



The Campus Roundup

by Windy O'Neill

POEME

"Our Upper Strata Was Once On The Rocks".

I come from La Belle Nova Scotia,
Rum running was once here supreme,
And in its stealth, fine families gained wealth,
But now claim it was only a dream.

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Every year, to see how our choppers are faring under frequent applications of Dr. Oland's Pain Killer, we visit The Dalhousie Dental Clinic. The service is good, the work expert, and most important, the cost is low. We once had the occasion to visit a dentist in the Province of Quebec for reattachment of a bridge removed by an expert in a round table discussion. In sticking his head in our mouth, he went ecstatic over the dental work therein. As a matter of fact, it took his breath away. After he came to, he was mighty surprised that such expert work was done by dental students.

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The Dent boys do most of the work for the local children's homes and we understand that Dal students are welcome—many do take advantage of the low cost and convenient appointments. It is heartening to see all the fine little children from the local orphanages getting such conscientious treatment and to observe the youngsters' deportment. There must have been fifty kids in the room the day we were there, and there was nary a whimper to be heard. For these toothy-grin children this was a holiday.

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After witnessing the yowls and screams of youngsters with parents and nice homes, having their monthly haircut, we wonder if these future citizens from the homes are so bad-off, after all. Though they receive loving care from the good social workers, Sisters and teachers in charge, they would never be spoiled. On top of this, these children learn to iron out problems with their associates at an early age.

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Adding to the decor with the feminine touch is popular Kay Stack. She is in her final year and her work of last session brought an eagerly sought scholarship. Although she is certainly no frail frail, Kay found difficulty at last year's clinic in yanking pestiferous molars from the more robust eateries, so, last summer she determined to strengthen her good right arm by squeezing a rubber ball at every possible occasion (this is an exercise recommended by physio-therapists and many athletes).

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Kay told us that it worked great and that she has since become the Arm-Wrestling Champion of Cape Breton, where she worked last summer on the mobile dental unit. However, we would like to warn her of the dangers of overdoing this exercise. We spent one vacation working at a summer hotel in the Ontario Muskoka district. This particular hostelry catered to an older clientele who usually paid their fare in thousand dollars bills. About the only diversion at this peaceful place was an array of inviting-looking one-arm bandits. On a clear day the steady whirl-click-click-click of the slot machines could be heard over the furious clashing of knitting needles.

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At the end of the summer, one could easily distinguish those wayward old ladies who had indulged in the gambling. One arm would be thin and emaciated, while the slot-machine arm would hang out of the sleeveless dresses, muscles bulging and rippling on the overdeveloped forearm and bicep. Ha! Again demonstrated that crime does not pay. Watch out, Kay—no squeeze-da-ball too much!

It's Three O'clock In The Morning

No Dave, please, we must go home. I know it's hard to stay on this narrow sidewalk but you just grab my arm now, that's it, and we'll manage.

Dave, it's three a.m., don't sing that song so loudly. Alright, so the fellows at the club thought it was funny, but I don't think the neighbors are going to appreciate it at this time of the morning. Sure Dave, you were the life of the party, especially when you danced on the banquet table, and I agree, the president had no reason to get sore—it might have been the dessert you poured down his neck instead of a mere cocktail. Oh well, it was time he went home anyway.

Oh Dave, I'm sorry! I didn't mean to push you into the gutter—but I tripped over that cigarette butt. Here, let me brush you off! Dave! If you call me just one more of those names I won't help you anymore. So it is your best suit, but you needn't be mad about it. I said I was sorry, and you can have it cleaned tomorrow.

I think it would be fine to take some flowers home to the little woman Dave, but you can't get them at this hour of the morning. No Dave! Some back here! Get out of that flower bed! Oh Dave—you trampled that lovely rose bush—what would the owner say? It's alright to pick the flowers but please stop pulling them up by the roots. Oh, or, what's that? a

light? It is Dave—a light—in the upstairs window. It just came on! Let's go Dave. Leave the flowers, you don't want any more. Look—the downstairs lights—he's coming out after us Dave. Stop that swearing and come on—you've already wrecked two flower beds. Oh look—he's coming out—let's go!

Hurry Dave, hurry—he's gaining on us. No, don't stop and apologize, just run. Come on Dave, come on! No, Dave, no, no, no...

All right Dave, take it easy—just one more block—that's it. Sure, I know you played football at college, Dave, but why did you tackle him? He wasn't playing football. I won't shut up, and I hope your jaw does hurt! Oh stop worrying about your sore nose, what I want to know is how I'm going to explain this shiner to my wife.

NOTICE

The Newman Club will hold its first meeting Sunday, Oct. 16, in the Club rooms at the Corner of Barrington and Harvey Sts. Since plans for the coming year will be discussed, all members should come, especially those who started Dal this year.

