club and the D. A. A. C. got together and got a small band going but interest died. This year the Council of the Students, the D. A. A. C. and the Glee Club have combined their efforts and \$400 was set aside from the Reserve of the Council of the Students to start a band. Some of this money has been spent and what true Dalhousian will say that it has been wasted. Dal is coming back, to the day of snake dances after successful matches and increased college spirit in everything.

Much of the credit for this successful band is due to Johnny Morrison who is directing the band and was its leader last Saturday. He encouraged the rest of the boys and he deserves the best of cooperation possible in setting up the band as an institution at Dalhousie. Hats off to Plumer, Wallace, Burley, Marsh, Annear, Redmond, Levin, Macintosh, Robb, Egan, Gold, Davis, Morse, Fiedelbaum, Leader Morrison, Webster, Landreville, the members of the band! The best of

Matmen To Meet

This year Mr. Stirling will institute a new policy for Dal's Wrestling Team. His primary aim will be to develop good wrestling condition and to teach the men the fundamentals of wrestling. In this way he intends to secure a good foundation for Dal's future Wrestling Teams.

The first meeting of the '36-'37 season take place in Mr. Stirling's office, Tuesday, October 13th. at 12 A. M. Mr. Stirling, will explain his ideas about wrestling to the candidates and determine suitable hours for practice.

Notice

All persons hereafter submitting letters for publication are requested to make them short and to the point, since lack of space prevented the publication of several lengthy epistles this week.

luck fellows and we sure appreciate your efforts, keep it up!

It is planned that a Gold "D" will be the reward for the members of the band who have fulfilled the requirements. There is no reason why the band cannot be made a major institution at Dalhousie. We have the talent, the instruments and the time. So lets go! Come to the next game and bring your friends to hear the Dalhousie Band and see the Tigers in action.

The Mouthpiece

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Dalhousie's financial status cannot be so robust when such an elevation of prices is required.

Something is definitely wrong. Look at the number of Fresh this year. The class is said not to total 75 students. A relatively very small number of new students are enrolled at Shirreff Hall.

This situation is not caused by the indisposition of youth to attain higher education. It is most significant that Acadia and Mount Allison have shown a steadily increasing registration. Of greater significance, those universities have grown in inverse ratio to Dalhousie's loss.

We must admit I think that Dalhousie faces bankruptcy if it retains its policy of increasingly higher fees. Exorbitant prices are driving students from her doors already. Her high standards and tradition mean nothing to youth. If Acadia, Mount Allison, or any other less conspicuous university will give a similar course of instruction at less cost, it will get the trade.

Dalhousie should effect economies within its halls. In some faculties, notably Arts and Science, there is a surplus of professors. Such paradoxical situations can be found as highly paid staff members who have a very limited number of classes. Let these men prove themselves worthy of their hire. If not, let them take a cut in salary. Many get more than they are worth anyhow.

Also, I suggest the university use a little salesmanship. Send out members of its staff to the different parts of the province and the Maritimes to boost Dalhousie, its advantages, its high standard, and its tradition. Otherwise, how are people to know? If you do not keep your abilities constantly before the public, it soon forgets. Acadia and Mount Allison have not let any moss grow on their walls. Their scouts are everywhere, always on the lookout for prospective students—to the very grave detriment of Dalhousie. The strangest thing is that Dalhousie is forgotten in her own province. Why not start in by selling Dalhousie here?

Diffidently yours,

O. SHUCKS.

"It ain't the money I care for—it's the principle of the thing."

Comment

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is a potential battlefield. She hates Russia with good reason. So, if there is a battle, it is possible that she would rather be on the advancing German side than the Russian.

Mr. Goemboes the anti-Nazi Dictator of Hungary is sick. He is not expected to come back. With his strong hand crippled Nazism is liable to rear its ugly head. Hungary too is wavering.

Russia must always be ready for possible trouble from Japan, and thus her resistance to German hegemony over middle Europe is weakened. France is politically torn, although M. Blum assures that in the event of external trouble, she is united. Day by day, the dream of "Mitteleuropa" comes into view. The spectre of Nazi hegemony hangs over haunted Europe.

Yet, Hitler says he wants Peace and Lloyd George supports him. Is he sincere? If Dr. Stanley's young student were confronted with the question of whether England and Canada should rearm to meet this threat, or, whether they should take Hitler at his word and covenant themselves with Germany, what would he say? There seem to be as many answers as there are experts. The President spoke wisely in urging young men to think for themselves. Young men must think, but what a baffling outlook the world presents them. But is it not a temptation for the disappointed and somewhat bewildered youth to seize the baton of those who deride the existing order and wish to substitute some nebulous theory? The University can do much to counteract such a tendency, not by condemning but rather by a broad study of all principles. Don't be discouraged by the paradoxes and complexity of present life. Man has always groped in the dark but some time or other the light will shine.

Cubs In Win

Scoring three tries, one of which was converted, and one penalty kick against one lone unconverted try for their opponents, the Dalhousie Cubs made a very auspicious debut in the Intermediate Football League last Saturday when they overwhelmed the Acadia second team by a 14-3 score. The Cubs led all the way with McRae scoring the first try after making a nice block of an Acadia kick. Hazen Mitchell boosted the total to 6 soon after play started in the second half and McGregor made no mistake with the convert. The Dal backs were playing very smoothly and the forwards were following up so fast that the Acadia goal was constantly in danger. McGregor added three more points on a penalty from 20 yards out to make the score read 11-0. In the dying minutes of the game the visitors put on a rally which netted them their only try and Wellner went over to save them from being shut out only to have Mitchell score again for Dal just before the final whistle. The features of the game were Kent Irwin's playing at fullback and the teamwork of the Cubs as a whole.

The lineups:—
Acadia—Jenkins, fullback; Gibson, Forshay, Morrison, halves; Fountain, Ideson, McKimney, Wilson, three-quarters; Corey, Stevens, Dillon, Brennan, McMurtrie, Allaby, Wellner, forwards.

Dalhousie—Irwin, fullback; McGregor, Dean, Koretsky, Hanway, Mitchell, three-quarters; Lipton, MacLellan, halves; Phillips, McGregor, Mushkat, Hodson, MacRae, Pauker, Rogers, forwards.

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