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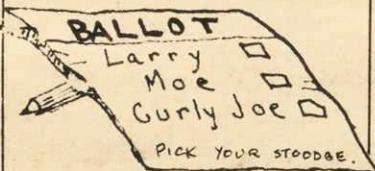
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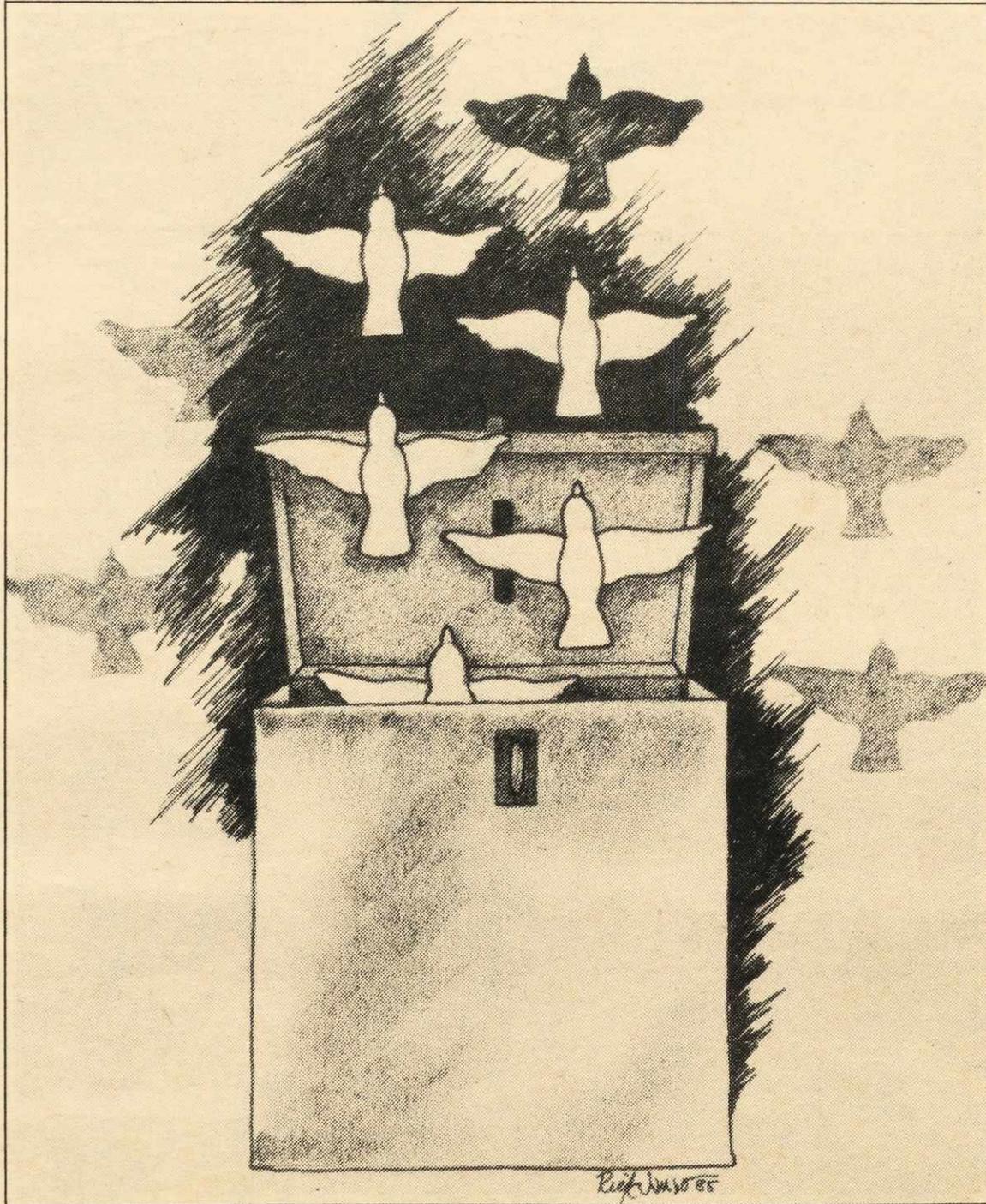
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Quote of the Week

"You're looking at someone who's recycled himself three or four times in his life."

Federal Liberal party leader John Turner speaks about the need for job retraining in a post-industrial society.



CFS fate in King's students' hands

By WENDY COOMBER

ONE OF CFS'S SMALLEST members will be deciding whether they want to stay with the organization next week when the University of King's College holds a membership referendum.

The idea for holding the referendum has been "kicking around for about a year," says Liam McCormick, King's vice president external and head of the "No CFS" committee.

"But it's not a matter of people saying, 'let's get the hell out'," he says, "but a reassessment of whether it's working (at King's)."

McCormick says council finally decided to hold it after CFS's general meeting in Ottawa last November, but said there was no specific reason behind that decision.

"The general idea around the campus is just to reassess our role within the organization," he says.

Judy Guthrie, CFS field-

worker for the Atlantic region, says her organization's profile at King's isn't as high as she would like it to be. She says she has met with council members but the school's 500 students may not know much about CFS. However, she is looking forward to the referendum as the vehicle to inform them.

"It's good for the organization to have a review once in a while," says Guthrie.

She says next year, providing King's is still a member, she would like to see CFS information distributed during orientation and an overall higher awareness of its function with the students.

Although CFS has a low profile on the campus, McCormick says by voting day the students will be as aware of CFS as they could be of any national student organization.

James LeBlanc, Board of Governors representative on the King's Council and head of the

"Yes CFS" committee, says they will be canvassing students door-to-door and setting up an information booth to inform students about the benefits of CFS.

The "No" committee has no counter activities planned.

The referendum needs 25 per cent of the student population to make it valid, says LeBlanc. If this is not reached the referendum will be declared null and void and King's will remain in CFS.

Council president Mark Mackenzie says they've put off the referendum until now to give students a chance to become acquainted with the issue. "We don't want the voters voting impulsively," he says.

"If people turn out in huge numbers to vote 'no'," says LeBlanc, "then at least we know we've got them interested."

King's has been a member of the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) since its inception in 1981.

Difference over differentials

By BRUCE FANJOY

THE BUCHANAN GOVERNMENT's decision to increase differential fees for international students to \$1700 has provoked criticism by faculty and students.

"Are universities going to be self-financing on the backs of the Third World?" asks Tim Shaw, professor at the Center for African Studies.

Fees have increased 29 per cent over last year's fee of \$1375, despite a recommendation by the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission (MPHEC) that differential fees be increased by only \$60. Differential fees are extra charges levied against visa students. These fees are set by the provincial government.

Peter Butler, a senior advisor for the Department of Education, wrote a letter advising DSU president Alex Gigeroff of the increase. He wrote that the decision to reject the MPHEC's decision was made because "further information which was available to the Premiers at the time led them to conclude that a higher increase in the fee differential was in order." Butler did not say what the "further information" was.

Gigeroff disagrees with the province's decision. He says Canada, as a privileged corner of the world, has a responsibility to help people from underdeveloped countries get an education.

"This increase will make it more difficult for these students to attend Nova Scotian universities," says Gigeroff.

"I don't think the provincial government realizes the harm that the increase will cause for international students. There is already a decrease in the number of foreign students from poorer countries."

Shaw accused the government of "an act of provincialism, if not racism."

"It is hypocritical for the provincial government to sympathize with the situation in Ethiopia and then do this to foreign students. This is discriminating against those who can least afford it."

"The recent referendum limits the increase of tuition fees by four per cent in the next three years. How can the administration have an agreement with the student union to keep tuition low while allowing the differential fee to increase by 29 per cent? The foreign students are discriminated against and are subsidising Canadian students," says Shaw.

Alasdair Sinclair, Dalhousie vice-president academic, says the administration is not prepared to respond to the proposed increase until the end of the month, pending further study.

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Elected positions undemocratic?

By BILL MITCHELL

ALTHOUGH DSU PRESIDENT Alex Gigeroff says quorum makes elections more democratic, he doesn't think quorum requirements should apply to student union elections.

"We are dealing with a smaller constituency (with student union elections). It is a completely different voting process," says Gigeroff.

A tuition referendum requires quorum, (a minimum voter turnout), but the president, executive vice-president and council elections do not.

A constitutional change made at an Annual General Meeting in December says an eight per cent

'yes' vote is necessary for a question to pass.

Quorum for referenda provides a mandate to carry out students' wishes, Gigeroff says.

"If you can't get eight per cent then you are not doing your job," he says.

St. Mary's University union has a 10 per cent quorum for referendums.

Quorum provides an incentive for campaigners to get people out to vote, says Gigeroff. David Peters, St. Mary's student union president, agrees quorum for referendums is, "definitely an encouragement."

Peters agrees with Gigeroff that quorum for elected positions is inappropriate.

Last year's DSU elections had a turnout of 16 per cent.

Annual fund drive contributions increase

By ELIZABETH DONOVAN

ORIGINALLY TARGETING A goal of \$250,000, Dalhousie's 1984 Annual Fund contribution of \$348,000 is a welcome increase in light of decreased government funding of Nova Scotia's post-secondary institutions.

Out of 3,000 donors contributing to the fund there was a significant increase in donations from non-alumni in the community.

University development officers at Dal see this group as an important contributor in the future.

"It is going to be more important for universities in years to come to get people accustomed to giving," says Fund Chairperson George Cooper.

The Maritime Provincial Higher Education Commission (MPHEC) recommended only a 4.5 per cent increase in university funding for next year despite universities' appeal for at least 10 per cent.

Despite the looming threat of education cut-backs, John Mabley, Dal's director of development, says he is confident private support is key in maintaining government commitment to institutions.

"Government would be reluctant to cut a program that has popular support," says Mabley.

The Annual Fund differs from capital and endowment gifts from private donors, in that donors can choose the faculty they want to contribute to.

Med school and law received the highest contributions; \$118,000 and \$48,700 respectively.

The purpose of these funds is to help relieve operational costs of

the university and provide an unfettered fund for faculties most in need.

"The library, like other areas in the university, depends heavily on it (the Annual Fund).

"If the Annual Fund was not there some of these quality of education kinds of programs would not exist," says Mabley.

Even with an unexpected increase of \$92,000, other universities enjoy a higher level of alumni contribution.

"Currently 10.4 per cent of Dalhousie's alumni contributed to the fund. We want to get 85 per cent of Dal's alumni to contribute," says Cooper.

Mabley admits contributions could be more, but he says the university has received a total of \$1.2 million (including the Fund) during 1984 from alumni and friends, making Dalhousie the leading recipient of private gifts in Eastern Canada.

Cooper says he credits the success of the Fund to the increased involvement of volunteers and the personalized appeal for financial support. More than 60 volun-

teers took part in the campaign, mostly alumni and students.

"Prospective donors often identify better with a person when letters are personally addressed to people from former members of their faculty," says Cooper.

Another strategy used by the volunteer staff was phone-a-thons. The two phone-a-thons held in October were staffed by Dalhousie students who volunteered their time to the annual fund drive night.



Darrylle Macdonald, Dal Photo

New editors plan increased coverage

By KATIE FRASER

MARY ELLEN JONES AND David Olie were elected on Feb. 22 at *Gazette* co-editors for the 1985-86 academic publishing year.

"The *Gazette* is going to need a major re-investment next year," says Jones. "Much of our equipment is antiquated and our office space is prohibitive and unworkable. In addition, extra funds will be necessary if we are to expand our scope of coverage for next year. But compared to the cost of CKDU, the *Gazette* will be a bargain at about half the price."

Jones, currently production manager, is in her second year of a political science degree. Olie has finished a degree in history at Dalhousie and is currently writ-

ing news and features for the paper.

The team's list of priorities for next year includes revamping the *Gazette* constitution and extensive staff recruitment.

"We have plans to rewrite the constitution and prepare for an autonomy referendum in the fall," says Jones. "Recruitment for the newspaper will start in the Metro area high schools before the end of May."

"This has been the best year for the *Gazette* in quite some time," says Olie. "Feedback from the campus has been very positive, overall. Basically, we stand for a policy of continuity."

Jones and Olie believe in the principle of the co-editorial team and hope to see it made a requirement for future editorial elections.

McCann and Allen resign

By MARY ELLEN JONES

TWO EXECUTIVE MEMBERS of the Dalhousie Student Union have resigned.

Senator David McCann resigned on January 28 and Vice-President Gillian Allen handed in her resignation on Feb. 16.

"Academic pressure is the reason for my resignation" says McCann. "I did the only thing I could do to save my academic neck". McCann is in his first year of medicine. He was accepted to med. school early in September after he had already been elected to his council position.

"There are no hidden agendas for my resignation" says McCann. "I enjoyed working with council very much." McCann has been involved in council for six years.

McCann says he would have resigned after Christmas but with the possibility of a strike by faculty he says he did not want to look like a rat leaving a sinking ship.

Council members are unsure about the reasons for Allen's resignation.

"There was no real reason for her resignation offered" says Alex Gigeroff, DSU president. "Council accepted it and that was really the end of it" he says.

"The two resignations are unrelated but in Jill's case it was a bit more sudden," says Caroline Zayid, Vice-President external.

Committee work has been extensive for both Allen and McCann. Allen was chair of the Academic Planning committee. She was involved in the under-funding studies and computer advisory committee and attended Senate meetings.

McCann was grants committee chair and as a student senator sat on the Senate fiscal planning committee. He was also a member of the Academic Administration committee.

Both were members of the executive committee.

"The lion's share of the work was completed by Gillian before she left" says McCann. "Now that the referendum has passed, the only thing left to do is the budget. There is really little more I can help out with" says McCann.

"If the resignations had come earlier in the year, there would have been a bigger problem" says Gigeroff.

"Nobody is irreplaceable" says Zayid.

Gigeroff and Martin Tomlinson (former council member) are stepping in to fill the voids left by the two resignations.

Young Grits influence party structure

By DAVID OLIE

IN A MAJOR BID FOR POWER within the Nova Scotia Liberal Association, the Nova Scotia Young Liberals have forced significant concessions from the Association for increased influence in the party structure.

The youth wing, led by its Halifax group, put forward a strongly-worded resolution in a policy session of the party's annual general meeting. The resolution was a motion of non-confidence in the provincial party's leadership.

The resolution read, in part: "The Nova Scotia Young Liberals have lost all confidence in the administration and management of the NSLA... The provincial party executive has failed to manage the financial affairs of the party..."

After debate, the motion was overwhelmingly defeated, with only three youth members voting in favour of it.

Despite the defeat, representatives of the youth wing feel the motion achieved its purpose.

Peter Murtagh, member of the Halifax group, says the proposed motion put a lot of pressure on the party executive in the weeks before the general meeting.

"There was a discussion of grievances with the executive," Murtagh says. "We received assurances that our worries would be tackled."

"The parameters (of the situation) had changed completely by the time of the general meeting," he says.

Among other concessions to the youth wing, the party executive has allowed three youth members to serve as senior policy advisors, and the youth associations will be allowed to send four delegates each to next year's provincial leadership convention.

"The youth wing will carry a hell of a lot of weight at the leadership convention," Murtagh says.

The defeated resolution was similar to a youth motion put forward a few years ago at a federal Liberal convention. That motion expressed non-confidence in then-leader Pierre Trudeau and some of his senior advisors.

The federal motion was also defeated.

Lex kicks political football

By COLLEEN MACKAY

ALEX GIGEROFF, Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) president, says the outstanding issue of the student union

elections is the creation of a "viable football team at Dalhousie." Gigeroff regrets that he and Rusty James, DSU vice president, were unable to see the establishment of a football team before the end of their term.

"Seriously though," says Gigeroff, "the big one (issue) is the university's budget and cutbacks." Gigeroff says the issue is whether the university is going to make tough choices.

He expects student housing to continue to be an issue along with summer employment for students, and changes in student aid.

"Summer employment will be as bad, if not worse," he says. "It will be most interesting to see

what changes are made to the student aid programme, if any, due to the impact of the further restraints that the government talks about."

Gigeroff expresses concern about the overall quality of education.

"I think we'll see less and less funding," says Gigeroff. "The most important thing is the report of the Royal Commission on education. It may change the nature of post secondary education as we know it."

Government cuts may close women's centre

By WENDY COOMBER

HALIFAX MAY LOSE ITS only women's centre and service agency to government cutbacks by the end of this month.

The Women's Information Resource and Referral Service (W.I.R.R.S.) has been refused a crucial operating grant and will officially close its doors March 29, 1985.

"W.I.R.R.S. has always been financially strapped," says its coordinator, Carol Wamboldt, "but it's never been in the financial crisis it's in now."

The agency has depended on government grants to keep it running since it opened in 1982, but since last December it has been operating on money raised by W.I.R.R.S. itself. Lack of funds has already forced Wamboldt to work without staff, cutting down on community workshops and committee work that were once part of her job.

Before W.I.R.R.S. opened its doors, services to women were provided out of the now defunct A Woman's Place which was opened with the help of the YWCA during International Women's Year. The agency now operates from a room in Veith House, providing a small resource library and giving counselling and referrals to women on issues ranging from sexual assault to housing.

"The other things that happen to women's service," she says, "besides running out of money, is the demoralization of the other (women's) services."

"You're so geared into (finding) funding that you stop being a service provider and become employed to keep yourself employed," says Wamboldt.

Wamboldt says she was sure W.I.R.R.S. would have received at least two other grants, but the CEIC grant was withheld.

Wamboldt says they would only tell her it was because of "economic restraint."

"The elections are over," she says cynically. "They've got another four years to fool around and convince people they're concerned about women's issues. In 1988 you'll see another surge of interest in women's services."

Every agency in the city, she says, is dependent upon the other and W.I.R.R.S.'s closing will create a void which the others will have to deal with.

Some of W.I.R.R.S.'s clients are trying to lobby the government to provide the necessary funding to keep the agency afloat but Wamboldt is pessimistic.

"With the bad economy, there's a subtle wish to get women back into the kitchen," she says. "The irony is that this is the end of the official dedication of women, and this is how we are treated."



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Old guard leave council

By ELIZABETH DONOVAN

THE INCOMING COUNCIL may be working at a disadvantage, if none of the current council and executive members return.

Dave McCann, ex-senate rep, says after six years involvement on council, he will not be returning next year.

"Just about everybody who is experienced on council is not returning. People like Jill Allen, ex-VP academic, are not returning—and she taught me all I know about senate politics," says McCann.

McCann says experience is going to be a crucial ingredient in future councils because other SUB management and the university administration will be going through major transitions.

