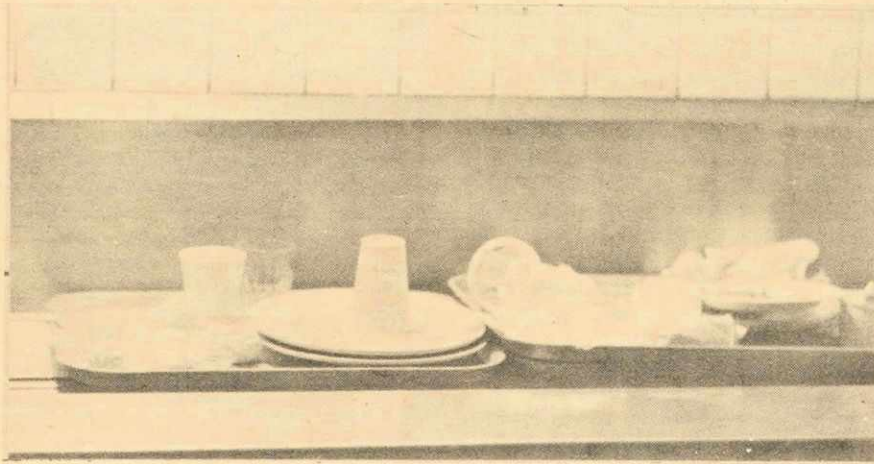


The lunch bucket



by Alan McHughen

You people have no imagination. Here we are trying to make a go at the Guinness Book, and you send in suggestions like "Why don't you make the World's biggest hamburger and sell it at regular prices?" Can't you be any more original? We certainly must be able to do better than the World's largest doughnut, or the World's largest fish stick.

There has been an order put in for an infra-red warmer to keep the French Fries warm, and the chronic complainers happy. By the time it

goes through the necessary omnipresent bureaucracy, it may be next September, but don't worry, just think how nice it will be to have warm French Fries next year.

Dear Box,

Clams and Chips were 99c. Now they are \$1.29. That's a 30% increase.

John Cleary

Yes, it is. That reminds me- Fish and Chips are going up, if they haven't already. As I stated before, there is nothing I can do about

prices. Blame it on the Labour Unions.

Dear Box,

Sure, I have complaints; who doesn't? But they have all been voiced by others. I would like to offer some praise which I am surprised to have never heard before. The rolls, doughnuts, sweetbuns etc. are FANTASTIC.

Yeast Lover

Sweet Daddy Lenny bakes all that stuff daily in the basement.

Dear Box,

Thanks for telling me about Vegetarian Day (Nov.17)- but really, what an argument. There are two things seriously wrong with it;

1) it's tokenism,
2) practically speaking, you will get no idea whatsoever of how sales of vegetarian meals might go by trying it for one day. It's laughable.

Supposing you figured out a way to put some scrumptious crepe suzette in the food machines in the SUB. You didn't tell anyone they were there, and you only put them in one day. People looking for crepe suzettes have long ago given up checking out the food machines, as they learned from past experience that stale doughnuts and dried up cookies were what you could find there. However, three people who were usually content to accept stale doughnuts and dried up cookies happened to find crepe suzettes there. All the other people who decided not to inflict stale doughnuts and dried up cookies on their bodies never discovered the crepe suzettes. From this you concluded that crepe suzettes wouldn't sell, so you stopped offering them.

Vegetarian

I made no such conclusion. I didn't know they were in the machines for one day. I don't even know what crepe suzettes are. But as long as they're in the machines, they won't sell. Incidentally, I made the announcement of the vegetable entrees in the October 9 issue of the Gazette, and the entrees were available the following Wednesday and Friday. As for your comment on tokenism, you're right. Fifty out of 8500 constitutes tokenism no matter how you cut it. You're lucky to be getting this chance - don't blow it again.

Dear Box,

\$1.50 is too expensive for non-Dal students at the Retreat.

Please.

The reason for the price differential is so we can answer Dal students who say "Why am I paying Student Union fees when everybody is equal" with "Not everybody is equal; you can get into Retreat cheaper than non-Dal students."

MacEachen

The highlight of a November 14th seminar sponsored by Dalhousie University's Centre for African Studies will be a keynote address by the Hon. Allan MacEachen, the Secretary of State for External Affairs. His talk will be given 2:30 p.m. in the Killam Library Auditorium.

Specific areas related to African Studies will be discussed at three seminars scheduled during the day. The seminar will conclude with a talk entitled The Prospect for African Studies in Canada. This will be given at 8:15 p.m. by Dr. P.D. Pillay, director of the Centre for African Studies and chairman of Dalhousie's history department.

These sessions will take place at the History House, on Seymour Street.

Faculty members from the university's departments of history, political science, economics and English and associated with the African Studies Program, will also participate in the sessions.

Dear Sir,

Would it be possible to cordon off an area for smokers or vice-versa, as the smoke adversely affects the enjoyment of my meal.

Rory McGrail

Most people enjoy smoked food. The problem has been brought up before, and the answer is not good for non-smokers (like myself). The reason we cannot set up a "smoking area" is that people use the cafeteria to socialize, and any particular table probably has a mixture of smokers and non-smokers. It is very unhealthy to try to break up a group of friends. However, you may be pleased to note that the Biology Dept. is presently considering legislation to stop people from smoking in class, at least for the Life Sciences Center classrooms.

Dear Box,

I would like to suggest that your food is supposed to be hot and it's always cold and your salads always have the queerest taste; the food could be hotter and better as it was one time before. It's not fit to eat anymore, even the sandwiches.

The Night Shift, L.S.C.

Let me compliment you on your unique ability to criticize everything so concisely. Only you didn't make any suggestions as to how to go about improving the conditions. I don't think hot salads would be very popular. In my lab in the L.S.C., the floors are supposed to be swept and the garbage emptied daily. Now that I have you here, tell me why I have to make out an official requisition to have the garbage removed???? (I don't care that much about the floor not being swept).

Dear Box,

Here I sit with icicles hanging from my fingertips. It is snowing outside. I do not think that it is necessary to be colder inside. Small wonder the food in the hot line is cold. One cannot even light a cigarette, the match blows out. Please turn off the air conditioning, I am turning blue.

Shivering Sue

I sympathize with your fridity problem, but there is little that can be done. The atmospheric conditions regulatory system for the building is on a delay mechanism. That is, it takes a couple of days for the system to respond. It was probably quite warm two or three days before the incident.

Chadee

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members of Council, and it is a trend in entertainment which I, personally, would like to see continue.

As for Mr. Chadee's somewhat flacid argument that students under nineteen should boycott paying their fees because they cannot get into licensed events, little need he said. Most entertainment events pay for themselves; the majority of a student's \$50-plus Student Union fee goes towards paying for such services as Pharos, CKDU, the Prescription Drug Service and, not surprisingly, the Dalhousie Gazette, for which Mr. Chadee purports to write.

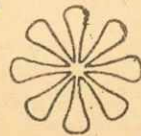
All in all, Mr. Chadee's perspective on that Saturday's events seems a trifle blurred, if not myopic; but then, when one has the tendency to peer at the world through the bottoms of beer bottles, this hardly seems surprising; the residual foam usually tends to obfuscate reality. In Mr. Chadee's case, it may have caused permanent blindness.

Sincerely,
Ken MacDougall
B.Ed. [Sequential]
Night Manager,
Dalhousie Student Union

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