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DALHOUSIE'S GREATEST YEAR

CANADIAN FOOTBALL ARRIVES

The Great Autumn Madness, or Canadian football, was introduced to Dalhousie students Saturday, Sept. 27, in a bitterly-contested game at Studley field. The Tigers, participating in Dalhousie's first football game, came through with a 9 to 7 victory over St. Mary's, greatest name in Halifax football for six years.

Three thousand fans — a good crowd for this city — tingled through the three-hour battle, remaining until the final whistle as the Maroon and White raged against the Dalhousie forward wall in an attempt to regain their early lead.

To the men who fostered the football movement in this university, and to the students who ratified their decision, it must have been a great moment at 5.15 p. m. Saturday when the bruised and battered Tigers came off the field with their first win.

To John McCormick University athletic director "Windy" O'Neill, D. A. A. C. prexy, and to the members of the team who have trained arduously since Sept. 8, and who have brought Dalhousie their first win, in their first attempt at a new sport, the students of this institution owe a vote of thanks.

With one win under their belts, and five new additions to strengthen the line and the back-field, the Tigers can be expected to do great things before the season's end.

A&S Heads Meet Frosh

October 6, — Stealing the march on other faculty organizations, the Arts & Science executive, under the guidance of Bernal Sawyer and Deryk Griffin, met with the freshman class to acquaint them with the Arts & Science Society.

During the program of introduction the new class met Activities Manager Budge Archibald, Sports Manager, Jack MacCormack, and Debating Manager, Lew Miller.

Already plans have been laid by the executive to make an early start towards capturing inter-faculty honors in Sports and Debating, and any other members of the society who wish to participate in any way are urged to see the society leaders.

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT



Dr. A. E. Kerr, B.A., B.D., D.D., LL. D., (shown above) who enters his third year as president of the Maritime Provinces largest university. Dr. Kerr came to Dalhousie after serving as Principal of Pine Hill Divinity Hall.

TO ERECT RESEARCH LAB ON DAL CAMPUS

Possibly up to \$300,000 will be spent in the erection of the National Research Council laboratory on Dalhousie University's Studley campus. Dr. G. H. Henderson, member of the Council for Nova Scotia said yesterday in an interview on his return from a meeting of the research council in Ottawa. The regional laboratory, second to be built in Canada by the Research Council will be larger than was at first contemplated.

Dr. Henderson, professor of Physics at Dalhousie, said he expected work would be started on the new building this winter. When the plans have been completed and as soon as the go-ahead signal is received, work will start, he said.

The program of projects will not be haphazard — "little bits of research here and there", he said, "but a definite policy."

Although suggestions will be offered by the Council, it will be the people of the Maritimes who will make the choice of projects, Dr. Henderson said. Two projects, dealing with industrial application of seaweeds, and application of woodwastes such as waste sulphite liquor have already been suggested by Dr. W. H. Cook, director of the division of Applied Biology of the National Research Council, Ottawa.

First plans and specifications for the building drawn up by E. A. Gardner, architect of the Federal Department of Public Works, have been completed after conferring with University authorities, he said, and the plan is now being redrawn with minor changes. It will be submitted to the University for approval.

Three stories high, and with a useable attic, the building will measure 90 feet by 50 feet, and will have an ell at the rear to take care of "pilot" plants. It will be erected East of the present Dalhousie Science building.

A staff of about 50 will be employed in the Laboratory, Dr.

Henderson expected. About half of these will be professional scientists.

General scheme of the architecture will conform with the other buildings on Studley campus as well as the "Master Plan" of the university.

Dr. Henderson emphasized that the laboratory will be completely distinct in government from Dalhousie University. A director of the laboratory will be appointed by the Federal government, he said, who will be directly responsible to Dr. C. J. MacKenzie, president of the Research Council in Ottawa.

Research will be carried out under two main branches, applied biology and applied chemistry. There will be others, Dr. Henderson said, but the two would be of major importance in the work of the laboratory.

PRESIDENT TO SPEAK

Dr. A. E. Kerr, president of Dalhousie University, will address members of the student body at 12 o'clock Thursday, October 9 in the Gymnasium, the university office announced yesterday.

ENROLMENT REACHES RECORD FIGURE

As classes began at Dalhousie University Monday morning, harassed members of the Registrar's staff began a final summing up of total enrolment for the school year 1947-1948.

Veterans Refused

In refusing a request for a cost of living bonus, Deputy Minister of Veteran Affairs Woods stated at the Minister's Advisory meeting last March that the basic maintenance grant for student veterans was never meant to pay more than seventy-five per cent of the veteran's living expenses.

The only recommendation to be carried through was that student veterans receiving pensions may now receive their full pensions and maintenance grants. Previously they were only eligible for a portion of their pension and their grant.

The meeting, consisting of nine representatives of Canadian universities and nine members from the federal ministries of finance, education and veterans' affairs, was called to discuss veterans' problems.

The meetings have no authority and all recommendations must go through the regular legislative channels.

Plans for giving veterans grants from a consolidated canteen fund of the three services and eliminating deductions for married students when their wives earn over \$75 a month were forwarded to parliamentary committees.

Recommendations for lower veteran's insurance rates and medical treatment for veterans' dependents were both defeated.

The canteen grants were suggested as many veterans would not accept loans that would tie them down after graduating. They felt they were mortgaging their future.

Federal officials stated that they could not extend medical treatment to veterans' dependents as they did not have the facilities. Lower insurance rates were refused because the government was losing money under the present rates.

Another meeting is to be held this fall.

Early estimates had placed the registration figures at 2,000, but indications are that by the time late-comers and special students are registered the total figure will exceed the earlier estimate by one or two hundred.

The freshman class this year is said to be the largest in the history of Dalhousie University. The faculties of Law, Medicine and Dentistry are packed not even standing room is left in the lecture rooms.

The Arts and Science classes bid fair to be even more crowded than last year.

In an effort to alleviate the over-crowding in certain larger classes, the University has obtained the use of St. Andrew's Hall as a classroom during the week.

This hall, situated on the corner of Coburg Road and Spring Garden Road has been in use as a centre of social and athletic activities connected with St. Andrew's Church for many years. The Church officials felt, however, that the need of Dalhousie was greater than any possible use that the Church members might have for it.

University officials announced last week that efforts were being made to obtain the use of other make-shift classrooms near the Forrest building to handle the overflow from law classes. To date no announcement has been made as to what further accommodation has been made available.

A practice started last year will be carried on again this term according to class schedules posted on university bulletin boards: classes will be held in separate groups such as French 1 (1) and French 1 (2). This practice was found necessary last year when students registering for certain classes far exceeded expectations and teaching staff.

Heads of student societies and organizations as well as members of the faculty expressed themselves as being confident that this will be Dalhousie's greatest year, with Canadian football drawing record crowds, students turning out in great numbers for various organizations and a general tenor of pride in Canada's oldest university being evident.

LATE NEWS BULLETIN

Dal Net Stars Swamp Acadia; Take 13 Sets Out of 16 at Acadia Saturday.