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that certain members of the Senate of this Dalhousie Student Union gives to a body of university hold needs to be changed very senior faculty members the right to veto

The Gazette understands that fear of the representatives of the members of that Union. to have replace the old constitution.

Essentially, the by-laws merely set forth them into an order which makes the rules vigor their attempts at despotism. that govern the Student Union much less ambiguous.

affairs of the Student Councilor other student university community. organizations so long as these appear to be appears necessary to do so."

more reactionary members of this body led The Student Council under a legal interpretato the inclusion of the first by-law in the set tion of this article is nothing more than a of by-laws which Joe Macdonald, the Chair- subordinate committee of Senate, instructed man of the Constitution Committee proposes to run dances and Carnivals to fill the idle hours of the students. The Gazette is opposed to this rape of

or suspend the decisions of the duly elected

the clauses embodied in the constitution drawn student autonomy. We believe that the students up last year. For the most part the students form an integral part of the university owe Joe Macdonald a vote of thanks for the community and are full and equal partners Herculean task of transforming the Con- with the other sections of the community. stitution into by-laws (required under the We recognize the leadership of the faculty proposed act of Incorporation) and putting and the administration, but will resist with

There is a case to be made for some kind of statement in the Student Union by-laws However, the inclusion of the paternalis- that recognizes the right of the Senate to ic sections of By-law I is a retrograde administer the internal affairs of the Universtep that betrays every bit of progress that sity. Though we are anxious that the Senate the student movement has made at Dalhousie immediately recognize the right of Students to be represented on the governing bodies For example Section 6 of the by-law of the university, nevertheless we would not states "It has been, and is, the policy of the oppose some statement to the effect that the Senate to refrain from intervention in the Senate has a responsibility for the whole

However, we insist that the Victorian managed with due regard to the interests of prose of By-law I be abandoned in favour the Student Body, and the position of the of a short simple statement, describing the University in the community, but it is the relationship between the Student Union and the clear responsibility of the Senate to intervene Administration. We trust the Council will in such organized activities when ever it take this step; we hope that the Senate will

The Hypocrites

ada pays money to certain students who help who in student government deserved an honrun student activities. Three reasons are orarium and who did not therefore there usually advanced for this practice: 1) to pay should be no honorarium. He was, however pay some compensation for the amount of unwilling to press very hard his objections time spent in student government and, 3) to about the Editor of the Gazette. make unpopular jobs more palatable in order For a half hour an excellent debate that the positions will be filled.

housie:

President of Council .. .\$200. Editor of Gazette \$200. Editor of Pharos \$150. Photography Dept. \$300.

Recording Secretary \$ 50.

Since the burdens of the offices has in- passes for Council members. creased during the five years this scale has

President of Council tree tuition
plus \$50. expenses
Editor of Gazette free tuition
Treasurer
Vice - President
Editor of Pharos \$100.
Winter Carnival Chairman \$100.
President of DGDS
Photography \$300.
Recording Secretary 50.
plus free passes to Council members for all
campus avants as an added filling

campus events as an added fillip. As soon as Bill MacDonald had finished housie. presenting his report, Joe Macdonald, Member-at-large and Executive Assistant to Rob- ion to be remedied at the next Council meetbie Shaw objected. The essence of his argu- ing.

Almost every student government in Can-ment was that it was impossible to determine back expenses incurred through carrying out willing to make an exception to this rule the functions of the particular office. 2) to for the President of the Council, and was

raged fast and furious with Joe Macdonald's For the past five years the following forces pretty well carrying the day. The final nonoraria schedule has been in effect at Dal- result was to cut the Treasurer to \$150., cut the Vice-President, Pharos Editor, Carnival Chairman and DGDS President to nothing and keep the others as they were in the report. Council took a tough line.

