

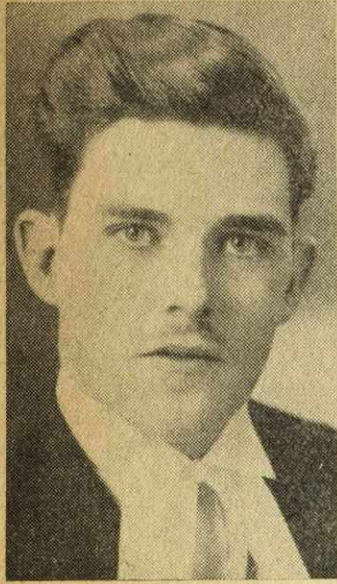
FORWARD

● A FORWARD to this Law Society Supplement of the "Gazette", it is intended to briefly review some occurrences at the Law School to date this year, all well known to law students, but which might, it is hoped, prove of interest to students of the other faculties.

The Law School has a record enrolment of over a hundred. The great majority of the students are ex-servicemen, some of them are at Dalhousie for the first time, others have returned to continue their courses.

This increase in numbers has, without in the least impeaching the scholastic record, added a great impetus to the extra-curricula activities of law students both at the Law School and on the campus generally. Law students have been taking prominent parts in all sports and in all other student activities, and now, at this time of year, the names of law students are conspicuous in campus politics.

The faculty, although not at its post-war compliment, due to the loss of Professor Curtis to the University of British Columbia, is privileged to have added to it Dr. Hancock and Professor Milner, who with Dean MacDonald now make up the full time teaching staff. Dr. Hancock comes to the Law School from the University of Toronto with wide experience as a professor of law. Professor Milner is a graduate of the Class of 1939 and during the war was employed in a legal capacity with the Foreign Exchange Control Board.



T. G. FEENEY

The Moot Court and the Mock Parliament are two institutions which form part of the tradition of the Law School. A very successful Moot Court was conducted this year in which all students took part. Unfortunately, due to the late opening of Parliament, it will be impossible to hold the Mock Parliament this term, but it is hoped that it will be revived next term.

The student body having outgrown the "Glory Halo", the large and comfortable Munro Room has been obtained as a Common Room. A generous contribution has been received from the Dalhousie Law Association to be expended towards furnishings for the new room.

It is a pleasure for us of the Law Society to be able to present the first Law Supplement of the "Gazette". We hope it will better acquaint students of the other faculties with the work and play of "the boys in law", and prove a unifying influence on our Dalhousie Campus.

Lasting Impressions Of Dal Emphasized On Veteran's Return

● SOMEHOW or other the old Dalhousian, wherever he is, however fleeting his stay here was, however ill or well he may have fared at examination time, cannot resist confessing a fervent love of the Alma Mater. Every true Dalhousian understands the feeling, and knows the satisfaction of sharing with others who have gone before an intangible treasure, a treasure richly worthwhile.

To think along these lines is perhaps inevitable for one returning to the campus after ten or more years of working and soldiering. To re-enter Dalhousie after such an absence is to enjoy many of the pleasures of returning home after years away. The continuity of history, the lingering customs of bygone days, and the lively beckonings of memory warm the welcome and pave the way for the prodigal son.

Dalhousie was sponsored by a professional soldier who had persuaded himself that a struggling colony's most pressing need was for "a place of light, of liberty, and of learning", rather than for straight roads or wayside inns. He endowed Dalhousie with his name, with insistence upon tolerance in all things, and with £10,000 in spoils from the War of 1812.

Dalhousie, A Name . . . A century later Archibald MacMechan, in "The Life of a Little College", spoke of this "ancient and famous university, which reckons so many great names in the long roll of its professoriate"; but the name which, after all others, lived on and will live on centuries hence is the name Dalhousie.

Born of war and buffeted by more wars, always supported by loyal professors and friends, Dalhousie this year draws fresh inspiration for the future as hundreds of ex-servicemen fill the half-empty classrooms to overflowing. What part will they play in university life while they are here?

