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## Canadian Universities

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McGill University "James McGill, James McGill, "Peacefully he slumbers there, "Bliseful though we're on the tear."

Beneath the rare "Ginko" tree just outside the Arts Building, James able undergrads to take an even McGill lies peaccfully. Were James more active part in sports. At presto return from his "Blissful" state ent the senior hockey team holds for the purpose of visiting Montreal place in the University league. he might not recognize in Montreal | The month of February promises as it stands today-the embryonic to be a sparkling one for McGill. beginnings of a university, placed on We will witness the second major the gentle southern slope of Mount production this year, of the Players Royal and surrounded by rough Club, also the annual Red and White grazing land, that was McGill in its Revue and a presentation of Gay's genesis some 120 years ago.

Now approximately eight thousand students throng McGill's campus with its wide lawns, presently buried under winter's whiteness, its graceful trees, its grey stone buildings and historic Roddick Gates. This university is financed privately and many of its buildings are named after famous men who have donated money or services to the institution. Among these are the Redpath Library, the Redpath Museum, Moyse Hall, Duggan House, Molson Stadium, the Donner Building, Morris Hall, Purvis Hall and the Roddick ("erotic") Gates. Since the war, and partly because of the war, (the influx of veterans), McGill has undertaken an extensive programme of expansion, which is now nearing completion. Most publicized of these additions is the Radiation Laboratory and Cyclotron, an ultra-modern establishment staffed by students who are working toward their Doctor of Philosophy degree.

Another of the post-war projects is Dawson College, McGill's annex, 30 miles from the mother campus. Dawson has its own lectures and entertainment, Students' Council, and -perhaps because it is on the site of an ex-RCAF camp-its own gripes and grumbles.

McGill's Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor, its Board of Governors and Senate do, of course, control the most serious workings of the University. But, for college life, the students depend on their Students' Society, the governing body of which is the Students' Society, the Presidents of the Men's and Women's Unions, and the Editor-in-Chief of the McGill Daily sit in on this council-assisted in solving their knotty problems by representatives of the various faculties. Out of their lateat-night\*sessions come such decisions as grants to many of the campus clubs, approval of the constitutions of new clubs, the discovery of a necessity to raise students' fees, and to lower the Society quorum from 500 to 300.

Clubs, societies and such things run the gamut, from the McGili Student Veteran Society, where ex-service types can air their views to the barn-dancing section of the McCill Outing Club, where city types can | air their heels. There are literary clubs and language clubs and sport clubs, till the harassed freshie wonders why ne bothered to register in the ordinary courses, Canada's four main political bodies come (together) periodically in a Mock Parliament, and direct the usual kindly remarks to one another.

The University has organized its sports activities under the newly formed Department of Athletics, Physical Educat ion & Recreation. The recent completion of a drive, organied by the McGill Graduates Society, for funds to build a war memorial i nthe form of a Swimming Pool and Rink Auditorium will en-

"Beggar's Opera." The mammoth effort in this direction will be the three-day Winter Carnivcal, when students, professors, and guests will be invited to witness all types of winter sports, garnished with dancing, feasting, bands and bonfires.

With ali this, and perhaps graduation too, students at McGill generally seem to find life an interesting and happy occupation.

BUT INCIDENT By Fred Cogswell

A singer weaves the words' design, a sculptor hews the rock's outline,

and the living sun that moulds the earth works but as they creative birth.

But radiant life for all its toil can but shape, not pierce the inert coil. . . .

The singer dies. the words remain: the rock outwears the sculptor's brain;

even as each sun's dynamic light must yield its place to static night

so life shall pass and creation be but incident to eternity

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