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in mass slaughter once more so as to accomplish their aims. We must never let this happen. History proves that a powerful movement of the people fighting in unity for their rights and freedoms is the greatest obstacle to the outbreak of war.

The people of Canada and of the world have the fundamental right to live in peace. Therefore we, the undersigned, demand:

1. An immediate halt to all war preparations, whether nuclear or conventional;
2. No testing or stockpiling of Cruise missiles or other weapons of mass destruction in Canada;
3. Not a single youth must be sacrificed in any war of imperialist aggression and rivalry;
4. Not a single penny for the war preparations. An end to the cutbacks in social spending;
5. CANADA must get out of NATO and NORAD. Both NATO and Warsaw Pact must be dismantled;
6. No foreign troops in Canada and no Canadian troops in foreign lands. No foreign warships in Canadian waters and ports and no Canadian warships in foreign ports and seas;
7. Support for all peoples fighting for freedom and democracy;
8. A united front of all peace-loving Canadian people to put an end to the war danger through resolute action;
9. Support the holding of a Conference in Halifax to map out practical action on the whole problem of opposing the war preparations.

Yours sincerely,  
Bill McKiggan

Halifax Committee Against Imperialist War

## Summer training not military preparation...

To the Editor:

I am disgusted and angered that your newspaper would actually publish that superversive bullshit, "Beware military solution to unemployment," in last week's editorial (SIC). In this letter, the Marxist author accuses the Federal government of scheming to draft 25,000 to 50,000 men into the Armed Forces.

As far as I am concerned these accusations are completely false. The Armed Forces does not have the capability to issue twenty-five-thousand recruits with combat boots, let alone rifles, uniforms and housing facilities. Furthermore, the 13,000 students that will be hired by the Armed Forces this summer will receive approximately eight weeks of employment. Eight weeks is not sufficient time to train anyone for war in this technologically advanced era.

The summer employment program is strictly designed for the financial benefit of full-time students. As well, this summer employment program is nothing new, it has been going on for several years. The Federal Government has not announced any plans to draft or recruit 25,000 to 50,000 men, because such plans are not feasible given the present level of finances allocated to the Department of National Defence.

The Marxist supported "Halifax Committee Against Imperialist War" accuses the Federal Government of planning for an aggressive war. How can this be the case? Since 1955 the Canadian Armed Forces' military preparedness has consistently declined because of financial restraint. Only recently have adequate funds been delivered to replace outdated and dangerously obsolete equipment. Furthermore, in an adolescent world gone mad, it is more necessary today than it ever has been to provide a means for maintaining Canadian National Security. The Falkland Island crisis of last year tends to support my argument.

I believe this so called "Halifax Committee Against Imperialist War," is nothing more than a subversive attempt to misinform the Canadian public, for the purpose of weakening our defence preparedness. Such misinformation itself is a threat to Canada's national security.

An Officer of the  
Canadian Armed Forces

## ...It's Summer Camp

To the Editor:

This is a response to Mr. Bill McKeggans letter that appeared in the Gazette Thursday March 24 entitled "Beware Military Solution to Unemployment."

The Canadian Military is neither in the mood for war or aggression. Hell, New York's Police department could kick our butts. 25-50 thousand new soldiers would be great for the economy. Think of all the unemployed barbers that would be

put back to work? The hair product business would boom as would all the businesses associated with it. This is what I call **THE MILITARY TRICKLE DOWN EFFECT.**

Look Mr. Bill, Canada needs at least 25-50 thousand soldiers in the Canadian Armed Forces just to keep subversive groups like the Communists, Marxists, and Gordon Kessler from taking over Ottawa.

Why lose sleep over it? What harm can 50 thousand pimply faced teenagers dressed in green really do? Think of it as one big summer camp! And remember; "There's No Life Like It."

Seldon A. Phillips

## Nothing against Newman, just propoganda

To the Editor:

In regard to Greg Glazov's letter on my letter on the Shroud of Turin and Cardinal Newman, I didn't object to Father Donovan's admiration for Newman, I didn't object to the fact that it blinded him from seeing the effect of the Oxford Movement after Newman left and therefore he was guilty of propoganda just like the communists, fascists and politicians are.

As far as the Shroud, he stated there was no scientific evidence disputing its' authenticity, that the "blood" was blood, etc, again presenting his and some other scientists point of view as the truth. Anyone who has read the National Geographic Magazine article in June 1980 or watched Roy Bonisteel on Man Alive, Good Friday evening on CBC would realize that Father Donovan was presenting the minority opinion, one which isn't even accepted by his Church.

What are we seeking, the truth or emotional satisfaction?

Peter McGuigan

## Improve yearbook or get rid of it

To the Editor:

The Dal Yearbook must go . . . or else be changed sufficiently to serve the people it professes to. This is not an attack on this year's editor who I'm certain will do an admirable job. It is an attack on a system which forces me to pay \$5.00 each year that I am a student at Dalhousie so that when and if I ever graduate I have the honour of receiving a Yearbook which has no pictures of any activities I was involved with while at Dalhousie.

