

MED CORNER

The interne situation at Dalhousie has come up for criticism, praise, review, and discussion at numerous times. For some years it hinged on the fact that Dal students graduated after their internships whereas other colleges graduated before. The disadvantages were three. (1) Some thought our students could get better internship at other hospitals of their own choice. (2) The armed forces did not consider our year on par with the post grad internship of other colleges and so a year in seniority was lost. (3) Post graduate schools did not recognize our year and required still a post grad year of internship — so the "loss" of a year.

Advantages were mainly (1) It was a good idea for university control over internship. (2) Some hospitals are not suitable as teaching institutions.

This has been changed in the past couple of years. Our undergraduate year corresponds to the post graduate year at Queens or Toronto, etc., and is recognized. We are now on the same footing. We receive our licenses at the same time, our degree a year later. However, financial returns as an interne at Dalhousie are less than under the other system. A Dalhousie graduate is entitled to practise anywhere in Great Britain or Canada.

University control of internship has its advantage. It lays down strict rules that a hospital must follow to receive an interne. The university must make certain allowances however, to obtain that internship. This leads to the establishment of "accredited hospitals" — one which is recognized as a teaching hospital by the Canadian Medical Association. Between six and eight months of the final year must be spent at such a hospital for the year to be recognized as an interne year. The hospital is required to have 25 beds per interne at least, an interne service director and out patient training.

Presently the setup provides for two months in each of medicine, surgery, obstetrics, paediatrics, a medical specialty and a surgical specialty. Previous to this year the academic standing had much to do with placement. As a result the best students got the best rotation and the lesser students received the worse rotations and they were the ones who needed the best training. Under the new scheme all rotations are very nearly equal (as much as they can be) and there is no academic preference.

To the undergraduates this looks pretty good. Short of financial gains which may be lacking we receive a good, all-round training which is of prime importance.

Volume VII, Number 3, the fall edition of the Dalhousie Medical Journal (Undergrad) came off the press this year.

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CUDA Offers All Expense Trip To Europe For Winners

Of interest to all debaters at this university who may this year be competing in the Maritime Intercollegiate Debating League series of final debates, is the announcement from the University of Ottawa by NFCUS debating commissioner Peter Tanguay, that, following plans approved at the annual NFCUS conference held recently, the winning team at this year's National Debating Finals will receive as their due an expense-paid trip to Europe where they will debate in early spring.

"Amahl"

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direction, the singers did their best to lift it. Often they succeeded extremely well, only to let it drop back into farce that would be evident in a top-notch production. The moving tenderness, the play on emotions, the great thrill at the end when Amahl walks, were hardly felt by the audience, and this loss was considerable. Weak gestures on the part of all the singers, and a terrible job of using his crutch by Master Banks, contributed much to this failure.

The dancing was interesting, but not uniformly well executed, and one wonders if the choreography bore any resemblance to that which might have been used at the time and place of the play. The chorus was very good when it sang off-stage, but lacked all life and spirit when it appeared, and marched like a line of convicts. It would have been strengthened with less members.

For a new appreciation of Menotti's music, the evening was well spent. One can imagine what might happen if a group did something with the opera instead of to it. The five lead singers performed well, and if one had not been watching their lack of direction, they would have been excellent. King's provided an evening of interesting possibilities that did not quite arrive.

—A. MacG.

The major contexts include (1) Medical research at Dal (Physiology) by Dr. C. B. Weld. (2) Research in cell physiology by Dr. J. G. Kaplan. (3) Drug addiction by Thorton Mosher, '55. (4) Edema by Lloyd Mackenzie, '55. (5) Cardiovascular abnormalities by Tom Edgett '55. (6) Memoriam in honour of the late Dean Grant and some book reviews by the editor, Henry Presutti, '56. There were no jokes in this issue. Two more issues, a winter and spring edition are scheduled for this year.

Speaking of book reviews — have you read "The Two Jacks". It is a novel by Will R. Bird about the escapades of Jack Fairweather, Med '56 and Jack Veness, both New Brunswickers, during the war. As members of the North Nova Scotia Highlanders they were captured in France, escaped, fought in the French underground and later returned to England. They then returned to the fray to fight in Holland. Veness was a major and Fairweather rose from private to major in three years.

