

ED. NOTE—We appreciate Mr. MacLeod's comments, however we do have a few disagreements with them.

We feel, Mr. MacLeod, that you have missed the point of the article. First of all, the article was about Dalhousie's investments in areas where oppressive regimes flourish. We do not deny that oppressive regimes flourish in leftist countries. They flourish in countries of all political persuasion and of course should be stopped. But Dalhousie has no investment in any of these countries. Dalhousie does have investments of sizeable amounts in South Africa and Chile and that is why they were the main focus of the article.

The Gazette does strive for a balance and fair coverage of world problems. Printing an article about exploitation does not make us "radically left leaning." Labels are a dangerous tool to use when one does not understand the machinery.

Women giveaway

To the editor,

The article, "Woman given away at Cameron House," (Dal Gaz., March 13, 1980) raises several issues which need to be addressed:

- (1) John Graham's response: "We must acknowledge that with 550 single, virile young men you will have some actions that won't please me," implies approval, condonation and tolerance of the behaviour was inexcusable. There is something very wrong if 550 'single, virile young men' need to participate in activities that are obviously degrading to women for the satisfaction of their needs. The portrayal of young men as being unable to control their urges is after all a pure MYTH. The propagation of this myth is degrading not only to women, the unfortunate recipients, but also to men, the subjects of this myth.
- (2) Where has the spokesman, who didn't want to harm anyone and wanted

something a little different, been for the past month? His awareness of the harmful aspects of this kind of behavior ought to have been increased by the recent protest against the Stag and Stein! Events like these are harmful in that they represent condonation of the prevailing attitude that women are merely sex objects to be mastered and played with by virile young men.

- (3) Something needs to be done about the lack of representation of women on campus. There is no avenue through which responsible women and men can react to protest against so obviously sexist acts and events.

We recommend that students continue to protest this kind of activity. We also recommend the creation of a Status of Women Committee, on campus, that can work with Students' Council. Such a committee could act as an avenue through which students could express their opinions concerning such activities.

We ask that concerned persons send their comments, suggestions and indications of support for such a committee, to the Dalhousie Gazette—Attention: Pam Ber-

man.
Concerned students,
Mary Cann, Judith Fuller,
Mary Ellen Nobile and
Janet Carver.

Fenwick massacre

To the Gazette:

In reply to your editorial regarding the Fenwick Massacre on the 11th floor, I respond with deepest regrets to Miss Anonymous that you did not check it out until the next day. It is most unfortunate that you merely got a glance of the resultant empty beer bottles, as the atmosphere was indeed "merry" while the goodly supply of "cold, full-ones" lasted. The punch was one-of-a-kind, and the music, Rock 'n Roll, no Disco! You would have en-

joyed it for sure. We can understand why you are so pissed off, only learning of it the next day.

Your concern over getting attacked by drunks in the elevator is not to be treated lightly. I must admit, most of the girls don't report being that lucky! Personally, I think that it is just asking too much of the guys so late at night and after a big drunk and all. But it's a good idea for sure! I see now why you wished to remain anonymous, a suggestion like that could lead to overwhelming popularity.

Your enthusiasm expressed throughout the article was impressive, however, St. Mary's High rise tenants may not appreciate being referred to as animals. This statement indicates that you consider yourself to be better than them (few animals have linguistic skills) and implies that perhaps another apartment building would suit your lifestyle a little better. A newly constructed manor is situated on South Street, next to Fenwick Towers. There is a tendency for the more-relaxed type to inhabit that building as well.

About the party, post your name and address on one of the walls in the corridor and we'll be sure to contact you for the next hoe-down! Sorry you missed a great time.

Sincerely,
Patrons of the Fenwick
Massacre

Marxists cloud issue

Dear Sir,

I happened to notice the display in the S.U.B. lobby regarding the Québec issue. I also noticed the display was put on by the Marxist-Leninist Party of Canada, and this party is circulating a petition both here and at Saint Mary's objecting to the "oppression" of the people of Québec. Close examination of this petition reveals that the Marxist-Leninist Party is only using it to further their political aims.

I feel that the Quebec sovereignty association issue calls for clear, careful consideration of both English and French Canadians. We do not need organizations such as the Marxist-Leninists clouding the issue with false statements, which work only to their advantage. Any misconceptions in the Canada-Québec debate could endanger the future of both Canada and Québec.

I know the university is supposed to be a free and open place for people to express their views. However, the Student Union should be questioned about allowing groups to display on their premises if the groups are not totally forthright and honest in what they are telling the student body.

Yours sincerely
Barry Mockinson
A Concerned Student

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