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Robbie Shaw resigns

By MARY ELLEN JONES

FOR THE SECOND TIME IN less than a year, Robbie Shaw, vice-president of finance for Dalhousie, has resigned, this time to become vice-president of National Sea Products.

Shaw formally handed in his resignation last Friday, saying he would continue with his responsibilities as V.P. until May 9. He will stay until the 1986-87 budget is in place and the Dalhousie-hired management firm Richie and Associates is nearly implemented.

Shaw was not available to comment on his departure.

John Graham, v.p. of university services, said the timing of Shaw's resignation is reasonable.

"The fiscal year is over, the academic year is over and he is not leaving until the beginning of May," Richie and Associates' target date for finishing their project is the end of May.

Graham said Shaw accomplished a great deal during his extended six-year term in office.

"The university now has a balanced budget which it didn't have before Mr. Shaw came. It also has an extensive administrative record-keeping system."

Graham said students should be interested in who is chosen to

fill Shaw's position. "The person is going to have a lot of influence in decisions which directly affect them, so I hope they do care," he said.

When choosing the new V.P. of finance, president Andrew MacKay will be consulting with the new president of Dalhousie, Howard Clark.

"Dr Clark will participate in the process," said MacKay. "I will be formally making the proposal and recommendations to the board, which made the appointment."

The selection of the new vice-president is a different kind of process than the search for the president, said MacKay. "It is not as involved. The vice-president is not as directly involved with relations with academic staff and programs as the president is."

The target date for the appointment of the new vice-president is sometime during the middle of the summer.

MacKay said Shaw has been a busy and active vice-president at Dalhousie. "Together with the support from deans and others, he has accomplished a great deal."

"The university is a funny place. People don't do much by themselves but they do accomplish a lot when they work together."

Cutbacks in funding

By TOBY SANGER

ALTHOUGH STUDENT enrollment across the country increased from last year's levels, the federal government has cut back on its funding for summer employment programs. This year it expects to create 93,000 jobs through its summer employment program, Challenge 86 — a decline from last year's level of 101,000.

This year the government will be spending \$127 million through the career-oriented Summer Employment/Experience Development program and up to \$83 through other programs to help create 93,000 jobs for students and youth across Canada. Based on last year's provincial break-down of funding, up to 3,000 of these jobs will be created in Nova Scotia.

Students who want to create

their own jobs under the SEED program should apply at Canada Employment Centres before the deadline date of March 8.

As a result of federal cutbacks to employment centres on campus, the Dalhousie employment centre will be closing from April 11th to August 18.

Don Lawrence, manager of the employment centre in the Student Union Building, says the campus employment centres in Halifax decided this would be the least harmful way to deal with the 30% cuts in funding they face.

The Halifax region employment centre for students will be taking over responsibilities for student summer employment and applications for the SEED program jobs from the campus centres. This year it will open April 7 at its new location in the Sir John Thompson Building at 1256 Barrington St.

Last summer, the centre made 3,260 job placements. Mark Hussey, supervisor of the employment center, says this year they "optimistically see a 3-5% increase in job placements over last year's levels" but admits that the opportunities for student summer employment will depend a lot on the coming federal and provincial budgets.

The federal government last summer hired 260 students in Nova Scotia through the Career Oriented Summer Employment Program, a decline over the previous year's level of 310. Applications for this program are available at the employment centres before the deadline date of February 28.

Each year the provincial government employs thousands of students through different departments and programs. Eric Pace, director of staffing for the Civil Service Commission, says he "would encourage students to submit applications both to the individual departments they are interested in and to the Civil Service Commission," located at 1700 Granville St.

Statistics Canada will be employing over 1000 students in Nova Scotia from mid-May to the end of June to work on the 1986 Census. Pay is on a piece rate basis and students can expect to make \$600 to \$800 over the six week period. Applications will be available at student employment centres in April.

Kasha Hedinger, Travel Cuts Manager, expects another significant increase in Student Work Abroad Programme applications this year. Last year, the Dalhousie office made 136 placements for students in England, Ireland and New Zealand — an increase of 20% over the previous year. This year, Australia and Belgium are also included on the programme itinerary.

