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Gulf warship visit protested

BY JOEY GOODINGS

The USS Roosevelt is a dangerous environmental hazard and should not have been allowed to dock at Halifax harbour, says the Coalition For a Nuclear Free Harbour. The Roosevelt is a nuclear powered American aircraft carrier which has been accused of carrying nuclear weapons.

"occasionally nuclear bombs fall off ships and they are lost at sea"

"Canadian law does not permit nuclear weapons to exist on Canadian soil. Therefore, nuclear-powered and nuclear-armed warships shouldn't be docking at Canadian harbours," said Francis Early of the Voice of Women in a speech to the American sailors. The Coalition organized a cruise around the carrier where people could voice their concerns over a microphone and loudspeaker.

According to the Coalition, U.S. aircraft carriers such as the USS Roosevelt routinely carry 100 nuclear weapons and are powered by 2 water-cooled nuclear reactors.

The Neptune Paper 3 (June 1989), a document available at the Peace Centre, revealed more than 300 accidents involving nuclear weapons of the US Navy between 1965 and 1977, and 220 accidents involving the world's naval reactors from 1950 to 1988.

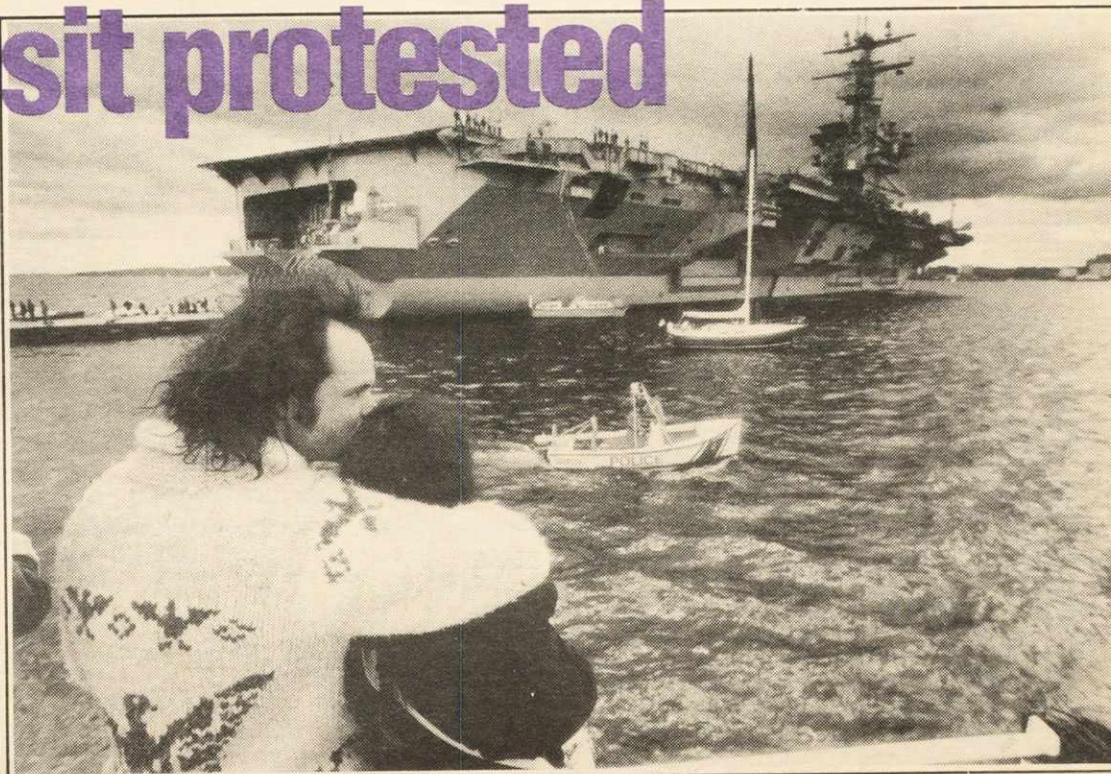
"In Halifax we know that the safety record of those nuclear reactors is not good," said Dr. Lesley Choyce of Dalhousie University, "and we know that occasionally nuclear bombs fall off ships and are lost at sea. We're worried and you should be too!"

The USS Roosevelt has decided to neither confirm or deny the presence of nuclear weapons aboard the ship. The USS Roosevelt was docked at Halifax harbour from Sept. 13-15, when its crew enjoyed some time off.

Frank Fawson, a candidate in the municipal elections in Ward 4, said if Haligonians were able to vote for or against nuclear weapons in their harbour, "I'm sure they would vote no' against such action."

However, two sailors from the Roosevelt (who asked their names be withheld) said there were no nuclear weapons on board. "We can't confirm anything, but rumour has it that there are no nuclear weapons on board... in fact, take it as a definite no," they said.

"When not in combat we don't



Dark clouds loom over nuclear ship's rest and relaxation visit to Halifax.

PHOTO: JIM RANKIN

usually carry nuclear weapons. Right now we're just training pilots and doing some maintenance." When asked why the government doesn't confirm this, the sailors responded, "The U.S. has never confirmed the existence of nuclear weapons on any Naval ships, so it doesn't confirm or deny their existence ever." The sailors did confirm the existence of two nuclear reactors on board, adding that they are "perfectly safe."

The Department of National Defense has an "Emergency Pre-

paredness" team which is placed on ALERT whenever a nuclear vessel enters the harbour. But according to Francis Early, "there is no adequate response to an emergency resulting in the release of radioactive isotope, in the quantities contained on these vessels."

The protesters didn't limit themselves to opposing just the nuclear aspect of the Roosevelt. As well, opposition was directed at the carrier as a symbol of American military power and its role in the Gulf War.

The Coalition hit the streets of Halifax as well last Friday, leafleting and displaying protest signs at the Main Branch Library on Spring Garden Road, and showing the signs to rush hour traffic at the Armdale Rotary and MacDonald Bridge. "The response was generally positive," said one organizer.

With municipal elections in Halifax on October 19, the Coalition is urging Haligonians to pressure candidates into taking a stand to make Halifax a nuclear free harbour.

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Rationalization hits the fast lane

BY SHANNON GOWANS

The provincial government is pushing for rationalization as a fast track solution to duplication of university services, and the resultant underfunding.

Rationalization is the process of making an industry more efficient.

"A few weeks to deal with this [concept] is ridiculous," says Scott McCrossin, Students Union of Nova Scotia (SUNS) Chair.

A consultants' report on the structure of rationalization was discussed Sunday night at the Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) Council meeting. At stake is who determines the operating grants for Nova Scotia universities.

On Monday, the report was discussed at a special Senate meeting. Tuesday, it went to a Board of Governors (BOG) meeting; Tuesday night to a joint Senate and BOG committee and finally, to the Council of Nova Scotia University Presi-

dent's (CONSUP) on Wednesday.

The consultants met with each of the universities, as well as SUNS and the Nova Scotia Confederation of University Faculty Associations (NSCUFA). They then developed a proposal linking four possible bureaucratic changes to the determination of universities' operating grants. The difference between these options is in the amount of power each council will hold.

Various options in the report also include another paid position in CONSUP. Funding for this salary would most likely come from the total post-secondary grant - further reducing money spent on programs - say several Dalhousie Senators.

Already \$40 000 of government money has been spent on the report, "equivalent to resodding Studley Field four times," says Brian Hill, student representative on the President's Advisory Committee

that prepared Dalhousie's brief to the consultants.

Currently, the power to determine operating grants rests with the provincial Cabinet. The report

"There was no student opinion because there were no students"

recommends that the Nova Scotia Council of Higher Education (NSCHE) and CONSUP be given greater roles in budget determination.

While removing funding decisions from the political control of Cabinet seems positive, Dalhousie President Howard Clark questions if there are sufficient checks and balances on the councils.

At Sunday's DSU meeting students expressed concern about increasing CONSUP's power. They

were concerned about adding another level of bureaucracy to the system, and giving CONSUP funding to do this.

"Rationalization should be a big student issue, bigger than tuition fee increases," says DSU Vice President-External, Alex Boston.

Boston says this report is approaching rationalization backwards. He says broad assessments of all the possible forms rationalization could take should be done before structured changes are considered.

One of the biggest complaints McCrossin has with the report is the lack of student representation on the NSCHE. SUNS recommended one of the Council members be the Chair or a delegate of SUNS, thus ensuring student representation by a student who is responsible to a recognizable constituency.

