

Men's Residence Cornerstone Laid By Chancellor Howe

by ROBERT RYAN

The chipping sounds of stone masons' hammers ceased for a short period at noon on Wednesday, October 28, to allow the Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, P.C., LL.D., the privilege of laying the cornerstone of the new Dalhousie Men's Residence.

Clad in overcoats instead of the traditional gowns, the academic procession, headed by the mace bearer, made its way across the wind-swept campus to the covered dais in front of the partially completed building.

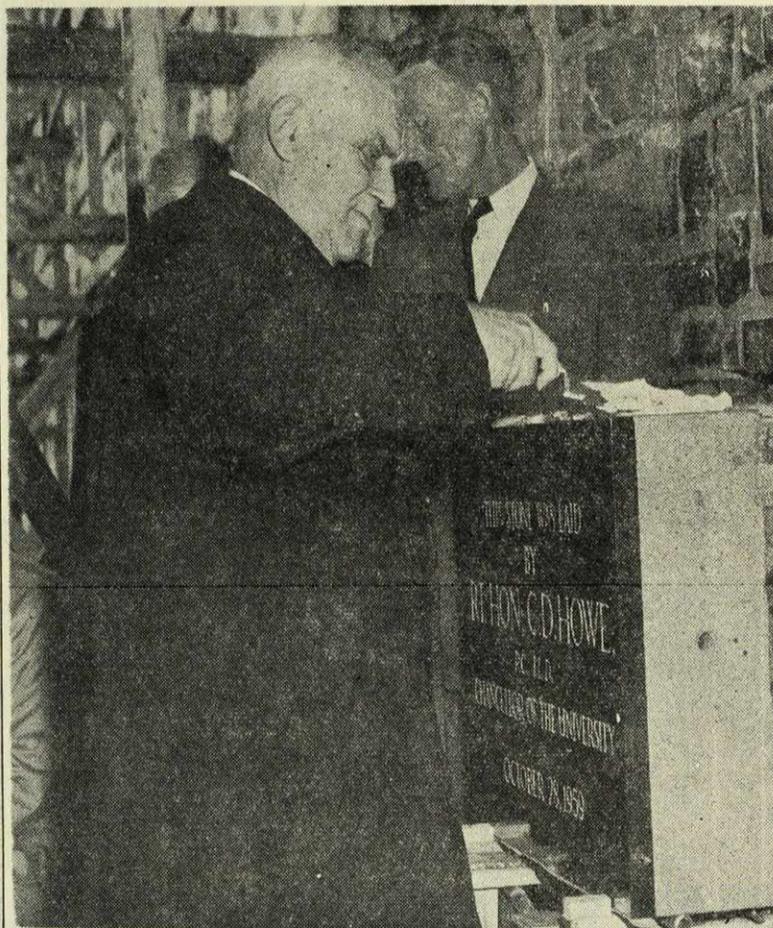
Following the Invocation given by Dr. Nicholson, Dr. Kerr spoke briefly to the assemblage of invited guests, students and alumni and emphasized the fact that the facilities soon to be provided for students at Dalhousie will compare very favourably with those of any other university. The chairman of the Board of Governors, Donald McInnes, Q.C., added that such buildings are constructed to last for 1000 years.

Mr. Kenny, the architect for the building reported the progress to date was on schedule and satisfactory. Then, after accepting the silver trowel with which he performed his pleasant task, Mr. Howe sealed in the wall a copper box, containing such mementos as a copy of the Bible, a plan of Studley campus, the latest copy of the Alumni News, Dalhousie Gazette, Dalhousie Review, the Halifax Chronicle-Herald, all the Canadian silver coins for 1959, a Dalhousie Calendar for 1959-60, a copy of the program for the ceremony, a drawing of the platform layout for the cornerstone laying and a complete list of the contents. He ended with the traditional remark, "I declare this stone well and truly laid." The ceremony finished with a Benediction, offered by Dr. Nicholson.

During the first portion of this special convocation, a group composed of the members of the Board of Governors and the Senate of the University gathered in the Board and Senate Room of the Arts and Administration Building to witness the unveiling of a portrait of the Rt. Hon. Mr. Howe. A gift of the Sir James Dunn Foundation, the painting in the work of Robin Watt and was completed this year. The unveiling was performed by Mr. Following John Doull.

Following the cornerstone laying Mr. McInnes and Dr. Kerr were hosts at a dinner held at the Halifax Club. The guest of honor was Mr. Howe.

The completion of the Men's Residence next fall both will climax the current expansion program of the University and will provide at last suitable accommodations for male students. With rooms for 153 students, the building will feature a snack bar, a large kitchen, two special guest rooms and individually controlled heating thermostats for each room.



(Photo by Acker)

"George and Margaret" Whipped Into Shape

In spite of the woeful predictions concerning DGDS in general, and the customary fall play in particular, the chaos has been calmed. GEORGE AND MARGARET are being prepared for their opening performance during the first week of December.

The comedy, GEORGE AND MARGARET, selected for its relative simplicity as well as its typical British witticisms, should provide an extremely appreciated break in our frantic studies come December.

AN UNUSUAL FAMILY
The story is concerned with a rather unusual family by the name of Garth-Bander, whose chief noteworthy characteristic is its oddity. The mother Alice, played by Carol Clarke, is inclined to be quite vague, and seems unable to cope with her irrepressible daughter, Frankie (Ruth MacKenzie), and one of her two sons, the precocious Dudley (Charlie Haliburton).

