### Oh great!

The Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission (MPHEC) is sponsoring a study into student aid for post-secondary students.

An appointed committee plans to review the history of student aid to compare the Maritimes' systems with those in other parts of Canada and in other countries. Costs and benefits of student assistance, accessibility to post-secondary education, and aid for people in continuing education will also be considered.

The committee began meetings in late February and will continue until January 1980. Interested people can

make submissions on any aspects of financial aid and then public meetings will follow in October.

Janet Mrenica, of Mount Saint Vincent, one of three students on the committee, said they would be discussing the pros and cons of the present Maritime programs and then make recommendations to the MPHEC. "If the MPHEC accepts our recommendations then they will present them to the government. But, whether they accept them is another matter," she said.

#### Rebates...

Residence students will be getting a rebate to make up for the services they didn't get during the cleaners' strike, Howe Hall president Bruce Ellsworth told the Gazette

Tuesday

Howe Hall residents will be getting \$45 each, while Shirreff residents will receive \$25. "I was personally quite happy with the result," Ellsworth said. "We weren't expecting to do quite so well."

Ellsworth said the male students will receive a better rate because the Shirreff Hall residents received some of the services (linen service, some cleaning and staffing of the front desk) that Howe Hall

residents didn't receive.

University housing director John Graham, who is also the student union's general manager, negotiated with the residence students on behalf of the university.

Ellsworth said the rabates were ratified by the Dalhousie board of governors at its meeting Tuesday afternoon.

Flasher !!!

A man was charged with indecent exposure and trespassing at night after he was arrested outside Shirreff Hall Tuesday morning at 1:30.

Inspector Ed Grandy of the Halifax Police criminal investigation branch said the man was found on the wall

looking into the residence. The police report said the man ran away when approached by police and ignored their shouts of "Freeze!" Additional police cars were called to the scene, and the man was finally stopped by Dalhousie security, according to the police.

Grandy said the man, whom he refused to identify, ad-

mitted his guilt and would be appearing in court, although the date of the court appearance has not been set.

Dean of Women Christine Irving said she hadn't been "officially informed" about the incident

## Differential fees

The following letter was sent to Dalhousie President Henry Hicks regarding the proposal of differential fees for foreign students.

Dear Sir:

The Dalhousie Association Of Graduate Students strongly recommends that the university administration reconsider its proposed plan for the accommodation of differential fees at Dalhousie. This plan of accommodation, as outlined in the letter of policy circulated by K.T. Leffeck, Dean of Graduate Studies, offers little in the way of foreign student support and, in effect, marks the surrender of the administration's campaign against differential fees.

It is our position that in face of the declining support of higher education the academic community must stand united in its opposition to the regressive and discriminatory programs imposed upon it by this provincial government. Therefore, in the best interests of the university as a whole, we would urge the administration to continue its opposition to the utilization of nationality as a basis for discrimination and to maintain a policy of equal fees for all Dalhousie students.

Respectfully Submitted, The Student Welfare Committee, of The Dalhousie Association Of Graduate Students

# Students weren't smugglers

To the Gazette:

I am writing with regard to your article on the attempt of some participants in the Pushkin Programme to "smuggle" Bibles into the Soviet Union. Some of your readers may draw the conclusion from your remarks on the high price of Bibles on the Black Market that the students intended to sell them. There is no foundation for such a conclusion.

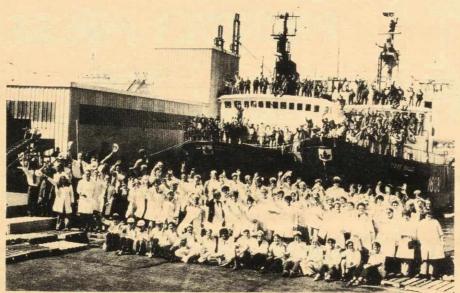
Sincerely yours, John A. Barnstead Assistant Professor of Russian

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Likewise, mass demonstrations on all campuses, rallies and open forums all offer avenues for continuing the struggle which was only begun by marching to Province House.

Sincerely, Susan Williams Denise Soucy Roberge Penny Hoover Nicola Swainson

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