It's a good adventure story as well as being interesting to us who know Jack. It's rather strange to read a novel about someone you know and it's not everyday that can be done.

Congrats to the Purdy Cup champs. Let's hang on to it next year, eh?

This is the first time that the Association has offered an award of this nature. Its institution is part of a larger plan underway in the Canadian University Debating Association: that of reorganizing the league into a more tangible association.

For though the Canadian University Debating Association represents some 40,000 potential debaters on over 30 Canadian university campi, it has within the past few years operated under a great number of misconceptions. These misunderstandings exist not only in the minds of the average students, but even in the minds of many student leaders.

Facing this fact the delegates to the Toronto NFCUS conference concluded that the CUDA must be closely integrated with its members. Though it had functioned well in the past as a sponsor of the annual National Debating Finals, it was agreed that in the future it be organized to operate as a true debating association.

What is the CUDA

The primary hope is to define the exact function of the CUDA and its specific relationships to NFCUS. The point of greatest importance which must be understood, is that the CUDA is an association receiving its main support and its year-to-year continuity from the National Federation of Canadian University Students, nevertheless it is a completely separate entity in its own organization, membership, fees, and regulations. It possesses its own constitution, budgets its own finances, holds its own separate annual meeting; it does however account to the NFCUS delegates at the annual conference of the NFCUS group, and its president, known also as the NFCUS Debating Commissioner, is usually chosen from among the delegates present.

Membership in the CUDA

The members of the Canadian University Debating Association are those colleges belonging to the various individual regional debating leagues: The Maritimes Intercollegiate Debating League (MIDL) in the far east, the Inter-University Debating League (IUDL) in Quebec and Ontario, the McGoun Cup Debating League among the four far-Western Universities, and lastly the Villeneuve League comprising the three French-Canadian universities. The CUDA is the coordinating body of these four leagues and their respective members, the CUDA brings together Canadian Debaters on a National level.

Program of the CUDA

The main function of the association this year, will remain, as in the past, the organization of the National Debating Finals. Winners of each of the four league competitions will meet for the Canadian title and the trip to Europe at some location in Central Canada. This trip is made possible by NFCUS, and is an example of the manner in which the National Federation supports CUDA.

The CUDA does not intend to stop work with the organization of the final this year. There are

NEWS BRIEFS

Far be it from us to suggest that remarks appearing here had anything to do with it, but a new flag is flying over the Studley campus these days, and it is correctly made. It looks much better, and we thank the university for getting it.

Canadian Passenger Association School Vacation Certificates for reduced fares on the railways for the Christmas vacation are now available for students and teachers at the Registrar's office. This plan was instituted several years ago by the efforts of NFCUS.

On the subject of Christmas, may we wish you all a merry one, and remind you that this issue is the next issue of the Gazette. The next publication date will be January 11, 1955. Have fun with the exams.

One of the first big events of the new year, in fact the very first, will be a Student Council Dance in the gym on January 7. Admission will be free with council cards, there will be free food, and an orchestra that should provide the best in dancing. Guests will cost you 50 cents.

The Library at Studley has pictures for rent to students for use in their rooms. There are reproductions of many well-known paintings, that can be framed and borrowed for the year at the price of 25 cents each. Furthermore, if you tire of the picture, you can exchange it at no extra cost.

Everyone is reminded that Dal calendars will make fine and inexpensive Christmas gifts. They are still available at the Radio Room or from any of the Committee members. Price is just 50 cents.

The Student Directory, edited this year by Joy Cunningham, is now available, free of charge, at Atwood's book store, and in the Forrest Building. The addresses that it lists are a great help in sending greeting cards, as well as discovering interesting phone numbers.

Students in third year law were greeted with what might be considered good news last week. Their exam in Trusts has been postponed until the end of January. This means less studying at the moment, so many of them celebrated last Saturday. Who knows how, but the Lady Hamilton is reported to have received quite a few of them.

many other tasks which the organization may incorporate into its program: to mention only a few, it has been suggested that the League organize and publish a standard list of debating rules which may then be put into use at all the member colleges, thus facilitating inter-university encounters and raising the general level of debates. It is hoped at the same time that they may be able to induce more foreign teams to come to Canada to debate, as was the custom several years ago.

This year should consequently see a great advancement of the CUDA in Canadian student opinion; this year should show the CUDA as a true National Debating Association.

