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SENATE BLAMES CONFUSION ON HAZING BAN

COUNCIL SLASHES BUDGET

The second Students' Council meeting took place on Thursday, October 8 at 7:30 with the President, Gordon McConnell presiding. The first business of the evening was a report on NFCUS by Duncan Fraser. The question of having a national president of the society was discussed and a motion was passed that Dalhousie would be in favor if no raise of fees was involved. Janet Conrad then gave a report on the Mission to be held January 12-21.

News Briefs

Due to the rising cost of living, Birks have raised their prices on Arts & Science pins. The price is \$2.50. Will all those who ordered pins at \$1.75 and who don't want them at \$2.50, please see Stu MacKinnon as soon as possible.

The Pi Beta Phi Notice Board, donated by the Fraternity last year, is again in place in the main hall of the Men's Residence. All organizations wishing to have notices posted are asked to put information in the box just below the black board.

Executive Named at Mulgrave Park

The Mulgrave Park Married Students' Association held their first meeting of the year on Sept. 28.

The new executive for the year were elected as follows:
President—Scot Leslie
Vice President—Ted White
Secretary-Treasurer — Dougie Webber

The Association is holding a big Halloween Party for all the children of Dal students in the Commissary, Mulgrave Park, at 3 p.m., October 30.

Drama Club Arranges Play

On the drama side of things, "As You Like It" is going strong. It will be opening in less than a month. This production will feature a novel Elizabethan setting.

Also coming up is the Inter-Varsity Drama Festival. This is an annual presentation of one-act plays by Dalhousie, Acadia, Kings and Mount Allison. Unfortunately, the last mentioned has dropped out and its place may be taken by St. F.X. The four plays are in turn presented at Dalhousie, Acadia, and now St. Francis Xavier. Watch for notices concerning Dalhousie's entry in the Drama Festival this year.

Delta Gamma Elects Officers

Delta Gamma is a general organization to which every girl on the campus automatically belongs. The first meeting was held Oct. 13th in Room 234 in the Arts building, with Mary Ann Lohnes presiding. The meeting was very well attended.

The main purpose of the meeting was the election of officers and committees for the forthcoming year. Those elected were as follows:

Debating manager—Jean Scriven
Dramatics manager — Nancy Wickwire
Hall social manager—Jean Ross
City social manager—Elise Lane
Senior representative — Suzanne Palmer
Junior representative — Barbara Chapeswick
Sophomore representative—Jean Anthony
Freshette representative—Carolyn Flemming
Scrap book—Sarah Pullen

It was decided that Co-ed Week would take place from Jan. 31st until Feb. 5th. It was also decided that the annual Open House at Shirreff Hall will be held on Saturday, November 21st, when co-eds on the campus will have the opportunity to invite the male of their choice to a dance.

Is Your Name on The List?

The date for the election of Senior Girl and Sophomore representative to the Dalhousie Council of Students is October 22. In view of this fact would all students registered in the Faculty of Arts and Science at Dalhousie please check to see if their name appears on the voters list. This list is posted on the bulletin board in the Men's Residence and will remain there until Thursday, October 22, the date for the election.

If your name is not listed would you notify either George Slipp or Helen Scammell, the Election Committee of the Students' Council, so that the error can be rectified? Remember that only the students in the Faculty of Arts and Science can vote. This will exclude Commerce, Engineering, Pharmacy, Education, Faculty of Graduate Studies, Bachelors of Science in Engineering, as well as the professional faculties. Pre-Med, pre-Law, pre-Dent and Music are grouped under Arts and Science for the purposes of election.

Some students from Kings College may be listed, but they are not entitled to vote unless they hold a Dalhousie Students' Council card and are registered in the above Faculty of Arts and Science.

Will the following students please notify the Election Committee as to the Faculty they are registered in?

You'll enjoy being in the chorus for **The Gondoliers**. Come to rehearsal on Thursday night at 7:00 in Room 21 of the Arts Building.

LOST—One McGill pin. Finder please return to Dougie Webber in the Law school.

