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Letters to the Editor

Editor, Dalhousie Gazette.
Sirs:
I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who assisted in making Dalhousie's first Home-Coming Weekend a successful one. It is quite true that the crowds anticipated did not in fact develop; but I do think that all who attended the various activities thoroughly enjoyed themselves. That this was the Thanksgiving Weekend was a deciding factor in the attendance.
There are several people who I consider to be most valuable to Dalhousie and who gave me all the help I needed. Without them I am sure the weekend would not have been as half as good as it was. Frank Hennigar, to me, is the "shot in the arm" that Dalhousie has needed for a long time. He had to put up with my impatience and abuse and did so in the finest of form. Without Frank I would have been lost. Lucy Lambert worked harder than any other sub-committee head and the result of this hard work was, what I and many others consider to be,

the best Ball in the Mall ever held. I think Lucy along with Frank Hennigar deserves the praise and thanks from every student on the Dalhousie Campus. Others who were instrumental in making the Fall weekend a success were Wendy Dayton who did a marvellous job with the tickets both in organizing and selling. Wendy also took upon herself several other responsibilities and really did a wonderful job. David Reardon who was the treasurer of the Weekend deserves a great vote of thanks and appreciation not only from me but from the whole committee. There were times when Dave got pretty exasperated with us but we eventually got everything ironed out. Dealing with a budget of close to \$8000 is quite a responsibility and I think Dave has done quite a job.
Among the other people who did exceptionally good jobs were Mary Stockwood and Leslie Trask who handled the Moe Koffman Jazz concert, Rufus Gilday assisted by Ken Hamilton who handled the Rooftop Singers Folk Concert, Rick Carruthers who

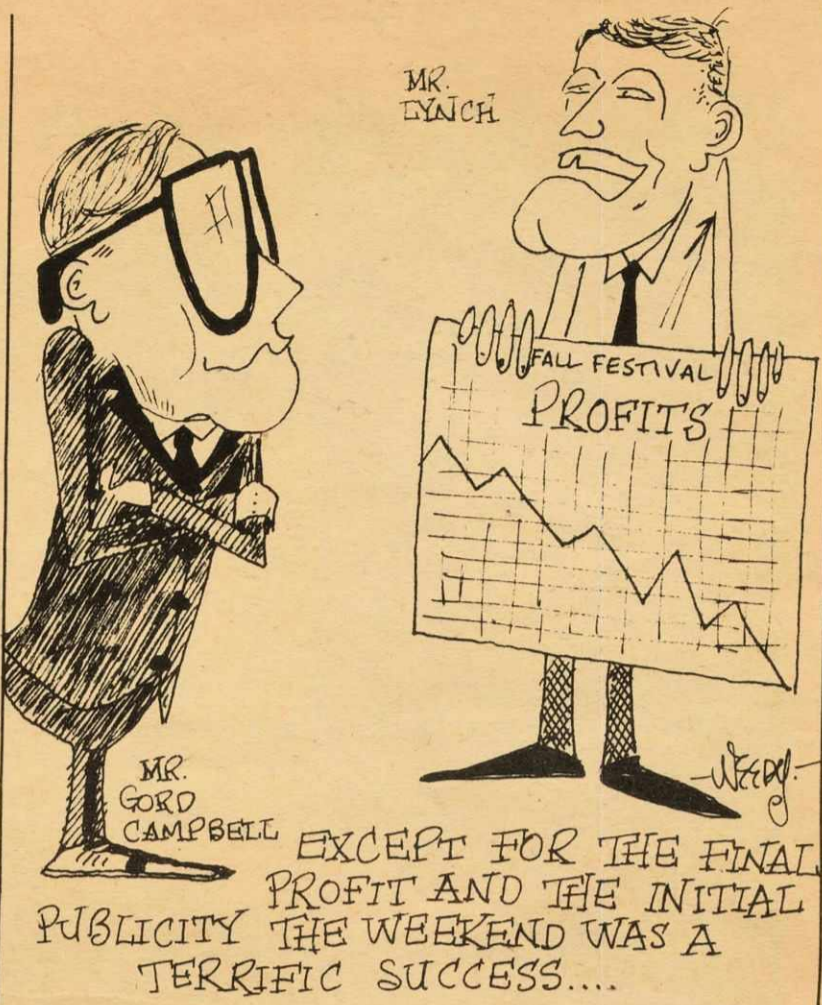
looked after the Chowder Party (You can't even give away anything on campus) and Dave Mc Master and Doug Rowan who looked after the girls football game.
I would also like to thank the four princesses, Jill Fricker, Sherry Young, Cathy Logan and Mary Mahon for the wonderful job they did in representing Dalhousie. They are really great girls. A special note of thanks and congratulations to Ann Rungus, the Homecoming Queen. I know she will represent Dalhousie very well. My heartfelt thanks to all five girls.
I would like to thank students Council for bearing with me in this project. There were times when I was not too sure of myself and when council was not too sure of me but I think that we managed to work quite well together.
Once again my thanks to all those who did so much to make this weekend a success, especially Lucy Lambert, Frank Hennigar, Wendy Dayton and David Reardon. My heartfelt thanks to all.
TOM LYNCH
Fall Weekend Chairman

Dear Sir:
I have been driving around the Dalhousie campus and I have noticed that one of the latest scientific achievements has hit the Dal. campus; - two words - "no parking". I realize that a number of words in the English language are obsolete but I had not thought that these two were. At least, that was my opinion until I attempted to drive on the horsepath (for it appears such at times) between the Arts Annex and the football field and gym and around the traffic circle at the south end of the Arts and Administration Building.
I would therefore like to ask two questions:
(1) Who is responsible for erecting such signs?
(2) Who is the police authority on the campus?
I personally feel that these signs should either be enforced or removed altogether as they are making a mockery out of law and order. There is, to my way of thinking, adequate parking facilities (that are legal) on campus and in the vicinity of the campus.
Yours truly,
John A. C. Wilson