Joe Chalder is Malcolm, the father, who appears to be unusually absent-minded, but attempts to cloak this folly behind a garb of dignity. The other son, Claude, played by Rick Quigley, is, reputedly, a stuffy, but

athletic individual. However, Claude provides some unexpected action and comedy with Gladys, the maid, played by Margaret Doody. When Roger Frampton (Ken Clark) joins the household as Dudley's guest, no one in the family suspects that he may well be the one to quiet the brash Frankie.

Nevertheless, through trials and tribulations, love finally manages to conquer all in the end.—George and Margaret? No, they have not been forgotten. The secret of their identity will not be revealed until opening night.

MANY CHOSEN, FEW CHOSEN

Mr. Pigot, the director, quoted when he saw the large turnouts for auditions, "I was called, but few were chosen." Thus it is assured that those few are certain to be a credit both to the play and to Mr. Pigot's able direction.

DUNN DAY

By ALLISON PETRIE

Today, October 29, has been set aside at Dalhousie to honor the memory of Sir James Dunn, the man whose keen interest in the furtherance of education has been manifested strikingly here at Dalhousie.

Action Taken On Sorority Discrimination

Toronto — In a breathless, overflying and subdued council chamber, Toronto's Students' Administrative Council Thursday night moved to oppose in practice racial discrimination in student organizations.

In its motion, the council in effect:

- severed its connections with any discriminatory student organizations
- took steps to initiate a campaign to educate University of Toronto students against racial discrimination

- offered to split the cost of establishing a lectureship in race relations with the university administration

- assured that every U of T student would have a chance to read the full minutes of the meeting.

The Toronto council took action when a Negro student Barbara Arrington, was refused entrance into two fraternities, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Delta Gamma. While the executive of the frats pointed out that there was no discriminatory clause in their constitutions, in practice there were discriminatory measures, which were said to be employed so as not to offend certain chapters in the United States and cause disunity.

Barbara said that the frats had previously expressed interest in having her in their chapters. But at the last minute she was taken for a "walk around the block" and told that no one would bid for her.

She then brought her story to the Varsity which pushed the issue into the open.

Repeat of Council Motion

Council defeated a motion that would have recommended that President Bissell and the university Caput employ at their discretion the power to expel university students who damaged the reputation of the university by participating in discriminatory organizations. Caput has the power to expel and student or students who are deemed to have damaged the university reputation.

As the vote announcing the defeat was read, Barbara Arrington wept silently at the sidelines, and then thanked council at the end of the session.

As mentioned last week, the Connolly Shield plays are, in the words of Carol Clarke "being drummed into shape." When the time arrives, Dr. Spratt as the critic, is certain to have an enjoyable task. At the present moment, however, fewer plays have been entered in the competition than in previous years. Once again, those interested in entering a play are reminded to contact either Charlotte Gibbon, 2-4678, or Sandy Ross, 3-9975, immediately.

James Dunn graduated from the Dalhousie Law School in 1898, and practised law in various parts of Canada before entering on a highly successful career in industry. He founded an influential firm of investment bankers in London, England, and King George V conferred a Baronetcy on him in 1921 for valuable services rendered during the First World War. In 1935 Sir James became President of the Algoma Steel Corporation, Limited.

In recognition of his achievements in the field of public service Dalhousie granted him an Honorary Law Degree in 1948. Two years after this the Sir James Dunn, Bart. Chair in Law was founded.

BEAVERBROOK'S TRIBUTE

Lord Beaverbrook has paid tribute to this former Dalhousie student as "a man whose tenacity and courage joined with a strong sense of responsibility, enabled him to strive and succeed in the face of countless obstacles and discouragement: "He could not be diverted from his purpose. With a courage and a devotion to belief which will be an inspiration to all men who study his life he came through to triumph . . ."

Sir James Dunn was of course, an optimistic believer in himself. "Courage and confidence in his own vital strength . . ."

It was just a year ago, on October 29, that Lady Dunn laid the cornerstone of the Sir James Dunn Science Building," made possible . . . for the advancement of Science."

It should not be forgotten that last year the Dunn Foundation provided for seven \$1,500 scholarships a year for the Dal Law School, as well as for a university librarian and cataloguer for the Law Library. This clearly illustrates that Sir James was willing to support diverse branches of learning, as well as a variety of universities.

Surely this man has something to teach each of us; given such practical aid, and his own example of industry, we certainly fail him if we forget his example.

When the shovel scooped the first dent in the soil two years ago, there now rises an impressive structure in the final stages of completion—a symbol of the human mind, fertile soil where profiting from other effort, and adding to it our own, we may erect a fortress worthy of the dignity of man.

"I must confess that the publicity has been a terrific strain, and I'm so glad you made it worthwhile."

Council session was opened with a two-page motion advocating that:

(1) The SAC sever its connections with discriminatory campus organizations by withdrawing special student privileges in SAC publications. This motion would involve treating such organizations as outside advertisers in Torontonensis by removing their listing under campus activities, and charging them \$150 per page as against the \$16 now in effect, removing them from the Students' Handbook, and removing privileges in other publications.

(2) The SAC recommend that President C. T. Bissell use, at his (Continued on Page 3)

Social Season off and running with the Arts and Science Formal November 8, at the Jubilee.

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