Glee Club Rehearsals Get Underway

The Dalhousie Glee and Dramatic Society's musical production this year is the Gilbert and Sullivan comic opera **The Gondoliers**. This is by far the most ambitious undertaking to date. The production will again be under the direction of Professor Harold Hamer. Professor Hamer is a noted authority on the direction and production of Gilbert and Sullivan.

Last year's show **H.M.S. Pinafore**, which was presented in Truro after the regular run in Halifax was received so well that plans are being finalized to present this year's opera in both Truro and New Glasgow. In Truro **The Gondoliers** is being sponsored by the Kiwanis Club; in New Glasgow by the Gyros. (Needless to say this results in a concrete token of appreciation.)

The chorus rehearsals of the above production are being held regularly in Room 21 of the Arts Building on Thursday at 7:00. All are welcome, especially men, boys and other members of the male sex.

A STATEMENT OF CORRECTION

In the first issue of the Gazette a letter was printed in explanation of the Senate stand on the initiation affair. However the letter, signed by Prof. G. P. Grant, chairman of the Senate Committee, was incorrectly printed inasmuch as it read in the Gazette that "The Senate—safeguarding the rights of arbitrary interference".

This statement is incorrect and therefore the Gazette would like to point out that that is not the stand of the Senate nor of Prof. G. P. Grant, who signed the letter. The correct reading of the letter should be:

"The Senate, however, has the responsibility of maintaining the standards traditional to a university and of safeguarding the rights of all its members. Hazing was not stopped in a spirit of arbitrary interference, but rather in the belief that it was necessary to protect the liberty of the individual."

It is hoped that any misinterpretation of the Senate's stand will, by this explanation, therefore be clearly and correctly understood.

No Direct Blame Attached To Initiation Committee

"At no time, in my opinion, will the Senate of Dalhousie University again permit action infringing on the personal dignity of its students, whether the student agrees or not. And, continued Dr. G. P. Grant, chairman of the Senate Committee, "while the Senate does not object to initiation, it is determined to protect the minority rights of those who oppose hazing in its present form at Dalhousie."

Dr. Grant directed his remarks to about 150 students and faculty members at Tuesday's open forum sponsored by the Sodales Debating Society. The noon-hour meeting, chaired by President Ben Douglas of Sodales, got underway in Room 130 of the Arts and Administration Building with Miss Betty Morse supporting the hazing factor of initiation. In a simple, straight-forward approach, Miss Morse argued that hazing, while important, was a minor part of initiation and that promotion of class unity and Dal spirit was the keynote of any essential initiation. Miss Morse concluded her remarks by stressing the traditional value of initiations at all universities.

Defense of the Senate's directive eliminating hazing was presented by Mr. Dave Peel, who pointed out that the student body at Dal must consider the affect of public opinion whenever its activities spilled over campus confines. Dalhousie, declared Mr. Peel, is not a campus college like most Maritime universities, but an essential part of the city of Halifax. The tradition of hazing is no longer useful, he added, and should be eliminated at Dalhousie.

Following the presentation of pro and con views respectively by Miss Morse and Mr. Peel, Chairman Douglas called for open-floor questions with many students availing themselves of the opportunity.

In answer to most of the questions, Dr. Grant again re-emphasized the Senate's non-objection to

initiation. But hazing, whenever it inflicts personal dignity on anyone, he pointed out, must be done away with and initiation in the form of introducing new students to Dal facilities and fellow students should receive greater attention.

While refusing to name individual cases, Dr. Grant cited various reasons and complaints which had resulted in the Senate directive. Amongst these were broken ribs, mental anguish, forced cold water baths and cod liver oil hair-rubs. It is not public opinion that is so important, he noted, but the freedom and protection of the individual whether he is a minority or not.

An agreement, continued Dr. Grant, had been reached last April with the student government body whereby hazing would be stopped. However, apparent confusion as to its terms had cropped up, explained Dr. Grant, and a further discussion is now necessary to straighten out the "limits of initiation."

Prof. J. F. Graham presented further faculty views to the assembly and stated that because something is a tradition does not mean it is desirable. The Senate's decision was unanimous, he declared, and a strong voice of objection was expected to the ruling. Maintaining that a program without compulsion could achieve the same purposes as those intended with hazing, Prof. Graham countered initiation committee argument that initiation was optional to all frosh. In fact, Prof. Graham noted, implied compulsion is just as effective as written or physical compulsion.

