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Why should you extract your head from your books?

A look at the record shows that students have reason for concern. The most recent federal cuts to post-secondary funding in Nova

Scotia will result in \$917 per student being eliminated from the system over the next two years. With over 80 per cent of government funding coming from the feds, students are left wondering how this loss will be made up. Are we going to see 50 per cent fee increases in the near future? The Dalhousie administration is already talking about fee increases ranging from 16 to 40 per cent for different faculties. Can you afford these hikes?

Another issue of concern to students is student aid. Students depending on the assistance program are aware of its inadequacies. Cost allowances have not been adjusted since 1984-85. Can

the average student afford to live on \$85/week for room and board? I know I can't.

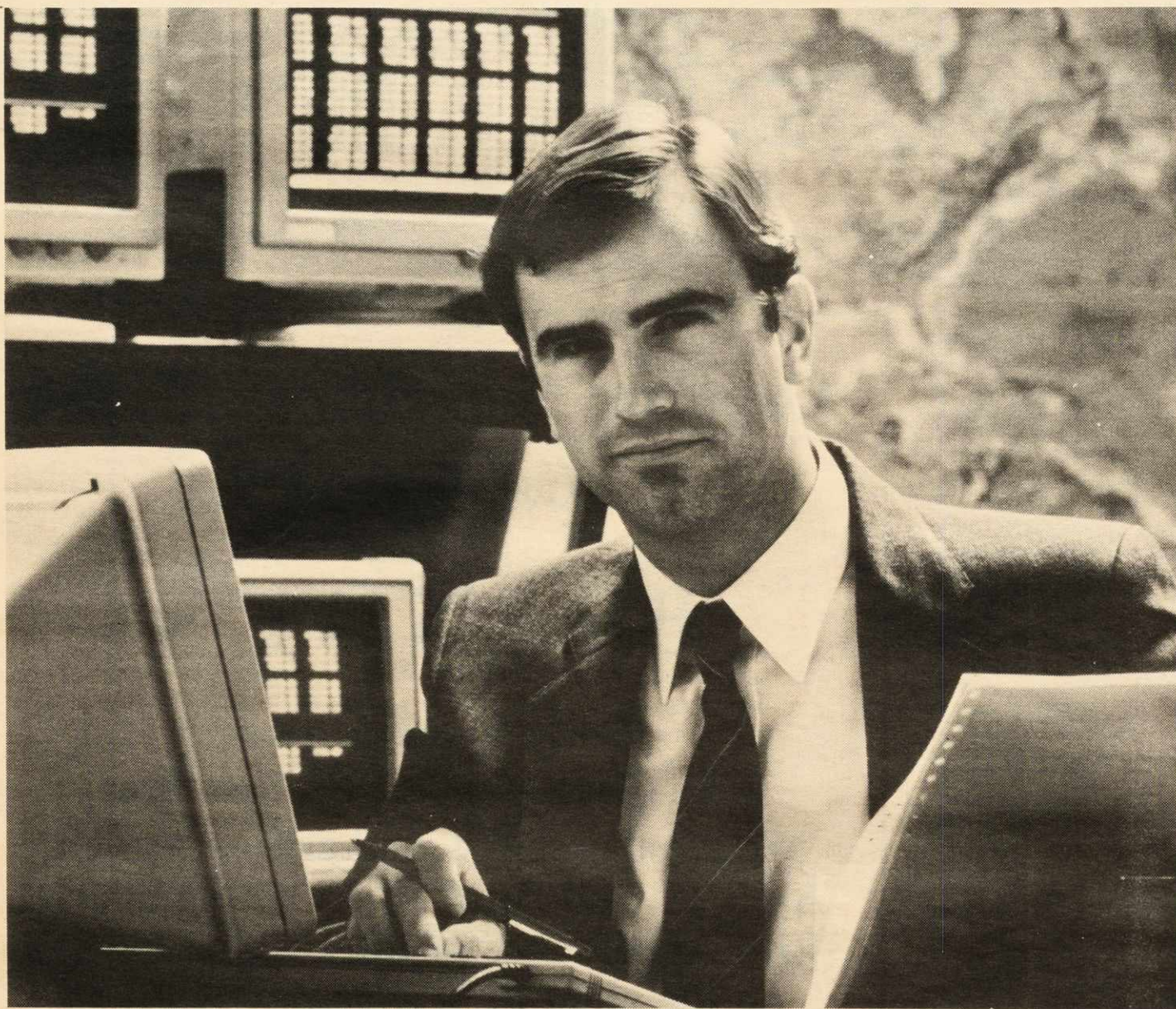
I recently met with a federal MP to discuss the issues surrounding post-secondary education in Nova Scotia. We talked about cuts to funding, stagnant aid, and cuts to summer employment. Halfway through the meeting I decided that things probably couldn't get much worse. Unfortunately they can.

Students, faculty, administrators and the general public must mobilize to show their support for a publicly-funded, high quality, accessible post-secondary education system.

Don't graduate with a degree in complacency. Join us in support of education. It's your right. And your responsibility.

A rally in support of education is planned for Thursday, April 5. Students from across the province will depart from Victoria Park (Spring Garden and South Park) at 12:30 pm and march to the Grand Parade where the rally will take place.

Lara Morris



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Brian  
you won't  
get me!...

To the editor:

I fear that we are teetering on the brink of a terrible new era.

I am referring, of course, to events which occurred at the Dal Arts Centre on Tuesday, March 6, in opposition to the university funding cuts of the Mulroney government.

Now, I am aware that student unrest can be a problem even in countries under harsh dictatorships, but putting those photographers in amongst the storm troopers was just going too far!

We, the students of Canadian universities, will not be bullied by cheap scare tactics! Taking pictures so that we can be easily identified by the Mulroney death squads is something I thought our great nation was above!

I'm ready for you, Brian! I won't end up with a plastic bag over my head, lying on some beach somewhere! I saw Romero! I saw the Killing Fields! You won't take me!

Jonathan Allen