



**Tues.:** Up betimes and to the College-by-the-Sea wherein many do profess to attend for education. They do attend classes dutifully, taking down notations, pearls of wisdom dropped from the mouths of the learned gentlemen of Dull-housie, in order that they might return the same on examinations to show their brilliance. Methinks this is a shoddy method on the part of the students, but they, poor souls, are unable to think for themselves and must forsooth gain marks in this manner. This method of education is particularly prevalent among the Stale and the Softs, the Elders, however, becoming more cunning, are able to conceal successfully the above folly.

On this day didst attend a meeting of the Artsmen. A paltry gathering, consisting of many who do vie with each other for popularity. The joust will be decided in the days to come, for a discern that instead of lances and horses these candidates do use knives and a pleasing countenance. Home to beat my wife, wondering at the intelligence of those who joust in such an impoverished society. Truly, their treasury would not yield me an evenings entertainment at the Lady Hamilton.

**Wed.:** Didst keep to my bed following a severe beating from my wife, now strengthened from attendance in my wine cellars. Vile wretch, would that she could drown in my vats but the allotment from my Lord the Chief Editor of the Spectator, does not allow this pleasing thought to be entertained. In the evening didst hear that a group of comely damsels at Dull-housie, always pursuing the male, the Fly Highs by name, didst cavort of this evening with the trapped animals. Conspicuous among these sorrowing their fate was Scrapesteel, and Tap the politician's son, belonging to the Liars. They being among the older school of Dullhousie stalwarts didst, also, dance attendance at the ball of a rival band of damsels two nights previous. Methinks they will need time for their joints to recuperate from the shock. Home wondering why the Lord Editor of the Spectator was not among the revellers, but learned that he scorning the Dull wenches had rejected all offers.

**Thurs.:** Another day at Dull Nothing of import. Didst ride by coach and four to the men's lodgings eager to see the small trained animals of one Liar, Creeper. It is noised abroad that he has these trained to do many wondrous things, to aid his toilet, and that they live harmlessly on the walls and exist on almost nothing. It is my thought that if he would perchance sell me a drove of these, they could easily take the place of my wife and I could use more forthright means to rid myself of her. Home to wench vengeance on this dreadful creature without success. Didst find my wine cellars drained and no sign of the vile wretch. To bed to prepare for the coming fray, the morrow eve, and to decide which to attend. The Apothecary's and the Drillers do each sponsor a brawl, as do the Liars and King's men. In the end didst decide to spend a quiet evening with a band of Carleton men, who do show their superiority in this respect to the Liars.

**Fri.:** Great spectacle this day at the College-by-the-Sea. My visit

## Slightly Confused

Charlie came roaring into the room the other day with a worried look spread all over his face mumbling something about making a poor mark in an English test. He was really in a bad mood and it took quite a few minutes to get him settled down and give an explanation.

It seems that he was having trouble in his language tests at LSU (Lower Slobvia University). He explained his troubles in the following manner:

"When the English tongue we speak,  
Why is 'break' not rhymed with 'freak'?  
Will you tell me why it's true,  
We say 'sew' but likewise 'few'?  
And the maker of a verse  
Cannot rhyme his 'horse' with 'worse'?  
'Beard' sounds not the same as 'heard';  
'Cord' is different from 'word';  
'Cow' is cow, but 'low' is low;  
'Shoe' is never rhymed with 'foe'.  
Think of 'hose' or 'nose',  
Then 'dose' and 'lose';  
And think of 'goose'  
And yet of 'choose'.  
Think of 'comb' and 'tomb' and 'bomb',  
'Doll' and 'roll' and 'home' and 'some'.  
And since 'pay' is rhymed with 'say',  
Dhy not 'paid' with 'said', I pray?  
Think of 'blood' and 'food' and 'good';  
'Mould' is not pronounced like 'could'.  
Wherefore 'done', but 'gone' and 'lone'—  
Is there any reason known?  
To sum up all it seems to me,  
Sounds and letters don't agree."  
—Woody Woodpecker

## KING'S COLUMN

Congratulations to Caroline Bennett who has been awarded the Stevenson Scholarship, which is awarded each year to the second year student who secures the highest aggregate mark in the Christmas examinations.