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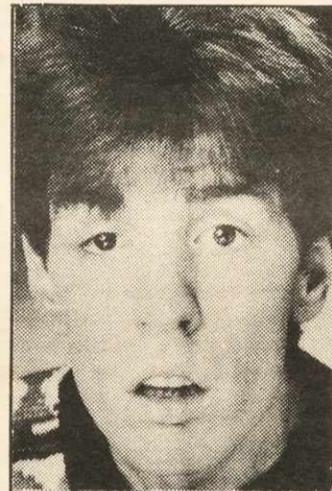
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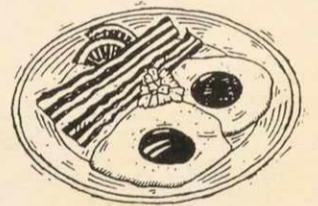
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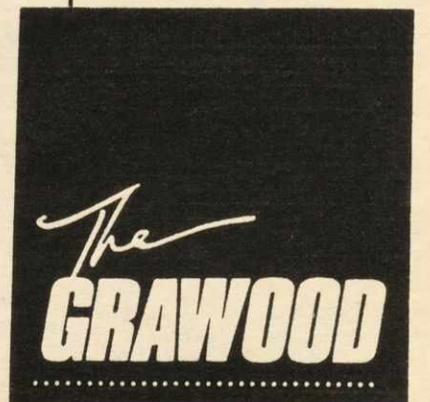
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NEWS

Bye bye student employment pie — job centres close across Canada

BY BRUCE GILCHRIST

In a August letter to all MP's, Pierre Cadieux, the federal government's Youth Minister, tabled his plan to close all university employment centres (over one hundred) within the next three years.

However Scott McCrossin, the Chair of the Student's Union of Nova Scotia said every centre, including Dalhousie's, could be phased out by next May.

Cadieux said the campus employment centres are "specialized centres that are increasingly difficult to justify" and that the move to close the centres is to help "focus resources on the most disadvantaged clients in the labour market." The money saved from the closing of the centres will be redistributed to programs aimed at preventing high school dropouts.

McCrossin said this is the government's plan of pitting high school students against university

students. He said, "It is definitely a plan that takes from one and gives to another... What are the high school students going to do once they graduate and make it to university?"

Tom Leonard, the Halifax Metro Manager of the Career Employment Centre, said that in Halifax's case, this is not a service cut but "a redistribution and redeployment of resources to a larger force... students will still have access. They're just losing their privileged position." It is expected that students will have to travel to the downtown employment centre to compete with everyone else.

Nothing was mentioned concerning the job accessibility of students in smaller towns, where no other Canada Employment Centres exist. McCrossin said that he expects "students in smaller towns to suffer" as a result of the only centres in town closing.

Leonard also said that some uni-

versities, including Dalhousie, have considered taking over the service but McCrossin said it's like "expecting one hand that's already been cut to pay for missing the other." He feels that it's "not the university's responsibility. It's the federal government's."

McCrossin that because of the lack of funding, increased tuition, and taxes that "more students, and even university graduates, are in need of this service than ever. It has to be replaced."

It appears that the Federal Government wants its employees to stay quiet about the closings, as they have been asked to refer all inquiries to top level managers, such as Leonard.

McCrossin also said the Student's Union of Nova Scotia will participate in protests to be organized by the Canadian Federation of Students in response to the closings.



Report on racism urges Nova Scotians to walk together

BY DAWN MITCHELL

HALIFAX (CUP) — Nova Scotians were urged last week to walk together in an attempt to overcome racism in the province.

Less than two months after disputes between the Black and White communities sparked demonstrations in Halifax's North End, a committee was appointed to address concerns raised during the July debate.

"[The report] is not all-encompassing," said Carolyn Thomas, chair of the quickly formed Nova Scotia Advisory Group on Race Relations. "It is a good and worthwhile contribution to what is to be done to achieve the desired results," she said.

"It's a blueprint for change for every level of government"

The group, which included representatives from the Black community, municipal, provincial, and federal governments, worked throughout August. Its report outlines 94 recommendations to all levels of governments ranging from education to tourism.

"It's a blueprint for change for every level of government," said Mildred Royer, group member representing the city of Halifax.

Education was the major theme which ran through the report.

The advisory group was members of the Black community should be provided with the proper education and encouragement to take

positions in jobs currently closed to them.

"The recommendations are such that no one dare let them sit on the shelves," said Rev. Ogueri Ohanaka, director of the Black United Front.

"I hope there will be no reason for us to say the government has failed us again," he said.

The group has given the governments and other agencies 30 days to develop a comprehensive plan of action for the implementation of the report.

BY SUZY KOVINSKY

Prior to 1982, a man accused of rape would often use his accuser's sexual history as a defense for his own innocence. Nine years ago a law was created to prevent this from occurring. The so-called "rape-shield law" was legislated to protect women from often brutal and victimizing cross-examinations about their sexual histories. Cross-examinations which many people felt was irrelevant to the guilt or innocence of the accused.

A few weeks ago the Supreme Court of Canada nullified the "rape shield" law, opening up a second round of discussion on this controversial topic.

A woman's sexual history can now be used against her in a court of law. This disturbs supporters of both victims' and women's rights. A Toronto lawyer, who spoke on condition of anonymity, thinks that

Advisory group recommendations

- The Nova Scotia Department of Education incorporate anti-racist principles as a key element of the philosophy of education and that these principles be reflected in major documents as the Nova Scotia Schools Act and all curriculum guides.

- All levels of government provide adequate long-term funding for the Indigenous Black and Mi'kmaq Program at Dalhousie Law School

and seek to provide internship programs and employment within the public sector and encourage the private sector to do likewise.

All levels of government provide incentives to businesses to locate and/or develop in Black communities and to create employment for Black people at all levels.

- All police commissions and senior police management in Nova Scotia carefully review current re-

cruitment and promotional practices in order to create more opportunities for Black people and other visible minorities through affirmative action programs and similar positive policies.

- The municipalities in Nova Scotia use community organizations and community media facilities to inform citizens of what initiatives are being undertaken to improve race Relations in their cities.

Lack of rape shield law causes concern

the mentality of many judges in the past was "if you're not a virgin in a castle then you've asked for it." Many people feel that this attitude

Victims of acquaintance rape will be faced with a "press charges if you dare" dilemma

has not disappeared, in a system supposedly supportive of female victims, yet almost entirely created and controlled by men.

Dalhousie University professor Susan Sherwin states that the defense attorney tries to prove, "If you've done it before, you really enjoyed it, you're a slut and you could do it again."

This places the woman in a bind. If the victim is painted as a promiscuous person, a judge or jury might see her as initiating the sexual attack. If she is a virgin she might be unjustly seen as sexually frustrated and, therefore, been done a "favour" by her attacker.

Support systems, Sherwin adds, are finally succeeding in convincing victims to report sexual assaults, the removal of the "rape shield" law is a reactionary step. She remembers that prior to the law's creation "trials were so horrendous that they often deterred women."

Barbara Harris, the President's Advisor on Women, is especially concerned that victims of acquaintance rape will be faced with a "press

charges if you dare" dilemma.

In light of the fury shown across the country by a diverse assortment of interest groups, Justice Minister Kim Campbell has stated that she is initiating plans to create a "partial rape shield law" in place of the original.

This vague promise has many people wondering what sort of a law can safeguard the rights of the defendant while protecting the victim from unfair judgement and malicious persecution.

Recently, the *Globe and Mail* printed an editorial analogy which helps to put this issue into perspective. It read: "Assume that a milk store is robbed. While on the stand, the man who owns the store is asked 'Have you been robbed before' and 'do you still carry milk?' After answering 'yes' to both questions the defendant is proclaimed innocent because the owner obviously has invited the crime."

Fox Run for fun and money

BY LILLI JU

Why was there a hoard of people doing aerobics in front of the Dalhousie Arts Centre on Sunday afternoon? This past Sunday, September 15 was the date of the 11th Annual Terry Fox Run for cancer research. The Halifax run started at the Dal Arts Centre and followed a course of 10 km covering parts of the Dal campus. The run attracted participants and groups of all sorts who ran, walked, biked, jogged, and even roller-bladed their way through the course.

The reported total as of Sunday was \$22,296.16, however final figures won't be known for quite some

time. Last year, over \$21,000 was made on the day of the run. Lori Ken-Howlett, the Terry Fox Run's Provincial Director, commented that "a lot of money came in after [the run date]" and expects the same to happen this year. She has already received calls from people who missed the run because of the Moosehead Grand Prix, but still intended to make a donation towards the run.

By the end of the week, Ken-Howlett expects to have a better idea of how the Terry Fox Run did province-wide, as more regional reports come in.

Ken-Howlett extended congratulations to the coordinators of

the Dalhousie run, Tony Martin and Patty Weld, both of Athletics and Recreational Services at Dal. "The run was very well-organized and participants had a marvellous time."

She estimated the number of participants to be about 1000. In the Terry Fox Run, rather than having monetary goals, goals are set for participation "especially since times are so bad" stated Ken-Howlett. "We don't like to set monetary goals. Instead we try to set goals for increased participation each year." Across Nova Scotia, approximately 45,000 to 50,000 people were expected to participate in the run this year.

