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THE FACELESS MEN

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At 3:30, just as the afternoon was warming, they brought Daniel Francis Johnson's body to Montreal.

They carried his body in a closed casket, barely visible through the side windows of a black Cadillac limousine. Behind, thirty more limousines followed, in them, friends, enemies, and the men and women who lived in the shadow of his party's power.

Faceless people followed the cortege, faceless people watched as they unloaded the dark brown casket in front of the Criminal Court building on Notre Dame, a few hundred feet from where Charles de Gaulle spoke last summer.

Daniel Johnson, 53, in power for a little over two years, was a leader of faceless men.

The power of the National Union had only one face. Le Chef, the leader. The cabinet ministers were never more than aides, who never spoke with authority, but were messengers of the leader's voice.

They brought Daniel Johnson's body along Route 20 yesterday, along the barren Trans-Canada Highway which passes no villages, no houses, that tells nothing of the people Daniel Johnson represented.

There's another route between Quebec and Montreal, travelled last summer by Charles de Gaulle.

Route 2, along the North Shore, is named "le Chemin du Roy", and it is a microcosm of the Quebec Daniel Johnson, and his predecessor Maurice Duplessis, ruled for over twenty years.

They should have carried his body on this road. It would have been more fitting.

No one travels between Quebec and Montreal on le Chemin du Roy without understanding what makes Quebec run.

The seigneurial and fur-trading past broods on in church-dominated villages, nestled between the St. Lawrence and the tributary rivers from the north.

At every turn the narrow, winding road hugs that river, which for three hundred years had been Quebec's spine and artery.

Huge tankers now plod up and down the waterway, or pause anchored at Lanoraie, feeding steel mills and chemical plants whose blast furnace towers and waste-burning chimneys loom on the opposite shore.

At halfway point stands Trois-Rivieres, a collection of Catholic seminaries and American pulp mills. Here is the home of Maurice Duplessis, the real "Chef", for whom, in the final analysis, Daniel Johnson was just another messenger.

It is on this road, and in the ugly, functional town of Trois-Rivieres, that you find the faces behind Daniel Johnson.

Because, in spirit, this is where Daniel Johnson was born, this is the spiritual home of the French Canada that spawned him.

It was in Trois-Rivieres, in the late nineteenth century, that the tradition he represents, jelled. Here, under the authority of a strongly conservative and reactionary Church, was born the ultramontane tradition that for decades fought any liberal movement that threatened to upset the old authority structure.

Here is the spiritual home of the French Canadian elites that allied with the authority of the Church to keep French Canada a rural, silent and frightened people.

Here, the French Canadian business interests that ratified the Confederation pact because it promised to protect their ascendancy, have their real home.

Here is the birthplace of the nationalism Daniel Johnson represented a nationalism based on "survival," the survival of his people in the sea of Anglo-Saxons.

"Survival" was the basis of Daniel Johnson's politique.

It is true when his defenders say "He spoke for his people" — possibly no other French Canadian leader except Duplessis could attune himself to the nature of his people's fears, and anxieties.

Maurice Duplessis "protected" his people from "les politiciens d'Ottawa," and Daniel Johnson carried forward the same dynamic.

A politique based on survival, some will say, is by its very definition reactionary.

Whatever adjectives historians may attach to

Union Nationale, its power was unique. It was a party of power, whose sole policy was the acquisition of power. As a government, its role was the preservation or exercise of that same power.

Power is essential to la survivance.

To the families who live along le Chemin du Roy, families who have voted for the same party because their grandfathers have, policies mean little, and separatism is just another big word created by the radicals in Montreal.

They voted for Daniel Johnson — they transferred their power to him — so he could defend them. Daniel Johnson's power did not have to be exercised, he did not have to reform the society he ruled over. His power just had to be there as a sentinel, for the time when he would have to defend his people from inundation by the sea of foreign languages that frighten French Canada.

And so, Daniel Johnson defended his people, in the same way Maurice Duplessis protected them.

His people feared being broken up, feared losing the basis of their cohesion. So the National Union



kept the people together.

In the thirties, forties and early fifties, the party held the people together by keeping it in the countryside, by fighting to retain the traditional rural authority.

The Union Nationale government's public philosophy, the historian Ramsey Cook wrote, was "a nineteenth-century capitalist's dream": foreign capital was invited to a province with enormous natural resources, stable government, low taxes, cheap and unorganized labor.

Duplessis fought federal welfare policies as infringement on provincial rights, but rarely did he offer any alternative policies of his own.

Daniel Johnson was born in Danville, a hamlet but a few miles from the mining town of Asbestos, which burned its name onto the pages of French Canada's social history.

Asbestos, like the other bitterly fought strikes of the forties and fifties brought out the Union Nationale's true colors.

In these labor disputes, the Union Nationale openly identified itself with foreign capital against French

Canadian labor.

The enormous under-representation of urban areas in the provincial legislature meant that the Union Nationale had little to fear from the votes of angry trade unionists.

Despite its reactionary policies, Duplessis' machine never failed to win re-election through a combination of electoral corruption, personal charisma, and an ear finely-tuned to the frustrations of French Canada.

Duplessis skilfully used nationalism as a shield to protect his conservative policies in the sham battles he fought against Ottawa.

For over twenty years, silently in the back benches, and silently in the front benches, sat the man they buried in St. Pie de Bagot Monday.

Daniel Johnson didn't seriously alter the politique of his Chef.

Johnson was a more honest man, a man personally liked by all who met him, including cynical legislature press corps. He was a man gifted with more personality and intellectual depth than Jean Lesage.

When he came to power June 5, 1966, the old party hacks came for their share of the pork barrel, revealing in the return of the good old days. But Daniel Johnson did not re-institute the patronage and corruption of his predecessor, he initiated a subtler politique.

