

Man banned from campus

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nity, although the primary intention is for the students' use." However, she added that "we have the right to ban people from the building if they contravene [By-Law 3a]." Part of this DSU by-law states that the Union will not discriminate on the grounds of race, colour or ethnic origin, nor will it promote or subscribe to any such discrimination. Kolompar said that "if the incident happened as reported, this individual's actions are grounds for barring him from the building."

Chief MacDonald later told the *Gazette* that a letter had been sent to the assailant banning him from the campus under the Nova Scotia Protection of Property Act.

When informed of the campus se-

curity's actions, Harbuk said, "I think Dalhousie did a good thing. There's all kinds of people from all over the world here." The police gave Harbuk the name of his assailant and informed him that if he decided to press charges, they could also provide him with the names of the witnesses. Harbuk says that he will be pressing charges, and has had a court date set.

Cuvelier expressed regret that the incident took place. He said that "racist attitudes will not be tolerated within the Beaver Foods organization... whether employee to employee or employee to customer." He added that in his thirteen years with Beaver at Dalhousie, he'd never seen anything like it before. He said that if another such incident were to occur, the victim could contact him directly in his SUB office, room 322.

Harbuk does not plan to stop coming to Dalhousie to study and use the Killam Library. In spite of the anger he felt over the verbal assault, Harbuk was heartened by the response of other students. "I thought I was the only one who heard anything...but when all the security arrived, everyone came up and said, 'I heard this,' and 'I heard that.' One person...came up and said, 'I'm a witness, I heard everything, you can take my name down if you need it.' There were so many people who stood up for me, I think that's great."

On behalf of the Student's Union, Kolompar said, "When I took this job, I wasn't aware that racism was so blatant on this campus. It is something I'm becoming more aware of every day. To stop it is a difficult thing, but it is something we are committed to."

PM's reforms panned

by Simona Chiose

TORONTO (CUP)—Prime Minister Kim Campbell's proposed reforms to post-secondary education are being met with skepticism by student and university groups.

Campbell made the proposals in an August 17 speech in Kitchener, Ontario. In her address, she promised to improve student aid without spending extra money. She also defended the lack of federal funding increases to education, saying she sees education as a provincial responsibility.

Carl Gillis, chair of the Canadian Federation of Students, said that although he was encouraged that the Prime Minister is promising some of the changes CFS has advocated, the proposals are belied by the last nine years of Conservative rule.

"How can you say these things when you have been involved in systematic cuts to post-secondary education?" asked Gillis.

Campbell's election proposals include an increase in the Canada Student Loan maximum from \$3,500 to \$5,100 per year for full-time students and to \$4,000 for part-time students.

They also proposed an increase in the educational tax credit, which is currently \$80 per month for full-time students, and extension of the credit to part-time students. A child care deduction would also be introduced.

Campbell said funding for the changes would come from existing money, with changes to take effect in August, 1994.

But Gillis questioned why changes cannot take effect immediately, as they do not need legislative approval.

Other groups said the proposed changes do not address student indebtedness.

Claude Lajeunesse, president of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada, pointed out that if implemented, the changes may help

students in the short term but will also result in higher future debt loads.

Lajeunesse identified rising debt loads as a serious problem. In 1985 only 589 students owed \$15,000 or more. By 1992, 6,000 students were in that position.

"The problem is how not to saddle students with enormous debts, so that

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the only students who will be able to afford university will be those who have the ability to repay," said Lajeunesse.

Ron Duhamel, the Liberal Party's education critic, attacked Campbell's suggestion the federal government is only marginally responsible for education. He said if implemented, the Prime Minister's proposals would make students pay for problems created by the federal government's decreased funding for colleges and universities.

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In Ontario, federal transfer payments for education amounted to \$2 billion in 1991, but will only total \$1 billion by 1994-5.

Duhamel also questioned whether the proposals would be implemented if the Conservative government continues to view deficit reduction as its primary aim.

"What if they [the Conservatives] say 'we wanted to do these things, but there was no money there?'" Duhamel asked.

In a second speech on August 26 in Toronto, Campbell also promised several other measures including the restoration of funding to the Centers of Excellence program, cut in this spring's federal budget (the program helps corporations use universities for research and development), the establishment of a national internship for MBA students to work for Canadian trade missions in Latin America, a scholarship program for Latin American students, and a training fund for Canadian economics and business students to study Spanish and Portuguese.

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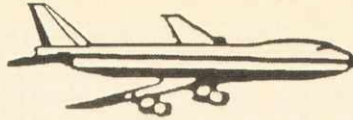
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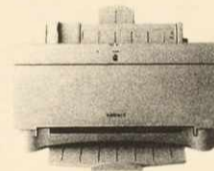
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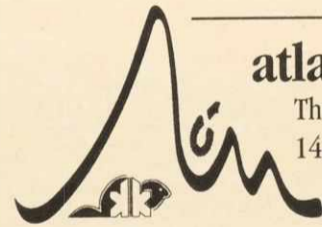
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