



Appreciation Expressed

The success of Student Government at Dalhousie depends upon many factors. If one can attribute the success this year to any single factor it would undoubtedly be the general spirit of co-operation that prevailed throughout all student activities. This spirit of co-operation emanates from three main sources.

The university officials have been most helpful. Dr. Kerr was always willing to give advice and guidance when problems of student government arose and it was due to his understanding that conditions were improved in the dining room of the Men's Residence.

The contribution of the co-operation of the various organizations under the Council of Students to the success of student government is immeasurable. Most organizations have experienced a very successful year and have expanded their activities to include a large portion of the student body. To the executive and members of these organizations the Council could not function efficiently, if at all.

The Dalhousie Alumni Association has shown great interest this year. Their decision to campaign for a Men's Residence and to refurbish the Medical Common Room indicates that they are aware that problems concerning student welfare are sometimes overshadowed by other considerations of the university. They have also shown a keen interest in the football team and have decided to provide the members of the team with leather jackets. Surely such generosity imposes a tangible obligation on every graduate to become an active member of the Alumni Association.

In closing I should like to thank everyone who has helped me discharge my duties as Council president, especially I thank the members of the council and council committees. I feel certain that you will give Doug Brown, the newly elected president, the co-operation you have given me, and if this be so one can be assured that the next year will be a most successful one.

Victor Burstall,
President, 1954-'55.

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Sincerity and Co-operation

This has been a most successful year. From the Council level to the organizational level, 1954-55 will be remembered as "The Year of Success." In recognition of the outstanding success of Dalhousie students in extra-curricular activities, the Dalhousie Gazette is pleased and proud to present as its final edition for the 1954-55 season, a special eight-page issue.

Two factors can be named for this success... Sincerity and co-operation. Without these, 1954-55 would have been the same as any other year. But the students of 1954-55 exhibited both characteristics to the fullest extent and in accomplishing their aims, have left a fool-proof formula for succeeding years.

The sincerity factor can be found in all organizations, not only among the executive bracket, but also among the members of the various organizations. Never before, have all the organizations exhibited such a spirit of sincerity simultaneously. The President of the Council of Students Vic Burstall, exemplifies the student sincerity. In past years, there have been good council president, but it is a rare occasion indeed when a man of leadership and capability is combined with a man of sincerity. Vic is such a man.

The list of Dalhousie organizations continue in the vein of sincerity: the Dalhousie Amateur Athletic Society with Derek Jones as president; the Dalhousie Girls Athletic Society with Barbara Clancy; the Dalhousie Glee and Dramatic Society with Graham Day; Delta Gamma with Jeannette LeBrun; Sodales with Art Stone; Pharos with Bill McCurdy and Janet Conrad; Publicity with Dave Vine; Rink Rats with Jim Nesbitt; NFCUS with Dennis Madden; Radio Committee with Colin MacKenzie; WUSC with John Brown; and last but certainly not the least, the Dalhousie Gazette. Every organization has the spirit of Dalhousie—of sincerity.

Sincerity alone has not been the only key to success. Co-operation has been the other big factor, and together the combination of sincerity and co-operation has led to "the year of success." The student organizations have not only been sincere in their respective fields, but they have co-operated to the fullest extent. Interdependence, not independence has been the keyword in Dalhousie student affairs this year. It has not been uncommon to see two or more organizations band together towards a common goal. One of the most outstanding examples of this co-operation has been the NFCUS-Gazette campaign which resulted in an overwhelming referendum approval for the National Federation. Co-operation has existed between all organizations and together, many joint projects have been attempted and fulfilled.

The co-operation has not only existed among the various organizations, but has also been exhibited between the Council and these organizations. A strong Council can only exist if students and student groups work in harmony with their student government. Co-operation then has not only been exhibited internally, but also externally.