Many of them are gray-haired or balding. Their age far beyond their years, they mingle with students of whom many are scarcely half their own age, to find that Dalhousie is a splendid place at which to stop, to take stock, and to re-equip before proceeding to play their part in a more tranquil world. In truth, the world is more tranquil than at any time since their boyhood or childhood in the 1920's. Dalhousie has a genuine therapeutic value for the war veterans. Perhaps it is that peace finds its happiest expression in the atmosphere of academic life, in which men and women can pursue undisturbed learning and skill in the arts, sciences, and professions.

The gulf between the younger students and the ex-servicemen is difficult to bridge, and is perhaps more trying for the younger students than for the worldly-wise veterans; but that gulf is bridged by the common bond, Dalhousie, and by the sharing of the great heritage that resides in the precincts of the Forrest Building and Studley. Those who find their community of interest is Dalhousie are bound to get along happily together.

Dalhousie is a binding tie of friendship for thousands who have known these same classrooms and traditions, and it calls to mind all those who studied here and scattered to the ends of the earth—administrators, jurists, statesmen, educators, physicians, surgeons, soldiers, engineers, and scientists, Dalhousians all. Ambition and ability have carried many to the top, but the stamp of Dalhousie has hindered none. Accordingly, to be worthy of Dalhousie is the obligation laid upon every man that would be counted one of the vast company of Dalhousians who have reflected honour upon this "ancient and famous university."

—David Maclellan.

Interfac Pace--

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drum, MacLellan, Price, Creaghan, Eaton, McKay, B. Chipman, D. Chipman, Arlett, MacDonald make up the team.

With strong participation in all branches of sport, Law has nominated David Doig, returned veteran, to contest the presidency of the D.A.A.C. Doig entered in 1939 to earn his B.Com. by 1942, was then overseas two years before returning for Law. He played senior hockey two years, secretary of the D.A.A.C. for 1940-42, junior golf champion of Nova Scotia in 1938, tennis player assistant and basketball manager.

He believes in maintaining inter-faculty sports at their fullest possible capacity to enable all students to join some sporting activity, and hopes a genuine attempt will be made to shift practice sessions from noon to late afternoon to cut down on meal expenditures, and players from being fatigued for afternoon classes.



DAVID DOIG



GORDON HART

CANDIDATES FOR PREXY POSTS—David Doig and Gordon Hart will be candidates for presidents of the D. A. A. C. and Glee Club in the elections. Doig, a returned veteran, was active in sports for several years at Dal before enlisting, and Hart, also a sports enthusiast and varsity player, has been acting as stage manager of the Glee Club.

The Problem of Establishing World Law, Its Parentage, Its Accouchers

Selassie Met Shrugged Shoulders; Give UNO Its Chance, Don't Sell It Short From Atom-Blindness

● IN THE WAKE of war and the insurgent atom, the most obvious necessity in the world now as ever, transcending all other problems, is world law. Symptomatic of this truism, the peoples of the western world are talking more seriously than ever before of "world union" and "world government". More precisely, they seek an effective agency to codify and to enforce the common law of humanity.

At Nuremberg an effort is being made to enforce this common law, without benefit of codification, and by reference to the previously accepted customs and agreements respected by sovereign nations. In other words, 4,000 years after the Babylonians had learned the law and order implicit in the Code of Hammurabi, we are trying to prevent and to punish high crime on the cosmopolitan level.

Social Engineering

There may still be time to catch the bus, but the timing will have to be of a superior order if the human species is to survive. Hu-

Library Lapses . . .

At 2.30 I wearily climb the stairs. Now for a solid afternoon's work. Let's see, Bills and Notes . . . Vagliano v. Bank of England 1891 Appeal Cases. Bet two to one before I open it the bank doesn't get stuck.

2.31 p.m. Holy mackerel 65 pages. Milner's the type who'd ask an exam question on that sort of case, though. Better do it. Let's see the headnote . . . a page and a half!

