Tuesday, October 19, 1954

Diary

of

Sam

To to the office of the

Spectator, didst fine great activity;

all at work. This prospect being distasteful to me I thus proceeded

to the James wherein one may ever

find a strange assembly content at their indolence. Espied one band,

apart from the rest, intent on arm-

ouring themselves, as in readiness for battle. Upon inquiry I do find it is the Tabbies, Dull's resurgent warriors. After dinner upon the

water to Bolt., thence by coach to

the arena wherein I find great joy

and talk to overthrowal. A great

shout do arise as the multitude witness a new order of Tabby tyranny. They do crush Cutwater

by dint of superior strategems and

cunning use of the reserve legion

in command of my Lords Murderer

and Keen. A resounding triumph on the plain and one from which I gain great satisfaction having pre-viously perused The Daily Wail

viously perused The Daily Wail and finding therein an opinion ex-

pressed by one Greener (the usur-

per of my name and copyright during my late absence). Wherein he didst shew continued bad sense

by selecting the Fleet triumphant over the Tabbies. May he now

Oct. 11. (Thanksgiving) Up at

noon, this being a holiday, resolved to spend the day in my chambers. No news stirring. Didst dine with my poor wife who expressed a de-

sire to go to the Ball this evening.

After dinner to the Ball, my wife remaining at home. Therein many

comely wenches, said by some to be from Dull, though I know not

how, having seen none but a few

before. Passing strange how a few foreigners do bring forth these nocturnal creatures into their na-

tive element. A successful Ball

whence I took my leave about one of the clock it being dark and foul

Oct. 12. By coach to Dull, under

make everlasting tribute to the valor of the Tabbies in their recent

Oct. 13. This morning didst hear

the politicians son, their leader. Rumours of a lot unfolded to over-

prevail do more to the injury than

the profit of the proprietor. At noon to my booksellers for a sci-ence manual which is now mightily

called for: and what heretofore sold for \$3.00 I now give \$5.00. Thus mightily displeased to my home partake but lightly of a

draught of sack, the same so gen-erously provided me by the Spec-

And so to bed.

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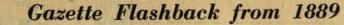
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Oct. 9.

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Gradually Dalhousie has been throwing off her share of our heritage from the dark ages, and has been adopting new ideas and methods of instruction, but still she clings persistently to some which, in our humble opinion, might be advantageously abolished. We refer particularly to the large number of subjects laid down in our curri-culum as constituting a college course at Dalhousie. Here to be eligible for the degree of B.A. we are compelled to dabble in some twenty subjects and pass upwards of twenty-five examinations, and he who has undergone these ordeals in our university knoweth well that they are no mockery. To be sure the pass mark is very low, too low in fact, but would it not be far better to reduce the number of subjects and raise the mark. This is the plan on which the University of Edinburgh is constructed. Edinburgh is constructed.

Compared with our existence here, we imagine Edinburgh must be the students Paradise. Seven subjects in all constitute an Arts course. With regard to these seven the laws are as those of the Medes and Persians, but there is at the present a commission sitting in Edin-burgh with a view to revising the existing rules regarding compulsory subjects, and so they will soon enjoy all the advantages of an elective swatem. The page more at Edinburgh is we believe sitzy. system. The pass mark at Edinburgh is, we believe, sitxy.

Now take a glance at our Arts course. In this we are compelled to take thirteen rigidly assigned subjects and seven electives, twenty in all, being nearly three times the number required by the University after which history asserts Dalhousie was modelled. Here the students course is one of the most diverse subjects, during the greater part of his college career he is compelled to dip into mathematics, classics, response and philosophy his mind is distructed with an infinite variety science and philosophy, his mind is distracted with an infinite variety of pabulum which it is called upon to digest, and in due time he comes out from the mills of the gods a B.A. with a smattering of knowledge but without an education.

We admit that our lot has fallen in pleasant places compared with that of our predecessors, but we are the more desirous that our successors should enjoy still greater advantages, and that at no distant date we may be able to point to our Alma Mater as having a more advanced and enlightened system of education than any University in the Maritime Provinces.

