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Forsees Struggle For Higher Education

CAMPUS CLIPPINGS

by GRAHAM BATT

A new term has rolled around, and as the Frosh trip about the campus resplendent in their regalia, we should like to remind those who regard it as an unnecessary burden placed upon them by revengeful Sophs, that all over Canada by immortal custom, Frosh are being introduced to college life by similar activities.

In The Manitoban we found the following account of someone's vacation, called

Summer Activities

Whatcha doin?
Jis sittin.
Nothin to do?
Plenty to do.
Thinkin whatcha
Gonna do?
No. Thinkin could
Lead to doin.
So I'm
Jis sittin.

According to The Ubysey nefarious activities are taking place at U.B.C. Inter-Frosh relationships are being watched carefully by a Campus Gestapo, and the findings are being turned over to the Society for the Promotion of Extreme Cruelty to Freshmen. And so, Dal Frosh, be thankful for the tender solicitude shown you by your kindly seniors.

We read again that a Bostonian was showing a visiting Briton Around. "This is Bunker Hill monument — where Warren fell, you know."

The visitor surveyed the lofty shaft thoughtfully, and then said: "Nasty fall. Killed him, of course?"

In the McGill Daily we find the following evidence of the C.O.T.C. training.

C.O.: "Now tell me what is strategy?"

Buck Private: "It's when you're out of ammunition, but keep right on firing."

Free Dinners At Hall Cafeteria

Any student who wants to eat regularly can do so for nothing except exercise if he goes to see Miss MacKeen. She is looking for a few healthy men to act as stationery engineers in the kitchen at the Hall, where they have an engine that takes the dirt off dishes. All you do is put them in and take them out; and you only work every second day. See Miss MacKeen for further details.

Interfaculty Debates

Sodales, the University's Debating Society, will hold a meeting to elect officers for the new season. The meeting will be held Tuesday at noon in Room 3 of the Arts Building, presided over by President pro tem Bob McCleave. Freshmen especially are urged to attend, and it is expected that plans will be made for interfaculty debates.

Frosh in Throes of Initiation Week



EN ROUTE TO AN ENGLISH 2 LECTURE
This representative group of grinning frosh was snapped by The Gazette photographer. Judging from the demure expressions of this regalia-clad assemblage, the freshman class has embarked on a new phase of life wholly devoted to academic pursuits.

Much as we all hate to face the horrible truth, we must be brave and accept the simple fact that we are now a whole year older—ah, yes, last year's freshettes are no longer fresh, and after viewing our new pigtailed friends we feel definitely wilted.

On Friday at noon the annual "Frosh" meeting was held in the Chem theatre where the "Frosh" class was introduced to Dalhousie campus life. Professor Bennett welcomed the new students on behalf of the Faculty and short speeches were given by representatives of Delta Gamma, D.A.A.C., D.G.A.C., Glee Club, Engineering, Arts and Science, Commerce, Sodales, Gazette, President of the Student Council, Miss Leonard, Coach Ralston, and Freshette representative on the Student Council.

At half past eight on Friday evening, September 29th, the portals of Shirreff Hall were stormed by "Frosh". With sweet, innocent and unexpecting faces the stars of the week filed into the girls' residence, humbly presented their two dollars and were bestowed with lovely pieces of cardboard, exquisitely shaded in gold, on which their names were printed.

The girls received dainty aprons, and the always helpful upper classmen, trying to bring them up to the Dal standard of glamour, suggested that they wear odd shoes, socks and pigtailed and refrain from the use of cosmetics which in several centuries are certain to leave their skin dull and lifeless.

After much discussion on behalf of the freshmen, we decided that it was quite unjust for the boys not to have the same opportunity to show their better (?) points as the freshettes have; and so they have been allowed to roll their pants up above the knees, and thus, with their hair parted in the middle and swish bowties, they gained a completely new personality.

The dance was really a great success. Everyone was happy, at least almost everyone. You see, some of the upper classmen arrived on the scene and, sad to relate, they turned into wall-flowers. May we state here and now, there is nothing in the constitution that forbids freshmen from dancing with seniors. Might I here give a word of advice to our typical

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Registration Shows Increase

Once again Dalhousie campus has come to life. Gaily and weirdly dressed "Frosh" may be seen dashing hither and yon on the walks of our beautiful campus, while staid upperclassmen stroll nonchalantly to classes or wander about "Frosh-baiting". Similar scenes are taking place these bright September days on camp across this great Dominion of ours.

Dalhousie authorities could not furnish exact figures for this year's registration when visited by the GAZETTE reporter. Registration is a fluctuating business and wartime conditions make it more so. Nevertheless much illuminating information was given for publication.

Registration in the Faculty of Arts and Science is up this year in spite of wartime restrictions. An appreciable increase over last year's registration speaks well for the future of Arts and Science. (Engineering is considered under this heading.)

Medicine and Dentistry remain fairly constant over a period of years, and this year is exceptional only in the large number of applications for entrance into these faculties. These applications were carefully considered and the yearly quota filled. Most, if not all Maritime universities are represented.

The Faculty of Law reports an increase over last year in the number of first year students. Most of second and third year students have returned.

Total registration this year shows an increase of some half a hundred students over last year.

A few points of general interest may be noted. The Office reports that the third day's registration in Arts and Science was one of the heaviest in the history of the University. Another point is the presence among the new crop of students, of veterans of the present war.

