

# DALHOUSIE Gazette

AMERICA'S OLDEST COLLEGE PAPER  
Member Canadian University Press

Published twice a week by the Students Council of Dalhousie University. Opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the Students' Council. For subscriptions write Business Manager, Dalhousie Gazette, Halifax, Nova Scotia. Phone 3-7098.

Editor-in-Chief  
**CHARLES W. MacINTOSH**

Managing Editor ..... Frank Hall  
Business Manager ..... Jim MacDonald  
Circulation Manager ..... Dave Anderson  
News Editors ..... Bill Ingarfield, Benny Goodridge  
Reporters ..... Barbara Davison, Max Haines, Ethel Smith, Heather Hope, Betty Livingstone  
Features Editors ..... Barbara McGeoch, Jim MacDonald, George Cross, Fred Neal  
Features Writers ..... Thomas Rogers, George Cross, Sis Nichols, Moyra Seegar  
Sports Editors ..... Don Chittick, John Potts  
Reporters ..... Ralph Medjuck, Joanne Beaubien, Red Finlay, Bill McCready, Martin Smith.  
Proof Reader ..... Gloria Horne

## The Student in the U. S.

A nationally-known United States publication, has recently published an article attacking the suggestion that students with a high I. Q. rating should be exempt from the draft.

This policy is criticized by the writer for two reasons. The first of these is that men with a high I. Q. would make the best officers, which cannot be denied.

The second reason for not exempting those with a high I. Q. is because of an alleged "growing distrust of intellectuals today which would make such a move highly unpopular".

The third reason given is that the future of the nation should be drawn from among the most intelligent citizens and since most of the population will be veteran, it is unlikely that they will choose leaders who do not understand them, not having shared their experience.

While the whole dispute of exemption of men with a high I. Q. does not immediately concern us here in Canada, the reasons given in this article for not exempting them are of grave concern to every thinking Canadian.

In the first place the arguments of the author of the article presuppose that there will be a major war, lasting a number of years. Even after the last war it could not be said that "most of the population will be veteran". This pessimistic abandonment of hope of avoiding a world war is to be found almost entirely in the United States. It is much stronger there than any place else, and hangs like a cloud of gloom over all in the U. S.

It must be remembered, however, that the United States is practically at war at the present time. There have been such a number of casualties in Korea so as to make it war in fact if not yet in name.

The losses are small, however compared to those which would result in a major world war.

As the casualty lists come in the Americans become more and more impatient with other nations who blissfully minimize the present conflict and urge further conciliation.

There is, however, the danger that the U. S. might eventually lose all sense of proportion and embark on a crusade against forces of world Communism.

The United States is carrying the major burden of the Korean effort and for that reason is tending to draw further from the other nations of the West. The recent attempt in the U. N. to brand Communist China as an aggressor is proof of this. The United States, with thousands of G.I.'s being killed by Chinese Reds wanted strong action at once, while other countries, not as disturbed about the matter, felt a more conciliatory policy should be adopted in hopes of eventual settlement of the whole question.

Another unhealthy trend revealed by this article is the growing tendency of the people of the United States to think by means of slogans and generalizations in situations where concentration is required to grasp a principle. This is especially true in connection with international affairs. Every nation must be either friend or foe; the position of neutrals cannot be appreciated. This is, of course, true of every nation in time of war, and this is another result of the American involvement in the Korean War.

While the other nations of the West have the utmost sympathy with the situation of the United States, they are often shocked by the extreme stands taken now and then by American statesmen and writers.

The attack on exemption of men with high I.Q.'s is merely an example of the thinking of a patriotic man in time of war. The logic may be somewhat hard to follow for the average Canadian, but no doubt Canadian writings were equally difficult for Americans to understand in the years immediately preceding Pearl Harbor.

## A Light For The World

By James Baker

And in the evening when the sun had westward set and touched with silver-gold and scarlet light the scaffon clouds above, and painted shadows by the roadside inn, came I unto a gate set in a granite wall. The road led straight and vanished there within. But this was like unto no gate I ever saw before, because it led to darkness, black and loathsome din, such as a mighty host would make if each his brazen shield did strike with clanging sword. And I, afear'd, drew back my trembling feet and turned to flee.

"Why flee this? Is it so fear-some then?" Thus first I heard that kindly voice that I was oft to hear in time to come. Turning, I did behold a gentle smiling man whose eyes, aglow with changing fires, mirrored the mystic soul within.

"I fear," I said.  
"There is no need for fear. No dark thy world can offer, no earthly horror need inspire fear. He who travels on into this darkness need carry but a tiny spark of light within his heart if he would conquer FEAR. "Thus spake that gentle smiling man and even as he spoke, I saw the man was TRUTH. "Give me that spark," I cried. "Give me the light that I may travel on into this darkness that before me lies.

"Come follow me," he said, and straightway led me through that gate into the very shadow of beyond. And did I follow where he led unto an open door that hid within the arch. And, as I walked into the hall beyond, I saw a



Margot McLaren. — Pharmacy's choice for Munro Day Queen, Margot is well-known about the campus. Last year she played "Bianca" in "Othello", and was active on the Publicity Committee. This year she has also been on the Publicity Committee and has appeared in "Hay Fever" and assisted in other Glee Club productions.

mighty host engaged in combat loathsome to behold. Each did smite with reeking sword and in his turn was smitten. And yet they fell not dead! The blood did flow in streams and slippery was the floor; loud were the shrieks of anguish and low the moans of the wounded. Yet no man died! And over all I saw a thousand torches

set in brackets on the walls, and each inscribed a name. Some did I read and these do I remember . . .

