

The Cauldron

by Jim Goring

Extra effort was put forth by some publications across the nation producing a rash of Christmas "literary" issues. Special mention should go to The Manitoban for their articles featuring "Christmas Around the World."

According to The Rotondre, (Universite d'Ottawa) our rich Uncle Louis has a 100 million dollar scheme up his sleeve for education. And we are all feeling the financial pinch.

U.B.C. . . . campaign is begun "the Great Trek" in a province-wide appeal for some relieve from overcrowded facilities.

University of Alberta . . . (The Gateway) . . . a new 1 3/4 million dollar addition to their administration building gets the go ahead.

University of Saskatchewan . . . (The Sheaf) . . . a limit of 450 has been imposed on the freshman engineering class next year due to insufficient facilities.

U. of T. . . . (Varsity) . . . 26 acres (8 city blocks) have been bought adjoining their present campus to be used for future expansion purposes.

Ryerson Institute . . . in November contractors moved onto the campus to begin the million dollar expansion program planned.

O.A.-V.C. & Mac . . . (The Ontarion) . . . students vote overwhelmingly for \$10 hike in fees to begin on a new student union building. Queen's . . . New men's residence (185 rooms) will be built next to McNeill House overlooking the park, the Pen, and the St. Lawrence.

Concerts have hit the news on many camps over the holiday season. St. F.X. (Xavier) . . . topflight entertainment by an outstanding quartet, The Collegians, at their Christmas Concert. "La Chorale" a massive, highly trained choir made news at L'universite Laval in Quebec City. McGill has begun preparation for their mammoth Red and White Revue, scheduled for 7-13 of February. Prof. Murray Adaskin and the Varsity Band packed Convocation Hall at the University of Saskatchewan.

"The Red Mill" is to be put on by Ryerson Institute, Toronto; and Gershwin's "Girl Crazy" will be done by the University of Manitoba, January 28-February 2.

At the Art Centre on the U.N.B. campus, a Festival of Art is planned.

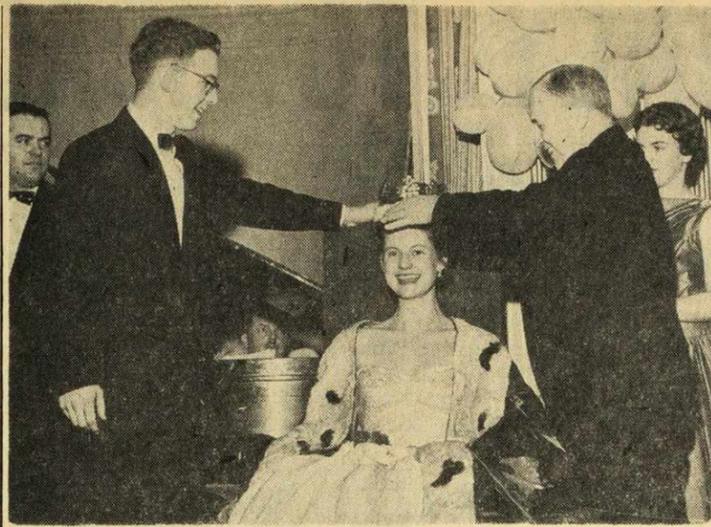
From places near, to one far away, Keio University and the Mita campus in Tokyo, we read, has a winning baseball team this year after nine unsuccessful attempts at the pennant. To celebrate the victory a gigantic lantern parade wended its way back to the campus from Meiji Stadium.

Water sports seem to be coming into their own, with U.B.C.'s Olympic champions home in triumph. And from the Gateway (U. of A.) we hear of intensive practice for the intervarsity swim meet to be held at the University of Saskatchewan.

Now turning to politics . . . it is interesting to note that elections to the S.E.C. at McGill are held in December and not in the spring as we are accustomed. At U.N.B. the Student's Representative Council is hostile towards the misuse of student passes. Confiscation was immediate and \$5 fines levied for the repossession of the passes.

And to end off, the interest in mock parliaments is increasing year by year.

To gain a better insight in the workings of parliament, The University of Saskatchewan held its mock parliament during mid-November. A shaky Liberal administration fell, and the campus saw the C.C.F. party form an immediate government, their cabinet carrying on without a hitch.



Janet Conrad, a Senior Science student, was crowned Arts and Science Queen at the Grand Ball held last week. The above photo shows John Keyston, president of the Arts and Science Society, who presented the Queen, and (left) Dr. Kerr who officiated at the Coronation.

Janet, who is honoring in Science, comes from Dominican Republic. She is a former editor of Pharos and is a past president of Delta Gamma. This year she is president of Alpha Gamma Delta Fraternity and is a member of the Rink Rats Committee.

In the main ballroom of the Lord Nelson Hotel last Wednesday evening, over two hundred students danced to the music of Don Warner and his orchestra at the Arts and Science Ball.

