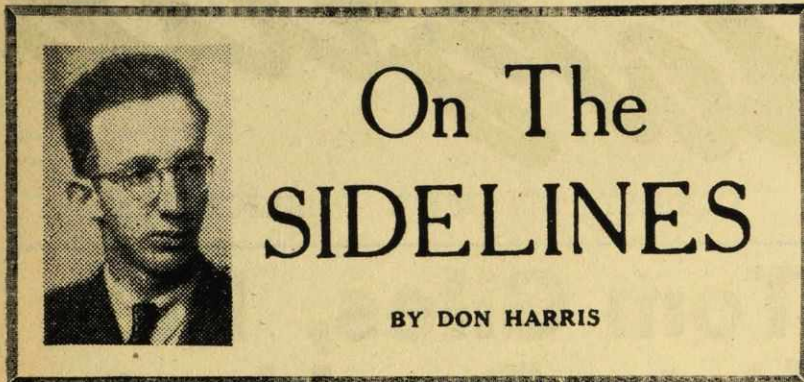


D. A. A. C. LEVIES \$5 FEE ON MEN



On The SIDELINES

BY DON HARRIS

It seems as if the Gazette has something to say about Inter-faculty Sport in every issue, and it is a great feeling to be able to have nothing but praise for an athletic organization such as has been set up in this field of endeavour. Perhaps many students wonder at this overabundance of literary bouquets being passed around to such persons as Physical Director John MacCormack, and Interfaculty Managers Frank Rogers and Bob Knickle, but for anyone participating in, or following the progress of, these interfac leagues plus badminton, not enough credit can be given to these individuals.

Equally deserving of credit, although not in the limelight in this field, are those members of the Varsity squads and others who turn out to referee these contests. These boys give up their meal hours two and three times a week to handle games, not counting the ones they miss to attend senior practices, and they receive, in payment, fifty cents a match, plus lots of abuse. The referees in Interfaculty sport are providing excellent service to their university, above and beyond the call of duty, if one is permitted to wax lyrical for the moment, and the results are most favourable.

Every faculty is turning out in increasing numbers for every contest, despite the odd hours at which some games are scheduled, and the show of spirit demonstrated in this way seems to prove the lie to claims that spirit at Dal is non-existent, albeit that it may be misdirected. Perhaps we are all wrong—but it has taken Interfaculty Sport to make the issue clear. Asterngthening of Interfaculty Sport is, apparently, the right way to build up college spirit—I guess at Dal we have put the cart before the horse, in previous years.

Talking about college spirit reminds us of a rather touchy problem which now onfronts the Council, although they may be unaware of it, as yet. As a result of the propaganda stirred up in last year's elections, a Spirit Committee was organized this year to handle all student publicity, both on and off the campus. During the first term, everything was milk and honey, with the committee doing a fine job in all departments.

But, came the revolution!—and the second term!—and little or no publicity of any kind; no attempt to arouse the slumbering intellectual body of students to an interest in events in extracurricular sphere; no fervent pleas from parched lips, exhorting the last ounce of support, as was done last term—nothing—only the slightest indications of life in the Old Boy, yet, shown by a spasmodic twitch, which produced Glee Club signs in store and tram windows, and a few scattered signs put up for the Acadia game, on the day of the game (plus signs for the St. Mary's game, one day prior to the match).

Is this to be the whole story, with a sad ending, of what was destined to be the birth of new life at Dal? If so, WHY? Can it be that the persons in charge are incompetent? Perhaps, but their efforts last term seem to belie this statement. Can it be that they bit off more than they could chew, that their eyes were bigger than their stomachs? Again, we need only look back on last fall, to find that we still have no satisfactory answer.

CAN IT BE THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE DOING TOO MANY OTHER THINGS, IN AN EXTRACURRICULAR WAY; ARE HOLDING TOO MANY OTHER JOBS TO BE ABLE TO DO JUSTICE TO THE MOST ESSENTIAL ONE—THE SPIRIT COMMITTEE?

We feel that the Council made an excellent move in establishing the Committee, and it is not fair to thmselves, or to the students of Dal, that the project should die because it was not given a fair trial. It is not too late for the members of this Committee to make amends for their present failings, if they make a legitimate, sincere effort to get results, and sacrifice a little glory, and personal interest, for an ideal which they had earlier proclaimed vociferously, from one end of Dal to the other, as one of the requirements for successful campus life. Let's practice what we preach!!!

NEXT WEEK

- Hockey —**
 Feb. 10—Law vs. Eng.
 —Frosh vs. Pine Hill
 Feb. 11—Dents vs. Pharmacy
 —Kings vs. Meds.
 Feb. 14—A & Sc. vs. Pharmacy
 —Commerce vs. Eng.
- Basketball —**
 Feb. 10—Law vs. Dents
 —Meds vs. Frosh
 Feb. 13—Commerce vs. A & Sc.
 —Frosh vs. Eng.
 Feb. 15—Dents vs. Commerce
 —Meds vs. Law.