"Members of the new council must quickly develop internal skills. Dalhousie is turning inward to correct its many faults and students can either lead this process or can be trampled on by it."

Neil Ferguson, DSU Treasurer, may be the one link between incoming and outgoing council members.

"I'm seriously considering reapplying," says Ferguson. "It was important to have continuity in the management of the SUB and the departure of the General Manager could initially make this difficult," says Ferguson.

Caroline Zayid, DSU VP external, says although she is not coming back next year she doesn't think the turnover is any more drastic than last year.

"If people do a good job—research and be consistent—they can make a real impact," Zayid says.

To smooth the transition for incoming council, the outgoing council hopes to leave an informational package detailing the projects that they have been involved in all year.

"As well we hope to provide general introductory material about council, senate, and faculty committees. Often university reps

are on these committees for years and this puts students at a disadvantage," says Zayid.

Dal students pass tuition referendum

By KIMBERLEY WHITCHURCH

DALHOUSIE STUDENTS voted overwhelmingly in favour of a student union fee increase in a referendum held Feb. 19-21.

Of the 9711 full and part time students eligible to vote in the referendum, approximately 19.7 per cent cast votes.

Under a new agreement worked out with university administration, tuition fees will be held to a maximum four per cent increase in each of the next three years. For the following three years, tuition will rise between three per cent and eight per cent, depending on the cost of living in Halifax at that time.

Student union fees will be increased next year from \$83 to \$98. The \$15 increase will go to the university's capital fund drive. Student contributions to the drive will total about \$750,000 by the end of the six year term.

DSU president Alex Gigeroff says he is pleased with the record turnout at the polls.

"It's just about the biggest breakthrough any student union has made in this country," Gigeroff says. "It shows concern over tuition fees, and the long-term ramifications (are that) the provincial government is aware that we're responsible and concerned."

Mount wants to be nuclear free

HALIFAX (CUP)— Mount St. Vincent University's student council wants the campus to be declared a nuclear weapons free zone as a symbolic protest against the build-up of nuclear arms.

The university's senate voted in favour of the motion in a meeting on March 4.

"We want to make a social statement and get the students of MSVU to address this issue," says Peter Murtagh, one of two council members who introduced the motion. "We are the first ripple of a tidal wave which will hopefully sweep the nation."

The university senate and the board of governors must approve the students' motion for the campus to be a nuclear weapons free zone and the council members say the two governing bodies will likely throw their support behind the idea.

Frank De Mont, the other councillor involved, says some students think the decision is insignificant, considering the

immensity of nuclear threat. "We won't have missiles located on campus, but you have to start somewhere," he added.

Said Murtagh: "Why should we be pursuing the arms race when we can be pursuing the human race?"

The motion has won the support of university administration president Margaret Fulton. "I'm proud of our students in showing this kind of responsibility," she said.

"You're the kids who have to worry about the future."

According to Rusty James, Dalhousie Student Union executive vice-president, the prospects for a similar move on Dal campus are not good.

"It would be difficult," James says, "seeing that we have our own nuclear reactor (the Slowpoke-2 research facility) here on campus."

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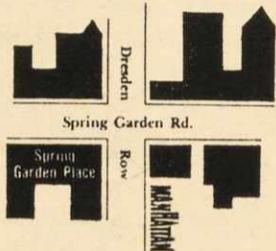
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BC universities inefficient

REGINA (CUP)—B.C. premier Bill Bennett says he thinks "it's sick" to have B.C.'s three universities managed by three separate university administrations.

Speaking in a hotel parking lot after dinner at the first ministers'

meeting in Regina, Bennett told two students he saw no need for the three distinct managing bodies.

"Yeah, that's sick," said one of the students, Kevin Weedmark from the University of Regina,

disgusted by Bennett's comment.

Bennett said the universities must use their operating grants from the government more efficiently. He added, "there are going to be a few surprises" when the government unveils its budget in March.

Bennett said British Columbians angry about the government's cutbacks in funding for education and social services should "wait for the next one and I'll give them something to scream about."

Earlier at the reception, Bennett refused to answer a student reporter's question about accusations that the B.C. government was diverting federal transfer payments away from education.

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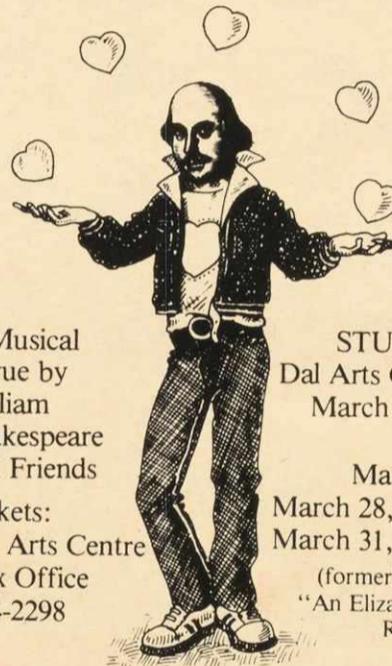
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U of Regina president threatens resignation

REGINA (CUP)—The University of Regina administration president has vowed to resign if the university is forced to close any more programs or colleges.

"I've indicated I'm a builder, not a buster," Lloyd Barber told a packed university faculty council meeting recently. "If the university is facing a major winding down, they will have to find someone else to do it because I'm not capable of doing it. I wasn't hired to do it."

Grappling with a \$3 million deficit, the university board of governors is searching for ways to make the cuts. A proposal drawn up in October calls for a 15 per cent tuition fee hike, closure of the university's extension program, athletics program, sculpture studio and music conservatory in the event of a two per cent funding increase next year.

The Saskatchewan government, however, has hinted it will freeze university funding in the 1985-86 academic year.

Students are concerned the university will close its fine arts college, a source of worry since the government formed a committee last summer to investigate the province's deteriorating fine arts education. Students fear the committee may recommend the amalgamation of the province's two fine arts colleges at U of R and the University of Saskatchewan.

"It's not like a steel mill where you can shut down production for one month and then start it up the next," Barber said. If the university shut down the college "you couldn't start doing it until 1986 or 1987, and it would take six or seven years for a phase out."

Barber said the university would increase tuition fees or its deficit before recommending closure of the fine arts college.

Lori Latta, student council president, says Barber's decision to resign will not likely result in "one iota of good" and expressed regret at his stand. She says Barber should take responsibility for the university because he was president when the university became increasingly mired in financial difficulties.

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To have a third alternative of voting for neither candidate is expanding that choice. A neither candidate option gives the voter the opportunity to show his or

her disapproval of the candidates running.

A neither vote is a positive way of saying 'no' rather than spoiling the ballot or not voting. If enough people disapprove of both candidates, neither is elected.

Suppose the DSU candidates for the 1986 election were two joke candidates. To a student concerned about housing he or she does not have an alternative, since both would be unlikely to

deal with the issue of housing seriously.

Under the present DSU constitution, there is no quorum for electing positions, so the spoilt ballots and 'no' votes have little effect on the outcome. If 95% of the student population intentionally spoiled the ballot or did not vote, then the election would be decided by a 5% minority, with no consideration of the majority's views.

What happens if there is only one nomination for president? The DSU constitution says the nominations should be left open until some one else does nominate him or herself. Saint Mary's recently elected president Mark Bower on a yes/no ballot since he was the only candidate. SMU's student union constitution states a candidate needs a 66% 'yes' vote of total votes cast. Clearly the 'no' option is acceptable to SMU student union, why can't it be to the DSU?

It is impractical, with present DSU constitution, to ensure that a position is contested by leaving the ballot open longer. First, it takes time, and second, there is of course still no mechanism to demonstrate disapproval of both candidates.

Of course, the DSU does believe in 'no' campaigns—for referendums. It also believes in quorums for referendums. Surely, these democratic procedures should also apply to electing positions, or does the DSU see two levels of democracy?

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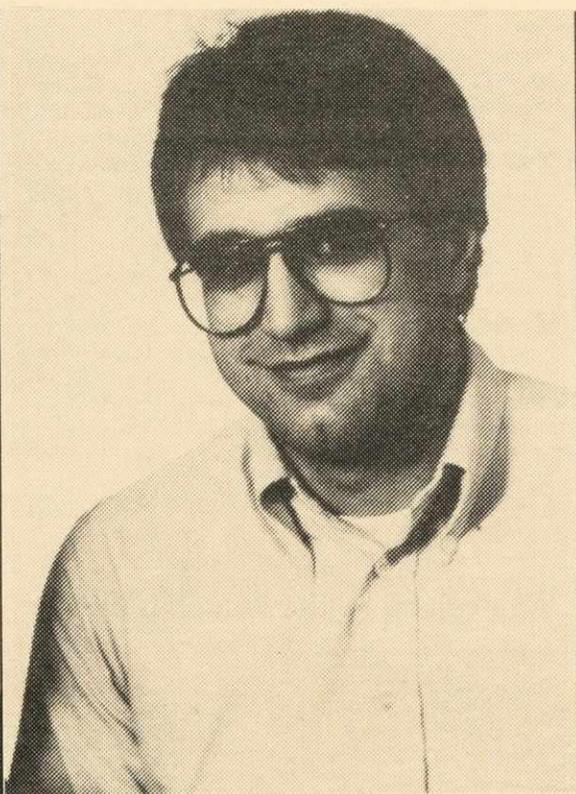
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1. The main concern I think is the Royal Commission report on education.

My main worry is that the Assistant to the education minister, Peter Butler, says it will be like the Bovey Commission, which is recommending 50% tuition fee increases and cuts. Next year the student union and SUNS should lobby the provincial governments. We could be like Ontario or BC if we don't protest.

Internally, I would like to see an emphasis on housing. Better access and organisation of the housing office is important.

One of my biggest concerns is student input into organisations such as CFS, SUNS and internal issues such as the Board of Governors. We are very opposed in particular to Board secrecy, which prevents student accessibility.

2. After the referendum, the DSU have got some say in the allocation of funds in the university—funds which the students provided through the referendum. We need input to decide where the money should go. Some departments are going to be cut back in April by the university. I think we could direct the money towards those departments hardest hit, and lobby for it.

3. There is no accountability when education funds are transferred from federal to local government. The local government does not give all income earmarked for education to education. Underfunding is the problem. We believe there is a government strategy to amalgamate universities which would increase government power over university programmes.

4. I was appointed the member-at-large on council. I've been Chair of the Communications Committee, on the grants committee, external affairs executive, and deputy chair of SUNS.

5. The calibre of the president is important to make a council

active. I see the role of the president as being an incentive to get the executive to work. A president should have a definite strategy and take into consideration the co-ordination of education, housing and food supply. If we have a dynamite housing policy, but if students can't afford to go to university it's a waste of time. So co-ordination of all areas is important to improve the quality of student life.

6. I was a delegate to the CFS conference in November. I see the value in lobbying. What I see as the value of a national student organisation is its ability to get media attention. It's necessary because recent publicity has meant that student interests will be represented at the federal government's economic summit next March. If we weren't included in that we could forget about summer jobs, and student initiated programmes. Now we will be involved in future economic summits and students' needs will be taken into account by the government.

The problem with CFS is poor organisation, especially the split between student services and its other interests. We should use CFS to Dal's advantage. We will try to get the student saver card to get discounts on more useful and essential things. But, these complaints do not justify withdrawal from CFS. There are services such as SWAP and Travel CUTS...it's there to be built upon.

7. SUNS role is to co-ordinate the Atlantic region's universities. The organization is going to be looking at and commenting on the Royal Commission report. SUNS for example will be lobbying to try to influence the media reaction to the report. It provides some services too, such as bulk buying. It has had some of the internal problems that have afflicted CFS, but SUNS has overcome them. It is a very successful lobbyist, and the media has a high regard for what SUNS does.

8. I am opposed to the idea of differential fees being increased. It was \$75 when Tim Hill was president, and now it's expected to jump to \$375. The point is it is an arbitrary figure, imposed by the university. People who are not affected by the increases generally don't care about them, so what I intend to do is make more people know about them. The university argues on economic grounds that foreign students should pay this fee, but they are paying for the services just like Canadian students. Some programmes at Dal are only in existence because of foreign students. The economic argument just does not hold water. If elected, I will lobby against it through DSU, SUNS, and CFS.

9. CFS deals with the international and national issues since it is a national organisation. I just don't think people make the connection between students and boycotts. Students should be concerned with this issue. It is necessary to have awareness programmes to make the boycotts have meaning. We can use the community affairs office especially to publicize any protests.

10. Yes. There are Board committees which we need more students to sit on. We need the participation of faculty, students and Board. But particularly that of students because they need to be in on the decision making process. We want the doors of Board secrecy opened, and the opportunity to speak at meetings rather than just being present. We would like to see the VP external on some Board committees where the DSU is currently unrepresented. We will push for this.

11. No. The figures the government considers adequate for student living expense is insufficient. My concern is how they arrive at the figures, because they are inaccurate. But the amount of student aid is not my only concern—the administration of the student aid programme is a problem too.

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QUESTIONS

President:

1. What are the problem areas for students that the 1985-86 council should respond to?
2. What alternative solutions do you have to avert these problems that students face?
3. What factors have contributed to the current crises in post-secondary education?
4. Were you involved in last year's student council?
5. What role does the president play in improving student life?
6. What do you think of CFS? Do you see any areas that need improvement in this organization? How necessary is a national student organization?
7. What is SUNS role?
8. What is your position on the recently proposed differential fee increase?
9. What do you identify as a student issue? Do you make a distinction between international and national issues? (Example: Should council have an account in a bank that has investments in South Africa?)
10. Do you think students should be more involved in the university's financial planning and decision making? If so, how would you go about making this a reality?
11. Do you think the student aid program is adequate?
12. What do you think about *Gazette* autonomy?(financial and legal independence from council)

TONY LOPARCO President

1. Housing is probably a major issue. We've come up with a couple of programs that we think are going to help students. First, I'd like to state that we looked at the chances of putting together a co-op housing system, but the Dalhousie Student Union is not in a financial position to risk this type of scheme. Housing assessment in particular is so expensive that to try to get involved would cost anywhere in the neighbourhood of \$250,000—500,000 and it would only benefit between 15—35 people. However, one alternative is a Student Home Locators service. St. Mary's, TUNS and Dal housing office will canvas the entire South End and outskirts, and this neighbourhood—for every single available room so students aren't guessing where they have to look for places—they'll know there's a house or a room available. We also have a program we're calling *Alumni Temporary Housing Programme* where we're going (possibly with the help of the Alumni office) to set up a service where we contact alumni throughout the summer and ask if they'll be willing to put a student up for a one or two week period at the beginning of the semester while they're looking for a more permanent location.

Academic evaluation seems to be what students are looking at. People want to know whether the professors that they want to take a specific course with will be here. We want to (update) the evaluation procedure—with the handbook coming out at this time—I don't know if you're aware of it—has problems with financing. We want to implement a programme called HATS (Handbook for Academic Troubles).

It's happening right now but we want to put more money into it. HATS is a pet scheme of mine, because I'm on the Student Advocacy Service, and what we do is we try to resolve problems of students. Some are not allowed to

graduate because of the fact that they didn't know what requirements had to be met.

We're looking at the student contribution to the Fund Drive. We're going to set up a committee to deal with the distribution of that money. We'd like to see it get used for improved library facilities, a little maintenance of the university, the SUB.

We're also looking at the concerns of underfunding. We'll be continuing to support SUNS and their role of lobbying the provincial government (and hopefully pressuring the University administration) to come up with a more effective bursary and loan distribution system. I mean people at this time right now even haven't received their bursaries, haven't received their loans.

2. My thing that we're looking into right now is part-time students. They're a large part of the student body and they pay fees and they feel left out. I'd like to see a prominent role for them including a part-time student centre and also alternative entertainment—I mean they're an older group and they feel the Super Subs aren't for them. Also they should be represented on the Council because they represent over 10 per cent of the Dal population which is equal to the number of foreign students.

3. There are a lot of factors. There's a Royal Commission going to discuss the increased role of post-secondary education. Administrative handling of money may be another thing that we have to take a closer look at. There are probably answers to that after the Royal Commission comes out. We can get a group together to respond to that. Federal funding to the provinces could also be increased.

The increased enrolment—they say that will peak in 1986-87—has meant more strain on the

Blewett continued...

Students have to wait too late for their aid cheques, so their personal budgeting is messed up. We want to conduct a survey to establish an accurate, credible proposal to the provincial government.

12. To get autonomy the Gazette needs a referendum. If the Gazette wants autonomy, it should have its referendum. If students have problems with the way the council handles the Gazette, then they should have the vote. I have heard that other papers have had interference from student council, which I strongly disapprove of. I have no problems with the principle of the separation of Gazette finances.

Laparco continued...

facilities here, and government funding hasn't kept pace with the increased enrolment. However, the housing study report, *Past Present and Future*, is indicating that our enrolment is going to level off; it's going up to about 8,050 students the year after next and it will come back down to 7,500 students in the late 1980's and 1990's, so it's going to be strange.

4. No, not directly involved with this year's council. I was a student Advocate and that's a committee but they don't have an office in this building, so you couldn't say I was directly involved. However, we are a student service for whenever they happen to get into trouble. I was also involved with the Law Society.

5. I think one thing the president can attempt to do--it's the same every year--is to remove student apathy, to try to get them more involved in the student union activities. We could have more activities on campus, have a better orientation possibly, increased involvement from off campus students.

The (president's) position is dealing with the government and the administration, addressing student interests. The president is largely image.

I shall make sure student interests are advocated. I'm going to try to be very forceful in that regard--I'm a very outspoken individual and that gets me in trouble sometimes, but...

6. I think that a national student organization is necessary because the only way we're going to effectively put any pressure on a federal government is by having a central body situated in Ottawa. CFS is divided into two areas--services and policy. The services side is pretty well self-reliant--they provide useful student services that I'm sure nobody would want to get rid of; Travel CUTS and the Studentsaver programme. While it's not very widely used on the Dalhousie campus I think they're a very good idea and there's room for increased use of those services. The policy side is where they have financial problems. However, you can't always measure it in financial terms. The good they can do in Ottawa may make it worth the cost. They take a very

good chunk of our budget (\$30,000).

If all the universities voice their opinion together, we feel that it can be used very effectively.

There's a problem with representation, they don't always address regional concerns. We'd like to see more participation for Dalhousie at CFS so our points of view can be put forth.

