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Council Holds First Meeting

1—Proposal put forward by Glee Club President, Harry Zappler, that the Students' Council sponsor the organization of a College band and orchestra. Council appointed Mr. Zappler to head Organizing Committee and approved an advanced budget of \$50.00 to finance preliminary expenditures.

2—Suggestion put forward that the new Common Room be equipped with piano and nickelodeon. Suggestion adopted and Art Hartling appointed to chairmanship of Arrangements Committee.

Frosh Scroungers Turned Loose

● PROPERTY around the city was not safe last Thursday night as the Frosh class went a-scrounging with a scavenger hunt. Bob Roope met them in the Gym with a list of items to bring back, among which were a ten-cent stamp, a live house fly, a doll, a red pencil, a horse-hair, matches from Normans or the Green Lantern, and the venerable Gus.

The parties set out after their loot and thirty minutes later the winning group was back carrying all the spoils. The winning party consisted of Janice Thomas, Mary Lou Christie, Harlow Fielding, Howard Pye and Basil Bloomer.

Large Turnout—

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 bined glee clubs of the two universities.

Other business covered by the student forum Thursday was the unanimous election of Leah Tremaine as Glee Club Secretary, and the passing of a motion authorizing the Students' Council to request the University for a holiday on Saturday to facilitate attendance at the Dal-Acadia football games.

Moot Court—

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 damages were unreasonable. This found favour with Feeney L.C.J. and with Butler L.J., but not with Sheffman L.J., who thought that the Princess deserved every cent she got from the court, and on this ground as well as others dissented from the judgment of the other two to hold that the Appeal must fail. Feeney L.C.J. and Butler L.J. held that the appeal should succeed on the ground that the Princess had not been sufficiently designated.

Generally speaking the case was of high calibre for which the Moot Court is famous and held the rapt attention of the first years who had never before been favoured to hear such brilliant exposition of law by such a scintillating bench and such assiduous counsels as Havey and Blakeney.

President Kerr—

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 I admire them for their refusal to 'make their judgment blind.' I say to you, therefore, hold on to your religious faith.

Let me say again that we are very happy to have you at Dalhousie. If you have any problem upon which your professors can throw any light, do not hesitate to speak to them about it. They are interested in you and will appreciate every opportunity to help you. And the door of the President's Office will always be open to you.

Graduating Class

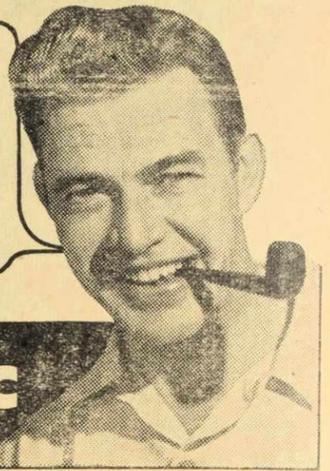
Students in Arts, Science, Commerce and Engineering who expect to receive degrees or diplomas at next Convocation are requested to leave their names with the Registrar as soon as possible, in order that their courses may be checked.

ATTENTION

Remember the Students' Council dance in the Gym tonight at 9 p.m. Admission free to all holding Students' Council ticket. Music supplied by Jerry Naugler's ten-piece orchestra.

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The Dal-Acadia Game and True College Spirit

● TOMORROW a considerable section of the student body will journey to Wolfville to support the Tigers in the traditional Dalhousie-Acadia football match at Raymond Field. As in previous years, we will probably experience the usual wet weather, late hours, and slow trains, but with that, much of the similarity to former trips should end. The annual outbreak of disorder and ill-feeling between members of the two student bodies has now been outlawed upon orders from the student governments of both universities. And, should these orders not be carried out, each has publically committed itself to cancel indefinitely all future competition with the other.

Although this 'age-old rivalry,' as its leading instigators have called it, is resurrected every year by some minor misunderstanding or act of thoughtlessness, the fundamental cause lies in a warped interpretation of that much talked about and often misconstrued influence, college spirit, which pervades the minds of a large number of students on both camps. Without giving the matter too much thought they unconsciously govern themselves upon the principle that college spirit involves not love of one's own college so much as hatred for all its neighbours. Though they feel no obligation to turn out and support their own organizations—and this symptom is particularly noticeable here at Dalhousie—they hesitate not an instant to tear down and carry off a goal post from their opponents' field, all the while congratulating themselves on having done a heroic deed, and one in keeping with the grand old varsity tradition.

True college spirit, on the other hand, rests

upon loyalty at home rather than aggressiveness abroad. It places support of your own endeavours before criticism against those of a rival. And, it demands conduct of a caliber equal to your own high opinion of the institution to which you belong,—not the rowdiness and pettishness that demonstrate your contempt for its reputation when you can so freely drag it through the mud. Of this true college spirit we have seen very little on the campus these past few years.

