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## MAJOR I. N. RALSTON KILLED IN ACTION. Was Second in Command of a Nova Scotia Battalion Commanded by His Brother, Colonel J. L. Ralston.

A private cable from France gave the sad news that Major Ivan N. Ralston was killed while leading a Company of his Battalion.

The late Major Ralston is a brother of Col. J. L. Ralston and has recently been second in command of the Battalion of which his brother is the commanding officer.

Major Ralston was a graduate of Dalhousie College and received his degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was in partnership with his brother for some years in the legal firm of Ralston, Hanway and Ralston at Amherst but in 1913 he moved to Montreal and accepted the position of Secretary of the Montreal Trust Company. Shortly after the outbreak of war he enlisted in a Montreal Battalion and went overseas in 1915, not being long at the front when he was awarded the Military Cross for gallantry in action. After the death of the commanding officer of the Montreal Battalion the late Major Ralston continued in command of that Battalion for several months as acting Colonel and when his brother was appointed in command of a Nova Scotia Battalion permission was granted for Major Ivan Ralston to go with

## A STUDENTS' BUILDING.

In a recent issue of the "Gazette" there appeared a short item concerning welcoming the Dalhousians returning from the front. In it there was mention of erecting some fitting memorial for those who went from their Alma Mater to defend the cause of Right and the Empire. This suggestion is highly commendable and now is the time that opinions should be voiced as to what form this memorial should take.

No doubt there will be many suggestions brought forward. It has been rumored that a Students Building has been mentioned. At present all Dalhousians are familiar with the old homestead which bears the name of the Students Building. The only room at present that is furnished is the smoking room. At a very early date it is hoped that the reading room will receive a carpet, some new chairs, and additional fittings.

Whether more can be done remains largely with the students themselves. If the old homestead can be made presentable and comfortable; and if every student will consider himself a shareholder in it, then it will be possible to look forward to the erecting of a students building, a building that will be a worthy memorial for the men who went across. Those who are endeavouring to improve the present building need the co-operation and help of every student. No student wishes to have his property damaged or abused. This is the students building; the students control it; the students derive its benefits. Invest a little interest in the old "Homestead." It will not prove a bad investment. Doubtless it is rather insignificant, but all things have small beginnings. Let it be the bud out of which shall blossom the new Students Union of Dalhousie. A Union that though the countless years to come will foster the spirit of those who fought and died in defence of Right and Liberty.

"SCOTOCCELTO."

## Major J. N. Ralston—Continue

## More Than Ever Now

his brother as second in command of the Nova Scotia Battalion. The death of Ivan Ralston cast over the Town of Amherst when news was announced. The Province will be extended to its utmost you must use "Starr" mother in their sad bere father is Mr. B. W. Ralston. of the Town of Amherst. pathy will also be extended. Colonel J. L. Ralston, were very deeply attached, are made in the largest ice skating rink in the British Flag.

## GOING OFF TO SIBERIA.

Jones, one of the gifted students ever at one of the finest and noblest men who ever done gone to Siberia with Worcester. He is attached

## ALEXANDER GORDON.

McLennan Gordon, son of an, and a student at Dalhousie in the nineties, has been offered a D. S. O., in addition to his Cross. He was attached to the service of the fourth division, and his service in this branch is unusual. He was wounded in the knee. During the war, he was assistant to the commandant at Ottawa.

## ILLUSIENSIA.

S. Davis, of Clifton, has been appointed to the research work of the H. Koppers Company, at his firm specializes in the analysis of benzol and toluol, substances which become of great importance during the war. Dr. Davis is a Dalhousie graduate and received his degree from Harvard. During the war he has been on the chemistry staff of the University of Manitoba, from which he resigned early last spring. For the past two years he has carried on research work on "benzol recovery". He is a member of the Canadian Advisory Council and has assisted in his work by his wife, Mary J. Davidson, who received her degree in 1912.

## REMINISCENCES OF OLD DALHOUSIE.

NOTE—Probably the oldest living alumnus is Dr. J. McG. Baxter of Chatham, N. B. His memory goes back to the revival of Dalhousie in 1863 and earlier. He has been good enough to write some of his reminiscences for The Gazette which will have a peculiar aptness and interest at this time. Dr. Baxter has also presented the college library with many volumes of the classics from his own private collection.

