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MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM COUNCIL

DGDS Play Castings

The casting rehearsal for the Glee Club's next major production, "The Merchant of Venice", will be held this Tuesday night, Dec. 9th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Glee Club office in the Gymnasium. Ralph Garson, president of the Dalhousie Glee and Dramatic Society, said yesterday that he is hoping that every person interested in acting will come to the tryouts.

"The Merchant of Venice" is one of Shakespeare's popular plays for stage presentation. It has a cast of over twenty, the action is always quick, and the plot is never allowed to lose the interest of the audience. Shylock, whose bond for a pound of Antonio's flesh forms the basis of the story, is one of the Bard's greatest characters, and his interpretation has always been a challenge. Antonio, the merchant, lends money to his friend Bassanio so he can make an impression on Portia, a lady with many suitors. According to the terms of her father's will, however, she can marry only the man who chooses the one of three caskets that contains her picture. Bassanio's friend, Lorenzo, falls in love with Shylock's daughter, Jessica, and the troubles of their elopement form the sub-plot. Gratiano, an Elizabethan chatterbox, also has a love interest in Portia's maid, Nerissa. These are but a few of the many characters in the play, and since the parts are mostly for men, the Glee Club is expecting a good number of the stronger sex at the casting rehearsals.

H. Leslie Pigot will be directing the play, as he has for the past several years. "The Merchant of Venice" will be presented in February and the parts are being assigned this Tuesday, so rehearsals can begin immediately after the Christmas vacation.

News Briefs

Miss Cathie Scoggie, secretary of the Teachers' Christian Fellowship will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Inter-Varsity Christian Association to be held in the new Arts and Administration Building in Room 202 at 12.00 o'clock Saturday the 6th of December.

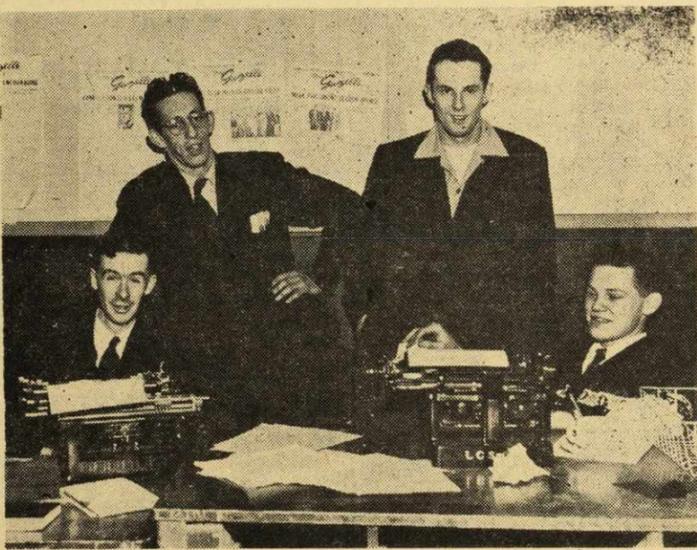
The University of Manitoba students, opening their fifth mock parliament, announced that independents would not be allowed to sit in the House. The student Parliament sits in the Manitoba Legislative chambers. L'Université Laval of Quebec has set up its first mock parliament. And if I know Laval, they will probably only have independents sitting in their Assembly.

The finals of the Canadian University Debating Association, for the national championship, will be held this year in Winnipeg. This particular series of debates usually takes place sometime in April.

Cercle Francais

The Cercle Francais held its second meeting of the year Monday night in the Engineering building. Despite the weather there was a good turnout. The students were especially enthusiastic over the game of "vingt questions" which was played. Films and refreshments finished off the evening, and the members are finding this a pleasant and effortless way of learning French.

Merry Christmas from the Gazette Staff



See Red Cross Blood Drive Big Event on Campus January

If you happened to read the last article of the Gazette, you may have noticed that in the lower left hand corner of the front page there was an article on the Red Cross Blood Drive for next year. In case you did not read the article, it should be explained that it was not advocating more bloodshed at Dalhousie, but merely stating that there is a competition among the Canadian Universities as to which one can donate the most blood, per capita.

