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## TIGER TWINS TAKE THREE

### Students First In Atomic Era

"You are the first generation of the atomic age," said Dr. A. E. Kerr, B. A., B. D., D. D., Ll. D., president of Dalhousie University, yesterday afternoon, as he welcomed students to the university at a meeting in the Gymnasium. "We live at the dawn of atomic society," he said, "an age of indescribable speed."

"We believe that if you have grasped what can be learned here at Dalhousie, you will go out to live a good life, and to exert a good influence on those around you."

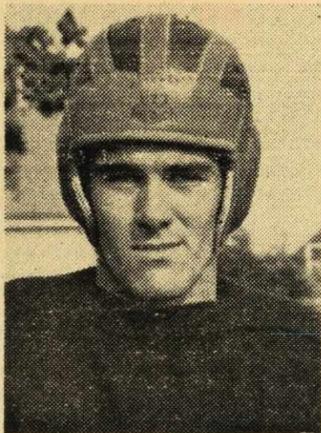
Describing a university as "a fellowship of students and teachers, interested in the discovery of new and old learning," Dr. Kerr said that the university "has made an incalculable contribution to civilization."

While the pursuit of learning is the main purpose of the university, students should take a healthy interest in the many extra-curricular activities and student organizations.

The president said that he had every confidence in the various branches of student activity. "While my ideals for the university have been high, those of the student organizations have been higher—I have never been forced to prod the students' council."

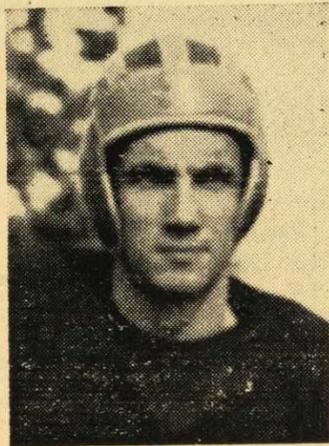
Col. K. C. Laurie, D. C. L., Chairman of the Board of Governors of Dalhousie University spoke briefly, welcoming the students on behalf of the governing body.

KEN REARDON



**Robbed** — Kenny Reardon, swivel-hipped halfback, scored one touchdown and was robbed of another in Saturday's game against wanderers. He was in paydirt when the final whistle blew. No score — he stepped out of touch just as he crossed that last chalk stripe.

PETE FERON



**Little Man Has Busy Day** — Peter Feron (above) 150-pound football player and Dalhousie freshman, turned in a stellar game for the Gold and Black Saturday, when he scored 14 points against Wanderers as Dalhousie won, 27—0.

### SAYS DIRECTORY WILL BE OUT IN EARLY NOVEMBER

The long-awaited appearance of the 1947-48 Students Directory will not take place until early in the first week of November, according to Harry Rhude, vice-president of the council of students, and director of the Directory for this year.

Final tabulation of registration figures has just been released, and at the present time a public stenographer is hard at work preparing alphabetical lists of students, names, Halifax addresses, home addresses, faculty, year and —most important of all—telephone numbers.

The Directory this year will not feature the articles on campus organizations, and the statements by association heads. The Students Council decided this spring that, in view of the increased cost of newsprint, service charges, and larger enrollment, the Directory would carry only the constitutions of the various student bodies and the actual directory data.

The greater part of the book is already printed and only the names and pertinent information are left to be set up. For the impatient student, Mr. Rhude advises that the Shirreff Hall telephone number is 3-9746.

### Show Power In Weekend Games

The Gold and Black colors of Dalhousie were flying high Saturday afternoon as two Dalhousie teams won their games and took over leadership of their respective leagues. The Tiger's entry in the Halifax Canadian Football League remained undefeated at Redlands Park as they crushed a hapless Wanderers team 27—0. At Studley field, the Intermediate English-Rugby entry proved too strong for the King's College team, turning them back by a 6—0 margin.

BOB WILSON



**"Blockbuster"** Bobby Wilson, hard-plunging halfback, was a tower of strength for the Tigers Saturday afternoon as they pounced on the unsuspecting wearers of the Red and Black. His smashes through the line were just what the doctor ordered, and his touchdown was a thing of beauty.

Seven plays after the opening whistle at Redlands Park, the Tigers' 150 pound halfback Peter Feron, kicked a 33-yard field goal, for three points. From there on it was Dalhousie's game, but 1700 wildly-cheering spectators stayed on to watch the razzle-dazzle antics of Bill Burkhardt's smooth-running team. Time after time, the crowd came to their feet as the Tigers pulled out all the stops, and played a wide-open, hard running game. Big scorer for the Tigers was Peter Feron who garnered 14 points — two touchdowns, one field goal, and one convert. Other scorers were Bob Wilson and Kenny Reardon.

At Studley field, keen rivalry, rather than skill, was the order of the day, as the Tigers took over the lead of the City Intermediate Rugby league, defeating the Kingsmen 6—0. Rosie MacMillan and Robertson were the point-getters for the Tigers, with Quigley and McEwan turning in fine performances.

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### Charlie Barnet's Band To Play At Dalhousie

Plans for a dance to celebrate the Royal wedding were approved by the Dalhousie students council last week, after publicity director Art Mears presented a report, stating that Charlie Barnet and his nationally-known band could be brought to Halifax for a comparatively small guarantee.

Council approval was given to the Mears Plan, and according to the publicity director, Dalhousie dancers will be able to see and dance to Mr. Barnet's rhythm at a toe-crusher to be held Nov. 6 in the Gymnasium.

A limited number of tickets are to be sold. First sale will be to students, with a sale for the gen-

eral public being held one or two days before dance night.

The final decision is, or at least was, up to the Dental Society, who were slated to hold a dance on or about Nov. 6. Council put it up to them to hold a meeting and decide whether or not they would be willing to hold their dance in conjunction with the Barnet effort.

A further report on progress of the Mears Plan will be presented in the next edition of your Gazette. Currently being mooted is a scheme to hold the dance the night before the McGill-Dalhousie game.

### New Brunswick Football Team To Challenge Dal?

Enthusiasm in Canadian football is mounting through the Maritime provinces, and after Saturday's game at Memracook, N. B., when St. Joseph's College crushed Moncton Tigers 71—0, Moncton sportsmen are drumming up interest in a proposed tilt between St. Joseph's and either our own Dal Tigers or St. Mary's.

The Blue Eagles operating out of a modified T-formation ran back the opening kickoff for a touchdown and scored almost at will after that. They have an experienced line made up of a majority of American students at the school, and a lightning-fast backfield featuring two lads who take to the air after the manner of Joe Krol.

Monday night's sportscast from a Moncton radio station claimed the calibre of play between the two teams was at least the equal of that in the Halifax City League, and sad Halifax teams would be approached for an exhibition series.

The game came as a complete surprise to sports followers throughout the Maritimes. St. Joseph's sent a representative to last month's athletic meeting at Truro of colleges from the three seaside provinces and it was assumed that all sporting activity at the institution was dead for this year. Because of this fact, the Moncton Tigers had ruled heavy pre-game favorites to cop the Saturday contest.

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## THANKSGIVING

It is easy to ignore that which we do not experience or see; and, heedless of other parts of the world, we may well have many grievances in our individual spheres of life that seem far out of proportion by comparison with those of others about us. Our outlook on life, therefore, depends on our individual scales of comparison. Halifax, for example, has possibly the highest rate of unemployment in Canada, but, although they should not lose sight of this fact, before Halifaxians complain too greatly they should compare their lives with those of the citizens of such cities as Tel Aviv.