CAMPUS CORPS RE-ORGANIZED

The representations, on the campus, of Canada's three armed services, are now in the midst of organization and preparation of training programs for the coming year. The general attitude of the training officers of the three units is of an expectation of a more advanced and practical training syllabus for both new and old members of these units.

MAJOR FAULKNER in an interview this week expressed the hope that training in the C.O.T.C. would include all the latest weapons for lecture purposes and several of them for actual training. He went on to say that, although Lt. Col F. H. M. Jones M.C. remains in command of the unit, there had been some changes in the A.T.C. staff which will include this year C.S.M. Nicol and Sergeants Ellridge and Burnee. C. S.M.'s Flood and Lockhart, known to many members of last year's corps, have been transferred to other posts. This year all members of the C.O.T.C. and all recruits will undergo a thorough Active Army medical examination at number six district depot. This examination will include M. testing and X-ray, and will begin Saturday, Oct. 7, and continue over Sunday. Dinner being served Sunday at No. 6 D.D.

FLIGHT LT. COMEAU, when approached by the Gazette, had high praise for last spring's V. A. T. C. camp which was held at the R.C.A. F. stations near Moncton. The personnel of the No. 16 V.A.T.C. spent the summer at various R. C. A. F. posts in the Maritimes. Classes for the members of last year's unit were resumed on Tuesday morning. Training and syllabus for the coming year being about the same as last year.

Lieut. Comeau stated that no ground crew are being recruited this year, and those not passing their medicals will be taken on strength in the C.O.T.C. "Altogether," he said, "it appears to be a very promising year for the U.A.T.C."

LT. COMMANDER F. R. HAYES, of the U.N.T.D., in a statement this week to the Gazette had hopes for a larger unit this year and promised a new syllabus for second year members of the U.N.T.D. which would include about 30% revision—the remainder being new work. "Conditions for enlistment will be the same as last year, and all applicants must be 17½ or over. All training this year will take place on naval property, students will be taken by busses to H.M.C.S. Haligonian and the Seamanship training school—H.M.C. Dockyard. The hours will be fixed as nearly as possible to suit the students; the number of hours will be the same. Students registered in pre-professional courses will be enlisted, but will be discharged on entering their courses." Last year was the first for this unit on the campus, and although enlistment was small it proved very successful, he said.

Scores 'Indifferent Attitude' Of Students and Educators

Dr. Stanley in his address to the University students and some members of the teaching staff, said that "although "no weakening of purpose about higher education" at Dalhousie could be detected, "a pretty general disintegration" in branches of higher learning could be observed elsewhere. The President urged the students to determine the "endless difference between getting a living and living the good life".



Urges Students Support Gazette

I am grateful to the editor of the Dalhousie Gazette for asking me, once again, to say a word in the opening issue of the year. This time, my word is about the Gazette itself. Not many things have improved the period of the war, but the Gazette has certainly improved greatly. Good sense, good taste, and good writing have distinguished it, and many of the editorials and articles have had a marked literary quality.

It is to be hoped that the new students, in all faculties, who have joined us this year will not be slow in making their contribution. From the time they arrive, they are joint-proprietors of the students' paper.

I cordially wish the editors and all the supporters of the Gazette another very successful year.

CARLETON STANLEY,
President.

President Stanley said in his opening remarks that "it is one of the pleasures of my life, one of the happiest duties connected with my office, to meet the members of the University at the season we begin afresh." "The Freshmen," Dr. Stanley said, "have a great responsibility in making themselves worthy of the Dalhousie of the past."

"Few universities have had a career at once so all-starred and so triumphant as ours," the President said. He explained that "our triumph has been the maintenance, through thick and thin, of certain ideas: the idea of Tolerance; the idea that intelligence should be fostered and given an opportunity in this part of the world, as it has been fostered in Scotland, among poor and rich alike; and not least the conviction that these ideas depend upon higher education having a real content and character—based upon the great literature of the world, and the scientific aspirations and achievements of mankind."

Dr. Stanley said "it became plain in 1933 that education and life were perishing in Germany." Ever since 1933, said the President, "higher education has sunk to a lower and lower ebb in this country. The real cause of "the deterioration or higher education, I am driven to believe, is that those who have to do with higher education, or have the opportunity to do with it, have folded their hands and floated with the stream—with any stream or tide—of fashion, prejudice, materialism, or bigotry. They have gone in heavily for "non-intervention while dunces and bores have denounced the great literature, and the seminal ideas and theories of ancient Greece, as a proper study for Canadians."

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DIPO DALHOUSIE INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC OPINION

What should we do with Germany and the Germans after we win the war?

Strict Allied Military Government and extermination of all confirmed Nazis, 50%. Mass education of all Germans for Democracy will solve the problem, 20%. Kill all Germans since there is no hope of educating any of them for democracy, 10%. Subdivision of Germany to weaken her nationalism, 10%. Remainder queried ranged from those suggesting slow, painful tortures to those who thought that the mere fact of defeat would be sufficient punishment and deterrent for the Germans.

What, in your opinion, does Dal need more than anything else?

85% of Upperclassmen polled thought that what Dal needed more than anything else was more college spirit and a men's residence. D.I.P.O. has it from "a source close to the university" that the residence will materialize within the very near future, but spirit must come from the students themselves. The lack of spirit deplored by persons polled was not only the spirit which is evidenced by cheering at football games. That is only one aspect of college spirit. The spirit we lack chiefly is the imaginative, creative, constructive and progressive spirit which is needed for all the other extra-curricular activities on the campus. Football flops without college spirit. Granted. But it is exactly the same way with all other phases of campus life.