7. SUNS is fairly important in that education is a provincial matter. The elected voice of 20,000 students for Nova Scotia pressuring the provincial government for increased money is much more effective than Dalhousie arguing in front of the government. I think that, once again, maybe to Dal, SUNS may be more important than the CFS organization. They don't provide as big a service department as CFS does, but I find this organization very useful to enhance student positions in the province.

It's with the provincial government when you want more funds.

There seems to be a problem--a couple of the universities are questioning the role of SUNS. If its credibility will be undermined the lobbying voice is going to be very weakened. I would support a strong SUNS. If it's going to splinter, we'd have to take a look.

8. Philosophically, I'm opposed to differential fees, however I understand Dalhousie's position. The government withholds money from them. We're meeting with Terry Donahoe to find out exactly how this works. I was told the government withholds \$375 right now, which Dalhousie's administration has to make up and they do it by charging differential fees. I'd like to see some pressure put on the government to see if they'd stop doing it. They use arguments--these people should pay differential fees because they don't pay provincial taxes. The same argument goes for students from New Brunswick and elsewhere.

9. A student issue is everybody's issue, everybody's concern: older people, younger people, a student--there's no definition of a true student issue--students are people. I am aware students are involved in many other worldwide issues. However, I'm not sure whether the role of student government is to provide money for other things. It does provide money anyway when it puts money into the foreign student committee. They use the committee to discuss their pet schemes and they bring it to everybody else's attention. However, getting directly involved in international dilemmas--I don't see that as the role of the student union.

The student union should be basically concerned with the student body.

I think that it's hard enough to get students interested in campus-wide activities--when you start splintering it into other activities...

10. Yes. However, it's very unlikely that we could get an increased role in the university's financial management. That's

exactly what the provincial government wants to do with this new Royal Commission. They may be saying we want to funnel our money in specific areas. I don't know if students should have any more input on what programmes we want to eliminate than what the provincial government would have. You get into a situation of "tyranny of the majority"--a lot of students don't want a fine arts department so does that mean that our fine arts department is cut?

I also don't know how sound a policy that would be. Much more policy would have to be done in the role students would have in money management. I'd have to take a much more in-depth look

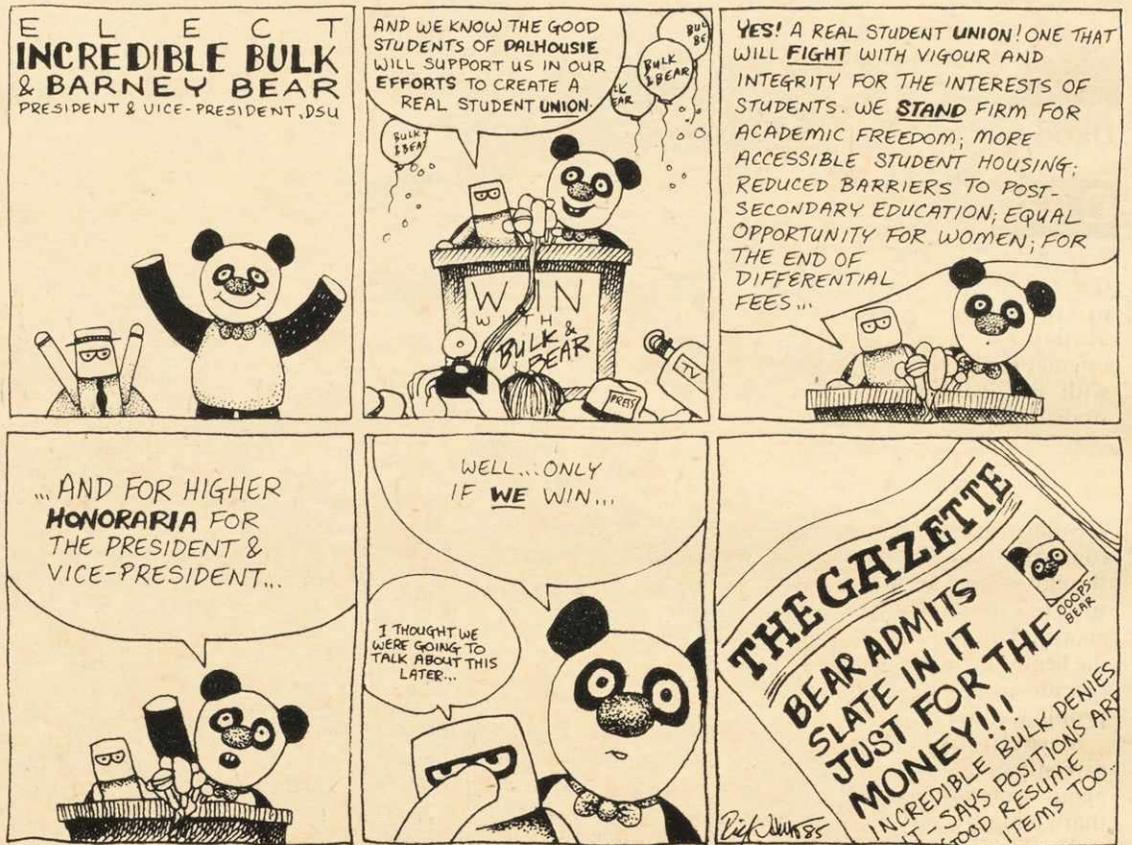
at that before I could answer that properly.

11. No, I mean I'm in a position right now where I have run out of money. There are many students especially in Halifax who spend so much on rent that I think it's outdated. Again, I don't know how much we'll be able to influence student loans and bursaries and things like that, but I would definitely favour a group that would pressure the government to try to expand those services because students are always in financial need. I would definitely favour increases in loans but how realistic is it? We'll have to see.

12. I believe in editorial autonomy. However I think that the Gazette is a student service and should be readily accessible to students. I was told that there's talk of moving it to another building, or getting money directly from the administration. However, I feel that anything that will lessen the Gazette's profile in the student community is bad. I don't want to interfere with the editorial policy but I don't agree with taking them out of the student's eye.

The Gazette is a free press and we back that. It's very good that opinions can be given to everybody without having to conform to guidelines. We would like to work with the Gazette this year to make it accessible.

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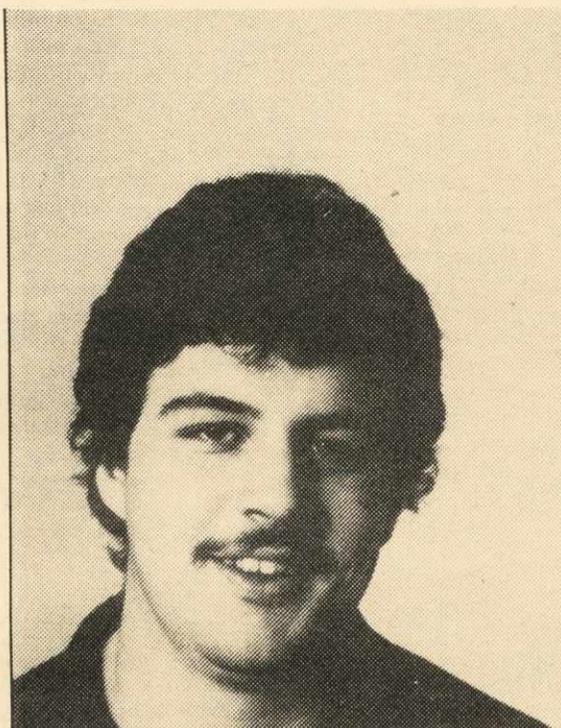


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DAVID LOTHIAN Executive V P

1. The vice president's role is in the running of student union operations, societies, and affiliations which goes into orientation jobs, and working with the representatives of the students.

2. Student services are a very big concern to the V.P. The V.P. should always be aware of the student's needs. We were talking about taking a student survey at the beginning of the year as far as specific forms of entertainment people would like.

Student services is so diversified, it's--you could talk about entertainment for one, that's a big student service. What we're planning on doing is going around and giving out pamphlets or questionnaires and just seeing what the students' interests are in entertainment.

Orientation is a big student service. We were talking and discussing various schemes. Last summer they took 100 students, divided them by 10 and took them around for a day.

We'd like to see orientation as a fun time and also a learning experience. We'd like to get some workshops on study habits possibly. Study habits are different at university compared to high school.

Student services--you can talk about that forever. Student services are everything in the university so it's hard to pinpoint unless you're asking a specific question. We're talking about bar services, we're talking about the games room, we're talking about library services. I mean, there's financial services, security.... We're concerned about security on campus--Shirreff Hall. They're going to a security guard because they feel that security on campus is lacking. With security we can create more jobs.

Bike racks is another plan. Bike racks in prominent places so bikes don't get stolen.

3. Services should be run for the

students and not like a business. Whether a service has to run at a deficit, well so be it. But we will try to get enough students interested so we won't run a deficit.

4. The SUB is being run fairly efficiently. There is an inefficient use of space and that's a problem. This is one of the biggest student union buildings in Canada--there shouldn't be any lack of space. We are looking at the SUB blueprints right now to see if any improvements can be made.

We need more office space for student services like the advocacy service. We are looking into moving the Grawood from the third floor to the Games Room.

5. I haven't been involved with council directly. I've gotten involved in issues that affected me personally, like student aid. I've worked quite extensively* in minor hockey for six years, which is set up almost like a student council because of its committees. I don't think being on council for any number of years really helps that much. It may give you a better idea how things run. But as long as you know the issues and you're open to discuss it with students, then I think the experience on council is no advantage.

6. A lot of people are leaving. This means council will have a whole new face. We are consulting last year's student council and people from other years to get a good idea about what type of person to look for. There is a big pool of talent out there, both on the graduate and undergraduate level. We are confident we can get competent people.

7. We've discussed with John Graham his departure and he has assured us that his door will be open all the time. With any new job though, it takes a while for he/she to get adjusted to that

position. We don't foresee any major problems that we can't deal with. If councillors feel the new General Manager is doing an insufficient job then we will take a serious look at this person. Also, with a new person on the job a review would be necessary.

8. Very important role. Societies contribute a great deal to university life. Without societies you would have a lot of diversified interests and you wouldn't have enough time to get things done. Societies are there to represent people and voice their views as well as organize events.

A big bulletin board posted by the inquiry desk is needed.

9. Instead of having the available correspondence in the office, they should be more out in the open. A big bulletin board posted by the inquiry desk is needed. I think a lot of people are intimidated to go into the council offices. We would like to have the offices move accessible. Maybe by moving the offices out in the open as well.

Another way students could be more informed is an increased *Gazette* role. Obviously the *Gazette* is autonomous, but I would consider it wise to put in a student union news section and report on who showed up to meetings and who didn't. The student press could be very influential in making sure the student union business or issues get across to students. A lot of people read the *Gazette*. I think it would be a good service.

I think it is important to solicit student's views on the entertainment DSU provides. This could be done by making the student union more accessible.

Vice-president

1. How does the vice-president's role differ from the president's?
2. What is the role of the vice-president in the delivery and management of student services?
3. Do you see any problems with the DSU being so service oriented?
4. Is SUB management good, and what changes would you make?
5. Have you been involved in student council? In what capacity?
6. Many experienced people are not returning to council next year. How will you ensure that if there is any void, it will be filled?
7. John Graham, General Manager of the SUB, is retiring this year. Do you see any transitional problems?
8. What role do societies play in student university life?
9. How could students be made more aware of student union activities decisions made by council?

REZA RIZVI Executive V.P

1. The vice-president's role is directed towards services, and activities and operations in the SUB. The president deals more with external relations with the government and community as a whole. If the president is away, then it is the duty of the vice president to take over his/her role while away.

2. The VP oversees the goings on of the staff in the SUB. He relates to the staff through the general manager. The VP acts as an intermediary between council and the General Manager.

3. Our key role is not profit generation. Services for students come first. Yet at the same time we don't want to have projects that are not making any money. But making losses means we cannot provide services in future. There is always some room for expansion in services. I would go for something which was breaking even but more value to students rather than something of less value but profit oriented.

I don't see DSU being service oriented as a problem. Services are more tangible to students. We have to provide the services, because the university does not provide many by itself. It doesn't serve food or provide entertainment.

4. I can't really talk about the present arrangements because they are temporary, and won't apply in the next academic year. The problem I see may be when the present General Manager leaves. He has been here since the building opened, and knows the place inside out. I think the structure itself is good. The relations between technical, bar, entertainment and office services and the manager is good, and likewise, the link between the DSU and staff is good.

5. I've been involved in student politics for three years. I have been a science rep. for two years, and have served on various committees. I am community affairs co-ordinator for this year. I have also helped in fund raising activities, which is part of my job as coordinator.

6. You are right in saying that this is a major concern. The "old hacks" won't be returning. But the people on the student union are not the only ones that can run a student union. It's good to have people who are familiar with student union operations. What you really need is a strong executive,

because most of the groundwork is done there. If you have people there who know what's going on, the whole process is a lot smoother. Between Catherine and myself we have a lot of experience and hopefully people who fill the other positions will be experienced as well. They must be hard working, sensible and be willing to listen to opposing views with an open mind.

7. There could be problems. John has been at the SUB since it opened and is very experienced, but we have very competent people here. The new person will be shaky at first.

Our key role is not profit generation.

8. They play a very critical role. I would have 90 societies to coordinate. That does not mean we have to run the societies. My job would be a guidance capacity only. I wouldn't be telling them what to do. Of course there would be intervention if the societies acted in, say, a racist way. This would be a constitutional judgement. I would be a source of advice, knowledge and communications.

9. One of the things we are trying to emphasize is more input from students. One of the ways we see to achieve this is the setting up of a committee of societies' presidents, which will meet once a month. We will tell them what's important going on and they can tell us what they are doing which is important to us. This way we have a direct, two-way communications link. The *Dispatch* is another way, but it needs improvement. There are faults there.

Communications have been a problem, for example with orientation. There are conflicts there because we have several orientations run by upper, lower campus and halls of residence, which clash. It is inefficient to provide several programmes -- we have to make effective use of our existing resources. Another example of resources not used effectively and efficiently is the TV monitors in the SUB. They are an example of a good idea badly utilized. Messages are often old. We also need more space for eating facilities.

Senate and board of governors

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JILL JACKSON

The Board of Governors was created in 1863 with the responsibility of overseeing all of the financial and administrative decisions at Dalhousie. Presently, this fifty member board primarily consists of provincial government appointees, twelve alumni appointees, two MLA's at present, and four student representatives.

Our university is in financial chaos and with only four student representatives on the Board, it is important that we elect strong representatives to protect our interests. Things such as the quality of education must not be lost in the shuffle as the Board attempts to come to terms with the staggering capital debt that Dalhousie has accumulated.

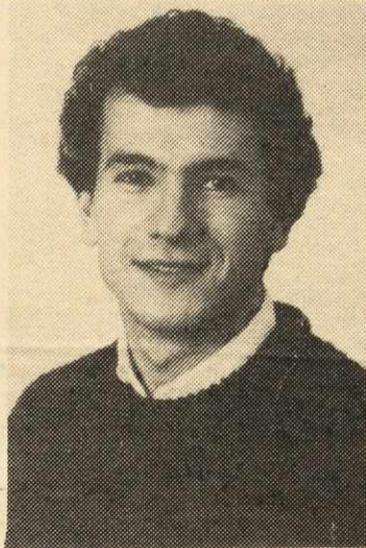
Housing is a fundamental need and the lack of housing has reached a critical stage within Halifax, especially in the south end. Recent research has shown that enrollment will peak in the 86/87 academic year, yet we will be losing approximately 120 places by the 86/87 academic year. Within the last year the conventional residences, Howe Hall and Shirreff Hall, have had a doubling of new applicants and the waiting lists are already filled. It is the Board that must approve any official building, buying or renting of housing. It is time the DSU lobbied for more housing for our student population.



Jill Jackson

There also has been legitimate concern on campus with regard to general security, sexual harassment, walking on campus at night, and many women's issues. This is an opportune time for the DSU to re-establish the Dalhousie Student Union Women's Committee, essential for increasing the awareness of women's issues on campus, to provide a crisis centre and more campus lighting. These issues affect not just women, but the general student population. Our campus should be safe from theft or assault for all students.

COLIN HAMES



Colin Hames

My name is Colin Hames and I am a candidate for the Board of Governors. I am a Bachelor of Commerce and MBA programme graduate at Dalhousie. Currently, I am a first year law student.

Based on my educational background and involvement in student activities, I can effectively

represent the students of Dal.

Throughout my years in the commerce programme, I was actively involved in the Commerce Society. In my second year, I was appointed to the Academic Studies Committee.

In 1982 I was elected to the senate, and in turn to the student council. I sat on numerous committees, including the senate Library Committee, and the senate Discipline Committee which gave me exposure and insight into the various operations of the university.

After returning from the workforce in September and enrolling in the Bachelor of Law programme, I was elected as a representative of the first year class to sit on the Law Faculty Council.

I think it is important to elect representatives to the Board of Governors who can provide strong leadership and effective representation. I can provide this, based on my qualifications, as I have already outlined.

I am looking forward to representing you on the Board.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The Board of Governors has two elected student positions. This is the first time there has been two places.

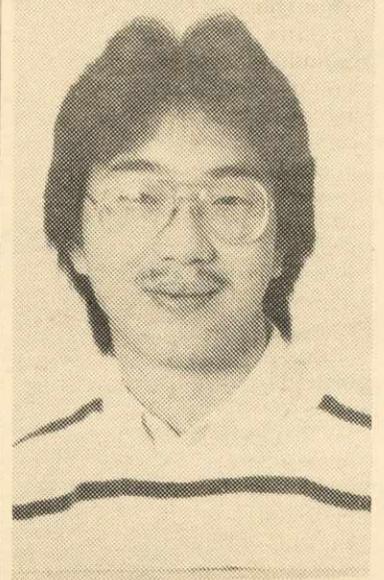
Its role is to oversee administrative and financial issues in the Dalhousie administration. The Board is the forefront of deciding what to do about the university's deficit.

JOHN O. LEE

My name is John O. Lee, and I am seeking the position of Board of Governor's representative. I've served as a senator and member of a wide variety of senate and student union committees this past year. It has given me invaluable experience in dealing with the university's administration and faculty, as well as representing the academic concerns of Dalhousie students.

In the upcoming year, serious discussions will take place on coping with the chronic underfunding of post-secondary education (reflected in the recommendations of the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission), and also finding ways to reduce the enormous and debilitating deficit of the university while maintaining high academic quality. Also, the question of opening up the Board meetings and restructuring the Board itself, thereby making it more accountable to the needs of the students, will be a top priority.