Well, that's not quite accurate since they did become a bit soft over one item--the free

Imagine it, this wilful group of student been in effect, and since university costs have councillors, most of whom have nothing else also risen, the Honoraria Committee under to do with student government from one meet-Bill MacDonald, the Graduate Studies Rep. ing to the next decided to give nothing to presented a revised scale to Council. This the Yearbook Editor, the Drama Society President, or the Winter Carnival chief each of whom do ten or twenty times as much work as the ordinary Council member but in the same breath voted to give themselves and their successors free passes (worth up to \$100 a year) to all campus events.

It is to Joe Macdonald's credit that he had the decency, as did others who agreed with his hard line stand, to vote against this pork barrel. It is to the eternal disgrace of some of the members of the Council that they caused this hypocrisy to be flaunted in the faces of the students of Dal-

The Gazette expects this intolerable act-

Decline of Council

It was one of those great meetings. taken. The main business was to have been a discussion of the Student Union Constitution soon to be converted to by-laws in order to conform with the requirements of the proposed Act of Incorporation. However, the Council never quite got to rubber stamp Joe Macdonald's draft. Acting under the orders of last year's "grey eminence", this year's somewhat less than powerful CUS Chairman, confused Carl Holm raised as a point of procedure that the Constitution hence they could not at that time be debated by the Council.

Robbie Shaw, ever the smooth democrat ruled that the discussion would be held next week and the Council moved blithely on the second item of their two item agenda.

ant discussion of the pros and cons of hiring somewhat questionable. a professional administrator for next year. This is a very serious step for the Union, third of it conducted without a quorum. the salary range mentioned was from \$7,000 to \$9,000 and it is not a decision to be lightly member make it next week.

However, four of your elected representatives decided that they couldn't stay past 8:15 p.m. Perhaps this merely reflected their understanding of the political fact of life that the decision to go ahead and hire an administrator had already been taken by the Executive. They may have felt that there wasn't much point to the "pro-forma" discussions of the Council. However, the fact that three of them, Liz Campbell, Barbara Dexter, and Ruth Manuel actually put attendance at committee had not considered the changes a sorority meeting above their duties on the Council is a sorry commentary on the whole evenings abortive proceedings.

Wednesday night's meeting was only reflective of the gradual decline of this year's Council. They are a bright group of people, of this there can be no doubt, nonetheless they have allowed their executive to dominate This was billed as an extremely import- them to the point where their usefulness is

> Yes, it was a great meeting, even that The Gazette humbly suggests that every







I was worried about I was worried about Its all right—all those people being killed they're only pogan in Viet Nam 'till I talked communists. in Viet Nam 'till I talked to my priest



Lifted From "THE UBYSSEY"

Letters to the editor

Engineers protest fine

For the past twenty years it Engineers stamp an issue of the though last year there were sev- of money. eral minor incidents, this adventure has run smoothly for years and this year was no ex- picture taken by Mr. Hines, wants ception. For some reason, nu- an extra copy of his picture, ne merous Council members felt this may order directly: tradition should be ended and are working to incorporate a by-law into the constitution to do so. This fact, as well as the \$20 fine are only a part of the "Hate the Engineers attitude on campus this year. In inter-faculty sports, the Engineers are forced to enter two teams, the only undergraduate faculty to do so, and split that might have been a good team into two weak teams unable to compete successfully in either league. Mysteriously, each year a major dance comes on the same night as our ball (the Sadie Hawkins Dance this year) even though the date is settled well in advance. These are only some of

campus organizations. The Engineers have always been active on this campus and although our actions are sometimes unconventional, I have always thought the enthusiasm should be admired, especially on a campus denounced for its apathy. Thus, I suggest to the other societies and their Council members that they try to induce some of our spirit into their students rather than subdue ours.

the many examples of a prejudice

against us by heads of several

Yours truly, Jim Nickerson Engineering Rep. Student's Council

Financial ethics not "farcical"

im speaking both on behalf of friend, and on behalf of the Dal-Graduate Editor last year.