2.32 p.m. Wilson, for—sake shut up or shout in a softer tone of voice.

2.35 p.m. Wonder why Sheffman bid no trump over my three clubs this morning? Of course we only lost 1400 points.

2.37 p.m. Hm. Bramwell and Field dissented. Couldn't have owned any stock in the Bank.

2.38 p.m. When did the commerce brunette come in? Not bad but a little on the tall side. Wonder what her name is . . .

2.40 p.m. Lord Herschell's judgment is pretty well marked up. I'd better read that one.

2.48 p.m. No. It can't be. Yes it is. Third time in the library in fifteen years. Not a bad record. Clancy and Chisholm here at the same time. Never thought I'd live to see it.

2.50 p.m. Sec. 7 of the Act says that if the bill is payable to a non-existent or fictitious person—hm.

3.00 p.m. What's that Abe? Bridge? A fourth? Sure. Wasn't getting much done. We'll probably kick that Vagliano case around in class for three or four days anyway. Now remember that three clubs is a shutout bid.

In the Munro Room "Bridge 3" convenes.

manity has had a generous supply of time in which to order its household affairs. The origin of law antedates recorded history, reaching back to the first efforts of men to live in harmony with one another, and to the first customs that became sacred and inviolate in the eyes of our ancestors. Law today, more especially in the English-speaking world, has developed into the most intricate and stupendous system of "social engineering."

It is not easy to overlook the prevalence of Roman law in the Latin countries, the subservience of all Islam to the precepts of the Koran, and the spread of the English-speaking world. However, world law has not yet suffered its birth-pangs. Its parentage and accouchers are not yet identifiable. For the lack of accepted world law, the sovereign nations still must content themselves with polite and restrained agreements, hallowed customs, and, if necessary, brute strength.

The conservative disciple of the common law school may shudder, but a world legal code must be enacted and enforced within exceedingly few years. The nations may have to satisfy themselves temporarily with a skeleton code disposing of the most immediate problems, war and territorial aggrandizement. Yet a beginning will have to be made. The Code Napoleon was prepared in six years, and Napoleon was not pressed for time to any greater degree than imperilled humanity is today.

Inspire Hatred

For better or for worse, a global war has at least served to inspire an immediate and active hatred of war and all its works in almost every so-called civilized nation, and a concomitant near-global desire for the prevention of any more war.

The upshot is that, for the first time, all of the great powers and most of the lesser powers have joined in a common enterprise, to wit UNO; and UNO, let us pray, may be the germ of which world law shall be the ultimate fruit. Nonetheless, however desirable world government may be, it is useless to expect that the jealous guardians of national sovereignty will yield without a long, hard fight.

The critics of UNO, and those who unsubtly liken the newborn child to the abandoned League, fail to consider that effective unity must be preceded by effective affiliation. UNO provides affiliation. Before the nations can move nearer to world unity, that affiliation must be fortified and kept in working or-

THE LAW SCHOOL

● DALHOUSIE LAW SCHOOL is seeking today to do what it has always sought to do and to do it in the same atmosphere and in the same tradition.

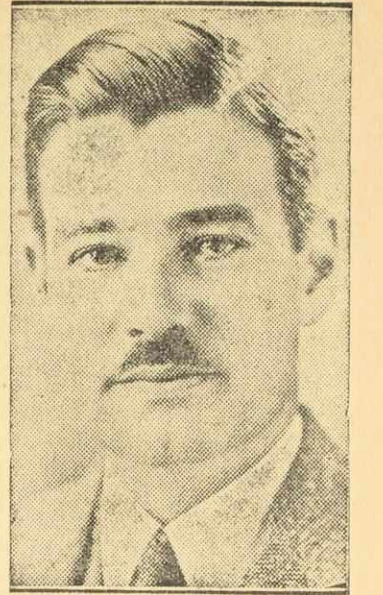
It seeks, as always, to accomplish its primary function of training men for the active life of lawyers at the Bar and on the Bench, not only in the Maritime Provinces but in Canada generally. It seeks also—as always—to give a training of value to graduates who prefer careers in government and business life.