To any one visiting Truro about the middle of last century, it would have appeared a small village of 2000 or 3000 inhabitants on a long, narrow, level plateau of land between a range of hills on the south and the dip of marsh and intervalles. It was then, and is yet, a pretty little town, snug, tidy, well kept residences flanking the two streets then existing, Front Street (now Queen's) and Back Street, now called Prince Street.

The inhabitants were a quiet, thrifty, God-fearing people, largely Scotch and some Royalists from the Republic to the South that kept the Sabbath painfully. They were largely Presbyterian, and the original church, as I first remember it, was a large, square, two-story building,

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Reminiscences of Old Dalhousie

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that stood a mile or so below the village on the road to Old Barns, now Clifton. The cluster of houses in the vicinity was called Lower Village. I have sketched a rough map that explains how the village appeared in the fifties of the last century.

When I first remember attending church in Truro, it was in the old two-storied barn in Lower Village, and Dr. Wm. McCulloch was the pastor. There were no railroads near there at that time, although I remember my father taking me to Pictou with him in 1851, and we had a ride on a little narrow-gauge (3 ft. 6 in.) road that ran from Stellarton to the landing or loading ground for ships in Pictou Harbour. This was, I believe, the oldest railroad in America, established in 1830 or thereabouts; at all events, I know that the original engine and, strange to say the original engineer, who turned the first wheel in America, were taken on to the Centennial exhibition in Chicago where the old man, who was then over eighty, received such an enthusiastic reception and ovation that he never recovered from it, but came home to Pictou and died a few months after.

Revenons a nos moutons. We were speaking of Truro in the 50's. Our greatest excitement was the arrival of the stage-coach from Halifax. How my heart used to thrill as the great, big, Concord coach, a half a ton weight of itself, red body and yellow wheels, with its six splendid large seal-brown horses dashed out of the mouth of the Halifax road in a cloud of dust with one of Hyde's best whips, say Church for instance, as he, cracking his long-lashed whip like pistol shots, toiled his magnificent team bending off to the left past S. G. L. Archibald's, the Court-house, the Probate Office, Keillor's shoe factory, and finally brought up with a flourish exactly in front of the Prince of Wales Hotel steps. Ah! my friends, Ben Hur's chariot race was "not in it."

On the front platform stood the portly host himself, the genial Landy, and the long, thin, keen-eyed, wide-awake Hiram Hyde, the Yankee proprietor of the stage line from Halifax to Pictou. Clustered around them might be seen the "ever rys", "Winking Peter", "Doggy", "Friday", "the four-eyed lawyer", "Dandy" et al, ready to welcome, and sponge the first free-hearted passenger that to hand.

It was wonderful how many those tied coaches could disgorge—any-om ten to thirty; after which the advanced a few yards to the and the long, bolster-like, sole- sacks were unstrapped, hauled gged into the low, one-story d handed over to Isaac e team was gracefully, and around, the horses biting and kicking the whiffle- gave an admonitory that, and murmuring 'cillfully steered them ad that led to the he hotel, and we unharnessed, and,

if the fates were propitious, perhaps even dare to speak to the driver, or, at all events, to some of the hostlers. Alas! *Transit gloria mundi. Quid referam?*

As we come out again through that semi-circular way "*per quem magnus equos (Hydii) flerit alumnus*" when it is only to tell of the four horse stage that is sent out to proceed over to "Bible Hill", and off on the road to Pictou, or the spike team (three horses) that is to go over the marshes to Onslow and on to Amherst to continue their respective journey to Cape Breton, and P. E. I., or via Amherst and the "Bend" (Moncton) to St. John, or Quebec. But I may add that occasionally, through the kindness of Angus McLellan, I was permitted to drive the "spike" Cumberland team myself then—oh! *Quid confert purpura majus optandum?* I mark those days with a white stone.

