



The Campus Roundup

by Windy O'Neill

This column is written with strict understanding and provision that the incipient Frosh can read, but if they can't, chances are overwhelmingly in favour that they will be able to before they leave this ancient institution. With this gleaming ray of hope the Roundup welcomes all new Dalhousians—may they survive the Reign of Terror!

The problem for the new arrivals is to accustom themselves to the new, and in some respect, fearful surroundings. The quickest route to this end is the making of new friendships. The making of friendships is the prime value of hazing, in which all frosh find themselves in the peculiar fraternal bond of being persecuted by the sophomores. The hazing at Dal is not hard on anyone and is quite sensible, if it gets you down just remember that the Sophs went through it last year in fine style and if one spends the reasonable amount of time at one's books, one may get a chance to reciprocate to next year's Frosh.

At university, a student makes many new friends who will be lifelong associates. The more the better. The usual way to accomplish "the more" is to indulge in the different phases of student government and activity. There is a place for everyone. If you're not a football player you can be a manager. If you don't like the smell of sweat and arnica, and the roar of the crowd, you can circulate your immaculate person amongst the perfumes and grease paints of the Glee Club.

For the garrulous, there is the Sodales debating society; for the young fogies the Chess Club. For warriors (Russian style) there is the Officer Training Corps of all three services and last but certainly not least, there is the Dalhousie Gazette.

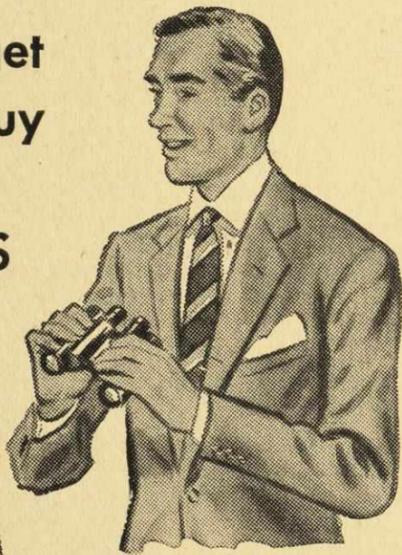
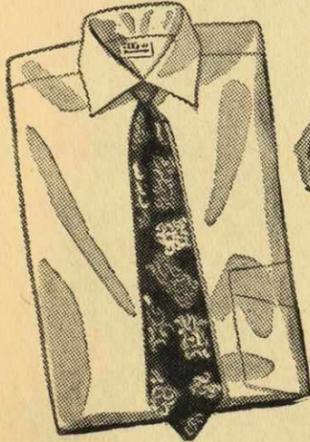
There is an official plea to all those who can write, think they can write or would like to write, to present themselves to the editors and be interviewed by the latter in their carefully padded cells. There is also a crying need for poets, artists and cartoonists. Some of the most influential men in the country proudly wear a Dalhousie gold "D" in their T-shirts—to obtain a Dal gold "D", one must work a bit for free.

And oh, yes—

He that bibbith round the gym,
Committeth no small sin,
(Not only that) You'll appear before Mr. Flynn,
(And after a month) People'll ask where you've bin.

By the time this document has reached your grimy little hands the Dal Tigers will have played their first football contest, and although they have relative disadvantage of only two weeks practise there is great expectation that the Gold and Black will emerge victors. Physical Director Gabriel "Vitamin" Vitalone, who is a discovery of our University fathers, has been working like one possessed, rounding the pigskin pushers into shape. Our guess is that he will become an institution here. If the team has half the energy and determination of the Fordham and Springfield Grad, the Purdy Trophy will be resting comfortably in the President's office at the conclusion of the season.

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Noted Physicist And Lecturer Passes Away



George Hugh Henderson, O. E. Smith Professor of Physics, Dalhousie University, and one of Canada's outstanding physicists, died suddenly at the age of 56 on his way to a New Brunswick fishing camp.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Wallace Ross Henderson, and two daughters, Nancy and Margaret, the former a science student at Dalhousie.

Professor Henderson received his B.A. and B.Sc. degrees from Dalhousie University in 1914 with high honors in Physics and the Governor General's Gold Medal, after a scholastic record unsurpassed in the history of the University. Two years later he received his Master's degree and was awarded a 1851 Science Exhibition Research Scholarship. Three years later he proceeded to the Cavendish Laboratory and he obtained his Ph.D. in 1922 from Cambridge University. He then returned to Canada as a professor at the University of Saskatchewan. In 1925 he returned to his alma-mater as Professor of Mathematical Physics. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada in 1927. In 1941 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of London, an honour held by few Canadians.