Recently representatives from the student governments of Dalhousie and Acadia met in an effort to improve the situation and ward off the impending ban against continued competition in all branches of intercollegiate activity. With the open discussion of each other's shortcomings, and the mutual adoption of methods to effect a conciliation, they have swept aside the possibility of a future misunderstanding. Also, each university has accepted the responsibility of curbing the acts of thoughtlessness, and occasionally of gross ignorance, on the part of its members. At Dalhousie, fines, suspension of student privileges, and even expulsion are the penalties contemplated. More than this the student governments can not do.

It remains the duty of each student, both here and at Acadia, to take the chip from his shoulder, and to see that the person next him does the same. Remember: for many years to come the future of inter-collegiate competition between Dalhousie and Acadia, and perhaps between Dalhousie and the rest of the province (for Acadia has always played a vital part in any provincial league) rests upon your conduct tomorrow. Make your choice, but then prepare to accept the consequences.

SHORT STORY

NAZI BOY

● The boy was about thirteen, thin, undernourished, and wretchedly hungry. He was poking among the ruins of an old church, trying to remember what the church had looked like before Allied bombs had destroyed it. His clothes, although neatly patched, had become too large for his shrinking body, and his once rounded cheeks had fallen into shadowy hollows. His name was Eric, and he was both dazed and bewildered by what had happened to him and his country.

His father was a layman who had helped to construct buildings for Hitler. But then, he would help construct buildings for anyone as long as he was paid enough marks to support his family. Eric's mother was the average German frau, who attended to her house and looked after her husband and young son. Eric, himself, had been a school boy and no doubt would continue to be one, if the country ever got settled. Six year ago he remembered sitting at a school desk listening to his teacher talk about Hitler. "Hitler will make Germany great," she had said. "Hitler will build Germany up. He will protect us from our enemies. We shall never forget him." The words had been dimmed into his ears. He could not forget them.

He remembered the day his father had come in with the news that Germany was about to attack Poland. "The French and British will not like it," he had said. "We may have to fight them." His mother had been stirring something in a pot on the stove. She had looked up and nodded her head. "Ja, and if we get war, we shall have misery and bloodshed. I remember the last one."

Then he, Eric, had spoken up, "If we fight we shall win," he had cried. "Hitler will make Germany great. He will protect us from our enemies."

"That is what they have taught you at school," his mother had replied grimly.

But once the war had started everyone knew that they had to

win. If they did not win they would be destroyed. Wasn't there proof that the British and Russians were cruel and merciless enemies? Didn't their soldiers say so? Didn't Herr Goebbels say so? But they had not won. They had been beaten, and Eric could remember how terrified he and his mother had been when Allied troops had come marching through the city. They had not, however, been molested, although the Russians had driven them nearly crazy with questions.

Now he understood that Germans no longer belonged to Germans, but had been divided into zones between the British, Russians and Americans. The horrors of Belsen and Buchenwald had been made known to him, but he could not believe them. He had never heard of them before—no one had. At any rate, there was nothing they could do about it now. Nothing seemed to matter much any more except getting food. The thought of food was always in his mind. Black bread and beans, a little jam and potatoes were all they had, and it was not enough. Idly his foot kicked against a stone. He looked up and saw an American soldier approaching him. The soldier held out a package of cigarettes. His voice was not unkind. He wanted Eric to show him the ruins of the city. Eric reached out eagerly for the cigarettes, his mind still busy with the thought of food. The cigarettes might buy a little jam or potatoes for next day's meals. Listlessly he pointed to the empty church, then strode off down the street pointing out other ruins in the city.

Dalhousie Acadia Meet—

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supporters. At the dances each group tries to shout the other down, or outdo one another in rudeness and more ill-will is created. Representatives of both groups were agreed that all rivalry should be confined to the actual games, and that all spectators should limit their activities to vocal exertions only. It was felt that each University should be responsible for the behaviour of its own

students, and accordingly the second resolution was drafted. The Dal Student Council has added a postscript for Dal students by announcing that any further outbreaks by Dal students at games with Acadia would result in a suspension of competition between Dal and Acadia teams.

The third resolution was introduced because the respective college papers helped to fan the flames of the dispute by means of cartoons and articles, especially a pre-game Gazette cartoon, which, while it amused Dal Students, incensed the Acadians. As a result of the third resolution, both papers are burying the axe in the ground, not in each other, and are trying to promote goodwill among their respective student bodies.

No Meals

One final point was brought up by Acadia at a recent meeting to prevent trouble. Dal students planning to attend the game in Wolfville must be prepared to go elsewhere for meals as the resources at both Acadia University and the town of Wolfville are very limited. Arrangements are being made to transport the Dal crowd to Kentville by bus for their meals, and then bring them back to Wolfville where they can attend the game and the dance and rejoin the train taking them home.

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