

Haliburton Of King's Is One Of Canada's Oldest Literery Clubs

The Haliburton of King's College is one of the oldest literary clubs in Canada and recently it commenced its 72nd season. The club was founded in Windsor in 1884, and its original aim was to promote literary appreciation among University students and to endeavor to keep in touch with Canadian authors and their work.

One of the early presidents of the Club was Sir Charles G. D. Roberts. This outstanding man of the Canadian scene, who at the time was a professor of English at King's, held that office until he left the University in 1895.

The Haliburton was named in honor of Judge Haliburton, the Canadian humorist and satirist of the 19th century, who was the creator of "Sam Slick," the wandering Yankee Clockmaker. The meetings were held in the same room as Judge Haliburton had occupied when he himself was at King's. When Kings College was moved to Halifax in 1926 the club transferred to a new "Haliburton Room" on this campus.

This men's club, of long standing, is open to all male graduates, undergraduates and members of the Faculty of King's College.

In years gone by, it was the practice for undergraduates to present this our literary compositions to the club or to the research with special emphasis on Canadian literature. These literary efforts were filed with the club historian and subsequently printed in the King's Record which was then a library quarterly and not merely a university year book. As was the custom of the day after the talk and discussion, two appointed hosts prepared refreshments while the rest gathered around the piano and sang the old college songs.

The highlight of the year was a banquet held during *Acaenia*

week on which occasion the club was addressed by some of the leading literary personalities of the day. Thus, the club had both its literary and social aspects.

The character of the Haliburton has changed somewhat with the passing of the years. The rather decreased membership of recent times reflects the growing competition of the many other activities offered to students in this busy age. However, the club continues to meet bi-monthly. The organization no longer restricts itself to literature and now members or guests give papers or informal talks on a wide variety of subjects. At the most recent meeting, the President of King's College, H. L. Puxley, gave a talk on his trip to Russia and to the WUSC Seminar at Tutzing, Germany. He illustrated his talk with a collection of colored slides.

The Haliburton has been honored of late by the acceptance of Dr. V. L. O. Chittick of a Fellowship offered to him by the Society. Dr. Chittick, who resides in Seattle, Washington, is a recognized and authoritative critic of Judge Haliburton. At the present time he is working on his latest book *Haliburton Postscript*. Other fellows of this society include

the late Sir C. G. D. Roberts, Will Bird and Thomas Raddell. Another of the club's annual activities is to send one guinea to the parish of Islesworth in England for the upkeep of Judge Haliburton's grave.

In the present season the club is under the presidency of Jim Howe. Other members of the executive include Richard Todd (Vice-Pres.), Mike Rudderham (Sect) and Dave Rendall (Treas.) The last meeting seems to indicate a renewed interest and it is hoped that active membership will increase this year. Plans are afoot for the revival of the annual banquet if sufficient interest warrants it.

The historic Haliburton extends an invitation and a welcome to all the male undergraduates of King's.

Daffy Notions

Lectures: Like steer's horns—a point here, a point there, and lots of bull between.

Lipstick: Something that adds flavour to an old pastime.

Virtue: A quality basically consisting of insufficient temptation.

Draughting: Slang for drinking of draught beer—some engineers do this automatically—hence mechanical draughting.

Artsman: Someone who begins by knowing everything about nothing, learns more and more about less and less, and winds up knowing nothing about everything.

—Thanks to the Ontarian.

Don't forget the Law Ball, the first formal of the year. It's set for the Lord Nelson on October 26th. Always fun!

ALPHA — OMEGA

October, one of the pleasantest months in Nova Scotia's climatic calendar is slowly changing from the bright reds into the pale yellows. Along with the nip in the air has come a resurgence of Dalhousie youthful spirits. Many of enjoyed (sic) the football game Saturday afternoon did so looking ahead to the increased football action in the Halifax area.

Saturday, October 27, football followers of the Dalhousie Tigers will journey to Antigonish "taking the X train." The Dal Commerce Company is to be commended for this attempt to make the Dal-X game an important part of the Dalhousie student life, much as the Acadia journey was less than a decade ago. (Some of us can reach back in memory almost that far.) With student support, this may become an annual feature. It is so hoped for the benefit of both colleges.

The "dilemma" of the Dalhousie Canadian football Tigers might possibly be solved by the introduction of an Intercollegiate Canadian Football League, played on three levels. First, a Nova Scotia Intercollegiate Loop with Acadia, Saint F.X., Saint Mary's and Dal playing a home and home series, and then secondly, playing off with the winning Service team in a corresponding league for the Purdy Cup when the college's would have sufficient training to give them a go of it.

And then thirdly, the Intercollegiate winner of Nova Scotia would play the New Brunswick - P.E.I. winner selected from a home and home series between St. Dunstons, Prince of Wales, U.N.B., Mount Allison, and St. Thomas, and possibly St. Joseph's. Now that Canadian football is being played in most of these universities a much stronger plea can be made for Intercollegiate than was made in 1954 at the M.I.A.U. meeting.

Purdy Cup talk as well as C.R.U. finals discussion is filling the the autumn air. This year the abortive attempt of last to have a Miss Purdy Cup chosen with all the hurrah of a Grey Cup Final is gaining momentum. The Halifax Junior Board of Trade, I understand, have interested many firms in Halifax who will sponsor floats in a big Purdy Cup Day parade, and select from among the attractive cheerleaders, or in a similar way, a Miss Purdy Cup, to be round on the day of the C.R.U. final as well as Purdy Cup Day. Pulchritude Pushes Purdy Cup.

