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PILGRIMS PROGRESS IN DOUBT

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Came the dawn, came the faithful, and went the train. Such was the little drama set out for the fair city (well, village) of Anigonish as Dal's first football special of the year enacted at Union Station last Saturday morning. Carrying 150 pilgrims in quest of sport and revelry, the seven car music hall, saloon and gambling emporium made up one of the merriest assemblage to be seen in quite some time.

Off At Truro

Getting off to a roaring start by being held up ten minutes while sundry stalwarts were roused from their beds, the train flowed exuberantly along until it reached the good town of Truro. Here the pilgrims were given an opportunity to visit their first shrine, and the mass exodus to that hallowed spot, located across the street from the Truro station, gave witness to the faith of those on board. The service of the clerics in charge was notably improved from last year, for everyone so desiring was able to perform their invocations and still catch the train. One freshman was rather badly mauled in the stampede, but as freshmen are always getting badly mauled, or should be, this was given only slight note.

With the strains of that well-known hymn, "Mountain Dew," resounding in every car, the excursion made its merry way to the home of the "Scots Wa'Hae" relatively uneventfully, with perhaps the most notable thing being that the train had to be stopped only twice while cows were removed from the tracks.

Hamburgers Yet

Antigonish being reached shortly after 1 o'clock, the 150 of the faithful began a hasty quest for food in the local coffee houses, it soon becoming apparent that the patrons outnumber the available hamburgers rather badly. Those who had not stood the rigours of the trip too well were laid to temporary rest, and those more strongly constituted members of the party formed up at the town's main intersection (the one with the policeman, I guess) where they were joined by the priestesses (called cheerleaders by some heretics), a more or less organized group of devoted noise-makers, and a walking idol (believed to be a tiger). A rousing march through the centre of town to the football field then ensued, this being followed by two hours of concentrated, if frequently frustrated, worship.

The service being over, there were many who wished to break what was rapidly becoming an overly-long fast. However, they were once again thwarted by the malice of the populace, who, fearing an uprising, had barred the doors of their eateries. Happily this state was not maintained for long, but it nevertheless gave the starving much food for thought.

No Mother, Call a Taxi

7:30 saw the weary bringing themselves and their comrades back to the train, now content to amuse themselves with less energetic, if warmer, pastimes. Evidently anticipating the fun, nobody missed the train, for a change, and one and all



Football (?) fans are off to "X" in this picture taken last Saturday a.m. But all those broad backs would seem to indicate that there is more in heaven and earth than is fit for the prying eyes of our camera.

"Smashing" Win By U. K. Debaters

A large and responsive audience heard James Stuart Gordon and Roger Tilbury, the perambulating debating team from the United Kingdom, win a not so closely contested victory over Paul Creaghan and Wendell Fulton of the Dal Law school, Tuesday evening.

The Britishers upheld the affirmative of "Resolved that the West is winning the battle for men's minds in Asia."

fermented quietly homewards. No cows were encountered, thereby enabling the pilgrims to transfer their revelries to less mobile surroundings.

Although the pious fervour of the masses was not sufficient to maintain the coffers of the Arts and Science treasury, all felt that the excursion, though its ends weren't realized, was well worth the endeavour. Let us hope that more success will be met with at the next attempt to rouse the rabble.

On a style that was at once bouyant and witty, the winners emphasized that "our greatest weapon... is the rendering of economic aid to countries in Asia, where an innate love of their land is ingrained in the peasants."

They stressed also that the great religions of the East are in total opposition to the atheism of Communism.

Paul Creaghan for the negative, argued that modern Asians desire equality with the West, and that Communism provides for them the quickest and best way to this end. Fulton questioned whether western democracy could work in Asia, which is largely politically neutral.

ACCEPT DAL'S BID; FIRST CONFERENCE EAST OF MONTREAL

SASKATOON, Sask.—Dalhousie's bid to host the 24th National Congress of the National Federation of Canadian University Students was unanimously accepted by the 23rd Congress meeting at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon last week.

The Congress, which will be the largest and most important ever hosted by Dalhousie, will be held during the latter part of September. One hundred delegates from 33 universities will attend.

It will be the first time the Congress has been held east of Quebec City. Dalhousie's NFCUS Committee must begin immediately the task of preparing for the conference.

Coddled Corrupted Clobbered

King's has failed again! Try as they might, the four sordid days of their freshman initiation period have passed without the creation of a single corpse, lunatic (though some have unkindly suggested that a few were in this category before they came) or resignee. Travesties Incorporated, otherwise known as the King's Initiation Committee, were certainly successful in terrorizing their charges, but it is to the undying credit of a hardy group of 63 fresh, though they quavered, they did not fall.

Perhaps one of the most entertaining initiations that upperclassmen have witnessed in many a day, the four days of penance were highlighted by some most amusing endeavours on the part of the freshmen. Starting on Monday, October 5, with so scientifically valuable a project as measuring the length of the Angus L. bridge with a wiener, the initiates furthered their depravity by rolling lemons around the campus with their noses, standing gate sentry at the entrance to King's, demonstrating their charwoman's abilities by guarding the cities banks with broomsticks, furthering their cause for admission to the Jaycees by enterprisingly selling toilet paper outside the city's downtown theatres (rumours that said toilet paper had been stolen

Attending from Dal were Murray Fraser, President of the Atlantic Region and Stu MacKinnon, Vice-president of National Affairs, Bryon Reid, Council President.

A highlight of the 1958 Congress was a proposal of the University of Toronto that a national assembly of 1000 students be organized under the sponsorship of NFCUS. The assembly would discuss student problems and hold seminars and hear speakers on chosen topics.

The Congress felt that NFCUS could not go ahead with such a vast undertaking immediately, but asked that Toronto continue her investigations into the matter and report back to the National Executive. The Third National Seminar will be held late next summer regardless of the outcome of these investigations.

A telegram was sent to the Prime Minister urging that campaign promises made by the Late Hon. Sidney Smith in regard to the establishment of a system of scholarships by the Federal Government be honored. An additional telegram was

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A forelorn Scot at the Station Saturday morning perhaps wondering if she'll no come back again.

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