Hedinger says job prospects under SWAP are perhaps better overseas than they are in Canada because the SWAP office virtually assures students jobs. Although the majority are in the low-paying service sector, the programme offers students the possibility of combining work with travel.

Applications for these jobs should be made by March 1 for a South Seas placement or six weeks in advance of departure date for one in Britain.

Chaplain leaves position

By MARY ELLEN JONES

AFTER SEVEN YEARS OF university ministry, Avery Kempton, the United Church chaplain on campus, will become the first co-ordinator of the pastoral department at the Victoria General Hospital.

With the new appointment comes his resignation from Dalhousie University.

Kempton has worked in the hospital ministry previous to his position with Dalhousie. "I am returning to the hospitals with a whole new breadth of understanding; it helped working here."

"I have a much better appreciation for what people are up against when they are learning. Students are often put in a one down position by the professor in front of the classroom. I value collegial co-learning and with this new position I feel my values will be very useful."

Kempton said he sees a need for good solid leadership at the V.G. "My experience counts: I have a sense of what the hospital is trying to accomplish."

"Since I have been here many aspects about University ministry have changed," said Kempton. "People are looking for inner spiritual direction more and more. The chaplains are less willing to sit in their offices waiting

for people to come to them. They are more visible and are doing more to meet the needs of the university community.

"We have tried to be available and accessible in all aspects of student life," said Kempton "I am trying to be a spiritual person in a secular age. I tried to balance the needs of the university but you can't meet them all."

Kempton has worked with council on student services and programs of pre-marriage as well as men and sexism. He has also been a friend and confidante to many members of the student council this year and in years past.

"He is as cute as a bug's ear and is a snazzy dresser," said Barney Savage, DSU vice-president external.

"Avery certainly has raised the profile of chaplains on campus and I think he helped to bring religion further into the mainstream of student life," said Savage.

Although Kempton says he doesn't want to leave he says you can become too comfortable in the university atmosphere. "If I were to stay much longer I wouldn't be challenged. That's the danger," he said.

Kempton's term ends in March and the new chaplain will be chosen before July 1, 1986.

Complications

By CHARLENE SADLER

WHEN DALHOUSIE DECIDED to divest from companies with interests in South Africa, the Board of Governors set up a committee to review its investments, but committee members are attacking more than financial ties to apartheid.

Tim Shaw, faculty representative, says the committee is concerned about educational opportunities for black South African students and the development of education around that country's system of apartheid.

Donald Kerr, the committee chair, said the function of the committee is to find a mechanical way to carry out divestment.

"There will be complications. We will be dealing with dozens of blacklists of companies and we'll probably come up with one of our own," said Kerr.

Examination of blacklisted companies is a long, tough process because each company must be looked at individually before it can be categorized "good guy or bad guy," said Kerr.

Because the committee will be looking at what each company plans to do in the near future, one concern it has is the wording of its own report.

"If a company holding South African investments is pursuing the same aim, it wouldn't make sense to divest from it," said Kerr.

"We are dealing with a dynamic situation," said Shaw. "Ten years ago it made sense to invest in South Africa. But now the black population is in a state of war, the currency has taken a beating and the price of gold is way down."

Although the committee does not want to give the stocks away, Kerr said it is prepared to divest of them at a lower price than hoped for.

"It is a moral issue. Naturally, if the market is depressed we will take a loss. But there is no point in taking a moral stance that can't possibly hurt. It will cost time and money," he said.

If the committee is faced with a situation where it must stall divesting of a company that is deciding its own future, there are alternatives.

"The motion, as it is, makes it look like we're just to report back to the Board of Governors and say 'here's how to divest.' But we will also take the watch dog role to see that other companies, trying to divest of South Africa themselves, follow through," said Kerr.

"Students should be concerned because the system of apartheid is especially oppressive to its young people," said Karanja Njoroge, Dal's International Student Co-ordinator. "They stand to lose the most, as education is ill-funded, and as students are kept out of school and sometimes even imprisoned," he said.

Njoroge said there is no question that divestment is the right way to go.

"It is what we can do that is tangible because we are contributing to change in South Africa, but Dalhousie's effort will not bring down the government," he said.

In that way the university's efforts are symbolic, he said. "It is saying we will not be part of apartheid and that is a very strong statement," he said.