Most of us realize that we should widen our points of view. Few are senseless enough to think that we shall not take part in any future global war. All can see how greatly we are a part of the economic forces of the world. Obviously our field of view is too narrow when we think only in terms of Nova Scotia, or Canada, or even the British Commonwealth. The world is the common parent of man, and individual man should recognize his part in the global family.

We, in Canada, are inclined to be forgetful and complacent, for ours is a wealthy and healthy country. As students and Canadians we should give thought to less fortunate parts of the world, and thanks, that by the haphazard nature of birth we were given Canada. Let us, in this season of Thanksgiving, hope that man throughout the world will accept a broader scale of vision; and let us, for our part, be mindful of, and ever-ready to promote, the privileges and freedom of which we, in Canada, partake.

## INTERMEDIATE TIGERS

One of the finest Gold and Black Teams to take to the field in recent years is this year's English rugby squad. With triumphs in their first two games the plucky Tigers, coached by Bev Piers, and captained by Gord Hart, although not over-confident, look forward to an outstanding year.

Their initial successes may be attributed mainly to the fact that every player has starred in team-play. Individual play, as well as being selfish, is definitely out of place on the playing field, and yet year after year teams meet defeat because of one or two players trying to hog the glory. Having learned this lesson early, the Intermediate Tigers should be mighty challengers for the McCurdy Cup at the end of the season.

The Gazette takes pleasure in congratulating this splendid team not only for its initial victories, but also for the fine show of team-spirit, courage, and determination.

## PADS FOR GOAL POSTS

Last week a rugby player lost his footing after a brilliant display of broken-field running, and plunged headlong into one of the goal-posts. Although he has fully recovered, his injuries could easily have been more serious, perhaps fatal.

The GAZETTE feels that a light mattress padding should be purchased immediately. This recent case is not isolated. Year after year the same accident takes place on fields all over the world. It shall happen again at Studley, possibly next month; and possibly the next player might not be fortunate. It may be said that it is not traditional to have such padding; but is tradition worth the life of one of our students?

The GAZETTE wants protection for the players.

## EDITOR'S

### MAILBOX

Dear Sir:

I see no reason why such a trivial matter as changing the dinner hour at the Hall be converted by the GAZETTE into

another Gun Powder Plot.

I also do not think the GAZETTE justified in naming one person as the proverbial Guy Fawkes. If the GAZETTE must make everything sound spectacular and capable of fairly shaking the earth, then it ought to refrain from singling out one person as the fuselighter.

In closing, I would like to assure all readers of the article that the Hall is not a den of dissatisfaction. I hope that the ideas expressed in last week's GAZETTE will be taken seriously by the author only.

Yours truly,  
Louise H. Jodrey.

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Dear Sir:

I feel, as do many other girls at the Hall, that the article for the meals at Sherriff Hall directs an absolutely unnecessary remark at Miss Mowat, our new matron. "Habitually distinguished from the others by the presence of a bowl of flowers."

She is a favourite, without exception, among all the girls at the Hall, and is doing all possible to fill her position capably.

--- She's tops.

Sincerely,  
Noelle Barter.

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Editorial Comment:

The GAZETTE regrets this misunderstanding. No offence was intended. Our opinion of Miss Mowat was clearly stated in the first issue. We reiterate, "She's tops."

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Note:- From the number of letters commenting on the recent editorial, "DEMOCRACY VS

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## DALHOUSIE BAND RECEIVES PRAISE

### Formation Of Dalhousie Pipe Band Is Announced

Music to the ear of every Nova Scotian is the banshee wail of the bagpipes, accompanied by the rhythmic beat of highland drummers. New Scotland — land of Gaelic Mods, highland games, Scottish culture.

Feeling that the majority of Dalhousians are of Scottish ancestry, and the remainder partial to pipes the announcement was made last week that effort to organize a pipe band on Studley Campus are underway. Heading up the scheme is Vince Morrison, law student, who makes his summer home in the highlands of Cape Breton.

Although the plan is still in its embryo stage, six campus pipers have been uncovered, and these augmented by the powerful brass band percussion battery, should uncover others within the next few weeks.

Pipe major of the newborn band will be "Piper" MacMillan, Cathedral Barracks, who carried away the best amateur piper award at the Antigonish Highland Games this year and similar awards at the St. Anne's annual Gaelic Mod in Cape Breton.

Pipers include Phi Delt Don MacLeod, D. Simms, of Pine Hill Men's Residence, and the kilted Kingsmen, Sinclair and Burchill. George (McBagpipes) Burchill will be remembered by last year's students as the mysterious figure who sent moans and wails soaring across the moors of Studley.

### Flying Club Formed At Dalhousie

Inspired, perhaps by the results achieved by the Dalhousie Canadian football team in taking to the air last Saturday, a group of students announced this week that a Dalhousie Flying Club is to be organized. Former members of the R. C. A. F., those interested in flying, including students holding private licenses, and those working for licenses are expected to join the club.

Instructions will be given at the Halifax Flying Club, under the supervision of Max Cameron. Transport to and from the Waverley site of the club is to be provided. Two Piper Cub aircraft, and an Aeronca Chief plane, are available for instruction purposes.

Instruction periods will be spread over four to six months. Average instruction time needed before a pilot solos is only six hours, and many students have done it in a shorter time. Requirements are good health, caution, and the will to fly.

### Beat Acadia



**GOLD AND BLACK BRASS** — Efforts of Dalhousie's brass band, shown above, has received much favorable comment from observers. Their work at football games and the initiation parade was excellent, and students look forward to a banner year for the band, which of late years has been regarded only as a necessary evil.

### Tea Dance To Be Held In Common Room

Immediately following tomorrow afternoon's English rugby exhibition, at Studley Field, when Dal meets Acadia and King's tangles with Navy, a tea dance will be held in the Men's Residence Common Room.

The dance, scheduled to start about five and wind up at seven-thirty, will be sponsored by the Alpha Gamma Delta Fraternity. Proceeds will go toward the furthering of the Fraternity's altruistic work.

A squad of Alpha Gammas will prepare refreshments in the Gym kitchen tomorrow morning and promise that nobody will leave the dance with an empty stomach.

Music will be provided by a campus group led by Denny Burchell and his tenor sax.

The committee in charge of the function are Jean Bowers, Zelda MacKinnon, Frannie Jubien and Katie MacKinnon.

### ARTS and SCIENCE

A meeting of the Executive of the Arts and Science Society held Tuesday, heard Society President Sawyer briefly outline Society plans for the coming year. Red and white sweaters will be provided for Arts and Science teams playing in Interfaculty Leagues. Debating manager Miller reported conditions favorable for a winning Society debating team, and plans were laid for an Arts and Science supplement to the Gazette — to be handled by Activities Manager Budge Archibald.

This long dormant Society should show very definite signs of rejuvenation at the approaching General Meeting — to be held at 12 noon, Tuesday, Oct. 28, in the Chemistry Theatre.

### Support By Council Said Responsible For Success

Marking the resurrection of Dalhousie's school spirit, the Gold and Black brass band blared a challenging note to the freshmen class this year. Ernie Heighton's efforts as band director have been well rewarded in the opinion of Dalhousie students who witnessed the initiation parade early in the term, and the subsequent appearances of the musical aggregation at sporting events on and off the campus.