With sincerity and with a willingness to co-operate, Dalhousie students in 1954-55 have marched together for a better student life at Dalhousie. Our Council has been strong, our organizations have been strong, and our societies have been strong. Let us hope that succeeding years of Dalhousie students will march on in the same successful manner. They will be sure to do so if sincerity and co-operation are their keywords.

Comments on The Gazette

During the past year, it has been my great pleasure to head the Dalhousie Gazette in its 1954-55 operations. As this is the last issue of the Gazette, I wish to comment briefly on the newspaper this year.

The Gazette has published nineteen editions this academic year, beginning in October and culminating in this Special eight-page issue. During that time, I feel that the Gazette has played one of the more prominent roles among Canadian University newspapers.

The Associate Editor system was reinstated, and together with the Associate Editors, the four departmental editors, and myself, an Editorial Advisory Board was established. This directed the policy of the paper this year, and I feel that this board has met with much success. The Gazette is probably one of Canada's freest College newspapers, having no censorship, from the University, Council, religious or economic group. The only censorship imposed by the Gazette is self-discretion of the Editors.

At both the National and Regional Canadian University Press Conferences, the Gazette was well and capably represented. The paper has made extensive use of the CUP wire service, and has been "on the ball" with most CUP stories. Our "Robert's Digress" is perhaps the best CUP column in Canada, as many newspapers are CUP members in name only.

Our Editorial policies, the Canteen, N.F.C.U.S., and a Men's Residence have been most successful as well as a number of smaller campaigns.

Circulation this year, has been extended. More stops are made on the Dalhousie campi than before, and besides a CUP member mailing list, forty Nova Scotia High Schools receive complimentary papers. The response to this latter venture has been most enthusiastic, and good Dalhousie advertising has been accomplished.

The News, Features and Sports have acted most efficiently and much credit must be given to these departments.

Cooperation and sincerity, as elsewhere on the organizational level, has been the key to success. There is not a better group on the two campi than the Gazette staff. To them I wish to extend my sincere thanks for a job well done.

In particular, I wish to sincerely thank the Associate editors Bill Ingarfield and Bob Levesque for their willing and helpful advice. David Peel of News, Helen Scammell of Features, and Alasdair Sin-

clair have all been indispensable. To George Jollymore, who frequently, together with the News and Sports Editors, worked all hours of the morning, I wish to say thank you. Last, but certainly not the least, John Armstrong of Circulation and Ken Mounce of Business deserve the highest praise.

The Editorial staff has been the best in years. Without them the Dalhousie Gazette would not be the success it has been. I cannot even begin to express my heartfelt appreciation and admiration for each and everyone of them.

In closing, may I wish you all the best in the days to come, and hope that you have enjoyed the Gazette of '54-'55 as much as I.

George Travis,
Editor-in-Chief, 1954-'55.

New Courses

Beginning in session 1955-56, Dalhousie University will offer two new awards in Education. The Junior Diploma in Education will be granted to those who have completed the first two years of the regular course leading to the degrees of B.A., B.Sc., or B.Com. and a third year of professional study in Education. For students entering with senior matriculation the course will be one of two years, the first given to academic study, the second to professional education. Successful candidates will be granted the Teachers License (Class I) of the Province of Nova Scotia.

For the Senior Diploma in Education a student must have successfully completed a course of four years from junior matriculation (or three from senior matriculation), the first three years being spent in academic study and the last in professional education. Successful candidates will be granted the Teacher's Professional Certificate (Class III) of the Province of Nova Scotia.

The University will continue, of course, to offer a post-graduate year of study in Education leading to the degree of Bachelor of Education and the Teacher's Professional Certificate (Class II) of the Province of Nova Scotia.

All fees in the professional years of study will, under certain conditions, be paid by the Nova Scotia Department of Education, and there will be no charge to the student.

Any students desirous of entering upon the courses for the Junior or Senior Diplomas in Education or for the degree of Bachelor of Education, should see the Registrar or the Professor of Education as soon as possible for further information.