"*Le Roi est mort. Vive le Roi.*" Then came the prosaic railway. I remember well being on the platform awaiting the first train—'57 or '58, senile uncertainty of memory forbids me being too concise. It arrived with Wm. R. Geldert as conductor and Sandie Cameron at the throttle, and from that day the "Common" went down and Inglis Street went up on the scales of fate, and, saddest of all to relate, some of the "everdrys" even forsook their allegiance of "Ye Olden Tyme" and were to be found "bowing the knee to Baal" at Inglis Street.

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LETTER FROM FORMER DALHOUSIAN.

"Estates", O.H.F.C., London, England, 15-6-18.

To the Editor Dalhousie Gazette Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada.

Dear Editor:— Having received several copies of the Gazette since coming Overseas, I would be deeply indebted to you if you would favor me by publishing the enclosed as an expression of my gratitude and of my interest in the life and activities of our "Alma Mater". I may say that, written somewhat hastily, it is not submitted as a literary contribution but merely as a message of gratitude and good will and as such would request that it should escape any searching editorial criticism.

If I may be permitted to do so, I would take this opportunity of offering my heartiest congratulations to you and your associate editors upon the enterprise and success with which you are producing a "weekly" Gazette—and especially since neither war conditions nor lack of numbers seems able to detract from its excellency or interest.

Being neither a graduate nor, at present, a member of the student body, I presume that I am ineligible as a contributor—but if not and if your space and my time would permit, I should be delighted to offer any assistance in the line of short articles that my poor abilities might make acceptable. A line from you in this connection would be very much appreciated.

"Estates," O. M. F. C. London, England, June 15, 1918.

Dear Fellow-Dalhousians:— With the kind permission of the Editor, who has granted me this valuable space, I am taking this means of renewing my connection with Dalhousie and of thanking the person or persons unknown who have

so thoughtfully furnished me with copies of the Gazette.

The systematic discouragement of all forms of intellectual enterprise and the severe penalties incurred by indulgence in independent thought or expression—coupled with the discomforts and hardships of life at the front have, I fear, erased from my memory many of the things which a great expense of patience upon the part of the Faculty, and of time and diligent application upon my part, had written thereon. But whether on the lines of communication in France of Belgium, before Lens or at Ypres, in Hospital or in Camp, or amid my far more congenial surroundings and duties in London, the Gazette has ever been a very welcome visitor from the Homeland.

And I am sure that to all Dalhousians overseas it serves as a reminder of the days when amid happier surroundings, our only "enemies" were the Civic Police, and Theatre Night our most serious "general engagement".

Many, too many, of our comrades have fallen and we speak of their loss with emotions of sincerest sadness and regret. Yet we know that, could they but speak, their wishes would be that we should regard their sacrifices only as inspiration to redouble our efforts until they are avenged and our country freed forever from the fear of oppression.

Those of us who, so far, have been spared, are hoping and longing that the day may soon come when, our labors over here completed, we may return to Canada and to our Alma Mater, free once more but doubtless with a fuller realization of our responsibilities and our privileges, to take up the task which the call to sterner duties so rudely interrupted.

With sincerest good wishes for the continued prosperity of Dalhousie and of all Dalhousians at home and abroad, I remain, Very sincerely yours, H. B. BLAUVELDT. Ex 85th N. S. H.

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One Gentleman sent us two years' subscriptions in postage stamps, because he had the stamps beside him and was afraid he might forget to send a money order next day. His example is worth following.

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## DALHOUSIE AND THE WAR.

Lieutenant J. Douglas Vair has presented the Library with two French official guide-books to the battle of the Marne. They are well illustrated. While Dalhousie has acquired a good many books on the war, there is nothing in the collection quite like these two volumes. Lieutenant Vair has also sent a portion of a machine-gun belt still filled with vicious-looking cartridges. He picked it up on the field of Verdun, close to Fort Souville. He writes: "I would like to have sent many more souvenirs to Dalhousie but unfortunately could not carry them with me, and there were difficulties in sending them to Canada."

