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DALHOUSIE GAZETTE

Friday 19, 1965

The Old Order Changeth ...

... Yielding Place to new



The Old Student Council's last Gasp: Seated, left to right: Member-ar-large, Jos Williams; Recording Secretary, Liz Campbell; President. Peter Herrndorf; Vice-President, Bill Buntain; Second Vice-President, Karen Ridgway; Artsman, Carl Holm. Standing, left to right: Tim Tracey (Commerce), Eric Hillis)Member-at-large), Lynn Black (Arts), George Hatch

(Dentistry), Mel Heit (Graduate Studies), Arch Munroe (Engineering), Lois Leverman (Nursing Studies), Eric Jamieson (Medicine), Kay Freeman (Pharmacy), Garth Christie (Medicine), Khoo Teng Lek (Science), Gary Hurst (Law). Missing, Margie MacDougall (CUS Representative).



The new Student Council: Seated, left to right; Barb Dexter (Arts), Ann Rungas (Physiotherapy), Robbie Shaw (President). Liz Campbell (Vice President), and Kay Freeman (Pharmacy). Standing, left to right, John Tilley (Arts), Derek Brown (Commerce), Herschel Gavsie (Arts), Jim Nickerson (Engineering), Dave Simpson, Ruth Manuel and Peter Crawford (All Science), John MacKeigan and David Seaman (Medicine), Bill MacDonald (Graduate Studies), Dentistry's, John Rooney; Education's, Signi Thornhill; Nursing's, Cheryl Reid; Law's, Frank O'Dea, missing.

Stanfield Answers Hicks

Premier Stanfieldanswered indicated - though Iknewit would not much hope in seeing a change", charges of Dalhousie President, cost more than the \$5,000,000 he said. Dr. Henry Hicks last week in total," he said.

president.

president had in mind."

And he added: 'I only hope the president knows what he had in he realized projected student pop- missed from this source at premind.

Opposition Leader Peter Nich- was a 'limit to what a provincial olson as to whether an announ- government" could do. cement made Saturday by Dr. He said the federal governernment grants.

Mr. Stanfield said that Dr. "make sense". Hicks might have been misunderstood" by the press.

"It has never been in my mind many and "representations" had and law schools. that the governments should con- been made to Ottawa. "But there tribute more than what they had has been no change and I have

He urged greater interest by the Legislature by saying "Idon't And he said he would await Dalhousie University into seekreally pretend to know what the an acknowledgement from the ing more funds from its own alumnae. Several hundreds of thou-Mr. Nicholson said although sands of dollars a year were being

ulation meant universities would sent, he said. He was being questioned by need a great deal of money, there He termed the present fundraising drive being carried out by

Dalhousie as "just a beginning." "It is a little tiresome to me Hicks meant the Sir Charles Tup- ment's policy which based grants to be constantly told that the govper Medical-Science Building to universities on a provincial ernment is not doing its part would be held up by lack of gov- per capita basis instead of on when I feel the university is not student population" just didn't doing its part", he said.

Premier Stanfield said he real-Mr. Nicholson asked if strong ized that a vigorous campaign representation had been made to had been undertaken to approach He said he did not know of the federal government with re- major donors for funds. But, he

any delay in the building, which gard to federal grants to uni- added, he hoped before long a is the 1967 centennial project versities. program on a 'systematic basis' for the program on a "systematic basis" program on a "systematic basis" Premier Stanfield said "count- should be undertaken among the both federal and "provincial gov-

ernment contributed \$2, 500,000, less efforts" had been made by alumnae from both the medical

Universities Grants Report; Urge Assistance

The Universities Grants Com- if the universities are to pro-More and bigger library grants mittee has urged Nova Scotia vide facilities for the projected should be made available, with colleges and universities not to increase in students, a special emphasis on science relent in their efforts to locate libraries, and provincial money funds from private sources.

Federal funds at low interest for adult education and extension rates are urged and it was pro- work for degree credit.

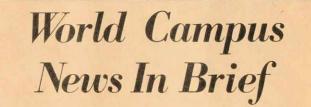
The Grants Committee sub- posed by the committee that such mitted this recommendation when amounts be used at the discretion of the universities-NOT it released its findings to the provincial government last week. earmarked by the government for any particular project. Grants

The report also called for in- should also be made available by creased provincial and federal Ottawa for capital purposes. government assistance.

The federal government was In making its recommendaasked to expand funds to extend tions, the committee admitted the work and services of Exthat present fund raising camternal Aid to Education, whereby paigns are not the answer to more Canadian teachers and prolong-term programming for unifessors are able to travel to asversities, and therefore federal sist in educative programs in and provincial governments newly developing countries. And should more and more become it is hoped that this will, in turn, bring to Canada more graduate staff workers and qualified staff members.

