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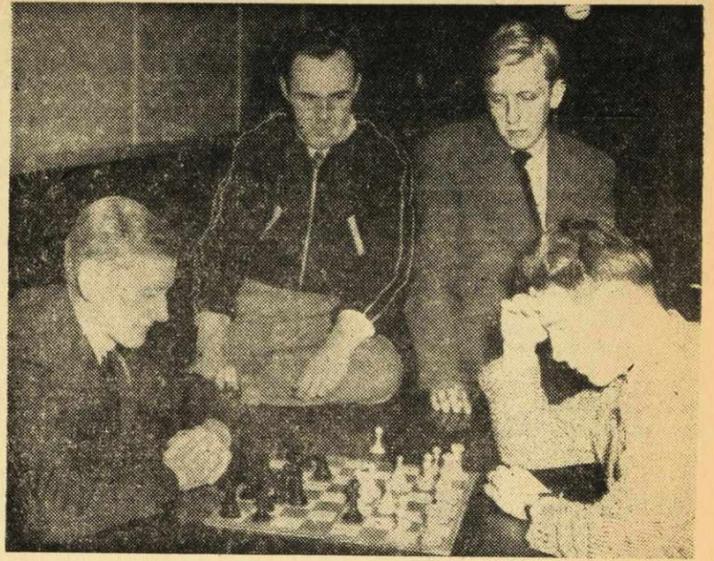
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PRAIRIE SCRIBE REVIEWS YEAR

1947 has come and gone. For weeks, student writers on university publications had expressed their views on the highlights of the past twelve months. Perhaps the most adequate of these reviews was one written by Dick Beddoes in the University of Alberta Gateway. It is re-printed here in its entirety.

AN OBITUARY

Somebody called it the year of the Big Belly Ache. But now its over, and journalists are writing its obituary.

1947 . . . only yesterday . . . and America moved closer to military conscription. As in other years, school girls wore pigtails and grimy little boys brawled in the streets, and said: "Aw who do ya think ya are—Jersey Joe Walcott?"

A New Look caused the hemline to drop to just above the ankle, and chocolate bars went up to just below a dime. Scientists gave atomic power a new look, too, by developing the atomic cloud, which was cleaner and swifter than the bomb. Just before December gave way to January's clean slate, atomic debris was dropped over Dogpatch.. and the fate of L'il Abner seemed as important as anything else to 13 million Canadians.

1947 . . . a freedom train was moving across the U.S. to the great harbors of New York, while a Hollywood character named Bob Hope popularized the jargon, "The only way to give Europeans a square deal is to give them a square meal." . . . Canadian farmers figured their square deal in how much more they'd get for their pork on the hoof even as the subsidies went off coarse grains.

Forever Linda Dornell was crowned the "Best Undressed Woman of the Year," and a Notre Dame football eleven voted Martha Raye the girl they'd most like to find in a huddle. The word "atomic" was applied to blondes, Indianapolis speed racers, and to pitchers with a blazing fast ball.

It was a year of the Big Red Scare when "hate those Russians" was the sentiment echoed around the western world. It didn't do much good to voice a similar feeling in the east.

"Near You" finished in top

spot on the hit parade, and the Duke of Windsor sold his memoirs for several thousand bucks. Connie Mack, in his 82nd year, continued to manage the Philadelphia Athletics of the American League, and a leading Alberta sports authority said Maury Van Vliet had revolutionized basketball in Alberta.

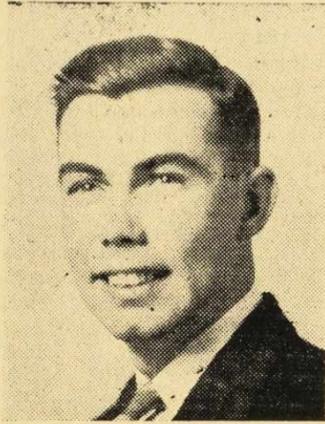
A girl made a living by chanting about that Oxydol sparkle on the radio, and Stanley Baldwin expired at Bewdley. British war brides were disappointed about the gopher ranches they had been brought to in southern Alberta . . . but their soldier spouses could lie in the sun without a 48-hour pass signed by a major.

1947 . . . There were some new cars back, but the roads were still cluttered up with old cars and people looking under the hoods. White shirts returned the housewives sported new vacuum cleaners. Coke machines were back, and a local haberdashery had a suit to fit you.

