

The Brunswickan

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Special Speaker *Unveiling of Portrait* Features Ceremonies

Soldier, author, book reviewer, university professor, and many more outstanding accomplishments are to the credit of Dr. John Bartlet Brebner who will be the guest speaker of the Founders' Day programme this evening. Dr. Brebner, who is Canadian born, has led a distinguished career ever since his school days in Toronto. He attended grammar school and univer-

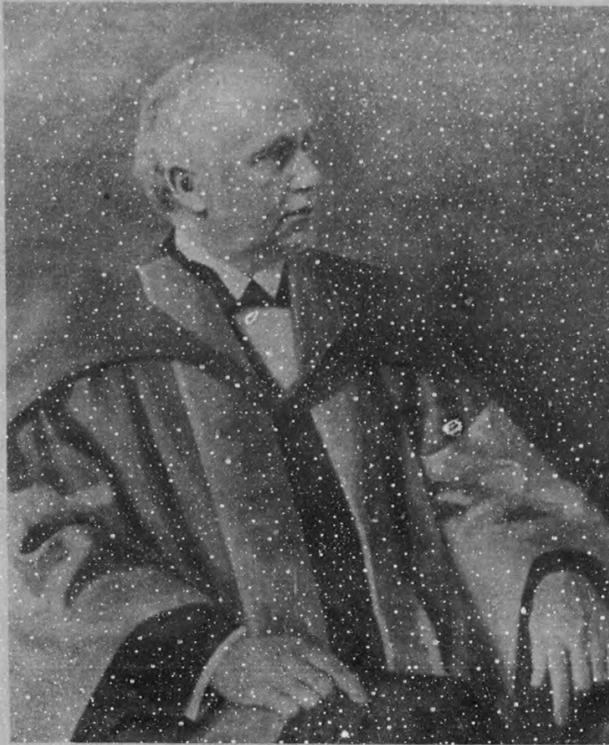


DR. J. B. BREBNER

sity there, then joined the army and served in World War I from 1915 to 1918. He resumed his studies at Oxford, where he obtained his B.A., M.A., and B. Litt. degrees, then Columbia University, New York, from which he received his Ph.D. degree.

Since then, Dr. Brebner has been a professor of History at Toronto University, and later at Columbia. He belongs to Political and Social Science associations and several historical societies. He is the author of several books: "New England's Outpost", "The Explorers of North America 1492-1806", "The Neutral Yankees of Nova Scotia"; and has edited "Classics of the Western World", and "A Bibliography of English Literature and History". Dr. Brebner has submitted articles to American, Canadian, and other journals and encyclopaedias, and has contributed book reviews to various periodicals.

With such a background Dr. Brebner will be doubtless one of the most interesting speakers of the college year. His talk will give an added significance to Founders' Day.



DR. THOMAS HARRISON, FORMER PRESIDENT OF U. N. B.

The above portrait will be unveiled at tonight's Founder's Day celebrations in the Memorial Hall.

Tonight the University of New Brunswick celebrates the third Founder's Day in its history. One of the feature events in tonight's ceremony will be the unveiling of a portrait of a former president of our University, Dr. Thomas Harrison.

Of United Empire Loyalist descent, Thomas Harrison was born during October, 1839 at Sheffield, N. B. At the age of sixteen he went to Sackville Academy, where he spent two years, leaving to become a Master at the New Glasgow Grammar School when only eighteen.

After spending five years at the University of Dublin, he graduated

in 1863, receiving the degrees of B.A. and LL.B. After which he proceeded to earn his M.A., which was granted in 1873. He was honored by his Alma Mater in 1889, when it conferred on him the degree of LL.D.

On returning to his native province he was for a short time principal of the Sheffield Academy and in 1870, he accepted the seat of English and Modern Philosophy at this University. When, during 1885, Dr. Jack vacated his position of President, Dr. Harrison was appointed President and Professor of Mathematics. He resigned in 1892 to become Chancellor, which position he held until 1906.

