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## Munro Day Established To Honor Dalhousie's Great Friend and Benefactor

THE SECOND TUESDAY in March has been set aside by the University every year since 1928 to celebrate the benefactors of Dalhousie, and has been called Munro Day, in respect to George Munro, not only because of the great financial aid he gave but also the timeliness of his gift. For when the university was to be closed down due to financial difficulties George Munro made his significant contribution.

George Munro was born in 1825. His father had a small but successful farm and in the atmosphere of Scotch family life he grew up. In his home, religion and patriotism were highly respected and with his nine sisters and brothers he shared all the joys of a happy family. All these pleasant associations and influences made a deep impression on him and in later years he returned to his home in Millbrock annually.

### In Printing Business

His primary education was similar to that given all country boys of that time. When he was twelve years old he entered the office of "The Pictou Observer", to learn the printing business but he only remained there two years and left to return to school-this time in New Glasgow. After two years there, young Munro turned to the teaching profession, but when he was 18 years old he went back again to school to continue his studies, under his former school master, Basil Bell, who was then at Pictou Academy.

After a two year period, Munro went to the New Glasgow school but now as a teacher. When he had taught there for three years, he proceeded to Halifax to teach mathematics at the Free Church Academy in Halifax. He was later made Principal.

Along with the duties of teaching, he studied theology but he never became a clergyman. It is said that after preaching one sermon he resolved never to renew the ordeal. Being a modest man to the extent of near-shyness, this vow is quite understandable.

At that time Nova Scotia had nine colleges, each having close

religious affiliations, which were responsible for much enemity. Munro being extremely interested in education, was displeased with the religious controversy within the province, which was undermining the educational program. He then turned toward "the States" and in 1856 he was employed by a large publishing house. His previous training, family influence, ambition and energy soon placed him in a position to set up business for himself.

#### **Endows Publishing House**

Besides being called a great "innovator" in the educational field he became known as the father of the Skyscraper, for when Munro built his publishing house on Vandewater Street it was the highest building in New York. One of the first apartment houses in New York, overlooking Central Park, built by Munro, who was now a wealthy man, bears the name "Dalhousie."

His first donation to Dalhousie University was in 1879 and was larger than any previous donation given to a Canadian college. He made many more generous gifts during the next few years. In the 1880's Dalhousie's future was very insecure and had it not been for the benefactions of George Munro, the university would have closed

To George Munro, we the present students owe a two-fold debt -as a benefactor who made our attendance here today possible and as an example of unselfishness and

"Lives of great men all remind us

We can make our lives sublime, And departing, leave behind us, Foot-prints on the sands of time." -Wordsworth.

# MUNRO DAY

### **Eleven Hours of Celebration Planned**

## Queen Contest Highlights \_ ... WILL BE QUEEN Program; Glee Club Show Phi Delta Theta... Beaver Club . . . Enshrouded in Mystery

• THE TWO O'CLOCK BUZZER in the Gymnasium next Tuesday will be the signal that rings up the curtain and dims the house lights on the 1946 edition of Munro Day festivities, always the glorious celebration that winds up the year's social activities on the campus. Fifteen minutes later (the interval allowing those sleeping in for the first time since Christmas to recover from the novelty and make an appearance) the gym floor will be the scene of the final match for the interfaculty basketball crown.

At half time the boys' senior varsity squad, obviously concealed in feminine sporting apparel, will undertake to show their female counter-parts just how the game should be played. Strictly a crowd pleaser, this event has become an annual affair here at Dalhousie and its inclusion again on this year's program indicates its popularity.

Pie-eating Compeptition

At 3:30 the Munro Day shield will be placed on the board for interfaculty competition, and the Munro Day committee have racked their immagination to draft a list of unusual specialties that promises to put to a stern test the abilities of the participants. The list includes pie-eating, milk-feeding (the female perched on the male's lap feeding him from a bottle complete with nipple) and one or two other surprise numbers that are not being announced before hand. The faculty team collecting the greatest amount of points will be honoured with the engraving of its name on the shield.

Efforts of the teaching faculty to choose a Munro Day Queen from a baker's dozen of co-ed lovelies will high-light the four o'clock spot on the afternoon program, sponsored by sundry fraternities and societies. The gals complete with lipstick and mascara will attempt to break down the reserve of the professorial panel.

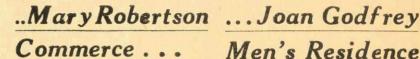
A supper dance interspersed with novelty prizes will tide over festivities from five to seven, during which time jivers and jitterbugs can take time out to test the culinary qualifications of the female element who'll be serving a bean and brown-bread repast in the lower gym.

#### Gold "D" Presented

The evening program gets underway at 7:15 with short addresses by Mrs. Hebb and Murray Rankin, presidents, respectively, of the Alumnae and Alumni Associations. Following this, the newlyelected Students' Council parades its beguiling wares before the footlights. Gold 'D's' will then be presented to the campus elite, and at 7:45 the curtain rises on the much-mooted Glee Club Mystery Show. At long last we'll be able to unmask the mystery plot and characters of the most-talked-about play in a long cycle of Munro Day entertainments.

At nine the Connolly Shield for inter-class drama, the Pan Hellenic Prize for the outstanding freshette and the Malcom Honour Award for the outstanding graduate will be presented to the respective win-

Following official crowning of the Munro Day Queen, said Highness will trip the light fantastic with the chairman of the professorial judging committee as a starter to a three-hour dance session presided over by Don Warner's Col-





Men's Residence



...Kay MacLean ...Vivian Lusher What happens after that is any-



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### Glory, Glory for Dalhousie! Glory, Glory for Dalhousie!!! Come, sons of old Dalhousie, cheer your Husky team!

Rouse out a welcome to your men of steel and steam! They'll win the victory and tonight the birds will scream, "This is Dalhousie's Day!"

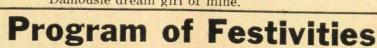
Chorus:

Glory, glory for Dalhousie Glory, glory for Dalhousie Glory, glory for Dalhousie This is Dalhousie's Day!

Whoop up the chorus, boys, let everybody sing! Swell out your lusty lungs and send it with a swing! And for Dalhousie boys we'll make the welkin ring; "This is Dalhousie's Day!"

### **Dalhousie Dream Girl**

Dalhousie dream girl of mine You are my dream girl divine. Love me forever and I'll love you too, Always be true, Dream Girl to you. Dalhousie dream girl of mine, Thoughts of you thrill me like wine. Make me one promise that you'll be forever Dalhousie dream girl of mine.



Final playoff match for interfaculty basketball crown Boys' varsity seniors vs. girls' varsity seniors. Interfaculty field competition for Munro Day Shield. (Novelty events: pie eating, milk sipping, etc.) Contest to choose "Queen of Munro Day" from 12 typical freshettes.

5.00 P.M. Supper Dance lasting to 7.00. Novelty numbers with prizes. Supper served in lower gym during dance. (Price: 25c). 7.15 P.M. Addresses from Mrs. Hebb, President of Alumnae, and Mr.

Murray Rankin, President of Alumni.

Presentation of New Council. 7.30 P.M. Presentation of Gold 'D's.

7.45 P.M. Munroe Day Show produced by the Glee Club.

9.00 P.M. Naming and presentation of Connolly Shield winner, Pan-Hellenic winner, and Malcom Honour Award winner. 9.20 P.M. Crowning of the Queen of Munro Day. 9.30 P.M. Munro Day dance, lasting at least to 1 A.M.

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