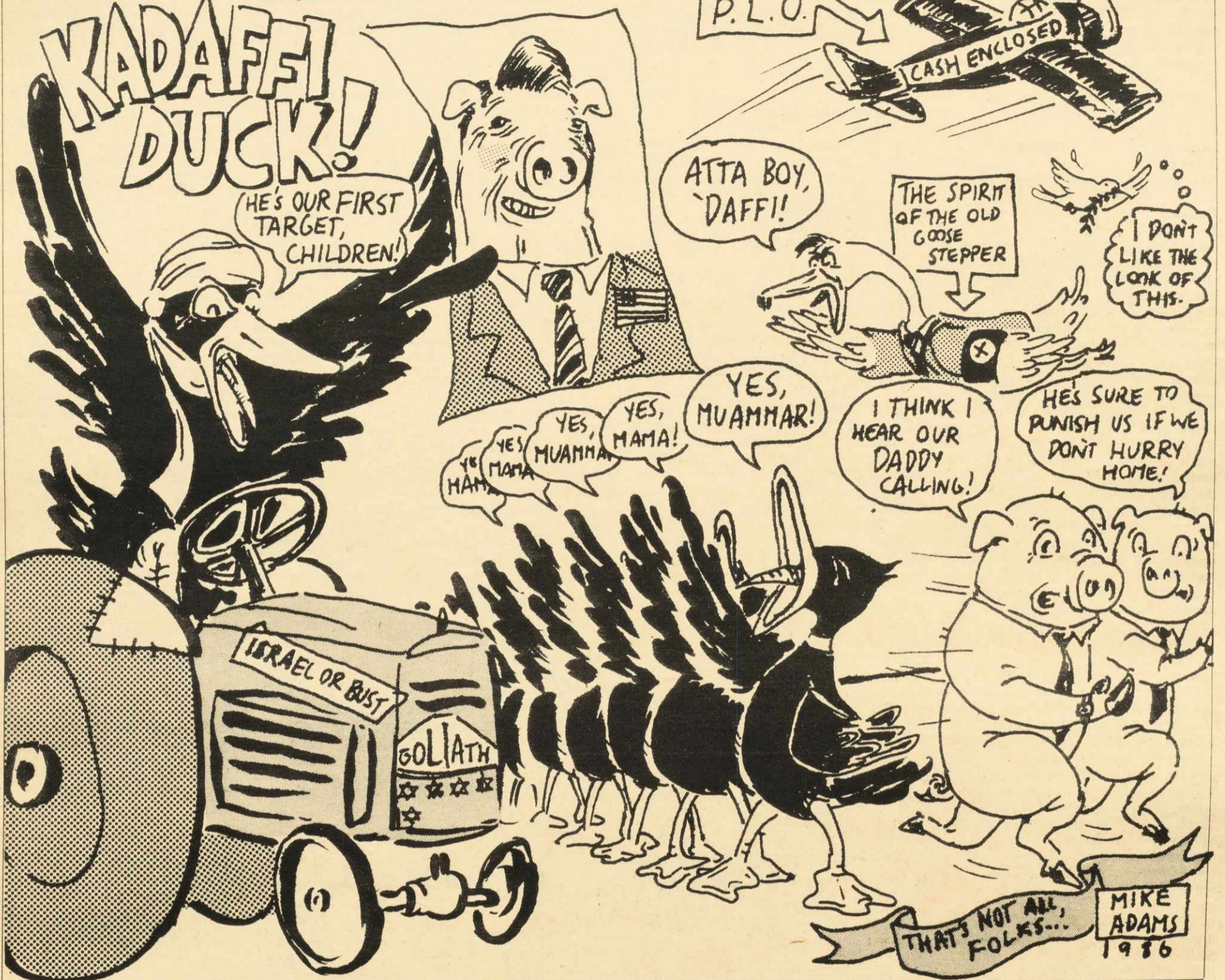


LOONEY TUNES

FEATURING THAT "FLAKY BARBARIAN",

KADAFI DUCK!



Tunnel vision

IN RESPONSE TO POOR lighting conditions on Dalhousie campus, a group of students took vice-president of Finance Robbie Shaw on a tour of campus last November.

Led by DSU President Catherine Blewett and head of the Security Committee Jolene Pattison, Shaw visited such areas as the pharmacy building, the Quad, and Shirreff Hall, the women's residence on campus.

What they found in these areas was poor lighting, with bulbs burnt out or simply not turned on at all.

The responsibility of replacing light bulbs on campus falls on the Maintenance Department. However, in September the department suffered from budget cuts resulting in less efficiency in the department.

As of yet there have been no improvements in the lighting problem on campus.

The question then arises as to who will suffer the most from this neglect resulting from the lack of improvements.

The obvious answer is the female students. Each year there is an average of three rapes during the first week of school. Some say it is because of the high concentration of women in the area. But what has been done to prevent these recurring attacks?

During the tour in November, the group saw three lights burned out in the annex behind Shirreff Hall. Lighting was so poor that one could barely see the main entrance to the annex. What

degree of protection is offered to those who live here?

Perhaps it isn't necessary to light every part of the Dalhousie campus at all times. But students, both male and female, frequent much of the campus at night. These areas should be kept lit at all times. For if these areas are not well-lit, who will pay the price?

Home-aid

WHILE SCREAMS OF HOUSING crises, tuition increases, and accessibility enter the halls of universities, nary a word about starving students is mentioned in conversations.

Of course not; this kind of poverty is admittedly taboo. No one likes to talk about fellow students

crawling around in garbage cans in back of Dalhousie's residences.

Horrifyingly, it is fact and should be talked about.

The Dalhousie Student Union is trying to start a food bank for these starving students. This should have been started long ago. Too bad it has happened too late to help those who have had to dig around garbage cans of fellow students.

Just imagine how much money was donated to Ethiopia; we have much the same starving plight of humans surrounding us in Halifax. Come on, let's get serious about how we want to help!

Ethiopia is a cause we should all donate to, but let's also take care of those closest to use before we become heroes.

Letters

Dear Editor,

Like Mr. Jacobson in your last issue I was also quite interested in Mr. MacIntosh's look at SUNS. It is a good theory to have SUNS looking out for the interests of Nova Scotia's student population but, unfortunately, the theory breaks down in reality. They do not have the proper representation from across the province to fulfill their mandate and instead are just duplicating the work of the students' unions that already exist in metro.

SUNS would be fine, even in its present state, if it did not cost us so much. Reza and Catherine are doing a very good job for those of us at Dalhousie, as is our students' union as a whole. SUNS costs Dal students quite a bit. Don't you think the DSU would be able to improve upon the good job that they are already doing with the money now spent on SUNS?

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