Johnson virtually crushed three strikes during his two-year term in office: the hospital workers', bus drivers' and teachers' (Bill 25).

Now his party is in the process of crushing a potentially very dangerous strike — the Liquor Board workers.

And Daniel Johnson took his trips to New York, to attract foreign investment, and to placate fears of separatism, Daniel Johnson gave the tax concessions to foreign industries, promised them the support of his government in any labor disputes. He continued selling the natural resources of this province to outside interests.

That is the basis of National Union economic policy, that is how they create the prosperity essential to the maintenance of their power. That is one of the logical corollaries of the "politique de la survivance". The other is independence.

So they should have carried Daniel Johnson's body over the Chemin du Roy, through the villages and hamlets that read like a litany of a strange biblical past: St. Charles de Grandines, Ste. Anne de la Perade, St. Ignace de Loyola, St. Suplice . . .

Then we would have seen the face of another French Canada. The small town mayors, parish priests and notaries.

Then the cortege would have passed the "Player's Please" billboard just outside Batiscan, Chevrolet ad on the westbound land near Champlain, and the peeling "Buvez Coca Cola" signs over the roadside stands.

Then some of the faces would become clearer — Gilbert Ayers, the lumber magnet who built himself a grotesque Grecian mansion in Lachute, a town which he virtually owns, and where he is in the process of crushing a strike among his factory workers, who earn 65 to 70 cents an hour.

And Jean-Louis Levesque, one of the few French Canadian millionaires, owner of the Dupuis department stores and the man who owns Blue Bonnets.

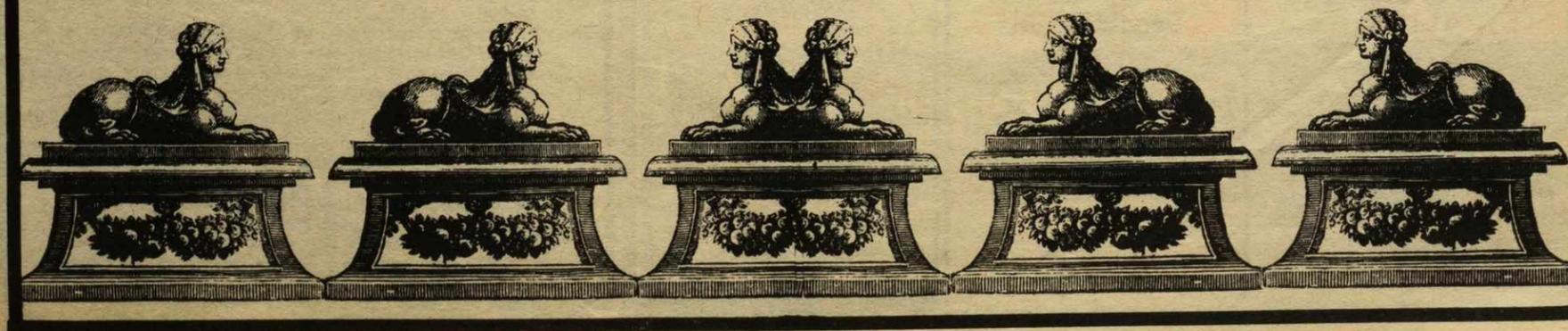
And in the crowd that stared at his closed coffin was carried up the steps of the Criminal Court building, past the Doric pillars, into the marble-tiled anteroom, some faces would become recognizable. Faces of what the French Canadian workers disdainfully label "le circuit cocktail" — the Outremont cocktail circuit of the middle class lawyers, notaries and businessmen.

They'll take Daniel Johnson's body to St. Pie de Bagot today and carry it through the rural Eastern townships.

But, although the people will pause at the roadside and remove their caps, making the sign of the cross, they won't think too much of what Daniel Johnson represented to them or anyone else.

Nor will they care about Trudeau or Levesque or Bougault.

This is October, the frost is setting in, and French Canada has a harvest to gather.



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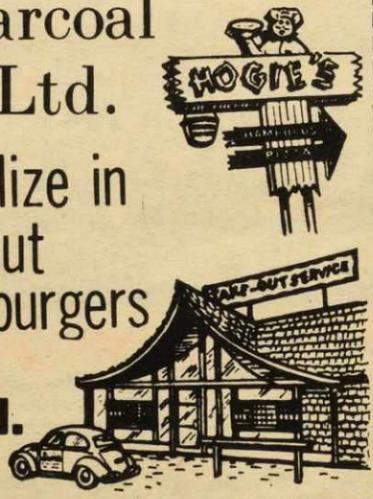


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Liberals hold first meeting

By NEIL HARRISON

Attendance was not overwhelming at the kick-off meeting of the Dalhousie Liberal Association, held Tuesday by interim President Ken Campbell. This he attributed to theft of the colourful posters of M. Trudeau used to publicize the meeting. Despite this rather dismal beginning, Mr. Campbell expects active membership to reach approximately one hundred students, largely as a result of political interest stimulated by M. Trudeau.

When asked about the political purposes of the Association, Mr. Campbell replied, "We don't want to battle hammer and tong with the Tories, the N.D.P., or the League for Social Action. This year, our emphasis will take the form of a liaison with other serious political groups on campus. We intend to be well represented at the opening of the S.U.B., and plan to have a cabinet minister to speak."

Involvement will be the goal of all programs initiated this year. Mr. Campbell hopes to increase participation and minimize ramrodding by establishing a loosely knit executive committee to replace a formal slate of officers. "Involvement in university politics does not necessarily intimate a strong federal or provincial leaning," he said. "We don't want students to think that by coming to our meetings they will immediately be typecast as a Liberal supporter for all practical purposes. A certain part of the membership is interested only in the term 'liberal', and discussion of the relation of that epithet to the Canadian political situation."

