## Council briefs

Council received a letter from the Sodales Debating Society condemning Council for their lack of participation in Society debates.

Ed Fraser, Halifax School for the Blind, commended Council for their support in a letter to Council.

Mike Sherar, Grants Committee, proposed that the Arab Student Society be given \$150.00 for a social-cultural event, Arab Night. The recommendation was granted.

Frontier College was granted \$250.00 for a teaching project in Mulgrave Park.

Linda Mulhall spoke to Council about the Student Christian Movement National Conference in August. Mulhall requested that Council send one Council member and a student from the student body to the conference. Council passed a motion in principle to send the two representatives.

The Sigma Phi Fraternity were granted \$500.00 out of unallocated for necessary repairs to their house.

Paul Zed, chosen by the recruitment committee, was ratified by Council to fill the position of Graduating President for 1977.

Six hundred dollars was taken out of unallocated funds to support the tuition drive on Friday.

## Where is it?

Where is the Third World? In Senegal, Bangladesh, Cape Breton or the North-West Territories?

OXFAM-CANADA is a private, non-profit organization that asks this sort of question often.

If funds development projects both in Canada and in its main areas of concentration — Southern Africa, the Caribbean, the Latin American Andean region, the area of East India and Bangladesh, and Native Peoples (including Canada). The aim of these projects is to combat underdevelopment by creating or assisting local self-help projects.

Canadians who watch TV or read newspapers know what the results of underdevelopment look like — poverty, malnutrition, disease, illiteracy, unemployment, unhealthy and unsafe housing, complete vulnerability in times of natural disaster. But few people have been encouraged to determine what the causes of these problems are.

The basic causes of underdevelopment are complex, but one thing is certain: they have a lot to do with the way the richer countries like Canada control the world's trade and resources.

Oxfam-Canada — helping people help themselves. It's not a slogan.

Anyone interested in making a donation or working with the local committee can contact Mike Menard or Eleanor MacLean at: Oxfam-Canada, 1539 Birmingham Street, Halifax or phone 422-8338.



Council voted to send letters to the faculty council and the registrar in support of Peter Kerr's protest against administrative policy. Kerr is opposed to the appearance of non-academic information on university transcripts.



"I'm glad you young people have seen fit to protest non-violently. It shows you're civilized. Now get out."

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One of the bizarre twists in these negotiations came when, according to a Union spokesman, the university suggested that seniority would no longer be a criterion in the promotion of maintenance personnel. If two people with equal ability apply for a job, and one of them is already employed here he no longer has his previous advantage.

Contracting out is almost a dead issue with all parties conceding that the practice will end. The only 'hitch', according to a Union member, is that the university wants to put the ground crew on

flux-time. This term is explained by their own example, "If it rains during a work day the university sends the workers home, pays them for a full day, and expects the time to be made up, without pay, on weekends and/or evenings."

The university would like a two year contract with a one year wage re-opener on wages, but it would appear that the Union does not regard the wage package as the main issue.

Barrett said the the Union is set for a protracted strike and that, "they will talk at any time with the university but the university has got to come first and with people who can negotiate with authority, not the administration's flunkies."