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President's Message



DR. N. A. M. MacKENZIE

The University of New Brunswick has the distinction of being one of the oldest university corporations in Canada, and it is most appropriate that we should pay tribute to the men and women who since 1785 have done so much to make this institution famous.

It is impossible to list all of them but special mention should be paid to the Loyalists who in 1785 took the first steps which resulted in our establishment; to Thomas Carleton and Sir Howard Douglas, Governors of that period, who did so much for us; to the government and public spirited citizens, and to our own alumni and alumnae to whom we owe a great deal. Special mention should also be made of Lord Beaverbrook to whom we are most grateful for his continuing generosity in the form of scholarships, the Residence and Gymnasium.

Founder's Day was established appropriately enough, at the request of some of our students, who are now on active service overseas, and I hope that succeeding generations of students will continue to keep alive the memory of our founders and benefactors, and to consider Founder's Day an event in which they have a very special interest, and one which they will make their own.

NORMAN MacKENZIE

Choral Club

Another interesting feature on tonight's program will be the appearance, for the first time, of the Ladies Choral Club, made up of U.N.B. coeds.

For several years there has been a growing desire among the coeds to form such a club, and accordingly this year they took the decisive step, and with Dr. de Merten as their director have been working hard in an effort to equal, if not surpass, the now renowned Men's Glee Club.

The girls feel that tonight's audience should not be too critical, as they do not profess to have reached perfection yet, or to have acquired the skill of the more experienced Glee Club.

Founder's Day

Tonight for the third time since the institution of a Founder's Day in 1942, undergraduates and graduates, of the University of New Brunswick, together with other distinguished visitors will be paying tribute to the memory of the founders of this university.

It is only right that one day in every university year should be set aside as a day in which we can take time to reflect over that period of years through which, step by step, our university grew not only in size but in importance, till now it has a name honoured not only in the Maritimes but also in the Dominion. It is also right that we pause once a year and pay tribute to our graduates and benefactors for it is through their untiring efforts that we have today a well known and increasingly influential university.

With these things in mind the university authorities have seen fit to appoint a special Founder's Day Committee, who each year have arranged a program suitable for the occasion. This committee has, in our first three observances, brought to us several distinguished speakers who if not directly connected with our university, have taken a keen interest in us as we move along the road of years.

We are indeed fortunate this year in having as our special speaker Dr. Brebner, who as Associate Professor of History at Columbia University, has a brilliant record.

We should also keep in mind those graduates and ex students, who have given their lives during this present world war. Some of them we knew, others were before our time. However they had one thing in common, and that was that while here they, in their individual ways contributed to our university life and left their mark within the various organizations in which they were members. Their university and their country will remember them.

Sir C. G. D. Roberts Contributed Much To Us

Founder's Day ordinarily associates itself in the mind with dates, charters, constitutions and the men who draft them. Through such the University of New Brunswick came into being in the sense that land was granted, a building reared, a faculty and a student body assembled. But the Founders of the spirit of the University belong to no particular year, are not associated with charters. Many of them are unknown and must remain so; but with the passing of time a few figures tend to reveal themselves as creators of a unique spiritual quality which, more than the land of the buildings or even the sum of its graduates, gives the University a distinction which has no proportion to its age or size.

Of these Founders of the spirit, one of the most outstanding is Sir Charles G. D. Roberts. His death in the autumn of 1943 brought to a close a long career, during which Roberts maintained, often in the face of great difficulties, an unswerving allegiance to the genius which first bore fruit more than sixty years ago when he was an undergraduate member of this University. He was the first among Canadians to point the way to the creation of a great national literature; and his influence upon his fellow-students at U.N.B., and upon many of those who came after him, has been profound. But it is not only here, or in the Maritimes at large, that his genius has been a great inspirational force. In unforgettable words Archibald Lampman has described the effect which a reading of Roberts' earliest volume of verse, "Orion", had upon him, when he was a student at Trinity College, Toronto:

I sat up most of the night reading and re-reading "Orion" in a state of the wildest excitement and when I went to bed I could not sleep. It seemed to me a wonderful thing that such work could be done by a Canadian, by a young man, one of ourselves. It was like a voice from some new paradise of art, calling to us to be up and doing. A little after sunrise I got up and went out into the college grounds... Everything was transfigured for me beyond description, bathed in an old world radiance of beauty, the magic of the lines was sounding in my ears, those divine verses as they seemed to me, with their Tennyson-like richness and strange earth-loving Greek flavour. I have never forgotten that morning, and its influence has always remained with me.

Little more need be said to indicate the extent of the persuasive power of Roberts' genius. It is sufficient to add that he is not likely to become a merely historical figure; and that the influence which first began its work in this University more than half a century ago,

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Concerning Payment
 Of Quit Rent

Perhaps the smallest rent in his-
 tory will be paid this evening at the
 ceremony of the third annual
 Founder's Day celebration. The
 rent of one penny will be given to
 Lieutenant-Governor W. G. Clark,
 representing our King George VI,
 by our president Norman MacKenzie
 as per the charter drawn up by J.
 Nathan Odell, a hundred and thirty-
 one years ago. The first payment
 was made on April 27, 1813 by the
 governor of the college (there was
 no president then) to George
 Stracey Smyth, acting for Lieuten-
 ant Governor Thomas Carleton who
 was at that time in England. This
 sum was charged for the running of
 a ferry between Fredericton and
 what is now Barkers Point by U.N.B.

It would indeed be interesting to
 ascertain whether or not this ferry
 ever did operate and if so for how
 long. Perhaps the Canadian Nat-
 ional Railways have no legal right
 to the bridge spanning the St. John
 River, perhaps they are trespassing
 on college property, perhaps the
 control of all connections between
 the Fredericton-Devin shore right-
 fully belongs to the university and
 if this is true, has not U.N.B. a
 perfectly legitimate privilege in
 painting big red claimant U.N.B.
 letters on the piers of this usurping
 bridge?

The following is a copy of the or-
 iginal charter bringing about this
 yearly debt. It lies in the archives
 in the University Library and if
 anyone is interested in viewing and
 reading this document for himself,
 I am sure Dr. Bailey would be de-
 lighted to show you.

George the Third by the Grace of
 God of the United Kingdom of Great
 Britain and Ireland, King, Defender
 of the Faith, etc. To all to whom
 these presents shall come Greeting
 —know ye that we of our special
 Grace certain knowledge, mere
 motion have given granted and
 confirmed and by these presents
 for us our Heirs and Successors do
 give, grant and confirm unto The
 Governor and Trustees of the Col-
 lege of New Brunswick and their
 Successors the common Ferry in
 upon and over the River of Saint
 John between the two Parishes of
 Fredericton and Saint Mary's in the
 County of York at or near the con-
 fluence of River Nashwaak into the
 River Saint John on the north-
 easterly or Saint Mary's side, and
 the Shore opposite to the mouth or
 confluence of the Nashwaak afore-

will be felt by generations yet to
 come.

Bright is the ring of words
 When the right man rings them;
 Fair is the foil of songs
 When the singer sings them.
 Still they are carolled and said—
 On wings they are carried—
 Fair is the fall of songs
 And the maker buried.
 —E. A. McCOURT

Glee Club
 Present Tonight

Now in the fourth year of its ex-
 istence, the University Glee Club is
 taking its place beside the older
 and larger societies of the Univer-
 sity and is a firmly embedded cam-
 pus organization. It all started in
 1940 when a group of students feel-
 ing the need of organized musical
 activity started a singing club for
 male students. Dr. F. J. Toole, who
 is himself a music enthusiast, was
 consulted and the Glee Club with
 Dr. Toole as director had its be-
 ginning. Since then it has increas-
 ed in membership and this year has
 over twenty members.