Professor Henderson's strong sense of duty led him to serve his country during the two world wars—in the first as an Engineer Officer in the Army and in the second he gave outstanding service to the Royal Canadian Navy in his capacity as a Physicist and also in the field of Operational Research. For his outstanding contributions as Superintendent of the Naval Research Establishment at Halifax during the war he was awarded the O.B.E. in 1943.

The first of his 25 scientific papers was published while he was still an undergraduate. It was in the comparatively new field of radioactivity, which continued through life to be his major research interest.

Not only was Dr. Henderson a great scientific investigator, but he was also an able teacher, and much revered by his students. He also possessed excellent administrative ability, which he generously gave to the many scientific organizations to which he belonged, such as the National Research Council of Canada, and the Nova Scotia Research Foundation, and the Nova Scotia Institute of Science, of which he was a past president.

Professor Henderson's place in Canadian Physics cannot easily be filled. His great intellectual ability, his unusual discrimination, and his modesty won for him the respect and esteem of all who knew him. His untimely end is a sad loss to Dalhousie University and to Canada. On the day of the funeral service at Halifax, not only were the University flags at half-mast, but also the ships and establishments in the Atlantic Command of the Royal Canadian Navy half-masted their flags.

Dalhousie Students Awarded Scholarships

Love Elected NFCUS Prexy At Conference

Richie Love, New Glasgow, a second year Law student at Dal was elected National President of NFCUS at its annual conference this summer. This is the first time that a representative of a Maritime university has been chosen for this post, though Dalhousie has done better in this respect than other Maritime colleges with Al Lomas and Ross Hamilton elected Vice-Presidents in 1947 and 1948 respectively.

NFCUS (National Federation of Canadian University Students) is an organization with members in nineteen Canadian Universities and dedicated to the betterment of inter-university student relations and to assist Canadian students by offering them the opportunity to speak with one united voice on national affairs which directly concern their welfare.

The conference drew up a brief to be presented to the Royal Commission on Arts, Letters and Science, which will meet in Halifax this winter. Federal aid to needy students who would otherwise be unable to enter university and Dominion grants directly to the universities were the major recommendations of the conference. A plan was suggested similar to one now in effect in the U.S., whereby Canadian students could attend colleges in European countries which owe large sums of money to Canada, at the expense of the Governments of these countries, as a means to aiding both international relations and assisting countries concerned to lower their deficits.

Dr. J. H. L. Johnstone, Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies at Dalhousie has announced that fourteen students in the Faculty have been successful in winning National Research Council scholarships of a total value of \$12,000 to be held during the college session 1949-50. The holders of these scholarships will devote a considerable part of their time to research work while taking courses in the Faculty of Graduate Studies leading to Master's degrees in the departments of Biochemistry, Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

In addition four students who graduated from the Faculty of Graduate Studies in May, 1949, have won scholarships totaling \$4,800 which will be held at Cambridge University, The Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Brown and Duke Universities, where they will continue their scientific studies by working towards the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

Arts and Science Plans Activities For Coming Term

Tentative plans for social events to be conducted by the Arts and Science Society in the forthcoming year were announced last week by Eric Richter, Activities manager of the Society.

Starting Sat., Oct. 15, the Common Room dances in the Men's Residence will be resumed. This year's dance card will be varied with such items as a Masquerade Ball, Gay Nineties Night, Barn Dance and Dogpatch Brawl. Because the music at these Saturday night socials is recorded, the price of admission will not exceed 50 cents per person. A further reduction will be offered to students holding Arts and Science membership cards.

Within the Society itself, the Bridge, Chess, Debating and Camera Clubs are under way. In the line of sports, Arts and Science expects to field football, basketball, hockey, and bowling teams. Other activities will be organized as the demand arises.

This year the Society will hold dancing classes. Those who cannot dance and those who would like to improve their technique are invited to attend.

Join now, membership cards are available from Betty Petrie and Fred Laing, or may be obtained at the Saturday night dances and at meetings of the Arts and Science Society.

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