



**DAL vs. U.K.** — From left to right: Alan Andrews, Jim Cowan and Bill Sommerville of Dal, and David Prior-Palmer. (Photo by Purdy)

**British wit wins:**

# There is Independence

The United Kingdom Debating Team outsmarted Dalhousie's finest in proving that there is, in fact, such a thing as independence in the modern world. Speaking before a packed house Friday night, the British debaters, Alan Andrews and David Prior-Palmer, respectively from the University of Leeds and Oxford University, used to great effect the diffuse and flexible style of English debating in bringing down their Dalhousie opponents, lawyers Jim Cowan and Bill Somerville.

The lawyers set up their argument in the traditional New World style. Taking the affirmative of the resolution, "There is no such thing as independence in the modern world", they divided it into a number of component factors and then argued it on the basis of each point. Accordingly, Cowan carved the term 'world' into several categories embracing the fields of politics, economics, culture, society, and law. In their main addresses, the lawyers then undertook to fully documented proof showing that no independence can occur in any of these fields.

The Englishmen took a totally different approach. They spent the larger part of their main addresses on humorous anecdotes ranging from the sootfall in Leeds to comments on Canada, a country which Andrews defined as "a transcontinental highway in search of a society." These were carefully interspersed with arguments relevant to the resolution, but which proved exceedingly difficult to cull from the laughter. In effect, they let the opposition play out enough rope with which to hang themselves, then sprung the trap when Prior-Palmer showed, with devastating logic, that the term "independent" could apply only to some organism suspended in a total vacuum, be that organism a state, a group, or the individual man. However, a total vacuum denies the existence of that single organism, thus completely destroying any significance for a word such as "independent" as it was used by the Dalhousie team. This gem of reason was brought forward only after the U.K. team had totally confused the issues, both in the minds

## KRAUS SEEKS SUPPORT OF DAL STUDENTS

The fight for the inalienable rights of man the battle for true democracy—this is how Dr. Kraus described his mission to students at a forum held in room 21 last Tuesdays.

Dr. Kraus, a social philosopher with a Ph.D. from the University of Berlin, says he was expelled from his teaching post at the College of the City of New York in 1932 for holding views opposed to those of the American Government at that time. He also claims that the College had an illegitimate psychiatric examination made of him by an uncredited doctor under the pretense of giving him a physical examination.

"Many professors," he said, "are expelled for similar reasons, but we do not know it because it is done in consideration for the man. . . however, the nature of my expulsion was criminal . . . before the examination, a premeditated attack was made on my life: I was punched in the heart five times with force enough to kill an elephant."

Ever since that time, Dr. Kraus has been travelling around the world, from university to university, explaining what he feels to be the correct interpretation of the case.

To support his case, he has published a number of copies of a pamphlet, printed in Vancouver, which he hopes to have presented to the Human Rights Committee

of the audience and the opposing team. This was particularly true in Dalhousie's rebuttal. Reduced to complete confusion, our team could only muster the fact that Dalhousie had no worthy rebuttal because their opponents had said nothing of relevance.

Saturday night, the U.K. team debated at King's College, this time winning an affirmative stand on the resolution, "Religion is based on fear". The debate was extremely well attended.

# Students Await Senate Approval for Carnival

The Winter Carnival was on, off, and on again last week — and is still subject to final approval.

Carnival Chairman Dave Major had his report ready for presentation to Council last week. The Constitution of the Council of the Students expressly provides that decisions of the Council are subject to the approval of the University Senate. The Senate seldom — almost never — withholds its approval, and is not consulted on matters of routine. The Winter Carnival is clearly not a matter of routine. Mr. Major therefore approached Dr. Kerr on the Tuesday of last week and presented a report of the proposed Carnival. This report was also read to Council and unanimously approved.

Dr. Kerr expressed the opinion that the Administration should have been consulted earlier. He was particularly concerned about the advance publicity the Carn-

ival's finances had received in the Gazette. The Gazette erroneously reported that Council had appropriated \$5000 for the use of the Carnival Committee. In fact, the Carnival will be almost entirely self-financed, and Council does not expect to be called upon for a subsidy of more than \$650.

President Kerr did not express any objection to the holding of a winter carnival by the students — but he did wish to take the matter under consideration.

Council president Al Robertson approached Dr. Kerr the following Thursday, and outlined the plans of the Carnival Committee. By then, Dr. Kerr had had an opportunity to consider Mr. Major's report carefully, and expressed his approval in principle.

A meeting of the Committee of the Senate was arranged for the same afternoon. Mr. Robertson and Council second vice-president Wam MacMillan outlined the pro-

posed Carnival once again. The Committee of the Senate also indicated approval in principle.