### Long Weekend Bares Campus

Large groups of Dalhousians, fondly nursing dreams of roast turkey and cranberry sauce, tore themselves away from their textbooks and professors last weekend and set out on the shortest road leading home.

Studley campus, because of the lack of activity, resembled NO MAN'S LAND. City students were not seen on the campus, and an estimated one-fifth of resident students who stayed behind found holiday week-end entertainment elsewhere.

Methods of travel for homeward bound students were varied. Some went by train or bus; others by car or aircraft — many travelled by thumb. At any rate, all roads led home, and Dalhousians, reminiscent of Thanksgiving dinner around the family table, returned to their studies this week with renewed initiative.

### RECORDED MUSIC

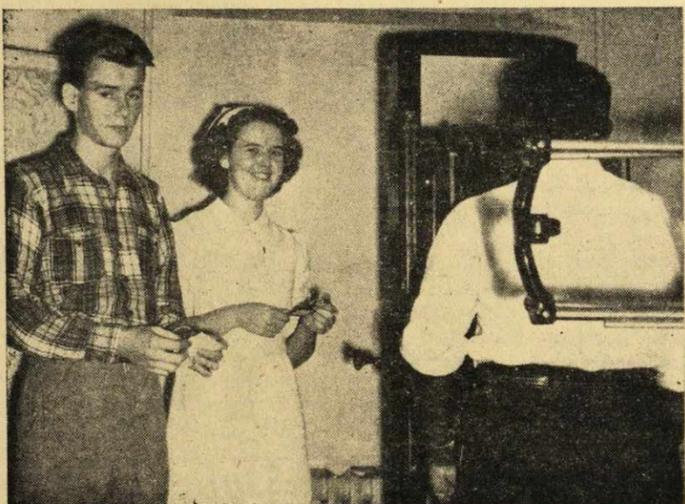
The music appreciation hour which proved itself last year will be continued again this year, according to an announcement received by the Gazette yesterday.

First meeting of the season will be held Wednesday evening, Oct. 22 at 8 o'clock. Officers will be elected, and a program mapped out for the rest of the year. The organization meeting will be followed by the playing of a few selections.

Old Dalhousians remarked that for the first time in years the brass band is worthy of the colors it bears. One of the chief reasons for the band's fine appearance this year has been the new sweaters -- the uniform appearance which places the organization in the category of a band, rather than a heterogeneous group of instrument wielders. To this year's student council, and to the hardworking Geoffrey Payzant must go the credit for the black sweaters and crests. Their action in supplying the long needed uniforms should not go unmarked.

Students who saw last year's band will remember the limited repertoire of that aggregation—despite their will to work, student interest was slight and they felt out in the cold, according to most observers. This year, the presentation of sweaters, and the obvious interest shown by the Student's Council has done much to restore student interest in the band, and the results have been seen by all the student body. The band is good, and is improving.

Members of the band, under Ernie Heighton's direction include; Les Single, Johnny Dodge, Bob Rankine, Bernal Sawyer, Geoff Payzant, Don Theakston, Malcolm Parks, Bill Christie, Frank Padmore, Jack Wilcox, Bob Ward, Andy Atkinson, John Bustin, Cy Bugden, Murdock Chisholm, Sherman Zwicker, Roy Ripley, Dennis Burchell, Ian Palmer, Bill Moreside, and Dora Smith.



**MASS RADIOGRAPHY**  
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### In Duplex Gym Store Sales Students In Favour Of Split

**STUDENTS IN FAVOR OF Split**  
If new accommodation is provided for the Gym store, student opinion is that books should not be sold in the same room with lunches, cokes and peanut butter sandwiches, according to a poll conducted by Patsy Pigot, Gazette researcher.

Twelve students said the sale of books should be separate, seven said they should be sold with the lunches, and one co-ed said

the Gym store should stay where it is— "That is its charm," she said, "the intimacy of the surroundings."

Advocating a split in the sales, Jane Rogers said, "it isn't very pleasant to have to buy a fairly expensive text-book while some caf dribbles peanut butter and chocolate milk all over its pages."

Others offered no explanation for their opinion, just said, "they must be divided."

# TIGERS CRUSH WANDERERS 27 - 0



## SPORT REPORT

BY BOB TUCK

Down at the Wanderers Grounds Saturday, the football team displayed a will to win and fight that we haven't seen the equal of in many a day, and it was matched all the way by the enthusiasm of the large Dal crowd that thoroughly cheered and supported their team all afternoon. Instead of being merely spectators, Dalhousie turned out as supporters of the team, and the cheering and all round enthusiasm on the part of the bleachers sped the Tigers on to their lop-sided victory.

And up at Studley the English rugby Tigers demonstrated a similar determination as they fought off a desperate King's team, and won going away. After scoring a touchdown early in the game, the Dal team was backed right up, and forced to hang on until half-time. At the intermission King's looked like a good bet. But with the memory of a 28-0 defeat last year, Dalhousie fought right back and completely dominated the final half, and at the end King's was a thoroughly beaten outfit.

Everywhere you look, Dalhousie is racking up victories. In fact, at the time of writing, the Gold and Black has not a loss to mar its perfect record. And with each success, the various Dalhousieteams move closer to championships. Of course it's too early to say in the football category, but the way the teams are flying, the trophies gained already by the tennis team are going to be matched on the mantle by others with equal glitter.

The new spirit at Dal was typified to our mind by the strains of "Glory, Glory for Dalhousie" which emanated from the truck carrying the team back from the Wanderers Grounds Saturday. The Tigers and indeed the whole of Dalhousie, have got the winning spirit. And it's winning spirit that produces championships more than anything else.

As things are now shaping up the two biggest events remaining on the Fall sports program are a contemplated game with McGill, and the game with Navy in the local Canadian Football loop. There is also a distinct likelihood of important English rugby matches. The McGill game is not a certainty as yet, but it should be a good indication, if it is held, of the calibre of play in the local loop. The Navy game, rescheduled for the coming Wednesday, may well prove to be a battle for the supremacy of the City League. Navy, on Thanksgiving day, romped to a win over a light St. Mary's team which had lost the season opener to Dal 9-7. But the Dal line has added weight, and the whole team has added experience. It shapes up as the game of the year.

Our friend from the Valley has once again had something to say concerning Dalhousie football policy, and has reiterated the "gullible Haligonian" epithet he hurled down from his apple tree last week. He makes the statement that it will take five years before Canadian football in this city has attained an acceptable standard. He quotes Dal's 9-7 win over St. Mary's, and St. Mary's 1-0 victory over Wanderers as examples of the poor play to be expected for the next five years. He says these contests were poor because several Dal students told him they were. Whether he considers his Dal friends gullible or not we don't know, but if he includes them in his twice-declared "gullible Haligonians" statement, it makes him look pretty unwise himself. The play of the two games quite possibly was not of the best or most inspiring standard, and we won't answer his contentions on the merits of these matches. We will just point out to him the demonstration of inspiring football at the Wanderers Grounds Saturday that had Dalhousians whooping and cheering and enjoying themselves as never before at a football game. And this was all the more remarkable because it was a lopsided game and, under ordinary circumstances, unexciting because of that. The answer is that Dal had a well drilled, spirited outfit, that kept the crowd on its toes with a colorful, skillful attack.

