

Lord Dalhousie Leaves With Family For New Post



The Earl and Countess of Dalhousie have little time left before they depart from their home, Brechin Castle, for Africa where the Earl takes over his new duties as Governor-General of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland. Shown here, left to right: Lady Elizabeth Ramsay, Lady Sarah Ramsay, the Hon. Anthony Ramsay, the Hon. John Ramsay and Lord Ramsay. The Earl of Dalhousie is honorary president of Dalhousie Alumni Association in England and a very active member of the organization.

"Admirable Crichton" Greeted By Poor Crowds

A backstage fire and two nights of incessant rain failed to dampen the spirits of the DGDS last week, when they presented J. M. Barrie's satire "The Admirable Crichton" on Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the Dal Gym.

The play was praised by all who saw it for its splendid direction and delicate handling. This audience, however, comprised a pitifully poor percentage of Dalhousie students.

What could have proved a real tragedy was narrowly avoided shortly before curtain time on opening night, when a faulty light bulb caused part of the set to burst into flames. Due to the quick action of several members of the cast and production crew, the fire was soon subdued and damage was slight.

All three performances were observed by small audiences, although the crowd improved on each successive night.

Junior Class Holds Meeting

The first meeting of the Junior Class was held last Tuesday at noon. Judith Bennett was in the chair for the meeting at which the officers for the year were elected.

The new executive includes Dick Gibbons as President; Judith Bennett, Vice-President and Al Beattie, Secretary. Judith Wilson was elected Chairman of the Dance Committee and acting with her will be Collette Young, Al Beattie and Martin Farnsworth.

It was decided that this year's dance would not be a Junior Prom, but rather an informal ball known as a shipwreck dance. It will be held on February 14. Costume dress will be essential.

Hall Formal Slated For Thursday Night

The social event of the season, the Shirriff Hall Formal, will be held on Thursday, November 7, at the Hall.

Decorations are still in the secretive stage but they are certain to demonstrate the decorating genius of the girls at the Hall. Only about 105 couples will be in attendance since the formal includes only the students in residence at the Hall and their escorts.

To Hold Jamboree This Friday Night

This Friday evening, November 8 the annual Engineers' Jamboree will be held in the gym, with Alf Johnson doing the calling.

Headed by Bob Weld, the dance committee is making extensive plans to make this year's jamboree the best on record. Several special attractions have been lined up including the Russian satellite "Sputnik" which will be on display. During the intermission, there will be a special stage production, as well as the auspicious debut of a new and mysterious Engineer's orchestra.

During the dance, a newly developed beverage called "Bubbly" will be on sale. A weird and wonderful concoction, Bubbly is guaranteed to knock your hat off and make you set for the time of your life.

Lady Dunn Turns Sod to Begin New Science Bldg.

On Tuesday of last week, Dalhousie's new Science Building was officially begun when the first sod was turned by Lady Dunn, wife of Sir James Dunn, Dal's greatest modern benefactor.

The building to be known as the Sir James Dunn Science Building will house the departments of engineering, physics and geology. Lady Dunn stated that the building would be first class in every respect, to enable Dalhousie to take part in the fast moving field of scientific research.

CHANCELLOR HOWE

During the ceremony, Brigadier H. V. D. Laing, Chairman of the Board of Governors, introduced the Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, the University's new Chancellor, who said that the honor bestowed on him was the greatest in his career. Brigadier Laing also thanked Lady Dunn for the generous gift.

The ceremony was opened with a prayer of invocation given by Dr. A. E. Kerr, who also ended the sod-turning with Benediction.

OTHER FUNCTION

Following the ceremony, a reception in honor of the guests was held at the home of President and Mrs. Kerr. Attending this function were members of the Board of Governors and the Deans of the Faculties with their wives, along with student representatives.

Council Holds Busy Meeting

by PETER OUTHIT

Encouraging signs of life in a dying organization, Delta Gamma, the reception of a full Pharos report and approval of its budget, a \$2500 backing of "Finian's Rainbow", this year's definite musical production, and appointment of a new Campus Co-ordinator were a few of the many items on last Sunday's Students Council meeting agenda. The Council's third meeting of the year was presided over by President Murray Fraser.

Topics discussed ranged from the ridiculous to the sublime; from the rejection of free tickets for the Dal team to the Eastern Canadian Football finals to the sanction of a new Dalhousie Society, the Esperanto Club.

The Delta Gamma representative, said that their first meeting had been held with good attendance — and that numerous money-making enterprises were in the cards for this year. The Council felt that

Delta Gamma had responded to the threat of extinction admirably and, upon Doug Colquhoun's motion, approved its \$313 budget, adding that the Society may retain all profits earned by it for future ventures.

