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Munro Day: A Pause for Meditation

• TUESDAY IS MUNRO DAY: the time each year when the faculty join with the undergraduates in shelving lectures, books, and assignments to pay tribute to George Munro, one of the University's first and greatest friends, and to demonstrate among themselves the pride and distinction they reckon to be theirs as good Dalhousians, loyal

With sentiments peculiarly his own, each of us watches the day approach. For some it will be just a holiday from classes, for others merely another ribald party. The guilty and the more cautious anxiously interpret it as the warning shot that heralds a much belated but desperate struggle with the curriculum, all prospects of success in the spring examinations hinging upon the outcome. The carefree and the confident can see only a welcome indication of the proximity of the summer vacation. It has always been so.

Yet Munro Day 1946 holds a particular significance for us all. It marks the first spring in seven years that Dalhousie has not had to witness some of her sons risking their lives on the various battle fronts of the world, that the way of life we have been experiencing ever since our births might persevere. It also marks the return of many-alas, not all —of these sons to partake of the rewards of the victory for which they fought. And for these privileges Dalhousie is rightly thankful.

This way of life, much as we have taken it for granted, does not prevail everywhere on the earth, or even everywhere throughout our own nation. Fortunate as we have been to be brought up accustomed to one of the highest material standards of living history has ever known, to be privileged to attend this University, where we may associate with whom we please, study what we please, train for whichever of the higher paid positions in society we may please, and, above all, THINK AS WE PLEASE, we are tempted to forget that others are not so well off as we, and, what is more important, that they earnestly are striving to raise themselves to our level.

(Genuine liberty of thought is not true for all Canadian institutions of learning, and perhaps not strictly true for this one, but Dalhousie, sufficiently ————? to provide the necessary equipment of a university, and yet, due to its independence of church, state, and business cliques, not restricted from teaching any religious, civil, or economic doctrine, enjoys this liberty more than is generally

Canadians in lower income brackets at home, and less wealthy states abroad know what they are missing and are determined to gain it. Their attempts to do so cause our domestic convulsions and international wars.

The campus has just emerged from a hectic election; on Tuesday we wil climax the year's social activities with a minimum eleven hours of feasting. Though these are trivial incidents, they seem all important to us. Many of the students participating are servicemen fresh from the battlefronts They-and everybody else want only to erase the experience of the last six years from their memories and concentrate on themselves and their own immediate problems. At Dalhousie we are all wrapped up in a little environment of our own, and take small notice of the system that supports this environment. It is no wonder we can justify the exercise of these privileges. The ignorant, meaning ourselves, can be induced to believe anything.

If we want to continue fighting for this system, or even to decide whether we want it maintained, we had first better understand it. When it has been menaced in the past, we merely did as we were told, seized a weapon and used it against all challengers. So far we have been fortunate enough to come out on top. There is nothing in history which says that this good fortune must continue.

All that is asked is that you look beyond your day to day life at Dalhousie and endeavour to comprehend the forces that make it possible; and then someday, someday within your own lifetime, be prepared either to renounce it, or conduct intelligently its defence.

Veterans' Association Report:

• QUESTIONARIES returned-254

General Duties Committee

Number of student veterans needing summer empliyment-176

Number requiring full time employment—158 Number requiring part time work-18 Available May 1-129 for full time employment 16 for part time empliyment Available Aug 1-29 for full part employment 2 for part time employment

TRADES OF THOSE STUDENT veterans desiring full time work at any time after May 1: Aerodrome control and flying 2 Farm work

Radio operator, mechanics, announcers..... Machinist apprentists
Nursing (Registered Nurse) Male Lumber Workers (pulp scalers etc.)..... Drug clerks-Pharmacy workers..... Laboratory workers 4 • TRADES OF THOSE STUDENT VETERANS desiring full time

work at any time after Aug. 1: Surveyors Clerical workers Druggists Machinists Laboratory worker

• PART TIME WORKERS AVAILABLE May 1 desire the follow-Any kind of work 9 Outdoor work preferred Radio announcer (also tutor) Lumber checker or shipping clerk Stenographer • PART TIME WORKERS available Aug. 1 desire the following

Any kind of work

The committee hope to notify definite employment leads through

the notice boards as these leads are uncovered.