History dep't to double in five years

Dalhousie's history department plans to double everything within five years, but is taking steps to ensure that an increase in size will not decrease the department's quality.

Departmental development plans were outlined at the inaugural meeting of the history club September 25, by Dr. John Flint's opening address. Besides this speech, the meeting saw the acclamation of an executive, headed by Susan Bugey as President.

Flint saw the club as related to departmental development. There is a theory, he said, that "more is worse," that increases in size tend to decrease quality and effectiveness. The history club, Flint hoped, will aid in student-faculty communication and bring complaints and frustrations to a head quickly so that they can be attacked without delay. Devices such as the history club should prevent the relations between students and faculty from becoming mechanical.

The expansion programme, as Flint outlined it, involves development of three major specializations (Africa, British Imperial and Commonwealth, and Canadian history), backed up by general excellence in all other fields.

The meeting closed with the usual coffee and doughnuts in the faculty lounge.

That's DGDS: It's Fantastic

By NEIL HARRISON

These were the words of Carol Beal, Co-Chairman of Campus Publicity for the Dalhousie Glee and Dramatic Society, in describing D.G.D.S., and the upcoming production of "Fiddler on the Roof." "We chose this production because it affords the opportunity for greater participation on campus, and that's really what D.G.D.S. is all about," she said. "We feel that once in everybody's university career, they should belong to D.G.D.S."

"We're surprisingly well organized," Miss Beal said. "Our director, Ivan Blake, and producer, Susan Todd, have gone to great lengths to structure things so that there won't be a typical last minute schmozz."

Auditions for the forty-eight acting roles are being held until Friday, October 11. Costume, stage and technical people are also required. In encouraging students to volunteer for the D.G.D.S., production, Miss Beal bubbled, "No one will have to spend more than six hours per week, and besides, it's so vibrant and exciting. Anyone interested can just leave a message in the D.G.D.S. office in the Arts Annex and we'll contact them."

Editorial

Council Restructuring

The student body should be pleased to know that its union has undergone a vast and total restructuring.

No longer, apparently, is the student council to waste time in bureaucratic functions. Rather, the administration has been turned over to the administrator hired two years ago, and to the appointed heads of secretariats of Internal Affairs, Political Affairs, Information Services, and SUB Activities.

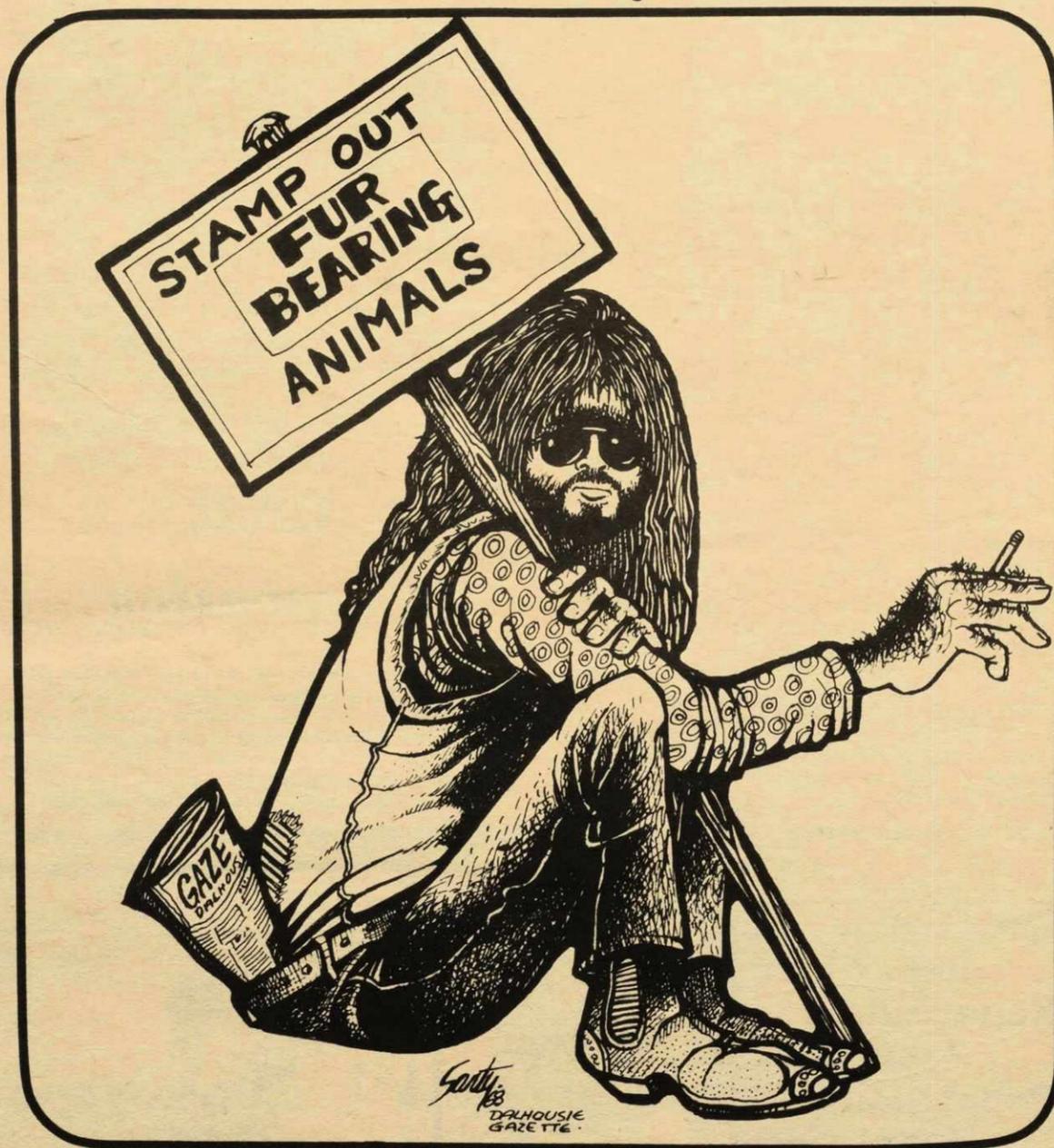
The council, then, is to become a deliberative body which will decide policy for the expanded executive to implement. In effect, the executive will resemble the Canadian cabinet, and the council will be roughly parallel to parliament. This may be a good thing; it could quite easily be a dangerous one. Much has been said and written about the declining functions of parliament with the growth of cabinet influence; for council, doing business without an organized parliamentary opposition, the tendency to become a rubber stamp for executive decisions will be even stronger.