Robert's Digress

Last Will and Testament of ROBERT DIGRESSER:

I hereby, by the present, revoke all wills and testamentary dispositions of every nature or kind whatsoever by me heretofore made.

On this blessed and glorious day, day of my last chronicle, I, Robert Digresser, poor law student on the Dalhousie Campus, GIVE, DEVISE and BEQUEATH, all my belongings and possessions, wheresoever situated and of every nature and kind whatsoever, upon the council of students for their own use and absolutely, in order that the aforesaid council construct a Hall of Fame, for the purpose of permanently fixing in good wax, all of the illustrious personages on the aforesaid campus.

I would suggest that: George 'Burpy' Hallett, be chosen architect so that the aforesaid Hall of Fame be not finished before 1994.

If belongings and possessions as aforesaid mentioned, I do not possess, and I think that this is a probable probability; I nevertheless at least give and bequeath in good faith, the suggestion.

I recommend that in the aforesaid Hall of Fame, be put a wax statue of our great president: Vic Burstall, (curls, pipe, convertible, etc.), with the following inscription: "Here waxed, scholar Vic Burstall, president of our council for the year 1954-55 who devoted his time."

I also recommend that a statue of Sally Roper be transplanted, right next to that of our president bearing the following inscription on a little card around her neck: The Gazette, why give them 50c?; two bits is enough."

I would also recommend that a waxed statue of Helen Scammell be situated in the aforesaid Hall of Fame, bearing the following inscription: "The Gazette, will never be the same without." But the said statue should have the following particularities: one left arm, and twelve right arms, because Helen was everybody's right arm.

I would also recommend that a statue of George Travis be waxed in the aforesaid Hall, the said statue to be dressed with clippings of his many articles published in the Gazette. I would further recommend that a scroll be placed in his hands, which scroll is to be engraved with the following: "Here waxed, our Lord Editor, May God have pity on his soul, as he himself had pity on us."

I would also recommend that a waxed statue of Dr. Kerr be set in a small niche in the aforesaid Hall of Fame with the following: "Forgive them, for they know not what they do."

I would further recommend that a well-waxed statue of Prof. Graham be installed on a pedestal in the aforesaid Hall, which statue is to be attired in dungarees, sweat-shirt and Dal-jacket, symbolizing his active and appreciated interest in study affairs.

A solid gold statue of Bernie Sawyer should be placed at the entrance of the aforesaid Hall of Fame, bearing the following: "Please pay on the way out." This would help to cover the expenses of the aforesaid Hall.

In order to justify the admission price to the aforesaid Hall of Fame, I would recommend that a small stage be constructed in one of the main rooms, and on that said stage, waxed in pure solid paraffin, the Can-Can girls' beautifully well-shaped legs could be set-up as exhibit number one; the gargantuan smile of Tom Dyke, as exhibit number two; a collection of Dean Read's books, as exhibit number three; and the voice of our beloved "M.C." Dave Vine, as talking to the tune "Melody of Love" as exhibit number four. No inscription required.

At various intervals along the corridors in the aforesaid Hall of Fame, I recommend that a few no parking signs extra-well-waxed, be planted with the following inscription on each and every one of the said signs: "Here waxed a NO Parking Sign, that never existed where it should have, i.e. on our campus roads."

That my last wishes be granted!

If my aforesaid belongings and possessions do not cover the cost of constructing the aforesaid Hall of Fame, I would strongly suggest that David Peel organize a "Radio Quiz" to gather the necessary funds to complete the project.

In testimony whereof, I have to this, my last will and testament, written on this single page of paper, subscribed my name this 16th day of March A.D. 1955.

Robert Digresser.

SIGNED, PULISHED and DELIVERED by the said Robert Digresser, as and for his last will and testament in presence of us,

both present at the same time, who at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses.

(Sgd.) Sam Peeps
(Sgd.) Pierre

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