Inion have been practising . Farcical unethical, financial antics" in their dealings with the stu-

If Mr. Yablon had kept his eyes realized that all his accusations are unfounded:-

grapher paid for the student's sitting and four proofs; for the the photographer's time, negatives, proof paper, glossy paper chemicals, etc., etc., - a bargain when one considers that photographers of his caliber charge \$12 or more for the sitting alone. formed of his \$5.00 charge dur-Yablon does not realize but the in the sense of being paid); he is merely selected to take the

again of his deadline date be- cent are destitute.

students' photographs.

sides which in past years the deadline-the yearbook deadlinehas always been sometime before Christmas.

At the Oct. 25 Council meet- 3) Pharos has always preing, the Student's Union of Dal- selected its ownphotographer for desired as well as the type of housie University passed a mo- the sake of convenience both to finish (glossy or matte) tion fining the Dal Engineering the yearbook and to the student. Society \$20 for stamping the This year, in contrast to past Gazette prior to their annual ball, had a photographer, who shall February. It has been a tradition of great remain nameless, who, because

Mr. Sherman Hines

Apparently all the graduating

Santa Barbara, California

2190 Alston Road

students who had their picture Gazette after previously defeat- years, a contact was made with taken have been informed of this ing a motion to fine us \$120, the photographer with the inter- already. Mr. Hines will be sendests of the Dalhousie student in ing out order forms to the stuhas been a tradition that the Dal mind. I don't know if Mr. Yab- dents, whose picture he took, lon remembers, but last year we sometime before the middle of Most of the graduating stu-

c/o Brooks Institute of Photo-

interest and rivalry to the En- of no contract, cost the Dal- dents were aware of the above gineers and the Gazette staff. Al- housie Student Union a fair sum points so I would suggest to Mr. Yablon before he tries to set the 4.) If Mr. Yablon or any other world on fire, would be make student who had his graduation sure he has enough wood to burn.

> Sincerely, Jo Alders Graduate Editor, 65

From the vestal's temple . By NANCY WHITE .

By NANCY WHITE

From the Vestal's Temple

Her three co-workers echoed

her sentiments loudly. Piers blew

Trying desperately to be

"Nine feet eleven inches!

And, what is worst of all, we

· Half our advertisers will pull

pillage the office in great rage,"

outrageous problems, all these."

agreed. But there is a more

difficult matter at hand. You know

how all year I've been trying to

interview Shirley A-Go-Go?

Well, this week I finally got an

appointment. Wednesday at 4 a.m.

in the canteen. And the red tape!

The only way I could get there

myself was to take a weekend

leave. I left the residence today

and now I can't go back until

Thursday morning, and believe

me, sleeping in those coin laun-

dries is an awful drag. But I

figured it was worth the sacri-

3.2 per cent of the adult Can-

Dreadful simply dreadful and

issue without any sex in it."

tears my cheeks bedewed.

despair for a moment.

Tim pointed out.

sulk.

including the size of the picture out for sure," Terry moaned. desired as well as the type of "And the undergraduates will

into the wastebasket.

"What is the matter?"

regarded.

stained faces.

(Shirley A-Go-Go was a very popular Dal girl writing an MA I walked into the Gazette office thesis on the poem, last Saturday afternoon and, to "Let me live in a house by

my dismay, found Terry, Linda, the side of the road And be friendly with men." Tim and Piers all huddling around last week's edition and weeping

Piers was ecstatic. You finally got hold of her? Linda began the conversation. But that's wonderful! What are "Sob, sniff", she commented. you going to ask her?" he said,

forgetting the Gazette Crisis in

the excitement of the moment, had planned to skilfully draw her out on how she reconciles her casual, I ignored them and spit broadminded viewpoints with her strict Baptist upbringing. But now I don't quite know," I said.