As long as Council members continue to be conscientious and involved in all that transpires, restructuring can mean revitalization; but if regular council members follow old patterns and become less involved instead of more so in the life of the union, then we will be saddled with all the disadvantages of having a

small, unelected body doing all the work and making all the important decisions.

The student union must be a participatory union — if the restructuring clears the decks for more contact between the students and their representatives, and more student involvement in decision-making,

then it is worthwhile. But it may lead non-executive council members to decrease their participation in union activities, and to make attendance at meetings their only function. In this case they will be wasting their own time even in attending meetings, and restructuring will be a disaster.



The Library

“Learning comes out of books - if you can find them”

To the editor:

The most important institution on this campus is the LIBRARY.

Most of what anybody learns comes out of books, if you can get them.

I can't. Do others experience this to a greater or lesser degree? If so, it is possible to improve the situation, if you are interested.

First, the LOAN rules and regulations work against what both student and library are concerned with - circulating a book. Students are caught in a pressure mold, struggling to meet deadlines. Time being, apparently, such a precious commodity, why is the loan period a casual month? This enables eight people to read the book in one year. If, for example, it were a week loan, (as it is in several other Ca-

nadian universities) the availability quadruples. Books don't take very long to read or use as references if they are actually being used, either in the library or outside.

As another example, if the book is for outside reading for a course, and if the class is typically large, and if the book hasn't been put on reserve (this happens - this is the professor's sometimes neglected responsibility) then the book becomes virtually unavailable for those who wish to be interested, once the copy is initially borrowed.

Secondly, the faculty loan period is for one year. Both students and professors are trying to educate themselves; why should the library give special privileges to the faculty?

Third, the periodical loan is for one week. It

takes very little time to make use of a periodical, again, if it is available. Other libraries, both university and city, do not let periodicals out of the building.

To cope with the established loan system, the "recall" system exists. It works, depending upon the co-operation between the library and borrower, and the book is returned to the library after a delay of from several days to a maximum of two weeks. This is unsatisfactory, if time is crucial. This recall system reflects the library's attempt to cope with an inadequate loan system. What seems more constructive is to change the system itself.

The PEOPLE who are the library communicate strongly to anybody who asks, that their chief concern is with satisfying students, that none of the established rules are inflexible, and they are willing to do what works for the most people. The only way they know if they are succeeding is by RESPONSE. SO if the library doesn't work particularly well for you, say something - to the staff or even the head librarian. His office is in the law building. He is available, interested, and says he is willing to consider CHANGE. Out of the union of noise and mess will come new library. It's rules must be as contemporary and as useful as the building itself.