How to Bag a Moose Without a Gun

Ran into a French Canadian army officer a while back who, between gulps of a well known beverage, was trying to impress a few awe-struck individuals with his ideas on the art of hunting. He was saying that he know how to kill a moose without the aid of a gun. In actual fact, he claimed that he caught this particular beast with a fishing tackle.

Pennypincher

For the benefit of Dalhousie stu-dent organizations the Gazette is pleased to supply the following instructions on how they may buy three five-cent rulers from the Campus Book Store, operated by Mr. Roy Atwood.

In order to avoid confusion, the louring skies and threat of rain. To the Coffee-house infinite full of patrons who didst and shout of rugby. The fever is rampant, they Majesty's services or a government department, to wit:

1. Phone Bernie Sawyer, the secretary-treasurer of the Council of Students, to see if he'll be available to sign an order form.

great news of a rousing meeting of the rabble. 'Twas called by Tap throw Inforest and clean up the Coffee-house. A most worthy sug-gestion, for such conditions as do missioner of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia.

3. Ambush Mr. Sawyer when he returns home and extract therefrom, three copies of the order form.

- Get one copy signed by 4. (i) Mr. Saywer
 - (ii) Get second copy signed by business manager of organization.
- Take third copy to book (iii) store and have it re-ceipted by Mr. Atwood.

Campus Comment

SHOULD INITIATION BE RESTORED TO DALHOUSIE-

I think myself that Initiation is a very good thing, especially in a large university like Dalhousie; that is to say, if the razzing isn't carried too far. The placards are a good way to find out the name a good way to find out the names of the other freshmen, and people what he will say, do, or, think, that meet in funny circumstances often form close friendship.

Gerry Proudfoot, (1st year Dal Junior) *

Yes, I certainly hope that initia-tion will be restored to Dalhousie. I was very disappointed on arriv-ing here and finding that there was to be no initiation. It is a definite part of college life and I had look-ed forward to it so much. I know that I would have met more people, and had more fun that I have through the usual college activi-

Heather MacKay

t let down this year because there was no initiation. As far as being in Residence goes, there are many new Masters Students and Student Nurses, and it's hard to tell them from the freshmen. I remember that in my first year, we were al-ways doing something during the first week, but the freshmen the freshmen became was a something during the their first week, but the freshmen this year looked so bored. I even no- and a girl into the bargain, did not ticed a couple doing English I themes over the weekend !!

Barb Chepeswick (Senior)

We, at King's, had a dandy initi-ation, and I think Dal would have done well to follow suite. In my opinion, it lowers a University standard not to have initiation. welcoming week is good, but it doesn't mean too much without some razzing. After you have left college, many things are forgotten, but you never forget your first week, and the friends you made through Initiation.

Ken Abbot, (King's)

We definitely feel that Initiation should be restored at Dal. Our first week was nothing like we expected -we were looking forward to having a good time. If we had to go through Initiation right now, we'd be all for it; and as for the axle grease in our hair, etc., well, we were thinking of getting brush cuts, anyway!!

Rodney Crooks Webster Campbell, (Freshmen)

As Charlie watched, the poor thing backed up against a tree, and he rubbed, and he rubbed, and he rubbed, and he rubbed. As Charlie

-Woody Woodpecker.



Let me introduce Willie, the most average guy on the Dalhousie Campus. He is of average height, average weight, average intellieach other well enough to vote for their class officers. Incidentally, Willie felt that this was a rather gence and average opinions. In-deed, Willie is so average that he doesn't exist, except in my mind, because I have created him, I am lamentable situation. He told me this in strictest confidence. what he will say, do, or, think, about things in general. I think Willie will be of great assistance to all of us, because he has that rare But, while Willie could see at first why the Frosh indignation was apparently justified, he decided, being of average intelligence, faculty of being so average that have faculty of being so average that he can see both sides of a question without stressing a case more heavily on one side than the other. If you knew Willie you wouldn't like him at all, because he won't are a discussed with you. to look at the situation from the side of the poor befoozeled senior. Willie told me that for a girl she had some gumption (guts to you). Willie, saw in the Council con-stitution, that a Freshman repre-sentative would be elected from the agree or disagree with you. He is a very uninteresting person. About all that can be said about Willie outgoing Council to serve the new students coming to Dalhousie in the Fall. He, also, learned that she was one of the three that were is that he gets around, and because he is so uninteresting you don't bother to see him. I am the only person who knows him, and that is because I am average like Willie. He tells me things and I will tell