NOTICE

Students are asked to discontinue the practice of taking short cuts across grassed areas of the Campus.

D. G. A. C SPORT REVIEW

On returning to college in October, we were met by Mrs. Ruth Watt of Welland, Ont., new Phys. Ed. Instructress, and from then on, D. G. A. C. activities rolled along at a great rate. A ground hockey team was picked, and proceeded to clean up the unofficial championship by winning 4 out of 5 games with Acadia, Edgehill and H. L. C.

At the same time, the tennis team made a clean sweep in the Maritime Intercollegiate Tournament, with Joyce Hart and Nancy Jones carrying off the honors. The badminton team has also been successful. It is as yet undefeated, after having played two games with Stad., and one with Truro. The swimming team has been practising regularly, and is looking ahead to a meet at U. N. B., and possibly some invitation meets elsewhere.

Basketball started with Interclass matches, the Seniors coming out on top. After Xmas, the teams welcomed Pat Flynn of Halifax as new coach. Their playing is steadily improving, and at present they are in the midst of the Senior City League Series. Intercollegiate games start this month. Archery and ping pong were a bit late in starting, but now that Interclass tournaments are in sight, attendance has picked up considerably. Judging by the results up to date, D. G. A. C. should make a good showing in the forthcoming Intercollegiate events.

Refuse To Draw On Reserve

A special \$5.00 will be levied on all male students of Dalhousie, as members of the Dalhousie Amateur Athletic Club, retroactive to October 1st, 1946, as a result of a motion passed at a regular meeting of the D. A. A. C. last Tuesday in the Chem Theatre. The resolution was introduced as an alternative to drawing funds from the Council sinking Fund in order to purchase badly-needed athletic equipment.

Following the regular business of the meeting, when several constitutional amendmnts were passed (listed on Page One of this issue) the topic of buying new equipment was raised from the floor as general business arising out of the Students' Forum decision to refer the matter to the D. A. A. C.

A heated discussion developed as to the use of Funds from the Council Reserve as a means of remedying the situation, and several older students from the professional faculties protested vehemently against the use of this money for such a purpose as outlined at the meeting.

It was argued by these members that it was unfair for the present Council to spend money accumulated by other Councils, a point which was hotly contested by several ardent supporters of the equipment-buying faction. They felt that immediate action was required and that the situation dictated the action recommended by the Forum. A motion was brought down favoring the use of \$2500 from the sinking Fund, but was defeated handily, due to the predominance of professional students.

The above-mentioned motion was then brought forward and passed by a bare majority.

This didn't actually happen, the levying of \$5 per male student, but it could easily have, at the D. A. A. C. meeting, since the huge number of 26 STUDENTS, including the Chairman, were present at the meeting.

Surely, out of a total of over 1400 males present on the Dal campus, more than 26 are interested in the future of athletics at Dalhousie. If not, then some bright soul should turn up at the next regular meeting of the D. A. A. C. and railroad something on this scale through the meeting. It would serve the student body

right for so neglecting their duty.

It was originally planned to discuss several matters of vital importance, including athletic equipment and funds for inter-faculty sport, but these matters were postponed until a later date, due to the poor attendance.

Intramural Boxing Meet Next Week

The Dalhousie Boxing Group, under the patient and champion coaching of Jack MacKenna, a pupil of the old school of the art of pugilism, together with the able and ready assistance of Messrs. John MacCormack, Ron Wallace and Allan O'Brien, is developing by leaps and bounds into a team of hardhitting, cool-headed, scientific pugilists, who will have quite a lot to say about who is going to take the Intercollegiate championship this year.

On the 12th of February, a number of bouts will be staged in the Lower Gym, starting early in the evening. These bouts will be intra-university and anyone who has not been associated with the regular group in the past, but who has done some boxing and would like to participate in the coming bouts, is asked to get in touch with the Boxing Manager Jim Cruickshanks, or the Physical Instructor within the next week.

All who are interested in the fistic art are invited to attend these bouts. Everything possible is being done to provide a most

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Sederis Wins—

The concluding games of the Dal Girls' singles badminton tournament were completed recently, with Miss Nita Sederis emerging as Girls' Singles Champion. The four semi-finalists were: Nita Sederis, Peggy Rundle, Winnie Waddell and Jean Bowers.

Semi-finals: Rundle defeated Waddell — 11-8, 5-11, 12-9; Sederis defeated Bowers — 6-11, 11-5, 11-8.

Finals: Sederis defeated Rundle — 6-11, 11-3, 11-6.

Plans are now being made for a Girls' doubles tournament.

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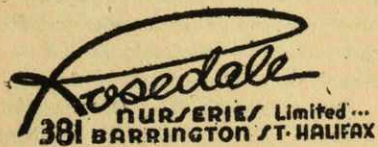
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