



The Campus Roundup

by Windy O'Neill

Probably the most discontented, irascible group of men in the country are the Halifax tram drivers. Their baleful, pernicious looks each morning allow Haligonians to commence the day in suitable fashion, by telling off the nearest underling or kicking the newsboy, stationed outside their building, in the shins.

One drizzly night, we saw one of this group beat an old lady to the stop where she had to wait for the next. With apologies to Wilyum Shakesbeer the Immortal Card, for lousing up his iambic pentameter, we imagine the Tram Driver's Soliloquy.

Is this a passenger I see before me,
Running for the stop? Come let me beat thee:—
Ha! You have me not and yet I see thee still,
And drops of rain upon thy cap and cloak,
Which was not so before. Now a stealthy pace,
To sneak me by that crowded stop near Sweet's,
These very stones and rails prate of my coming,
But zounds—a vehicle does cross my path,
Fool! And now I must sound the alarum,
Hear it not, people, but it's a knell,
Echoing surely to the depth of hell.
I'll pass them anyway. What confronts me?
So, a poor pedestrian unwary,
I shall strike thee mighty, and it is done—
Ha! He rolls like some round object on the street.
It is this bloody work which brings the red
Thus to mine eyes—Now o'er the one-half world
Nature seems dead—some men with wives do sleep,
A lovely sleep. And now to sheds with haste,
Then, my nightly bout with grog — no time to waste!

Last week, two Dalhousie medical students were fortunate enough to make a trip to Toronto-not-so-good-now, to represent Dal at the CAMSI conference. Dick Groom, the Thane of Forrest, one of the two, reports that they were treated crown royally. After the conference sessions were over, the delegates were shown to pews on the fifty yard line where they witnessed the great Toronto-Western football game. As is well known, Toronto upset the Mustangs and there followed a great victory parade to the city hall—a relatively non-important building near the local burleyuce house.

Dick graciously accepted a ride from his host, a Toronto Med student, on the rear bumper of President Sidney Smith's car. Knowing that Sidney Smith is a loyal Dal grad and a former professor at the law school, our hero shouted—"give me a 'D'". President Smith's hand appeared out of the window and Richahd shook it heartily.

A shouted conversation was interrupted on arrival at the city hall, where Dr. Smith mounted the steps, threw his arms up in a token of victory and shouted "I love you all." We are told that the students also love the former Dal man.

Groom says that the game was good and the football excellent, but thinks that the day isn't too far off when Dalhousie will give either team a real game.

Miss Mowat, the warden of Dalhousie's shut-ins, is credited with the bon mot of the week. The Prime Minister spoke on the day of the Dal-Navy final game and the decorations of the stage were surmounted with a sign yelling "Sink the Navy". Miss Mowat, on seeing this, turned to her neighbor with a sly smile and said, "Gracious, is THAT a new plank in the Liberal's platform?"

Responsible publications have noted the decline in influence of newspaper editorials. The editorial writers, through their boards of directors, have too many axes to grind for people to put any trust in what they have to say.

For years, Nova Scotians have been subjected to that inane, thoughtless torrent of drivel that flows from the editorial columns of the Halifax Herald and Mail. It is irksome to thinking people who usually pass it with a shrug and a smile.

But, last Thursday, this publication reached a new depth in irresponsible editorials in a piece called "Want Freedom To Destroy Freedom". Here, they take the side of the B. C. Law Society which has recently barred a graduate of the University of B. C. from practising law, because, he openly avows himself to be a communist.

"People who prate of 'freedom and civil rights', and at the same time embrace Communism, must have strange mental processes—" says the item. What strange mental processes has the writer of this piece who mention freedom and censorship of political theory and of speech, in the same breath. There are various breeds of communists in this country. Surely the editorial writer should know that all Canadians are not satisfied with the present system—there is poverty in our country!

One of the basic tenets of our democratic system is to let ALL speak out—"crack-pots" and ALL—and the majority political thought will rule. Joe Howe was considered a "crack-pot" but he had the courage of his convictions. This B.C. law student speaks out; he has the courage of his convictions too. The sinister communists are those who deny that they are communists.

Freedom of speech is fastly becoming a luxury for the financially secure. If we want to shut up communists and other radicals, let's pass legislation declaring a national emergency and make it legal. The writer of this column is certainly not a communist but we have the courage of our convictions and abhor such thoughtless articles, as that in question, which are dangerous to what democracy is left. We suggest that the motto for all Canadians should be the one expounded recently by a great Christian leader, "Love communists but hate atheistic communism." With a little Christian charity we may yet preserve freedom of speech in our great country.