Experience has shown that the best training in legal methods and legal thinking is to be had in an atmosphere of free discussion of fundamentals with emphasis on the great purposes, principles and instrumentalities of the legal system, rather than on the minutiae of rules or details of processes. The tradition which gives direction and design to our effect is the outgrowth of the conviction that Law is a Learned and Public Profession. Accordingly we have tried to impress students with the idea that the members of that Profession must regard it as a sacred trust to be administered in the interest of Justice. This tradition has a further aspect in that as members of a public profession so intimately concerned with government we have always preached the doctrine that the lawyer should aspire to play his full part in the public life of the country.

It is well recognized that in the past this Faculty has produced many men who have attained to great distinction in the legal, commercial and public life of Canada and I have no doubt that the students now in attendance will do likewise.

I could by citation of names point the moral and adorn the tale wherein is shown the peculiar ability of men-of-law to discharge fittingly great responsibility in matters of law proper, of the direction of great commercial establishments and of the administration of government; but to do so is unnecessary and might seem invidious so I shall refrain.

V. C. MACDONALD.



DEAN MACDONALD

der. Bracketing UNO with the dead League is atom-blindness, crass ignorance of the times. Those who cry for "permanent peace now" suggest the farmer who demands his harvest in June.

What, then, can we hope for? Surely we can hope that out of UNO world government will emerge in due course, and, in its wake, a world legal code and world law enforcement. To operate without world government is just as impractical as to operate without national government. It's time to stop being impractical. Above all, we cannot afford a repetition of that almost forgotten indictment of the white man's world at Geneva on June 30, 1936:

"Outside the Kingdom of God there is not on this earth"

Alumni--

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University of Minnesota, Cmdr. Horace B. Read, R.C.N.V.R. drafted the Naval Service Act of 1944, counterpart of the Army Act and described as a "monumental" achievement of legal skill. He has been Vice-Chairman of the Naval Regulations Revision Committee and Chairman of the Naval Orders Committee.

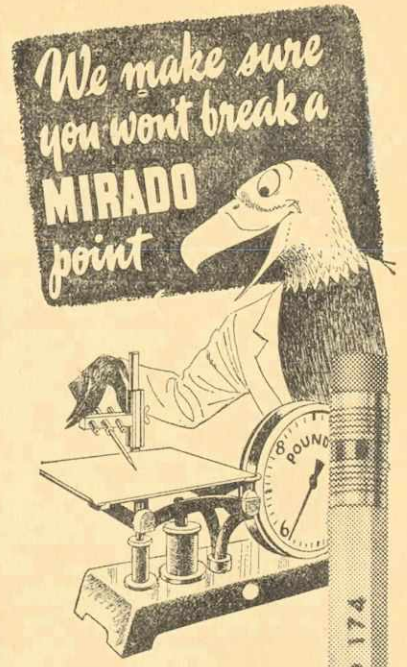
The selection of these men for the responsible legal and administrative posts they have filled testifies that the Faculty of Law can derive pride and satisfaction from the record of its alumni equal to the record of any faculty on any campus in Canada.

Another eminent Dalhousian whose service was in the diplomatic field, Charles J. Burchell, K.C., a member of the Board of Governors, served successively as High Commissioner from Canada to Australia, South Africa, and Newfoundland.

The men who served in uniform are too numerous to name here. When the list of graduate and undergraduate veterans is totalled a year or two hence, it should exceed the 200-mark by a good margin.

The vast majority of the veterans served as combatants. The number wounded, decorated and honoured is already exceptionally high. Two-thirds of the students currently enrolled are ex-servicemen.

For the alumni who have fallen, it may suffice to say that the Faculty of Law is proud and forever honoured in being able to claim acquaintance with their memory.



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