Of course, this rebirth of football enthusiasm is not restricted to Canadian rugby alone. Anyone who was at the Dal-King's game on Tuesday, and there were a good many, now realize that Dal spirit is second to none; All the old excuses concerning lack of residences and urban situation are now pretty well forgotten. Dalhousians can carry their collective heads higher than ever before, because they are well on the way towards achieving a supremacy in the field of student endeavours that will match the "University's" pre-eminence in matters scholastic.

## DALHOUSIE TEAM IMPRESSIVE IN LOPSIDED WIN

The DAL Tigers chalked up their second victory in as many starts in the Halifax Canadian Football League last Saturday afternoon when they crushed the Wanderers, 27-0, at the Redmen's Park. The big, charging Dal line consistently smothered the opposition's ground attack and opened the way for the backfield aces to rip off long gains. Although they fought hard all the way, the Wanderers were completely outclassed and thoroughly beaten at the finish.

In the first three minutes of play Dal broke the scoring ice when Pete Feron, a brilliant performer all afternoon, kicked a 33 yard field goal, after he had taken a lateral from Bob MacDonald and gone 38 yards around left end to set up the play.

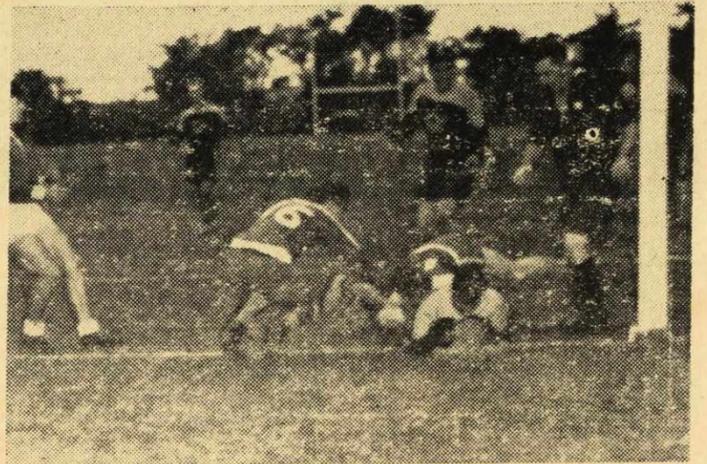
With Feron, Don Woodward, and Bob Wilson, the Tigers' driving halfback, sparking the advance, the Gold and Black marched 80 yards to score their first touchdown of the day midway through the second quarter. A spectacular three man lateral, with Feron on the scoring end, ate up the last 27 yards of the drive. As Feron's attempted conversion was wide, Dal led at the half, 8-0.

Continuing their stellar play in the second half, the Tigers scored in the third period on Kenny Reardon's 16 yard end run and conversion, and picked up thirteen points in the final quarter. After scoring a rouge on the second play of the fourth period, Paul Lee returned a punt to the Wanderers' 22 yard line, and then on third down, and from 18 yards out, Wilson rapped through left middle for the 5-pointer. Feron converted this score and later-notched his second, and the Tigers' fourth, touchdown. Reardon's sensational 40 yard dash from the midfield stripe and his 11 yard plunge to the paved way for Feron's tally. Reardon converted the final point.

Wilson and Reardon, a strong second half performer, broke off the longest single gains for the Tigers, but Feron, Lee, Woodward, MacDonald and Blair Dunlop, all played steady football, helped immeasurably by the powerful line play up front. Now that Woodwad has recovered from his early season injuries, a stronger overhead game can be expected each week from the Tigers.

For the Wanderers, Dick Currie and Eric Temple were the brightest stars of the game -- a game marred again to some extent by successive penalties.

The St. F. X. English Rugby machine showed that it has lost none of its stature of recent years, by decisively defeating Tech at the Wanderers Grounds Wednesday. The score was 16-3.



Dal picking-quarter Robertson is shown above scoring Dalhousie's second touchdown against King's at Studley Saturday. The Tigers won 6-0. An unidentified King's man has brought Robertson down, but just a split second too late to prevent the score. Gordie Campbell (16) makes a desperate lunge, while team mate Ferg Fergusson comes up to help out. Dal linesman Mac Cochran follows up the play (behind Campbell). The score came on the last play of the game.

In a ragged but exciting contest, the Dalhousie English Rugby Tigers swept to their second straight win at Studley Field Saturday as they overcame King's 6-0. The game was hard fought and clean, and both sides took command of the play for long periods at a time.

Shortly after the game opened, Dalhousie's Rosie MacMillan ran the ball over the King's line to give the Tigers a 3-0 lead. However the King's team quickly recovered and pressed strongly into the Dal end. For the remainder of the half King's controlled the play and missed scoring chances several times. Tackling by both sides was poor and neither team was hitting its top stride. Scrum work in this half was about even, and the King's backfield was showing to better advantage than their Dalhousie counterparts.

The second half was all Dal's. As King's had hemmed the Tigers in during most of the first half, so the Gold and Black restricted the Kingsmen to their own end of the field. King's had only one good scoring chance but it was gone before they could go over as Dal capitalized on a fumble. The Dal scrum and backfield showed improvement, but the King's defence held tight until the last play of the game. Robertson plunged through for a touchdown just before time was up, boosting the score to 6-0. Hart missed the convert from point-blank range.

Both teams fought hard, but it was the Dal comeback in the second half that ensured the game. Up until then they had been fading badly and the 3-0 lead looked all but secure. For Dal Quigley, MacEwan and MacMillan were outstanding, while Fergusson, Frazee and Conter were the pick of the King's team.

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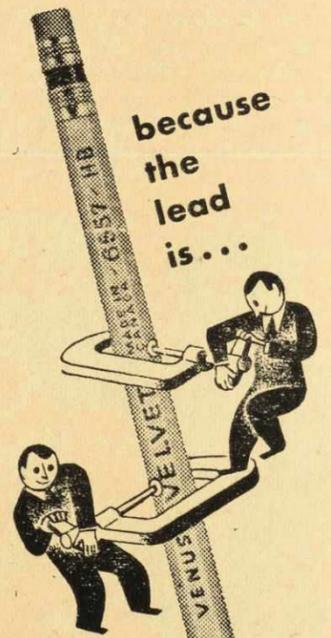
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Office of the Veteran Adviser. October 10, 1947.

# DAL TENNIS CHAMPS BY DEFAULT

## UNB UNABLE TO MEET PLAYER LIMIT; FORFEIT CRACK AT DAL NET TITLE

## CAMPUS ROUNDUP

By Windy O'Neill

Every group, here at Dalhousie, has a feeling. King's have the King's feeling (something like the "new look"), Law havethelaw feeling, Meds have the meds feeling, and even the mice at Shirreff Hall have been acting strangely.

Dalhousie is a house divided against herself. On Saturday and again on Tuesday, there was a tableau on Studley Field of Dalhousie beating its battered head against the proverbial wall. We couldn't lose — yet we couldn't win — Dal was playing Dal. Of course, Dalhousie was nominally playing King's College, but on investigation it would be found that most of the Blue and White players are registered in Dal, in Arts and Sciences, in Law, and some in Commerce.

...Earlier in the year, there was quite a "to-do" when the DAAC announced that Dal would vacate Senior English Rugby in favor of a strong Intermediate team. We wouldn't have done well in the big league with our major effort in the Canadian game but

with the pick of the two intermediate teams the Gold and Black would have made all the reactionaries react.