This past summer, there were police reports of individuals in Halifax, Dartmouth and Sydney who were supposedly soliciting money on behalf of the Terry Fox Run and pocketing the money. Ken-Howlett confronts this problem by "asking people if they were approached, to make their donation by cheque, or if that isn't possible, then to make their donation at any branch of the Scotia Bank." She admitted this problem was "a bit discouraging," but added that "it is encouraging to know that we will catch them and hope to get most of our money back." Organizers of the run are presently looking into ways to prevent this problem in the future.

In general, Ken-Howlett said that she was "happy with the support from the Dalhousie community. Their enthusiasm was really encouraging."

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CROSS CANADA NEWS

No star search for OSU

TORONTO (CUP) — Ohio State University has dropped out of an Arizona observatory project that is under fire from native and environmental groups.

Citing financial difficulties, OSU withdrew its support on Aug. 9, leaving the University of Arizona, Germany's Max Planck Institute and the Vatican to foot the \$80 million bill. The group needs two more partners, and one interested party is the University of Toronto.

Lack of donor interest and government funding cuts have made it impossible for OSU to pay its \$15 million share, said OSU official Earle Holland.

Ernie Seaquist, head of U of T's astronomy department, said university administrators have yet to make a decision.

Church sued by Ojibway

TORONTO (CUP) — A northern Ontario Ojibway band is suing an Anglican diocese for \$10 million, claiming the diocese sold land in trust to fund native education.

The suit also names Algoma University College which purchased over 35 acres of the Ojibway's 90 1/2 acres in 1975.

Ron Irwin, lawyer representing the First Nations Garden River Band, says the church originally bought the land on behalf of the bands in 1874, because natives weren't allowed to own land.

Although it was supposed to have been kept in trust for native education, the church sold off most of the land and constructed clergy houses on the remainder, Irwin said.

"What the hell's that got to do with native education?" he said.

The land was originally home to the Shingwauk school for native children, built in 1873 with funds raised by band chiefs and an Anglican reverend. Through a series of land sales, Shingwauk was slowly integrated into the public school system, and is now part of the Algoma University College campus.

Needle exchange stops HIV

VANCOUVER (CUP) — Across Canada, the handful of people who run needle exchanges are trying to keep HIV — the virus thought to cause AIDS — out of the intravenous drug-using community.

The Vancouver programme is run by the Downtown Eastside Youth Activity Society, an 11-year-old group organized to help young people living on the street.

For the past two-and-a-half years, a nurse specializing in sexually transmitted diseases and a needle exchange worker have patrolled downtown Vancouver six nights per week. Every month they distribute up to 10,000 needles to IV drug users from their inconspicuous van.

Other needle exchanges exist in Victoria, Montreal, Halifax and Toronto.

Canadian cities with exchanges have not experienced the same increases in the rate of HIV infection as their U.S. counterparts without similar programmes.

DEYAS coordinator John Turvey credits the needle exchange with the low HIV-positive rate among Vancouver street people.

U. Sask loses job centre

WINNIPEG (CUP) — Members of the University of Saskatchewan student council were shocked three weeks ago when they discovered their newly-built, student-financed Canada Employment Centre was slated to close.

"We had heard rumours of cuts for a while, but we only learned for sure by reading the papers," said Georgina Neilon, a council vice-president.

Other universities such as the University of Manitoba were opened in September 1990 and funding will run out in April 1992. "[The federal government] turned around and slapped us in the face by cutting our funding," said Wayne Ingjaldson, a council executive member.

He said the interview appointment service provided by the centre is important to students in smaller cities like Saskatoon because they aren't close to employers.

"It's one thing when you are going to the University of Toronto where the businesses are right downtown," he said.

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NEWS

Controlling the arms trade

BY MARY-JANE HAMILTON

Ernie Reghr, national researcher for Project Ploughshares, gave an informative presentation at Dalhousie University last Thursday night on controlling the arms trade.

Reghr began by explaining the origin of the arms trade, and its relation to the Gulf War. "The Gulf War... illustrated for many what happens when you have an unrestrained arms trade and when you don't exercise gun control effectively," he said.

Although arms sales have diminished, Reghr strongly suggested that Canadian policy include measures to control our arms export. Reghr defines a "war" as a conflict which involves government armed forces and has resulted in more than 1,000 deaths. There are cur-

rently 30 wars ongoing in the world.

"This fall, for the first time ever, a parliamentary sub-committee is going to be holding public hearings and a public assessment of Canada's own military policy," Reghr said. "And also the way in which it can engage in international measures to control the international arms trade."

He said although Canada is "a minor player [in the arms trade] compared to the U.K. [United Kingdom], the USSR, and the U.S... we need to begin working more directly and effectively on the issue [the arms trade]."

The United Nations will address the idea of creating a United Nations Arms Trade Register in a resolution of the General Assembly this fall. This would mean that when a government exports a mili-

tary commodity, they will have to register and report it to the United Nations. This would only be a reporting measure, not a control measure.

Reghr said Canadians should support the Register because "there would be greater security in knowing what your adversary has" and countries would not be building up weapons based on a "worst case scenario."

It would be difficult for Canada to create weapons for our own purposes. Reghr suggested that if Canada made its own weapons for strictly security measures and not commercial measures, export orders and "our estimation of what we will need will grow."

"We have made for ourselves a stake in the continuation of the arms trade," Reghr said.

During a discussion, doubts were raised about the idealistic nature of the solutions Reghr proposed. Reghr admitted there were problems with alternatives to the arms trade, but he said, "We need sanctions instead of preparing for war," when an incident like the Gulf War occurs.

Ernie Reghr teaches a Peace and Conflict Studies program at University of Waterloo. He is the author of many articles regarding the arms trade and Canada's role in the arms trade, and two books entitled *Arms Canada* and *Road to Peace*.

This presentation was sponsored by Project Ploughshares & Lester Pearson Institute's DAL-Outreach Programme.

Greening Dalhousie

BY JOEY GOODINGS

Over the summer, Dal became a little greener.

Mike Murphy, the Manger for Environmental Services for the Physical Plant, has been intensifying the recycling program on campus.

Whereas there used to be only 20 barrels for recycling paper amongst the SUB, Physical plant, and Law building, there are now between 100 and 110 barrels. Murphy says they have collected 30,000 pounds of paper since April. Aluminum can recycling has also expanded at Dal with over 40 barrels on campus collecting over 2000 pounds of aluminum cans.

Much of the effort to be more environmentally sound pays for itself, says Murphy. Recycling saves Dal the cost of sending garbage to a landfill, which is \$38 per ton plus the disposal fee.

When Murphy was hired last April, recycling was added to the list of responsibilities for the job, which also include custodial services, grounds, trucking, and mail services on campus.

Aaron Cosby of CEAG (Campus Environmental Action Group) is impressed by the Physical Plant's efforts. "As a scorecard for how hard they're trying on environmental issues, I'd rate them highly," he said.

But the students could try just a little harder. Murphy says that generally he has had little problem with the recycling bins, except once when, 25 per cent of the aluminum can barrels were rejected because of contamination. Part of the problem was a lack of signs on the sides of the barrels explaining what can and cannot go in. According to Murphy, the situation has improved.

At some point, Murphy hopes to have an environmental audit in order to gain a better understanding of what needs to be done to make Dal more environmentally sound. Such an audit would require the participation of a number of different departments at Dal.

Murphy says that in the future he hopes to include glass products and newsprint as part of the recycling program, and he would like to find ways to make Dal more energy efficient.

Gorbie in trouble

BY NORMAN PEREIRA

In the aftermath of the failed coup of August 19-21, the once all-powerful Communist Party has been banned in several Soviet republics, and suspended at the Union level pending investigation of its role in the conspiracy to topple Mikhail Gorbachev. All but four of the USSR's fifteen republics are now independent. Leningrad has changed its name back to St. Petersburg, as have several other places such as Sverdlovsk/Ektaerinburg where the last tsar and his family were killed by the Bolsheviks in 1918. There is even talk of closing down the Lenin mausoleum and removing the remains of the founder of the Soviet state to his family's burial plot.

After his three days under house arrest in the Crimea, Gorbachev returned to preside over these monumental events. But in the turmoil of the moment, it was easy for observers to lose perspective of what he had accomplished since 1985. Boris Yeltsin and a handful of others (notably Leningrad mayor Anatoli Sobchak) came to the fore

in daring opposition to the eight-man Committee of State Emergency and the apparatus of coercion presumed to be at its disposal, while many leading "democrats" and even vocal anti-Communists maintained discreet silence. Had the commanding officer of the KGB's elite Alpha Group followed orders to storm the Russian parliament building, Yeltsin and his lieutenants would have been arrested and executed, which most likely would almost certainly have broken the resistance.