Murray Metherall

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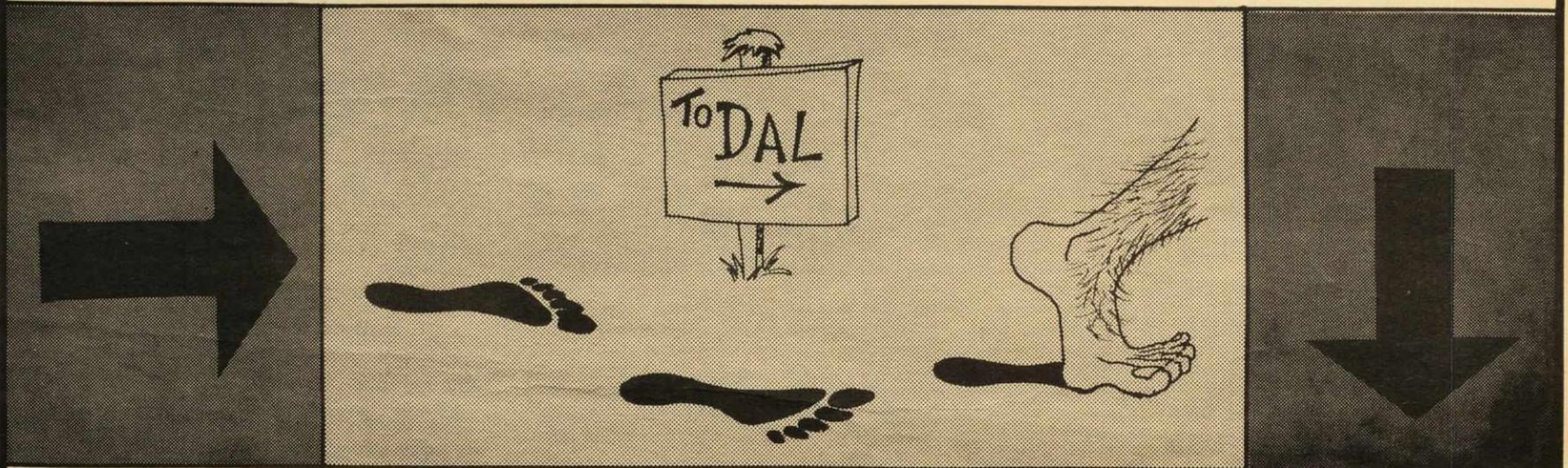
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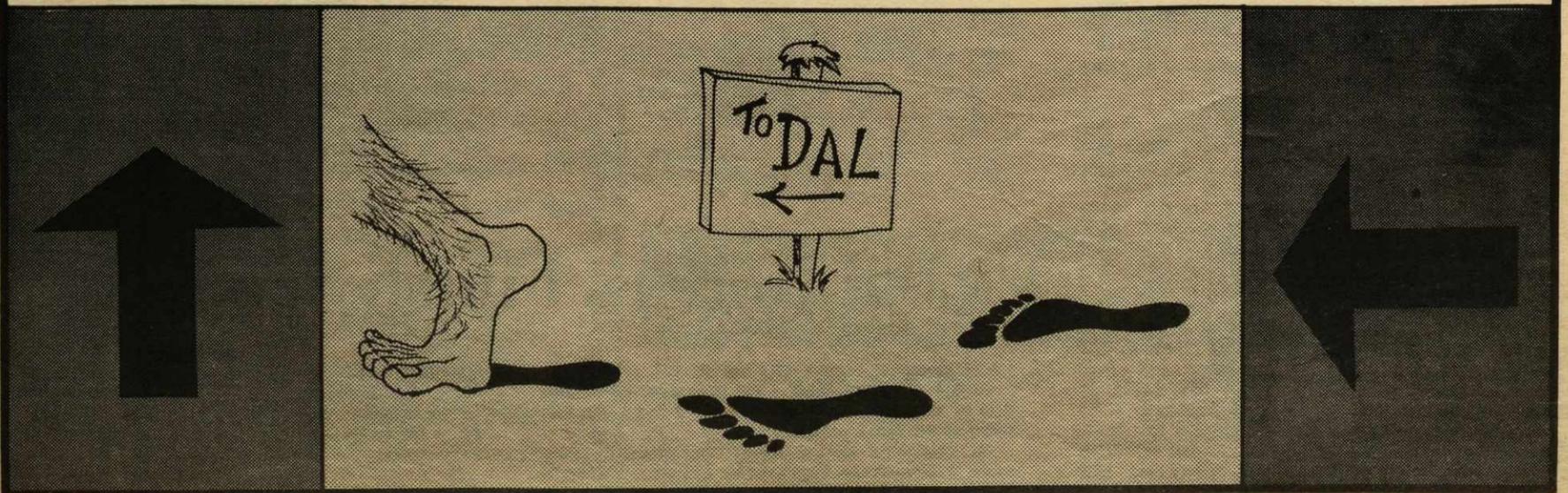
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gooob's coming



Who?
 Gooob.
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 Oh, he starts off by cutting up (ribbons). He especially likes to show off a lot on Friday afternoon. Friday night he does a song and dance routine that leaves you panting for more. Saturday eve, he's a ball -- almost all night long. In the wee hours of Sunday morn he'll even cook you a gourmet breakfast. That afternoon he goes "long hair" (he has it every day of the week, but that's beside the point) and leads the Atlantic Symphony for us. The eve of Sunday he's got "soul", baby. Just ask Trevor Payne. He's got religion, too, but not like you've seen it before.
 Hey -- sounds great. When's he coming?
 November 8, 9, & 10 for sure.
 Well tell me more.
 Er... not now. I assure you, you'll hear lots more about him between now and then.
 What's his name again?
 Gooob.
 MARK THOSE DATES -- NOV. 8 * 9 * 10



SMU-26

DAL-8

Huskies Take The Trap Back

By GARY HOLT

It was a case of meeting a good, strong football team who played well, taking advantage of their breaks last Saturday, as the St. Mary's Huskies overcame a determined Dal squad. The Tigers hit and hustled but it wasn't enough to defeat the Huskies in the annual Lobster Trap Trophy game.

A Dal drive late in the second half which fell just short of scoring, and two quick TD's by SMU early in the third quarter were the keys to the game.

With the score 13-0 in favour of SMU, John Farrell and Jim de la Mothe engineered a drive which stalled on the last play of the half when de la Mothe's attempted pass to Vic Arnold deep in the end zone went incomplete. The drive had been highlighted by a 23-yard romp by Farrell, and de la Mothe completions to Tom MacKenzie, Keith Kingsbury, and Doug Quackenbush.

EARLY SCORE FOR SUM

After an exchange of punts at the beginning of the game, SMU gained possession on the Dal 49 and with quarterback Ernie Turek directing a fine attack, marched in to score on seven plays. The big play was a 20-yard pass to Joe Sherk which put the ball on the Dal 11. Three plays later Turek rolled around left end from the 2 for the score.

Before the quarter ended Dal put some fine running by Harold Townsend and Bob Lewington together, but the drive was halted on downs inside the Husky 30.

MID-FIELD ACTION

For the early part of the second quarter the action was confined to the mid field area. However a 17-yard run by SMU's Reynolds Sheppard and a Turek pass to Kevin Florio for 22 more led the Huskies in for their second score, as Jim Dimitroff bulled over from the 1. Stan MacMillan converted.

QUICK THIRD QUARTER MAJOR

A 36-yard punt return by John McLeod of the Huskies set up a quick score in the third quarter.

