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## POST OF EDUCATION

The rise in tuition fees at every major university across Canada this year has occasioned grave concern among student organizations. Comments that education is becoming a luxury, and that the government should subsidize universities and that tuition fees should be exempt from income tax have been heard on all sides.

In the past two years tuition costs at Dalhousie have been increased as many times in both registration fees and class fees. Today the same amount that enabled a B. A. student in 1949-50 to take six classes now permits him to take only four. The difference over a period of four years in a full year's tuition—25%. Yet even this increased amount does not pay for a student, additional hundreds of dollars being paid by the provinces or the federal government to make up the difference.

The increased costs do not hit at those whose parents can afford to pay the extra money or those students who are on scholarships. It is the middle student who is working during the summer and through the winter at a part time job to earn sufficient money to pay his tuition and board who feels the pinch. The increase forces this student to spend more time during the term at work and less at his studies to make up the difference. Yet he has as much right to education as anyone else.

An answer will be found—must be found if the universities are to continue in their present position but meanwhile the pinch is becoming tight.

## Letter To The Editor

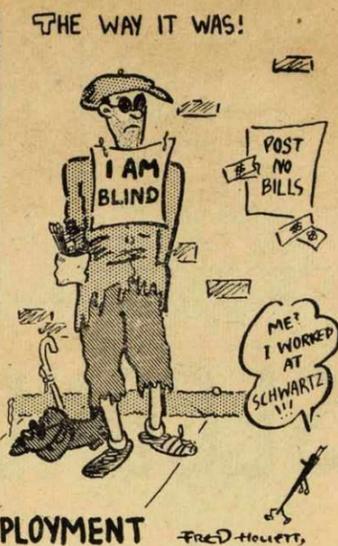
Oct. 10, 1951.

Editor,  
Dalhousie Gazette  
Dear Madam:

While I sympathize with your condemnation of "witch hunting" in your editorial of last Tuesday, it entirely misrepresents the position of N.F.C.U.S. with regard to the proposed visit of Russian students to Canada.

Firstly, N.F.C.U.S. is essentially a national organization and, while it has many international contacts, it must put the furthering of the welfare of the Canadian student first. There are organizations such as I.S.S. which are far better adapted for such roles as acting as host to foreign students. Considering the sentiment of the county it would be very ill advised for N.F.C.U.S., which is highly dependent on the goodwill of University Administrations, Government and Business in order to obtain concessions for students, to, in anyway, jeopardize its good reputation. N.F.C.U.S. wants practical results for the students in Canada.

Secondly, N.F.C.U.S. cannot afford to sponsor such a scheme. It



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would not be financially possible for us to send students to Russia and we could not afford to be hosts. Our mandate from the Canadian students is not such as to allow such expenditures of our limited resources. The conference therefore felt

compelled to decline the invitation but it only did so after careful and calm consideration. N.F.C.U.S. was not the appropriate organization to support such a scheme.

Ron Robertson,  
(Dal N.F.C.U.S. Chairman)

## S.C.M. To Expand Activities Under New General Sec'y

The S.C.M. Frosh Party at Pine Hill Residence on Thursday, September 27th, introduced the Frosh to the starlit shortcut, the Virginia Reel and a throaty sing-song.



REV. BLAIR COLBORNE, the new General Secretary of S.C.M. is shown above. He is a graduate of Dalhousie University.

Interspersed in the gaiety of the party was a brief but inspirational welcome by Prof. G. P. Grant, who cautioned the Frosh against engaging in too many extra-curricular activities. The University is the place for serious thought, not only about the courses taken, but also about present day problems. The S.C.M. presents an opportunity for these discussions and the study of the Christian faith.

Group work will continue throughout the year. The topics, times and places of meeting will

be chosen according to the members concerned.

There is no registered membership in the S.C.M. Students do not have a chair number. The spark of attendance is fanned by the satisfaction derived from the meetings, and the members themselves do more to advertise the fellowship than the signs and posters, which merely indicate, events to come.

This year, we are glad to welcome Rev. Blair Colborne as General Secretary.

Mr. Colborne is a Nova Scotian by birth. His home is in Sydney

where he attended Sydney Academy. In his graduating year at Dal, he was President of the S.C.M. Later, Mr. Colborne was President of Pine Hill Students' Council '47-'48.

For the last three years, they have resided in P.E.I. where Mr. Colborne was minister of the United Church at West Cape.

The Colbornes reside at 314 South Street, only a few blocks from the Studley Campus. They welcome phone calls — 2-2761. S.C.M. Office is Room 7 in the Men's Residence.

The first Sunday evening meeting will be held at the home of Dr. Bronson, Studley Avenue. S.C.M. welcomes students from Dalhousie, King's College, Pine Hill Residence and the Technical School.

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