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In the long term, Dalhousie should seek to have the disadvantages of the anticipated rapid expansion to an enrolment of over 10,000 by 1970. To avoid the impersonality of a huge university like Berkeley or UBC, Dal may have to begin thinking in terms of a college system as at the University of Toronto. If such were the case it would be very useful to have one strong college such as King's with a history of mass participation and activity at the intra-mural level to keep extra-college activities going. Or if King's remains an independent university, Dalhousie will certainly want to draw on her in developing a viable system of residence and college life.

In order to appreciate King's position, one must advance beyond the narrow businesslike criterion of "waste", "duplication" and "inefficiency" and broaden its perspective to include an understanding of the inherent value of King's activity, traditions, and institutions.

King's attitudes could be paraphrased in terms of the arguments that Canada employs to justify her independence from the United States. American industrialists argue quite as cogently as Mr. Hillis has in reference to King's that Canada could be run more efficiently (at a greater material profit) if she were to sell out to the U. S. However, much as this agreement may please American businessmen, it fails to convince Canadian people who realize what she would have to sacrifice to the god of efficiency.

It is questionable whether it is really possible for Dalhousie to spend King's money more efficiently without creating a completely different product (i.e. without actually transferring the money for expenditure to activities which are bigger but different both in character and scope.

From the point of view of the King's student it is pointless to argue that the Dalhousie Student

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King's would have the administrative burden removed, and all students would contribute equally to activities on this campus. The problem with this alternative is, of course, the deciding of which activities shall remain within the domain of King's. Activities such as those mentioned seemed to have a valid basis for remaining peculiarly King's, but there are other areas which must be carefully considered by this committee.

The second solution has one major drawback; it would mean that each King's students would be paying a total exceeding \$60 for student activities. This, I feel, is too large a financial burden to place on any individual student, and this objection is a valid and pertinent one for rejecting this solution.

The third alternative is seen by some as the best possible solution because it guarantees the autonomy of the King's Council. I would point out that the first solution, my personal choice, continues this autonomy and gives a better framework within which the Council can

operate. The other advantage of this third alternative is that it once and forever removes the problem of having to negotiate with King's. The problems are obvious: how can one enforce that each King's students do not participate in some small way in Dalhousie activities. We cannot ignore the contributions large and small that such students have made in the past, and I do not think, that in all conscience, that we can bar such students from participating in the future.

The system set up to enforce such an agreement could only help in driving the two campuses further apart, which is not a desirable end.

In brief, these are my feelings on the alternatives set up by Dalhousie. The first alternative is the best one, offering the best compromise between King's autonomy and Dal-King's unity. The alternatives should not be regarded by King's students as absolutely hard and fast; the very reason for the existence of the committees on the respective campuses is to discuss these alternatives, and make mutually acceptable changes.

In closing, I would like to ask the King's administration to leave the negotiation of this matter in the hands of the students where it rightfully belongs. We are dealing with the rights of students and the allocation of students' monies. The right to negotiate agreements affecting these must lie with the respective Councils, and the respective Councils alone, if any pretense of student autonomy in certain areas is to be maintained.

I would like to thank the Gazette for giving me this opportunity to present these views on the present negotiations between the students of Kings and Dalhousie.

Council can save him \$300 if his common room or favourite society should disappear in the process. In short, any agreement between Dal and King's would have to include as a bare minimum: 1) a guarantee that the present activities and societies will be maintained. 2) an assurance that the King's Council will remain autonomous and sovereign in matters concerning her own activities. 3) a formula whereby King's students have some say over how their money is being spent, (e.g. placing one or two King's reps on Dal's council. I am confident that the negotiations will produce a formula that will reflect that there is always much of value which the two student unions can contribute to each other.

Young Canadians to begin pilot project

OTTAWA (CUP) - The Company of Young Canadians plans to put 250 volunteers into the field beginning this summer to carry out a pilot project before the CYC is actually established by Parliament.

William McWhinney, 27, the recently appointed interim director of the company, told a press conference Jan. 13 that the form of this summer's projects has not yet been finalized. He said the company will take a "wait and see attitude" until it is known what projects are feasible and the availability of suitable personnel to man those projects.