There are many conflicting views as to the difference between a Dalhousie student and a King's student — it would take a MacDonald-Hancock-Miller-Feeney all rolled into one to understand the many agreements. The main point is that in order to put out a concerted effort and to make Dalhousie or Dalhousie-King's a great university in all respects we must know where we stand, we must know whether a student is entitled to play with Dal or King's, whether the constitution of the DAAC is correct in saying that all students of King's are members of that organization, whether King's may set up their own Glee Club in opposition to that of Dalhousie which is considered one of the finest in the country.

The situation is one of those efficacious doldrums plaguing Dalhousie which we must be rid of in order to assume the place we deserve amongst the top universities of CCanada. Last year, we lost two possible Maritime championships, and who knows how many in the future if the situation continues to exist. In the last issue of the King's College Record somebody by the name of "B. R. C." drooled all over himself on the merits of King's and made snide remarks on the comparative ineptness of Dal. He asked himself numerous questions about the poor spirit on the Dal campi but failed to see that conditions such as the King's-Dal set-up were one of the big causes.

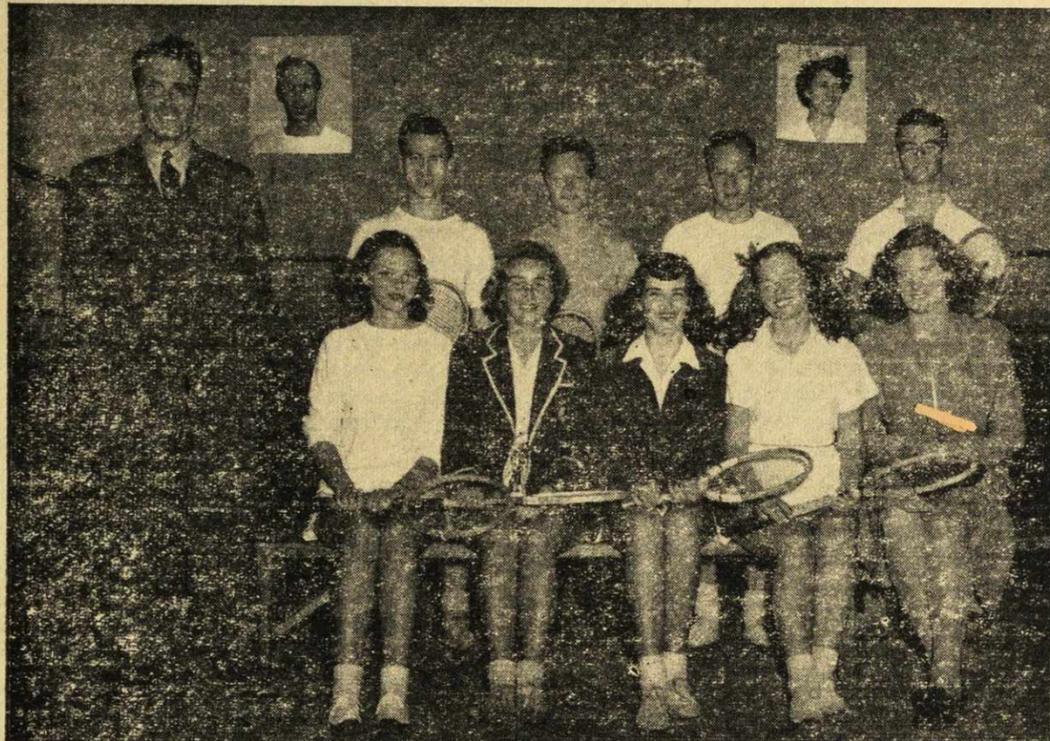
We all acknowledge King's College as an old and revered institution and hold great respect and esteem for the school but something will have to be done, as we are now like a nineteen year old dressed in his childhood shorts, which are hampering our movements and making us look ridiculous.

Its a new day for Dalhousie! Half the Fall is gone and Dalhousie has yet to meet defeat in any sport. We'll all be able to walk into the alumni smoker, to be held this week, for our yearly supply of seegars and throw out our chests and grin when the older editions of the Gold and Black start talking about the old days maybe they'll have their chests out too. It is said that the authorities are going to frisk "Pistol Pete" Feron before he goes into the next game. After the one hundred and forty-five pounder made his mammoth touchdown run, the little fellow left five hulking Wanderers moaning on the turf—the officials suspect him of carrying concealed weapons.

By the Canadian University Press

Vancouver — with enrollment up this year to a record 9,000, the "Ubysey" joins "The Varsity" and the McGill Daily to become the third daily paper in Canadian college journalism. Although still somewhat hampered with respect to plant, the paper has commenced daily publications.

two Halifax curling rinks, with play on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Plans are also going forward for a college invitation meet later on this winter. There is still room for more students interested in this old and ancient game. Nearly all those now interested have not played the game before and it is not necessary to have knowledge of the game to participate. If any more are interested they should get in touch with either Bill MacLeod or Bernal Sawyer.



Shown above is the 1947 edition of Dalhousie's Tennis team, Maritime titleholders. Reading from left to right, Front row; Shirley McCoy, Yvonne LeBroq, Barbara Quigley, Janet Cameron, Betty Petrie. Back row, and standing, Colin H. Smith (manager), Bill Moreside, David Genge, Bill Pope, Paul Lee. Inset, Syd Bartlett and Gwen Lugar.

Dalhousie's crack tennis team have won the Maritime Tennis Championship once again, but this year did it without playing a match. The University of New Brunswick, which had eliminated Mt. A for the New Brunswick title, forfeited their chance for the Maritime title because they were unable to floor the ten man team that the constitution calls for.

Tennis officials at the Fredericton University, in contact with Dalhousie manager Colin Smith during the past week, decided that they could floor no more than six players, and asked if it would be satisfactory if the tournament was held on the basis of smaller teams. Dalhousie replied that if they agreed to such an arrangement it would be unconstitutional. It was then that U. N. B. forfeited the title to Dal.

Dalhousie won the Maritime Championship last year by another sort of unanimous decision. In the 46-47 finals Dal won 25 out of 25 matches. Later, in the celebrated McGill playoff, Dalhousie lost all nine matches played.

## Dal Topples Kingsmen 8-5

In a bitterly fought battle, the rampaging Dalhousie English Rugby Tigers made it a lost weekend for the King's Blue and White as they took their second game in four days from the King's men at Studley Tuesday afternoon. Although Dal enjoyed a distinct territorial edge, the game was still close, and until Russ MacEwan scored in the closing minutes of the contest, the issue was still in doubt.

The flashiest performance of the game came on the first play, when Fernie Fergusson, speedy King's lineman picked up a loose ball and raced 45 yards to score. Mac Flewelling converted to give King's a 5-0 lead. Due to superior scrum work, the Tigers came roaring back, and pressed King's closely for the remainder of the period. After forcing the King's team to touch for safety three times Robertson scored from a five-yard scrum, with MacMillan successful with the convert.

During this half the King's scrum, a makeshift affair for this game only got the ball out once.

King's started off strongly in the second stanza, but after a near miss by Campbell on a goal kick, Dal resumed the offensive and it became a question whether King's could hold the Tigers to a tie. Finally Russ MacEwan went over with the ball for the winning points. King's tried desperately, but they were out of the ball game.

For Dal MacEwan, Cochran, and Robertson were out-standing while Frazee and Ferguson were the pick of the King's men.