Captain Gerald M. Grant, C.A.M.C., has been in the thick of the recent fighting. He was with the Canadian "spear-head" that pierced the Drocourt-Queant line. "On the 6th day we struck; and struck so hard and fast that the Boche went up in the air from the start. It was very fine to see the tanks and cavalry going through like a dart. In our first two days of advance we had gone fourteen miles with a minimum quantity of casualties, far below the number of prisoners that the whole Corps took." Other extracts from his letter show the risks that army surgeons must take.

18-8-18.

"The Medical Services, I think, can claim some share of praise, for the wounded were evacuated with wonderful rapidity; picked up where they had fallen, passed down through the Advanced Dressing Stations to the Train Dressing Stations, and thence on to the Casualty Clearing Stations some miles in the rear, all within the space of a few hours. Here they were sorted, operated on, or sent by train to the base if congestion seemed likely."

Aug. 31.

"My runner was sniped beside me and we were blown up a few times, but I lost only six men. We evacuated something over one thousand cases, making the Hun prisoners carry down our stretcher cases in relays. I have had no sleep or rest for three days.

"Am afraid the battalions lost heavily on the last day—machine gun nests not properly cleared up. They got us at 200 yards from behind. I got a graze on my leg which tore my puttees off, also my coat riddled and torn off me by a shell but very fortunately kept clear of the lead. I think for a time we held the line, having to drop our stretchers and fight. My men cleared out a machine gun nest and I had great pleasure in finishing a sniper with a Hun officer's revolver at about 10 yards. He kept low in a dug-out till we passed ahead. Then got busy with his gun on us."

Captain G. S. Stairs, our first Rhodes Scholar, writing to a friend on September 12th, reports himself "fit" and acting adjutant to his battalion. "As you doubtless know, we jumped into two big moves and two big actions in a month. Not bad for the Corps."

Dr. K. G. T. Webster ('92), of the English Department at Harvard, is now Captain in the Intelligence Division of the General Staff at Washington. He considers it "a mighty interesting business".

How long does J. P. C. Fraser hope to exist on this mundane sphere? "Whereas now we condemn a man, a hundred years may praise him."

Brains and muscle, skirts a-plenty,  
Arts and Science, nineteen-twenty.

On the night of the Nones of December, the "muscles" of Class '20 had a walking party and took the "skirts" along. To make the numbers equal it was necessary to borrow some "brains" (?) from other classes, but the "muscles" plainly showed that they were accompanied by some grey matter when they made the selection; and the "skirts" saw that it was good."

As is often the case when a walking party is noised abroad, it rains, and this time proved to be no exception. But to cheat the weather the cunning president put in an alternative, and made the weather so confused that the rain forgot to fall for the whole evening, and the Juniors had a jolly good walk and a jolly long one; but we all said "that it was good".

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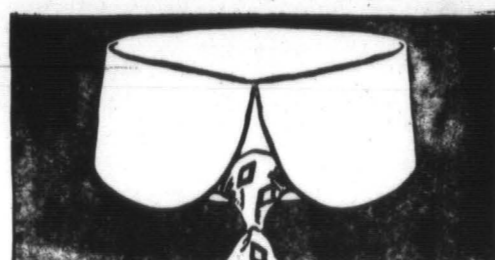
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## TADPOLE TATTLES.