Indeed, a more ruthless or better organized coup might well have produced results similar to those which ousted Nikita Krushchev from power in 1964. During the first day — Monday, August 19 — spontaneous popular opposition was not widespread. In response to Yeltsin's call for a general strike,

only the militant Siberian miners complied in large numbers. The initial rally in Moscow outside the Russian Republic's "White House" was attended by no more than ten to fifteen thousand people in a city

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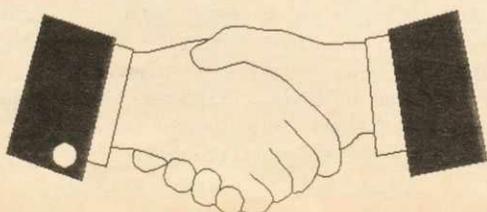
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NEWS

United Way takes pro-active stance

BY BRUCE GILCHRIST

The Halifax Metro United Way is taking a "pro-active" stance in its upcoming fundraising advertisements "in an effort to fight complacency." Advertisements will feature stark black and white images of an abused girl, a drug-using youth

and an elderly woman unable to care for herself properly, eating cat food.

Carmen Moir, the Metro Chair of the United Way, said he expects the commercials to "disturb some people" but that the potentially controversial images are "not designed for shock value." He said

the advertisements were designed by the Metro United Way Task Force's *People helping people* committee chaired by Dalhousie President Howard Clark. The report called for specific targeting of issues "to raise awareness" about common problems.

Moir, former deputy minister for constitutional affairs in the provincial government, said the advertisements were "not a gamble as everyone would win" if more money was raised. Although the advertisements are filmed in black and white, he said issues are not necessarily "either black or white... it's too difficult to say."

Some controversy might also appear concerning the production of the advertisements. A Toronto firm was used to produce the spots as they offered "one week's free work" while making the ads. Moir said "an organization as large as the United Way can receive benefits such as these because of its size, while other, smaller, associations could not." He said "the ads might go across the country if the response is great enough in the Metro Halifax-Dartmouth area." This year's campaign target is four million dollars although "four and a half million would really allow us to do some of the things we want," he said.

The United Way is a large association specializing in collecting business donations (although it appreciates public donations as well) and redistributing these to smaller, more street level organizations. Over one hundred fifty associations and groups receive support from the Metro United Way.

Rationalization

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Student representation is also important to the DSU. In Council they instructed the student Senators to urge Senate to push for student representation.

During the special Senate meeting a motion was passed encouraging Clark to support the proposal of a SUNS nominee to NSCHE in his discussions with CONSUP.

The timing of the consultants report makes student involvement in discussions difficult. Most of the work was done over the summer when few students were present. "There was no student opinion because there were no students," says Hill.

The report was commissioned by the provincial Minister of Education in July, 1991. The consultants were hired on the recommendation of CONSUP, who must present a structural option to the provincial government by September 31, 1991. CONSUP's final recommendations on rationalizing Nova Scotia's post-secondary education system are due December 31, 1991.

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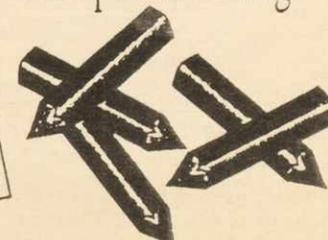
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NEWS

Province appeals Morgentaler decision

BY MIRIAM KORN

The Nova Scotia government won't give up. It has filed for an application for leave to appeal to Supreme Court of Canada to overturn the Nova Scotia Court of appeal decision upholding a lower court ruling that the Medical Services Act is unconstitutional.

If this sounds complicated, it is because it is. The clincher, however, is that last fall, this law was used to prosecute Dr. Henry Morgentaler for performing abortions at his McCully St. clinic in Halifax (see sidebar).

The Medical Services Act's stated purpose was "to prohibit the privatization of the provision of certain medical services in order to maintain a single high-quality health-care delivery system for all Nova Scotians."

The provincial government says it wants the Supreme Court of Canada to determine the limits of provincial power over regulation of health care in the province. "It's a question of federal and provincial regulation of medical services, not just abortion," said Peter Spurway, the Attorney General's Information Officer. "We want to know where the line is drawn between federal and provincial justice in the medical services question."

At present, there is no federal legislation that controls abortion, however, Anne Derrick, Morgentaler's lawyer, notes that it is not needed. "Abortion has been shown through many cases to be a simple, safe procedure that can be performed in a clinic. We do not need a bunch of male legislators to set up legislation that limits women's rights by regulating abortion."

Derrick describes the province's legislation as "a wolf in sheep's clothing." She disagrees with Spurway as to the real reason the government is trying to appeal the decision. "In my opinion, this question of law was decided in court. There is no point in wasting time denying women abortions."

She also points out that a lot of money is being spent on this case. Basil Deakin, a columnist for the Chronicle-Herald, agrees that it is an "incredibly petty decision of the supposedly politically chastened and economy minded government... especially for an administration that prides itself on its puritanical penny-pinching, ranging from ministerial motor cars to departmental cups of coffee."

One of the senior solicitors for the Crown, Marian Tyson, on the other hand, says that the government is not spending that much extramoney on the case. She points out that they are using staff lawyers and that the first trial against Morgentaler took the most money, since it spanned a three week period while the appeal only took one day.

During the trial, the Crown said that "the Act's clear purpose is the delivery of medical services in Nova Scotia through the establishment and management of hospitals as opposed to private facilities." They used John Malcolm, the administrator of the Health Care Institutions division of the Health and Fitness Department, as a primary witness to support this claim.

"if a procedure was done at one hospital, there was no need for it to be duplicated at another"

He testified that the objectives of the Act were "the prevention of a two-tier system of the delivery of health care, one for the rich, one for the poor; high quality delivery of health care, with quality control mechanisms, and the rationalization of the delivering of medical services so as to avoid duplication of service, and to reduce overall cost to the province."

He did admit, during the proceedings, that Morgentaler's stated intention to set up a clinic to perform abortions provided the "catalyst" that resulted in the legislation being put forward in March of 1989.

Tyson supported Malcolm's testimony from the original trial. She

explained that "rationalization" of the medical services in Nova Scotia, meant that if a procedure was done at one hospital, there was no need for it to be duplicated at another. "For example, abortions are done only at the Victoria General Hospital. She added that "Morgentaler agreed that the V.G. was the best service east of Montreal." (Morgentaler stipulates that this was said prior to the opening of his clinic).

Despite the existence of this service at the V.G. Hospital, the McCully St. clinic is still fairly busy, according to its manager. An average of about 10-15 abortions per day are performed at the clinic once or twice a week. She explained that there are many reasons why there is a need for the clinic. "Women from out of the province may not have access to a hospital; the clinic provides a supportive environment for these women, and some simply want confidentiality and anonymity."

At present, an abortion at the clinic costs \$400. If MSI were to cover it, which it does not at this point in time, there would still be a \$125 charge for the service.

Other provinces have tried to obstruct the performance of abortions in various ways. For example, explained Derrick, several years ago British Columbia refused to fund abortion. Newfoundland, on the other hand, "took the sensible view and did not obstruct the establishment of Dr. Morgentaler's clinic," she noted. "Some provinces can appreciate the pro-choice majority."

Chronology of abortion debacle

The saga of the provincial government's opposition to Morgentaler's clinic in Nova Scotia is long. The following is the sequence of events.

- On March 16, 1989, the Nova Scotia Executive Council made regulations pursuant to the Health and Hospitals Act prohibiting therapeutic abortions performed outside of hospitals and, pursuant to the Health Services and Insurance Act, denying medical insurance coverage for such abortions.
- On May 8, 1989, the Canadian Abortion Rights Action League, a national pro-choice organization, commenced a constitutional challenge in the Nova Scotia Supreme Court to the March regulations. This application for a declaration, naming the Attorney General of Nova Scotia as the Respondent, was set down to be heard on a contested basis in Supreme Court Chambers on June 22, 1989.
- On May 24, 1989, the clinic opened for phone referrals and counselling for women outside Nova Scotia with no access to abortion. Sometimes, those from New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island were referred to other clinics.
- On June 6, 1989, a new bill the Medical Services Act, [the Act] was introduced to the legislature by the Minister of Health, David Nantes. The bill received first reading on June 6, and third and final reading on the last day of the legislative session, June 15, 1989.
- On November 5, 1989, an injunction was granted to the government stating that a violation of the Act was a criminal offence. The clinic continued with its counselling and referrals, but did not perform any more abortions. Morgentaler was charged with 14 counts of violation of the Medical Services Act.
- On October 19, 1989, Judge Joseph Kennedy found Morgentaler not guilty on the basis that the legislation was an attempt to enact criminal law and was therefore ultra vires, i.e. beyond the scope of the province's powers. This is usually federal law.
- On October 23, 1990 the clinic re-opened to perform procedures.
- On July 5, 1991, the Nova Scotia court of appeal upheld the original provincial court decision, 4 to 1. The province is presently seeking leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada. In other words, it is waiting for the court to decide if there is reason to hear the case. It could take from three to six months until a decision is made.

