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BALL"

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Arts and Science Holding "Studley Ball" In Gym Tonight

The Faculty of Arts and Science are holding their annual dance in the gym. tonight. This first Dalhousie dance of the New Year, backed strongly by the Studleyites, promises to be a gala occasion for all the college Joes and their Joans who attend.

A very special wish for full attendance from the Forrest Campus is sincerely the aim of the Arts and Science students, who want their dance to be a step in breaking down the faculty banners of the two campuses and to promote friendship between all Dalhousians.

Jerry Naugher's orchestra will be there to supply music which assures dancing pleasure, and as an added attraction there will be soft lights! The decorations will include pencil sketches of many well known students of Dalhousie.

The chaperones for the dance will be: Dr. and Mrs. Forhan, Prof. and Mrs. Bennet, and Dr. and Mrs. Hayes.

Boys! Be sure to turn out with your "Dalhousie Dream Girl" and enjoy this dance, so carefully planned by: Connie Archibald, Jack Boudreau, Barbara White, "Jo" Robertson, Art. Hartling, Jean Stirling and the drawings by Ken Burns.

Plans Arranged for Debating Activities Throughout Term

At long last interfaculty debating is a reality. Within the next two or three weeks it is hoped to commence these great battles of wit and loquacity. At this writing there are entries from Arts and Science, Engineering, and Law. Any others wishing to participate are welcome to do so, but entries must be in by Tuesday, Jan. 16. On that date teams will be chosen and subjects named and a schedule worked out.

Debating Trials

At the same time Sodales will hold trials for intercollegiate competition in the Arts building at 12.00. Those trying for positions on the two teams may discuss, pro and con, the topic, "Resolved that British policy is to the best interests of the United Nations," speeches being no more than five minutes in length.

Four debaters are needed for the two teams, one taking to the airwaves in Halifax, the other carrying the debate to Acadia.

Interfaculty Debates

Interfaculty debating teams will consist of three members each. From Arts and Science there are six entries—Farquhar, Mingo, Sanders, Rattee, Mendelson and Harris.

Representing Engineering are Saffron, Proctor, Sulsky, E. MacDonald, Stewart, and Kinley. Law entries are not definitely known, and nothing has been heard from the Meds, Commerce or Freshmen.

Come on, Dal, let's show a little interest in a vital part of our college activities!

PAINTING EXHIBIT

A loan collection of reproductions of modern paintings available to members of the student body and the staff will be on exhibition in the geology laboratory from Thursday until Tuesday of next week, January 11 to January 16.

OBJECTIONS RAISED AGAINST PROPOSED COMMON ROOM SITE

Students' Council Still Backing Scheme

To date all efforts have failed to gain the University's approval of the students' common room as proposed at the last meeting of the Students' Council, and unanimously endorsed by that body. In a statement to The Gazette, President Art Titus admitted that the University's objections were not so much to the scheme itself, but to its situation in the lower gym in the old band room, which was to be extended and remodeled for the purpose. The President, however, vigorously reaffirmed the determination of the Council to surmount these and any other obstacles and secure for the students the facilities they desire.

Lower Gym Impractical

Briefly, these objections contended that the old band room would be highly unsuitable because:

1. Its extension would cut down the size of the boys' locker room.
2. It would be undesirable, to say the least, to have a recreation center for mixed company within hearing distance of the boys' locker room.
3. The isolated entrance to the band room (a door on the south side of the gym), as well as the isolated character of the band room itself, would prevent any adequate supervision of the activities within the room. Also, it would be difficult to arrange for someone to look after the equipment of the common room.
4. Although no examination of the basement of the gym has been made yet by qualified health authorities, it has been pointed out that the atmosphere of the lower gym might be too damp and musty for continual student congregation there.

Real Objection Not Mentioned

In a reply to the above objections, Arthur Hartling, president of the Glee Club, and the originator of the common room scheme, narrowed them all down to one not mentioned above. It is not a question whether the present proposal is impossible but whether it is necessary.

There is considerable reason for believing that another building, suitable not only for a common room, but for other student facilities as well, may shortly be turned over to the university, even as soon as this coming summer. Foundation for this report has come from several reliable quarters.

Should this transaction take place, any present expenditure on a common room would be futile. Hartling, fully appreciating this situation, is asking the university to make this agreement: 'If definite information regarding the transfer of this building to Dalhousie is not received before July 30th, the University will give the go-ahead signal to his plans as they stand now.'