I can provide the strong, effective and experienced voice that these issues call for. I am



John O. Lee

both aware of and knowledgeable about the financial problems that face this school, and am willing to tackle them on your behalf. Allow me the opportunity to serve you by voting for me on March 13-15. Thank you.

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JAMES ALLAN



James Allan

My name is James Allan and I'm running for the position of student senator in the upcoming Dalhousie Student Union elections.

I'm taking a B.Sc. with a

psychology major and I have hopes of moving into a B.Comm. programme next year.

I'm sure that anyone reading this issue has been informed about what a senator is and what he/she does therefore I won't reiterate this.

It is important to realize however, that these senators, all five of them, are liasons between the Dalhousie senate and the student council. With this in mind one can see that strong communicative abilities are a distinct advantage in order for a student senator to be effective in his/her position.

As vice-president of Bronson House this year I have learned a lot in the area of communication and I feel that I would be very effective in this position if elected.

With your support, I hope to be able to increase the area of communication both in quantity and quality and in so doing keep the students better informed.

AVA CZAPALAY

As a third year Dalhousie student living on campus I feel that I am in touch with the problems and concerns of many Dalhousie students. Although I have no concrete experience with the D.S.U. itself, I feel that I have the experience in dealing with people, both on committees and off, and the determination to

work hard on behalf of the student body to instigate change or improvements which would enable the academic year to go smoothly.

As an English major, I am particularly interested in the projected revisions to the Arts and Science curriculum pertaining to

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the English proficiency requirement. The necessity of passing a basic English examination before graduating would enable students to meet an acceptable level of English communication before graduating and starting a career.

Another curricular revision which I am in favour of is the projected increase in attainable summer credits from two to 2.5. This increase will allow students to accumulate to necessary fifteen credits for a degree in two years instead of three.

In conclusion, I would like to say that I would take the position of student representative on senate seriously and put forth my best effort on behalf of you, the students of Dalhousie University.



Ava Czapalay

- and students,
- post results of evaluations and action taken,
- hold evaluations in mid-courses too (so positive action can be taken for the second half).
- Three, monitor administration to evaluate efficiency (those line-ups might be more than clever devices to build character)

Four, student employment/academic:

- start a tutor and proof-reading agency run by students for students. Reasonable rates would be charged.
- with Counselling Services offer expanded career and academic



Sandy MacIntosh

Hi! My name is Sandy MacIntosh. I am a second year

KAMLEH NICOLA

My name is Kamleh Nicola and I am running in the upcoming DSU election for the position of student senator. I realize this position is a big commitment and will take up a lot of time — as most important things usually do. But I feel I have the necessary qualifications to actively voice and fairly represent the policies of the student union in the senate.

The senate is a body of approximately 300 members "responsible for determining academic policies and priorities." These concerns are carried out by a number of senate committees such as Academic Planning, Financial Planning, Physical Planning, Academic Administration, etc. As only six of these 300 positions are held by



Jarle Pedersen

planning programmes.

- extend library hours which would mean more study time and more student jobs.
- incorporate a Study Skills workshop into first year writing requirement.

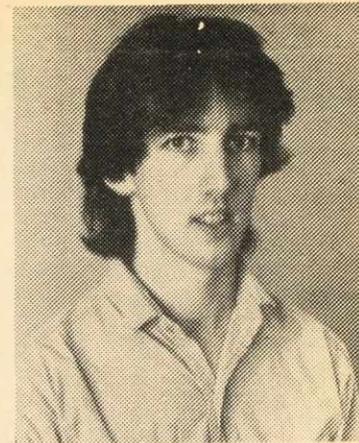
Finally, I would like to investigate the notorious graduation abstention fee.

Not everyone can or wants to actively participate in student government. I have the time, desire and ability to act in your interests. All I ask is you think of me first when you vote for your 5 senate members; and please exercise your right to vote.

SANDY MACINTOSH

honours chemistry student. I entered Dalhousie in 1983 on an entrance scholarship. I am very keen on involvement in school activities. I have been treasurer of almost every society I have ever belonged to, and have handled budgets of up to \$20,000. This year I have had such accomplishments as finishing second in the winter carnival tricycle rally and first in the campus crawl.

With tuition increases no longer being a problem, DSU can concentrate on other areas. I support a stronger involvement in SUNS. SUNS can only be as strong as its members make it. I would like to see better guidance councillor service on campus. A lot of students, myself included, would like to know what jobs our



Bill Jeffery

degrees can get us and our chances of finding a job.

I will fight to keep party politics out of student council. We cannot operate as an efficient lobby group if we carry a party label. I would like to keep in close contact with both the university administration and the Dalhousie Faculty Association (DFA), to insure that we are never again threatened with a strike. Presently, city bylaws prevent new student-run housing near campus. I would like to see student council lobby city hall to change these anti-student bylaws.

I congratulate Alex and Rusty on a good and difficult year. I only hope that next year's council can match their record.



Kamleh Nicola

DAVID FERGUSON

My name is Dave Ferguson. I am seeking a position as a student representative on the senate for the DSU. I am a third year science student from Liverpool, Nova Scotia. Last year I served on the Henderson House Council in Howe Hall. During High School I was the publicity chairman for high school sports for four years, and the assembly committee chairman during my final year.

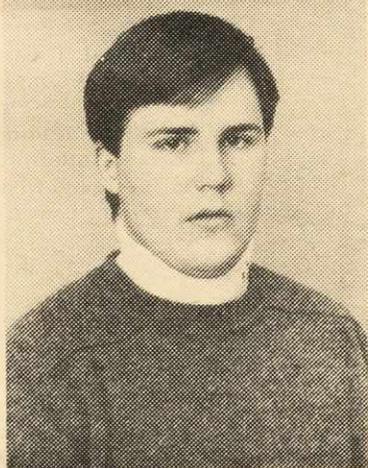
I am running for senate to become actively involved in representing the students of Dalhousie University. I am well aware of the present crisis in the higher education system in Nova Scotia, and particularly here at Dalhousie. By speaking out on behalf of the students at Dal, I feel

I can bring positive input to this economic situation.

If underfunding continues, the students of Dalhousie can only suffer with a reduced quality of education. Given the financial crisis of this university, the senate must ensure that no particular department suffer the brunt of cutbacks. I will do my best to ensure that the academic needs of all students are top priority on the senate.

I believe I have the responsibility and dedication to carry out these duties. With your support on March 13-15th, I will become an effective voice in delivering your interests to this academic body.

IAN HARDY



Ian Hardy

Why am I running for Senate? I have two reasons. One, I love a challenge. If elected, I want to attempt to improve the quality of education offered at Dalhousie, and try to see to it that tuition rates remain as low as possible. Two, I desire the best possible

personal background. Indeed, this is quite selfish of me, but if elected, I believe I can only accomplish this goal by being dedicated and committed to your concerns.

My experience in both appointment and employment is substantial. I have been a sports columnist and broadcaster in Campbellton, New Brunswick, and I have done committee work, such as the fund-raising committee at high school and the Howe Hall residents' constitutional review committee. In August 1984, I was presented with a community service award for my work in Stanhope, PEI. As you can see, this highlights a large degree of teamwork and leadership abilities.

Dalhousie has a name across Canada for producing graduates. Since we are paying the highest tuition rates in Canada, it is only right we continue to retain this *puissance* and it is my sole intention to see that this remains the case.

BILL JEFFERY

Hi! My name is Bill Jeffery. I am a second year psychology major and I want to represent you on senate.

It may startle you to be saying flat out, that I am not going to make any campaign promises, the Dalhousie community is too financially unpredictable to make definite plans. I will offer areas of concern and possible

innovations proposed to me by students in the past few weeks.

One, active communications with students:

- regular meetings of senate and societies,
- regular questionnaires in the *Gazette* for feedback.

Two, serious professor/course evaluations.

- review committee of professors

EVAN RICHARDS

The position of senate representative holds essentially, responsibility to represent the attitudes and feelings of the student union with clarity and fairness to the Dalhousie Senate. This means certain qualities are necessary.

Firstly, the ability to get along and work with others is prominent. Not only does a senate rep have to make clear the stand which is taken by the student union before it is presented. Both of these aspects require the ability to listen to both sides of a situation, in other words listening to others, as well as to decide logically which decision is best suited to the needs of the students.

My experience in these kinds of organizations was in high school. I haven't had very much exposure in university council oriented work with the exception that I've been on the yearbook staff both of my years at Dal. However, in high school I was on the yearbook staff again for two years, the second of which I was one of the two editors. The same year I held two positions on council, a class



Evan Richards

representative, as well as an executive seat for the yearbook editors. From that experience I learned how to look at both sides of an issue and make the most beneficial choice. It is this ability and the ability to represent those choices clearly that is important, and I feel I am capable of representing Dal students this way.

SEAN SWEENEY



Sean Sweeney

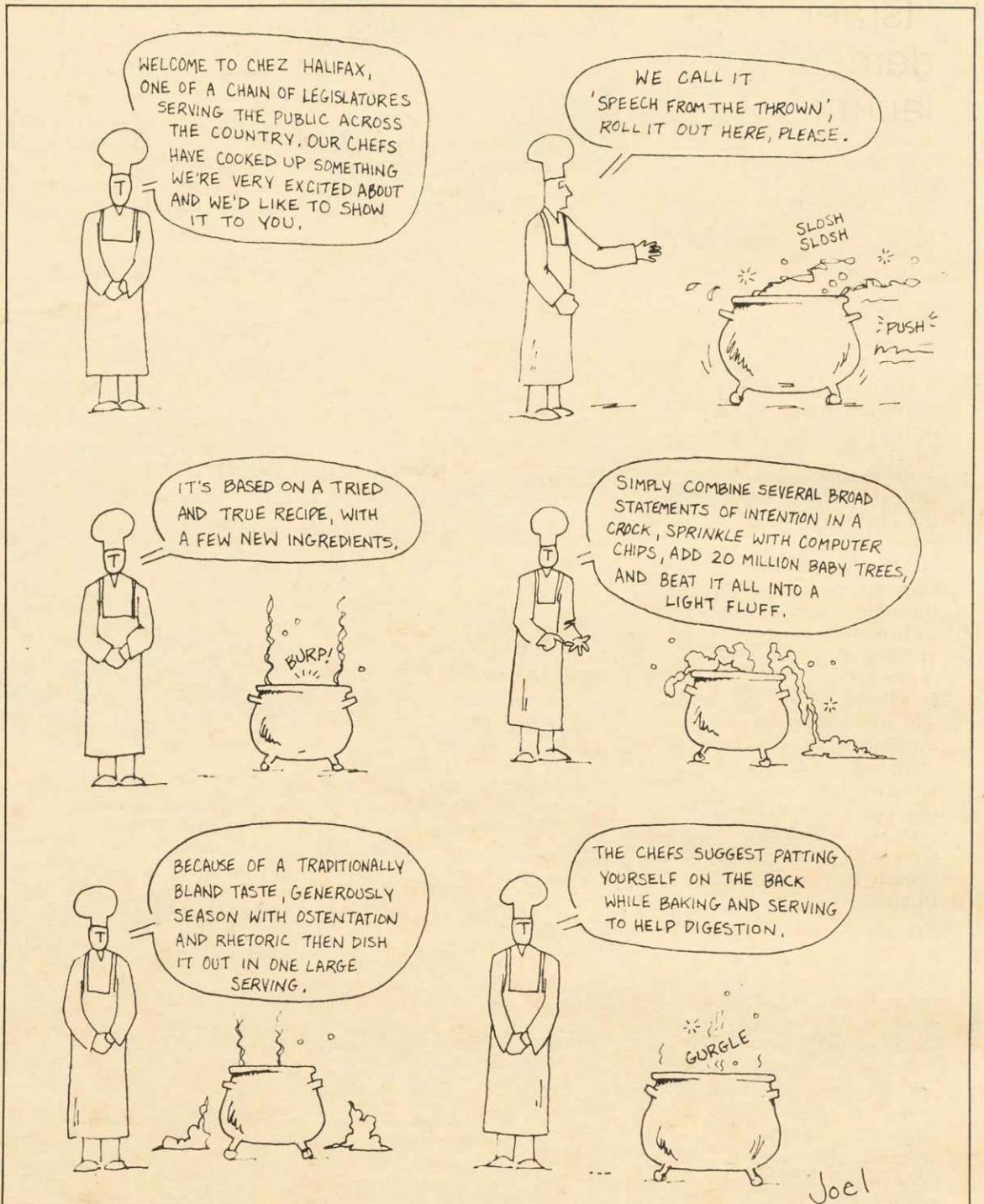
experience an imperative ingredient in student senators. This is why my experience as president of Vancouver community college (6,000 students) best qualifies me for a senate seat. During this term as president 1983-1984, the college administration was active in implementing the 'hatchet' policies of Social Credit 'fiscal restraint.' Cost efficiency frequently prevailed over academic needs. During this time I developed the essentials to effectively represent the interests of students.

I see a similar problem of government underfunding developing in Nova Scotia. Student representatives at all levels — senate, Board of Governors, and student council are going to have to increasingly battle for each and every academic right which, in the past, has been taken for granted.

Experience I believe, is therefore essential for effective student representation.

Administrative bodies are unfortunately ponderous and often cumbersome. Behind-the-scenes lobbying and petty nugatorial politics make

EDITORIAL



Buchanan gov't should be throne out

ON FEB. 28, TO MARK THE opening of the provincial legislature, 15 guns were fired on the Citadel for the Lieutenant-Governor, Al Abraham.

They missed him every time. Actually, the Lieutenant-Governor was not the target. With better aim, the gunners could have wiped out half the provincial cabinet, sparing us the trouble of another Tory-led session of the legislature.

Judging by the content, or lack of content, of the speech from the throne delivered that day, what's most likely to be shot full of holes is the province's post-secondary education system.

Clearly John Buchanan & Co. don't expect much from this sitting of the House. The throne speech is supposed to outline the moves the government will make during the session. If the length of the document is any indication, the government will be making so few moves that there is a possibility of *rigor mortis* setting in.

The outlook for university education is particularly bleak. At no point in the speech is the word "university" used, despite the fact that universities are one of the government's most important and costly responsibilities. In a 105-point speech, youth and education are mentioned in only eight.

The only significant news for post-secondary education is the computerization of the student aid office, as well as vague promises of expansion for the Nova Scotia Institute of Technology and the Agricultural College. Job training and trade schools, rather than arts and science degree programmes, are obviously the government's overriding priorities.

On the other hand, volumes could be written on what the throne speech *didn't* say. No mention was made of the recent report of the MPHEC, so we still have no idea how the government is going to deal with university funding increases in the coming year. With \$52 million just

lopped off the federal transfer payment to the province, we can only assume the news is going to be bad.

One recent sign of trouble was the tiny increase in the budget for elementary and secondary education. The \$20 million increase barely keeps pace with last year's inflation; the net result is no real increase over last year's budget. Since most teachers have received pay hikes in their latest contracts, local school boards are being forced to cut back on non-salary costs to cover the increases.

All we can ask ourselves is: Are the province's universities going to have to face the same treatment?

We shouldn't have to guess about these things. A throne speech should let us know what our elected representatives are up to. Buchanan and his buddies have clearly failed to do so, especially in the field of education.

Our best recommendation for the throne speech is that it be flushed.

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"Israel only democracy"—laughable

To the editors,

In his article, titled "Lebanon a disaster, says Israel," (*The Gazette* Feb 14/85) David Olie quotes Col. Amos Gilboa, of the Israeli army, stating "as a democracy, Israel has a special responsibility to keep the peace in the Middle East. We are lucky to be the only democracy in the Middle East." This is laughable if it was not for the tragic human consequences, in butchery and destruction, that this arrogance of Israel's leaders has brought about to the Middle East. This, together with the pretext of security, are the same justifications used by Nazi Germany, to invade Europe, and the Reagan administration is currently using in its schemes of invasion in Central America.

Another aspect of this statement that deserves demolition is the myth of the Israeli so-called "democracy." The true nature of this *selective* democracy, for Jews only, is best described by the Israeli Jewish writer, Maxim Ghilan who, in an editorial in the February 1983 issue of the Paris based journal *Israel and Palestine*, titled "Israeli Democracy: Values and Limits," wrote:

"Israel is a Western-type democracy, for Jews only. All Jews living in Israel, or emigrating there, are granted the same kind of rights a citizen of a Western industrial democracy possesses: the right to express his views freely, to vote, to trial by his peers, to remain free from unjustified arrest, to remain free of want and hunger, and to demand redress by legal or administrative means.

Arabs, who are citizens of the State of Israel, are less fortunate: By covert or overt means, they are prevented from creating their own, specifically Arab, parties; they are often arrested arbitrarily and may be held without trial according to emergency regulations; they are not granted equal economic privileges, are prevented from access to public housing and loans given only "to those who served in the IDF and allied services" — bodies into which most Israeli Arabs are not admitted. Finally, Israeli Arab workers are economically discriminated against, receiving lower pay than their Jewish counterparts.

Arabs in the territories conquered by Israel since 1967 have no rights what-so-ever. Their children are shot, beaten up, jailed; their young men assassinated. Their cars are wantonly destroyed by hammer and bomb. Their elected mayors and leaders are deposed, their trade unionists prevented from organizing. A wholly non-Arab, civilian-military administration rules over them. Their politicians are often deported. Militias of thugs, frequently drafted from criminal elements, are set up to keep them in line. Foreign settlers jeer at them, provoke them, squat in their homes and on their lands. International law concerning the behavior of

conquerors in conquered land is openly flaunted."

This is the form of democracy that arrogantly allocated to itself, in violation of international law, the right to invade its neighbours bringing about the devastation of towns and cities and the killing and maiming of tens of thousands.

Yours sincerely
I. Zayid
President
Canadian Palestine Association

Welsh settlements

To the editors,

For the past seven years I have been gathering information concerning two Welsh settlements in this region: New Cambria (later Welshtown), near Shelburne, N.S., founded in 1818, and Cardigan, near Fredericton, N.B., founded in 1819. These were the first Welsh settlements in modern Canada—though one in Newfoundland existed for twenty years early in the seventeenth century. Since my book will be published early in 1986 I am making a "last call" for any word about descendants of the New Cambria or Cardigan settlers and about any materials or memories they might possess concerning their ancestors.

Inscriptions in family bibles, early letters, photographs, etc., could all be valuable; and some might be added to the many illustrations already gathered. I have received information from as far afield as New York, Iowa, Michigan, Saskatchewan and British Columbia, to say nothing of Wales. It would be distressing to miss those parts of the story which are undoubtedly scattered throughout the Maritime provinces.

