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STUDENTS CELEBRATE MUNRO DAY

We Recall The Events And News Stories Of 1952-53

By H. L. S.

Munro Day is here again. To the student body of Dalhousie, this day signifies the last big event before the Spring Examinations. To the Gazette it marks number 39 — the issue before the last. Due to that fact we, who edit the News Page would like to give you a brief rundown on what happened during 1952-53.

Last Fall can be memorable to all of you with the eruption of the NFCUS question, and the Student Forum when the Medical School, en masse, came to Studley Campus, in order to voice their opinions on that very subject. Then do you re-call that two of Dalhousie's top athletes, Andy MacKay and Bob "Gupper" Goss, captured the two big awards given each year in the Halifax and District Football League? The team, however, just failed to regain the title by losing a "heartbreaker" to the highly rated Stad. Remember, when the Class of '55 nominated Jans Wilson as their Class Queen, and the Gazette introduced the Gazette Masquerade? These items, along with others brought up the question of the poor attendance at the Friday Night Dal Dances, which in turn rehashed the topic of "student apathy". Everything shut down after the Senior Class Ball, with the exception of Roy's, who made a double profit on students drinking coffee before the examinations. Oh, by the way, do you remember those? The general comment was, "who wants to".

After Christmas, dust was swept away from the desks, marks were hung up in the Lower Gym, for all and sundry to gaze upon, and English 2 themes were again in full swing. When everyone's blood pressure came down to normal once more, Roger Cyr and his Blood Campaign, endeavored to eke out every drop from patriotic students. For week the Gazette screamed the headlines "Support the Blood Drive" or the more urgent plea to "Conserve Your Blood for the 28th and 29th." The result was a 58.9 percentage topping all previous records across the Canadian Universities, but Acadia, bleed out a percentage over 60 and promptly announced that Dalhousie was "full of prunes". To which Dalhousie replied "sour grapes", and told them that they were not even in competition with Universities having enrolment over 600.

From there, the Conservatives dealt a mortal blow to Stevenson's Liberals in the Law School, Mock Parliament, and the more sports-minded voiced their satisfaction of Dalhousie's hockey and basketball teams, by attending games. Debating resumed, the Glee Club and the Dramatic Club were once more hard at work, Dalhousie Radio finally got on the air, minus the Dalhousie Hymn as the theme song, and "Sunova Beach" came hot from the press. Stage crew was slaving day and night on new props for "School For Husbands", both of which were presented to the public, whose response was not as good as the play most assuredly deserved. With exception of the engineers, who were always active, we began to look ahead to elections, and the various faculties on the campus were lookin' over the territory for the candidate for Campus Queen.

So, now McConnell and Davison, along with their new Council have been elected by the student body for next year, and the "point-getters" are looking forward to having a "D" placed in their little hands, come Munro Day. All of which brings us to the conclusion. "Thank goodness", you say? But, please read on for just one more paragraph!

This is to say goodbye. We have had a more than stimulating year

**ATTENTION
THIS
WEEK**

There will be a most important meeting of all Freshmen, and Freshie-Sophs, to be more specific all of you who were initiated last Fall, in Room 234 of the Arts and Administration Building, Thursday at 12. The main business on the agenda will be the election of an Initiation Committee for next year, composed of ten members, plus a Chairman. Since this is one of the most enjoyable committees to work on, a large attendance is urged.

An urgent plea to all students in Arts & Science: In order to have an election of officers for next term there must be a quorum of over 100 students at an Arts & Science meeting, scheduled for Room 234 in the Arts and Administration at 12 p.m. on March 19. More than ever attendance is stressed for this meeting. Let it not be said that our Faculty cannot even get enough students together in order to have their elections!

