

# CONTEST FOR DAL WRITERS

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Budding writers and poets of original thought, fresh treatment, and commendable style are asked to turn their attention to the W.H. Dennis English Prizes - the Joseph Howe Prizes for Poetry and the James DeMille Prizes for Prose - are awarded each year to Dalhousie students.

To be eligible, a candidate must be registered at Dalhousie in at least three classes.

Candidates for the Joseph Howe Poetry Prize must submit not more than four poems, under the same pseudonym. The poems, which may be of any length, may be epic, lyric or dramatic.

Those who wish to compete for the DeMille Prize may submit one or more manuscripts for consideration; these entries may be short stories, descriptive sketches, or essays proper upon any literary, historic or philosophic subject. The essays should be between 4,000 and 6,000 words.

Entries in one category must be made under one pseudonym, but poems may be submitted under one pseudonym and prose under

another. Canadian themes are recommended to candidates, and a high standard of merit is insisted upon for the awarding of the prize. Successful compositions become the property of the University and shall be available for publication in the Dalhousie Review without remuneration to the candidate.

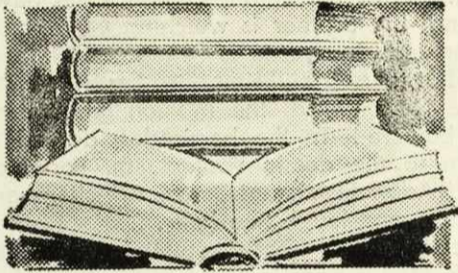
In these contests, a writer or poet placing first may not compete again; and a second-prize winner may not again win second prize. But anyone placing first in either category should not become discouraged, for he or she may compete in the other category.

Three copies of each composition, typewritten on one side of the sheet only and not signed by the candidate, must be handed in to the Registrar's Office on or before March 31. A pseudonym is to be typed at the end of each manuscript, followed by a statement as to whether the writer has previously received a first or second prize, or no prize. A sealed envelope should be enclosed, the pseudonym typed in one corner.

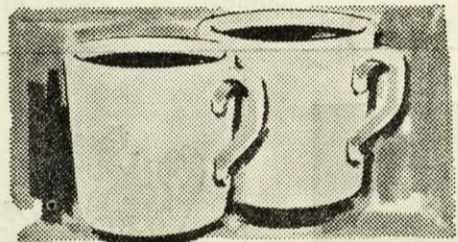
## PHAROS NOTICE

The following students are requested to see Rolf Schultz, Business Manager, Pharos, as soon as possible:  
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Jane H. Hebb

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# Campus rule under fire from American students

BY

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(Reprinted from The New York Times of Feb. 4, 1962)

In a world of government crises, the fall of a student government is not sensational. But as a sign of campus trends, the demise of the Student Board, the undergraduate government at Columbia College, after a fifty-three-year history, is interesting. Victim of alleged political scandals and an overwhelming vote of no-confidence, the student governing body has not only been deposed, but is not being replaced.

Columbia's government crisis took the following course:

In 1959, the Columbia Daily Spectator, the student newspaper, exposed what it called the worst case of election fraud in the college's history. Charges included stuffing the ballot boxes.

After lingering conflicts, a petition for an 'Abolish Board' referendum received more than 700 signatures last May and the ensuing vote was 935 to 167 for letting the government expire on Jan. 1. Since then, a proposal that a new student assembly replace the old board has been voted down 690 to 378. Columbia College is now without a student government.

### Action at Brown

Early last month, at Brown University, in another revolt

against undergraduate governmental institutions, the president of the government's student court recommended that the court be abolished. The student government group approved, though this is still subject to ratification.

At the University of Connecticut last term, a battle was fought between student representatives and the administration over the latter's attempt to take over student activity fees and determine the budget for all campus activities. The battle ended in a compromise, with the administration agreeing to accept an advisory role.

What are the reasons for a combination of unrest, change and an apparent increase of student skepticism toward their governments?

At Columbia, according to the alumni magazine, lack of confidence on the part of the dean's office gave the student board only a semblance of power. Academic

spokesmen explained that, with the heavy burden of studies, undergraduates best qualified to represent students lack the time to assume the burden. Those who 'choose to run' are often the campus counterpart of the ward politicians and therefore antagonize both the college administration and the electorate.

Commenting on the bigger picture, Scott Keech, a spokesman for the National Student Association, said that revived undergraduate concern with national and international problems has turned students outward — away from campus government to the country and the world. Student "political parties" are beginning to overshadow student government.

### The Influence

The influence of student political parties on national and international affairs may not be great, but students feel that their voice is hardly less effective than that of the general population — and perhaps better informed.

On campus, by contrast, students feel that college administrations often pay little more than lip service to student governments' importance and not infrequently treat it as a nuisance. If this has led to disenchantment, need it be permanent?

From Amherst comes word that, after years of decline in concern for the student government, the past two years have seen a strong resurgence. The reason given is that, after a growing feeling of uselessness, a Student Committee to the Faculty, part of the regular Student Council, has been welcomed as a partner in planning the college's future. The answer appears unmistakably that students are responsive if they are considered responsible.

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