Council Disciplines

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Next item to be discussed was the appointment of a Freshman Representative for the new council. Bill Mingo was chosen for the posi-

The meeting then went into a discussion of the system of awards at Dal, and the feasibility of making changes. It was suggested that Gold D's be made harder to get in all societies and Clint Havey was made the chairman of a committee, the remaining members to be chosen from the new council.

A suggestion was made that the Band be given points for ther efforts this year and a lengthy conversation ensued. As a result, the Band was requested to turn in a report showing that they had participated in at least 30 practices and performances, as required in the Band Constitution. Paid performances would not count as full performances, but would receive half-

Will Apprehend Culprits

Final item on the agenda was what action should be taken, if any, against those who rudely interrupted the Glee Club's 3-Act play "You Can't Take It With You," on Friday, Feb. 23rd. Opinion was almost unanimous that the culprits be apprehended and punished for their misdemeanors, and, taking this stand, the Council instructed Prexy Larry Sutherland and his successor, Clint Havey, to approach the Engineering Society and ask them to turn in a list of their offenders, as the Society itself had suggested in its issue of the Gazette. The Council intended to ask the Glee Club to turn in a list of offenders from other Faculties and all such persons would be dealt with simultaneously, and receive the same treatment.

Munro Day

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Vivian Lusher, Men's Residence; Joan Godfrey, Beaver Club; Muriel Chisholm, Dentistry; Terry Mac-Lean, King's.

The Munro Day Committee in charge, consisting of Doug Roy, Gordie Hart, Barbara White, and Doug Clarke, have not yet announced the panel of judges, but have intimated that it will be made up of twelve prominent male members of the faculty.

Mt. St. Bernard Wins **Decisive Victory In** Co-ed Battle of Wits

ON WEDNESDAY, March 6th the resolution "That as a preliminary to world Government the formation of a western European unit is advisable" was debated by Dalhousie and Mt. St. Bernard. The Dalhousie team, Elizabeth Reeves, and Terry MacLean upheld the affirmative while Mount St. Bernard team, Terry MacLeod and Shelia Currie upheld the negative.

The decision of the judges Father O'Donnell, Professor John Grant of the faculty of Pine Hill Divinity Hall and George Fraser, Maritime director of the British United Press, was unanimous for the visiting team.

The girls are to be commended on the excellent presentation of this rather difficult subject. The judges complimented the two teams on the obvious amount of preparation both displayed in their skillful handling of the debate. It seems a shame that the interest of the student body in debating is so low that out of the eleven hundred students enrolled, no more than fifteen were present, however this apathy is not environed in the quality of our Dalhousie debaters.

Application for Gazette. **Hand Book Editors**

. THE STUDENT BODY is asking for applications for the positions of Gazette Editor, (salary -\$100); Gazette Business Manager (15% commission); Hand Book Editor (commission 20% maximum of \$100).

Applications are to be forwarded to Mr. M. Rankin, 981/2 Edward St., Halifax, not later than Wednesday, March 20, 1946.

No Smoking in Arts Building

• THE UNIVERSITY OFFICE has requested strict observance of the No Smoking rule in the halls of the Arts Building.

Attention, Basketball Team!!

• NEXT FRIDAY four intercollegiate basketball teams will be arriving from Acadia, St. F. X., Mt. A., and U. N. B. to participate in the invitation meet here at Dal-

You are earnestly requested to provide accommodation for at least one player Friday and perhaps Saturday evening. Please contact Deek Grant on Waegwoltic Avenue to make arrangements.

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