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I just thot I wood drop u a fue lions since I havent written two u 4 a long tyme. Well Jhn I didnt no were I was kuming when I kum hear, this plase is fast with a capital f. Thee other day I was kuming down stairs when I met Dok. Ch—ers and I says two him "well Dok. its bad luk to meat on the stairs," yes says he "it depends upon who u meat and how dark it is. Well Jhn I'll leave it two u wat he meant. I thot that pretty good for a preffesser of logik—because there was logik in wat he says. I then went into my klass, it was English, and the preffesser started two tok aboit hoze. I blushed because that is no subject two tok aboit in front of ladyes but the other fellows didnt, they ahwled there trowsers up father than I thot was necessary to show there soks. Well anyway the preffesser kept on and says "Pope wore silk stockings and Crabbe wollen ones, but u no a lymb klad in silk is prettier to look at than l klad in wool." Well Jhn that is wat I ment when I said this plase is fast with a capital f. Of coarse between u and me the preffesser was wright and anyweigh Jhn I often blush two thynk what wood happen if sum off the girls got cot in a rainstorm, because if there dresses shrunk the least bit they wood be wearing wollen neklases. Well Jhn I was two the Freshy-Soff debate. Thee 4 speakers spoke aboit hazing eech other, but I thynk the best plan wood be 4 the girls to hase the buoys and the buoys to hase the girls. Well Jhn as I said I am a grate favorite. I was too 2 dances this weak, 1 at the H. L. C, but their was no good looking girls there sew I went home early. Yhe other danse I was at was the Green Lantern—wee 1st went to a shoa and then kame there 4 super—I gess moast of us kame 4 thee super. This danse looked as if it had been had too shoa the girls the buoys engineering abilitys, becose thee weigh sum of the buoys engineared the girls aboit thee danse hall was a freight. Well Jhn were going to have a \*U. S. C. danse soon, and I tell u off it next tyme.

Sew long,

TADPOLE.

\*U. S. C.—United Students Council.

## Brain and Muscle a-plenty

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Where we walked that night is a puzzle to me—but perhaps it was meant to be a secret. One thing I know, however, and that is that we returned to the home of Miss Jean Moriarty, from which we had set out nearly two hours previously, and there we found some whose muscles must have been weaker than ours awaiting us; and nobody said "that that was good".

Miss Erma Nelson then amused us by "crying" and when we got her pacified with one accord we all made known to her "tat it was good". The remainder of the evening was about evenly divided between a number of dances and one refreshment topic; and both of these "were good".

When college songs had been sung and a vote of thanks extended to our hostess,

we all went our several ways, saying that Class '20 like some other things of which we have heard, is improving with age; and "that is good".

## AN INTERESTING SOUVENIR.

President MacKenzie has recently received from Major E. P. Brown, 9th Battalion, Canadian engineers in France, a most interesting souvenir of November 11. It is an official proclamation signed by the Mayor and aldermen of Mons, or their French equivalents. Its value as an historical document to us as Canadians and Dalhousians is infinitely increased because of the following paragraph which would lose its real meaning were it to be translated.

La de division canadienne, au prix de lourds sacrifices, a penetre dans la ville a 3 heures du matin, vengeant ainsi, par un eclatant succes, la retraite de 1914.

## Gloire et reconnaissance a elle.

The proclamation is on exhibit in the Library, and with the machine gun cartridge belt received during the Spring from Douglas Vair, forms the nucleus of our Dalhousie war relics collection. Dalhousie Veterans! Do likewise!

## OLD DALHOUSIANS—ATTENTION.

We do not believe it is desirable from the standpoint of either subscribers of the Gazette that there should be so many unpaid back subscriptions. Notices have therefore been sent out, and it is hoped that everyone who has received these will act at once. We simply must remove from our mailing list, at an early date, the names of those with several years' subscriptions unpaid. Any error in this matter will be cheerfully corrected. We thank those who have already communicated with us in the matter, and gratefully acknowledge the following amounts;—G. E. Robinson, Jean Dunlop, Dorothy M. E. MacKay, Dr. h Chambers, Velma J. Moore, Olga A. E. Clemen,—\$1.00 each; John Waddell, Perry McG. Knox, K. G. Mahabir, S. W. Crowell, J. McG. Stewart—\$2.00; D. C. Sinclair, H. W. Barnes—\$3.00; Dr. Grace Spencer, J. P. MacMillan—\$4.00; Kelley Butler—\$5.00; Dr. W. F. MacKinnon,—\$8.00; Rev. D. H. MacKenzie—\$11.00.

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But the continued rain weakened the constitution of the Dal. Y. W. No less than eight girls contracted a mild type of Flu. The Dalhousians were not the only sufferers, for, as the days went by, others also succumbed. Miss Thomas became panicky. She ordered rubbers from Bear River, seven miles away, by the dozen. When this failed to stop the epidemic, she ordered them by the gross. But "its an ill wind that blows nobody any good" and they say that the proprietor of that Bear River shoe store made his fortune.