Sports Comment

By GARY HOLT

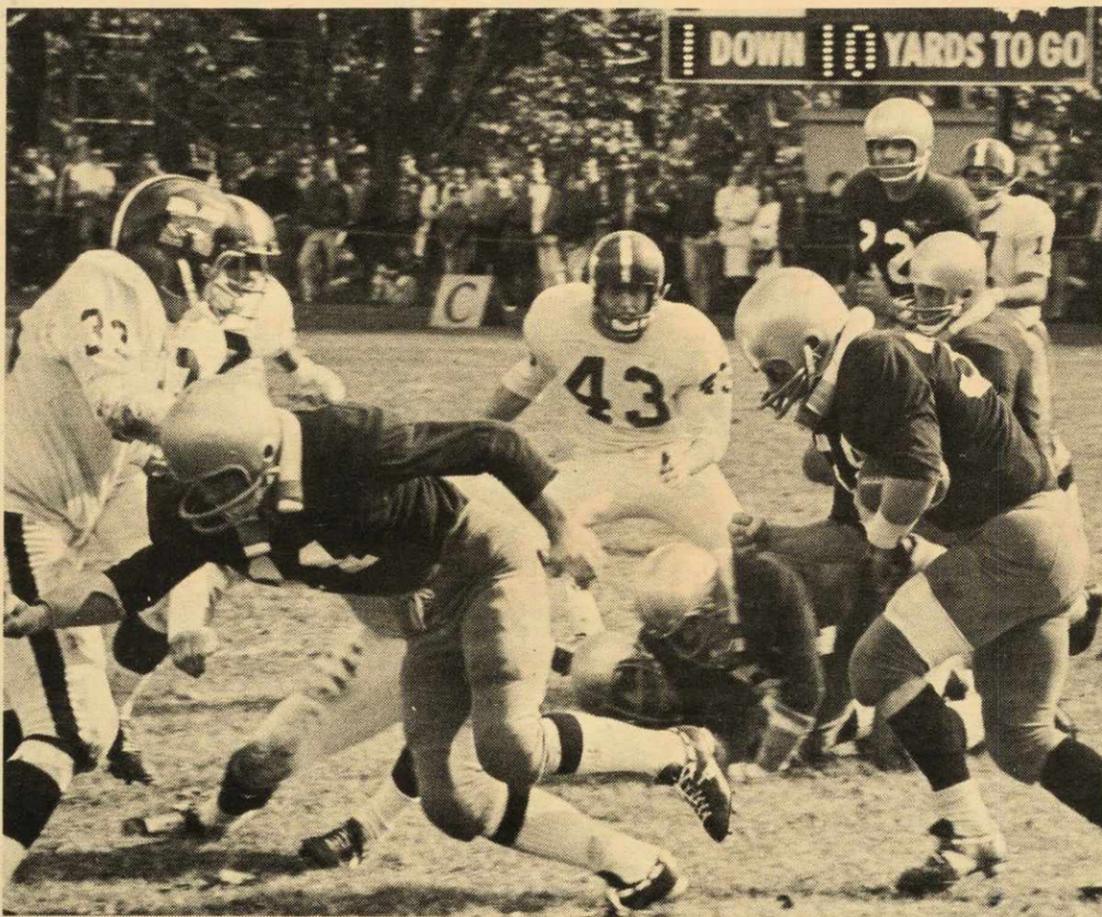
It was a matter of Dal being defeated by a team, St. Mary's, who on that particular day played the better game. Our Tigers were ready and with a decidedly different attitude from that of the Acadia game, they gave a good account of themselves.

A break early in the game could have turned the tide but that, at this point is only conjecture. I do believe, however, that had Dal scored at the end of the first half the result would have been closer.

Harold Townsend, seeing duty both offensively and defensively played an outstanding game for the Tigers. Bob Lewington, in the same role, also played extremely well. In the middle, Linebacker Gord Ladbrook came up with another fine game, making nine first tackles and helping out on nine more to lead the team in the department. The offensive line played well at times but was still rather inconsistent, especially on the pass protection which broke down a number of times.

Next week looms as the biggest game of the season for the Tigers. They must be still smarting over the 105-20 pasting the X-men laid on the Dal squad last year. A victory over the X-men would be sweet revenge for many players still on the Tiger squad and even some who have left it but are still in the area or still at Dal. If one looks at the relative performances against St. Mary's a Dal victory is not that far out of the picture. It will take a supreme effort by our boys to achieve it but I feel that it can be done.

In other action the St. Dunstan's Saints pulled an upset of sorts, downing UNB 36-11, while Acadia walked over Mt. A as expected, 49-6. This would seem to indicate that UNB are not as good a team as expected or that the Saints have improved since the game played against Dal, which they lost 30-7. I tend to believe the latter and I still rate UNB as one team not to be taken lightly in any game this season.



Dal standout Harold Townsend runs behind the blocking of Tom MacKenzie as SMU's Ted Abercrombie (33) and Rick Spironello (43) move in. Dal's Doug Quackenbush (22) looks on.

Ernie Turek passed 19 yards to Vic Dinardo and 10 yards to Joe Sherk, the second pass being good for the touchdown. A penalty cost SMU the convert.

SMU led 26-8.

The fourth quarter saw impressive defensive performances by both teams. A good SMU drive was halted as Peter Longarini recovered a Dimitroff fumble. A fine interception by Rick Spironello put a halt to a Dal march after de la Mothe passed 41 yards to John Farrell, who made a fine catch. Apart from those instances the fourth quarter was just tough football on the part of both teams.

Bob Lewington had 84 yards on 17 carries and Harold Townsend had 75 on 8 carries to lead the Dal attack. Jim Dimitroff carried 21 times for 75 yards for SMU, and Reynolds Sheppard carried nine times for 62. Jim de la Mothe was good on 6 of 13 passes for 101 yards and John Farrell on 3 of 4 for 25; Ernie Turek threw 12 times, completing six for 93 yards.