Yours sincerely,
Peter Thomas
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Callwood no hired gun

To the editors,

I would like, if I may, to correct one or two points in Elizabeth Donovan's "Harassment procedures in chaos" (Feb. 14).

I did not take any information to a meeting of a civil liberties group. Nor, as Ms. Donovan's account may have suggested to some readers, did I bring June Callwood in as a hired gun, stuff her with information or misinformation, and say "Kill!" You don't do that kind of thing with a journalist of Ms. Callwood's stature.

Last summer I got in touch with the Canadian Civil Liberties Association about the case in question, because I was deeply disturbed—as I still am—about what seemed to me violations of academic freedom and due process in it. In November I received a phone call from Ms. Callwood, whom I had hitherto known only through her admirable columns in the *Globe and Mail* and who had heard

about the affair. At the end of our conversation she asked me for the name of someone on the plaintiff's side whom she might speak to, and I gave her the name of Dr. Patricia DeMeo, the case officer who had set the whole machinery in motion. Next day I phoned Ms. Callwood to ask if she would mind postponing any story for a couple of weeks, since the case had reached a particularly delicate stage. To which she kindly agreed.

In January Ms. Callwood phoned me again, having heard more about the case in the meantime and become more convinced than ever that the story deserved telling. We spoke briefly, and this time, when she asked for the name of someone who approved of the new regulations, I gave her the name of Dr. Toni Laidlaw, who had chaired the committee that had devised them. I did not speak with Ms. Callwood again. It is my understanding that Ms. Callwood, in addition to approaching the complainant and defendant, phoned Dr. Laidlaw, Dr. Christine Boyle (the plaintiff's advisor), and Dr. Alasdair Sinclair, Vice-President Academic. The first two, at least, were presumably free to speak their minds to her.

I was impressed by what Ms. Donovan reported about Professor David Lewis's scrupulousness about confidentiality. At the same time, to talk about confidentiality with respect to such a case, or others like it, seems to me to be talking about a fiction. Given the elaborate machinery that has been devised, by the time a case has reached the formal stage it is virtually guaranteed that at least a dozen people will know about it as participants—fifteen if you include all the members of the advisory committee. And this is without taking into account the existence of friends, spouses, and sympathetic colleagues.

In the present case, the DFA executive also knew about it, as did my certain knowledge seven other people involved in the affair. And if anyone were to assure me that prior to the appearance of Ms. Callwood's articles not a single feminist apart from those formally involved knew about it, I would have to reply that this would seem to me very improbable. After all, presumably part of the point of such an exercise is to make an example of offenders or supposed offenders. And you cannot do that if there is a wall of silence.

The notion that everyone inside a university is somehow bound by an oath of silence seems to me of a piece with the other weightings of the new system against the accused. Under the regulations that have been devised, a male who has been tried for sexual harassment must for the rest of his time here walk around with the Kafkaesque certainty that at least some of the women with whom he has day-to-day dealings, whether librarians, faculty, or staff, will have heard something about the matter, if only in the most general—and in a sense most damaging—terms. ("Oh, Professor McSwine! Wasn't he the man in some

harassment case a few years ago?") Yet any attempt at clearing his name publicly, or even simply defending himself energetically from the outset, is apparently *Bad Form*.

It will no doubt be retorted that if someone wishes to avoid this kind of botherment, he had better be sensible ("mature," I seem to recall, is the word) and come to terms with his accuser during the informal stage of the proceedings. Well, yes, that is indeed a

message that comes across loud and clear in the pages of *A Plan for Positive Action* and in the history of the present case. But it has nothing to do with justice.

The best way for a university to avoid the attentions of journalists concerned about injustices, particularly civil liberties injustices, is to refrain from committing them.

John Fraser
Professor
Department of English

Be nice to me today—or else

SINCE THIS IS THE women's supplement, I have decided to write about something distinctively female. And what is more female than...PMS.



KIM MACLEOD

PMS is the term doctors have chosen to describe the mutiny of hormones

that many women are faced with on a monthly basis. It is that time when we individuals of the female persuasion become a bit emotional and start doing "naughty" little things like hanging cats and "knocking off" unsympathetic lovers. Some women don't realize that they suffer from PMS, and it is these unfortunates who have the worst time of it because it leaves them with no excuse for their bizarre behavior. I have therefore devised this short test. Read through the following and try to imagine your personal reactions. If they fit any of the three categories given you have suffered from PMS. If they don't, or are more unusual, you have still suffered:

A. You are at the grocery store. The tea bags are two inches too high to get at. What do you do?
1. You crawl into the meat freezer and walk all over the pork chops until you are near enough the tea bags to grab some.
2. You grab a long roll of salami and swing it at the shelf, knocking down every %&€\$*?! box of tea bags in sight, not to mention everything else around them.
3. You cry.

B. You spend ten minutes working your body into a pair of "one size fits all" pantyhose, only to discover that they have a huge run. What is your reaction?
1. You throw them in the garbage and paint your legs blue to match your skirt.
2. You bathe them in kerosene, hang them on the clothesline, and torch the %&€**!\$! into oblivion.
3. You cry.

C. You are cold and exhausted after a long day of doing errands, and are forced to stand up on the bus because there is a man occupying the last seat with his legs. How do you handle the situation?

1. You accept the fact that the Gods are against you and try to make the best of things. Finding, however, that you have the coordination of an MS victim, you wind up getting off the bus and walking home in a blizzard, with the wind against you.
2. You smile sadistically at him before crushing his genitalia with your overstuffed bookbag and throwing the full weight of your body on his kneecaps. (Coincidentally, this action "MAKES YOUR DAY")
3. You cry.

D. You are typing a term paper when a small tendril of hair falls in your face. You try tucking it behind your ear, but it's not quite long enough. What do you do next?
1. You stop typing and spend an hour or so fantasizing about what you are going to do to the hairdresser who convinced you to "grow it out."
2. You decide to cut the ?!&€\$* thing off and wind up shaving your head.
3. You cry.

E. You are alone in your living room, eating your favourite food and watching your favourite TV show. There is a commercial break. What do you do during this period?
1. You are overwhelmed by a creative urge to redecorate, and find yourself painting the walls black.
2. You are pushed over the edge by the idiocy of a cat food ad and perpetrate an act of violence upon your Granada.
3. You cry.

As you can see, PMS drives a woman to strange acts and it is important that her mate realize her state and be as supportive as possible. She requires understanding. She requires sympathy and companionship. I feel it is imperative that a man give a woman these things during this time of the month. After all...if you don't...she might hurt you!

NOTICE!!

Next week's Dalhousie Gazette will contain a survey from Dalhousie University Environmental Health and Safety Committee concerning the effects of VDT's, or video display terminals, in the workplace. The survey will help the committee see how many VDT's there are on campus and how great the problems associated with them. Look for the survey next week in the Gazette.

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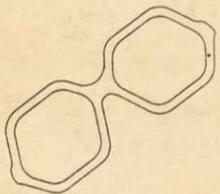
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NICARAGUAN

women embody spirit of INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

BY ERIN STEUTER

THE SPIRIT OF EMANCIPATION, EQUALITY, AND SISTERHOOD that is the focus of International Women's Day may never be so embodied as it is by the women's movement in Nicaragua

In a country of 2.5 million people, the women's movement has 50,000 members.

At the close of last fall's elections the percentage of women in the Nicaraguan government was higher than anywhere in the world.

With a pervasive presence in the military and defense, women make up 80 per cent of the revolutionary vigilante groups which patrol neighbourhoods throughout Nicaragua.

Sexist advertising is against the law, and equality in the workplace is a right.

In the context of Latin America, with its macho cultural tradition, the achievements of Nicaraguan women are cause for surprise and admiration.

"Women in the western feminist movement have traditionally felt our achievements were superior because women in Nicaragua were up against things like machismo," says Claudette Legault, the regional co-ordinator for OXFAM-Canada.

"However, since the revolution, women in Nicaragua have taken a quantum leap. They have now not only equalled and matched our feminist movement, but they have surpassed us," says Legault.

"Now we have something to learn from them."

Raped and tortured by the national guard, forced into menial labour and prostitution by the depressed economic situation, and treated even in the law as the chattel of men, the situation for women in pre-revolutionary Nicaragua was desperate.

"Women saw that they could only achieve equality with men when the dictatorship was defeated," says Legault.

"Thus the revolution was a woman's struggle as well as a political one—the feminist movement is not separate from the revolutionary movement," she says.

It was in 1979 that the revolutionary Sandinista Front (FSLN) overthrew the repressive Somoza regime that had ruled Nicaragua for over 40 years. Women participated in the revolution in numbers unprecedented in Nicaragua and in other countries.

Their involvement ranged from passing FSLN communiques inside tortillas and hiding weapons in laundry baskets, to tactical military leadership.

"Without the participation of women," says Legault, "there couldn't have been a revolution. Women constituted half of the fighting force and over half of the support forces.

And indeed their participation was well rewarded.

With the triumph of the Sandinistas, and even before the last fighters had laid down their guns, the first changes in the legal status of Nicaraguan women had already taken place.

The day after the revolution a decree was passed which prohibited the use of women as sexual objects, stating, "the utilization of women as sexual or commercial objects is prohibited, thus eliminating once and for all that infamous commercial

propaganda which always associates women with the consumption of alcoholic beverages."

Equal pay for equal work was legislated, prostitution was prohibited, and the women's organization (AMNLAE) was given a representative on the Council of State.

The Association of Nicaraguan Women-Luisa Amanda Espinoza (AMNLAE) is named in honour of the first woman member of the FSLN to die fighting. Created in 1977 as AMPRONAC (Association of Nicaraguan Women Confronting the Nation's Problems), it successfully mobilized women both around issues of particular concern to women and the wider struggle against the dictatorship.

Since the revolution its efforts have been focused on integrating women into the defense of the revolution, eliminating institutionalized inequality, raising political and social consciousness, and creating a presence for women in non-traditional sectors such as workplaces and unions.

It would appear that they have had great success.

Where previously in rural areas just the man was paid for his family's labour, now women and children over 14 must be paid individually.

Where prostitution and pimping were prevalent, now rehabilitation centres have been created to teach alternative job skills.

"There is recognition that the roots of prostitution are economic and therefore the solution must include economic alternatives," reads one AMNLAE statement.

But the most significant progress has been in the introduction in 1982 of the Nurturing Laws.

The Law of Nurturing regulates the relationship between parents, children and spouses. Under Somoza the father of a family was all powerful. In many working-class families the father did not live at home. In fact, a man would often have many children by many different women, and consequently would have several families with whom he never lived. Thus there were many mother-led families, where the father did not assume any responsibility—financial or otherwise.

The traditional working-class family is

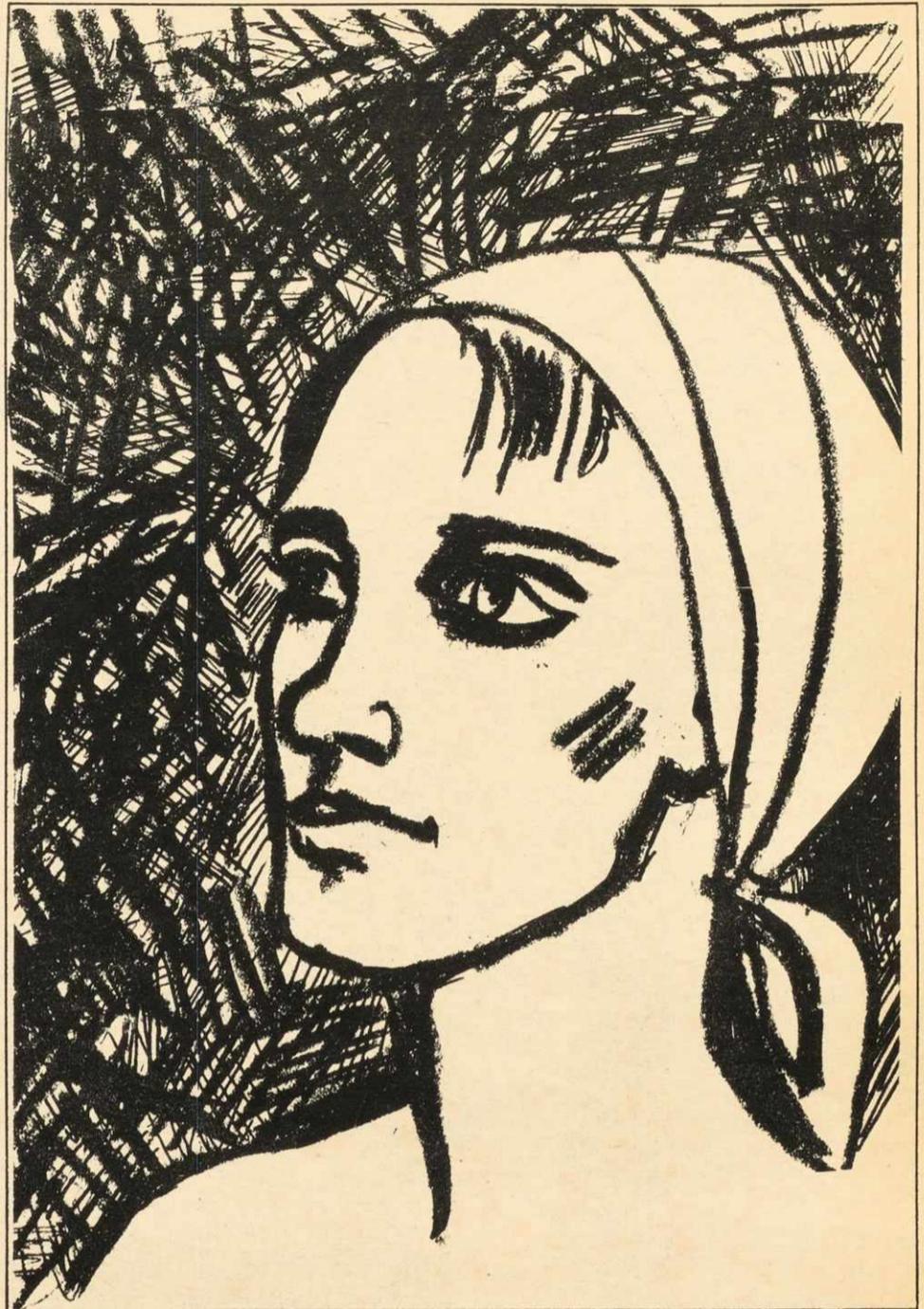


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an extended one with a woman and her children often living with her brothers, sisters, parents and grandparents, all in one home. Even though the father might not live with his children, the mother could not register them in school, take them out of the country for any reason, or engage in a number of social transactions without her husband's signature.

This was the situation for women prior to the revolution.

Under the current Law of Nurturing, it is both parents' responsibility, right, and duty to care for and oversee their children's development. This includes not only the provision of food and clothing, but education, healthcare and overall well being.

Though Nicaraguan women are advancing under the slogan of "Building the new homeland, we are shaping the new woman," these advances are not without obstacles and ideological problems.

There are no shelters for battered women, birth control is difficult to obtain, and a man can still divorce his wife for adultery while the reverse is not possible.

"The inbred machismo in the Nicaraguan society will take a long time to change," says Liz Baker, a Halifax member of the Latin American Information Group.

"Men believe that men fight the battles and the women stay at home. Marriages break up after the revolution when the man expects his wife to have supper on the table," she says.

"The process of change within personal relationships on an everyday basis is one of the most difficult tasks," says Barb Harris, a recent visitor to Nicaragua.

"Anyone who has had a relationship with a guy knows how long it takes to change things," she says.

But both Baker and Harris are confident that the desire for change is there and that Nicaragua has the revolutionary structure by which to accomplish it.

"Nicaraguan women live in a society that is in favour of change rather than against it. The state has a positive attitude about women and encourages liberation through legislative means," says Harris.

"The government is committed to equity," notes Baker.

"With less of a stratification in wealth, women—who are traditionally on the bottom of the economic scale—will be helped automatically," she says.

Thus the revolution in Nicaragua has been more than a military one. It has been a social and ideological revolution of tremendous proportion.

Says Margaret Randall in her most recent book on Nicaraguan women, *Sandinista's Daughters*, "It is impossible to exaggerate the transformation in the lives of tens of thousands of Nicaraguan women resulting from the revolutionary process."

But the near societal revolution that has been accomplished in the first five years of the Sandinista government is thought by many to be endangered by American aggression.

"There is tremendous grief and frustration in Nicaragua," says Harris, "because the resources that the government had been putting into fundamentally changing the society are now being used to defend it."

"The U.S. war with Nicaragua," she says, "is holding back the struggle for women."

Rebuttal to Rubin

Feminism created in 60's? Yeah, right, Jerry

BY WENDY COOMBER

I FOUND OUT RECENTLY THAT FEMINISM WAS CREATED about 10 years ago. Sixties activist-turned-Yuppie (Young Urban Professionals), Jerry Rubin, created feminism in the 1970's with his Yuppie pals.

That surprised me. In fact, it surprised a lot of people in the Dalhousie audience. Two women chose that moment to exit and one yelled a four-letter obscenity at the stage. That didn't surprise me.

Albie Hoffman, who was touring with Rubin, said he didn't support feminism because it was narcissistic and dealt with only the political advancement of one group to the exclusion of others. But it was Rubin's comment which spurred me to this article. In fact, if I'd had my resource books with me, I would have written this then and there.

Maybe Jerry forgot about the Suffragettes of last century, not to mention Flora MacDonald (of Stuart rebellion fame), Queen Elizabeth I, Queen Matilda, Boudicca, Hypatia, Hapshetsut, Queen of Sheba.... Or perhaps Jerry was just using that old trick of manipulating history—or forgetting bits of it you'd rather didn't get passed around. It's nothing new. To the victors go the spoils along with their own version of history. Funny how a few quick strokes of the quill can wipe out entire civilizations.

(Male) Governments and organised religions are quite adept at this—unpopular rulers, rival deities—who needs them? They only agitate the (female poor) victims.

All that remains now of the world's strongly feminist history and of the Old Religion—the religion of the Goddess—are subtle references to it in the religions of other nations (what we now call 'mythology'), or brief mentions in the works of 'classic' male scholars.

Geraldine Thorsten, in her book, *God Herself*, asserts the original sociological group was mother and child. Men weren't needed outside of fertilization and, in fact, were kept away from this group because of their inappropriate aggressive behaviour.

For their own part, men had little reason to form their own groups (television football hadn't been invented yet).

