

Horace Read 1898 - 1975

The death last week of Dean Emeritus Horace E. Read ended his active contribution to the Dalhousie community. It marked a further erosion of our contact with the university's tradition and history.

One of the small number of people who, in the 1920's, contributed so much to the development and good reputation of the Faculty of Law, Horace Read was still advising faculty and students in 1974-75.

Although Dean Read gave so much to the Dalhousie Faculty of Law, it is testimony to his greatness that his career included outstanding work in other areas and fields. These include scholarship on the international level, the drafting of legislation, service on various government commissions - especially the chairmanship of the Nova Scotia Labour Relations Board, administrative duties within the university, membership in all three of the Armed Services.

It is impossible to find a time when Horace Read was not a leader in the fields where he was active. Even as a student he was not content to confine himself to academic studies. In his senior year at the Law School, 1923-24, Dean Read served as the Editor of this newspaper.

When one considers the length and breadth of his achievements, his kindly and helpful attitude towards those around him is an indication of his humanity.

It is an unavoidable tragedy that most students at Dalhousie today never knew or even heard about Horace Read. An adequate description of his accomplishments would require several pages. Rather than attempt that description, one can say that certainly there is no one in Dalhousie who is not feeling the effects of Horace Read's service to the public, to the legal profession, to legal scholarship and to the members of the Dalhousie community.

The results of his work, and the work of those whom he inspired, will be with us for many years.

Law students may still find comfort in the rumor that Horace Read failed a first year law course. We will all find benefit in looking towards his example for guidance.

It hardly appears to be exaggeration to day that Horace E. Read improved and distinguished everything that he touched.



Appreciation

To the Gazette;

Now that the Union elections are over and the frantic Grawood strategy meetings only fond, but blurred memories, we would like to thank the many people who in one way or another, were involved in our campaign. While it is impossible to name them all, they have our sincere appreciation for their efforts on our behalf.

Special thanks, however, must go to a friend, Mark Crossman, for the too many hours he spent in planning and directing the campaign. As well, our thanks, (and perhaps apologies!), to the Commerce Society for the use of their house for a little meeting on election night.

To the other candidates, our appreciation for a campaign that was conducted exceptionally fairly and on a truly co-operative basis. We hope that in the coming year, their contributions to the Union will not cease.

Finally and most importantly, thank-you to the electorate who voted in the election. We will work in the next fourteen months, to live up to your expectations in providing the needed motivation and leadership for our Student Union.

Sincerely,
Bruce Russell
Ann Smiley

Happy Trails !

To the Gazette:

We would like to take this small space to thank the people who supported us in the recent council election, and indeed those who took the time to vote, whether for or against us. We feel we have learned a great deal in the past two weeks and that the campaign we ran was one we could look at with pride in the principles that guided it. We feel that it was successful in that it forced some people to consider ideas that would never had seen the light of day, had we not run. We urge the students to also take the time to make their voices heard on any matters either to us, through the Gazette

or to the newly elected council and executive. They are there to serve you, but only if you ask them to. Again, thanks to our supporters and to the other candidates, who we thought, waged a fair and honest battle.

Tom Clahane
Rick Whitby

Howe Hall rebuttal

To the Gazette:

We have been watching with amusement and growing trepidation your letters column of the past few weeks. We have noticed a growing number of letters which deal with either (directly or indirectly) the character of the residents of Howe Hall.

The first letter noted was from the unfortunate lady (?) B.J. Bialowski. It seemed that if what she said concerning her attitude towards sex is true then the gentleman to whom she is referring is in all likelihood a rarity.

In your February 20th issue we have noted two letters in particular which seem especially uncultivated and indeed at points illiterate. These letters through their insults and degradation directed towards the above mentioned female shows a side of Howe Hall which emerges almost as rarely as her inhibited host.

We feel that both of these letters illustrate the extremes of characters resident in Howe Hall. Most of us are sexually healthy males. We do not as a rule sink to the crass level exhibited by Mr. B. Hyman. So, we would appreciate it if you would print this letter in an attempt to encourage your readers to contribute opinions that are more truthful in their reflection on residence students and indeed all Dalhousie students.

Respectfully Yours,
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