BLOCKED FIELD-GOAL ATTEMPT

Dal's Eric Thompson blocked a St. Mary's field goal attempt and Dal marched 50 yards in four plays on the strength of Harold Townsend's two runs of 13 and 23 yards. Bob Lewington capped the drive as he took a hand-off from John Farrell on a counter-play and rolled 9 yards to the end zone. Vic Arnold lined up to kick the convert but the holder, Jim de la Mothe, after the kick was faked rolled right and just managed to get to the corner of the end zone for a 2-point conversion. That ended the scoring as

Inter-Fac Program Under Way

By CHARLES McCONNELL

The year's first Interfaculty competition was completed last week as Physical Education defeated Dents for the soft-ball championship. The inter-fac Soccer and Football schedules also started during the week.

The up-coming games for this week and next week are:

FOOTBALL, League I

Oct. 11 at 12:30 p.m., Meds vs. Phys. Ed.
Oct. 13 at 1:00 p.m., Dents vs. Meds.
Oct. 13 at 3:00 p.m., Phys. Ed. vs. Law.
Oct. 14 at 1:30 p.m., Meds. vs. Law.

FOOTBALL, League II

Oct. 9 at 12:30 p.m., Grads vs. Engineering
Oct. 9 at 1:30 p.m., Science vs. Commerce

Oct. 13 at 2:00 p.m., Dents. Vs. Meds.
Oct. 13 at 4:00 p.m., Dents. vs. Science.

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Oct. 10 at 12:30 p.m., Engineering vs. Science
Oct. 10 at 1:30 p.m., Commerce vs. Grads
Oct. 13 at 1:00 p.m., Commerce vs. Science
Oct. 13 at 2:00 p.m., Arts vs. Law
Oct. 13 at 3:00 p.m., Meds. vs. Pharmacy and Education

Oct. 15 at 12:30 p.m., Engineering vs. Arts
Oct. 15 at 1:30 p.m., Commerce vs. Phys. Ed.
Oct. 17 at 12:30 p.m., Meds. vs. Phys. Ed.
Oct. 17 at 1:30 p.m., Grads vs. Science

All football games are played on the main field next to the rink; soccer games will be played on the lower field on the south side of South Street.

Dal Golfers Finish Second

The Dalhousie University varsity golf team made a valiant effort to capture the first inter-collegiate title of 1968-69 school year October 1 and 2, but fell short of the mark by six strokes.

St. Dunstan's University of Charlottetown overcame a five-stroke lead held by Dal after Monday's first day of play, and captured the title. Graham

"Mouse" MacIntyre lead Dalhousie to its second-place finish and was the top individual performer in the two-day tourney. He fired rounds of 77 and 78 for a 155 total. Other members of the four-man team representing Dal were Peter Clark (80, 78, for 158), Greg Bright (77, 85 for 162) and Craig Stanfield (82, 86, for 168).

Bookstore Committee Now Dissolved

By MAUREEN PHINNEY

After last month's demonstrations in an effort to lower textbook prices at the Dalhousie Bookstore, a committee was formed "to investigate the policies surrounding the sale of textbooks on the campus, with a view to reducing the price to publisher's listings."

The committee has since been dissolved.

After examining the University's financial statements, the committee discovered that several policy statements and decisions were open to question.

These were: (1) the university marks up American books 10% to recover the cost of American funds. Other city bookstores sell the same books at the publisher's listing. (2) Dalhousie University is paying an annual subsidy to King's College, estimated at from \$50,000 to \$100,000, "the justification of which is questionable." (3) The services provided by the university for the surrounding community such as the Dalhousie Art Gallery, the King's Symphony concerts, and the Institute of Public Affairs, cost the University \$22,000, \$16,000, and \$35,000 respectively.

After this investigation, the committee made several proposals to the Student Council: (1) that the Student Council executive be directed to approach the University Administration to (1) adjust the bookstore's selling price on American texts to eliminate the exchange differential, (2) to offset the profit from non-text product lines in university bookstores (engraved beer mugs, sweatshirts, etc.) against bookstore operating costs. (3) that the Student Council direct its executive to examine the extent of direct and indirect support being extended.

The committee's report ends with the statement: "Whereas the financial resources of a University are a basic tool in attaining the goals of an education: be it resolved that the Council press for full participation in setting financial priorities of the University community. To this end the Council directs that a committee be constituted to investigate and report on University financial policies and administration.

For this reason the bookstore committee was dissolved.

"The problem of University financial priorities runs a lot deeper than just the case of the bookstore", Dave Bell, head of the bookstore committee told the Gazette.

"Before we're able to do anything about lowering bookstore prices we have to know more about university financial priorities. The money cut off textbook costs is going to have to be put back into the University's finances. President Hicks suggested cutting it off something with lower financial priority than texts."

"We still have a lot to learn about the University structure," he continued. "There are a lot of evils to be discovered in the way the University is financed. It is possible that we can work with the Administration to change financial priorities. Education should be first priority, and textbooks are an essential part of a university education at Dalhousie."

"We need representation on the body that decides where the University finances will go—and that means on the Board of Governors.

There are changes that need to be made—not just the bookstore thing. If, when we have defined what

the issues are and what changes must be made, no action is taken by the Administration, we'll attempt to mobilize the student body to pressure the Administration into making the required changes."

What action is being taken now by the financial priorities committee? Bell told the Gazette, "We've sent a letter to President Hicks announcing our existence and purpose to the Board of Governors and the Administration. We're also requesting that the University Comptroller meet with the financial hierarchy of the university and find out just where things stand."

CIASP: A Summer in Mexico

By BRIAN WALLACE

The conference on Inter-American Student Projects, is a student organization which does community work on a non-paying basis during the summer months in Latin America. Students work chiefly in fields of education, alphabetization, hygiene, nutrition, recreation, and construction of community projects in conjunction with existing social programs. To date, this work has been concentrated in Mexico. The daily functioning of the Canadian organization is invested in a student chairman and a student board consisting of a vice-chairman, treasurer, and a secretary. There are also four area Chairmen in Canada and a CIASP leader in each participating college or university. There is easy access to dialogue with American leaders, made possible by a permanent office in Mexico city, staffed by full-time workers.