The Glee Club plays a prominent
 part in many social activities. This
 will be the third year that it will
 add a lighter touch to the Founders'
 Day proceedings by interspersing
 the addresses with appropriate
 selections. Other highlights in the
 Glee Club's schedule was its partic-
 ipation in the Freshman Recep-
 tion and the Dramatic Society's
 performances.

said on the south-westerly or Fred-
 ericton side, from side to side and
 from either to the other side of the
 said River St. John, and communi-
 cating with Highways upon several
 shores or banks of both said Rivers;
 together with all rates, fares, tolls,
 rights, liberties, profits and ad-
 vantages to the said Ferry belong-
 ing or in anywise appertaining: To
 Have And To Hold the aforesaid
 Ferry Liberty, Franchise and all
 and singular the Premises above
 granted and described unto them
 the aforesaid Governor and
 Trustees of said College of New
 Brunswick and their Successors
 and behoof of the said Governor
 forever, to the sole and proper use
 and Trustees of the College afore-
 said forever yielding and paying
 therefore yearly and every year
 forever to us, our Heirs and Suc-
 cessors at the Office of our Receiver
 General of our Quit Rents in N. B.,
 at the Feast of Saint John the Bap-
 tist or mid-summer day in every
 year, calculating from the first mid-
 summer day after the date of this
 Grant the yearly rent or sum of One
 Penny.

In Testimony whereof we have
 caused the Great Seal of our said
 Province of New Brunswick to be
 hereunto affixed. Witness our
 trusty and well beloved George
 Stracey Smyth Esquire, President
 and Commander-in-Chief of our said
 Province at Fredericton the twenty-
 seventh day of April in the Year of
 our Lord one thousand eight hun-
 dred and thirteen and in the fifty-
 third Year of our Reign.

By command of The President in
 Council

J. N. ODELL

To tell old news—someone nearly
 had to call a Doc a couple of weeks
 back, when a certain campus killer
 found he had been sabotaged. I'm
 allergic to sparklers too!

Douglas Encouraged U.N.B.'s Progress

Through the untiring efforts of Sir Howard Douglas, Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick from 1822 to 1831, the College of New Brunswick, later known as the University of New Brunswick obtained a Royal Charter, and was renamed King's College in 1829. Sir Howard was installed as the first Chancellor in the same year and provided money for an annual gold medal. Through his interests the college finances were improved and a new stone building — the Arts Building — was erected on a commanding position. An endowment he secured extensive forest lands, and unrelentingly fought a battle for religious toleration within the university so that an education might be available for members of any denomination.

In 1831 he was recalled to Great Britain to give advice in a dispute between the State of Maine and this province. His departure evoked expressions of the deepest regret. Sir Howard "must be regarded as one of the ablest and most enlightened governors ever sent to Canada from Great Britain." The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada in recognition of his valuable work have erected a bronze Memorial Tablet to his memory in the Legislative Building of this province.

Summing It Up

Athletics have always played a prominent part in the life of the university and our great athletes are now displaying their sports-field talents on fields of another nature. An entire issue of The Brunswickan would not suffice to mention the names of former football, hockey, basketball, etc. stars performing in the armed services. But let us look at the records of this year's teams . . . on the gridiron our rugby fifteen kept their slate clean of defeats as they trampled all opposition; the puckchasers were edged out by St. Joseph's University after some fine exhibitions of hockey; and on the gym floor the cage five continues its "victory polka" taking smart teams in their stride; boxing is just slated to make its annual debut next month with a regular tournament . . . all in all, on this Founder's Day we can feel proud that we are yet upholding the high standards set by our predecessors in the line of sports.

The first issue of The Brunswickan was published in 1830 "As it was felt that there was a need for such a literary journal in the province" It was first known as the University Monthly, and became known as The Brunswickan in 1822, but still retained its magazine form. In 1931 The Brunswickan was incorporated into its present form.

PROGRAM

8.00 p.m. Academic Procession formed in Entrance Hall of Memorial Building.

