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## GLANCING BACK

With the last issue before Christmas now on its way to the press, the time has come for some end-of-term reminiscing. The University has again this year increased its registration, now standing at 1702, more than double the 1944-45 number. Student activities have had a similar expansion. It is not for the GAZETTE to pass judgment on matters academic—a far more thorough judgment will be passed next week by more competent judges. We would rather have our say on those matters which may well have a greater influence on post-University life than many classroom studies.

For better or for worse the GAZETTE has expanded. During the past term it has attempted to adhere to a policy 'of the students, by the students, for the students'. Much criticism has been levied upon it for various articles published. The GAZETTE has held that all material appearing in it was of interest or benefit to the Student Body. If it was not—we apologise. If some of our readers feel that the profusion of articles of a socialist turn were at variance with the principles of a free press—we hasten to explain that any article—not exceeding the bounds of decency and ethics—will be published.

The ideal college life was outlined in the opening address made by President Kerr at the first of the year when he urged a union between academic and campus life. The attention of the University for the housing of students has paid large dividends, and the establishment of a special D. V. A. office on the campus has been of significant value to ex-service students.

The GAZETTE takes this opportunity to compliment the Veterans' Association on the task which the organization has undertaken and performed during the past year and a half. It was no small task to provide jobs for all who applied.

This year the Students' Council has been faced with greater responsibilities than ever before. Theirs is the task of expending more than \$21,000.00 in council fees. While the GAZETTE strongly disagrees with some of the policies of the Council (viz: Canadian University Press) it would defend the group to the utmost on almost all actions to date.

The various Student Societies have shown signs of reorganization and new strength. Perhaps the most progressive step of the year was the Council's sanction of Political clubs on the campus.

In retrospect, we would pronounce the first term successful. With the Student Body lies the responsibility to make the second term an even greater success.

So with issue number nine—the GAZETTE wishes all those who have followed its news and nonsense during the past month GOOD LUCK IN EXAMS — AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

## EDITOR'S MAIL

The Editor:

Dear Sir,—In the column of comment published by your sports editor on Nov. 29 we note some carping criticism of Law Students concerning a proposal to enter a basketball team in the City Senior League. Byron Hatfield has undertaken, as originator of the idea, to explain fully the considerations underlying this proposal. It is sufficient for me to say that the advantages of this plan to retain Dalhousie's place in the senior league were outweighed by the considerations of unity and the promotion of Dalhousie's sport effort under the D.A.A.C.

We suggest that Mr. Harris is much more anxious to criticise Law on any possible ground than to enquire into the merits of participation or non-participation in this league. If he is so worried about a "poor showing" on the part of Dal students in "letting their teams down" he might direct his attention to the group of students now playing in the City Junior League and who, we understand, have flatly refused to co-

operate with the D.A.A.C. unless paid \$150.00 for their franchise.

We draw the sports editor's attention to the facts that: (1) the Law Society, comprising all law students, has not even considered the proposal to enter a senior team. (2) Considerations of Dalhousie's future position in local sport. (3) It is foolish and puerile to impugn the activities and motives of the professional faculties on the strength of the proposal of one member of the Law school. The Law school is and will continue to be one of the mainstays of the student body promoting the unity and spirit of Dalhousie above all other considerations.

Yours truly,

DON BLACK.

(President Dalhousie Law Society).

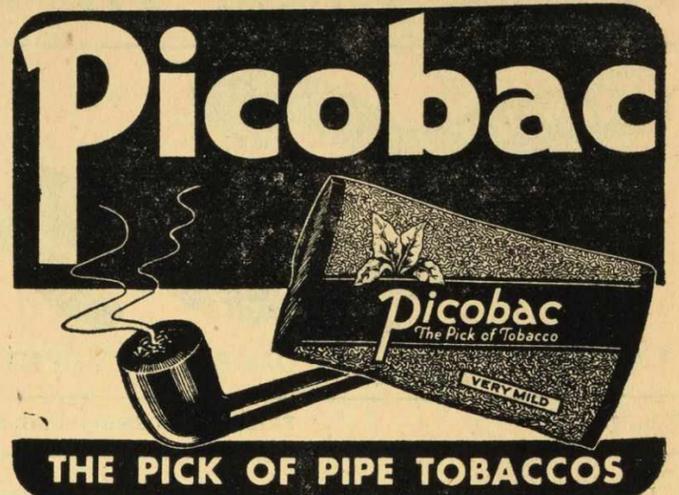
(Ed. Note—If we were wrong we apologize. Nevertheless the story appeared in the local papers, Mr. Black. We feel just as

## SHAVE and a HAIRCUT 75 c

I am sitting in the gym store one day when I feel a small tickling on the back of my neck. Not a very big tickling, but enough so I could feel it. I look around—but there is nobody near me. So I feel my neck. The only thing I can feel there is hair—so I conclude that it is the hair which is tickling my neck. This is not so unreasonable, as there is nothing on my neck but hair. In fact it is not only on my neck but it is on my ears and even over my eyes. This is because I have not had a haircut for a very long time—what with the coming winter going to be even colder than last year and what not. So anyhow I figure that just to get rid of that tickling and get rid of that old joke about the fiddle, etc., that everyone is kidding me about, I will get a haircut. So I look around Roi's to find the necessary half-rock. This is very easy since at this time of the month many of the guys are notoriously flush—even to the extent of 60 bucks or the price of a haircut. After some scrounging around I get the necessary and light out for the barber shop. Now to get to the barber shop which I patronize there has to be a street car which I can catch. So I stand on the corner to catch it. The best way to do this is with an 88 millimetre—but I finally catch one by the everyday method of waiting until the first eight have passed me and then lying down on the tracks in front of the ninth one. Anyhow, when I get downtown it is not so nice as when I wasn't. The weather and all that. So in fact it is already snowing and all the people are standing around beating their hands and jumping up and down as if their ears are cold. But I do not have to do this, as my ears are very warm underneath all that hair. So I go in the barber shop, and there about seven or ten people there all waiting to have their hair cut like me. So I sit down—but not before some guy gets up to get a magazine when I grab his seat before he can sit down again. This causes some commotion, but finally some nice old lady gives this guy her seat, which is very decent of her as this guy has only one leg. The clown beside me is looking now as though he was sitting beside a skunk, so I decide he could stand some cheering up, so I tell him the very good joke about the guy who took Little Liver Pills for so long that when he dies they have to beat his liver to death. Whereupon he gets up and leaves in a great rush and forgets to take his coat—so I figure he has gone to buy some of these wonderful pills, and I will get his coat by mistake instead of my own which I left at home if he doesn't come back soon. Then I look at the guy sitting on my other side—on a chair of course. This guy looks pretty wise—in fact like a professor or a cop, etc. So I decide to find out if he is as smart as he looks, so I say: Say Professor, you look pretty smart how would you like to indulge in a little game of riddles. He looks kind of sick at that but he says: O.K. anyhow. So I say: You look smarter than I

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strongly as the pro-Dal-unity Law school on that group of students now playing basketball on their own and using the Dal. gym for practice.)



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