returned to the Council from the previous year. He thought that because she had Council experience she could perhaps represent the Freshman Class after all, even if she was a girl. Willie, also, felt that the Freshmen needed a guiding hand when they were so unacquainted with each other, and because everything about Dalhousie was so new to them, whether they knew it or not. Willie told me that the Freshmen had lots of class spirit, and he thought that this would be the class that would abolish the use of the term "student apathy" from the campus for all After all, what would she know about the Freshmen class? They even went so far, Willie told me, Ne:

Next week when difficulties in this department have been settled, to vote by a majority of six, that the aforesaid girl take their com-plaint to the very next meeting of the Students' Council. This being done without their class officers the state of the says.

Missioners to Hold Interviews

The missioners will be in the following rooms from 2 to 3 p.m. for the duration of the mission, in order that students so desiring may have interviews with them:

Mrs. Scott-Room 151 Arts & Administration Building.

Mr. Gordon - S.C.M. Office, Men's Residence

Canon Isherwood—Room 337 Arts & Administration Biulding.

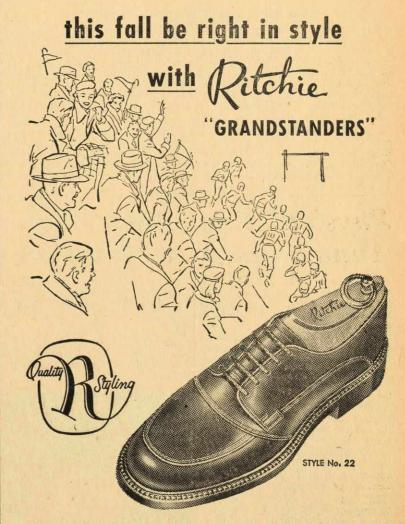
Dr. Graham—Forrest Building Arangements have been made to follow up results of the mission in discussion groups.

Canon Isherwood was educated at Preston Grammar School and Brasenose College, England. He obtained a B.A. and M.A. at Oxford, and was Professor of System-atic Theology at Wycliffe College, Toronto, for several years. He was Home Secretary for the Church



CANON T. W. ISHERWOOD

School of Missions in Toronto. In 1948 he became Rector of St. Paul's, Halifax and the following Missionary Society in London, year Honorary Canon of All Saints England, and Director of Canadian Cathedral, Halifax.



and on one of these twiris the line got caught. And when Charlie looked to see what it had caught on, he came quite close to fainting. The line had wrapped itself around the neck of a moose, and from the look on its face, Charlie decided there were other places a hit safer there were other places a bit safer. But, for some reason or another, he couldn't seem to let go of his end of the line. The moose took a couple of seconds to get his bear-ings and then charged. Poor Char-

creature.

lie, he didn't know which way to turn. With the moose bearing down on him, he became frantic. He had to do something. Just then 2. Pay for it with your own money and get a receipt marked paid, and sworn to before a com-missioner of the Supreme Court of second and then let her go — but through some twist of fate, the elements came into contact with the back and there hanging on the wall is the back end. And, oh, that poor the old familiar moosehead.

It seems that one day Charlie Problems of a Pennypincher Pennypincher from the ordinary-he twirled the line around his head several times, and on one of these twirls the line

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the fifteen cents.

Walter Raleigh

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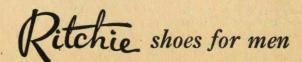
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