The Dalhousie Student Council last Thursday handed down a record budget of \$29,000. in the short space of four hours which works out to \$7,250. an hour. Budgeting for a surplus of \$500. the Council has expected receipts of \$29,500. and perhaps greater because of the new football gate receipts set-up. As of Thursday's meeting the receipts from Canadian football coming to the Dalhousie Students' Council was \$2,300. A cheering thought for the economically minded Canadian football fan.

The Dalhousie Law Society benefits from many of the advantages of being neophyte members of the legal profession. Last Wednesday the members of the graduating class in Law enjoyed a guided tour through one of Halifax's old firms. Thanks must go to Hugh Coady, Class President who guided the tour home.

The Law Ball, one of the Social milestones in the life of any student lawyer is being held Friday, October 26 at the Lord Nelson Hotel with all interested members of the legal profession invited to attend.

Monday, Professor Jerome Hall, an eminent legal scholar in the United States lectured in the Dalhousie Law Library on the subject of "Twentieth Century Jurisprudence." An interesting speaker, Prof. Hall has a manner of emphasizing a quotation which I think should be passed on to all lecturers or those intending to some day. Holding his right arm in much the same way as a benediction, or Papal blessing is given, he quickly but slightly bends the tips of the first two fingers on the right hand. This he does at the beginning and at the end of the quotation. He thus impressed, especially on me, that the words he was using were quoted. I could vividly imagine the two little marks made twice, that encompassed the quote. To my mind, an effective illustrative way of showing a quotation.

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A CHALLENGE to all University Students graduating this year

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Letter To The Editor

The Editor, Dalhousie Gazette.

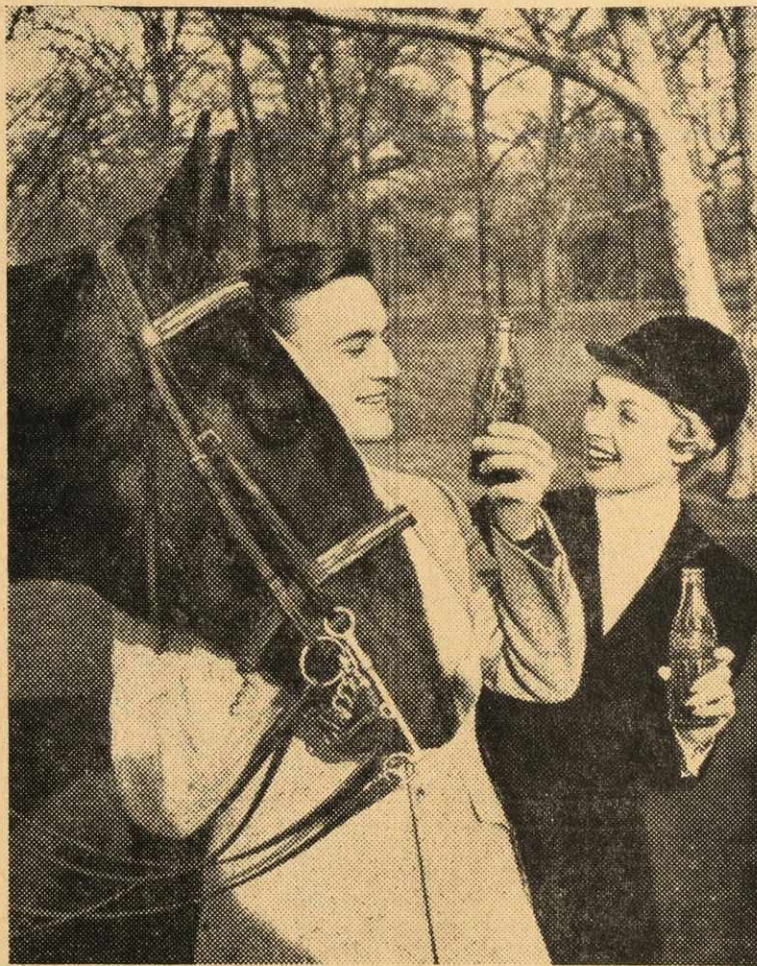
I think that most Dalhousie students would agree that the state of our cheering at football games and other athletic events leaves much to be desired in the way of college spirit. This deplorable situation is not due to any lack of enthusiasm on the part of our cheerleaders who hoot, cheer and dance about, and in general put on a most impressive display. Their efforts, however, appear to go unrewarded, since usually, there seems to be little or no response forthcoming from the stands. This may be due, in part, to a general lack of college spirit on this campus.

When the St. FX football team visited Dal recently they were accompanied by a large number of supporters. I, personally, was much impressed by the high level of spectator participation in their cheering and singing of the St. FX college songs. This spontaneous singing was far more effective than the usual displays of cheering.

Dal on the other hand does not seem to have any song that it can truly call its own, or at least not of a type suitable for football games. If there are such songs I cannot recall hearing them sung, at least not on the playing field or in the rink. If there was a really good song known by all the students, it would do much to increase student participation and thus raise the standard of Dal cheering.

Could not some of the talented people on the campus come up with some ideas for words and music so that our "College by the Sea" would have a suitable song of its own? If an appropriate song is already in existence, perhaps the Gazette would publish it so that all may become familiar with it.

Has anybody any ideas?
Yours sincerely,
A Spectator.



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