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NEWS

Newfoundland controversy

Government says O.K. to discrimination

BY DAWN MITCHELL

HALIFAX (CUP)—Discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation is enshrined in Newfoundland's Terms of Union with Canada. And provincial justice minister Paul Dicks has used this argument to partially defend his government's unwillingness to protect sexual orientation in Newfoundland's human rights code, says a St. John's gay activist.

Dicks said changing the code would contravene the constitution's guarantee of a discriminatory educational system for the province, according to Padraic Brake, a member of Gays and Lesbians Together.

Newfoundland's schools are administered by three school boards—Protestant, Roman Catholic, and Pentecostal. Each board's responsibilities include hiring and firing teachers.

"The minister argues that the Terms of the Union created a school system which is unique in Canada and for that reason itself the government is not willing to change the code," Brake said.

If the code were to change, school boards could no longer discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation when hiring teachers, he added.

The 1949 agreement reached by the two governments protected the existing school structures. Teachers were traditionally hired with the understanding that they adhere to the religious faith of the board.

The school boards can fire anyone for any so-called breach of this

understanding, which includes sexual orientation.

The section of the Canadian

"changing the code would contravene the constitution"

constitution which covers the Terms of Union would have to be amended to force the boards to adhere to the human rights code.

"By refusing to move on this issue the government has implied that it's okay to discriminate,"

Brake said. "We find this disgusting."

The organization has presented the government with a brief outlining some of the difficulties faced by gays, lesbians and bisexuals in Newfoundland.

According to the results of a mail-in poll, 87 per cent of the respondents said they had experienced some form of anti-gay or anti-lesbian discrimination. Over one third had been threatened with physical violence and 20 per cent said they felt they were discriminated against by the police.

The Nova Scotia government is expected to announce changes to its human rights act within months.

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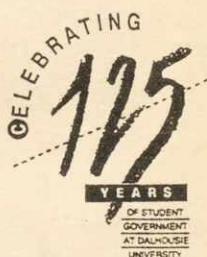
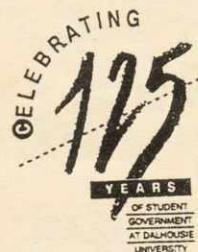
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Get realistic – support the taxpayer

What happened to realistic minded people? In the August 29 issue of the *Gazette* it was opined (sic) that we should all support the umpteenth Postal Worker's strike. Well I feel I speak for the fed up majority (who isn't in a union) when I say enough B.S. is enough. No doubt we should support the democratic right to strike if this is deemed a necessary part of the inability to reach an agreement. However, Canadians have had to tolerate strikes by many different levels of Government as well as those considered crown corporations over the years. Not because they were making a minimum wage but because they wanted better benefits and even higher wages to keep up with the cost of inflation.

This is all fine and well but the whole theory behind these wage freezes is on behalf of the Canadian taxpayers. We, the taxpayers, have been heard by our politicians to cut costs and stop giving our Postal Workers and Civil Servants any more increases for a few years.

Just to speculate about the costs of any increase in their wages; there are 155,000 civil servants (PSAC) in Canada. From the last look the minimum wage was approximately \$20,000 and all the way up to perhaps \$100,000 and more. If we just speculate that the average was

\$35,000 across the board at a modest 5 per cent increase for 1991 (they want retroactive for 91) this would be approximately \$271, 250, 000. Does this bother you just a tiny bit? And just to calculate what an increase in Postal Workers salaries would do to the ever-increasing costs of the postal delivery; there are 45,000 P.W. at an average of \$30,000 at an increase of seven per cent this would amount to \$94,500,000.00. This figure is based on reported average earnings annually.

I've worked for the government, dealt with the Government on a

professional basis through my employment and I can say without regret, that there is a considerable amount of room for improvement. They are overpaid for their output and way too many people doing too little. Civil Servants spend a lot of time worrying about their friends being laid off so they spend time making sure that there is work for them to do as well as not appreciating those who sincerely want to do an efficient job. For this would put their position at stake if someone found out they could replace two workers with one.

I abhor the Postal Workers because they don't seem to realize how lucky they are to be paid so well for what is honestly mindless and mundane work. If getting disgustingly good wages makes them feel better about themselves then I would question why they got into that line of work. Because it can't be a career to write home to mother about despite how much they pilfer out of the harder working taxpayer.

All this concern about Job Security is sometimes a little backwards. If you are a good employee and they need you then you have job security.

If the government can save money and increase productivity due to modern technology then albeit. Who needs a modern technology with unions around? There would just be one union member turning the switch while nine others stood around and bitched about not enough vacation time, wages, sick leave, work over-load, leave, etc.

I have an excellent idea! Why doesn't somebody form a union, get better wages and benefits and then a \$14/hr job would have the same buying power as a \$4.50/hr job used to. Am I starting to make my point?

K. Stacey

Things that have been bothering me

I suppose I must sound like a very bitter person.

Maybe I am.

It seems that all I can do these days is complain.

My smoke detector goes off every time I make toast.

The underside of my toilet tank is covered in a thick black slime.

I don't want to clean it off.

(As long as no-one sticks their hands under there - I should be safe.)

My hot water tap takes five minutes to produce even LUKEWARM water. I hate to waste all that water, but I have no plants to give it to, and I don't like cold baths.

When I walk (which I seem to be doing all the time), I like to take in my surroundings - to see things I'm passing on my way to... wherever.

I like to look at the trees, at the strange little carvings over the doorways and windows.

I like to look at people.

Sadly, that is not something I'm often permitted to do.

How many times am I made to feel guilty because someone has caught me "looking" at them?

How many times have I looked up and smiled, only to be hurt and embarrassed by the fact that they weren't smiling back?

I walk through the SUB - the heart and soul of the university - where, by the way, I was assured I would meet other people "like me". People who like to look around. People who like to talk - to share obscure thoughts.

Where are these people?

Where are the people who are not afraid to smile?

I think I smiled at you the other day.

You turned away. I felt cheap.

When I was little, I used to run and leap across the room, knees tucked up high, hoping to avoid the groping hand of the beasties that flourished amidst the dust-bunnies under the bed.

I was afraid.

For years after that, I had never really been in a situation that caused me to feel FEAR.

This week, I experienced it, for the first time in so long.

Rush hour. Fast pace.

Hurrying along the road, hoping to reach the bank before it closed for the day.

Ahead of me, a group of men were loitering on the sidewalk.

I passed by (through?) them, seeing the doors of my destination on the next block.

Whistles, "Hey baby's", and other appreciative (??) remarks.

I felt exposed. Vulnerable.

A slab of meat on a cold metal tray behind glass.

I felt ashamed. Ashamed to be female?

Ashamed to be walking to the bank?

They followed me. Deliberately turned in my direction and proceeded to strut after me.

My heart is going crazy.

I came as close to panicking then as I've ever come before.

What have (we) done that I should feel afraid?

ASHAMED??

I am not a slab of meat.

I like myself. I enjoy being who I am.

What I don't like is having to walk through the streets with my

eyes cast down, afraid of what I might (or might not) see.

Thank-you for listening.

It feels good to talk (complain).

Could I ask a small favour, though?

Next time you follow me - please make sure it's because you feel like sharing a smile

(Woke up this morning to a brightly lit room. That doesn't happen. Nine o'clock. What was I late for? Class? Work?)

And then I remembered - Saturday!!!

Grinned a huge grin and fell back to sleep.

Guess life isn't so bad after all....)

S.L.M.

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EDITORIAL

The message is the message

Most people have probably heard the Marshall McLuhan phrase "the medium is the message." Significantly less have thought about what this really means.

This summer there was a kerfuffle in the local media when Brenda Thompson complained about a T-shirt on sale in a local store. The offending shirt, as I understand it, had a picture of the Tasmanian devil with an axe in his hand, dripping with blood. The caption read "I used to love her but..."

The message is obvious. I thought the confrontation between Thompson and the shopkeeper on CBC's *As it Happens* left a message that was equally obvious. The shopkeeper played dumb about the issue in the manner of a child caught red-handed in the cookie jar. His protests of ignorance about the shirt seemed to me an insult to the intelligence of the listening audience.

Apparently not. When I arrived at work the next day there were some men, whom I had always thought of as intelligent, making jokes about the violent implications.