Where is the sports editor at a time like this?" I muttered. But of it all, "said Terry. "And curiosity won out. Besides, the John Birchers and Americans." achievement had been utterly dis- He deliberately took the Lyndon Johnson portrait down from behind his desk and jumped on it. Struck by my aptness of ex- The glass crunched beneath his pression, they raised their tear- feet and we heard him muttering What do you call 100 Baptist

Oh, oh, oh, have you read this week's issue? We have been chidparatroopers?" "Here, here," I said. "Some ed most nastily," they chorused. of my best friends are Baptists." We have been called names." Linda was going over the let-"Criticized. Oh, is this gratiters column again and looking

extremely puzzled. "What is a pinko anyway, do you suppose?", she asked. Tim got out the dictionary. have been challenged to print an

Ping-pong, pinguid, pinguin, By this time they were in agony. rending their clothing, pinion, pink, pink, pink, pink, pinna - it doesn't seem to be weeping, wailing and gnashing here. But it's probably a typo-My heart sank, Sympathetic graphical error. Pink, according to this, can be a garden plant "Oh, sorrow," I sighed. "This with sweet-smelling white, pink, means I don't get to write my crimson or variegated flowers; usual terribly sexy column then". a fox-hunter's coat; pale red, The five of us wallowed in slightly inclining to purple; yellowish pigment; sailing vessel "And I can't run any more esp, with narrow stern; pierce Acadia girly pictures," said with sword; ornament with per-Piers, settling down for a good

forations; or young salmon." 'I think," said Piers, "the writer would be meaning the young salmon part of it. Because of Nova Scotians being called herring chokers. It's not very

nice, is it? "No indeed," said Linda, "No very nice at all."

I brightened visibly. Here, then, was the answer to my problem. I would still keep the appointment with Shirley, but instead of interviewing her on sex and the single Baptist, I'dgether

views on discrimination against Maritimers. As I left the office with spring ing step, I heard Terry saying. Nova Scotians, Nova Scotians, cause of all the problems. What do you call 200 Nova Scotians who lie down in a field?"

And wails and sobs still went fice. Such an interesting story up from the staff.

Facts and figures

The extent of poverty in Canada

in poverty in Canada today than predominately a rural population predicted that to meet employ. is generally supposed, reports present a special category in ment needs in the last quarter of returning. the research department of the defining poverty. By the usual of the twentieth century, the med-

Company of Young Canadians, standards, it is estimated that ian level of education in Canada spokesman this week, the federal Indians are poverty stricken and graduation. government has undertaken its 45 per cent are destitute.

There is no precise measure of cent suffering destitution. how far a family must be below this average before it should be classified as poor. But the best between levels of education and of Canadian young people between indicators are those based on levels of unemployment both 15 and 24 have never gone bethe amount of money needed to provide an essential minimum of food, clothing, shelter and other necessities,

By this measurement, not only are many people in Canada behind the mainstream of national progress: a considerable number are suffering real hardship from not having enough money to buy the bare necessities of life.

Different methods of calculation produce minor differences in statistics and there are regional differences in the cost of In answer to Jack Yablon's let- living. But it is generally acter of Jan. 12 in the Gazette, I cepted that a city family of four people is living in poverty if Sherman Hines, a personal it has an income of less than \$3,000. Such a family with less housie Yearbook of which I was than \$2,000 is suffering real destitution. Single persons in Neither Pharos nor the Student town on city with less than \$1,-500 a year are considered poverty stricken and single persons with less than \$1,000 a year as regarded as destitute.

By this definition four million and ears open at the right time town and city dwellers in Caninstead of his mouth he would have ada are poverty striken; that is, about one in four. 2,4 million of these people are below the 1) The \$5.00 each graduating stu- line of destitution. They are dent was charged by the photo- not getting enough to eat. They are not adequately dressed or housed in a standard which public yearbook's glossy print; and for health authorities regard as an acceptable minimum.

To get a rough indication of poverty amongst farm families, the net earnings of a farm are considered to be 50 per cent of its sales. Naturally the family All graduating students were in- consumes its own produce and therefore needs somewhat less ing registration. Perhaps Mr. cash, For a Canadian farm famphotographer is not hired by Dal usually put at \$1,250. A family earning less that \$600 a year is considered destitute.