Dear Sir:
We are not altogether happy with the manner in which the report on the cross country run was handled in the Dal Gazette, October 2. Don Gladwin won this cross country meet with Acadia, although he never did "hit the tape". Rick Meade, according to our understanding, placed fourth in the race. The Gazette did not state the latter fact. Mr. Meade deserves this credit for his effort. However, he is pictured in the Gazette, indeed the picture is nearer the caption "Tokyo Olympics" than it is to the race report. The winner does not have his picture in the paper. The Acadia runners who placed second and third do not even have their names in print. With all due respect to Mr. Meade, a photo of the entire Dal team should have been presented, or if this was not feasible, a picture of the winner would have been more appropriate.
Don Gladwin won the race before the start of the Dal-Mount A soccer game, October 3. We hope that the sports department will give proper recognition to his achievement.
Jim MacKay, Commerce 3
Bill MacDonald, Commerce 4

I recall attention to an editorial appearing in the Dalhousie Gazette on Sept. 28, "Non-Violence at the Macaza," by news editor Peter Shapiro, concerning alleged R.C.A.F. brutality shown a group of demonstrators who attempted to obstruct the operations of an R.C.A.F. base. I agree that the demonstrators should not have been kicked or dragged by the hair - they should have been shot or hanged.
Strong words? - be assured that there are stronger thoughts behind them!
First; the crime in this particular demonstration was certainly one of sedition if not one of treason. For all who don't know - sedition is agitation against the authority of a state's executive and treason is a similar act against the sovereign. Can anyone deny that the R.C.A.F. is an arm of the authority of this state's executive? If anyone did wish to quibble, his only alternative would be that the R.C.A.F. serves the Queen in Parliament (the sovereign) I don't think I need say more on this.
Second: the government of L. B. Pearson put the nuclear weapons on Canadian soil and only his (or someone else's) government can take them off. Demonstrating against the R.C.A.F. is like an attempt to catch a mouse in the basement by setting a trap on the top floor. Foolish unjustifiable action!
Yours truly,
Ralph D. Ferguson.

ROYAL BANK Opportunities for University Graduates
Our staff officer, Mr. R.E. Everett will be on the campus at Dalhousie University, on Wednesday, October 28th. All those interested in a career in banking are invited to drop by and discuss the many opportunities in the Royal Bank for university graduates. Please contact Student Placement Officer for interview time.



EXCEPT FOR THE FINAL PROFIT AND THE INITIAL PUBLICITY THE WEEKEND WAS A TERRIFIC SUCCESS....

Weekend Splatters

"Homecoming Weekend has lost more than \$3000, and perhaps closer to \$5000," said Chairman Tom Lynch.
While accepting the "artistic success" of the various events Council must consider the failure of this event and ensure that they are not repeated.
The individual events, offering excellent entertainment, were potentially excellent themselves, and the entire weekend with a \$7800. budget was potentially a total success. The failures then were due neither to the program nor to the Council, but to the Committee executive itself - their poor organization and their inefficient publicity.
The original program, presented last year to the Student Council, was supposedly oriented to bringing together both students and alumni for concerts, dances and a football game. The weekend executive however -- not only failed to consider that students return home for Thanksgiving (and indeed failed to consider Thanksgiving completely) but in being unable to present the Alumni Board with a finalized program, failed to gain

their effective support.
The excellent program, when at last finalized only days before the festival, presented opportunity both for entertainment and for participation. Significant here, is that the two events requiring participation - calling for more than falling into a chair and being entertained - were the most poorly publicized and consequently the most poorly attended.
Students must, then constructively apply these failures to future events, the need for increased, and more effective organization is self evident, the means to this end, however, are more difficult. It is assumed that those filling council appointed positions are the most qualified available. They are asked to present a prospective program to Council, and cannot then be expected to return every week, reporting their problems.
Applicants, then, must be expected to present their programs to Council for approval, and it is the responsibility of Council to see, before allocating the responsibility, that these programs may be effectively completed.

STUDENT COMMENT

Party politics at Dal and King's will contribute a great deal to the political awareness of students. This is an extremely important function because alert and politically educated students will be tomorrow's alert and politically educated citizens as well as the leaders of the community. To maintain a healthy democracy it is essential to have an informed public.
This role is not, however, the primary aim of the campus political parties. Their aim is to promote a particular party cause and to gain support from the students for a particular political philosophy. There is a need on campus for an organization whose only purpose is to create an interest in politics on a non-partisan level.
This society might well be operated by the leaders of the political parties with the Gazette Editor as a sort of impartial member of the executive. This would allow each party equal representation and the presence of the Gazette Editor would help to insure the non-partisan nature of the organization. The Editor is suggested for this position because he holds a unique position

of influence with the student body and would be in a position to keep the student body informed and thus safeguard the non-partisan basis effectively.
This society might arrange speakers throughout the year dealing with subjects of interest to all parties. The talks might include topics dealing with our governmental institutions, parliamentary procedure, the economic problem of the Atlantic Region and many others. Speakers might include Professors, Civil Servants, and representatives of organizations such as A. P. E. C.
Responsibility for running the Model Parliament might also be handled by the Society; it might provide the means of agreement between the parties for basic guidelines for campaigns on campus; and it could oversee the elections with an impartial eye and help keep them within the bounds of university elections. It might arrange for seminars for the student politician in parliamentary procedure and thereby improve the standard of our model parliaments and make the proceedings of greater interest to the campus as a whole.