Also presenting an additional faculty view was Miss Mary C. Mowat, warden at Shirreff Hall, residence of many Dalhousie female students. "It is an annual occurrence," stated Miss Mowat, "for some of my new girls to show up before most events, asking, 'Do I have to go?', and I always reply,

"This is a free democracy." Bombarded with a barrage of questions, Dr. Grant provided the following information:

1. The Senate did not attach any direct blame to the initiation committee.
2. An itemized list of initiation intentions was approved by the Senate.
3. The initiation committee was out of bounds while carrying out the program, due to the apparent confusion as to the terms of last April's agreement re hazing.
4. Hazing was stopped during the middle of initiation because it was impossible to get the Senate together before Monday afternoon. However, complaints had been pouring in since the Friday before initiation week.
5. It is not the intention of the Senate to interfere in student government. However, it is hoped the students will give full consideration to solving such paramount problems to everyone's satisfaction.
6. It was the understanding of the Senate that placards would carry only the name and address of new students—without comments.

Following sixty minutes of lively discussion, Mr. Douglas concluded the assembly remarks with a summary of various opinions and an expression of thanks to the participants and to Miss Elizabeth Boring, secretary-treasurer of Sodales, under whose direction the forum had been organized.

Roland Thornhill, chosen as typical freshman at the annual Freshie-Soph dance, commended Chairman Douglas for his able handling of the meeting and an enthusiastic applause showed that on one subject at least, the assembly's views were unanimous.

Prominent Law Professor Here

Clive Parry, M.A., LL.B., Dean of Downing College and Professor of Law of Cambridge University, and one of England's distinguished legal scholars, will lecture at Dalhousie Law School on Friday, October 16, according to an announcement by Dean Horace E. Read of the Dalhousie Law Faculty. Dean Parry's lecture will be delivered at 10 o'clock in the morning, in the Reading Room of the Law School Library, and his subject will be "Canadian Citizenship within the British Commonwealth."

Dean Parry is now Visiting Professor of Law and Thayer Teaching Fellow at Harvard University Law School where he is teaching courses in Conflict of Laws and International Law. He was an editor of the most recent edition of the legal classic, Dacey's "Conflict of Laws", and in 1951 published a study of the legal aspects of British citizenship entitled "British Nationality." He is a barrister at Gray's Inn and has practised on the Chancery side in the Southeastern Judicial Circuit.

Dean Parry has also an impressive record of other accomplishment. After graduation from Cambridge he did post-graduate work at the University of Berlin in 1939, and then returned to England as lecturer in law at the London School of Economics. In World War II he was an infantry soldier. The war over he returned to Cambridge University where, in 1946, he was appointed lecturer in law, fellow and tutor of Downing College. Three years later he was given a year's leave of absence to serve as legal counselor in the United Nations Secretariat in New York. In 1951 he was made Dean of Downing College and in 1952 was invited by Harvard to serve there for two years as visiting professor.

While in Halifax Dean Parry will be guest of the Dalhousie Law Students' Society and the Faculty of the Law School.

W. U. S. Sponsors Indian Sale

The meeting of the World University Service of Canada was held in the Arts Building on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Sally Roper acted as chairman. Laura Wiles attended the annual conference of W.U.S.C. at Montreal over the holiday weekend.

At the meeting plans were discussed for a sale of Indian handicrafts which is to be held on Monday, Oct. 19 in Room 21 of the Arts and Administration Building from 2:30-5:30 p.m. and from 7:00-9:00 p.m. The sale will also be held on Tuesday and Wednesday from 2:00-5:00 p.m. and from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

This sale will consist of goods imported from different parts of

India. There will be ivory figurines, suede bags, jewellery cases, rugs, embroideries and a wide variety of other articles. This will be a wonderful opportunity to buy Christmas presents for your friends.

After leaving Dalhousie the bazaar will be held at other universities all over Canada. It is under the supervision of Mrs. Ethel Mulvaney. This sale spreads the news of work in India and provides markets for India's goods.

NOTICE

The Sophomore Class Picture will be taken on the steps of the Arts Building at 1 o'clock on Friday. All sophomores please be there.

