



Burning the Midnight Oil.—With a halo of smoke around his head Tommy Tiger bones up on his physics so that he can go to the Pharos dance, Feb. 30.

The Bulletin Board

Basketball—In the City league the Intermediate Girls B team will meet the Y.W.C.A., Tuesday, Feb. 20. Time—7.30 p.m. Place—Dal gym.

The intermediate team will also play St. Patrick's girls in the City League Tuesday, Feb. 27. Place—St. Pat's gym. Time—7.30 p.m.

Girls Hockey—The girls hockey team will take the ice against Maritime Tel and Tel. Operators

Saturday, Feb. 24 at 3 p.m. Place—Dal' Rink. The girls are doing well, so come out and cheer them on.

Interfac Hockey—The Interfac hockey schedule for the playoffs for the week Feb. 20-27 is as follows.

Feb. 23—1 p.m.—A. & S. vs Engineers

Feb. 26—1 p.m.—Law vs Med-Dents

Feb. 27—noon—Commerce vs Pre-Meds

Swimming—The Interprovincial Swimming meet and Intercollegiate Swimming meet are scheduled for Mar. 2nd and Mar. 8th. All those interested in trying out for the teams should come swimming Tuesday or Thursday at 4.30 p.m. at Stad pool. More boys are needed urgently for the boys team.

Intercollegiate Debate—Dal vs Pine Hill Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 3 p.m. Place—Pine Hill. "Resolved that in the interests of world peace Communist China should be admitted to the U.N." Dick Miller and Ron MacDonald will debate for Dal and Ross Hamilton and Bob Munford for Pine Hill.

In the interfac debating Commerce vs Law, Wednesday, 12.00 noon in the Muro Room at Forrest.

University Loses Great Educator

Dalhousie suffered the loss of one of her most outstanding figures in the death, Friday, of Professor Murray Macneill, for 35 years professor of mathematics and head of the department at Dalhousie. Although not directly associated with the University since his retirement in 1942 Professor Macneill was well known to many students.

Professor Macneill was one of the most popular of the faculty during his long career as professor and registrar of the University. His home was always open to students and he took great interest in student activities. The entertaining he did at the beginning of each year did much to make each freshman feel at home at Dalhousie.

A Dalhousie graduate, he attended the University from 1892 to 1896. He was a brilliant student of mathematics and in his senior year was awarded the Sir William Young Medal. He later attended Cornell, the Sorbonne and Harvard returning to Dalhousie in 1907 from McGill and remaining here until his retirement.

Professor Macneill was one of Nova Scotia's greatest educators, inspiring not only those who were directly associated with him but by his outstanding example all who ever came in contact with his warm spirit and great knowledge. In 1947 in honour of his indefatigable work for the University he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, (Honouris Cause.)

In a letter received recently from Dr. Sydney Smith, a former pupil and now president of the University of Toronto, Dr Smith paid tribute to him. "You will never guess how much your example meant. Many institutions think that their job is to give intellectual training, Dalhousie with you and your contemporaries went the second mile and gave—not by preaching—moral training."

He was also the founder of the Dalhousie Alumni Association and was elected honorary president of that organization last year.

Funeral services have been arranged to take place Tuesday, at St. Matthew's Church. The Rev. Norman Slaughter will officiate and Dr. A. E. Kerr will also participate at the services. Among the Honourary pall bearers will be Dr. H. L. Bronson, Dr. H. P. Bell, Dr. J. H. Johnstone and Professor H. R. Theakston.

Function of the Press

This article is taken from the French-Language paper of the University of Montreal. It appeared on the front page in the form of an editorial. In it is explained a French-Canadian view differing from that taken by La Rotonde of the University of Ottawa on the matter of the resolution proposed at the Canadian University press conference in December. La Rotonde was the only paper in Canada to vote against the motion. This translation of the editorial was taken from the Varsity of February 2.)

The most important gesture that the C.U.P. made is the action taken in connection with censorship. A committee formed of the editors of *The Varsity*, *The Manitoban*, *The Queen's Journal* and *Le Quartier Latin* formulated the following resolution, which can be considered the official and unanimous opinion of the C.U.P.

"Whereas the function of the Canadian university paper is to stimulate rather than to direct thought among the university students of Canada, the Canadian University Press, representing 20 Canadian university newspapers, affirms its desire to promote in the columns of member papers the fullest objective expression of opinions on controversial issues.

"The Canadian University Press further asserts than any attempt to suppress this full freedom of expression of opinion on the local, national and international level will be strongly opposed by the CUP through every means at the disposal of the members of the association."

Let us congratulate ourselves on the solidarity of the university press of Canada toward freedom of the press. The precaution taken by the CUP to safeguard this freedom of the press is not superfluous. In a true democracy, freedom of the press remains the most unalterable right and even the yardstick of other rights. To prevent men from reflecting and influencing each other in their speech is unjustifiable.

This declaration of freedom was, in spite of everything, greeted cautiously by the public at large. The word "communism" immediately came to everyone's mind. Newspapers understood that such a freedom of the press means an open door to communist opinions . . . or, for Catholic, to the re-creation of anti-Christians and to the paradoxes of atheists.

There is nothing in this desire for freedom of the press but a rigorous honesty—a concern for the truth. We do not have to open our columns to the most fanatical red propagandists; we will probably not invite Tim Buck, nor Gui Caron, nor even Pierre Gelinas to make use of our newspaper to sell their merchandise. For us, they have lost almost all value of objectivity; we will not take their false money for the genuine . . .

Rather, we will look for some one who has examined communism at close range, or who has lived in its meshes. A statement which is not automatically a plea for the defense has more chance of winning our confidence.

No more, on the other hand, would we invite T. D. Bouchard to expound his anti-clericalism to us;

it would be a pathological testimony. Rather, we would ask a moderate, more reasonable anti-clerical, I mean not too biting (but nevertheless biting) to tell us what is not as it should be.

Freedom of the press means respect for the truth. One does not play with the truth, either to sell it or to dissimulate it. I do not trust the communism of Tim Buck, nor the anti-clericalism of T. D. Bouchard; but neither do I trust those who say that communism is ignoble, without having examined it. My mind demands more distinction. At this point, nothing is absolutely black or absolutely white . . .

The university newspaper has not to sell ideas but to present them in the greatest possible light. Hubert Aquin.

Simple Arithmetic

A college term is much too short
A month is just a curse,
A week has only seven days
A day is even worse—
In one term we must learn enough
To warrant us a pass,
There's so much left from week to week
Neglected from our class.

We've got to do a glee-club show
And then there is a dance,
We spend our time at Shirreff Hall
And never miss a chance—
To have a friendly game of bridge
And in the common room
To grab a snack and then get back
To classes and to gloom.

And then there's hockey practise too
Perhaps it's basketall,
One doesn't need a master mind
To remedy it all—
Because it's mathematical
And very plain to tell—
Why can't we do just HALF as much
And do it TWICE as well!

J. L. B.

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