He said the company plans to undertake community development work in both rural and urban settings upon request of the community involved.

Stewart Goodings, formerly Acting Director of the CYC's organizing committee, commented that the company has received many requests from across Canada for volunteers.

McWhinney, who was national director of the Canadian University Service Overseas for four years, said the company plans to work closely with CUSO.

He said, however, that he does not regard his appointment to the CYC as the first step in the absorption of CUSO by the company.

At the present time the CYC is planning projects only within Canada, while CUSO's activities are confined to overseas work. Asked whether the company hopes to enter the field in Quebec where there has been much opposition from youth and students groups and where a provincial peace corps, Les Travaillieurs Etudiants du Quebec already exists, McWhinney replied that the CYC hoped to benefit from TEQ's experience and to work out some kind of relationship with it.

Student lobby to start

OTTAWA - The halls of Canada's House of Commons will soon echo to the resounding tiptoe of the Canadian Union of Students' lobby for free education.

As yet the details are relatively top secret. But it appears certain that CUS types will soon be buttonholing M.P.'s, seducing them in the corridors, and taking them out to coffee - all in the interest of the Canadian student pocketbook.

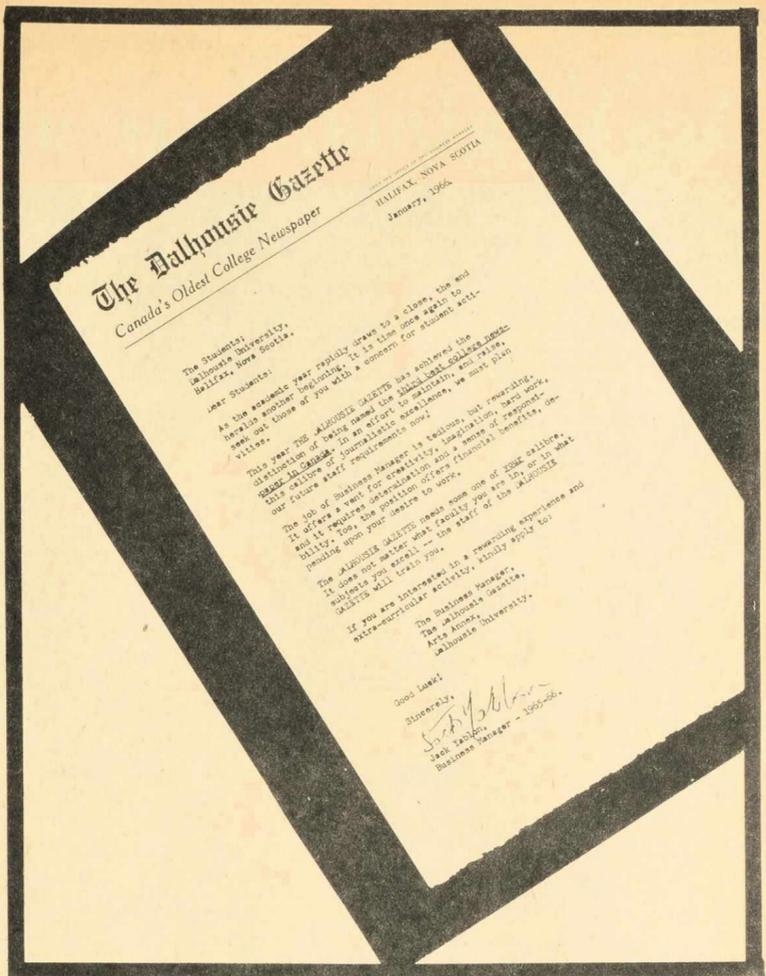
Not since the masses turned out in the tens of thousands last fall for National Student Day has

the CUS bureaucracy been so tensed for battle.

But unlike the placard fiascos of the past, this will be a war in gray flannel.

Confidential memoranda (well hidden from the student press) will be circulated to a select committee of influential who will nod in praise of the union's program.

Though the whole story will likely never be told, it is considered virtually certain that the CUS lobby will be instrumental in totally reshaping Canada's educational system.



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