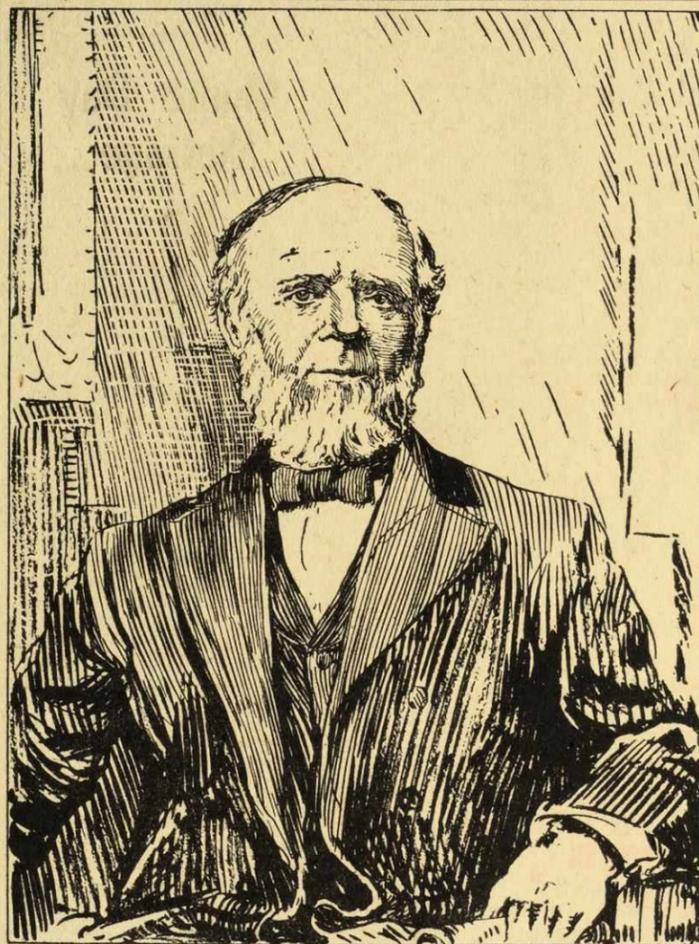
Would the person who borrowed my wallet from a coat in the Chem. Building, please return same, keeping the change in it as a reward for their honesty.—Carol Vincent.

Last Sociology Club meeting for the year will be held March 11 at 8 p.m. in the Haliburton Room of King's College. Special speaker will be Captain Kristjenfon.

Bulletin

The Honourable Robert H. Winters, Minister of Resources and development in the federal government, will speak to the Dalhousie Liberal Club at 4.30 p.m. next Wednesday, March 11, in Room 130 of the Arts Building. All students welcome.

bringing the news, on and about, the Campus to you. Whether you have enjoyed reading it, as much as we enjoyed writing it, we don't know, we can only hope that you have. Overlooking the unhappier incidents of the year, I believe that the News staff at any rate, has gained a wealth of experience, both in the realm of newspaper work, in human nature, which is invaluable. What next year will bring—I do not know, a new Editor, a new staff, a new layout—who can say? Only this—goodbye, thank you, and all the very best to each and every one of the students at Dalhousie.



The above is a picture of George Munro, native of Pictou County, Nova Scotia, and famous publisher. It was through his financial aid to this College, that it is the flourishing institution it is today. Since Dalhousie at that time was a non-sectarian college it had no support forthcoming from any public funds.

Dalhousie Survival Owed To Munro; Teacher and Publisher

The foundation of Dalhousie exemplified a new ideal, the conception that a liberal education was an end in itself. It was not supported by any religious group. From the very beginning it was non-denominational. Its doors were open to all without respect to race, creed or color. Today this seems commonplace; in 1818 the year of our foundation, it was a revolutionary idea.

Because it was at variance with the sentiments of the day, lack of public support prevented it from its doors until 1838, and then only for five years. In 1863, with temporary support from the Presbyterian Church, it made a second attempt. The only reason it succeeded was George Munro.

At a time when the College was struggling to exist he came to its aid with funds to found chairs, and to establish scholarships and bursaries open to the youth of Nova Scotia who had the desire and ability to secure a college education.