The stable, active community of women and children built towns and invented the practical crafts of pottery (containers built to hold water as their breasts held milk) and weaving. And because they were a stationary community, the developed agriculture (caring for milk-giving animals and sowing seed) and their own religion, based on their own life-giving abilities.

Men were slowly brought into the community as it expanded. They were essential for the fertility-magic which made the crops grow and the women pregnant, which in turn made the community prosper.

For this reason they were slowly initiated into the matriarchal religions. Men could become the king consort of the Goddess, priestesses and keep them fertile, or they could castrate themselves, wear the robes of a priestess, and serve the Goddess through devotion.

In the case of the king consort, once the king showed signs of impotence or sometimes depending on the phases of the Moon, he was killed by a more virile replacement and sacrificed to the Goddess, his blood saturating and nourishing the earth/Mother Goddess.

As society grew more affluent, male religious sects grew and men themselves became jealous of the wealth being passed from mother to daughter. Their God was a jealous god who could brook no competition from other gods—especially a female one. Male-centered religions grew—Judaism, Mithraism, Islam, and Christianity—and implemented ways to make women subservient to men.

The most popular line was 'God wills it'. Crimes and sins were created and attributed to women as an excuse to punish

them. The basic tenets of the Old Religion were warped to present a nest of devils and female perversity. The Goddess in her garden with her symbols of creation, the snake and the apple, was turned into the ultimate in moral bankruptcy—the fall of MAN (although MAN was eventually saved by Christ, leaving Woman to bear the whole of Man's sin). She was no longer offering him her gift of long life and kinship with the Goddess, she was tempting him to sin, eternal damnation at the hands of his God.

Even Aphrodite, identified with Ishtar, Kali-Ma, Isis, the incarnations of the Goddess in different forms, is now depicted as a superficial light-weight goddess out for a good time. How many remember her as the earth mother so well respected in parts of Greece?

In her book, *The Woman's Encyclopedia of Myths and Secrets*, Barbara G. Walker said, "She (Aphrodite) governed the world by *ius naturale*, the natural law of the maternal clan...ruling birth, life, love, death, time, and fate, reconciling man to all of them through sensual and sexual mysticism."

The Amazon race has also been relegated into that ambiguous realm of myth. Writers like Herodotus and Diodorus spoke in their works of "the war-like women of Libya" and Suetonius wrote, "Amazons once ruled over a large part of Asia..." If Herodotus and his buddy Suetonius had ever made it to the New York Times Book List, Hippolyta and Penthesilea would be as worshipped as Daniel Boone and Davey Crockett.

Patriarchy came into some regions rather late. Places like Crete, Sparta, Lesbos, Carthage, southern India, Alexandria, and pre-Christian Rome were slow to let go of the peaceful, agrarian Goddess religion. And later, when they did 'convert' to the Father, they never

completely let go of their Mother.

These are, of course, things you never heard about in school, and with good reason. Don't want those girls getting too uppity—they'll start talking about social reform again. Our Christian society works hard at perpetuating the myth that this God is the only god, and to be a disbeliever is to spend eternity in pain and suffering...there was no god before this God, and anything else was just divine penis envy.

But why does the mention of the Goddess bring a shower of denials and angry feelings? The religion of the Father is built on guilt—original sin—and where does this guilt come from, if not from a mother scorned? The Greeks believed the Furies (Erynies) would hunt down and punish any man guilty of harming or killing a woman, especially a mother. The 'mother's curse' was known as 'miasma', an evil, infectious disease which could stain the criminal forever. To the Romans, 'pious' referred to the respect due all mothers by their sons, be that son 5 or 50. It's still an Old World value—to love and obey the woman who gave you birth.

Not too many pious people around these days, if you go by that definition.

Now Jerry Rubin is claiming feminism as a Yuppie invention. It gets scary when you think of the societal values built on history and what this new version of feminism implies.

"You've come a long way, baby!" Yeah, it's taken us a couple dozen centuries to regain what was ours in the first place. Thanks, Jerry. Thanks for nothing.

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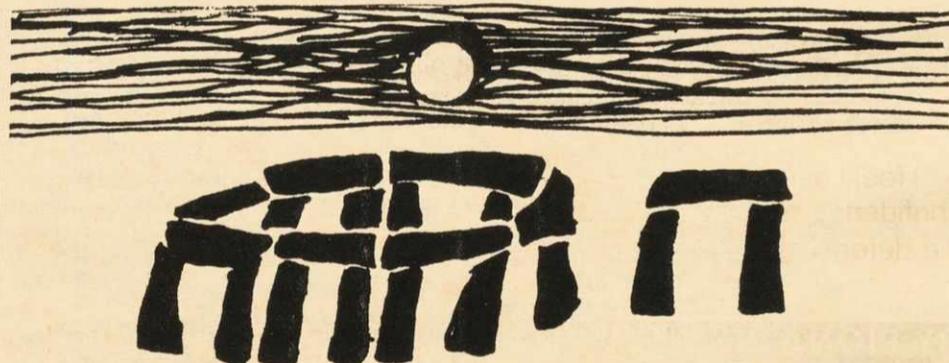


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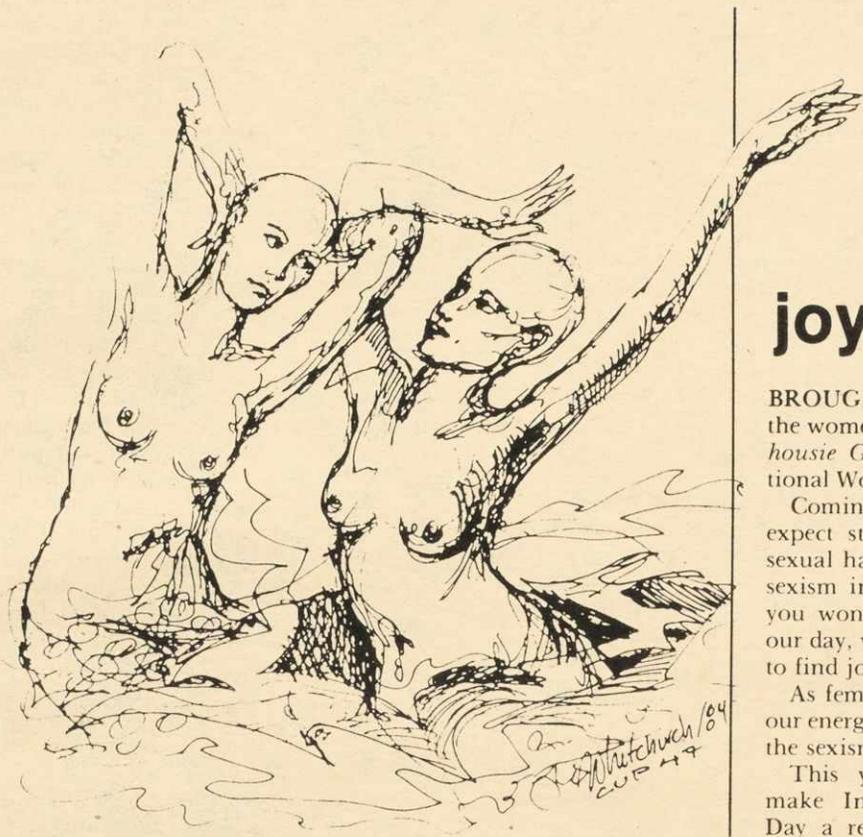
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Finding joy in being a woman

BROUGHT TO YOU FROM the women who work at the *Dalhousie Gazette*, it's the International Women's Day supplement.

Coming from us you might expect stories on pornography, sexual harassment or about the sexism in higher education but you won't find them. Today is our day, women's day and a time to find joy in being a woman.

As feminists we spend a lot of our energy fighting in reaction to the sexism in our community.

This year we've decided to make International Women's Day a real celebration. In this

supplement you'll find stories about Wen-do, women in sport, Nicaraguan women, and feminists' attempts to regain their spirituality.

Today we use our energies not to talk to the men of Dalhousie about all the evil they're doing: as feminists we find that beating our heads against the brick walls of patriarchy can get frustrating. This year at the *Gazette* we feel we have some cause for celebration.

At this time last year one woman sat in a staff meeting arguing about pornography in the office against 19 men. Now

with two women editors and a staff made up of somewhat equal numbers of men and women, we feel we've created some sort of space for women on campus.

As women working in the media we want a chance to write about the things women are doing to change our world. We are building in strength and growing—not to some false ideal created by men, and not attempting to somehow be "equal" to them or joining the world of hierarchies they've created.

Instead we want to spin and weave our own future, to build and dream. We are the daughters of Ceridwen, sisters of Eve, creators of life. These thoughts empower us and keep the fire within us burning.

'Let one woman help another' is the motto used by Mount St. Vincent president, Dr. Margaret Fulton. Let us respect each other and not fall into the machismo trap of greedy, competitive isolation. Divide and conquer. We must stand united.

And that's what this supplement is all about. Being united through joy, love, the common bond of womanhood, the life-creating secrets of ourselves. To our sisters, a gift from our hearts.

WEN-DO FOR WOMEN

Preparation for self-preservation

"I feel I use Wen-do every day; how I carry myself, how I talk; with confidence and credibility. I'm not nasty, aggressive, or always on the defensive, just firm and positive."

BY FIONA JEYACHANDRAN

Every year approximately 400 women are sexually assaulted in Halifax alone. Over 50% of these women are assaulted by men they know.

As more and more women become victims of this menace, more and more are searching for a way to cope with it. Some hide away behind locked doors, too afraid to go out alone, thus allowing others to have control of their lives. Some women depend on mace and shriek alarms, which can give them a sense of false security and can prove useless in time of need. Neither approach takes into account the possibility of sexual abuse at home or at work.

Other women try to turn to traditional martial arts, but these take years of practice and may be too violent for many women. Is there a solution?

To a growing number of women in Canada the answer is Wen-do, a course in basic self-defence, tailored to fit the needs of women.

In 1972, a Toronto family of martial art experts designed this course as they realized that traditional martial arts were in many ways impractical for women. The latter stress endurance, strength and years of practice. On the other hand, Wen-do can be taught in a few weeks, and is suitable for all women regardless of age and state of physical fitness. The main objective is to give all women a choice of how to respond to a dangerous or potentially dangerous situation.

There is a lot more to Wen-do than just the physical techniques, according to instructors Meredith Bell and Carol Millet. Verbal techniques and discussions within the group are equally important.

Concerns and fears about responding to violence with physical action, myths about rape, sexual harassment and abuse, the roles of women in general are some of the main topics of discussion. This can help create a better awareness of situations a woman may find herself in.

"Awareness and avoidance" are emphasized during the course, says Millet. Wen-do reaches awareness of yourself and your abilities, awareness of a potentially dangerous situation and avoidance of it, if possible. Not all situations are avoidable and Wen-do equips a woman with the self confidence and defence methods that she needs.

These techniques can range from a quiet but firm sentence in response to a sexist joke to a broken collarbone to keeping someone from knifing you. (The latter would render the assailant useless at the time but far from crippled.) Thus, body language is as important as verbal responses.

One very important lesson in Wen-do is teaching women to yell! Screaming can be ineffective in many cases, so a typical martial art technique, "ki-yi" is taught. This is a deep guttural yell, as opposed to a thin, high pitched scream.

A university student was able to use this type of verbal response to her advantage in an incident in New York. As she walked out of a book store laden with parcels a man began to follow her and whisper abusive things in her ear. At first all she could remember from her Wen-do course was to keep breathing so that she would not panic. This did the trick and a few minutes later she was able to turn suddenly on the man and use her "ki-yi" technique. The roar of "inner strength" and the element of surprise were enough to make the man turn tail and run.

The main part of the course is devoted to the teaching of the physical techniques. These include various chops, kicks, and blocks, as well as different holds and releases. The idea is to depend on your own body for defence. The element of surprise, the ability to go with your assailant's force rather than against it, and the knowledge of his vulnerable points (no matter how big he is) are all types of defence methods.

Not only will you be able to escape a situation, you can do so with minimum

injury to yourself and your attacker. Millet stresses this point, "Wen-do teaches response to aggression, not aggression and violence itself".

Sometimes a verbal response is not enough, as in the case of Meredith Bell on a trip to France.

While she was sitting on a park bench writing home, a man sat beside her and began asking harmless questions. Suddenly he was very close to her, restraining her hands and whispering obscenities.

After using a simple wrist release, Meredith elbowed the man in the solar plexus. This was an effective yet harmless method of escaping to her hotel safely.

For Meredith Bell, there is more to Wen-do than just physical responses like the above example.

"I feel I use Wen-do everyday; how I carry myself, how I talk; with confidence and credibility. I'm not nasty, aggressive, or always on the defensive, just firm and positive" she says.

For more information on Wen-do call 454-0570.

Safety tips:

- o Avoid walking alone in unlit parks or alleys.
- o Walk confidently on the street.
- o Be aware of who and what is around you on the street. Look and listen.
- o If you think you are being followed, cross the street and go to the nearest restaurant, shop, or well-lit home and call the police.
- o If a car is following you when you are on foot, turn around and go to other way. It is easier for you to do this than it is for the car.
- o Always have your keys ready in hand for your home or car door.
- o Don't keep your keys and ID together. If your purse is stolen, the thief will have both your keys and address. If this happens, change your house locks.
- o Keep hands free of too many parcels.
- o On the bus sit near other women. If someone bothers you, tell the driver immediately.

In your car:

- o If you have car trouble in a dark/deserted area, lift the hood. Then get back into your car and lock the doors. If someone stops to

help, ask them to call the police. Don't get out of your car.

- o Don't stop for others in apparent need of assistance. Go to the nearest phone and call for help instead.
- o When in your car, lock the doors. Don't give someone a chance to come in uninvited.
- o If you leave your car parked, lock the doors but always look in the car before getting back in.
- o Don't pick up hitchhikers. Don't hitchhike.

In your home:

- o Keep your doors and windows locked. Draw your blinds at night.
- o Don't open your doors to strangers. If a service man or police officer wants entry, ask to see his identification and/or phone his company or division to verify.
- o If someone wants to use your telephone, offer to make the call yourself.
- o Keep doorways and garages well-lit.
- o Keep emergency numbers and your own address taped near your phone. Being afraid or upset might make you forget when you are calling for help.

HOW THE PATRIARCHY

promotes menstrual shame, or . . .

Women of the world, flow in solidarity!

BY KIMBERLEY WHITCHURCH

REMEMBER WHEN YOU WERE ABOUT 12 YEARS old, and got your period for the first time? On one hand it was a relief that it Finally Happened, and there was no small feeling of accomplishment to have visible proof of one's burgeoning womanhood. Tampax! Kotex! Midol! A real excuse to avoid gym class!

But there was also the shame of it. Your mother was probably furtive about the whole thing, implying that dad and your brothers were not to be let in on your new secret. They had to be protected from that gruesome part of your female identity...god help them if ever they were exposed to the actual sight of your blood. Or the odour!

So if you used pads of the non-flushable variety, you wrapped them into elaborate little pupae of toilet paper before stowing them at the very bottom of the wastebasket. You worried constantly about whether anybody could tell you were wearing anything. You especially worried about...accidents. If you ever got blood on your clothes, you'd absolutely die of shame! You'd leave town! The world would very likely end!

Advertisements in *Seventeen* and

whatever else you were reading certainly contributed to this attitude. They always seemed to stress keeping That Time of the Month a big secret. Deodorant tampons...to eliminate the slightest possibility of tell-tale odour. Tampon and pads individually wrapped in plastic, to 1) ride inobtrusively in your little purse and 2) be hygienically sealed, pristine until the very moment of use. The instruction folder with the tampax pointed out the sanitary nature of their product, saying that "your hands need never touch your body." Heaven forbid that your 14-year-old fingers ever should touch anything Down There.

It's sad how many women are still subtly (and even not so subtly) led to believe that their genitals are smelly, messy, and ugly. Did you feel repulsion the first time you looked at yourself with a strategically-

placed mirror? Or did it strike you as a wild, red, exotic area? I'm thinking of Alice Walker's female character in *The Colour Purple*, describing a friend's vulva as "like a wet rose."

The dewy-eyed girls in the slick magazine ads confide breathlessly about that extra-special feeling of freshness, of confidence, that whatever product they are wearing gives them on the day of the big presentation, the day the boyfriend's parents are met, and so on. Come to think of it, there's something vaguely icky about feminine hygiene ads in general. I always feel talked down to. At least the execrable FDS can, and the reasons behind it, has disappeared from the magazines. And most of our shelves.

The whole issue I'm trying to point out is that our attitudes about our bodies, our reproductive functions, have been shaped in a manner which is ultimately convenient for the patriarchal system. To be ashamed of one's body is to lack strength. It's about losing power. There are times when you can feel so good about your sexual identity, about being a woman, and it feels like power running in your veins. Sexual power. You just can't experience that if you've been convinced that your genitals are so disgusting that a man couldn't possibly enjoy the sight of them...or the taste.

I am not suggesting that you proudly swing a tampon by the string on your way to the washroom. It's no more the public's business at large than the state of your sex life.

It's more like suggesting that we don't bury our early warning training in the care and upkeep of your attitudes. What did mum tell you when she first described menarche? Do you still believe it? If you got blood on the back of your skirt one day, would you be mortified...or no more concerned than if you got a nosebleed? Question those early attitudes. Think about shame, embarrassment, and sexual power.

And remember, women...war is just menstruation envy.



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LOOKING BACK

A glimpse of women's sport in the early century

BY LISA TIMPF

"DOWN THE HILL AND AROUND THE bend come the happy girls, with their cheeks glowing, and their eyes sparkling with fun. Here comes Margaret F. Sullivan! One would think that she was born on a Flexible Flyer...Alas! What is that tree doing in the way?

She shouts to it in vain; it moves not. Result — the tree gets a bad bump and must have the gardener fix it when the spring comes. Trees are so foolish."

This description of coasting in winter, which appears in Mount St. Vincent's yearbook *Folio Montana* early in the century captures some of the themes of sport and recreational physical activity for girls and women in the early twentieth century. The image of "glowing cheeks" echoes the belief of the times that physical activity (in moderation) could provide women with a healthy glow and rosy complexion.

The "fun" aspect was emphasized in women's sport. So much so, in fact, that winning was often downplayed in importance.

Sportsmanship was a recurrent theme of sport involvement for women. A description of Miss Ward, a coach at Halifax Ladies' College, noted:

We want to thank her for the sportsmanship she has instilled in us, an ability to love the playing of the game without recognizing the winning. No girl passes through a year of H.L.C. games without having her ideals of 'the game' heightened in some way."