8.15 p.m. Chair taken by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.
O Canada

U. N. B. Glee Club
Introductory Remarks
N. A. M. MacKenzie, M.M.
and Bar, B.A., LL.B., LL.
M., LL.D., K.C., F.R.S.C.
Ceremony in commemoration of the payment of the annual Quit Rent to the King

University Anthem

U. N. B. Glee Club
Unveiling of the Portrait of Thomas Harrison, LL.D., President and Chancellor of the University 1885-1906, presented by Graduates of the University.

Mrs. J. E. Maxwell, B.A.
Peter J. Hughes, B.A., LL.D., K.C.

Let Us Now Praise Famous Men U.N.B. Glee Club
Founders' Day Address

John B. Brebaer, B.A., M.A., B.Litt., Ph.D., Associate Professor of History, Columbia University.
Gaudemus

U. N. B. Glee Club
9.45 p.m. One Act Play
U.N.B. Dramatic Society
10.00 p.m. Informal Dance.

In Memoriam

The following graduates and ex-students have given their lives in the present war. Let us keep in mind their sacrifice as we pay tribute to the Founders of this university.

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| Charles R. Townsend | '20 |
| James A. Trites | '30 |
| Richard L. Lee | '32 |
| R. Erury Anderson | '32 |
| Donald S. MacLean | '33 |
| Charles L. Stephenson | '34 |
| A. Stewart MacDonald | '35 |
| N. Douglas Breen | '37 |
| H. Kenneth Corbett | '38 |
| Lawrence A. Clements | '39 |
| Walter A. Donahue | '40 |
| John A. Watson | '40 |
| Murry McL. Keswick | '41 |
| Albert A. Miller | '41 |
| Edwin A. Moore | '41 |
| R. Reginald Stuart | '41 |
| Jack A. Bisset | '42 |
| Winston E. Hovey | '42 |
| George C. Ritchie | '42 |
| Winslow D. Gilbert | '43 |
| J. Graham Rogers | '43 |
| Ivan R. Trafford | '43 |
| Harold R. Hatfield | '44 |
| Frank A. Milbury | '44 |

Toronto Artist Does Harrison Portrait

Charles MacGregor, who painted the portrait of Dr. Harrison, is an internationally known artist. A Scotsman by birth, he arrived in Canada shortly after World War I, making his home in Toronto, where he operates an art studio. He is a member of the Ontario Art Society as well as the A.R.C.A.

The portrait to be unveiled tonight is not the first of his to hang on this campus, there being portraits by him in the Library and Memorial Hall.

Mr. MacGregor who is no stranger on this campus, has been invited to attend the unveiling this evening, and it is expected that he will be present.

Reminiscing

"Founder's Day . . .", said the grad, and with a faraway glint in his eye hearkened back in memory to his years at the University of New Brunswick. His features broadened into a grin and he chuckled gleefully while his eyes took on a sparkling appearance as he recalled a couple of incidents involving himself and his fellow-classmates . . . the present member of the judiciary who once reclined in the Fredericton gaol for giving Bobbie Burns' statue a coat of red and black . . . and the time the track team took cigars and cigarettes (prizes won in a local meet) with them to Acadia for an inter-collegiate meet. How the U.N.B. men would sit on the field smoking between events and then won the title in the bargain . . . and recall during another conflict, the Beer War, the somewhat doubtful show of patriotism by the undergrads in decorating the chancellor's cow in a red white and blue motif . . . Truly, "those were the days!"

Senate Meets

This afternoon members of the University Senate held a short session preceding the Founder's Day Celebrations. As is customary they made a general tour around the university buildings and were later entertained by the Ladies' Society who put on a special luncheon for the visiting members.

Tonight members of the Senate will be present in a body at the evening ceremonies.

This Founder's Day issue will mark the second special issue for 1943-44 academic year — the Forestry issue of last week being the other. Next week the coeds take over and two weeks later the Engineers will form the staff.