Pete Kelly has been named Physical Director at UNB. A former NHL hockey player, he succeeds Howie Ryan who has taken a position on the McGill Sports Staff as Basketball Coach.

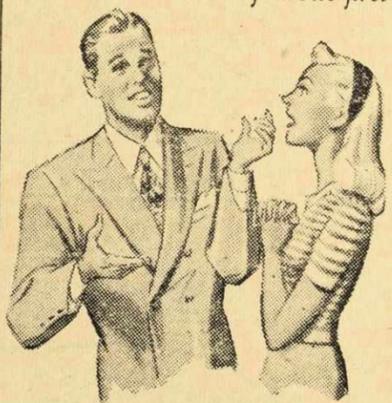
St. F. X. will have a new artificial ice plant in their rink this winter. The only major Maritime Universities now with out artificial ice rinks are UNB and Dalhousie.

## Curlers Meet; Plan Season

On Tuesday Oct. 7 a small group of interested students met in the Physical Director's office to discuss the possibility of starting curling this year at Dalhousie. The plans for this year are still in the tentative stage but at present they call for playing at the

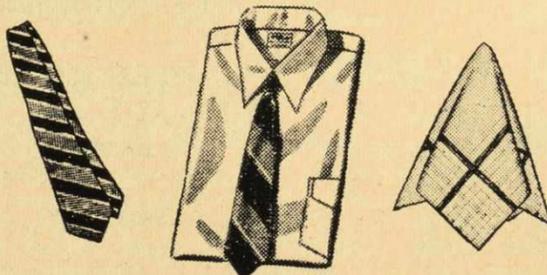
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# L I T E R A R Y

## THE QUICK AND THE DEAD CAMPUS STRAWS

### STRAWS

by "MAC"

In the history of modern Europe, the predominance of student groups in political disturbances is more than worthy of our notice in Canada. The Carlsbad Decrees of Metternich were provoked directly by the liberal activities of German students, and their Student's Union was vigorously suppressed. The degree of attention conferred upon the student population in political matters by kings and governments would be flattering were it not so disastrous.

Before the ruins of many universities in Europe such as Prague and Warsaw stand monuments to students who died defending their universities from political, intellectual domination. Consider Hitler's advances to the intellectual Jugend. Consider also the reckless heroism displayed in the anti-Nazi student revolt at Munich in 1942, at a time when the Nazi machines of oppression were at their greatest strength in the Fatherland.

In 1940, the occupying power in Holland forbade all Jewish professors to teach. There was a vigorous student protest. The students of the Technische Hoogschool at Delft struck, and as a result their world-famous institute was closed, occupied, and pillaged. In Leiden, the present Rector Magnificus, Professor Claveringa, made a violent speech before a large audience of students. Next day the heroic professor was arrested (for the rest of the war) and the University closed.

A few months later, punitive raids were made in class-rooms of universities which had not yet been closed, and about 600 students were imprisoned. All universities were then closed. Later again, an order announced the deportation to forced labor of all Dutch students. The opportunity was provided for students who wished to continue studying to sign an act of loyalty, by which the student agreed not to carry out any acts of offense to the Nazis. Less than fifteen percent signed. The rest "went under" and spent the remainder of the war in hiding, leading the resistance for which Holland became famous.

A description of the enormous fabric which constituted the underground machine would require volumes. When thousands of railway employees struck (it is against civil law in peace) the Germans cut off all their families from the meagre rations then available. The underground obtained by various means rations with which to keep them alive. The systems of communication were elaborate beyond belief, and used what was left of the telephone system under the very noses of the enemy. The Executive Secretary of the British Co-operating Committee, International Student Service, had himself smuggled into Holland via the ingenious underground transport system before the Liberation.

Here is a point to consider: this machinery is still in existence. Students still have sources of counterfeit money, ration coupons, passports. They still have it in their power to carry out most destructive measures against an aggressive power within the state.

Dutch students arranged a labour camp within Germany to aid reconstruction there - a noble gesture of the first magnitude. They invited Russian students to join others from many European countries. No reply came from Moscow, but a few weeks later an invitation arrived for Dutch students to come and assist with the reconstruction of Stalingrad. I asked the official in charge of student travel why no students were sent. He replied, "We knew that we would never see them again."

The Communist Party knows too well the advantages of courting the favour of students. The International Union of Students is an example. Its president and first secretary are prominent Communists. It held its conference at Prague this summer along with the so-called World Youth Festival, which was a Communist pow-wow and nothing else. At this conference the embryo National Students Association of the United States adopted the I.U.S. in preference to I.S.S. The American students who carried out this adoption boast that they did so on their own terms (the dollar again!) but I point out that they adopted it nevertheless. Some of us may remember Dr. McLure's remark about the brilliant technique the Communists have for anaesthesia.

Of the I. S. S. Secretariat in Geneva, at least three are avowed Communists. At the I. S. S. Conference in Denmark this summer there were ten French delegates. All but one were Communists, and that one was the only Roman Catholic among them—this indicates the political voice of France that we are allowed to hear in our student assemblies.

The I. S. S. is by constitution a non-political organization, and political prejudice is forbidden in any of its fields of activity. At present there is no need for fears or doubts regarding the political honesty of the organization, but we have much to fear in the future. We can combat it now by backing our Canadian Committee in money and effort. We can combat it in the future by some energetic political thinking and action.

To misquote: in the political scramble that is now inevitable, there is only room for "the quick and the dead."

Let's get moving.

G. B. Payzant

## Thoughts On English 2

by CAIN

When Milton by his wife was bossed  
He wrote his epic *Paradise Lost*;  
But when a widower he reigned,  
Began on *Paradise Regained*.

### NOTICE

The Gazette Sport pages offer opportunities to any aspiring sports writers. Some one capable of taking over the editorship of one of these pages is in demand, and the competition is on. If you want a position with a future on the Gazette drop in and be put to work.

## CO-ED NEWS AND VIEWS

To look at the issues of the GAZETTE already published this year, one might think that co-ed activities were among the missing. Fortunately enough, ce n'est pas vrai. If the truth must come out, yours truly has been slow on the uptake, and must take the blame for this silence. (Which you will probably be wishing you had back).

Delta Gamma started officially last Tuesday Oct. 7, with president Elsie Cruickshank conducting the first general meeting of the year. It was difficult to get an accurate idea of the number present, what with people crawling all over the floor, but it looked like quite a bunch to us, which is always a welcome sign.

If you're looking for a really snifty pin, sign up on the Delta Gamma list in the Common Room of the Arts Building, and soon after you've made a slight deposit, to cover the cost of mailing, handling etc. etc., you too can be a proud owner of a Delta Gamma "D".

Thanksgiving weekend was spent in the usual weekend way by most of the femmes, more than half of the Hall girls remaining in residence.

No news on the meal business at the Hall. The petition has been presented to Miss Mowat, and a meeting is scheduled for Wednesday night, at which the co-eds will present their argument.

'Nuff said for this week. We'll give it to you in small doses. Fond adieux, or words to that effect.

### OPENING TO SWING TO FASHION

Thanksgiving Day saw the opening of the much publicized "Swing To Fashion" at the Nova Scotian ballroom, sponsored by the Halifax Chronicle and Halifax Daily Star. Halifax women were introduced to the long hemline, with new fashions modelled by seven Montreal models and Dalhousie Freshette Margaret Eustace. Mrs. Abbie Lane, women's editor of the Halifax Chronicle and Halifax Daily Star, ably handled the commentaries.