By this definition, 42 per cent 2) As far as the deadline goes - of the farm families in Canada students were reminded again and are poverty striken and 25 per

As a result, said a Company about 70 per cent of Canada's should be at least high school

special program to reduce pov. It is even more difficult to adian population has achieved unerty 'even in this time of af. arrive at figures to indicate the iversity graduation, 15 per cent extent of poverty amongst Es. stopped at Grade 12 and 21 per Poverty is usually measured kimos. A rough approximation cent at Grade 8. Levels of edby low income. The average in- places from 55 per cent to 70 ucation have certainly improved come of Canadian families liv- per cent below the poverty line in the past fifty years and young. ing in a town or city is \$5,450, and from 30 per cent to 45 per er Canadian age groups tend to

EDUCATION

is an obvious connection adians. Nevertheless, 40 per cent

have a higher level of education. al achievement than older Can-

Cross Canada Students protesting tuition increases

CANADIAN UNIVERSITY PRESS

Students on two campuses in western Canada this month have accelerated their protests against rising tuition fees. The Student's Council at the University of Alberta (Edmonton campus) has presented a brief to the university's Board of Govenors, opposing a recent fee increase, reports the cambus bi-weekly newspaper, The Gateway.

Meanwhile, students at the University of Victoria have refused to pay part of their second semester fees pending to oppose the second tuition increase in three years.

Students' council will take its war against tuition fees to the people of Alberta. Council will present a brief outlining its opposition to

fee and residence rates increases to the Board of Governors today. The brief will also be sent to various citizens as. sociations and pressure groups throughout the province. The brief is a comprehensive statement of the case for holding the line on fees. It presents supporting arguments gleaned from recently conducted sociological and economic

It is directed to the citizens of Alberta, as they will be making the long-run decisions on the relative priorities of public spending. We suggest that an investment in education should be the number one priority of our nation," says student union president Richard Price.

Price says there are indications the council stand will receive substantial support throughout the province. The brief suggests the Province of Alberta invest some of its \$550 million reserve into education.

"The position that an educated population is not in the public interest is untenable. Studies showing returns from money invested in education lists returns varying from 20 per cent of Gross National Product to 45 per cent of G.N.P.

'It would seem that reserve money would do more financial and social good invested in education rather than low return investments. This indicates that is is time we began to think in terms of 'investment in human capital' as a valid economic concept," the brief says.

University of Victoria students are withholding \$56 of their second term fees in an effort to prevent additional fee

There are many more people Eskimos and Indians, though present and future. It is widely youd Grade 8 and have now left school with no apparent intention

> About 8 per cent of the Can. adian adult population stopped school at Grade 4 or earlier. There are over 1 million Canadians who have left school still illiterate.

levels are closely related to education. The lifetime earnings of Canadians with elementary school education are about \$131 .-000 as contrasted with \$354,000 for those with a university degree. Lifetime earnings of high school graduate are just over

There is also a close relation. ship between unemployment and education. Forty-four per cent 🐸 of Canadian unemployed did not finish primary school and 48 per cent finished primary but not secondary school, Only 9 per cent of the unemployed finished

secondary school. Levels of education in Canada and the United States contrast sharply. Forty per cent of the college age population in the United States is now in college. Only 8.5 per cent of the Canadian population of the same age is attending universit

HOUSING symptom of poverty, Slum dwellings not only affect the families who must live in them but drag down the whole community. Poor housing is therefore the immediate concern of all Can-

At the time of the 1961 census. more than one Canadian family in ten lived in a dwelling with no running water. Almost a quarter of Canadian families lacked the exclusive use of a bath or shower. One in five had no flush toilet. More than 5 per cent of all Canadian housing was in need of major repair or replacement.

Canada is seriously short of low income housing. At the time of the last census, 867,000 units were needed. It has been estimated that by 1980, 1.300,000 new housing units will have to be built for low income people if Canada's basic housing problems is to be solved. To achieve that goal, we would have to build 86,000 low cost units a year We are now building about 4,000 units a year.

While general practitioners know from experience about the relationship between health and income, it is difficult to provide statistical evidence of health as an indication of poverty.