D.V.A. CHEQUES—

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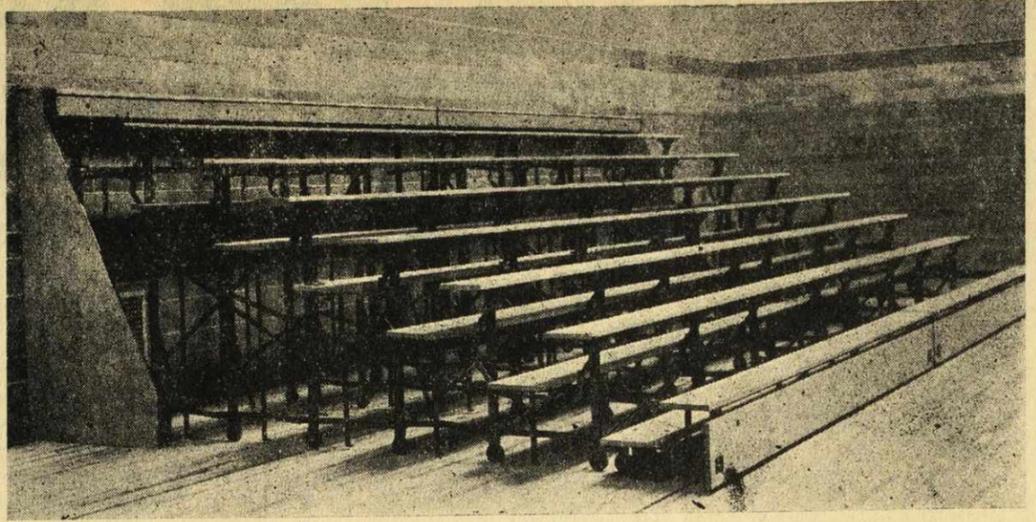
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Proposed . . .



Courtesy Universal Stands
... Bleachers for Gym

COLLAPSIBLE STANDS RECOMMENDED IN GYM

Athletics Receive Boost As Committee Appointed To Approach Senate With Request For Stands

The subject of bleacher seats for the gymnasium was brought forward at the Students Forum, held last Thursday, the 25th of November. The problem was placed before the students by Scott Morrison, who stressed the urgent need of adequate seating facilities in the gym. The collapsible type of bleacher was recommended (see cut), which call for a seating capacity of eight hundred people with an assembly price of about eight thousand dollars. The students after hearing a long discussion on the subject, passed a motion that a committee be formed to approach the senate with the offer that the Students Council were prepared to dig into their sinking fund to cover part of the expenses.

it could easily accommodate that number.

The bleachers recommended by Mr. Morrison are made of wood with steel supports. There will be five possibly six tiers of seats and when collapsed they will project about two feet from the wall, with a flat surface facing outward. They will be extended along both sides of the gym and may possibly be removable from one position on the floor to another which lends itself to the idea that they could be placed along the end of the building in order to carry the overflow for the D.G.D.A. performances and other functions.

DAL GRADS DEFEAT LIVERPOOL IN EXHIBITION GAME

The Dalhousie Grads Basketball team travelled to Liverpool on Wednesday evening to play an exhibition game with the Intermediates of the Liverpool Community Club. It was a highly successful evening for the Grads as they defeated the home team by a score of 52-32.

During this time the Intermediates were held scoreless; as the Grads showed their ability in passing. The score at the end of the first half the Grads held a 23-7 lead.

The play was also in favour of the Grads during most of the last half but Liverpool surged forward in the third quarter and a splurge in their scoring netted them twelve points. However they could not sustain the drive and three quick baskets by Cunningham put the Grads in front again with a commanding lead. The final score was 52-32.

Dal Grads: Sweet (1), Haley (4), Tomarelli (6), Griffan (6), Woodward (4), Cooley (3), Farquhar (2), Connoly (7), Cunningham (17), and Brown (2).

Dal Badminton Champ Plays Exhibition

Last Wednesday evening at Liverpool, N. S., Noel Hamilton, the university and intercollegiate singles champion badminton player, played an exhibition match against Don Bauld, the Maritime senior singles champion for the past two years. Although Don captured the best of three sets in three straight games, Noel made the champion jump as the sets went 17-16 and 15-12. Both games were hard fought with no quarter given on either side. Both men were given a great hand as they left the court.

Noel Hamilton, a M.A. student at Dalhousie is one of the finest intercollegiate badminton players in the circuit and has been instrumental in bringing the Mercer Cup, emblematic of intercollegiate badminton supremacy in the Maritimes, back to Dal the last two years in a row.

Dal Curling Club Will Hold Meeting

All students who are interested in curling this winter are requested to meet in the Physical Directors office, Tuesday, November 30, at 12 o'clock, noon, according to an announcement made by Ken Faulkner, manager.

This is the second year the Curling Club has functioned in the university. Last year they carried out a very successful program and this year a more extensive program is planned and a large number of curlers are expected. The Halifax Curling rink has been obtained for the use of the students.

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