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MANY HAPPY RETURNS DALHOUSIE GAZETTE

On Sunday, January 25 The Dalhousie Gazette celebrated its 90th birthday. For 90 years and for 90 classes of Dalhousie students, the Gazette has been an integral part of campus life.

The Gazette today bears little resemblance to the first four pages of the historic first edition of The Dalhousie College Gazette, pictured on the following pages. Its aim, however, is the same as that expressed on its first page: "the cultivation of literary tastes among ourselves, and the establishment of an organ in which free expression can be given, not only to our own sentiments, but to those of others who may interest themselves in our progress and prosperity." Whether the Gazette has been a four page, bi-monthly publication or a four or eight page weekly, of various sizes, shapes and appearances, it has always striven towards the same goal.

The name Gazette has an interesting origin. The first Gazette was published in Venice in the 16th century, and received its name because it cost one gazetta, a small Venetian coin. The name has since come to signify a small paper to be treasured because of its expression of news, political views, literary and artistic works. Certainly the Gazette has always tried to play this role in student affairs, and has, we hope, a treasured spot in the hearts of all Dalhousians and alumnae.

The world has been much altered in the 90 years in which the Gazette has been publishing. There have been two great World Wars and, even more recently, the Korean War; there has been amazing development in the realms of science and of medicine; there have been many measures attempted for peace and a world assembly. The United Nations has been created with this aim. Despite the many changes, the world remains of much the same character. Progress continues with good years and is set back in times of recession. Only too clearly was this seen in the years of the great depression in the '30's, but we have managed to climb back to prosperity and look forward with much optimism to the further development of our great country.

Regardless of the situation in the world around us, our spirit has remained unchanged; indeed, the purpose and ideals of the Gazette are unchangeable. Each editor becomes part of the great tradition which the Gazette retains; he can never be greater than the paper itself and its traditions. His job is to guide it and to be moulded by it. The Gazette is a living organ, a part of the very heart and the very core of our University; it is a composite of students, faculties and traditions.

Future editors must steer the same course. The historic tradition requires them to edit, shape, improve and receive satisfaction from the knowledge that through their care, precision and loyalty the Gazette has served well their University and their fellow students.

The past 90 years, we hope, have been only the beginning for the Gazette. With the great era of expansion into which the University is moving, the oldest college newspaper in Canada will keep pace. The future of the College-by-the-Sea is bright, and the Gazette will march with it, hand in hand, to the prosperity of which both is capable. Our hope is that when 90 more years have passed, the Gazette will boast of being a daily, to meet the needs of our ever-expanding University.

The Brimming Cup

by Denis Stairs

CUP is a rather unimpressive short title for a very stately long title: Canadian University Press. This organization provides, among other things, for the exchange of university newspapers, and in this column we will try to give Gazette readers an idea of what other universities are doing, and thinking, across Canada.

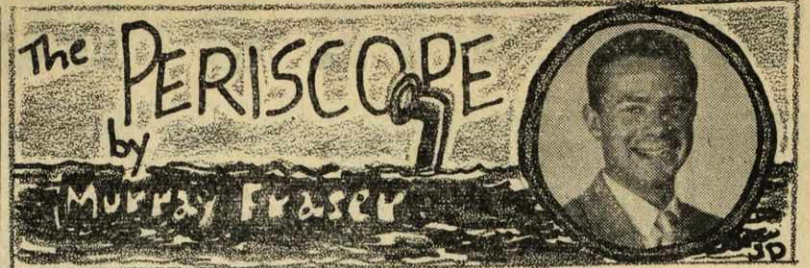
From Winnipeg this week comes the news that 22 top students have announced their intention to leave United College, an affiliate of the University of Manitoba, in protest to the firing of Professor Harry Crowe. The students issued a public statement in which they alleged that the Board of Regents had "allowed United College to sink to the level of intellectual chaos" and that the administration had created an intolerable situation in which study is impossible.

It seems that "normal" people are hard to find even in so-called "higher institutions of learning". A convention of Medical Students in Edmonton reported that "As many as 25% of students in Canadian Universities need psychiatric treatment". They blamed the stress of cramming for the startling statistics.

Claude Bissell, President of the University of Toronto, has outlined a plan entailing major changes in college programs. His recommendations included: (1) Free tuition for first class students (75% or better in Ontario) plus bursary aid according to need; (2) Bursaries for second class students (65% or better); (3) No help for third class students; and (4) An increase in the length of the academic year. Vacations would be distributed so as to provide two months holiday in the summer and one month both at Christmas and Easter.

Although Ontario's Minister of Education was enthusiastic about the scheme, students at Toronto heartily opposed it. The big drawback of the proposal is that it would make an already tough search for summer employment even more difficult. Under the plan, first class students would not have to worry about financing their education, but others would still depend largely upon summer income to pay their way.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker, in a convocation address at the University of Toronto, has advocated a greater interchange of students between Western and uncommitted countries. Last week, NFCUS Pres-



One of the funniest newspaper stories to appear in a long time was on the front page of the Mail-Star, January 24. It concerned a baby-sitter who became stuck on a toilet seat, recently painted with miracle plastic paint, bearing the label "It stays on". Her trials and tribulations were many. Suggest you read it for a laugh.