The Grand Ball, the first of its kind in many years of Arts and Science history, was climaxed by the crowning of beautiful Janet Conrad as the Queen of the Arts and Science Society. Attired in an exquisite gown of white, with a red corsage to complete the Arts and Science colours, Miss Conrad was introduced by John Keyston, the president of the Society and crowned by Dr. A. E. Kerr.

Special guests in attendance at the dance were Dr. and Mrs. Kerr, Dean and Mrs. Bennet, and Dr. and Mrs. Chute.

Interfac Debating

Thursday, Jan 24:

Nichols & Vogel, Law v. Darby & Unsworth, Law

Place: Moot Court Room, Law Building

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Chairman: Hugh Coady

Friday, Jan. 25:

Rouleau & Inrig, Law v. Fleming & Sim, Law

Place: Lower Classroom, Law Building

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Chairman: Fran Stanfield

Monday, Jan. 28:

McMahon & MacKenzie, Law v. Jones & Goodfellow, Law

Place: Lower Classroom, Law Building

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Chairman: Ted Reagh

Curlers Open Season

This year for the first time, curling is being held on an interfaculty basis, with all societies represented except Meds, who are unable to participate due to a time conflict.

Contrary to the last issue, curling is on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 12-2 at the Halifax Curling Club. On Wednesday, five faculties are represented, there being one rink each from Arts and Science, Pharmacy, Commerce, Engineering, and two from Law. Thursday has two rinks from Commerce and Engineering, and one from Arts and Science and Dents. As in past years the Thursday section is stronger, which speaks well for the freshman skips, Sandy Ross of the Arts and Science 2 team, Dave Silliphant of Engineering 3, and Jim McInnis of Commerce 1.

Last Thursday the schedule got under way, with the most noticeable result being the two wins that Commerce took from the Engineers. With skips McInnes and Moon playing to perfection, the Moneymen downed the Engineering 3 and I teams 9-3 and 6-3 respectively. In the other game, Sandy Ross had little trouble in leading his Arts and Science 2 rink to a 12-2 win over George Travis and his inexperienced Dent Quartet.

What They Say...

Easily one of the most important questions to be settled this year is the problem as to whether the Council fee should be raised.

One of the lowest council fees in Canada, the present \$13 rate is, according to our student government, not sufficient to meet the demands of the ever-widening range of activities.

In answer to the questions "The costs of running student activities have greatly increased in the last few years. Do you think a raise in council fees would be the remedy to this and are you in favour of such a raise?" the following Dalhousians replied:

Carolyn Potter, Arts: "Yes, I think so. After all, it is the students who will benefit by the increase, and if the council needs more money to operate efficiently it is the duty of the students to cooperate."

Hilroy Nathanson, Law: "Yes, I definitely do think the fee should be raised."

Mike McCulloch, Medicine: "As a medical student, although I am active in sports, I find that I do not get the full benefit of student activities. For this reason I do not support the proposed raise in student council fees; however, I am sure if I were on Studley Campus, and participating more fully in activities I would support such a raise."

John Keystone, Science: "Yes, definitely."

Orville Pulsifer, Arts: "I would say yes. The question was almost passed last year, and I don't see why it should not go through this year."

Vernon Butt, Pharmacy: "I think it is a good idea because the students will benefit. Such a raise would enable such organizations as the DGAC and the DAAC to operate on a higher level."

Jim Peters, Dentistry: "Yes, I think a raise would be the remedy to the problem."

Maureen Connolly, Education: "Yes. A \$3 increase would raise our fee to \$16, but that is still low in comparison to other activities."

Elizabeth Springer, Pharmacy: "No, I do not think the fee should be raised."

Anne Coburn, Arts: "I think \$15 would be a step in the right direction. At college in the States we paid compulsory fees to many organizations. The total amount was much higher than Dalhousie's Student Council fee. I do feel that the fees should be reduced for all Med students since they are unable to receive full benefit from all the activities and also have many others dues to meet."

Evelyn Lightbourne, Medicine: "I realize that the Council needs the money and that all activities are necessary for college life, but, for we medical students, especially those of us who are away from home, any additional expenses above our books and instruments are very difficult to meet."

Max Croucher, Commerce: "I would certainly agree that activities have become extended and more difficult to program on our present income. At the present time, no money comes from the Council to pay for professional football and hockey trips, and although the added \$3 would not go too far, it would still be a help in meeting the increasing expenses."

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The lectures will be given in Room 217, Arts and Administration Building, Dalhousie University, at 8:15 p.m.

There will be no charge for admission

News Briefs

Anyone finding a Naval burlberry, size 5'11", is asked to contact George Martell at 2-3139.

Students are asked to co-operate with the Grounds Staff by walking on the sidewalks and pathways and not across the lawns.

More Lost and Found: Paul Tregunno has lost a Black and Gold cartridge-filled Waterman's pen. Finder is asked to call him at 3-5556. A gold ring, with the initial "M" on it is missing. Bill MacDougall is the owner and his phone number is Bedford 3258.

Debating: General Meeting of Sodales, 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 16, Moot Court Room.

Debating Trials, 1:45 p.m., Wednesday, January 16, Moot Court Room.