

## Grants Committee refuses Dal

# Tuition going up by \$200

by Walter Concrete

Dal students' tuition fees will be increased by \$200 next year because the University Grants Committee refused to allot the university the \$54,000,000 they had requested.

In October of last year the university submitted the proposed amount to the Committee. Part A consisted of a building fund amounting to \$47,000,000 which would be used for the construction of 5 academic buildings. Part B called for \$7,000,000 to build a residence for all academic staff of the university.

University President Dr. Henry D. Hicks elaborated

on the Committee's decision.

"I received a letter from the Chairman of the University Grants Committee yesterday, who informed me that our proposed amount had been refused. In fact, as of next year, Dalhousie will not be granted any money as a result of our proposed amount this year. The Committee referred to our amount as being insane," Hicks said.

"Receiving such a letter from a bunch of old diehards confused my mind, and besides, it made me cry," he added.

Hicks has no alternative but to put the burden of

university financing on the students by increasing tuition and residence fees.

"I have also received a letter from the Halifax City Council informing me that the university will be taxed as of Sept. 1, 1972," Hicks continued.

As a result of university taxation, tuition fees will also be increased another \$100 commencing Sept. 1, 1972.

Hicks informed the Gazette that the \$100 increase in tuition is \$99.98 more per student than the taxing of the university requires. That is, each student need only pay out 2¢ more per year. The remainder will be distributed among both members of the Board of Governors and Senate, excluding student representatives.

"Both members of the Board and Senate feel that they should be paid for their services, since they have the power at this university," Hicks said.

Brian Smith, president-elect of the Dal Student Union, summed up his feelings concerning the increase in tuition for next year by saying "fuddle-duddle."

Hicks predicts that the student enrollment at Dalhousie next year will be less than five thousand as a result of the tuition increase.

"If the student wants an education, he is going to have to pay for it, whether he likes it or not," Hicks said, smiling.

Hicks also informed the Gazette that within ten years Dalhousie will be restricted to students who are of the upper class in society.

"This is another reason why tuition fees are being increased next year. This university will have high academic standards within five years, because we plan to hire the best qualified professors.

"Also along this line, our enrollment will consist of students with high academic standards and who belong to elitist families. Tuition fees, therefore, will be increased every year to attract the best of the crop," Hicks said.

The feeling around campus is that there will be occupation of all academic and residential buildings within a month, as a result of the increases.

"If occupation occurs, I will immediately board a plane for Bermuda, where I will collect stamps for my collection," Hicks concluded.

## Bear runs amok — eats five kids



From the Charlatan

OTTAWA (KUP) — A stuffed brown teddy bear killed five infants and injured three others when it went on a wild rampage in the day-care centre at Carleton University February 24.

The nursery was evacuated minutes after the bear first attacked, but five babies piled in a playpen were seized and held as hostages.

They were subsequently eaten.

The three injured children escaped through the recently completed fire exit, installed by the day-care centre earlier this year to meet city requirements.

"We never thought it would be used for this," said one distraught mother, whose child had been eaten.

The five children seized as hostages were devoured when day-care officials refused to meet the teddy bear's request for a mate.

"We can't bow down to obscene requests of that nature," said a spokesman for the day-care centre. "We can't have our children's teddy bears behaving like animals in front of our children," she said.

At press time, the teddy bear, identified only as "Teddy" by the mother of its owner, was occupying the ground-level residence nursery and had refused offers of new stuffing and bright red buttons for its eyes in exchange for the Flush-a-byes stored in the nursery.

The Honor Board have been called in to investigate.

## Unicorns threaten bombings

From The Journal

WAWA (BIS) — Members of the terrorist Unicorn Liberation Front threatened to bomb mailboxes in Wawa, Ontario, recently, in response to Post Office warnings that ULF organizers would not be given official status by the government.

The ULF said, "we will take any measures necessary to force the government to comply with our demands." The message was discovered in a phone

booth in downtown Toronto after an anonymous caller tipped off government officials.

The ULF demands include freedom for all unicorns now stuck on mailboxes. The ULF claims the animals are in "...involuntary servitude based on visible distinguishing factors." The terrorists refer to the unicorn-horn, a single cone-shaped horn protruding from the animals' foreheads.

"We won't tolerate this waffling."

## "Suies" plan big jump

by Stephen Mills

In keeping with the modern trend towards cooperative efforts, Dalhousie's potential suicides have banded together to form "Students for a Spectacular Demise (Hara-Kiri)". President and founder of the organization, Herbie Flug, explained to the Gazette the reasons for its existence.

"Most of the 'suies' in Halifax-Dartmouth want to jump off the new bridge, right? But, if you do, who's going to notice? Nobody! Right? So we figure that if we can get something like five thousand people and we all jump at the same time, everybody'll notice, right? We call it 'Operation Splashdown'."

"Meanwhile, while we're waiting for membership to reach five thousand, we have a ball. I mean, if you're going to die soon, you might as well enjoy the little time you have left, right?"

Apparently, the club will not have long to wait as Flug pointed out that enrollment already exceeds 3500.

In closing, Flug remarked, "We even have a list of people who plan to join if we do reach 5000. They figure if things are so bad that that many people want out, they want out too. And what better way to go than to sink into a spring sunset on Bedford Basin with thousands of your friends?"

Interested persons can write or call Mr. Flug, care of the Dalhousie Gazette.