Speaking of laughs, the movie "Auntie Mame" provided a full evening's entertainment. Rosalind Russell turned in an outstanding performance.

Last week saw two birthday celebrations. The Gazette celebrated its 90th. The highlight of this rather quiet affair was the amazing velocity and capacity of Judy Bell, who blew out 90 candles—in one breath! The Commerce Company celebrated its President's Birthday—with Les among the missing. However, many others arrived and the evening provided quite a scramble. The theme for this party was "The Unexpected Guest".

There are strong possibilities that a top flight student—Rick Black may be attending Dal next year. Rick, by the way, was recently voted Canada's Outstanding High School Footballer. Bienvenue—with open arms!

Would Doug Cudmore consider running for a Student Council position? He has had previous Council experience at Prince of Wales, is a good student in Med school, and is active as a varsity hockey player.

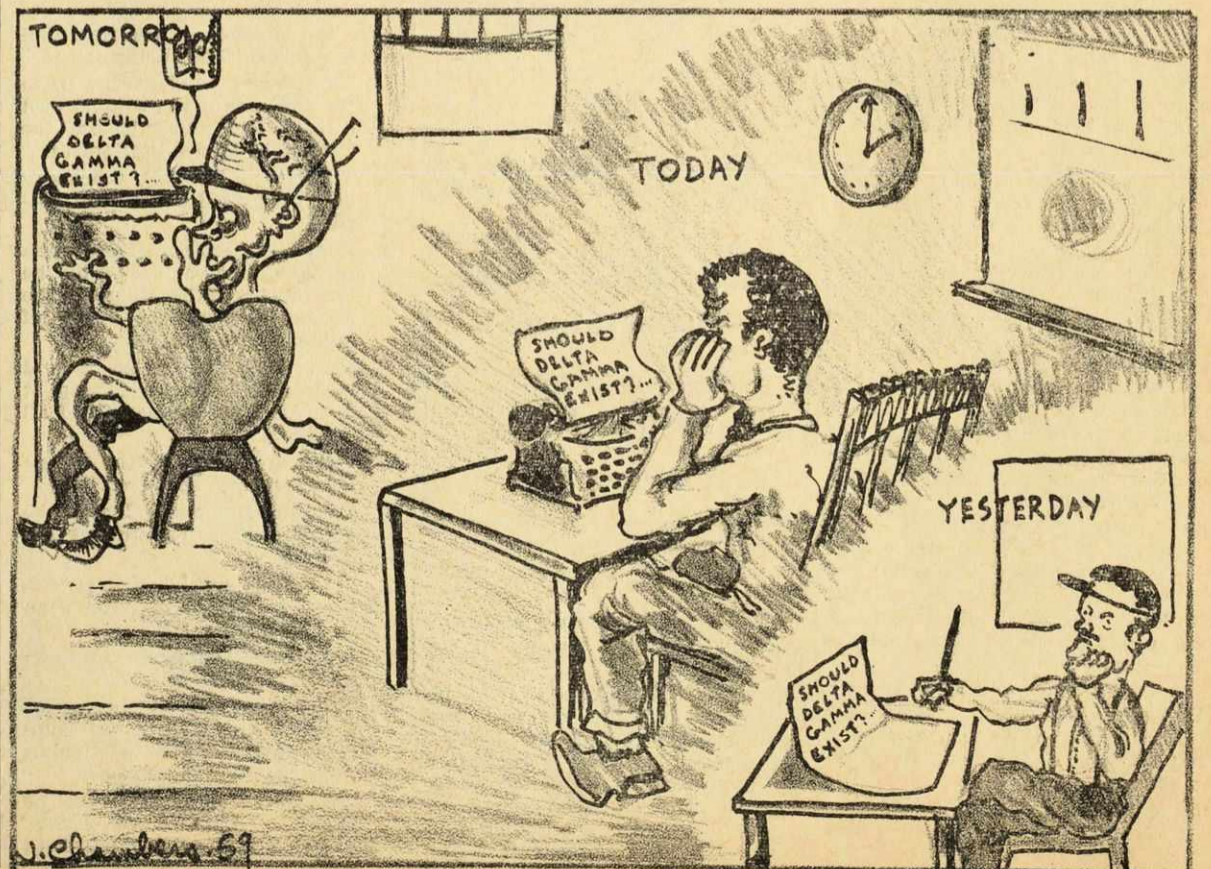
Our congratulations to Bud Kimball, new President of the Law Society. To this responsible position Bud brings experience, a mature outlook and lots of energy.

"Paint your Wagon" nearly went on the skids. If more males had not appeared, the whole show would have been called off.

To finish up this week comes the news that will bring tears of happiness to the eyes of all southpaws. Lefthanded desks will soon be here. They have been promised for three years now and at last the dream of many cross armed frustrated note-takers will become a reality.

ident Morty Bistrisky denounced the plan because it side-stepped the problems of students at home in Canada. The NFCUS position is that no scholarships should be extended to foreign students until sufficient financial aid has been given to the Canadian student body. An editorial in the McGill Daily, however, called the NFCUS proposal "an example of dangerous isolationism", and credited the Prime Minister with a "keen appreciation of contemporary history".

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