At the time I lost my temper and didn't do a very good job of explaining my viewpoint. For their sakes and for mine I'll try again.

In Canada every year more women are killed by their male partners or ex-partners than die of any other non-natural cause.

Think about it. More women shot, stabbed and beaten to death by the men who are supposed to love them, than die in car accidents.

The biggest question that leaps out of this statistic is why do women stay with men who beat them? There are a myriad of psychological and economic reasons. To me the most tragic is social.

One of the traditional myths we all pin our hopes on is that people are supposed to love each other for ever and ever. When you declare to the world that you want to spend your life with someone, it's hard to admit that you were wrong, and that someone is no good.

What makes it even harder is the attitude that only losers get beaten, or that what goes on in the home should stay in the home.

If you take family violence lightly enough to make jokes about it, you belittle a life and death struggle that is probably happening to people you know.

Not all bruises are visible, and not all scars are physical. Maybe by making that joke in the presence of your sister or your friend you rob her of the courage to tell you what's really wrong in her life. There are plenty of jokes out there that don't hurt anyone. Next time use one of them.

Jerry West



LETTERS

The **Dalhousie Gazette** welcomes letters to the editor. Letters should not exceed 300 words in length and should be typed and double-spaced. The deadline for letters is Friday noon before publication. Letters may be submitted on Mac or IBM-compatible 3.5" disk.

No Coke - Pepsi

To the editor:

No, Dal does not have "the right one." In fact this is the one change I noticed and disliked immediately. I thus began searching for alternative ways to get Coca-Cola, and I found some. Pepsi will not be purchased by many Coke drinkers especially if there are alternative places to get it. One I can name quickly is Fader's Drugs just off campus but there is still at least one on campus, and they'll get my business exclusively. I can't explain how much I was angered and frustrated by this change and will not begin, thus respecting your request for short commentary.

Darren Boucher

Top ten irritants

To the editor:

Well, here it is, another year at Dalhousie. Welcome back to university and the "good life." And what is the good life, you ask? Read on.

It's time once again to stand hours in the line-up at the bookstore, only to find the book you need hasn't arrived yet or it is sold out because your kind

professor has signed an extra 30, people into his/her class. And of course, you meet them all as you step over them to get a spot on the floor. You see, 60 people show up for a class with 40 registered, in a classroom with seating for 30 and no ventilation. Make s you appreciate good soap!

And what is the surprise Dalhousie has in store for students this year? Surprise, surprise - it's true the student parking lot that can't be used! What a treat to arrive for class to find the parking lot 3/4 empty, only to learn you can't park there because it's being paved! Don't get me wrong - pavement is good and maybe we'll get lines painted too so those people with the "nice cars" won't park at an angle and use three spots. Hey! Who knows? Maybe they'll leave their cars at home to prevent those unavoidable dings and scratches. Personally, I find they add character to my car! But back to the real fun!

Yes, you and I have paid \$100 for the inexplicable pleasure of cruising the side streets to find a spot. Only to return every two hours to

move your car so you don't get a ticket. Like I said, Welcome Back!

In my travels this first week back, I've compiled a list and here it is:

The Top Ten Irritants at Dalhousie

10. Line-ups at the Registrar's Office - only to find out you had to go to Student Accounts first.

9. Line-ups at Student Accounts.

8. Line-ups at the Bookstore for books that aren't there.

7. People on bikes who act like a car one minute and a pedestrian the next.

6. Pedestrians who walk diagonally across University Ave., through two intersections, and don't even look.

5. New library fines. As if the 25 per cent tuition hike wasn't enough!

4. The 25 per cent tuition hike.

3. The three per cent fee on Canada Student Loans - to be paid up front! Give my thanks to the Alumni!

2. Professors who overload their classes.

And here it is - the Number One irritant at Dal-

housie:

1. The Student Parking Lot!! You haven't lived til you've played the parking lot lottery. Game passes are available now at the Security Office for a mere \$100 a shot!

Well, gotta go - I have to move my car to avoid an additional \$16 ticket!

Oh! and P.S. Have a good year!

Dumbfounded at Dalhousie

Plan B time

To the editor:

I must take this opportunity to thank Dalhousie on behalf of all students for their infinite wisdom and skills in organizing the evening class schedule for this year.

Since I am working full-time this fall, I decided to take the tiger by the horns and have an evening course at Dal, regaining some of those much needed extra credits. I was somewhat disappointed, however, when I received the course selection booklet in the summer and scanned the evening courses section.

Being a student of the com-

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ED/OP

Join the March, women

This Friday (September 20) marks the annual Take Back the Night March. Halifax women and children will join protesters nationally and internationally in a demonstration opposing violence against women.

As a women-only march, we use this opportunity to claim our right to safely walk in the streets and

to protest the oppression we, as a group, face everyday. Men who wish to support this effort can also play a role by offering to baby-sit so their women friends with children can go on the March, or by simply cheering us on along the way.

Increased awareness of domestic and street violence against women contributed to a mass demonstration in Halifax last year, but recent events show that even more support is needed.

With the Supreme Court's decision to strike down part of the so-called 'rape shield' law women are once again threatened with being put on trial if we pursue sexual assault complaints.

The Nova Scotia government's decision to appeal the ruling in the Morgentaler case threatens women's access to safe abortions in Nova Scotia and demonstrates the provincial government's insensitivity to our needs.

Rumours are already circulating about recent rapes on Saint Mary's and King's College campuses, and yet women students haven't been officially informed about these events. Don't we have a right to learn about these things so we can take action to protect ourselves?

A woman attending Mount Saint Vincent University narrowly escaped physical injury when an armed man attacked her last Sunday. The emotional damage of his attack will stay with her for years to come, if

not forever.

Local universities have recently hosted the group Doug and the Slugs, to play during orientation week activities. Reports in *The Picaro* reaffirm this group is well known for its "ill-mannered commentary of crudities" regarding nuns, mothers

andsisters. To top it off, one band member saw fit to drop his pants in

front of the (female) *Picaro* photographer after the show. This offensive act left her "shaken and upset".

For many women the potential of being raped, assaulted, or verbally or physically abused is enough to create a climate of fear. Rejecting this climate is what the Take Back the Night March is all about.

We can also use the March to celebrate the advances women are making and the recognition that is given to our concerns. On a local level, Dalhousie University is establishing a committee to address personal security issues on campus; the Dalhousie Student Union, with Dal Security, is offering a women's self defence course and instituting a campus patrol and walk-home service. It is unfortunate that any of these services are needed, but until we change the climate at least we can work to protect ourselves.

Taking part in the March is also an empowering experience which gives many women strength to fight oppression, be it in their homes, work or school. It is also a lot of fun to be out with your women friends and singing in the streets.

Stopping violence against women is part of a larger movement towards our becoming full and equal participants in society. The Take Back the Night March is one way women can contribute to this movement.

For March details see p. 19.

Lara Morris

OPINION

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Teaching assistants get no respect

What would happen if Dalhousie University had no Teaching Assistants? Enrolment is increasing constantly yet the number of faculty is decreasing. How can quality education be maintained? By employing teaching assistants to mark your papers, tests and exams, lead your tutorials and labs.

Teaching Assistants are, with few exceptions, graduate students. Some are striving for a Masters degree while others are completing their doctoral studies. Teaching Assistants are valuable members of the university community yet, to look at our experience in comparison with other universities offering graduate degrees, you would think that Dalhousie could function quite well without us.

Did you know that teaching assistants at Dal are the lowest paid in the country?

For instance, did you know that teaching assistants at Dalhousie are the lowest paid in Canada? While rates of pay vary from department to department, on average a T.A. can expect less than \$6 or \$7 per hour based on a ten hour work week.

A teaching assistant at an Ontario university can expect to earn no less than \$20 an hour based on a ten hour work week. In Alberta,

teaching assistants at the lowest end of the pay scale can expect no less than \$3500 per term. At the University of Manitoba a teaching assistant earns almost \$15 per hour based on the number of hours actually worked. Why does Dalhousie believe their Teaching Assistants deserve less?

While it's true that all universities are under financial strain in the province of Nova Scotia, money appears to exist for new buildings, hundreds of thousands of dollars are lying dormant that are reserved for scholarships whose criteria are long out of date or designated for programs no longer offered at Dalhousie.

And rates of pay are not the only issue T.A.'s would like to see addressed. A lack of standardization makes it extremely difficult to compare a T.A.'s experience from one department to another. No distinction is made between a marker, tutorial leader, lab instructor, etc. Some departments offer training for new teaching assistants, others do not. Some departments include a teaching assistant position as part of the terms of the scholarship, other departments view a teaching position as something completely separate from scholarships. This makes it very difficult to interpret statistics in order to arrive at a reasonable assessment of the situation at Dalhousie.

