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Dictatorship In College Student Body

At a recent student forum, held in the gymnasium shortly before the Christmas exams, 115 students voted in favour of Dalhousie, as a member of the N.F.-C.U.S., joining the allegedly communistic I.U.S. In light of the fact that there are over 1700 students at Dalhousie this year, it would apear that a very small group could lead the school from the paths of righteousness —

As an example we quote the following passage from the student publication of New London College: —

NEW LONDON COLLEGE WITNESSES DICTATOR STUDENT GOVERNMENT

The students and faculty at New London Junior College are witnessing a tight-fisted dictatoship in the student government simply because the student body failed to use their civil rights.

This laboratory of dictatorship, as real as Hitler's sprang into being when only 20 percent of the students showed up at a student government meeting on October 27.. The officers, seeing the student body's indifference, voted to suspend their constitutiin, took over the entire direction of student affairs, placing them in the hands of a small committee, and even went as far as to order the closing of the College dining-room for between-meal snacks.

Without interfering, College authorities are watching the dictatorial trend in student politics, and also the movements undertaken by many students to restoredemocratic representation.

Gazeteers Get In Gear

The Gazette Gambol — the terror of worried mothers and hapless hall residents — will be initiated January 23, according to an announcement by Lew Mille, Gazette Editor. Plans are foot, as is the custom with Gazette "Gambles," for a gala occasion, transcending even last year's "bon do."

Congregation members of Ste. Anne de Sackville and St. Henri d'Agricola are urged to attend services in advance as late services are apt to be crowded.

In the absence of the late lamented Mr. "Chester" Gould, he of the teeth and erudition, a little-known mouse-like creature, Robin MacLean, who is vaguely connected with the Sweet Capor I advertisement which appears in the Gazette, will be in charge of the show

Tickets will be on sale shortly, and the privilege of sitting out dances in the Gazette office is reserved for the editoral staff.... and fiends.



NEW GYMNASIUM CLOCK
- Knew The Score -

MILLIONAIRES BALL AND SWEATER DANCE TO BE HELD FRIDAY

SNOW FIGHTERS IRK STUDENTS

... More mature members of the student body were somewhat amused by the childish antics of a number of Dalhousie infants who stood near the gymnasium throwing barrages of snow-balls at hapless students who passed by, last Monday.

... A few irate students complained to the Gazette, and it was decided that the St. Mary's dummy that was hanged prior to the last Canadian Football game would be resurrected and and to the yard-arm of the flag-pole where the children might throw their arms out in their endeavors to blow off post-examination steam.

D.G.D.S. PREPARE FOR PINAFORE

The Dalhousie Glee and Dramatic Society will be taking on their greatest production in February when they produce the Gilbert and Sullian operetta H. M. S. Pinafore. A stage cast of 80 with the Dalhousie Concert Orchestra, conducted by Frank Padmore, will form the cast of the production, under the able direction of Geoffrey Payzan.

Full chorus rehearsals have been held weekly since last fall with daily rehearsals for sections and soloists. Orchestra rehearsals are held weekly.

The Cast:—
Ralph Rackstraw — M. Taylor
Josephine — Eileen Cantwell
Sir Joseph Porter, K. C. B. —

Lloyd Soper
Captain Corcoran — Alan Wilson
Buttercup — Julia Kaplan
Cousin Hebe — Anne Thexton
Dick Deadeye — B. Creighton
Boatswain — Stan Pearson
Carpenter — Vicent Allen
Sergeant of Marines —

Donald Chipman
Midshipmite — Donnie Artz

The annual Millionaires' Ball, under the auspices of the Commerce Society of Dalhousie University, will be held Friday, Jan. 9, according to an announcement by Olin Gardner, President of the society.

The Ball, known more commonly as the Sweater Dance, will be held in the gym at 9 p.m., with Don Warner and 17 men in grey lounge suits supplying the music. Selection of the Dalhousie Sweater Girl of 1947 will be made during the evening.

The Commerce Banquet will be held the same evening at 6.30 p.m. in the Tea Room of the Nova Scotian Hotel. In attendance will be Mayor J. E. Ahern and Mrs. Ahern, and a guest speaker so far unidentified.