George Munro was a country lad, born in Pictou County, who, when a mere child became a printer's apprentice, later a school teacher and finally a publisher. He knew hardship and struggle. When he achieved success he passed back the fruits of his labors in order that the youth of his native province would have the chance he had lacked, but fondly cherished.

Munro Day at Dalhousie should be one of thankfulness and reverence. Thankfulness should be in every heart for the privileges we enjoy because of George Munro and the host of benefactors who succeeded him; reverence for the men who cherished freedom of thought and high scholarship and give so liberally of their substance to support them.

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Munro Day Timetable

- 9.00 a.m.—Skating Session
- 10.00 a.m.—Hockey — Champs vs. All Stars
- 11.00 a.m.—Pi Beta Phi vs. Zeta Psi (Hockey)
- 12.00 a.m.—Skating Session
- 1.00 p.m.—Rink Rats Show
- 2.00 p.m.—Inter-fac Basketball
- 3.45 p.m.—Campus Queen Contest
- 4.45 p.m.—Quartet Contest
- 7.30 p.m.—Munro Day Show
- 9.00 p.m.—Presentation of New Council Speaker from Alumni
- 9.45 p.m.—Presentation of "D's" and Special Awards
- 10.00 p.m.—Crowning of Queen
- 10.30 p.m.—Refreshments
- 11.00 p.m.—Dance

Applications For WUSC Seminar

Application forms are now available for those interested in attending the W.U.S.C. seminar in India this summer. The group of delegates will be leaving by plane June 1st and will return the middle of August. After the seminar is over there will be a tour of India for the delegates. The whole trip will be a wonderful experience. Any Dalhousie student who will be returning to the campus next year is eligible to apply. Applications, which can be obtained from Professor Doull's office, must be in the hands of the committee by April 1st in order to give the selection committee plenty of time to choose the delegate.

At a meeting of the W.U.S.C. committee Monday night, a selection committee was chosen, and other business relating to the seminar was discussed. The group held a very interesting talk on Universities in Korea given by Dr. Paul S. Yu, who is connected with our Med school.

Convocation Activity Plans Finalized For May 8, 9, 10

Plans have now been all but finalized for the activities accompanying this year's graduation. The student convocation committee have been busy planning a number of events, including of course, the Convocation Ball, to make the 1953 graduation a successful one.

The Flunkers' Frolic is scheduled for the Friday before Convocation, May 8. It will take place in the Gymnasium. Fred Covey's orchestra will supply the music. Tickets available from the committee members are \$1.25.

The Convocation service is taking place this year in the First Baptist Church on Oxford Street on the evening of May 10.

The Graduation Banquet will take place in the Nova Scotian Hotel on May 9. It is not known yet who will be the guest speaker. Tickets for this will be \$3.00.

The Convocation Ball will take place the following evening, May 10, which is the day of graduation. Don Warner's full orchestra will be in attendance. Tickets for this will be \$3.50.

Tickets and other information about these events are available from members of the committee. They are Andy McKay, Estelle

McLean, Sally Roper, Benny Goodridge, Bill Haley, Barb Walker, Bill Schwartz and Heather Martin. Tickets will also be available from Al (Butsy) O'Brien. Students are requested to get their tickets early to assist the committee.

The two dances are open to all students, whether they are graduating this year or not.

Annual Meds Ball March 13

The Annual Medical Ball will be held at the Nova Scotian Hotel on Friday, March 13. Dancing will be from 9-1 and Don Warner's Orchestra will supply the music.

Tickets may be obtained from the Dean's office, Dave Janigan, Fred Prince, Pom Edgett and Carl Mader. The charge will be \$3.00 for those in the Medical Faculty and \$5.00 for outsiders. Students are reminded that there will be no corsages. This Ball is one of the highlights in the year of all medical students, so they are urged to get their tickets now and plan to attend as it promises to be a big success.