At press time, Mr. Robertson expressed the opinion that the Winter Carnival will probably be approved at a meeting of the entire Senate to be held Monday evening, November 19. Results of that meeting will not be known until after press time.

Council approval of the Carnival Committee's report was granted at a meeting last Thursday. Only one change of any importance was made. The Committee proposed that the Campus Queen be chosen at the Carnival rather than on Munro Day, as in past years. Council members pointed out that many societies would not have chosen their Queens by that time. A motion was passed providing for the coronation of a separate Winter Carnival Princess. Contestants for Carnival Princess will be selected by the Carnival Committee, and the students will choose from that group.



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of the United Nations. This document has apparently been sanctioned by a number of American lawyers, including a counsel at the Nuremburg Trials. At the present time the majority of these pamphlets have been impounded in Quebec City for lack of funds to ship them any farther.

Dr. Kraus also attacked a speech made by Harvard historian Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr. to the Indian Council of World Affairs, in which he stated the differences between an ideology (e.g. communism; and a system of ideals (e.g. democracy). Dr. Kraus took exception to this viewpoint, maintaining that ". . . if democracy is not an ideology then I would like to become a communist tomorrow. The type of democracy to which Professor Schlesinger refers has no fixed norms; it is pseudo-democracy. This pseudo-democracy is not interested in people." He summed up his political philosophy: "I am against fascism, I am against communism, I am against pseudo-democracy. Real democracy works for the dignity of man."

Following his main address, Dr. Kraus answered questions from the students. He pointed out the numerous attempts that have been made on his life, in such places as Haiti, New York, and Denver, and the various means used: shooting, strangulation, and beating. When asked if he had any idea as to who was behind these acts, he replied, "All assassinations are directed from within, but I don't think the Secretary of State gave orders to kill me."

## Varsity staff revolts but editor carries on

Dave Wilkinson, Ryersonian CUP Editor, reports that an uprising on the editorial board of the Varsity against editor Frank Marzari boiled over when 6 members of the 7 man editorial board resigned Tuesday.

The Varsity is the student newspaper of the U of T. Sole member to support Marzari from the beginning, CUP editor Dianne Barnes said, "I think it is ridiculous to go over the head of the editor. I believe in the editor and will stick by him."

"Frank Marzari is incompetent as a newsman and as a news administrator," said executive editor Brian McCutcheon.

News editor Ken Drushka, a former Ryersonian sports editor, said "It is a question of right and wrong. I feel that Marzari is in the wrong." He would not elaborate.

SAC president Jordan Sullivan has been criticized by some students for the lavish furnishings of his office this fall. Estimates of the cost to SAC range from \$250 to \$900, but SAC officials have refused to release the actual figure.

An editor complained that Marzari had vetoed a proposed photo layout that would have shown the furnishings in Sullivan's office.

Editor Dave Griner of the Varsity Weekend Review would not make comment. The U of T Publications Commission, which comes under Students' Administrative Council control, released the following statement: "In order that the best interests of the student body may be achieved, the Publications Commission supports Frank Marzari in his decision not to accept the resignations of masthead members.

"Mr. Marzari will continue to fill his responsibility for the publication of the Varsity."

Immediately after the Publications Commission's release, executive editor Brian McCutcheon confronted Marzari.

"I refuse to accept your refusal

to accept my resignation," he said.

"That is entirely up to you," replied Marzari. One of the resigning members said Marzari could find it difficult to obtain reporters. Marzari said later that 23 people showed up for work Tuesday night.

A Varsity source said 8 reporters showed up for work.

"I have a responsibility to the students and to the University to see that the Varsity is published and it will be published" Marzari said.

None of the resigning editors would elaborate on the charges of "incompetence."

Executive editor Brian McCutcheon said, "We were asked to document our charges against Frank Marzari and will do so at the SAC meeting (November 21st) to the best of our ability."

### FLASH

The Senate has given approval to the Students' Winter Carnival and referred the subject of a mid-term break for the Faculty of Arts and Science to a Committee of the Senate.

In approving the Carnival, the Senate also cancelled classes on Saturday, February 9. However, the Senate refused to cancel classes on Friday, February 8.

The mid-term break was also discussed at the Senate meeting, but no decision was taken. The matter has been referred to the Student Advisory Committee. That Committee consists of Professors Tupper, Waite, and Guphill, and Associate professors Harris, Marginson, and Parks.

The Council of the Students has proposed a mid-term break from the Wednesday after Munro Day (March 13) until the following Saturday (March 16). The Committee will discuss the proposal with Council, and submit their report to the next meeting of the Senate on Monday, December 10. A final decision is expected at that time.