

STUDENT FORUM CALLED FOR THURSDAY NOON IN GYM

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Student Night For
Macbeth
Thursday, Nov. 24



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Public Nights For
Macbeth Friday
and Saturday

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PRIME MINISTER ST. LAURENT ADDRESSES DALHOUSIE MEETING

STUDENT FORUM REQUIRES BIG PARTICIPATION

Next Thursday will see the semi-annual student forum convene in the Gym. For the benefit of new students who may be unfamiliar with this institution it is called for the purpose of presenting a financial report and for receiving individual beefs from the student body.

Former forums have resulted in radical changes or provisions as a result of a complaint by one individual. One forum voted about two thousand dollars in athletic equipment after the D. A. A. C. had discarded the idea of making such purchases.

One need that forums fill is giving the Council powers it does not possess. Only the forum can amend constitutional provisions and only a forum can touch the ten thousand dollar sinking fund, already risen to that figure after expenditures of some seven thousand dollars in the last two years.

Without large attendance the forum is largely a waste of time. Attendance in the last two years has been very great and it is hoped that this year will be no exception.

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. . . Prime Minister St. Laurent

Prime Minister Stresses Confidence In Government

Over a thousand students and members of the faculty gathered in the gym on Saturday to hear an address by the Right Honourable Louis S. Laurent, the new Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. St. Laurent was introduced by the Premier of Nova Scotia, the Honourable Angus L. Macdonald.

Mr. Macdonald reminded his audience of the distinguished career of the Prime Minister, both as a lawyer and statesman, which had given him an unusual insight into the problems of the country, particularly as on of the counsel to the Rowell-Sirois Commission. Before introducing the Prime Minister, Mr. Macdonald, referring to an address given here by the Hon. George Drew a few weeks ago, said that while he would say nothing about the power shortage in Ontario, there was plenty of water in Nova Scotia.

Mr. St. Laurent opened his address by saying that he had come not so much as the Prime Minister of Canada or as Leader of the Liberal Party as he did as a member of Dalhousie University.

The general theme of the address was the necessity for integrity in public life, and confidence on the part of the electorate if the democratic process is to be protected. Mr. St. Laurent referred to a letter he had received after an address, which said that the people look for personality rather than platforms in their public figures, and respect a sound individual more than any party platform.

From this Mr. St. Laurent went on to say that confidence was the basis of the democratic system; unless the people had confidence in a man, that man was unlikely to be elected. On the other hand, there must be integrity and honesty on the part of those in government, otherwise democracy will not function properly.

Speaking about the San Francisco Conference, Mr. St. Laurent pointed out that the Charter of the United Nations, while defective in some ways, was the result of much compromise, and the best result that could have been reached there. The subsequent lack of confidence between the western nations and the Soviet Union and the satellite countries was the reason for the deterioration of international relations since the war.

Where there was no confidence, government became futile, whether in international or domestic matters. It was unfortunate that there was not more confidence in international relations. Because of this, however, war should be immediately anticipated; Soviet Leaders would not start a war unless they felt that they could win it. The Atlantic Pact is designed to act as a check against any possible belligerency on their part, and for this, too, there must be confidence between the nations involved.

There was prolonged applause at the conclusion of the Prime Minister's address. Earle Urquhart, President of the Dalhousie Liberal Club, thanked him on behalf of the students and the club.

APOLOGY

The editors of the Gazette wish to extend a sincere apology to Bernie Creighton for the unwarranted personal references to him which appeared in last Friday's issue of the Gazette.

M. J. Coldwell To Speak At Dalhousie

The Campus C. C. U. F., not to be outdone by the Liberal and Young Conservative clubs at Dal, will play host to National Leader of the C.C.F. Party M. J. Coldwell, who will speak at Dal on the ninth of December. It is unfortunate that the date fixed is as close to exams as it is, but in view of the fact that three quarters of an hour spent profitably is going to have very little effect on exam results, the club has decided to go ahead.

Dalhousie, the first University to receive Mr. St. Laurent and Colonel Drew in their new capacities of Prime Minister and Leader of the Progressive-Conservative Party respectively, will now have the opportunity of hearing the Leader of the C. C. F.

NFCUS Conference Recommends A National Outlook For Society

A resolution recommending that the NFCUS, in the light of present world conditions, and the doubtful aims of IUS, recognize its Canadian character and remain a national institution was passed over the week-end by a Maritime Regional meeting of the NFCUS.

Delegates from Dalhousie were Russ McKinney and Ross Hamilton.

The Resolution:
"Whereas it is the general feeling of this conference that the IUS problem has, in the past, contributed to the detriment of the positive aims and objectives of the NFCUS and:

"Whereas the events of the past summer do not indicate any hope for more successful international undertakings in the immediate future and whereas the fundamental aims of NFCUS are to further the welfare and foster the unity of Canadian students.

"Therefore be it resolved that this conference recommend to the NFCUS National Conference that the immediate activities of NFCUS be confined to national student affairs and a consolidation of our national organization and further be it resolved that we reaffirm our support of ISS by leav-

ing to that organization sole participation for Canadian students in international activity on the student level, until such time as NFCUS, having considered its national status, the international situation, and the condition of ISS feels that direct participation may again be preferable.

NOTICE

The Annual Fall Dance of the Dalhousie Newman Club will be held Friday, Nov. 26,

Students Required To Undergo X-Ray

The X-ray branch of the Dalhousie Student Health Service has not yet been visited by all students of Dalhousie University. This service is an integral, compulsory part of the University, and all students are required to fulfill this obligation.

Any students who have not yet been X-rayed are required to go to the X-ray department in the Tuberculosis Hospital and report the date of their appointment as set by the University.

Mrs. Gladys Strum Expresses High Praise For Price Policies Of Finance Minister Ilesley

The question of price control was discussed by Mrs. Gladys Strum with a group of students in the Munroe room on Thursday. Mrs. Strum, who is the Saskatchewan C. C. F. representative in the house of Commons praised Finance Minister Ilesley for the price controls which he had imposed on us during the year. She termed Ilesley, "One of those men with whom one can disagree but still respect."

"Those who favor free enterprise do not want it to be really free, but just want the subsidies

removed on essentials. We all felt the effects when they were removed from milk and bread. The C. C. F. wanted the subsidies kept on, but it was outnumbered." Mrs. Strum called free enterprise "the boom and bust cycle."

"The freight rate question was very interesting, when it came before the House. The proposed increase of 21% received objections from seven of the provinces, but Central Canada was satisfied because all industry is located there and goods do not have to be shipped far. Mr. Caldwell showed

the need of equalizing the rates, and proposed that the House adjourn for an investigation. Even the Liberals were in favor of this, but when the time came, "they swallowed their words and accused Mr. Caldwell of playing politics." This was the work of Mr. King who favors free enterprise."

Mrs. Strum, who is the only woman in the House of Commons, concluded her talk by urging her listeners to act upon their convictions, and not only to believe in freedom but to act up to their beliefs.