With activities on the campus entering the last phase before the "drive" for final exams, many interesting competitions are taking place — not only in inter-bay sports but also in intercollegiate sports.

The final of the Inter-Bay Debating Competition was held on Sunday night. Middle Bay, represented by Dave Walker and Bill Caines, upheld the resolution that "Communist China should be admitted to the U.N." Chapel Bay, with John Alward and Tony Crawford, held the negative in one of the best debates of the season. At the conclusion, the chairman for the evening, Jack Buntain, awarded the debate and the shield to Chapel Bay.

In two recent basketball games King's swamped Tech 65-35 and then lost a heart-breaker to St. Mary's by a 51-45 score. They now hold fourth place in the league.

Those turning out for curling practice include last year's intercollegiate champs, Fred Nicholson, well rewarded. Didst espy a comely damsel, Writeview, belonging to that sect that do learn to teach the vices of education to little children, accept a wager from another classmate to descend from the third floor to the bottom floor on the banister. This feat being accomplished much to the surprise of the onlookers and Neat, who didst woefully survey the coming days of abject poverty. To the Lady Hamilton, and thence home to advance the same wager to my wife.

## Speaking Of Politics

by: PIERRE

It has often been said by wiser men that "it is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness." We think that the "candle" has been caused to shine at Dalhousie this year in so far as politics of the students are concerned. For many years all comers bemoaned the general apathy towards politics, but few, if any, even undertook any serious endeavours to remedy the situation. This year, the campus debating society has taken up the cause and results have been, indeed favourable.

The question might properly be asked: Why is the debating society supervising politics at Dalhousie? The answer is not obvious although it is acceptable. Political activity on this campus was "dead wood" except for the Law School, until this year. When any thought of running off campus elections and a campus Parliament was advanced, there had to be some supervising body. Although it is not entirely incongruous to speak of politics and debating in the same breath, the idea does smack of limited incompatibility. However, the debating society was the only campus organization which bore some

relation to politics and the society willingly accepted the challenge.

However, politics are now here; there is no denying that. We are beyond the rudimentary stage; we have passed the stage of makeshift and improvisation; we have, as it were, come of age. We think it can be stated without fear of serious challenge that the political activity at Dalhousie does not belong in the hands of an organization which should be devoting its energies to the spread of a more healthier climate of torrensic competition on this campus.

Campus politicians should seriously consider the setting up of a Dalhousie Political Association fashioned after those in existence at many other universities all across Canada. Why lag behind? Why not draw abreast of the times? To make politics work, and work well, so that the maximum value can be obtained. The duties of supervising politics in this campus should reside in a full time political executive body.

If we continue to ignore this fact we will in fact be turning back the hands of the clock and rendering abortive that which has already been accomplished.

Mel Deacon, Ian McKenzie, Bob Winters, Mike Goudge and Gibby Berringer. Newcomers include Ian Rae, John Phillips and Fred Christie. The boys hope to be in top shape for the intercollegiate bonspiel. Watch out championship, here we come again!

By the time this column goes to press the intercollegiate badminton tournament will be over. King's will have been represented in the men's doubles by Fred Christie and Jack Hatfield. Mac Bradshaw will play singles for the college. At this time it has not been decided who will represent Alexandra Hall. However, Helen Markadonis, Joan Morrison, Eleanor McCurdy and Vicky Xidos have turned out to practice.

The final Student Council Dance of the year was held on Friday evening, Feb. 18. About eighty students ventured out on a very miserable Friday night to dance to the music of Les Single's orchestra. The high-light of the dance was the rather unusual but very effective decorating. We understand that Helen Markadonis deserves the credit for the excellent idea. Dave Millar did an excellent job in designing the program. Other people who helped to make

the dance a success include Chairman Mac Bradshaw, Committee members Dave Hart, Ron "Midnight" Thorburn, Jessie Drysdale and Stuart Humphreys. The chaperones for the evening were Canon and Mrs. Clarkson, Prof. and Mrs. Mayoh, Mrs. Powers and Dr. Hibbetts.

