

Project helpful

by Wayne Ingarfield

A project which should benefit two Dalhousie students and five students from the Halifax School for the Blind has been undertaken by Doug Harvey and Ross Wilson.

In conjunction with CKDU and the Dalhousie Students Union, five students from the Halifax School for the Blind will be driven to and from the radio station each Saturday and Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and remain until 12:00, during which time the participants will be trained in the technical operation of a Radio Control Room. Since most radio control rooms are basically the same, after the project is completed the students should be capable of operating almost any radio control room in Nova Scotia.

Harvey and Wilson, both from the

Education Department, said that the purpose of the project is to test and illustrate some curriculum theories and approaches being considered in the Education Department's Media course.

The project which began February 5, will continue for 17 weeks, and will formally conclude on May 29, 1977. Wilson and Harvey hope to continue the project in an informal manner throughout the summer.

During the 17 weeks over which the project will be carried out, the blind students will produce a series of at least five tapes for use within the school for the blind. They will also produce two music shows, so as to familiarize each student with the music library and the various types of music.

The students will, if permission is granted, and Wilson and Harvey are confident that it will be, tour the different radio stations in the Halifax-Dartmouth area.

At the conclusion of their study, Wilson and Harvey hope to have each student work at some time with the various radio or television stations in Metro.

If the community provides the necessary support, the two Education students hope that the five students from the Halifax School for the Blind will secure employment, not necessarily on radio, but at least within a radio or television network.

Another possibility if the success of the project is recognized is that

radio facilities (closed circuit) within the School for the Blind could be set up and operated by resident students of the school and broadcast to each room within the school.

The project, if successful, will be attempted to be continued with assistance from CKDU and supported by a grant from the Dalhousie Students Union under a section of the constitution covering Community Affairs.

To sum up the way they feel about the project Harvey and Wilson said, "We find in the course and the project an opportunity to broaden our understanding and experience of what learning is in the community at large."

St.FX victory invalid

The Atlantic Federation of Students has lost the St. Francis Xavier University referendum on a technicality.

Five hundred and sixty-five students voted on Tuesday, in favour of the organization while 249 were against. However, the constitution states that a 40% quorum is necessary, while the actual turnout for the election was 38.5 of the student body. Twenty-three more people would have to vote to make the results legal.

Last year the university has voted in favour of the National Union of Students, but at that time a necessary fifty per cent quorum was not obtained.

The constitution was changed with the feeling that St. F.X. always gets a forty percent turnout for

elections.

AFS workers were not pleased with the outcome. Student leader, Mike MacInnes said that "while it was very encouraging to see the overwhelming approval of AFS, we were rather disappointed with the turnout."

MacInnes told the *Gazette* that the computer printout of the eligible voters was printed in September. So now they are scrutinizing the list, and if they find enough students who have dropped out of university since then, there may actually have been a 40% turnout. This would mean that approximately fifty-seven student would have had to leave school in order to make the referendum outcome constitutionally valid.

Election results

Science:

Mack, Peter 330 Elected
Owen, Gordon 297
Mishra, Harsh 118
Williamson, David 257

Senate:

Epstein, Norman 466
Shearer, David 243
Kenney, Debra E. 516 Elected
Currie, Denise L. 205
McHugh, Michael 330
McIver, Pat 152
Murphy, Paul 116

By Acclamation:

Arts: Cameron, Janet
Powers, Mike
Worthen, Larry
Senate: Hall, Carl 1
Lathigee, Anita M.
Mann, Thomas
Oland, Thomas

Commerce

Goldman, Barry 134 Elected
Beal, Sheilagh 105

Board of Governors

Zed, Paul 929
Green, Dave 943 Elected
Roza, Joe 302

Pharmacy

Rodgers, Susan 62
Ellis, Hugh G. 40

Dentistry:

Dean, Alfred

Graduate Studies:

Vacant

Health Professions:

Goldstein, David

Nursing:

Fullerton, Louise

Intro Dal '77 opening



Henry Hicks

by Eric Lawson

Intro-Dal 1977 was officially opened by Premier Gerald Regan last Friday night, in a ceremony held on the main level of the SUB.

Chairperson Wendy Hayward opened the ceremonies, and Joey Roza, the organizer of Intro-Dal, said a few introductory words. President Hicks also gave a short speech, praising the quality of today's student, and those at Dalhousie in particular. Hicks also praised Intro-Dal as being vital to introducing Dalhousie to the community at large.

Premier Regan, the keynote speaker of the evening, also tied together in his speech the quality of the university student and the role of the university in the Nova Scotian social, cultural and business milieu.

For example, Mr. Regan complemented current Dalhousie students as being among the most studious and best behaved students which have ever attended this university, and claimed that their behaviour left an excellent impression on the community.

Also, in stressing the importance of interrelationships between Dalhousie and Nova Scotian society in general, Regan used as an example, the large number of Dalhousians now doing fine work in many fields in Nova Scotia. Regan feels that Dalhousians such as these enrich the community through their post-graduation endeavors.

In summation, the Premier described Dalhousie as "a home for the best music, best drama, and most interesting lectures" in Nova Scotia, as well as a "broadening influence" and an "enriching oasis of learning".

The ceremonies were closed in an interesting and truly original manner. A "Town Crier", dressed in official colonial garb, read a proclamation thanking Premier Regan and wishing him continued success. Regan was presented with the copy of the proclamation.

A reception was held in the Green Room immediately following the ceremonies.

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and hire new people for another short period of time" the *Gazette* was told.

Not only is the problem of "fresh blood" solved but the department also saves money because they do not have to pay these teachers full salary, even though they do the same work as staff with tenure.

Another practice is the hiring of two people to do one job, "thus you get twice as many new ideas but the department saves even more money as it does not have to pay these teachers half-salary, but are allowed to pay less than half to those involved."

It is usually not hard for the department to find these individuals and one of the biggest suppliers are "well-trained wives who live on or near campus who need the money."

This problem the *Gazette* was told is not unique to Canada but also occurs in United States. The problem is worsened in Canada as the laws protecting individuals from unfair hiring practices are not as effective in the U.S.

There is, at the moment, a questionnaire beginning to circulate among Arts and Science professors concerning this question, part-time instructors had been included in the survey. The source also stated that it would probably be many months before the Commission could have a report ready for the public.