

Carnival plans well underway

by Jonathan Plymouth

It may seem early to start thinking about Dal Winter Carnival, but there are already people mapping out events in the hope this year's will involve more students than past Carnivals.

Neal McCarney, Carnival Chairperson this year, seems enthusiastic about the schedule of events for the January 25-February 4 event. "It should be a fun event and evoke spirit dormant all year," said McCarney.

"Eye of the Tiger" has been chosen as the Carnival's theme, and McCarney said this related to several things carnival symbolizes. Like an "eye", he said Winter Carnival should "provide a focal point for all groups on campus".

"We'll try to involve all campus this year," he said.

Among the events planned for carnival at press date were:

- A special screening of the movie "Missing" with a talk by Thomas Hauser, author of the original book;
- A 24-hour dance marathon to benefit Ronald McDonald House (a home where sick children and their families stay while being treated at hospitals in the city);
- A pageant to pick a "King and Queen" of Dalhousie;
- A parade through streets around Dal;
- A "Black and Gold Revue" talent night with scheduled host T.V. emcee Eddie Driscoll;
- breaking the Guinness World's record for longest banner (to be 800 feet long and 10 feet high).

McCarney also said Winter Carnival will be publishing its own weekly paper, "to compete with the Gazette", and continuing a number of events successful in past years, such as a beer bash, campus crawl, Casino Night, International Carny night, and a Movie night. There is also a Super Sub booked during the week.

Running concurrent with carnival this year are "Super Societies" events. For the first time, Winter Carnival will have a business man-



This year's Winter Carnival will be complete with Dalhousie royalty

ager, Billy Chernin, who was recently chosen by the Carnival committee.

The pageant for a Dalhousie King and Queen will "not be a beauty contest," said McCarney.

Personal appearance will not be a factor in the contest according to McCarney. He said winners will be decided after residences and "A" Societies put forth their choice for prince or princess, who then perform in a skit with members of that group. The skits will be judged on entertainment value, originality, and society participation after which top candidates provide the winners by a random draw. McCarney said he felt a random draw for King and Queen best avoided bad feelings and ensured fairness.

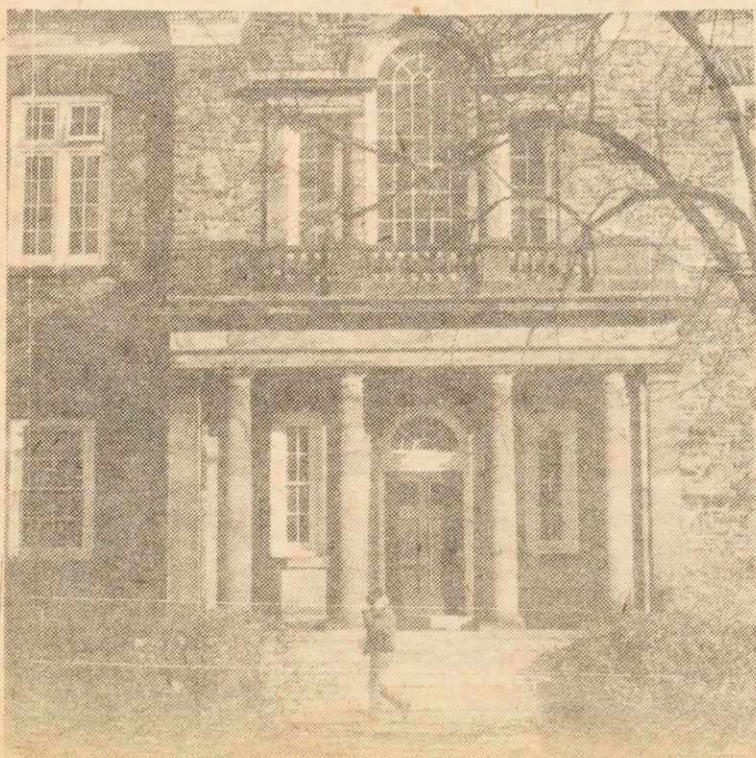
The "Tiger" motif will also be carried through carnival in a secondary theme — "Save the

Tiger". McCarney is hoping to kick off a joint Bengal Tiger-Dalhousie Tiger fund during carnival. The fund was proposed by Student Council Grad Studies Rep Ken Edgecombe recently in Council. "Tigers are an endangered species and so are students," commented McCarney.

