

Everyone will suffer

Premier Gerald Regan, on Friday, informed 1600 protesters that we would not be facing substantial tuition fee increases. However, it seems apparent that the government will not be putting any more money towards education. This means that the students of post-secondary institutions obviously will not be the only ones to suffer from inadequate funding.

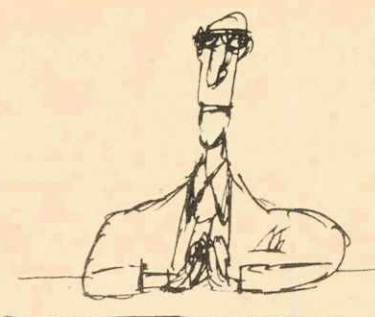
In a newsletter which we received yesterday from Roland Pucetti of the Dalhousie Faculty Association, concern was expressed about the problems faculty will be facing. Due to the government's limitations Dalhousie will be receiving in the range of \$2.5 million of which increased power costs will consume \$1.3 million. A deficit of \$0.5 million and increased pension costs of \$0.3 million dollars will leave four hundred thousand dollars for salary and wage increase. Non-academic staff have the right to bargain with the university, but faculty will be taking whatever is left over. The cost of living is expected to rise 6% next year, but according to these figures, Dalhousie faculty salaries will be raising only one or two percent.

The quality of education at Dalhousie will suffer if our faculty decide to go elsewhere and fewer students will be attending university if tuition rises. The only answer is more money from the government. Friday's protest was successful. 1600 people marching to government house in an orderly style, singing and chanting definitely was effective. The government knows we are concerned about the future of education, but let's not stop yet. Atlantic Federation of Students officials don't think it's too late. Follow up the march now with letters to the government and urge them to live up to their promises.

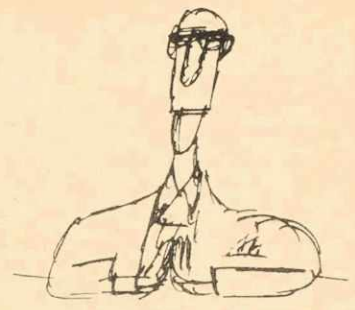
Banks support racism

The two women leaders from the Africa National Congress (ANC) of South Africa who spoke at Dalhousie last week called on Nova Scotians to boycott South African wines and to withdraw their money from the Canadian banks which are providing loans to the South African government and therefore supporting a racist system.

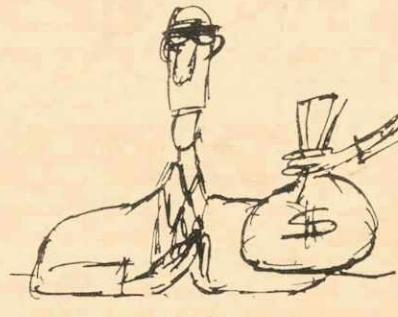
The South African women argue that rather than improving the conditions of the black majority, the foreign investment actually serves to legitimize the racist policies of the South African government by providing the country with essential financial support. They contend that the foreign corporations



AS A CANADIAN I FIND APARTHEID ABHORRENT TO MY DEMOCRATIC SENSIBILITIES



AND, AS A BUSINESSMAN I SEE MY SOUTH AFRICAN SUPER-PROFITS A DIRECT RESULT OF THAT VICIOUS SYSTEM!



IN FACT I FIND THESE PROFITS SO DISTASTEFUL THAT...



I SPEND THEM AS FAST AS I CAN!

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serve a similar function by supporting the government through taxes and royalty payments.

We agree. Bank loans are actually even worse than corporate support because they are **direct** support to the South African government. The bank decisions to loan the savings and deposits of Canadians are made on purely economic grounds; the corporate officials always neglect to take into account the human misery which they perpetuate, with our money.

The banks attempt to justify the loans by saying that they have to remain above politics; they have to remain neutral. This is a lot of crap. The very act of loaning money to the South African government is a political act, with very definite political implications.

The South African women know that the banks are not helping to improve the lives of the majority of South Africans. We should be honest enough to realize this as well. We also have a choice to make. Do we keep our money in a bank which openly supports racism, or do we withdraw it? The choice is yours.

We hope you make the right one.

Letters

Trudeau arrogant

To the Gazette:

Recently Prime Minister Trudeau issued his message to Canadian university graduates and he was very blunt about the fate of those looking for jobs with their degrees. Trudeau has told us to "slug it" and not expect jobs from the government on a silver platter. This epistle is particularly galling coming from a man who never had to 'slug it' through life and whose every need was looked after by his daddy's millions. Trudeau's government has frequently bailed out big business at the expense of the ordinary Canadian. The majority of the more than one million unemployed in this country are young students who are now being expected to bear the brunt of the collapsing system.

If Trudeau thinks he can rescue Canada's plutocracy by arrogantly expecting Canada's youth to put up with needless unemployment than he must expect to witness an upheaval which would shake this society to its foundations. Canada is a huge country with colossal resources populated by a hard-working people and yet this country is heading for such a depression that the 1930's will seem by

comparison to have been prosperous times. Canadians must realize that we are governed by such a bunch of rogues that they scornfully expect us—especially students—to accept the insults they toss our way while they steadily widen the gap between rich and poor in this nation.

yours truly,
Mr. Robin Reid, B.A.

Rally follow-up

To the Gazette:

The rally was fun; some of us had our classes cut, or cancelled, we all got a charge out of having the police stop the traffic for us, and we had a good togetherness sing-song on the way down to Province House.

But did we accomplish anything?? Maybe...

Why not back up the fun with a little work. Write a letter to the MP in your home riding; send a copy to the Premier. Convince your parents to write a similar, but separate letter. Go talk to a family which has children in school; get them to write a letter.

Politics is votes and dollars. Get the backing of enough people and you may get your "Fee Freeze" State you case convincingly and, coupled with the votes, you have a pretty good chance.

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