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which benefit women are grossly underfunded, largely by men. As it is money freely allocated it is a statement of how men, in 1983, view women.

7. Because work is women's work and therefore worth-less she earns on an average half of what a man does for similar work.

8. In all countries but a few, women are subordinated to a ruling patriarchy which means they have no legitimized or recognized political power.

9. In North America we have 'harems' that are justified by the profiteering motive. They are called 'bunny' clubs.

10. Birth control, which jeopardizes women's health, is largely controlled by the market economy. These barbaric risks are considered acceptable and are tolerated by women alone.

These few issues indicate the work that lies ahead. We move in feet, with miles to go - but our greatest hurdle is not hostility or discouragement - IT IS IGNORANCE!

Barbara Sankey
Halifax, N.S.

Hey! He's not me!

To the Gazette:

It seems that I have the misfortune of having the same name as an all too regular contributor to the Gazette. For some time now I have quietly tolerated this fellow's uninspired music reviews, assuring my friends that I am in no way responsible for such pretentious psycho-babble. However, this alien wrote a letter to the editor last week which has me acrimonious, as Father Mulcahy would say. Not only as the letter tasteless (so what else is new?), but it had my name signed to it. I'm mad as hell and I'm not taking it anymore! If I happen to meet this dirgible on a street somewhere, I will most certainly cut him in half with my light sword.

Sincerely,
Michael C. Brennan
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Michael Brennan: Spit and venom

To the Editor:

I was taken aback by the spite and venom of Michael Brennan's letter against all the anti-pornography "trash," and in particular his character assassination of Andrew Ager.

Brennan may hold strong views on pornography, and I am interested in reading what various people think about the subject, but any credence I might give to his opinion was dissolved when he lit into Mr. Ager. It was embarrassingly immature and unwarranted. I'm not going to burden this column with yet another view on pornography, but I do want to say that each person, including Andrew Ager, has a right to his own views and a right to be given some respect when he expresses them. If Brennan disagrees with him, then he should argue the subject on its merits rather than hurl personal insults. I found it rather ironic when reading the write-up on the Bopcats that the reviewer who chastized them for their unreasonable, vulgar temper tantrums should be Michael Brennan.

Sincerely,
Mary Parker

Parley on national issues

To the Editor:

As the year draws to a close Dalhousie has seen the emergence of a new political force on campus. The New Democratic Party has formed a youth group here hoping to involve young people in the political process. However I feel if any of these campus political groups are to have any purpose they must be given the freedom to express "their" views of how Canada could best be governed. Hopefully this could attract attention to young people of the King's-Dal campus giving them a much needed forum for how they feel about issues dealing not with student politics but with National issues. Therefore I call on the leaders of the Liberals, New Democratic, and Progressive Conservative Party to together form what other campus' have been doing and what we used to do here, form a Kings-Dalhousie Model Parliament.

There is no reason not to: the old Dal gymnasium could be used over (or possibly the Nova Scotia Legislature during their recess in March break for the Public schools) a three day period where an assortment of parties new or old would be invited to participate. I ask the "old" parties specifically to take the initiative because they are established and have the manpower and resources at their disposal to start the organization. The idea is there, now it is up to the concerned parties to do something about it. To top it off, the parties should consider what a great membership booster it can be. It also creates another club where people of like minds can meet each other. Let's bring political groups out of the closet and let them know how and where students stand. Ladies and Gentlemen, the ball is in your court.

Yours in Parlimentary language
Kevin Charles Little

Shroud of Turin

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Dalhousie Newman Society I would like to express the sadness with which we have read Peter McGuigan's comment on last week's talks by Fr. Donovan on Cardinal Newman and the Shroud of Turin.

We were inspired by both lectures. The lecture on Newman presented a personal background enabling one to better understand his writings and we wonder why Fr. Donovan's admiration for Newman's honesty, integrity and talent should be so disliked. To us, his admiration came as a sign of maturity with which one must pay another his due respect.

Likewise we were glad at the warm applause for the talk on the Shroud. In our preparations we stressed that the identity of the man on the Shroud has not been clearly defined by any authority, but we thought that during the days of Lent, a lecture on the Shroud would help many of us to grasp more fully the pain that Christ suffered.

May we also add that for a person who for the past 40 years has been among scholars, physicians and scientists convinced of the Shroud's authenticity, it is not outrageous to consider the Shroud as belonging to Jesus. History knows no other person who was scourged, crowned with thorns, crucified and from whose pierced side post mortem blood and liquid flowed as the Shroud bears witness. There are no artificial pigments constituting the image and it remains a mystery as to how the body was removed from the linen without disturbing the intricate pattern of blood flows and also how the "burning" of the crowns of the linen fibers took place. In history, no other shroud has such an image and in the words of Yves Delage, the French agnostic, "If instead of Christ, there were questions of some person like Sargon or Achilles, or one of the Pharaoh's, no one would have thought of making any objections."

May we wish all a happy Easter, good marks and a restful summer.

Sincerely,
Greg Glazov
Dal Newman

COMMERCE SOCIETY REFERENDUM

A referendum will be held on Wednesday, April 6th, 1983. Commerce students will be asked the following question:

DO YOU WISH THE COMMERCE FEE TO INCREASE FROM \$10 TO \$30 FOR THE NEXT AND SUBSEQUENT ACADEMIC YEARS?

YES ----

NO ----

**THE \$30 WILL BE USED AS FOLLOWS:
\$13 GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES
\$17 HOUSE FUND FOR THE ACQUISITION OF NEW FACILITIES**

You are encouraged to acquaint yourself with both sides of the issue and cast your ballot at one of the following locations:

FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

- (1) Student Union Building**
- (2) Arts & Administration**
- (3) School of Business**

YES COMMITTEE
Leanne Todd 469-4607

NO COMMITTEE
Paul Morris 424-3542

FORUM
Green Room, S.U.B.
Tuesday, April 5, 1983 at 12:00 p.m.

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