Don Warner and the original sextet with Maynard Taylor on the vocals, are supplying the musical background for the week-long show, giving forth with their usual "solidness". Don features a score of songs, including several of his popular "seat" songs.

Freshette Margie Eustace exhibits outstanding poise and charm in her modelling of the latest in teen-age fashions. This is a show that no one should miss. All clothes modeled are on sale at leading Halifax stores.

## The Curse Of A Softened Heart

I gazed into her wide-set eyes  
That sadly begged expressively,  
And seemed to say, "Oh, please, don't go — — —  
Oh please do not abandon me."  
I faltered, softened by her gaze,  
My thoughts were twisted in dismay;  
It happens every time, I thought,  
That I decide to go away.  
I must be firm — I'll go at once — — —  
But no — those eyes destroy my will.  
"Oh, please, don't stare at me like that.  
Why must you use such utter skill?"  
I turned from her to leave, but then  
Again I was compelled to pause — — —  
"Oh, all right then — come on along."  
So on she came — on all four paws.

One of the straws in the wind this week is the project afoot to bring McGill's Intermediate Team down. The game is planned at Studley so far. More fuel to our fire of enthusiasm. I heard some ambitious type say "Why not McGill's Varsity team?" Do I hear any "Well, why not" 's?

I've got a free afternoon today and the problem of what to do with such a tremendous expanse of time hangs heavy on my hands.

Y'know, I figure the year's really agoin' now. I can remember all my classes without even looking at my timetable. Oh, well, we aren't all endowed with superior mentality. Yipe!

Think I'll go down to Joe's for a coke or something.

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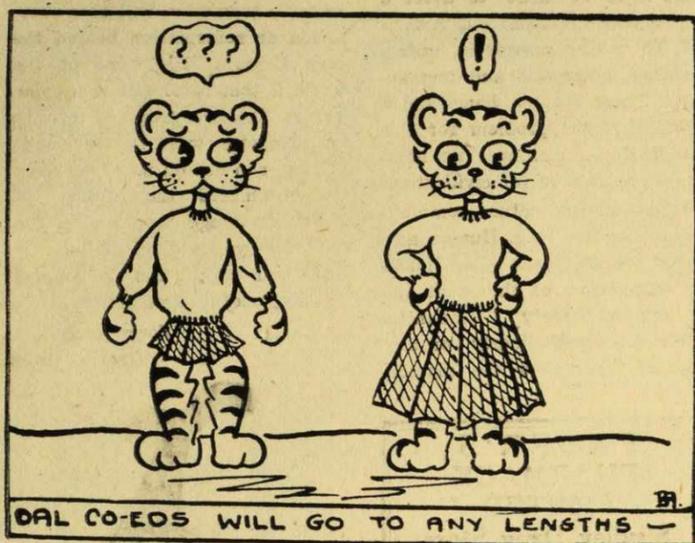
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# FEATURES



## DEAR CHILDREN

We draw your attention to the editorial of the Learned Editor in last week's issue of the Gazette; it affects us because of a remark of a features editor. You see, early in the week we had gone to see the features editor about our column. Entering the office, we saw a re-writer. We leered at the re-writer. The re-writer ignored us. We pushed on, and arrived at the Features Desk.

"Hey, Ed," we said, "There ain't no news."

"There never is." He opened one eye. "The Comintern is revived, though." He closed the eye. We waited for a while. The other eye might open. It didn't; only a persistent belch from the other side of the room disturbed the serenity of the Gazette Office. We left, for intensive research in the Library.

Children, it all started this way. There was once a chap called Marx. This man Marx went to a good college. When he got out he looked for a job, and began to edit a paper. This was a newspaper (like the Gazette) which was Left Wing (not like the Gazette). Everybody read it. The police also read it, and Marx had to leave the country. He went to England.

In those days England was a fine country. You could even stand up and say what you thought. This is what is called Democracy. Now they have the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Bill. Anyway Marx settled down in England, and started the Communist International which called upon the workers of the world to unite because they had nothing to lose but their chains. Maybe this wasn't such a good reason, because when the workers finally got round to starting the Communist International, they all disagreed about things. Anyway, it started, and is called affectionately for short "Comintern."

As I said, the workers disagreed about things. Some wanted bread for all, or jam for some or minutes read at the end of the meeting and so on. They split up, which is why we have so many nowadays, such as the Socialist International, the Womens' International, the I. S. S. and many others. Although most of them were no good, like the Triple Alliance, a real craze for Internationals was started. Soon, every country had its own International, which it kept to itself. But they realized that this was not a good thing, so they abolished internationals, and had a big meeting which they called the League of Nations (so that none could call it International). But this was no good either. They still disagreed about minutes, and bread, and Ethiopia and what have you. So that split up again.

Now we have the U.N.O., which is no good too, but has made one big step in the right direction. This is the veto. When something comes along that someone doesn't like, there is no argument or unpleasantness—it is simply vetoed. This is a great advantage. Some people don't like being vetoed here and there, but they just veto somebody else and then they don't feel so bad.

Even though we have this fine U.N.O., which is making these big steps, some people in this world are never satisfied. Some countries still want their Internationals. For instance, England cannot have one until she saves up enough, and Jamaica cannot have one because she is not big enough. But Russia is big enough, and the U.S.A. is rich enough. So these have their own internationals. Russia has the Comintern, and the U.S.A. has several (because it is richer) such as the Marshall approach, the Interstate Highways Commission and the Pan American League.

People are making suggestions about what to do with these Internationals; Lushwell has written letters to Marshall Stalin and Mr. Trygve Lie suggesting that he organise a Canadian football series between them but nothing has come of this. Somebody asked why they are not called Internationals if they are Internationals. This is because they are snobbish about it; The U.S.A. doesn't want anyone running around saying that the Pan American is Communist and Russia calls hers an International anyway. (See Seabiscuit's Report, Ch. XII, Vol. 6). (1)

The important thing to remember is that some people like it one way, and some like it another way, and some don't know because they don't know anything.

THE END

(1) See also: Lushki, Why I am a Marxist; Trotsky, Why I am a Leninist; Lenin, Why I am a Fabian; Marx, Why I am Crazy; Fabius, Why I am Cunctator and A. Hitler, Modern Methods in Potato Growing.

## BEASTLY HABIT RAMPANT AT DAL

by C. S. WEBBER

Gazette Correspondent in Psych, 17 (a)

A recent survey by a Gazette reporter has disclosed the startling fact that a great percentage of Dalhousie students are addicted to tomato juice. This probably does not come as a shock to most students, but nor indeed would this be particularly shocking in itself, the invidious nature of this habit does not become apparent until we are informed of the hour of this libation. No less than twenty-six out of twenty-seven questioned admitted that they liked tomato juice with their breakfast! and the one abstainer proudly said that the only reason that he did not join the others was because he was too pressed for time at that hour of the morning.

..... In the tropics men who have any amount of self respect refrain from tomato juice till after sun-down, and in many other parts of the world tomato juice has been considered so potent a force for evil that its consumption has been abolished, or at least controlled by law. Yet here we have the unparalleled scene of young men and women actually starting off the morning with a jigger of demon tomato juice.