Our Apologies

The Gazette apologizes to all concerned for its misinterpretation of facts in the student "common room" story published in our last issue. We had been incorrectly informed that council and university authorities had agreed on the proposed construction.

by Dal students as regards taking part in extra curricular activities and ways were sought to combat it. It was felt that most college students do not take sufficient interest in events of national and worldwide importance. The meeting was convinced that increased student participation in such activities as debating and discussions would increase their interest, and, as well, their knowledge. The meeting was further convinced that through co-operation between Sodales and the Round

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Ottawa Orders Disbandment of U. A. T. C. Entire Personnel of Squadron Affected

44 Dalhousie Trainees Discharged; To Be Absorbed in C. O. T. C.

Last week, by an order-in-council from Ottawa, the U.A.S. (University Air Squadron, better known as the University Air Training Corps), was officially disbanded. In conjunction with other college squadrons across the nation, No. 16 Squadron at Dalhousie has ceased to exist, and its forty-four members have been discharged outright. The reason for this action rests in the dissolution of the Empire Air Training Scheme. Since the U.A.S. was inaugurated primarily as a recruiting organization, it was felt that after the Government had discontinued its training of air personnel it had fulfilled its purpose and there was no longer

any need for its existence.

DALHOUSIE DELEGATES RETURN FROM SUCCESSFUL N. F. C. U. S. PARLEYS



Ted King, 3rd year law student, and Don Smith, 3rd year med. student, who were sent by the Students' Council to the N.F.C.U.S. convention, held at the University of Western Ontario, London, in the last week of December. King gave a very interesting report of the activities of the convention to the Council at last Sunday's meeting.

For the benefit of those who are not familiar with the N.F.C.U.S. it is pointed out that a national organization of university students was organized many years back with membership consisting of student bodies from all universities and colleges in Canada. The purpose of this organization is to bring representatives of all student bodies together to air their views on student activities and organizations.

The conference opened at the University of Western Ontario at London on Dec. 28, and lasted till the evening of Dec. 30th. Attending were almost every university in Canada.

Your representatives from Dal were Ted King and Don Smith. All the other representatives were either presidents or members of their respective students' councils.

Interesting Agenda

The agenda: (1.) revision of the N. T. C. U. S. constitution. (2.) Discussion of various students' governments and problems on the campus. (4.) Examination of national selective service and military training regulations on university students. (5.) Discussion of Canadian educational problems from a national viewpoint, and of exchange scholarships. (7.) Election of officers.

Veteran Rehabilitation Considered
A very serious consideration was given to war veteran rehabilitation

YEAR BOOK STAFF

The Editorial Staff of the Dalhousie Year Book ('45 edition) has been assembled and comprises the following:

Co-Editors: Bill Pope and Anetta Goodman.

Asst. Editor: Joyce Nicholson.
Features: Isabel Wilmot.

The Photographic department will be directed by Mary MacDonald, Connie Archibald and Flora Reid, while Alan Blakeney is in charge of Circulation. The

Training Course Continues

Although it had been intimated, even as late as last fall, that the unit would continue regular training at universities as a source of recruits for the peace time air force, both civil and military, as well as an instrument to encourage interest in these forces, all these plans have been rejected by the order of last week. The future of the Air Cadets of Canada is at the present assured, even though its members will now be unable to continue this training at university.

The forty-four members discharged from the U. A. S. at Dalhousie will be required to begin service training immediately in one of the two remaining units. But since the U. N. T. D., not desiring to disturb a prearranged schedule of drills, has refused to accept any of the discharges, this training will have to be taken in the C. O. T. C. The latter unit has agreed to cooperate.

Situation Further Complicated

The recent amendment to University Regulations (which authorized a member of a unit, who has successfully completed two years of training, to undergo only 60 hours of parades in his third year instead of the usual 110 further complicates the situation.

Unable To Pass Tests

According to the latest word available from the military, former U. A. T. C. personnel concerned will be required to pass the army test (T. O. E. T.) at the end of the year in order to secure the privilege of shorter training hours they would otherwise have had, had the U. A. S. not been disbanded. For these tests they have had little or no instruction.

It is quite possible, therefore, that the majority of the discharges will find that their previous training is of little practical benefit and that they will have to begin again from funda-

Happenings at Med School

By PARACELTUS THE GREAT.

The fruits of joining CAMSI are already obvious. Two issues of the CAMSI journal has already reached the medical students and they are accompanied by The Journal of the Canadian Medical Services. Formerly this valuable material was not available here. Moreover the distinct value of a journal expressly for students and written in both English and French is obvious, for it unites medical students not only of different regions but of two languages.

Another phase of student activities to bear fruit is the matter of mimeographed notes. There are in all institutions of learning teachers who are renowned through their inability to give interesting lectures.

The other day the remark was made that all of the professors at medical school give interesting lectures—when those who read notes look up from their reading and launch forth extemporaneously. Not all, of course, read notes to begin with, and some read well. But how much better it would be if all the notes now read out were mimeographed and placed in the hands of all students.

It is a happy thing to see how in more and more subjects mimeographed notes are being used, to free the professor from the necessity of reading word for word and the students from copying their inaccurate reflections of what has been read.