**Greed Lust Fear  
Cruelty Injustice Despair**  
and many more. But some I could not read for when I looked the name-plate underneath was blank, although methought the name had been before.

"Why are these blank? Have they no name?" I asked.

"They are the hidden sins of men", was the reply.

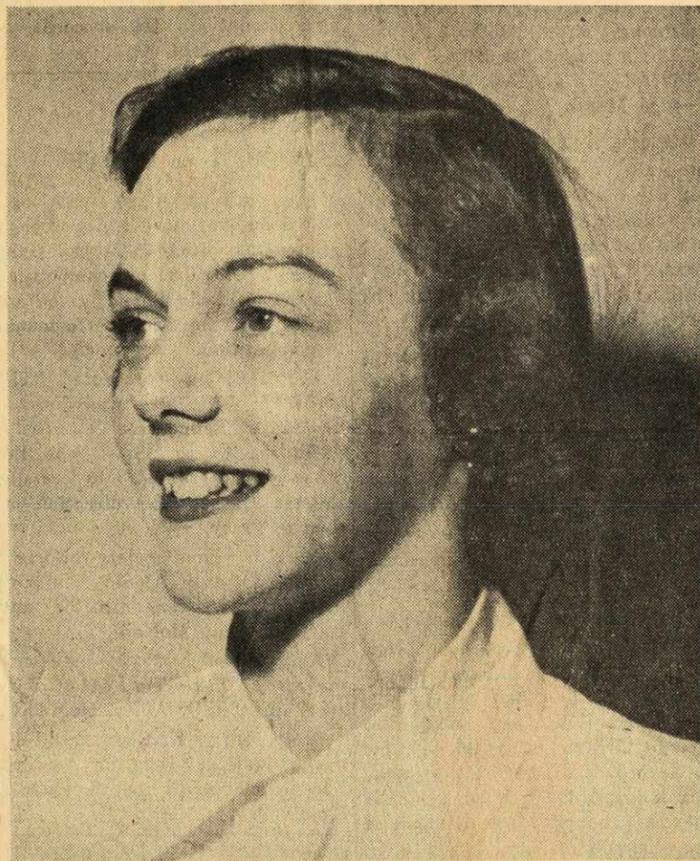
My guide stepped on along that blazing hall and I did marvel how the tide of war did ebb and flow about him and yet did touch him not. On, on we passed until at length the battle lay behind and we walked alone. And still he led me on along that blazing hall until at last he knelt before a golden torch set in a copper bracket on the wall.

"Here is the light that ye shall bear." And forthwith did he reach me down and in my fingers pressed that wonderous torch wherein I saw the tiny spark that glimmered and glowed and trembled to go out. Yet even as I watched, it grew and grew, brighter and more brightly glowed, until . . . a burst of flame . . . behold I had a light! Then forth I set into the darkness, and ever to the fore I held the brand. I had no longer FEAR.

"Give me thy torch, it need no longer guide thee through the darkness of beyond. Thy light is now within thy heart and shines forth through thine eyes". But when he took from me the torch, I watched where he did place it that I might know its name. And underneath the niche wherein my brand he placed, I saw inscribed in letters shining fold in blackest ebony, these words:

"The light of FAITH can pierce the darkest night, And e'en the veils of death it can assail,

There is no fear where FAITH steadfast doth dwell, There is no need for sword or shield or mail."



Gretchen Fraser.—The Dent's choice for Campus Queen. Being an extremely active student on the campus during her stay at Dalhousie, Gretchen was this year President of the Delta Gamma and Second vice-president of the Students' Council. Doing a very capable job, Gretchen was also President of the Awards Committee. She was active in the Glee and Dramatic Club.

### THE DEFENCE RESEARCH BOARD REQUIRES SCIENTISTS FOR FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT

**LOCATION**  
Excellent opportunities for qualified Scientists are available at the following locations: Halifax, N.S., Valcartier, P.Q., Ottawa, Kingston and Toronto, Ont., Fort Churchill, Man., Esquimalt, B.C.

**WORKING CONDITIONS**  
Each laboratory is thoroughly modern, contains the latest types of equipment, and provides excellent working conditions for the individual scientist.

**SALARY SCALES**  
Starting salaries will vary from \$2,760 to \$4,000 per annum, depending on academic qualifications and experience and provision is made for regular annual increments within each salary range.

**EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**  
(a) Group Hospital and Medical Insurance Plans.  
(b) Retirement or Superannuation benefits.  
(c) Generous leave benefits, including:—  
(1) Up to 18 days' vacation leave per year.  
(2) 10 Statutory holidays per year.  
(3) Cumulative sick leave credit of 18 days per year.  
(4) Other special benefits for specific purposes.

Full information regarding position now available may be obtained by writing to:—

THE DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH PERSONNEL,  
DEFENCE RESEARCH BOARD,  
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE,  
"A" BUILDING, OTTAWA, ONTARIO.

"Heat Merchants Since 1827"

## S. Cunard and Company, Limited

COAL — COKE — FUEL OIL  
OIL BURNING EQUIPMENT

Installed and Serviced

HALIFAX, N. S.

DARTMOUTH, N. S.

79 Upper Water St.

The NOVA SCOTIAN  
"DANCING SATURDAY NIGHT"  
HALIFAX

Come on Students  
Ride In The Best  
3-S TAXI SERVICE  
Phone 3-7188 Phone 3-7188  
LARGEST FLEET IN TOWN