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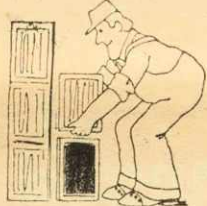
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Watergate- Radio Style!

by Roger Metcalf

Shades of political corruption - the Dalhousie Student Union has its very own political scandal. Well, perhaps this is a slight exaggeration, but the Dal Radio "loop" controversy of last year is one of the most peculiar mysteries to come from Union politics in some time.

The "scandal" came to light last year in a meeting of the Union Executive,

The Treasurer, Barry Ward, presented a series of memorandums and bills concerning the hook-up of broadcast loops to the Carleton campus by Dal Radio. The circuit, which had been installed in the Fall of 1973, had to be unhooked shortly thereafter when it was found, much to

someone's embarrassment, that there were no speakers on the other end of the loop. That adventure cost the Union just slightly over \$300.

However, this was not to be the end of the "loops". Someone, apparently ordered the loops reconnected early in 1974. When the error was finally discovered after Ward took office in March, the "mistake" had cost the Union another \$800. \$153 of that \$800 had already been paid by mistake, included in a telephone bill payment. The remainder was paid shortly before the end of April, 1974.

At the time of the discovery, it was thought that the blame could be placed on one member of

the Union staff (presumably this person was a member of Dal Radio, but even the Executive does not know for sure - so says Dan O'Connor, Student Union President). The minutes of that Executive meeting go on to say that another staff member's pay cheque was withheld.

While the loop expenditure was being uncovered, it was also discovered that Colin Campbell, the then-Station Manager of Dal Radio, had inadvertently been being paid his weekly summer salary (\$90 per week) throughout the academic term. This error would have cost the Union another \$1,500-2,000. Campbell had resigned his position as Station Manager a few days prior to his

term ending.

The Executive considered taking action against the station. It was generally understood that the quality Radio programming had been deteriorating, and that there was a virtual bankruptcy of competent administrative and creative personnel in management. A suggestion was made to close Radio, but the Executive rejected this approach. It was felt that this would be punishing the entire station for the misconduct of one or two of its members. An additional factor that weighted heavily in the Executive's decision was the fact that several staff members would probably not return borrowed

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Women's Conference to be Held

Nearly 300 delegates are expected to attend the three day conference "Women Today in Nova Scotia: Potential, Opportunities and Priorities" that will take place October 18-20 at Mount Saint Vincent University.

Funded by the federal department of Manpower and Immigration and the Nova Scotia provincial government, the conference is being held in cooperation with the Mount's continuing education department.

The committee planning the meetings includes representatives from governmental agencies, university departments and voluntary organizations.

The conference will be officially opened at 8 p.m. on October 18 in the Seton Academic Centre. Guest speakers for the occasion include Premier GERAL A. Regan; Sister Mary Albertus, president of Mount Saint Vincent University; William C. Stewart, Atlantic director general of Manpower and Immigration; and Dr. Katie Cook, chairman of the Federal Advisory Council on the Status of Women.

A feature of the "first day" activities will be the official opening of a juried competition and exhibition for women photographers of Nova Scotia. The competition and exhibition, which complements the conference, is being sponsored by the Art Gallery of Mount Saint

Vincent University.

On Saturday, October 19, workshops will discuss and debate a wide variety of topics from "Creative Expression and the Use of Leisure Time" to "How to Organize a Small Business". An evening banquet will honor women who have

achieved distinction in their chosen fields.

An Ecomenical Service followed by a general meeting of the delegates to consider reports and recommendations and to make plans for "1975 International Women's Year", will conclude the conference on Sunday.

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SCM at DAL

Last year a number of Dalhousie and Kings University students became interested in a students movement concerned with a variety of social-political issues. They became involved in discussions lectures and seminars surrounding such issues as the 1973 Military Coup in Chile and the oppression and exploitation of blacks in Southern Africa. Other issues have centered on education, the California grape and lettuce boycott and the boycott of Kraft products.

Student Christian Movement groups are found in Universities across the country and also in about 80 countries around the world. SCM is not a fundamentalist group but it is concerned with the relationship between religious beliefs and the social-political events of our time.

To begin the new term plans for SCM at Dalhousie consist of a weekend at Wentworth Valley early in the fall and a number of discussions one with a visiting student from Korea.

SCM is open to all students and other interested persons. For further information contact Jack Lakavich at the Community Affairs Office or the Chaplains Office in the SUB.



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