In order that Dalhousie may do its best in the competition the Gazette urges that the students show a little caution from now until Jan. 27, when the blood donor clinic will be set up for Dalhousie. Take care not to waste any more blood than is necessary, by wrapping your hockey stick around the other fellow's head. And above all, let's not have any slashed wrists or slit throats, before the exams.

It seems that U.B.C. is leading the Canadian Universities in its percentage of blood donors. This is quite natural, since there is an excess of red blood at that noble

institution. (Is that not so Comrades?)

Some one tried to inform this office the other day about the painful process that one goes through to give blood. This, of course, is silly. Here is what actually happens: You walk in, a beautiful nurse takes your hand. You lie down, and again the nurse takes your hand and begins to soothe you. You ask her for a date, she accepts. By this time you've lost a pint of blood and never knew the difference. Loss—1 pint of blood. Gain—120 lbs. of woman. Net Result—Happiness.

Come on Dal, let's show everyone that red blood that everybody says we don't have.—What's that? You say you're a blue blood? —That's ink, you dimwit, you've been studying too hard!

The Red Cross Need Blood — Let's Give It!!

Notice

All Curling money must be in on Tuesday to either Dave Anderson or Bill McCurdy.

From Council President

The fall term is drawing to a close and I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the Council of Students, to extend Seasons Greetings to all who read the Gazette.

This term, up to this time, has been a success. Notable events and achievements have taken place on the campus. The establishment of the "Right Honourable C. D. Howe Foundation in Engineering" by the Board of Governors of Dalhousie, a splendid addition to the Engineering Faculty. The formal opening of the Law Building, and the symposium and convocation which marked that memorable event.

In sports, the Canadian Football Team enjoyed a very successful season. The girls' Ground Hockey team won the Nova Scotia Championship. There have been other achievements, as well as healthy controversy, and blended together they have made the term intensely interesting and beneficial one.

From this day until the holidays commence, the most important phase of student life will take place. May success crown your efforts.

Finally, may it be our solemn prayer that the spirit of Christmas—"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace and goodwill toward men."—will emulate throughout this troubled world so that the shadows of oppression which darken world peace will in their stead be replaced with love and charity.

A very Merry Christmas and a most Happy and Successful 1953.
George A. Kerr,
President,
Council of Students.

SCM Chapel Speaker

The Student Christian Society of Dalhousie, held their weekly Chapel Service, Thursday, December 4th in Arts and Administration Building.

At every service a special speaker presents his views on various religious questions pertinent to the life of every student. Yesterday an interesting and stimulating address was given by Dr. G. P. Grant, head of the Dalhousie Department of Philosophy. The topic of his speech was the necessity of contemplation in the world today. He showed how coherence of action and contemplation were emphasized throughout the life of Jesus Christ. Then he went on to discuss the absolute necessity of attention in prayer, which is the basis of the true Christian life. In conclusion Prof. Grant stated that the art of contemplation should be considered the moral duty of each and every man.

These Chapel Services will be discontinued until after the Christmas vacation, when it is hoped that more students will show a greater interest in them.

Dal Goes On CBC

It has been announced that Dalhousie University will be given a spot on CBC and they are expected to begin broadcasting on Tuesday, January 6th, 1953. These weekly broadcasts beginning at 7 p.m., will centralize University talent in a nine week, half hour series. However more information will not be forthcoming until after the Christmas vacation, on the definite chapters which will be continued in the context of the programme.

In addition the Dalhousie Radio Committee has announced that it is going to hold auditions for the positions of radio announcers on Saturday afternoon beginning at 2.30 p.m. All those who are interested in this type of work are asked to meet in Room 7, of the Men's Residence. The female voice is also needed for these programmes as well as the male vocal

Supplement Directory List

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2-4577	MacInnes, Fred C.,	47 Bellevue Ave.—Sackville, N. B.		M
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3-8801	May, Helen E.,	Shirreff Hall—Digby, N. S.		Ed
3-6029	Pharos Office			L
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2-5269	Santry, Dallas,	101 South Park St.—Charlottetown.		Ss
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