The council accepted the resignation of Campus Co-ordinator Libby Mayo, although she will remain on that committee; taking over her post will be Carol Clark, aided on the committee by Al Ross.

Joan Herman gave an extensive Pharos report, recommending (1) An increase in advertising from 19 to at least 28 pages (2) An increase of several hundred copies in production this year, and (3) Possible cheaper production with lithographing replacing print engraving. In the discussion Hilroy Nathanson moved for a new deal in selling the issues: that the council approach the administration for permission to use the option method of yearbook selling, at registration (non-compulsory buying for non-graduating students) or failing this to determine the number of buyers from faculty society heads. Taking a look at other Canadian university yearbooks, the Council decided that a certain permanent cover design be submitted and approved. Passed also was Nathanson's motion that free copies of Pharos dating back of 1950 be sent to high schools across the province.

Also passed by the Council were: *George Travis' motion that no society may advertise a meeting until it is cleared by the campus co-ordinator, and only upon this clearance may the Publicity Committee put up suitable advertising. *Sanction of the international language Esperanto club, represented at the meeting by John Wright, as moved by Elizabeth Dustan.

*The underwriting of "Finian's Rainbow", and its cost of production as reported by Cleland Marshall, to an extent of \$2500. Len Chappell will produce and direct the 1947 Broadway hit. Motion for approval was by Bob March.

*George Travis' motion that next year undergraduates buying Pharos before November 30 will receive a 10% price discount.

Council President



Murray Fraser

Delta Gamma Makes Plans

The first meeting of the term of Delta Gamma was held Wednesday in the Arts and Administration Building with Barbara Ferguson, president, presiding.

The chief item of business was the election of representatives and managers. Following is the list of those elected: Joan Millar, senior representative; Jean MacPhee, junior representative; Lorraine Lawrence, sophomore representative; Bonnie Murray, freshman representative; Helen Wickwire, dramatics manager; Charlotte Gibbon, social director from Shirreff Hall; Pan Dewis,

social director from the city; Joan Hennessey, scrap book recorder; Elliott Sutherland, debating manager.

PLANS FOR YEAR

It was decided Open House perhaps in the form of a toboggan party will be held soon after Christmas. February 7 was decided as the date on which to hold the Sadie Hawkins Dance.

Plans were made to help Pi Beta Phi with the canteen at the rink. All girls who are interested should watch for signs on the Boards con-

Wilfred Berman B.Com., L.I.A., R.I.A., C.A.

Students, colleagues and friends were shocked last Thursday morning to learn of the sudden death of Wilfred Berman, Professor of Accounting at Dalhousie. For his own accounting students the shock was particularly felt for they looked upon him as a teacher among teachers and a friend among friends.

Bill Berman, as he was almost universally known, was 37 years old, just two years married and only eight years on this campus. He was a native of Montreal; he received his B.Com. and L.I.A. degrees from McGill University; after service with the Canadian Navy during the war, he taught at McGill. He was married to Rita Weissler in 1955; both were very active in community work.

In 1949, when he came to Dalhousie, the Department of Commerce was small and dispirited. Almost singlehandedly he revitalized the department, directed the accounting courses for eight years, built up a number of new courses, and made a name for Dal in accounting circles across Canada. In 1954, he instituted a refresher course for students preparing for their final examinations in Chartered Accounting; it was outstandingly successful. During the next four years two gold medal winners in the Canadian final examinations attended this course.

For the university, Prof. Berman also carried the burden of extension classes in Investments. He was a member of the education committee of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants; he was the first Canadian to receive a Ford Foundation grant to attend a summer seminar in Investment at Harvard University.

Reflecting the high standards of his courses and the high esteem to which he had personally raised Dalhousie's accountancy curriculum is the exemption granted Dalhousie B.Com. graduates with major in accountancy from writing intermediate examinations in Nova Scotia.

In 1956, Prof. Berman was appointed statistician on the Royal Commission for Automobile Insurance, the report of which was expected to be made public within the next month or so.

Bill Berman's friendliness and love of people were the driving spirit behind the formation of the Commerce Company in 1953. His Commerce students looked to him as their teacher in the broadest sense of the word.

A memorial service was held Thursday afternoon at Shaar Shalom Synagogue and burial was in Montreal on Sunday. For the university, President A. E. Kerr and Dean W. J. Archibald were present; former students Fred Ogilvie and Richard Brookfield were asked by the Council of Students and Commerce Company respectively to be their representatives.

In this man, who always placed the welfare of his students first, Dalhousie had found a great teacher; now he is gone.