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because of our distance from their central offices but we make every effort to get reasonable service. The area now has 2 Reader-Printers; 6 Microfilm Readers, 2 Newspaper Microfilm Readers; 7 Microfiche Readers, - including three new machines added this year.

3. Staff have not seen or had reported to them any "line-ups" except in relation to the Reader-Printer and this problem seems to have been solved with the arrival of a second machine.

We appreciate your concern and would find it especially useful if users would inform the person on duty of any problems as they occur.
Sincerely,
Dorothy L. Cooke [Mrs.]
University Librarian

Liberal running dogs rabid?

To the Gazette:

I would like to object to the letter entitled "Victory" in the March 23 issue of the *Gazette*. The principal reason is that it feeds and strengthens bourgeois ideology which is rabidly anti-communist. It does this by suggesting that people who are communists are also "foolish" and "stupid". The guerilla used as a graphic along with the letter is a clear identification with low intelligence, or as is suggested—"Hardly Anybrains". This seriously undermines the political commit-

ment of a person or group which claims to be communist.

The only rationale for the *Gazette*, which claims to be an agent of social change, printing this letter would be if the letter were in fact legitimate satire. It is not. It does not even attempt to address the political line of its victim—the CPC(ML). It in fact makes a mindless identification between the group and In Struggle! which only serves to confuse two distinct political lines in the minds of the readers.

The one redeeming feature of this kind of empty satire is that it has an ironic twist to it. The irony is that in attempting to expose the shallowness of one political line (that of the CPC(ML)), the *Gazette* has been extraordinarily successful in revealing its own liberalism. To the extent that that liberalism has aligned itself with the bourgeois press, it has revealed its reactionary nature.

Lou Anne Meloche

Red-baiting a local sport?

To the Gazette:

With reference to Mike Malloch's letter in last week's *Gazette* attacking the paper for publishing a letter the previous week which was directed towards the Dalhousie Student Movement (DSM); while I do not agree with the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) interpretation of Marxist-Leninist

thought, I do find the criticisms of Malloch's letter pertinent.

The original letter in question was not only in poor taste, but even worse, was an excellent example of red-baiting. The liberal qualities and tendencies of the *Gazette* are obvious to all. The decision to print the original letter was an executive decision, made without consulting the *Gazette* staff—and printed after some of the staff voiced their objections to it.

Objective, progressive, and re-

sponsible journalism dictates that such slanderous, bourgeois, and liberal moves be fought at all times. The *Gazette* often prides itself in the contrasting position it views itself vis-a-vis the Chronicle-Herald and the Mail-Star. Red-baiting in the local press is evident, obvious, and a force to be contended with. Red-baiting in the student press represents no less the bourgeois nature of those responsible.

Sincerely,
David E. Angus

In Struggle leader to speak in Halifax

In Struggle's nation-wide tour on the Quebec national question will be in Halifax April 8th to 11th.

- Is Quebec a nation?
- How does national oppression affect the people of Quebec?
- Why has Trudeau threatened to invoke the War Measures Act if Quebec decides "unilaterally" to secede?
- Who supports and who opposes the national rights of Quebec?

These and other questions will be debated at meetings on the Quebec National Question to be held in Halifax between April 8 and 11. The meetings are part of a nation wide tour sponsored by the Canadian Marxist-Leninist group IN STRUGGLE! Charles Gagnon, Secretary-General of IN STRUGGLE, who is participating in the tour, will speak at the meetings.

At a time when the "Task Force on National Unity" has just finished criss-crossing the country, leaving in its wake a trail of hatred and reaction toward Quebec, when Rene Levesque and the P.Q. in Quebec are putting the finishing touches on their "Referendum Project", when a religious-fascist

newspaper like the one called "Michael Fighting", which tries to stir up fear and prejudice against Quebec and the communists, is being widely distributed in Halifax—the importance of this question for all the peoples of Canada becomes clearer and clearer. What is at stake when a group like the Dalhousie Student Council rejects the right of Quebec to self-determination and opts instead for "bilingualism and biculturalism a la Trudeau?"

The group IN STRUGGLE! has consistently called for the absolute equality of languages and nations, which in Canada means the recognition in practice of the national rights of Quebec, including the right to secession if that is what the people of Quebec choose.

The meetings to debate the National Question will be held in Halifax on Tuesday, April 11, at 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Room 346, Weldon Law Building, University Avenue, (Sponsored by the Law School Speakers' Committee), and at 7:30 p.m. in the Oxford Street School, (Entrance on Willow St.). Day Care will be provided.

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