Since 1963 Canadian CIASP students have concentrated their efforts in the state of Hidalgo in villages or towns in mountainous areas approximately 150 miles north of Mexico City. They split up into teams of two or three and venture into the heart of Mexican peasant life. Their object is then to become involved in this very different but fascinating, almost romantic life in the

short time that they are there.

They do work among the people as catalysts while they develop their powers of communal decision and action. In doing so they find out who they are as individuals whether Canadians, American, Mexican, or any other nationality.

The Halifax training program is beginning its second year of operation. Dalhousie will organ-

ize their own group this year and then be responsible to the Halifax co-ordinator.

Brian Wallace is the campus leader for this year, and can be contacted in Howe Hall by phone; 429-8523. If you are interested, call him. Be on the lookout for signs around the campus posting dates and times of the first recruiting sessions.

COMING EVENTS

Tues. Oct. 15 - Rm. 234 Arts & Administration building. Arts Society Meeting.
Thurs. Oct. 24- 7:30 p.m. Rm. 215 Chem. Building. First meeting of Dal. Table Tennis Club.

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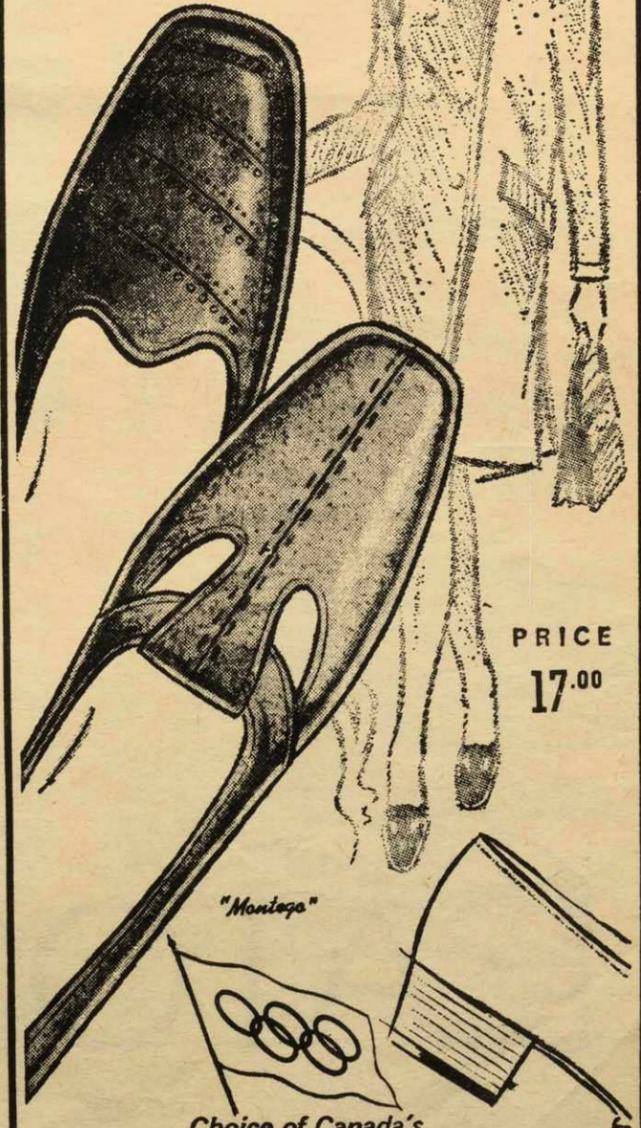
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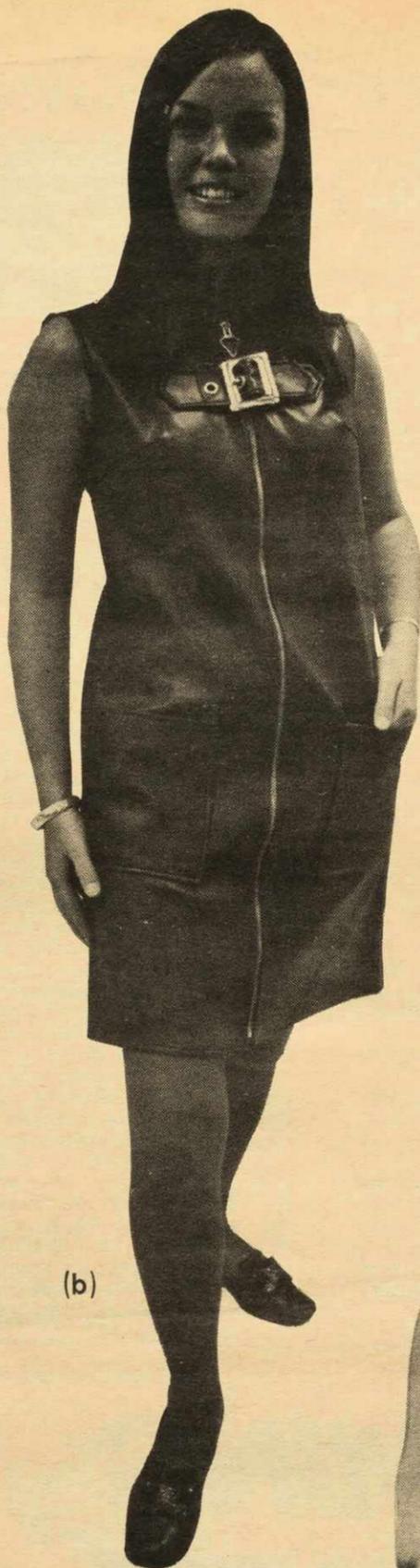
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