The mornings were spent in study. From 9-10 Bible Study; from 10-11 Mission Study; and from 11.20 to 12.30 Student Discussion. The courses offered were excellent. There seemed to be one to meet the need of every student. Who could help but be inspired by the faith and earnestness of such Christian scholars and leaders as Dr. Gifford, Dr. Line, Mr. Orchard, and hosts of others.

The afternoons were entirely given over to recreation, and recreation of the very jolliest type. Sports and entertainment were under the supervision of Ruth Elderkin (Acadia '19) who planned the nice parties, a different kind for each day. On the rainy days they were held in the pavilion, where, gathered before a cheery fire, we toasted marshmallows, ate candy, and laughed until we were weak over funny stories told by various girls. On another afternoon we had some music. Miss Creighton was the chief performer, and many of the girls gave us less fortunate ones the benefit of their talents.

Saturday was what is called "Stunts Day." Every College had to give some form of entertainment, and a prize was offered for the best production. Picture to yourself the confusion in Dal. cabin as we got ready to give "The Sniggles Family" with variations. Not having brought any "make-up" with us, Dal-like we just appropriated anything we wanted. The Rev. Mr. Cock and Dr. Bronson helped to make our stunt a success by taking the parts of little boys and skipping a rope for the amusement of the audience. For further information as regards our costumes and appearances and those of the other delegations, I beseech you to consult my "snap-book" for my powers of description are inadequate.

Monday afternoon will ever stand out in our memories as a gala day. To begin, with it was fine; the fog had lifted and for the first time we saw a huge expanse of blue water and that ever beautiful spot Digby Gap. The girls were quick to take advantage of this change in weather, and some planned a hike to Bear River, while about twenty others went to Digby in a motor-boat. Will any of us ever forget the hunt for an ice-cream parlor, the joy when we found it, and the rain on the grocery store in order that we might take to the girls at home a stick of candy as a souvenir of our trip?

I would like to tell you about the afternoon we had the privilege of listening to a real live soldier, who had escaped from a German prison camp, and of a trip to Annapolis; but I must hurry on to a description of the evenings, the best time of all—if

there can be any best when everything is perfect.

Each evening was divided into three parts. Directly after tea we had a very informal gathering called a Twilight Talk; and what girl will ever forget those moments when she began to grasp some new and wonderful idea about God's plan for each life, or, suddenly struck by the force of the speaker's argument, she made a solemn vow to hereafter give the "Morning Watch" a fair trial. Even if you have hardened your heart against missions, or have just been conveniently ignorant of the subject, you could never forget the picture that Mr. Orchard gave of the millions of non-Christians in India. Do you know that it would take twelve years for them all to pass your door, marching in a procession four abreast?

The second evening meeting was more like an ordinary Church service. We had hymns, prayers, and then an address by one of the Conference leaders. One night

Mr. Cock gave an account of the political situation in India; on another occasion we had the Bishop of Fredericton, while Miss Wisdom, Dr. Allen, Dr. Line, and Dr. Borden of Mt. A., all gave us much food for thought.

I could never close this narrative without mentioning a certain birthday party. On the last evening before the breakup of the Conference, the word went out to such leaders and delegates as we considered worthy, that Dal. would be "At Home" after the usual evening sing-song. Now you may have heard, from some outsiders of course; that our cabin was a very popular rendez-vous for choice souls, and on this occasion our invitation was accepted accordingly. Having cleared the room of all unnecessary furniture, our guests were invited to sit on the floor, as is the custom at Delta Gamma. In all, there were over thirty people each one of whom contributed to the fun to an unusual degree. When, at a disgracefully early hour, the party broke up, we were loath to part because this would be our last meeting, and on the morrow friends, old and new, would be many miles away from one another.

This has been a brief resume of eight days of intense living. If you want to know how the girls of the Maritime Colleges feel about Y. W. Conferences, just ask some of your fellow students. See if they don't agree with me that the week at Deep Brook was one of the biggest things they have ever experienced. On the strength of their testimony let every Dalhousie girl plan to go to Deep Brook when the Conference meets next summer. You will not be disappointed.

S. M.

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