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COLLEGE SPIRIT

We type this editorial in the fervent hope that the student body will put a lie to it. This column will be locked in the press sometime this evening. Three days from now the Dal Tigers will journey to Truro for their first football game with Navy—a very important game. To date ONE ticket has been purchased by a student (may he enjoy everlasting happiness) for the return trip. How loud and hard can he cheer by himself? It's lonely on a strange field when there is no student encouragement from the stands. In this age of Individualism and Self-Sufficiency it may be the accepted thing. But we're old-fashioned and don't expect a team to glorify us by playing and winning a game, and supplement their athletic endeavours by also cheering themselves on. Our concept of college sports life has always been based on certain principles. If you can play, play hard, clean and to the best of your ability, and if you can't, bolster the team with your cheers and fullhearted support from the sidelines. We could be wrong. And this editorial could be in error. We hope so.

UNITED NATIONS DAY

The General Assembly of the United Nations has set aside October 24 as United Nations Day, to be celebrated the world over. On this day, four long years ago, the ratification of the Charter had been deposited and the organization took form.

In a sense this idea of observation is a good one. If properly respected it will serve to remind the peoples of the world that the United Nations is "the chief force that holds the world together against all conflicting strains that are pulling it apart."

Perhaps the observance of Remembrance Day and a United Nations Day within a period of three weeks will serve to awaken the nations of the world to the grave responsibility that is theirs and to a desire for lasting world peace.

WELL RECEIVED

No doubt the recent success of the Halifax Opera School's *Don Giovanni* was a relief to the Press Club, who were sponsoring the performance and therefore responsible financially for it, but it should also be a source of no little rejoicing to the good burghers of this town.

Those interested in Music who are unfortunate enough to have lived here for the last ten years have had to subsist almost entirely on lesser concerts such as those performed under the auspices of the Community Concerts, the Ladies' Musical Club and, of course, our own Glee Club. These are excellent in their own way; the artists are good and in Dalhousie's case, amateur performances are as good as any in the country. But most people expect a city of a hundred thousand souls to do just a little bit better.

There are disadvantages: Halifax has no good theatre in which travelling companies could reasonably perform. Civic enterprise has not yet reached the point where a representative community groups undertakes to promote music and the theatre.

But the first step has been taken with Mr. Vetra's *Don Giovanni*, and with the efforts of ballet schools last spring. But not always will there be a private society such as the Press Club available to assume the responsibility that should rest on public shoulders.

Perhaps eventually we will have a theatre in Halifax, and performances to put in it. Until that time comes we at Dal are grateful to the Press Club and similar organizations who sponsor the few good performances we are lucky enough to see, especially if all will let students in for a quarter.

Letter to the Editors

Dear Sir:

Upon my return to the campus this fall, I noticed with pleasure that the book store was now the book store. I pictured myself whipping quickly into the store, and in fifteen minutes emerging

with books for all of my six courses.

Instead, I spent well over an hour in there last Tuesday, and emerged with not one piece of literature. Perhaps I'm taking the wrong courses, or maybe I should have attempted to obtain my books

U. S. Bars Professor

By DICK BAIDEN
(CUP) Staff Writer

KINGSTON, Ont. — "The smear tactics of the United States Officials are a denial of the whole tradition of the western world since Renaissance," declared Dr. Glen Shortcliffe in a statement given to the Queen's Journal this week. He was commenting on a news dispatch from St. Louis which stated that he had been denied admission to the United States to accept a post at Washington University.

Granted one year's leave of absence from Queen's to fill a position at the American university, Prof. Shortcliffe applied for a U.S. visa last May.

Following the arrival of the visa last June, Dr. Shortcliffe established legal residence in the United States and then returned to Canada. It was at this time, he stated that the immigration department refused to readmit him into the U.S. asserting that every entry of a non-citizen is a separate entry and that Prof. Shortcliffe had therefore incurred a new investigation.

No decision had been released by the immigration authorities by the end of July, thereby excluding any possibility of Dr. Shortcliffe assuming his duties at Washington University.

Commenting on these events, Dr. Shortcliffe stated: "During all this time, no specific charge has been laid against me, nor has any evidence been produced. In refusing to readmit me to my legal residence in the United States, the immigration officer contented himself with stating that I was suspected of having ideas inimical to the public interest of that country."

"The fact is, as the U.S. officials are fully aware, that I have been a strong critic of Communism and of the Soviet Government, some of whose policies I described in a coast-to-coast broadcast on the C.B.C. as the "cruel stupidity which is the ultimate logic of the totalitarian mind". But I have refused to join in an equally stupid campaign of hysteria which seeks to divert attention from our own social inadequacies by blaming them on a conspiracy in the Kremlin.

"Moreover I have strongly criticized some aspects of an American foreign policy, whose failing in my opinion, have been eloquently demonstrated by recent events in China.

"If these criticisms are offences affecting my admissibility into the United States, I not only consent to plead guilty, I insist upon doing so. I would not now go to live in that country if I could; I prefer to remain in the free world.

The United States government has the same right as any other government to run any kind of country so long as it can secure the consent of the population; but it has no moral right to continue to advertise that country as something that it is not."

The order barring Dr. Shortcliffe stated that he was excluded temporarily "as a person whose entry is prejudicial to the interests of the United States". Dr. Shortcliffe has been persuaded to resume his teaching at Queen's this fall despite his previous intention of going to France to engage in research work.

earlier, but I cannot help thinking that there must be others in the same situation.

I appreciate the University's efforts to give better service in their book store, but now that better space arrangements have been made, some attention should be directed to the prime purpose of the store—the sale of books.

Hoping I won't have to get through all my courses on someone else's books, I am,
Yours truly,

L. C.



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