As a Law student I pay \$15.00 each year to buy a Law yearbook which encompasses and portrays my life at the university. I am willing to pay this money because the product which I am buying contains pictures which remind me of the good/bad times I've had during my stay here.

Other faculties and groups, such as the residences, provide their members with a yearbook each year. It seems silly to force these same students to pay at least \$15.00 for a book which means very little to them.

If the yearbook is for the Arts/Science undergraduate students whose faculties do not provide them with their own yearbook, let them pay for it and give them one each year.

The rumors which are circulating now about bringing the yearbook out every year for all students instead of just those who are graduating scares me. A university the size of Dalhousie should not be in the business of producing a yearbook. There is no way the book can appeal to all the students, nor does it attempt to. The focus of the book is the SUB and Students' Union activities. If that is the focus, give the yearbook to those who will find themselves within its pages. Don't waste my money on it.

Sincerely yours,  
Gretchen Pohklamp  
Law III

PS: Giving each graduating student a bound Gazette would cost about the same as the Yearbook but would give the student some idea of what was going on while s/he was at Dal, and would be much more valuable in years to come!

## Thanks Gaz for team spirit

Dear Friends:

Another year of varsity sport at Dalhousie has ended.

It has been a successful year, one which saw Dalhousie athletes gain regional and national recognition for their team or individual performances.

Please accept our thanks for the tremendous coverage given our Tigers during the past season. There is little question that the incentive of seeing one's picture or name in print or on television or hearing one's name on air, is a boost that all athletes anticipate. The print and air space given Dalhousie athletics is certainly most appreciated by us all — athletes, coaches and administrators.

Thank you again for your cooperation and assistance to our programs.

Yours very truly,

Joel Jacobson, Manager  
Varsity Public Relations

## Intellectual speak speak

Editor:

The Society for Preservation of Intellectual Sanity (SPIS) is a society formed in the backrooms of the Faculty Club in response to the Dalhousie circus. Mainly composed of the detached skeptical and melancholy its aims are nebulous but undoubtedly constructive.

Various theories are touted as to its rationale and intent, but its members share a wry view of the unfolding drama of University politics. While sanity is their watchword they are prepared to adopt any means to defend it. These include inviting individuals to lecture and express their views on the current state of the University. It is rumoured that the first speaker may be ex-president Henry Hicks.

Although it is unclear what impact they hope to have on the campus as a whole they are individually watching and waiting. You may know one of them.

Peter Rans

## A poor excuse for a joke

To the Editor:

The Dalhousie Gazette, whether it chooses to recognize it or not, stands as a representative of the attitudes of students of Dalhousie as seen by the faculty of Dal, the students themselves and, as well, alumni who have occasion to skim through a copy now and then. I am of the latter category and was extremely disappointed when I opened the March 24 issue and read in bold print, "FOR CHRIST'S SAKE! ITS MOVING ISN'T IT?", the words used in the context of a joke. Having read the thing, I purposed to tell you a bit about the seriousness of this "joke."

"God demonstrated His love for us in this: While we were yet sinners Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8) You may ask, "And who is this Christ?" The apostle Paul wrote, "Let all Israel be assured of this, God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified both Lord and Christ." Who then is the Christ whose name we ridicule and slander at every turn. He is, stated simply, God's beloved son. The Bible teaches that one day, each of us will give an account of himself to God and if the truth were known in the most hidden, secret cranny of our hearts each one of us believes that yes, one day we will be accountable to some authority or power much greater than we can imagine or conceive.

Listen Dalhousie to this sobering truth, "For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks." Dal, is your heart so foolish and lost that your mouth profanes the name of the very Son of God? Jesus said, "I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgement for every careless word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned." How then, can we ever justify ourselves? You know and I know we can't. But wait, read a little further (1 Timothy 2:5), that there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all men.

"If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved." (Romans 10:9) I know and you know that we both can turn our backs and neglect to hear any of this because God in his permissive will gives us a choice to accept him or reject him. However, one day, "At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Philippians 2:10) and then it will be too late and the choice will be gone forever. Now, Dalhousie friends, the choice is still yours. I trust this letter will be received in the gentle spirit in which it is written.

Sincerely,  
Maureen Dickie

## Pen Pals ?

To the Editor:

With honour and respect, I respectfully write to you this letter. The point of view in writing to you this letter is what I am coming to put down. I like corresponding very much and because of that I would like to have pen-pals in Canada and especially Nova Scotia. So Please Sir (SIC) I would like you to publish my name and address in your news paper for me to get pen-pals in your country. May God grant you with his rich blessings and guide you through the year for your kindness to me (doing what I have asked).

Yours sincerely,  
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