The campus jargon included "Lena the Hyena," "bongo, bongo, bongo," and "austerity program." Even as the earth forgot about Wendell Wilkie's One World, local enthusiast University of Alberta shattered Dominion boundaries to enter American athletic competitions.

Professor Andrew Stewart pulled a Lord Beaverbrook late in the annum when he helped take over the publishing of a local newspaper. And a campus reporter got himself "mugged" over Christmas, and thought Time Out might benefit . . . but somehow . . .

That was 1947 . . . only yesterday. Palestine and India bathed in blood, and the day the great American battleship "Oklahoma" steamed into Tokyo Bay for V-J Day was something a long time ago. Tourists found the fish biting well at the Rocky Mountain resorts, but the world was strangely restless.



Art Mears—Dalhousie publicity director (above) announced this week that he had completed arrangements with Radio Station C.J.C.H., through the office of Findlay MacDonald, to have Dalhousie students run the entire program on Monday, March 8, from 7 a.m. to midnight.

Notice

...Two students are required for work on the Gazette to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of members in the Features section. The students may be either male or female, and should be either in their first or second year at the University. The posts vacant are those of Literary Editor and Associate Editor in the Features section. Applicants should present themselves in person at the Gazette Office on Tuesday or Thursday afternoons before two-thirty; ask for the Features editor.

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Dalhousie Tigers' edition of the Gold and Black varsity hockey and basketball squads will be against the loyal opposition from Acadia.

Dal and Acadia will take to the ice at the Forum at 2 p.m. Saturday, and the basketball teams will meet in the Dal gym in the evening.

The Mount Allison Hockey team, playing its first game of the season, defeated Amherst in a ragged game on the Mt. A. openair rink.

STUDENTS TO RUN PROGRAM

Dalhousie students will take the air for an entire day, if present plans are successfully carried out, according to Art Mears, Dalhousie University publicity director. Early last week he disclosed to the Gazette that Dr. A. E. Kerr, University President, had approved plans for students to take over the broadcast facilities of radio station C. J. C. H. from 7 a.m. to midnight, Monday March 8, the day before Munro Day.

No Corsages For Dal Girls

(Late Bulletin)—Following a general House Meeting in Shireff Hall last Tuesday evening, the girls voted unanimously that for the ensuing formals of this term they will forego corsages and ask their escorts to contribute, instead, \$1.00 or more to the ISS Fund.

Male escorts may apply at the GAZETTE Office on Studley, or at the canteen at Forrest where, in return for their contribution they will receive a small insignia which the girl may wear in place of a corsage.

To Present Dear Ruth

With the final casting of the inimitable Ukie Velcoff in the role of the sailor, and last minute ironing out of script changes, Dalhousie's Glee and Drama Society were well on the road last week to completion of preparation of the Broadway hit, the comedy Dear Ruth.

Nightly rehearsals under the direction of Leslie Pigot have done much to bring the cast to a high standard in the presentation of their lines, and it is anticipated that the play will be an eminent success.

The cast includes:—
Judge Wilkins—Art Hartling
His Wife—Lorna Inness
Ruth—Marge Goode
Miriam—Pat MacKinnon

Plans had been drawn up between Art Mears and Findlay MacDonald, a Dalhousian who holds a senior executive position with the station. The program will be appropriately named "Dalhousie Day".

In order that there will be no hitch in the program, a large staff of radio personal will be required from among the student body. Positions are open for manager, program director, commercial director, production manager, chief engineer, seven announcers, sportscasters, chief announcer, librarian, head of the continuity department, three script writers for the continuity department.

The program will include a play, a debate, musical selections by the Glee Club Chorus, addresses by the President and various leaders of campus affairs, sports features.

Unique in radio history in Canada, the program will score a "first" insofar as student radio programs are concerned, according to the publicity director. Other universities have programs on the air, but it is not thought that any student body has ever run the entire program of a large radio station.

All students interested in filling any of the positions are urged to contact Art Mears in the publicity office on the stage in the gym, or to leave their name, address, phone number, and type of work they desire, in the Gazette office, as soon as possible.

Bill Seawright—John Trim
Albert Kummer—John Pauley
Martha Seawright—C. Conrad
Chuck Vincent—Dave Graham
Dora (the maid)—Edith Hills
The Sailor—Ukie Velcoff

ACADIA AT DAL SATURDAY