URGES MORE BURSARIES

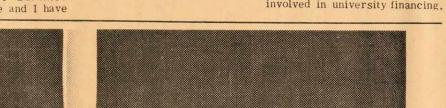
An increasing program of blies might take place. For universities in the whole scholarships and bursaries for

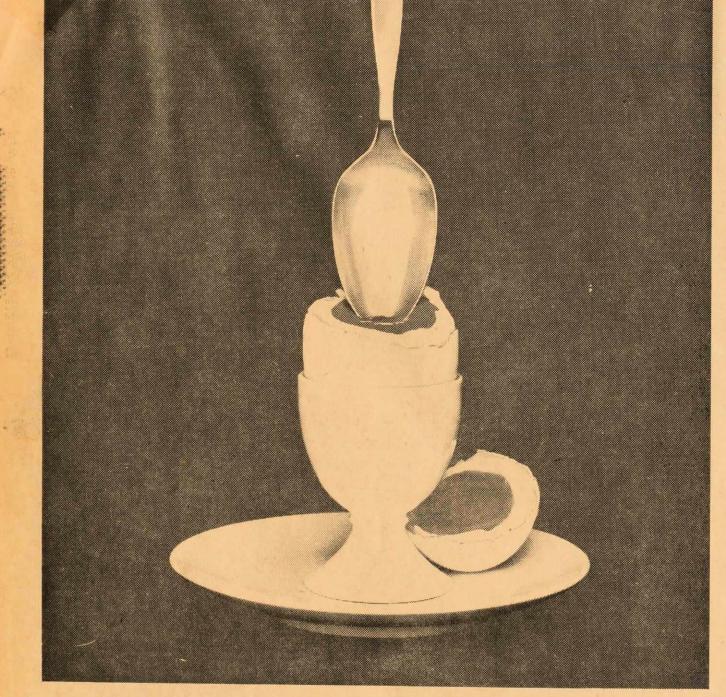


Reins tighten in Spain

All over the world, from California to Khartum, students have been in the forefront of those demanding political reform or social change. The crucial role which they often seem to play in toppling unpopular regimes would make any dictator feel justified in limiting student numbers or denying the extension educational opportunities to all. For in no other section of society is an intimate understanding of political theory so closely allied with the desire and opportunity for action. President Salazar is wise, therefore, to retain for Portugal the distinction of the worst illiteracy rate in Europe. With more students his regime would be endangered, as was shown a month ago when 80 per cent of Lisbon's students came out on strike in protest at the arrest implemented were the three Hali- of several of their number.

Students in Lisbon will at least be able to take courage from the fact that the University of Madrid is also in a state of ferment. Though less overtly political than the Portuguese, the Spanish students and (to their credit) some of their professors, have a political motive in seeking to bring their student union under student rather than official control, for universities without independence are but parodies of their name. Student demonstrations are nothing new in the Iberian peninsula (there is no lack of mon library, to serve in addition subjects) but the police seem to have forgotten nothing about violence and brutality in the last twenty-five years. In spite of the non-violent techniques adopted by the demonstrators, hoses and truncheons have been much in evidence. It would be a pity if, while public attention here is fastened on the rights of the inhabitants of Gibraltar, we were to forget the very basic rights eing denied the citizens of Spain.





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all phases of undergraduate work Atlantic was also requested by the com- mended that music be taught at only one university. And that mittee.

ment's part the committee asked "appropriate assistance" be universities which do no formal given for capital expansion, plus work in art or music consider increased assistance for uni- appointing to their staffs resiversity libraries.

Present facilities were term- proper cultural content, ed "quite inadequate" to handle the projected increase of students.

"If education is to be pro- relief on demands made by invided for students who will want creasing student bodies. and who should have university education, it is certain that this can only be done if public monies are made available for capital purposes."

in buildings and facilities for justifies." This would presum-Nova Scotia Agricultural Col- ably limit the spread of weak lege - were specifically re- courses in the area. quested.

Joint provincial government- level should be concentrated at university recommendations warned that a "reasonable number" of students from outside Nova Scotia should be accepted, but not to the point where provincial students might be displaced. And it added there were no qualified students from Nova Scotia in 1964 who failed to gain entrance to provincial universities except in specialized fields, as law.

Students from other Atlantic course for honor students. Those Provinces, which contribute to taking courses depending on the university in question, should mathematical or advanced scialso receive priority of accept- ence would attend four years. ance, the report said.

Another recommendation was establishment of a common board of governors to sit for the Nova Scotia Agricultural College, Technical College and Teachers' College.