BULLETIN BOARD

Wednesday, December 8—

Grey Cup Movies, 21 Arts, 7.45 p.m. Free.

Friday, December 10—

Last day of classes in Arts and Science.

Tuesday, December 14—

Arts and Science examinations begin.

Examinations in other faculties at times posted. Dead around here, isn't it?

Christmas Conference For S.C.M.; King's Group Meets

The Dalhousie SCM has been chosen as host and sponsor of the Atlantic Provinces Regional Conference of the SCM. This seminar and study conference will be held in Halifax from December 31 to January 3. The theme is "Christian Responsibility and the College Community" and Rev. Earle Hawkesworth will be leader. He will be assisted by Dr. George Grant.

Mr. Hawkesworth is a graduate of Acadia University and is now engaged in work as field representative of that college. He is a former general secretary of the S.C.M. at the University of Saskatchewan, then served as pastor of the Heath Baptist Church and taught at the Leadership Training School in Calgary, Alberta. His topics will be "The Nature of Christian Community", "Must a Christian Community be Evangelistic?" and "The Responsibility of Students to the College Community".

Dr. Grant, well known professor of Philosophy at Dalhousie University, will give two papers on "A Christian Commentary on Higher Education". Morning worship will be Anglican morning prayer and will be followed by Bible study and discussion periods.

The purpose of this regional conference is to confront university students with aspects of the community in which they are studying and working as responsible individuals. The conference is also designed to promote more widespread cultural intercommunication, stimulation, and the sharing of ideas. Thought, study, discussion, worship, and fellowship are combined to make the program significant.

Students from Acadia, U.N.B., Mount Allison, Memorial, King's, and Dalhousie are expected to attend. A graduated travel pool and cooperative living will keep costs low. There is a small registration fee to cover minor expenses.

The conference sessions commence Friday morning, December 31, but students are urged to arrive Thursday evening for billeting and last minute documentation. All interested students are invited to attend. Registration closes December 15. Further information and registration blanks are available in the S.C.M. office, Room 6, Men's Residence, or contact Joan Nickerson at Shirreff Hall.

The King's College Missionary Society held its annual St. Andrew's Day Service in the King's College Chapel on Tuesday evening, November 30th. The

special speaker was the Rev. Russell Elliott, rector of St. James Church, Bridgetown, N. S. In his address he stressed the important work that must be done in the rural parishes. The service was conducted by the Rev. Dr. J. H. A. Holmes.

Following the service a social evening was held in the Haliburton Room. The Very Rev. W. W. Davis, Dean of All Saint's Cathedral, gave an illuminated talk on his summer trip to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he attended the Anglican Congress. Following this, the Rev. Mr. Elliott gave a very interesting talk on his recent trip to Kansas City, Kansas, where he attended a rural life conference called the "Convocation of the People of Town and Country".

Three students gave short talks on their experiences during the past summer; Harold Hizen on his parish work in the Diocese of Fredericton, N. B.; Roy Wollaston on his work as assistant chaplain at Fredericton, N. B.; and Kenneth Abbott on his work among the Indians in Canada's north country. To conclude the enjoyable evening, refreshments were served in the dining hall.

Gray Receives Scholarship

The announcement has just been made by the Dean of Maritime College of Pharmacy, Mr. J. Esmonde Cooke, that the 1954 Henry K. Wampole and Company Limited Entrance Scholarship has been awarded to Mr. Godfrey Stewart Gray, son of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Gray, Campbellton, New Brunswick.

This Scholarship is offered annually by the Henry K. Wampole and Company Limited, Manufacturing Pharmacists, of Perth, Ontario, for competition among Pharmacy students of the Atlantic Provinces, who are entering Professional classes at Maritime College of Pharmacy.

Mr. Gray, who was born in Dalhousie, New Brunswick received his early education from Campbellton common school and high school.

Mr. Gray started his pharmacy employment in Campbellton, New Brunswick with Mr. J. D. Alexander, Ph.C., of that town.

Mr. Gray is a second year Pharmacy student at Maritime College of Pharmacy, which is affiliated with Dalhousie University.

Oh where, oh where has his little cane gone? The cane used by Fred Lister in the Pudymaitis trial has been lost, and anyone who knows its whereabouts is asked to send it home to Dave Vine in Room 704 of the Men's Residence.

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