The Presidents Advisory Council has, over the summer, set up a sub-committee to determine a financial support policy for graduate students. So far this committee has had one meeting but we hope that some of the problems with teaching assistants can be addressed, or

at the very least recognized.

The Office for Instructional Development set up workshops last year for teaching assistants. Unfortunately, more problems came to the surface than could possibly be solved through that forum. It is hoped that the University will stop thinking that a teaching assistant position is something "extra" on top of scholarships, or part of a scholarship. For all those graduate students not receiving a scholarship, a T.A. is most likely their only source of funding.

The Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students is seeking to solve some of these problems and has formed a special committee to examine the issues surrounding teaching assistants. So far we are shocked to see just how little we are paid compared to our colleagues outside the province; shocked at the lack of a common structure existing at Dalhousie for teaching assistants; and, shocked at the disregard we believe Dalhousie's administration has shown to a problem that for years has gone unaddressed.

Jennifer Kressner
President, Dalhousie Association of
Graduate Students

LETTERS CONTINUED

putting science persuasion, I quickly noted only one class in that subject. I had already taken this class last year, foolishly wanting it only because it was an evening class. I had received an A for the course, and I could retake it, try to improve my grade, but that would involve filling out "re-take previously passed course" forms at the Registrar's Office - too much effort. (Sorry, Prof. Moriarity. The course was interesting, though.)

Anyway, in the words of another co-op student working this fall, the only evening classes offered were "Women Studies: 15th century women" and "Intro to French." Je parle francais bien tres, and women of the 1400's don't particularly in-

terest me.

Of course, there are more courses offered than that. But my point is this: the majority of courses are either first year introductory, third or fourth year advanced (with tons of pre-requisites), or grad classes. Not even basket weaving 1100R.

Finally, I chose Psychology 1000R. And... (wait for it)... it's full. Fine. I tell them, I'll get on the waiting list. Then the first day of class. One hundred-and-eighty students. Registered, that is. Thirty more on the waiting list. The first people will get in. Second day: start worrying. Prepare for your Plan B.

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FEATURE

AUDREY McLaughlin

interview by Jerry West
and Dawn Mitchell

What is the New Democratic Party's proposed social charter?

We proposed the social charter last year as a part of our constitutional process, plus we, in our convention in Halifax last June, reinforced that policy.

As well as individual rights I think there have to be some collective rights. That can be an expectation, in other words, what does a nation owe its citizens. The social charter is really the contract that a nation has, with its people. Unlike the *Globe and Mail's* account, it is not vague, with no one really knowing what they're talking about. It includes the right to public education, the right to a clean environment, to health care and so on. It is interesting that the Economic Community, in their recent trade negotiations have also included a charter of rights and freedoms which are very similar to the ones that we are advocating.

How would that be enforced, would it be in the constitution?

It has to be enforceable in a way that means something. Otherwise, what does it mean. Because we have, I believe, a population that wants to see a balance in the interests of community this is going to be a very important part of our constitutional talks.

The B.C. Supreme Court said that the Charter of Rights and Freedoms should be interpreted as including sexual orientation in section 15, one of the equality clauses. What is your position on that?

That is a very interesting decision. The Yukon NDP government, and the Manitoba government, when it was NDP, put sexual orientation in their Human Rights Codes and I haven't seen the whole world falling apart because of it. In fact, I think it was a very important thing to do. It didn't come about without some controversy, but, it's now a part of what people expect.

What do you think about the charge that the Mulroney Government is following in Ronald Reagan's footsteps, trying to 'union bust' in the present PSAC strike?

I think it is a clear part of the right wing agenda. That agenda includes doing whatever they can to undercut the unions in the public sector and the private sector. I think that the Public Service strike is not about economics, it's about politics. Brian Mulroney looked to what Margaret Thatcher did with the miners, what Ronald Reagan did with the air-traffic controllers, and saw that they both went up in the polls after taking on the unions.

We have 88 per cent of the population unhappy with the present government. If they really want to show how unhappy they are, that 88 per cent should get out there and stand with the public service workers for the right to collective bargaining and for the right to fair and just

treatment. That would send a big message to Brian Mulroney.

How could I, or any M.P., say that the PSAC should accept this when we all accepted more than three per cent on January first. Managers got 4.2 per cent on February 25, the day before the budget came down. Those in a more privileged position, and I would include myself, have not taken the kind of medicine that the Tories are asking the Public Service workers to take.

In Rosemary Brown's book Being Brown she talks about the NDP being a social movement versus a political movement. What do you think about that?

I think we're both. I think that the New Democratic part of the CCF did start out as a social movement, but we also try to get people elected. To me it's a somewhat specious argument if you simply accept that you want to be the conscience of the nation but you never want to be in the position to implement all of the principles that you put forward.

I believe that you don't get into power by giving up all of your principles, but by keeping your principles, and presenting them to the Canadian public. And it's not just power for power's sake, it's what you do when you get there.

So Audrey McLaughlin is not going to run in the next election simply to be a symbol, but to be Prime Minister.

As you know the Social Credit Party in B.C. and the Progressive Conservatives in Saskatchewan are using the NDP's record in Ontario against the NDP candidates in their own provinces. How do you feel about that?

First of all I think that it is very interesting that the only platform the premiers can find is the record of another government, that says something to the electorate. But, having said that, I think they should examine the record of the Ontario Government.

How about the record that half of the cabinet is women? How about the record that they have invested in education? How about the record that they have increased social assistance by seven per cent? How about the record that they put in 5,000 childcare spaces? I think they're using part of the record.

I suppose it's natural that in politics anything goes, but I think that the voters aren't stupid. I think that the voters will decide, and they'll see it the way they see it.

Could you tell us about your policy for recruiting more women?

We passed at our convention affirmative action guidelines, not just for women, but for visible minorities and aboriginal people as well. If we say that we're for equality, we have to do something about it.

How exactly would you accomplish that?

The executive is working on the exact implementation, but we would group ridings together, and tell those riding associations that we want to aim for 50 per cent of their candidates to be women, which is what they did in Ontario.

In the end the decision is left to each individual riding association. It works pretty well. We may only get 45 per cent, and we may get 65 per cent.

Some people say that this means that qualified men don't get jobs. I say no, this means that qualified women do get jobs. Why is it always looked at as qualified men not getting jobs? The meta-message there is that unqualified women will get nominations above qualified men.

When I ran for nomination in my own seat I ran against three other people, and that will [continue to] be the case.

We're not going to hand anything to people. This is to encourage

people to run. A lot of people need that encouragement.

First of all they're alienated by the system and don't want to get into it. Secondly they have bought the message that they are too inexperienced and don't have anything to offer.

Do people want a parliament where every person there has only been in politics and nothing else?

Certainly experience in parliamentary procedure is important, but you can learn that. You can't learn what it's like to be a black person and never feel you can go anywhere. We want to see this opened up to a broader spectrum of people. Surely that is the essence of democracy.

So what do you think of the effectiveness of a national party, most of whose candidates have never held office before?

Well, you know, when I ran for leader a lot of articles asked "what have you done?" So I thought, what have I done?

I'm fifty years old. I'm a mother and a grandmother. I've run two small businesses. I've lived and worked in Africa and the Caribbean. I've worked in my party for twenty years. I've worked in the women's movement, the environmental movement and the peace movement. I was elected twice at that point - in a by-election and an election.

Well, it was clear that I hadn't done anything compared to Brian Mulroney who, when elected leader, had never served a day of his life in the House of Commons. His major contribution was to close down a town, before he was elected leader.

I guess I have a different idea of what experience is. People bring life experiences with them. If politics is the only real experience in life, there are a heck of a lot of Canadians who don't have much experience, that don't have much of a life.

If you look at the experience of the traditional Liberal Party and the traditional Conservative Party, it's the experience of trying to get all of the power. I'm not adverse to getting power, but I'm very interested in how you share it.

I come out of the community development movement, and I have a lot of faith in the Canadian people.

That's why I think we should have a constituent assembly on the Constitution. You didn't ask me that, but I thought I'd get it in anyway.

What do you think of the effectiveness and the role of the United Nations?

I have to tell you that I was struck last week, when I was touring farms in southern Ontario, talking to farmers my age and older who were crying, because they were losing their farms, and there is no place for their children who want to farm.

How ironic that on one side of the ocean we have people crying because they don't have a market for the food that they can produce, and on the other side of the ocean we have people crying because they have no food. That has to change. And the United Nations has to have a greater role in that.

I am an advocate of the United Nations, but it has to be a United Nations that provides equal weight to all countries, and not be dominated by one or two countries.

What do you think of the North American free trade deal?

Well the last Stats Can report that came out, as I'm sure you know said that 435 000 jobs were lost in the manufacturing sector in 21 months. We need a real international trade policy.