Now the author is not an exceptionally puritanical man, and he does not believe in the unnecessary curtailment of people's liberty; but the sight of the youth of this fair university, the very hope of Canada, ruining their health and digestion by their callous use of this vile brew is more than he can stand. It is even rumored that some undergraduates, more misguided than the rest, actually spike their tomato juice with Worcester Sauce. Surely this is enough to convince even the most liberal that steps must be taken to prevent the spread of this evil and debasing habit among the students, and that some effort should be made to reclaim the lost souls who are already its unhappy victims. To this purpose I would suggest the formation of a Dalhousie branch of the Tomato Juicers Anonymous and would gladly take it upon myself to bring spiritual comfort to those who now unsuccessfully try to drown their sorrows in the bestial brew.

In the interests of these poor sufferers I have evolved a cure which, so far, has never failed to wean them from this horrible vice; For the benefit of those who may be interested in taking the cure and the others who have merely an academic interest, I will outline the method used to bring the addicts back to a healthy, normal existence. The cure is simplicity in itself, and although some patients find it exceedingly unpleasant, this must not be allowed to stand in the way of their rehabilitation. Every morning, in place of their accustomed slug of tomato juice, the

patient is given two ounces of brown aromatic liquid that is derived from good, wholesome molasses. This medicinal elixir in moderate doses has a pronounced invigorative effect, and the more promising patients often state that the stomach burning sensation becomes quite pleasant, being associated with a most remarkable spiritual elevation. It is not long before the sufferers come to like this medicine and indeed, inveigh most heartily against the demoralizing effects of tomato juice. Some of our most eloquent tomato juice temperance speakers are those who have been won from the powerful clutches of the habit by my cure, and it is the continued progress that is being made that has heartened me to the extent of offering the helping hand to all who sincerely desire to lift themselves above the vile and degrading tomato juice habit.

All those interested should consult me at the Gazette office where full privacy will be assured, and careful personal attention given to their malady. Remember, the tomato juice habit is not invincible! We can cure it!

### NOTICE

Appointments with Dr. Webber may be made by contacting Dr. Webber at the offices of the Dalhousie GAZETTE at Studley. It is hoped that those who apply for seances will be in a condition to walk by themselves; those who insist on being carried in will be charged for this service. Ordinary fee: 200 guineas (in U. S. currency.)

### NOTICE

In December the GAZETTE hopes to publish an eight-page Literary Supplement. Up to 1945 it was the custom of the Gazette to publish this supplement, but lately poor student support has not warranted its continued appearance. The Editors hope that all those who enjoy writing will bring contributions in for this special issue. It is expected that prizes will be offered for the best prose and the best poetry contributions printed. Details will be published as soon as they are known definitely.

### NOTICE

The Gazette would appreciate information on the following subjects, and asks any person on the Campus who is able to supply it to notify the Gazette:—

The World Youth Festival which was held in Prague this summer; we are not aware of the fact that any Dalhousie student was present, but if any were, we would appreciate an interview on the subject.

Similarly, the movement in Jugo-Slavia to build a railway in the Serajevo district of Bosnia, which is supposed to have been manned by international "Student Brigades." If any one here was there either with the so-called "Beaver Brigade" or in a purely private capacity, we would appreciate very much any information which they can give us.

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## D.G.A.C.

Thirty new freshettes, all enthusiasts in basketball and badminton, were gladly welcomed to the fold at the regular meeting of the DGAC.

The new members are expected to give the DGAC a plentiful source of material for varsity teams. Janet Robertson and Jean on the badminton court, while there were at least five outstanding prospects for the varsity basketball team in Eileen Landrigan, Janet Cameron, Lucy Calp, Marg Eustace and Barb Quigley.

The interclass basketball schedule will be arranged shortly.

Arrangements have been made for the opening game of the ground hockey season with the Halifax Ladies College. The date is Thursday, Oct. 16. The following game will be with Edgehill at Windsor on Saturday, the eighteenth. The squad has been practising for the past two weeks under the direction of Mrs. D. McKeigan and is expected to have a good season. The tentative lineup is: Janet Cameron, N. Jones, P. Snuggs, M. O'Neill, Y. Leblaq, Gwen Lugar, Lois Rattee, G. Teid, B. Huntington, the milling mob.

## Romeo Is Airborne Sandbag

(U. X. F.)—Fifteen hundred university students seeking sensations — Wednesday afternoon witnessed the thrilling sight of two sandbags risking rupture in a mad descent from a low-flying aircraft over the Fort Gary campus. They landed safely in a plowed field some distance from

This was a paragraph of a story carried in the Manitoban, official organ of the University of Manitoba, early this week. Last week the story had been run under the head, "Leap for Lady's Favor." The idea was that two men were going to jump from an aircraft, and the one who delayed pulling the rip cord of his chute longest was to receive the favor of taking the campus queen out for the evening.

1,000 students witnessed the hoax, and the Manitoban reports that the "Fake Jump failed to impress." The reporter said that he left in a high dudgeon.

## FRESHETTE IS TEENAGE MODEL

The alter ego of Dalhousie freshettes can permissibly take a jump for higher levels when they learn that Miss Margaret Eustace of this year's Frosh class is modeling teen age fashions at the Halifax Chronicle and Daily Star fashion show now at the Nova Scotian Hotel.

Miss Eustace, known generally as "Marg" broke into the modeling field last year as a teen age model with Halifax Business firms and has been an attraction ever since.

The winsome blonde is as versatile as she is attractive. A crack swimmer she took part in several demonstrations with the Red Cross last summer throughout the province.

A graduate of Queen Elizabeth High School she played basketball for the first girls team and was an outstanding forward. Here's best of luck to her in her future endeavors, scholastic and otherwise.

## EDITORS —

## MAILBOX

(Continued from page 2)

COMMUNISM", the GAZETTE has chosen the following, and thanks reader Cross for his interest.

Dear Sir:

The GAZETTE asks for comments on its editorial entitled Democracy vs Communism. The editorial poses the question: What can be done by the democratic powers to answer the recent revival of the International Comintern, the culmination of a long-standing conflict between communism and capitalism.

What most people fail to realize is that it was destined that communism should flourish in Russia just the same as it was destined that socialism should flourish in Britain and capitalism in the United States. The economic policy of a country is relative to its industrial development. Since communism is incompatible with either capitalism or socialism, or vice versa, mankind is faced with the gravest problem of all time.

In our opinion the hope of the world does not lie in the formation of a league of democratic powers to try to stop the spread of communism. The United Nations is doing as much as any such power could do because it is in reality only an international body made up of two diametrically opposed factions, the communist countries on one side and the democratic countries on the other. Any open formation of democratic powers into a league would only result in the old balance of power method to maintain peace, and history has shown that it does not work.

"What then is to be done to

solve the irreconcilable disputes between communism and democracy, or to put it more directly what is to be done to avert a war between Russia and America? To us the answer is, unfortunately, automatic and inescapable. There is no hope for a solution of the problem for this generation or perhaps the next. But there is hope for civilization.

From its very nature communism cannot live long. Human nature is not such that it will stand for suppression of the spirit and its love of liberty. Communism offers no such liberty or any hope of liberty to the masses.

Whether it will be twenty-five or seventy-five years hence we do not attempt to guess, but within that time it is almost inevitable that there will be a revolution or reformation behind the Iron Curtain. The hope of the world is that revolution will come before Russia is prepared to wage an offensive war. If the sands of time run out on us, if we have underestimated the ability of Russia to wage war within the next few years, then all hope is lost, and civilization is doomed to disgraceful destruction.

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