ISS Seminar Success

It was once pointed out that it is cultural understanding which is one of the main factors not only in averting war but also in cementing peace. With this understanding goes, of course, intellectual freedom; and more than that, a freedom to express one's thoughts without fear of consequences.

It was with this in mind that the Second International Student Service Seminar came together. It was this very idea which was the keynote of its success... an idea so vital to any gathering of this type and so very important especially at the present time, particularly to those who had not always known such a privilege. It was therefore, the aim of the ISS to bring together students from all parts of the world to attend a gathering in which perfect freedom of thought was guaranteed.

Thus 120 students representing fifteen nationalities met at Castle Bouvigne near Breda in Holland, for a period of five weeks.

The Seminar was not a summer school; it did not pretend to be a training ground for specialists, nor did it hope to make better economists, better historians out of its participants. But what it did try to do was to prepare the way to make its members better citizens of the world, better members of their respective communities, by showing that a true understanding, arrived at by examining many points of view, can break the barriers which keep people apart, which allow them to build up prejudices and which make them hostile to each other.

Music Appreciation

On Tuesday evening, at 8:00, the Music Appreciation Group will meet in Shirreff Hall. The program will include Brahms' Symphony No. 1 in C major, Bach's Piano Concerto in F minor, and Handel's Great Elopement Ballet Suite.

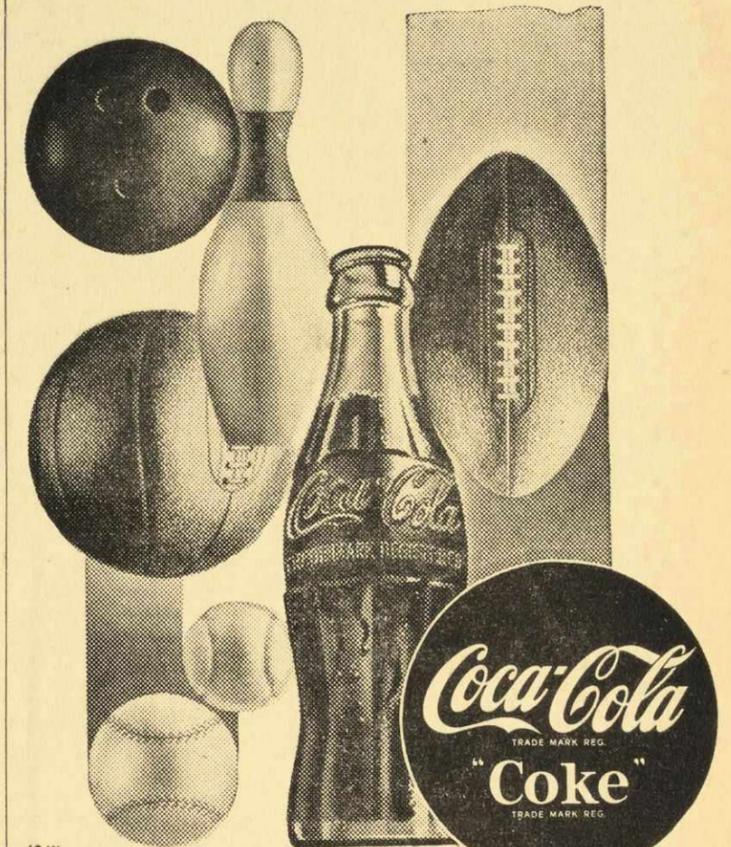
The group has been formed for those who enjoy listening to music; it is neither a class nor a study group.

SCM Opens Activities

Miss Helen Burlton, a secretary of the Student Christian Movement of Canada will introduce the SCM in its world-wide role.

Those attending will also be introduced to the methods of group study which many here at Dalhousie have found tremendously significant. The open-house begins with singing at eight p.m. in the men's residence, on Sunday, October 16.

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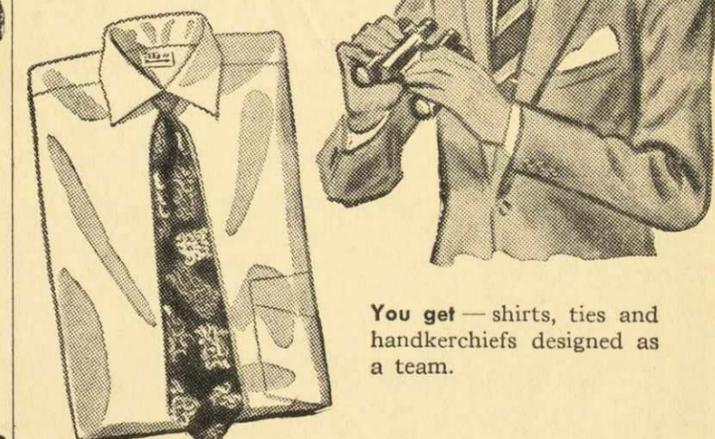
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