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PLANS FOR ALUMNI HOMECOMING APPROVED BY STUDENTS' COUNCIL



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GHOST UNVEILED

Baffled by the first photographic appearance of the ghost, and determined to discover the cause of the apparition, the Gazette had its photographer trap the ghost again with his camera with the above result.

Council Instructs Publicity Committee To Set Up Press Relations Department

The Publicity Committee has been instructed by the Student Council to consider the introduction of a Press Relations Dept. in Publicity, to establish information and cut services about Dal activities to all provincial and Maritime newspapers.

Committee Will Study Athletics

A discussion of the problem of payment of coaches led into a general discussion of the whole athletic setup at Dal at last Wednesday's Council meeting. This being a matter of athletics in which the D.A.A.C. and D.G.A.C. would have to be consulted before any action in the matter was taken, a joint committee of the two societies was formed, which will take their findings and recommendations to the University by the end of the present session.

This will probably require a separate manager since the present duties of the publicity director take all the time of one individual. It is hoped that it will be as successful as the other department has been.

This project in no way reflects on the present or past publicity directors, whose work the Council regards as excellent, but will be a separate field. There is no conflicting positions, and the Publicity will continue under the present setup.

Before the plan can be put into effect, a consultation with the outgoing Council must be held, as they appoint the new heads of the department.

Meeting Receives Promise Of Cooperation From D.A.A.C., D.G.D.S., D.G.A.C.; Professor Bennet Elected To Advisory Committee

Council Condemns Olympic's Action

After careful investigation of the circumstances, the Council of Students has found that there is little or no doubt that a Dalhousie student has been the victim of a "color bar" imposed by a local dance hall. The Council wishes to go on record in the strongest possible terms as condemning the actions of those very few misguided persons in the city of Halifax who still believe that social acceptability is dependent upon color, creed or race.

The Committee of the Council who interviewed the management of the dance hall were told that discretion is used by the staff in deciding who will, or will not, enter, and that no arbitrary "color bar" is enforced. Under the circumstances, however, the only conclusion possible for the Council to reach is that this Dalhousie student was excluded because of his color. Moreover, it would seem that if the student had been willing to perjure himself to the extent of saying that he was a member of the Merchant Marine, he would have been allowed to enter. Upon telling the official at the door that he was a Dalhousie student, he was refused admittance. This fact in particular makes it impossible for the Student Body and the Students' Council to overlook or ignore the matter.

It is safe to say that racial prejudice on the Dalhousie campus is non-existent, and the Council is determined to do everything possible to ensure that the many colored students among us will find the same condition in existence in the city at large.

Winners of Short-Story Contest Named

The judges of the Gazette Short Story Contest announced their decision yesterday.

First place was taken by "The Beginning and The End", a story by Jack Lusher, followed by Lew Miller's "Lovely Is The Way". These stories appear on Page 3 of this issue.

There was a tie for third position in the contest; between "Citizen Jones" by Brent Hooper, and "In Strange Ways," Harry McCoubrey.

Contest judges were Professor C. L. Bennett, Doreen Ally, and Derek Griffen.

Plans for an Alumni homecoming weekend, were approved at a meeting of the new Student Council held Wednesday evening in the Murray Homestead. A committee has been set up to consider arrangements, subject to University approval and cooperation, and the backing of the Alumni Association.

To Advisory Board...



Professor Bennet was elected by the Council as its Faculty member on the Advisory Committee. Professor Bennet is also Veterans' Advisor, and is head of the English Department at the University.

The heads of the D.A.A.C., D.G.D.S., and D.G.A.C. have agreed to cooperate, and a large program will be presented. Any society wishing to contribute a program for the weekend is urged to do so at the beginning of next term.

Professor Bennet was elected by the Council as its Faculty member on the Advisory Committee, and accepted the position.

The Council for next year will advise all heads of societies holding dances that the societies should be sure they can afford them before undertaking expensive ones in the future.

A recommendation was received from the out-going Council that the University be asked to stick to the rule about dealing with students or student organizations through the council, according to the Constitution.

Arts students have requested the Council to approach the University about keeping the MacDonald Memorial Library open until eleven o'clock, if possible.

Personal Service Announces Setting Up of Summer Tourist Guide Service

"Bub" Troy, Manager of the Dal Personal Service has announced that part-time employment will be available to students as tourist guides during the coming summer. A short qualifying course, consisting of a series of lectures and instructional tours, given by local historians will be given, free of charge to those interested.

Mr. G. R. Smith, of the Dalhousie Alumni Executive, has arranged the course, and the University authorities thoroughly approve of the plan, having offered a classroom for the course.

This course will be approximately a week in length and will take place, according to present arrangements, during the week between the end of exams and Convocation. No one will be allowed to work unless qualified by this course. It is hoped to use about 50 students or more for this job.

Girls as well as boys, may apply, and it is hoped to get a few French speaking guides to cater to the French-Canadian tourists.

It should be understood that this is not full time employment, but will rather supplement other earnings. It would be convenient for the articling law students.

Mr. Troy may be contacted at 4-1546.

Committees For '49 '50 Appointed By Council

Executive Committee: Al Lomas, Frannie Doane, B. Sawyer, P. Doig, and Ralph Hill.

Alumni Homecoming Committee: B. Sawyer, G. Coles, R. Campbell, P. Doig, F. Doane.

Publicity Committee: A. Lomas, D. Hemeon, S. Newman.

Awards Committee: G. Coles, S. Newman, A. MacKay.

Book Store Committee: Ned Banks, S. Newman.

Personal Services Committee: Rusty Milnes, Duff Hicks, A. Lomas.

Gymnasium and Schedule Committee: Peter Mingo.

Gate Receipts Committee: I. McCulloch, Dave Jamieson.

Committee on Athletics; (to meet with D.A.A.C., D.G.A.C.) W. Archibald, P. Doig, B. Sawyer