The Divinity Students and Faculty held their Annual Quiet Day at Saint James Parish, Armdale, on Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 21. It began with celebration of the Holy Eucharist in the college chapel at 7.30. The Very Rev. W. W. Davis, Dean of Nova Scotia, was celebrant and also conducted the Quiet Day. He was assisted by Dr. Holmes, Dean of Divinity, as Deacon and Randy Wood as sub-deacon. Following the service the faculty and students motored to St. James where Matins were said at 9.30. A series of lectures, conducted by Dean Davis, were on four topics; (1) God of Joy and Happiness; (2) God of Righteousness; (3) God of Strength; (4) God of Wisdom and Inspiration. The ladies of St. James served very delightful meals throughout the day and the retreat came to a close with Evensong at 4.30 conducted by Dr. Holmes.

## Fresh Out of Ether

by ARCADES AMBO

With Munro Day looming on the horizon the time has come for us

"To speak of many things  
Of shoes, and ships and sealing wax  
And cabbages and kings."

We're leaving! We're not going to be back anymore this year—maybe not even next year, but we've sure enjoyed ourselves while we have been here. And so, in this, our final column, we'll reiterate a few of the things we have said and say a few of the things we haven't said.

Firstly, let us make another appeal for return of the five cent coffee. With a general decline in coffee prices everywhere, we think this is quite appropos at this time. What this campus needs, is a good five-cent cup of coffee — we are not convinced, that like the five-cent cigar, the five-cent cup of coffee is gone forever.

A survey of campus students reveals that little or no studying is done by the majority on Saturdays. A little reflection will indicate that most Saturday afternoons and evenings are occupied by important extracurricular activities, and with this in mind we suggest that the campus libraries be opened on Sundays.

Congratulations to the Arts and Science Society on inaugurating a fifty-cent fee, beginning next fall, for every member of the faculty. This is the first step in the establishment of a strong Arts & Science Society in our estimation and we predict that should this Society take our well-intended advice of last week and boost the fee to \$2.00, it will shortly be the strongest faculty on the campus. Take note!

Is there any reason why Dal's Blood Drive can't be given a much-needed transfusion? In the first place, January is a poor month to conduct a campus drive for blood inasmuch as many of the students have severe colds and other seasonal ailments which prevent them from contributing. If the drive were conducted in October the response would be much more gratifying. Furthermore, since the Red Cross unit is a "mobile" unit and intended to get around, we see no reason why they can't set up a clinic at the Forrest Campus as well. We are sure this will elicit more donations from the medical students—who, judging by the results of the recent drive were either singularly anemic or just too plain lazy to betake themselves up to Studley to be deblooded.

Without hesitation we again urge university officials to adopt a more sympathetic attitude to the

athletic aspects of a university education. We feel this calls for establishment of sports scholarships on an academic basis and the enforcement of a compulsory physical education program for first year students. Moreover, our college yells are uninspiring and could be pepped up by the introduction of a few catchy and easily repeated yells; a few spirited male cheer leaders to augment the commendable efforts of the current aggregation is also in order.

To our knowledge, Dalhousie students are the only ones in Canada contributing toward the debt on a university-owned edifice, the Dalhousie Memorial Rink. On every other campus of the stature of Dalhousie, it has been an accepted obligation on the part of the university concerned to provide the student body with adequate recreation facilities, without asking them to take upon themselves any part of the financial burden. No Council of Students representing this university has ever felt itself obligated to make any payment toward obliterating the \$10,000 pledge imposed upon future generations of students by some past and forgotten forum. A hard-working Rink Rats Committee has been contributing, since 1950, approximately \$500.00 a year, to this cause. Student policy, like university policy, must be accommodated to prevalent conditions and revised accordingly. The time has come for the committee to redirect its efforts toward another objective — we suggest a Students' Union Building.

With "A Bring Back Initiation" campaign underway on the campus, we should like to recommend that a joint student-faculty committee be formed to draw up and supervise an initiation program. Our contention is that previous initiations failed to satisfy the university because the university itself failed to participate or show interest except when forced to do so by adverse criticism. Speaking of initiation brings to mind registration and its 83 dollar price-tag. It would be interesting to see published in the calendar a breakdown of that fee!

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