Leon Disputin (above), director of subversive activities for the Communist party returned to Dalhousie last week. He was at the University last year but left in the face of continued pressure from liberal-minded students. With the announcement of the affiliation of Dalhousie (N.F.C.-U.S.) with the Communist I.S.U., he feels that a large percentage of students have been won over

PRIMATE TO SPEAK AT OPEN HOUSE HERE

Accuse Staff Of Communist Activities

The editors of the "Campus", University of Toronto student publication, have been charged with slanting their articles along Communistic lines. DENNYSE GASSYT, secretary of the publications committee for "Campus" accused the magazine of supressing an article of hers which critized one aspect of Russian policy.

Members of all political parties are represented on the "Campus" editorial, board, but the L.P.'. has a controlling majority. Because of recent editoral policies, several C.C.F. members have resigned, making the L.P.P. majority more marked.

Most of the papers staff deny the charges. Most Forer, editor, states that Miss Gassyt's article was supressed "both as a matter of journalistic sense and majority rule.

COMMON ROOM

The demand for weekly Common Room Dances has been so great that John Pauley, the Glee Club director of the dances, has announced that they will be held weekly this term. Last term dances were held only on Saturdays following dance-less Fridays. Many students, however, have expressed their wishes for an inexpensive type of entertainment, and something to do on those lonely Staurday evenings—both wishes are fulfilled by the Glee Club's weekly stomp.

Special speaker at the Open House this week, Sunday, Jan. 11, will be Archbishop Kingston, Primate of all Canada, and Archbishop of Nova Scotia. This will be the first opportunity the students at Dalhousie have had to welcome Archbishop Kingston since his election as Primate, and it is a privilege for us to have him as our guest.

The Open House will be held as usual in the Common Room of the Men's Residence, commencing at 8.45 p.m. All students are cordially invited to take this opportunity to hear and meet this outstanding leader of Canadian religious life. Following the address by Archbishop Kingston, there will be a social hour, for informal discussion.

SODALES SOCIETY TO HOLD MEETING

A general meeting of Sodales will be held Tuesday, January 13, at noon, in Basement Room, Arts' Building. All male students of the university are members of the society, and a good attendance is requested for this meeting.

Agenda is as follows:

- 1. Minutes of the last meeting.
- 2. Report on M.I.D.L. Conference.
- 3. Publicity and reporting.
- 4. Effective Speaking Club.5. Frshman Debates.
- 6. Awards-Gold and Silver D's
- 7. Any other business.

TRUTH NOT POETRY

Drinkers or Drivers

If you drink don't drive.

If you drive, don't drink.

Drive or drink! Don't do both!

U.N.B. Students Boycott Barbers In Fredericton

Barbers For Discrimination

(Exchange Feature)—At the close of last term a special issue of the Brunswickan, U.N.B.'s student weekly, was published announcing a boycott of four Fredericton barber shops who showed racial discrimination in refusing to cut the hair of Negro students.

The special issue carried articles, editorials and letters pertaining to the boycott, and the essence of the student opinion was contained in an open letter from the president of the Students' cil which urged all U.N.B. students to support the boycott. A letter of protest signed by over five hundred students was sent to the Fredericton Chamber of Commerce, and notification of the boycott was sent to the Fredericton Gleaner, the local daily.

The Students' Council authorized Bob Rogers, President of the SCM, in conjunction with the Newman Club, to contact local clergymen and request them to take a stand on racial discrimination in the interests of Christian teachings.

An immediate result of the exhortions was that the churches pledged their support. The Fredericton Gleaner when queried why the story was not published hung up the phone with the cryptic message: "You want to know? — You will want to know." On another occasion he merely stated that "We didn't care to print it." (The Gazette feels that the Gleaner was well named.)

The President of the Fredericton Chamber of Commerce, F. Cedric Cooper, stated that he did not think that the people of the city held much prejudice, that the barbers were merely making "a mountain out of a molehill."

The editorial pointed out that the fault did not lie entirely with the barbers, but mainly with the citizens of Fredericton. "The main (Continued on page eight)