The Mount St. Vincent college yearbook makes reference to the school motto, "Keep good humour still, whate'er you lose". Women were, in fact, repeatedly warned not to let winning become the all-encompassing motive for athletic participation. This is an attitude which is currently being re-emphasized in sport for children, because of a concern that youth sport has become too winning-oriented.

Players' techniques of the early 1900's were much more rudimentary than they are today. This factor, combined with confining clothing, poor equipment, and restrictive rules, led to some low-scoring games of basketball, such as the matchup between women from a New Brunswick Normal School and a team from University of New Brunswick, in 1906: "The Normalites won out, 5 to 1. The games was a little on the rough side, as evidenced by the fact that one of the Normal students had two teeth knocked out..."

Early in the century, there was a desire to preserve the "chaste" image of women by screening their abbreviated sport costumes, particularly in the case of basketball, from the vulgar gaze of men. A notice of a ladies' basketball game to take place between the Edelsteins and the

Jewels in 1907 was accompanied by the note, "Only ladies admitted".

Social activities were frequently held in conjunction with team athletic events for women.

A field hockey game between Halifax Ladies College and Edgehill, a girls private school in Windsor, Nova Scotia, involved some socializing both before and after the game:

"...after cocoa had been served in the library we got our things and took taxis to the Wanderer's fields ... After the game we had dinner at the College, then we danced after which the Edgehill girls left."

A women's hockey game between Wolfville and Halifax also involved a social element, for "The visiting team was entertained by the Wolfville team at a course diner at Acadian Villa Hotel, after the game."

Women's ice hockey was an activity which appears to have been more active early in the century than it is at present. In the 1920's, women's teams from Moncton, Charlottetown, Stewiacke, Windsor, Halifax, New Glasgow, Sydney, Amherst, and Springhill were all mentioned in newspaper accounts.

The New Glasgow team of the early 1920's was particularly well-travelled. The ladies sported "a regular costume with red toque, white sweaters, and bloomers". Their win over a Halifax team is explained in a Halifax newspaper's account which noted:

The New Glasgow ladies team were far superior to the home players, as might be expected, as they have been travelling all over the province playing games and are regularly organized.

The games were often well attended: New Glasgow's matches drew crowds of 600 (versus Moncton), 1,000 (against Charlottetown), and 1,500 (vs. Glace Bay), according to newspaper accounts.

Ice hockey was one of the few examples of a sport in which women could engage in bodily contact as part of the game. And engage in it they did:

"Deet' Balcom, Halifax winger, drew down the house with her rugged playing, several times knocking her opponents spinning with hard checks", states a newspaper account of one game.

Perhaps because ice hockey involved body contact, sportsmanship was not

always the primary consideration when competitive feeling were aroused. A description of a ladies' hockey game in 1910 may have been dramatized by the press, but nonetheless indicates that assertiveness did come out at times even in women's sport:

The ladies hockey game...was a keen contest, and...the ladies showed a knowledge of the game, combined with a proficiency which stamped them as excellent players. There were a few of them who indulged in tripping; there were a couple who were inclined to 'mix it up', while most of them were ready to assert their rights when the occasion arose...the play waxed warmer, and two of the players came in collision, and looked so savagely at one another that the referee was right on hand to prevent any trouble.

Women's field hockey, contrasted with ice hockey, was a more genteel sport, although it also brought its share of bumps and bruises. The game got an early start at Halifax Ladies College, as the 1909 version of the school yearbook noted:

In the autumn a hockey team was formed, and with great delight we would often assemble on the field off Young Avenue.

Although for a space of almost ten years the game was not played at the College, it was revived and by the 1920's had become one of the focal points of school sport. It even inspired some poetic efforts, such as the following excerpt from a poem printed in the school's yearbook:

*Sing a song of centre half
Has she work to do?
With the ball everywhere
And the forwards too
Wing, centre, out again
Than perhaps a roll
Next a hit from a forward's stick
And then for us—a goal.*

A trophy was awarded for annual home-and-home competition between HLC and Edgehill. That these competitions were eagerly anticipated by the players is suggested by the description of pre-game feelings in the HLC yearbook:

The day was at last approaching when we were to play our first match against Edgehill and when the girls who showed the greatest hockey ability made up the team. They were determined to put up the best fight they possibly could and had high hopes of bringing the cup back into the

school again. Groups of excited girls boarded the train for Windsor...

At Mount Saint Vincent, women participated in field hockey in addition to tennis and basketball. In 1919, it was noted that,

During November, ground hockey was played by girls who are fond of brisk weather and quick action. Needless to say we had our share of bruises. When the snow came, however, all turned to sensible walking on the road."

The game received an introduction at Acadia University through the efforts of a Mr. Russel, who was said to be keenly interested in promoting women's athletics. In the student newspaper, the *Athenaeum*, it says, "He hopes to be able to add field hockey and archery to the list of sports for next year." Russel appears to have been successful in introducing the game to the gym classes at least, for "as long as the weather permitted field hockey and soccer were substituted for indoor work, and proved very interesting".

Weather and field conditions were a preoccupation for those who engaged in field hockey. One season at HLC was summed up thus: "On the whole the season was good for the weather was not very bad". A scribe from the same school unwittingly predicted the future in wishing for an indoor game of field hockey:

We have all heard of ice hockey indoors and out but somehow those participating in ground hockey find themselves outdoors—and usually in the mud! Oh for an indoor field!...the Windsor match was won by Edgehill. We certainly should congratulate them on their superior skills in arising from the mud puddles.

Another match the same year was described by saying: "The match, which was won by Edgehill, resulted in a scramble for the ball in pools of exceedingly black and plastic mud."

An emphasis on social interaction and fair play for the female athlete of the early twentieth century did not entirely prevent the collection of bumps and bruises. There were also the vagaries of weather to contend with.

Written images of the Nova Scotian sportswoman of the early century indicate that these were taken in good spirit, and that women participated within their own frameworks of values and attitudes toward sport.



The New Thinking Man's Guide to Pro Football

Dear Football fan,

I have just finished one of the finest books of football ever written. The author is Paul Zimmerman and the book is



Overtime

MARK ALBERSTAT

called *The New Thinking Man's Guide to Pro Football* (Simon and Schuster \$26.95).

Zimmerman is of course the chief football writer for *Sports Illustrated* and covers all of the big games through the season. His insight into the game is so incredible that it shines through in almost every paragraph.

Dr.Z. (as he is sometimes known) starts each chapter with a quote which is so well chosen that it spurs the intrepid reader to start and hopefully finish the chapter in one reading. A prime example of these quotes is quite appropriately one of the first in the book, the chapter called "A Violent Game"

...Another time he (Bill Bradley of the Eagles) tried to get inside my face mask, so I stuck my fingers in his. I was trying to pull his eyes out. That's when I realized I might be insane.

—Conrad Dobler

Some of the other chapters in the book are the "Offensive line" (one of the best in the book in my estimation, it actually makes you interested and want to watch an offensive line), "Quarterbacking for fun and profit", "The coaches", and "We never lose a game in the press box" (a favorite of mine, full of humor and wit). In total there are 21 chapters in the book. From just these few examples one can see that Dr.Z. makes house calls on every aspect of the game one would want.

The book was written recently, which gives one the feeling that they are not reading the dated material one all too often finds in books such as these. Zimmerman mentions players like Eric Dickerson and John Riggins

with as much ease as he mentions O.J. Simpson and Gale Sayers.

It is on the subject of history that Zimmerman uses his collage of writing-knowledge to a magnificent extent. He does not fill up the chapters with useless history but only puts it in when needed. The quotes that he brings back are the ones that will be ripe (in the right context) for ever and a day.

An interesting piece of history Dr.Z. does bring up is the evolution of the 3-1 defense. This part of the chapter on defense, with its diagrams and tight explanation may be the best in the book.

Diagrams of plays are nothing new to football and they are clearly nothing new with Zimmerman. He uses them in precisely the right places and does not overuse them. His diagrams are often many diagrams rolled into one, and are both pleasant to see and easy to read.

The book is so well written that the avid football fan will soon finish all 400 pages and wonder if there is more to come.

Anyone who is a football fan and wants to learn more about the game will become a fanatic in no time. The author of the review is a prime example. Anyone who has a mild or miniscule interest in the game will learn to enjoy and appreciate it all the more. Zimmerman has a talent for taking the usually boring parts of the game and making them interesting enough for the fan to want to see more.

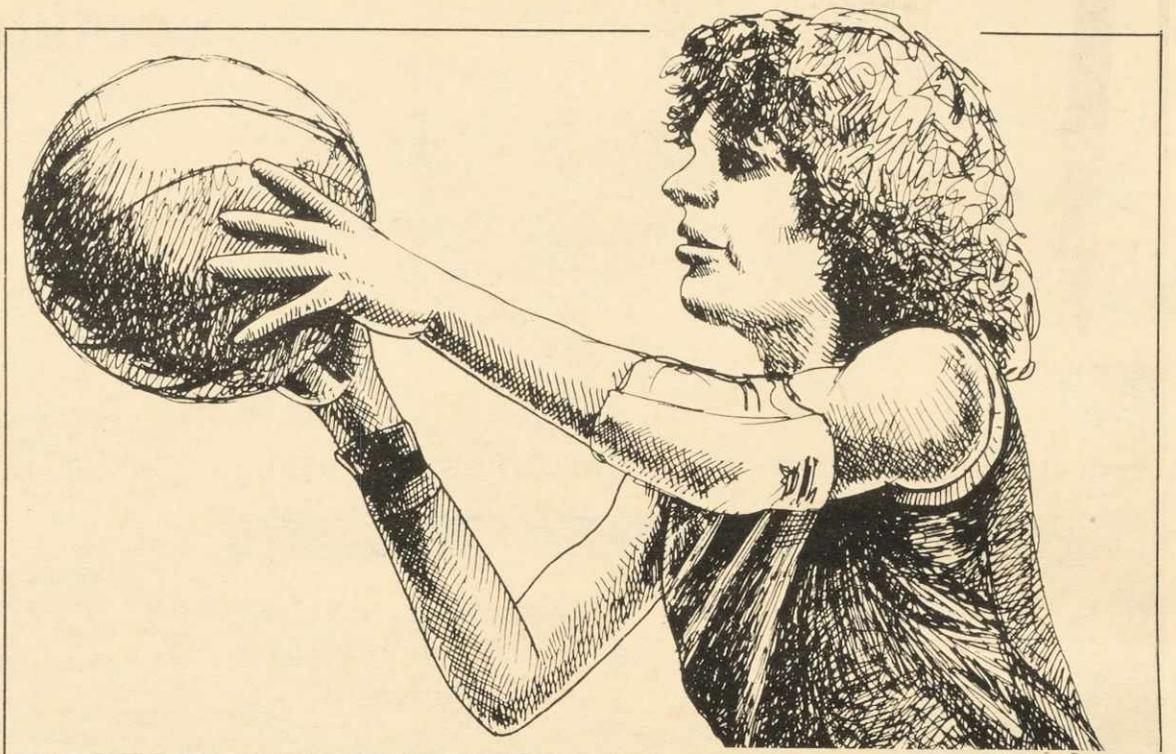
If you only plan to buy one sports book this year make it *The New Thinking Man's Guide to Pro Football*. Your money will be well invested.

Malott an All-Star

JAMES (BO) MALOTT, a fourth year veteran on the Dalhousie Tigers Men's Basketball Team, has been named to the AUAA Second All-Star Team for his efforts this year. The six-foot four-inch Sociology major from Toronto, Ontario, has received many awards since coming to Dalhousie, including team MVP last year, but this is his first selection to the conference all-star squad.

Malott, who plays the swingman position for the Tigers, has been a leader for the team on both offense and defense. Nicknamed by Tiger coach Doc Ryan as "The Secretary of Defense", Malott is a solid player at both ends of the court.

The versatile Malott led the Tigers in scoring this year with a 15.6 point per game average (tied for sixth in the league) and recorded 5.1 rebounds per outing.



Basketball team bows out

By LISA TIMPF

"WE DIDN'T GO OUT playing our best."

That, in coach Carolyn Savoy's words, summed up the Dal women's basketball team's 52-11 loss to University of Prince Edward Island in the AUAA semi-finals.

"They were so excited by the belief that they could win that they became overanxious," said Savoy. "They just couldn't put the ball in the basket."

Although they played well defensively, poor shooting plagued the Tigers as they converted only 13 per cent from the floor in the first half. The second half wasn't much better, as the Tigers put up 42 shots, more than enough to have won them the game, but again failed to convert on a high percentage.

Alice Cerny scored 13 points to lead the Dal team in scoring.

The championship game saw UNB claiming the AUAA title with a 46-45 win over UPEL.

The game went down to the wire, as UNB scored to go ahead with six seconds left and UPEL hit the rim in a last effort to come back at the buzzer.

Although the loss was a big disappointment for the Dal squad, Savoy thinks the effects could be positive.

"Because it was such a big disappointment for them, it could be a positive factor in their development," said Savoy.

"They may be all the more determined to come back strong next year."

"Overall, we had a fantastic season. We started out a little shaky, but after Christmas the team got stronger, more experienced, and more assertive," said Savoy. "It has come together really well, and they're developing into a really nice team."

"I felt that all season they never quite played up to their potential but they did play consistently and played good basketball."

"They will become very good players because they are making

their own decisions out there instead of having to be told everything by the coach."

With all of the players eligible to return next season, Savoy looks forward to a good one.

"They remind me of a team I coached in 1979. They came up

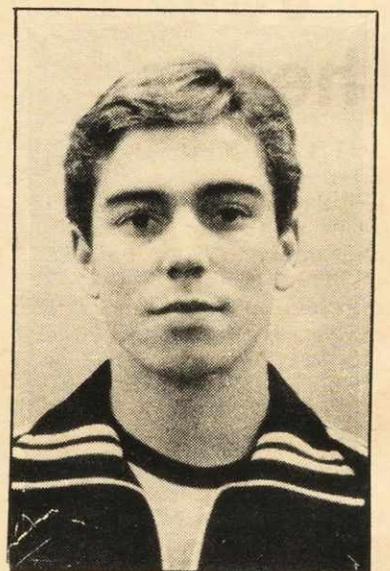
flat in the semi finals of the AUAA's and lost. It was a real disappointment for them, but the next year they came back and had a fantastic season, won the league championships, and finished second in the CIAU's."

Athletes of the week

MEN: Andrew Cole, a fourth year Physical Education student and member of the Tigers' swim team, is Dalhousie's Athlete of the Week for the week of February 25-March 3. Cole, a native of Dartmouth and former member of the Dartmouth Crusaders swim club, claimed double gold medals at the CIAU Swimming and Diving Championships held at Brock University last week.

Last year's Dalhousie Climo Award winner set two AUAA records in winning both the 100 M and 200 M breast stroke events in times of 1:04:33 and 2:17:96 respectively.

The 21-year-old Cole has won medals in these events for the past three years, but this is his first taste of CIAU gold.



Diving Championships at Brock University last week, and all seven were outstanding. The entire group has been selected at the Tiger Female Athlete(s) of the Week.

The group captured three bronze medals, set a new AUAA record in the 400 M Medley Relay, and placed fifth overall in the country. The fifth place ranking is the Tigers' sixth consecutive CIAU finish in the top five. The Dalhousie women, who are all being honoured as athletes of the week, are Patti Boyles, Susan Duncan, Heather Kaulbach, Jennifer Davidson, Lisa Hoganson, Mary Mowbray and springboard diver Paula Gaudet.



WOMEN: The women's swim team sent seven representatives to the CIAU Swimming and



Al Scott, Dalhousie men's volleyball coach, would like to see a bigger fan following for AUAA volleyball. Photo: Mary C. Sykes, Dal Photo.

Spotlight on

A L S C O T T

BY MARK ALBERSTAT

One of the winningest coaches in the AUAA talks about how he got there and how he coaches . . .

AL SCOTT IS CURRENTLY in his sixth year as head coach of the Dalhousie men's volleyball team, which is presently at the CIAU Championships. A few weekends ago the men's squad picked up their sixth consecutive AUAA title.

Scott is one of the winningest coaches in AUAA history and is currently riding a league winning streak that stretches back to the Christmas before last.

When asked about how he produces such winning teams Scott said "One of the things we have done at Dalhousie is that we've taken athletes who were not necessarily the best players coming out of high school but had the potential and developed them within our program. Not every university program in Canada is prepared to do that and we've had pretty good success with it. I think we, with this program, try to develop a high regard for the development of the basic skills of the game and our players can compare very favorably with any of the top teams in the country."

"The thing that would make us one of the top teams in the country is if we had a little bit better competition within the league."

Al Scott is unquestionably a worker and wants his teams to do the same but in the AUAA there is little competition for the Tigers.

"I would like to see the Atlantic Conference as the number one conference in the country. If that was the case we wouldn't win every year, but I think it would be better for the sport. It would also be better for our athletes to know every weekend that they would really have to perform in order to come out on the positive side of winning."

Interestingly enough coach Scott never played volleyball in his college days at the University of Calgary. Instead he was a hockey player. In high school he says he was mainly a "hockey, football, and swimming athlete."

Swimming was one of Scott's first loves, it being one of his family's pastimes. "I was involved (in competitive swimming) from the

time I was six years old till about 22." He then went on to do some coaching.

"I still swim, although in the winter months I tend to do a lot of swimming once the season's over. I went in a Triathlon last year, which was the first one I ever did. I would have liked to have done better but I think I was 60th out of 120."

"I also play tennis," he added, "and I cycle and swim and usually run four to five times a week."

It was not until Scott was teaching in a high school in Dawson Creek, B.C., that he got involved in volleyball. He remembers that the school had very good athletes on the volleyball team. Scott soon found that the calibre of athlete he was coaching was steadily improving, forcing him to attend volleyball clinics to stay ahead of his players.

Before coming to Dalhousie Scott coached and taught in British Columbia for ten years, five in northern B.C. and five years in Victoria. The last five years Scott coached the University of Victoria's volleyball team. At the same time, he says, "I had about four teams on the go, the university team, the high school team, the junior high school team and the Canada Games team."

In 1979, Scott was named B.C. Coach of the Year. It was the first time they had given out the award, and it was undoubtedly a very exciting year for Scott, as his university team placed second in Canada West, and was third ranked in the country. His B.C. provincial team won the Canada Games, his high school team finished third in the province, and his junior high school team finished first in the city of Victoria.