In this way it is hoped a higher degree of co-operation in programming will be achieved and more consultation materialize.

More evening and weekend courses should be made available - courses which lead toward degrees for fulltime "regular" students and also to employed adults and others. And the report suggests that the provincial government supply extra aid for this phase.

duplication of services, particularly in home economics and fine For the provincial govern- arts be whittled to a minimum. However, it was urged that dent artists or musicians - and in this way help to assure a

UNIVERSITY CO-OPERATION

The committee also recom-

mended a higher degree of co-

operation between existing uni-

versities - if they are to achieve

Singalled out as centres where

more co-operation could be well

fax universities - Dalhousie

Kings and St. Mary's. Urged

was a "higher degree of co-

operation, correlation of resour-

ces and the avoidance of non-

essential duplication of effort."

Mentioned as steps these uni-

versities might take was con-

sideration of setting up a com-

to the ones already in service

on the campuses. And a common

auditorium where large assem-

maximum aims.

On staff, universities were urged to consider appointing masters' degree graduates to fill the role of lecturers and assistants, which would provide some

WARNING

Institutions were warned that they should not attempt "to do more work at the undergraduate and particularly at the graduate

And increased facilities - both level than its facilities and staff

And all graduate work at the PhD. and professional courses

Dalhousie, except for specialized advanced engineering courses offered at present at Nova Scotia Technical College. Further, universities considering campus expansion should seek advice from the department of architecture at NSTC. Ordinary admission to uni-

versities should consider grade 12 as the entrance requirement, and if so there can be a cut back to a three year bachelor of arts course, and a four year

FUND - RAISING

Regarding fund-raising campaigns, it was felt a degree of correlation between the different universities conducting them would be essential. And that there should be plenty of advance notice given individuals, business firms, corporations and governments, so plans can be prepared as to how much they should give.

That private means of fund raising should not continue is not even considered even though more help might be coming from government sources. The committee says that universities should never become too dependant on any one source of funds, as it could effect academic freedom.

Protest At Yale...

Yale students last week picketed the university's administration building day and night in protest against the denial of tenure to highly popular associate professor of philosophy, Dr. Richard Bernstein, aged 32.

A possible indication that the students' eloquent protest is being given serious consideration came on Thursday, when the university announced that the Committee on Tenure will reconsider Dr. Bernstein's case.

The professor had been denied tenure the second time, although he was recommended for tenure unanimously by the philosophy department. As in most universities, the tenure decision was made by a university-wide committee which consists of deans, the provosts, and faculty members from many departments, including the candidate's own. Recommendations by scholars of the candidate's discipline at other institutions are also required. At Yale, an associate professor must attain tenure if he is to be reappointed.

Whether Yale's Committee on Tenure ruled wisely or not (and the reasons for tenure rulings always remain secret) the students' protest was in the best tradition of undergraduate concern with their academic life. It also reflected the growing feeling among students across the country that their demands for faculty members with a strong interest in teaching - rather than research and publication - are being slighted. Beyond this, the students charged that the tenure committee discriminates against youth, demanding of young professors an accumulation of scholarly experience.

Last month, The Daily Princetonian, that university's undergraduate newspaper, published an 8-page supplement on the issue, Publish or Perish." The problem, said the introduction, is "that the effectiveness of a professor, ostensibly paid to teach, is more and more judged by how he fills an entirely different role that of scholar and author."

A recent profile of a 35-year old untenured assistant professor of political science at the University of California at Los Angeles in Life Magazine claimed that, despite highly praised classroom and committee work, he cannot hope to get tenure until he completes a book he is working on.

The issue is not easily resolved. Although the students at Yale charged that the "publish or perish" demand was at the bottom of things, they also said that Dr. Bernstein had already published high - caliber works. They complained that the committee stressed quantity of publication over quality. But since the committee's decision is secret, the possibility of other reasons sound or silly - remains.

Some observers guessed that Dr. Bernstein's frequent, outspoken criticism of certain academic procedures at Yale may have been held against him.

Why not give greater weight to departmental recommendations? One important reason, based on past experience in some institutions, is that too much departmental power over appointments can lead to domination by academic cliques, to the exclusion of rival scholarly views and doctrines.

As for students' pressures, popularity alone is not, of course, a sound yardstick, although many popular professors have also been fine teachers and scholars.

Finally, a tenure committee is faced by the grave responsibility to judge candidates not only for what they are and do at the moment, but how well they will wear over the years. The aggregate of its decisions determines to a staggering extent a university's distant future. Tenure decisions can assure an institution's stability and distinction - or create a storehouse of dead wood.

Possibly new answers might be found in efforts to get committees to give more weight to a greater variety of criteria.