Politics and student awareness events will take a back seat during carnival, though. "I'm trying to keep this as politically low-key as possible," said McCarney, who has prizes lined up such as trips, stereos, and records.

To facilitate the planning, there are numerous committees already working on every major event during carnival, said McCarney, adding Winter Carnival meetings have so far been attended by "at least 20-25 people each time." Meetings are held every Tuesday at 7:00 in room 424 of the SUB.

Science Library move stalled for funds



Professor Om Kamra questioned VP Robbie Shaw on the proposed move of the Science Library to the Killam in January.

Kamra said a move would be poor timing and disruptive for those using the facilities.

Shaw said the move is one of a series which has been considered by physical planners for months, as a result of a two-part space study completed this year. He said planning wouldn't be finished for a while, and no moves could be made until provincial funds became available. Dalhousie's Alterations and Space funding has suffered cutbacks this year and might be reduced again next year.

Opposition to the move was primarily due to the proposed closing of the reading room in the Science Library.

A petition to prevent moving the Science Library had been circulating around campus last week and was presented to the Arts & Science Faculty Council meeting last Thursday.

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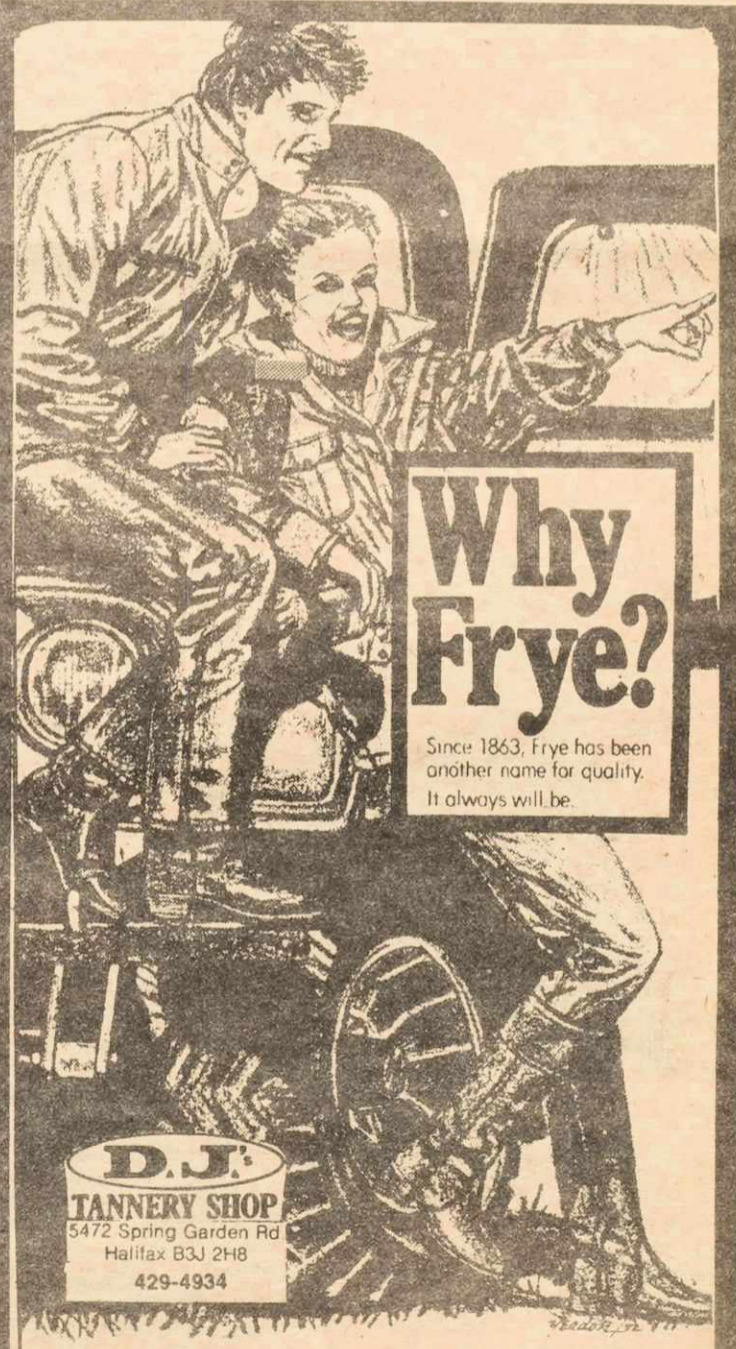
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