Scott left B.C., the site of his successes, because "I was looking for a different challenge. I considered for some time the possibility of a university environment but in Victoria it was not a real possibility in that the faculty in physical education were not coaching as well."

It was then that Scott got a phone call offering him his present job. He came down to Nova Scotia and says the job sounded

like a challenge, talked it over with his wife, and decided to come to Dalhousie.

When he came, Scott says that "the program had some very good athletes, but one of the things that was lacking was a full time coach. Having an outside coach made it very difficult to achieve some realistic goals and when I came it then became a situation where you could have an opportunity to develop athletes more to their potential."

While in British Columbia Scott's B.C. provincial team often went to the Pacific Rim International Junior tournament where they sometimes played teams from the Orient. He uses some of their style for his own teams.

"I think what I try to do is look at the oriental system and pick out some of the strong points from their games and combine it with some of the strong points from the European game to try to develop a style of play that is suitable for our athletes in Atlantic Canada."

A little after Scott came to Dalhousie he initiated the Dalhousie Volleyball Classic, now a major annual event on the local varsity calendar. It was set up, says Scott, "to provide a local focus for our athletes and to provide a vehicle that we could use to highlight high level volleyball in Atlantic Canada."

"It is now one of the very top tournaments in the country and it serves, most years, as a preview of the CIAU Championships because we have made it a goal to attract the very top teams in Canada."

Although the team repeats their championship performance each year, the crowd at the matches remains small.

"I think it is a thing that's disappointing to a coach, something we really have to address to find ways and means to attract a better following for volleyball. We do very well at the Classic but that seems to be the one event of the year that we have reasonable crowds. If our league was very competitive I think the opportunity to have greater crowds would be increased."

Scott also said that "some of the problems we have are because that we only have four teams, and that makes it difficult. Our teams in the Atlantic Canada have not been considered amongst the powers in the country, certainly that's the thing we would like to change." Scott added, "it always seems to relate to coaching and there are indications that the people involved in the coaching in the AUAA at this time are very interested in competing at the national level and hopefully the conference will improve."

When asked how Scott sees himself as a coach he said "I think I'm a demanding coach. As the years go by you learn to modify and I think the very nature of our athlete today is constantly changing. I know over the years I've had to compromise some of my values and standards to adjust to today's athletes." He went on to say, "I think coaches who stay in university coaching over a long period of time have to do that, to remain successful."

Al Scott certainly has remained successful over the years and by all indications he should remain on in his winning ways.

Volleyball teams headed for CIAU's

BOTH THE DALHOUSIE Tigers men's and women's volleyball teams will be at York University in Toronto this week to compete in the CIAU Championships. The Dal squads clinched their respective AUAA titles and earned a berth at the Nationals two weeks ago at Mount Allison.

The men's Tigers are seeded sixth in the eight-team single elimination championship tournament. The Dal team's first match will be against number three seeded Victoria at 7 p.m. on Thursday. Other first contests in the men's division include number one ranked Manitoba against number eight seeded Laval, number two ranked Saskatchewan against number seven seeded York, and number four seeded Calgary against fifth seeded Toronto.

The women's Tigers are also seeded sixth and will meet third-ranked York in their opening match. Other opening round matches include top-ranked Winnipeg against eight seeded Ottawa, number two seed Calgary versus seventh ranked Laval, and fourth seeded Saskatchewan facing fifth ranked Victoria.

In both the men's and women's divisions, first round winners will advance to the championship semi-finals, while the losers will compete in the consolation round.

Both the Tiger teams enter the tournament with perfect AUAA seasons behind them.

Women's volleyball

THE DALHOUSIE TIGERS women's volleyball team captured its second consecutive AUAA title, its third in four years, at Mount Allison two weeks ago with 15-11, 15-4, and 15-11 victories over the University of New Brunswick.

Leading the Tigers against UNB were Tournament MVP and AUAA All-Star Simona Votrel with 25 kills and League MVP Brenda Turner with 10 kills, six ace serves and three blocks. Tiger Sue Furey added eight kills and three blocks.

The win completed a perfect season for the Tigers, who boasted a 26-0 match and 78-0 game record over the past two years.

The women's Tigers will travel, along with the AUAA champion men's team, to York University to compete in the CIAU Championships March 8-10. The women's Tigers won the CIAU title in 1982.



Photo: Bill Jensen, Dal Photo.

Final four basketball countdown continues

THE COUNTDOWN TO THE CIAU Final Four Men's Basketball Championship, to be hosted by Dalhousie University at the Halifax Metro Centre next Thursday March 14 and Saturday March 16 is almost completed.

The final four teams will be selected this weekend March 8-9 at four regional championships across the country. Of the 16 teams still in the hunt for the CIAU crown, three are from the AUSA and the chances of at least one of the AUSA teams qualifying looks good.

The closest regional to Halifax is in Antigonish. This regional will feature two AUSA schools. Number one ranked

Acadia will face number 16th ranked McGill in one semi-final while the other match up will see number 12 ranked St. F.X. facing number 10 ranked Saskatchewan.

The Toronto regional will have number two ranked Waterloo playing number 14 ranked Toronto and seventh ranked Lethbridge playing ninth ranked McMaster.

At Winnipeg, third ranked UPEI will tackle number 11 Calgary while fifth ranked Manitoba will battle eighth ranked Winnipeg.

The final regional at Victoria will have semi-final action featuring fourth ranked Victoria hosting 15th ranked Alberta and sixth ranked York playing 13th ranked Western.

The four regional winners will converge at the Metro Centre for Thursdays games going at 7:30 and 9:30 pm, respectively. The consolation and championship games are set for 12:30 pm, and 2 pm on Saturday respectively.

Tickets are now on sale at the Metro Centre box office and at all ATS outlets. Organizers at Dalhousie urge interested spectators to get their tickets early.

Women's swim team fifth at CIAU's

DALHOUSIE'S WOMEN'S swimming Tigers swam to a triple bronze medal performance at the 1985 CIAU Swimming and Diving Championships held February 28 and March 1 and 2 at Brock University, finishing fifth overall.

Patti Boyles won an individual bronze in the women's 100 M freestyle in 1:00.32 and anchored Dalhousie's bronze medal winning 400 M medley relay, along with Susan Duncan, Heather Kaulbach and Mary Mowbray. Boyles also led the 400 M freestyle relay team of Duncan, Kaulbach and Jennifer Davidson to a bronze. The Tiger quartet set a new AUSA record in the medley relay with a time of 4:33.87, surpassing the previous mark set by Acadia in 1979 by two seconds.

Co-captains Susan Duncan, with 6th place finishes in the 50 M freestyle and 100 M and 200 M backstroke, and Mary Mowbray, with a sixth place lifetime best in the 200 M butterfly, led the Tigers

to their fifth place finish in the women's team standings.

This was the sixth successive year that the women Tigers have finished in the top five in Canada. UBC won the women's title with 458 points, ahead of Toronto (428), Alberta (289), Victoria (272) and Dalhousie (240).

Heather Kaulbach, Jennifer Davison and Lisa Hoganson helped the Tiger cause, placing well in seven individual consolation finals. Diver Paula Gaudet also bolstered the Dal point total, placing eighth in the 3 metre springboard diving event, and ninth in the 1 metre contest.

Tinkham top tracker

NORMAN TINKHAM OF Dalhousie University captured one gold and two silver medals at the AUSA Track and Field Championships over the weekend at the University of Mon-

ton and was named the Athlete of the Meet.

Tinkham placed second in the 1500 m and 5000 m events and was on the Tigers' winning 3200 m relay team with Mark Wood, David Layton and Andy O'Rourke.

The Tigers' relay team set a new AUSA record in the 3200 m event in a time of 7:45.5.

The University of Moncton edged out the Tigers 33-31 for the team championship.

Other Tiger medal winners were Andy O'Rourke, silver in the 600 m; Mark Wood, bronze in the 5000 m; O'Rourke, bronze in the 1600 m; and Paul Evans, bronze in the long and high jump.

In the women's division, Linda Rozee of Dalhousie captured gold in the 600 m and silver in the 300 m. Rozee was also a member of the Tigers 4 by 800 m and 4 by 167 m gold medal winning relay teams. Other members of the 4 by 800 m team were Annick de Gooyer, Susan Spargo and Laurie Poole, while de Gooyer, Wendy Simmon and Barb Ross were also on the 4 by 167 m team.

The Tigers placed third behind first place Memorial and second place U de M.

Other women Tigers who claimed medals were Susan Culcut, silver in the shot put; de Gooyer, silver in the 1000 m; and Spargo and Ross, bronze in the 1500 m and 600 m respectively.

Cole good as gold

ANDREW COLE OF DALHousie University captured two gold medals at the CIAU Swimming and Diving Championships held at Brock University over the weekend. Cole led the men's swim Tigers in winning gold medals in both the 100 and 200 M breast stroke.

In the 100 M event, Cole set a new AUSA record with a time of 1:04.33, upsetting pre-meet favourite Rob Cheronoff of Calgary by 6/100 of a second. Cole went on to capture the 200 M event by a commanding 2.25 second margin, leading from start to finish with a 2:17.96 clocking, also a new AUSA record.

Dalhousie's Male Athlete of the Year in 1984, Cole has won medals in these events for the past three years, claiming the gold this year for the first time.

The Dalhousie men's team secured a tenth place finish. The men's team championship went to Calgary, with Toronto second and Laval third. The men Tigers have finished in the top ten in Canada ten times in the past 14 years.

Tickets available

TICKETS FOR THE CIAU All-Canadian dinner-dance to be held at the Hotel Nova Scotian March 15, are on sale at the Dalplex Membership Office and Sports Experts (Dutch Village Road, Mic Mac Mall, and Dalplex). For more information call 424-3372.

Fencing championships

AT THE PROVINCIAL FENCING championships held on Saturday, March 2, at St. Andrews School, Dalhousie fencers carried off top honours in both men's and women's events. The results of the event were as follows:

Men's foil

Florian Friedrich (*Enguardians*)
Ronald Morrison (*Corsairs*)
Theodore Norvell (*Dalhousie*)

Men's Epee

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Florian Friedrich (*Enguardians*)

Men's Sabre

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Roland Morrison (*Corsairs*)
Florian Friedrich (*Enguardians*)

Women's foil

Barbara Daniel (*Enguardians*)
Ann Copeland (*Dalhousie*)
Heather Fulton (*Dalhousie*)

Women's Epee

Heather Fulton (*Dalhousie*)
Ann Copeland (*Dalhousie*)
Nicole McBride (*Enguardians*)

Women's Sabre

Heather Fulton (*Dalhousie*)
Ann Copeland (*Dalhousie*)
Rachel Post

Master at Arms

(best over all in three weapons)
Theodore Norvell

Mistress at Arms

Heather Fulton

**Crack a pack of Colts
along with the books.**

Rum flavoured.
Wine dipped.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY MARCH 7

● **FILM** — *Killing Us Softly* will be shown in Seton Auditorium "C" at 7 pm with a discussion to follow with Judith Scrimger, of the Public Relations Department, Mount St. Vincent University.

● **THE ORFORD STRING QUARTET** is not only regarded as one of Canada's national treasures, it is recognized internationally as one of the finest string quartets in the world. The Quartet will perform in the Cohn Auditorium, 8 pm.

FRIDAY MARCH 8

● **LECTURE** — Dr. Muriel Duckworth, peace activist and long-time defender of women's rights will be the featured speaker at a special International Women's Day Rally at Mount St. Vincent University.

● **CONFERENCE** — Alternative Legal Careers Conference 9—1:30 Weldon Law Building, Rm 115. To explore career possibilities in business, government and public advocacy for those interested in a law degree. Featuring Ralph Medjuck and Phil Edmunston. Open to all. For more information, call Professor Letalik, 424-6557.

SATURDAY MARCH 9

● **THE ANNUAL CELEBRATION MARCH FOR INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY** will begin at 1 pm from Victoria Park, across from the Public Gardens in Halifax, to Historic Properties, films to follow. There will also be a supper for women only, from 7—9 pm with a dance afterward, at Veith House, 3115 Veith St., Halifax. Day care facilities are available. Come out and celebrate! For more information, call 422-4111.

● **FILM** — *The Women's Suffrage Movement in Canada*. Made in conjunction with members of the B.C. Women's Research Centre, this tape examines the Women's Suffrage Movement, the women who were active at this time and some of the most controversial issues: Temperance, Motherhood and its obligations, and the Vote. Parallels are drawn between the feminist movement today and its roots in the early feminist and suffrage movements. The presentation includes: slides, photographs, dramatizations, and an interview with a special guest, Vancouver Suffragette, Mary Norton. The Alexandra Centre, 2156 Brunswick St., Halifax. For more information, call 429-7299 or 429-6399.

● **FILM** — *The Fleck Women*. The strike action of 80 women employed at the Fleck Manufacturing Co. in Ontario in March 1978 was met with disproportionate police retaliation and brutality. This tape documents the women's struggle and illustrates their courage and the bonding process of the collective action. The fight against appalling working conditions, brutal police harassment and political inequality resulted in a growing awareness of their shared problems and shared strengths. In the words of the workers at Fleck, "It's a disgraceful affair when we cannot turn to the law for justice," and from another women, "We have learned the meaning of sisterhood." The Alexandra Centre, 2156 Brunswick St., Halifax. For more information, call 429-7299 or 429-6399.

● **FILM** — *The Gloria Tapes*. *Gloria* is a series of short dramatic tapes about the adventures and misadventures of Gloria, a

single mother on welfare. Based on the director's experience working in a refuge battered women and children, *Gloria* is a compassionate statement on the political, economic, and sociological struggles of people living at the bottom of our class structure.

● **QUEBEC'S NUMBER ONE JAZZ QUARTET** UZEB will perform in concert at 8 pm in the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. For tickets and further information please call 424-2298.

SUNDAY MARCH 10

● **DALHOUSIE FILM THEATRE** will present Daniel Petric's 1980 film *Resurrection* at 8 pm in the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. *Resurrection* is a profoundly moving story of a woman who discovers, after a near-fatal accident, that she possesses healing powers. The film stars Ellen Burstyn, Eva LaGallienne and Sam Sheppard.

MONDAY MARCH 11

● **THE WORLD'S LAST SHANGRI LA** is the subject of the travelogue to be screened in the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium at 8 pm. A forgotten medieval world in the Himalayas seen by only a few foreigners is accessible through Jens Bjerre's travelogue film.

TUESDAY MARCH 12

● **TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL** — Gain confidence, overcome nervousness when speaking in front of groups of people. Regular meetings every Tuesday, 6—8 pm, Maritime Centre, Barrington St. For more information, phone 454-1445 (days), 413-7138 (evenings), ask for Alfred.

● **CUSO** — overseas employment opportunities. Interested in using your skills in a developing country? Contact Connie Nunn, Room 121 in the A & A Building, 12:30—1:30. For more information call 424-2104.

● **LECTURE** — Genetic and Morphological Variation of Lodgepole Pine in Relation to Historical Factors by Les Cwynar, Department of Botany, University of Toronto, Life Sciences Building, Rm 2970, 11:30 am.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 13

● **FILM** — *Grenada: The Future Coming Toward Us*, presented by the Caribbean Information Group, about social improvements made before the U.S. invasion. There will be a discussion with Caribbean experts after. Free admission and refreshments, McMechan Auditorium, Killam Library, 7:30 pm. Enquiries: 423-2339.

● **DAVID LEE, GUITARIST, WILL** perform in the Sculpture Court at 12:30 pm as part of Dalhousie Art Centre's Entertainment Series.

THURSDAY MARCH 14

● **FILM** — Amnesty International is currently conducting a campaign against human rights violations in Peru. Local events include: Film: *Ayacucho*, to be shown at 1 pm, Arts Building, Theatre B, St. Mary's University. Discussion of the situation in Peru with Father Casey after showing of film.

ALSO

● **PENPALS** in Canada wanted urgently:



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all ages. Write: Pen Society, (B. 10) Chorley, Lancs, England.

● **APPLICATIONS ARE NOW** available for the Ward Five Community Centre's Talent Show, Pancake Eating Contest and other events as well as the Sports such as Floor Hockey, Basketball and much more. Drop by the Centre, 55-10 Russell St., Halifax or phone 454-0018 for more information.

● **THE BLACK CULTURAL CENTRE** for Nova Scotia, with financial assistance from the Multiculturalism branch of the Secretary of State, has just published a unique calendar. Entitled "Aho Nova Scotian Past," the calendar costs only \$5 and is available from the Black Cultural Centre in Dartmouth (No. 7 highway at Cherrybrook Rd.) and, in Halifax, from Dalhousie University's Transition Year Program (1459 LeMarchant St., 424-3730). More detailed information may be obtained from Henry Bishop at 434-6223. All proceeds will support activities of the Black Cultural Centre.

● **SPRING FASHIONATION**, a fashion show sponsored by Alpha Gamma Delta to raise funds for the continuing research into Juvenile Diabetes, will take place on March 11 in the McInnes Room of the Dalhousie S.U.B. People arriving at 6:45 will have the opportunity to meet and speak with the models. The actual show will begin at 7:30. Tickets are \$5.00 per person and may be purchased at Michael M. Fashion and Furriers, Colwell Brothers Inc., Whispers of Fashion, Collection Plus, The Binnacle, and Margo Butler.

● **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:** Do we want to pay 29 per cent increase in

differential fees for 85/86? If not, come to a meeting Friday March 8 at 4:30 pm., MacMechan Auditorium, Killam Library. Voice your concern — now or never.

● **AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL** is a world-wide human rights movement which is independent of any government, political grouping, ideology, economic interest or religious creed. The Halifax student group of Amnesty will meet on Monday, March 11 at 7:30 pm in Rm 216, Burke Education Building at St. Mary's University. If you are concerned about human rights, please come along. Call Brian Daley at 477-2465 for more information. You can make a difference.

● **SPIRITUALITY AND THE ARTIST**— The United Church Community at Dalhousie invites you to join us for a special series for Lent. Every Sunday evening during March we will gather in Room 314 of the SUB at 7:00 pm. Our special guest this Sunday, March 10 is Marcel Gibson of Nova Scotia Film Resources. Everyone is welcome!

● **CHANGE OF DATE**— A marriage preparation program for couples is planned for March. Sessions will be held:

Wed., March 20 — 7:00-10:00

Fri., March 22 — 7:00-10:00

Sat., March 23 — 9:00-3:00

Anyone interested in participating is asked to contact:

Avery Kempton
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