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## "THE AXE"

A leading American weekly displays a great deal of concern over what it calls the "weeding-out" process in force in most of our Universities. Rather than teach their students how to study, it complains, the Universities merely expose them to a certain amount of learning. If, at prescribed intervals, the student has not absorbed enough to enable him to set down at least fifty percent of what an examination paper requires, he is dropped. In other words, students are nowadays expected to arrive at a University already equipped in method and approach to learning, requiring only the bare facts to make them persons of liberal education.

The glaring inadequacy of our system as compared to the tutorial method in force in most English Universities has received notice before this. Rather than teach, our Universities merely supply a place where knowledge is available to those who know what to do with it. Those who do not are out of luck.

## TO THE FROSH

By way of welcome to the freshman class we might say that Initiation is not, as some think, simply an opportunity for last year's frosh to get some of their own back. It is, on the contrary, a carefully designed process which is expected to instill into the newcomers a class spirit of sorts, to make them feel at home, and to produce friendships among them which would otherwise take longer in developing.

## STUDENT SOCIETIES

This also concerns the freshman class who have just become members of the undergraduate societies sponsored by the Council of Students. Membership in them entails a few duties as well as benefits; without the active support of the students they cannot carry on. Their achievements are the achievements of students, and their reputation outside the college reflects on every one of us. If we let them down we hurt no one but ourselves, since they exist only for our benefit.

## Dal Students To Have Reserved Section For Home Games

The budget for bringing a McGill football team here to play Dal was passed last Thursday night at the first meeting of the Students' Council. The game will be played on Oct. 8th at the Wanderer's field if the weather is suitable for the McGill team to fly down for the game.

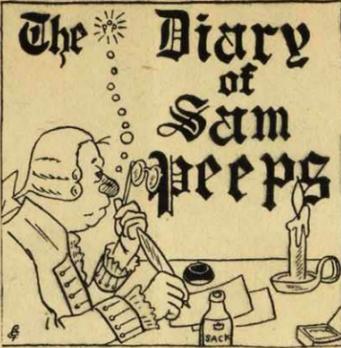
In passing the budget for the \$1,560.85 needed to finance the venture, the Council expected that the game would pay for itself, and passed a resolution turning over the net profits, if any, to the University for the War Memorial fund.

John MacCormick, University Physical Director, emphasized the fact that if weather conditions are unsuitable the McGill men may be unable to fly here, in which case the game would have to be cancelled, as the schedule of the Halifax Senior Football League can only allow the field for that day for the game.

### Seating Arrangements

After reviewing the unsatisfactory arrangements made last year for seating Dal student spectators in one section for home games, the Council decided that a substantial section of the bleachers would be set aside for Dal students, and that they would pay the general admission price for these, 50c. A reserved section would be arranged for the public, with tickets on sale in advance of the game at 75c each.

This will be the first time that a Dal Canadian football team has played a team from Central Canada.



There are people—I'm told some say there are heaps—  
Who speak of the talkative Samuel as Peeps;  
And some so precise and pedantic their step is,  
Who call the delightful old diarist Peps;  
But those I think right, and I follow their steps,  
Ever mention the garrulous gossip as Peeps.  
(Ashby Sterry)

We still call him Peeps. . . .  
(The editor).

Sept. 29—Blessed be God, I have visited the college on the hill, and find myself in very good health, without any sense of the old pain, although it is registration time there and much crowded with new scholars and old. Things are not so changed during my long absence.

Did see the infamous Banjie Goodsneeze and noted him as churlish as ever. He was so bold as to attempt to enter the college for yet another year, and I am told by friends that he is no small wit of a scholar although he studies little.

Informed Dr. S. Dromedary of my intention to return to the school at which he looked mighty saddened. We did discourse for some time, he refusing my offer of a fine bottle of sack, which I immediately drank while he was out from the room.

Then home to bed, leaving the maid and my wife a-washing still.

Sept. 30—For these two or three days I have been much troubled with thoughts how to get money to pay them that I have borrowed money off, by reason of the high cost of ale.

Early I did meet the Quarter Master of My Lord's Troop, and a bailiff—a pox on him—who demanded I must pay all the money I have into my account at the shop on High Street of Beam Shoutgood, who doth tailor my suits.

Much plagued by debts, I to the newly-opened Sea Cow Inn where I did meet Milord Dunn-Fee. We stayed there till late and I home, swearing and singing as if I were mad. Did fall in a ditch near the Push-Bulge's office. My knee hurting, I fell to sleeping on the stone steps.

Oct. 1—Much talk of the scholars playing the new game of football against a group of nomads on the morrow. Damn fool game, I do think.

Suffering from mal-de-tete and a mighty pained knee, from last night's celebrations, I did present myself at Sour's for my breakfast. Found my credit not good, Thomas being a most distrustful tradesman. Betook myself to Bleacher's apothecary shop where I did have a physic.

I came home and to bed. Went to bed with my head not well by too much drinking these past two days, and I had a boil under my chin which troubled me cruelly.

## Glee Club Plans "Macbeth"

For the first time within the memory of present students, the Dalhousie Glee and Dramatic Society is planning to enter the realm of Shakesperian tragedy. The initial attempt is to be "MacBeth", at once one of Shakespeare's most demanding yet rewarding plays.

During past years, the Glee Club has enjoyed great success with its Shakesperian productions, and President Frank Bursey is looking forward to even greater acclaim for his organization should the campus provide sufficient material for "MacBeth".

Readings for the play will be held in the near future, and all interested students are asked to attend.

### NOTICE

There are a number of unfilled positions on the Gazette for any students interested in news, sports or feature writing. Anybody interested should apply personally at the Gazette office in the basement of the Arts building between two and four o'clock on Monday and Tuesday this week.

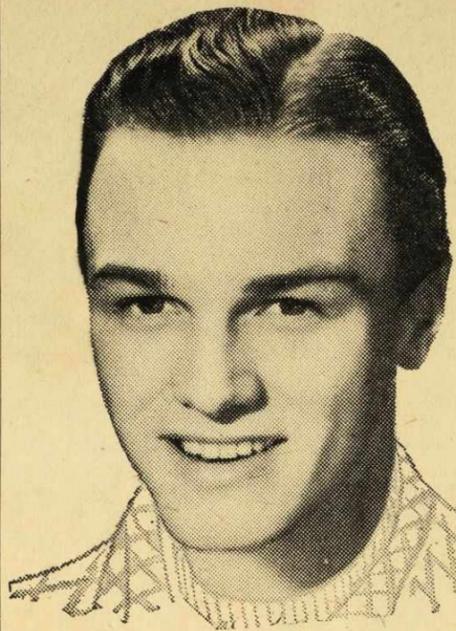
\$1,600,000—  
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A re-opening of the aged building will be held in November according to an announcement by the President, at which time a memorial plaque in honor of the late President MacKenzie will be unveiled.

Dartmouth Girl—  
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The Air Cadet Bugle Band of 118 Squadron of Dartmouth was lined up at the Dartmouth Ferry slip to head the triumphal march through town. To mark the close of the celebration, a mammoth reception was held at The Loft, popular dancing resort atop Silver's Hill overlooking Lake Banook.

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