Our party is working with Mr. Cardinaz and the PRD party in Mexico,



Audrey McLaughlin, the leader of the federal New Democratic Party, dropped by the Gazette office last week to answer a few questions.

and with progressive forces in the States to see what would be a good trade deal.

What we have here is the Tory government, which is supposed to be the government that knows all about business, cutting the worst business deal that most of us have seen in a long time. What is going to happen?

We've seen the government, in many ways withdraw from unemployment insurance. We now hear questions about medicare: can we afford it, are we going to have it?

The character of our society is very much affected. The longer this goes on, the more a sense of powerlessness develops in the public mind. And that's very scary. Once you're convinced that you're powerless, you are.

And what about all the promises. What about the jobs the free trade deal was supposed to create? It's been two years. If I were them [the Tory government] I'd have the report telling everyone how terrific it is out by now. I haven't seen it.

What do you think about the direction that education is taking?

Our government says that we have to be competitive and move into the 21st century, and at the same time they cut 7.3 per cent from education, according to the last statistics.

Do you have a policy on nationalising education standards, or education funding?

The present focus is on competitiveness, productivity and trade. It's not on what kind of a country we want, and how those things fit into it. It's "we have this, how does the country fit into it?" Seems backwards to me.

When you talk about national goals and national standards it has to be defined in the context of who we want to be. I think a country is as well defined by its culture, and therefore education has to reflect that. What is now happening is that research is increasingly being directed by corporations.

To be frank with you, we don't have a written policy on that, we're going to have to do a lot more thinking about it. I think it's very important.

The Tories have said that they would stop short of giving Native peoples a separate justice system. What do you think about that?

So much of politics is focused on keeping what you've got, and not on what works.

I know myself that there are many models that will work, because I've worked on them myself, but they have to have the full involvement of Aboriginal people.

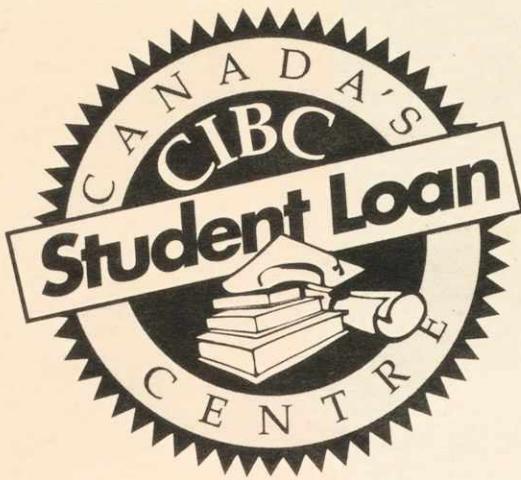
Sure it has to be within the framework of a broader society, but if we say that we support aboriginal self-government, justice is a part of that.

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ARTS

Cool sounds of 54-40 captivate concert goers

BY PAUL SMITH

54-40 ARE COOL. Perhaps a little too cool. Whereas singer-guitarist Neil Osborne seems to have difficulty smiling, he appears to have none at all with providing audiences with silly, rock'n'roll star poses. Never the less, 54-40's music does have something to offer people, and they proved this last Wednesday at the McInnes room.

Music
54-40
McInnes Room

54-40 played through an hour and a half long set of old and new material for the semi-lively crowd gathered to see them. Their very distinctive brand of alternative-pop

characterised the night from which they played some very hopeful sounding new songs to be released on their new album coming out in October. The band's tight, clear sound compounded with their simple, catchy riffs is an asset which makes them one of the most consistent and promising acts to break into the Canadian mainstream music scene in the past five years. Unfortunately, their live show does not meet up to the same standards. What energy they do seem to have on stage appears almost planned and slightly pretentious. However, where 54-40's live show falters, their music keeps them afloat. Hopefully the new album in October will only help to boost their musical credibility.

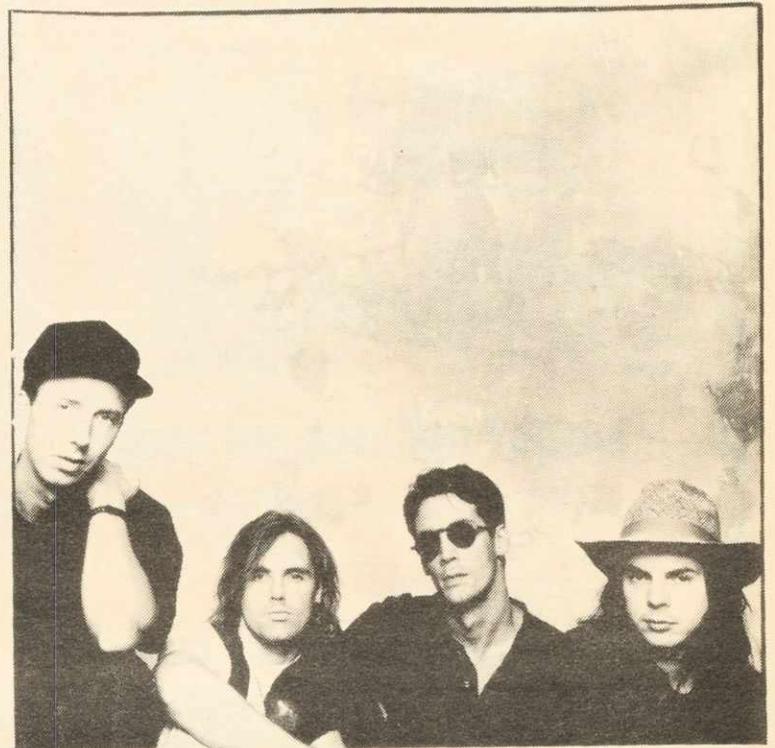
Halifax locals, Black Pool, put on a good opening show with an

impressive showcase of new and old material. Their lack of presence onstage is also a serious setback to their live performance, and an unfortunate one, as their blend of free flowing guitar riffs mixed with strong melodies shows a lot of promise.

One last note for concert goers; if you are standing near the stage at a concert do not be surprised if people step on your toes or accidentally bump you. It is because they are dancing and are trying to enjoy themselves. If you happen to be one of the people with their toes being stepped on, do not complain about it or make a scene; join them! Dancing is hip! If you are very intent on not dancing then just take a place farther away from the stage and enjoy the music.



Fear and loathing with Crash Vegas.



54-40 or fight Mr. Roosevelt?

Grawood Vegas-style

BY ARAN MCKITTRICK

THE OPENING OF this year's "Grawood No Cover Concert Series" got off to a great start Friday night with the enticing riffs and rhythms of the Hamiltonian quartet, Crash Vegas. Led by the awe-inspiring lead vocalist Michelle McAdorey, the band performed an original blend of songs reflecting their jazz, punk, folk and southern rock influences.

MUSIC
Crash Vegas
Grawood

The crowd, though meagre in number and low in spirit, were fairly receptive and after several songs and a bit of enticement from McAdorey began to develop a feel for the music. Many amongst the crowd began to sing along with

McAdorey or mimic her eccentric dance style, as she moved with great emotion around the stage.

Within the short sixty minute set they did play, the band performed a selection of songs including Bury Her, Sky and Inside Out from their debut album Red Earth. With minimal encouragement from the crowd, which included a flurry of bottle banging, the band returned to the stage for an additional thirty minutes playing several R and B style tunes such as Julia Rain and Avalanche as well as a captivating cover of Neil Young's Down to the Wire.

Overall Crash Vegas put on an entertaining show! With Michelle McAdorey at centre stage, the crowd never lost interest in the band or the music they were playing. It was well worth the time spent waiting to get a seat!

Hear and Now compilation showcases local artists

BY MATTHEW MURPHY

AS A RESULT of the *Hear and Now* festival held this summer, a compilation CD and cassette of various local artists will be available at record stores this November.

The ten artists appearing on the album (including Sloan, Aimless and Rose Vaughn) were chosen from forty-five submissions. Four finalists received free recording time at Sound Market Recording Studio. The festival, funded by CKDU, DTK Records and Sound Market Recording Studio, was open to any independent musical artists who cared to send in a tape of themselves before June 1, 1991.

MUSIC
Hear and Now
Compilation of local artists

There were six judges who represented various aspects of the local music industry. They chose the bands, first and foremost, on the basis of originality and secondly on the performance of the song considered.

Many of the bands could not afford to record their songs with more than a four track recorder, if that. Therefore, the focus lay upon the actual songs' merit and potential for development in a sixteen track studio.

While the judges worked towards a consensus, some of the bands

were given the opportunity to play at the short lived alternative music club - Waldo's. In mid-August, once the ten artists had been chosen. The four finalists, Weasel-face Judge, Rose Vaughn, Sloan and Leonard Conan, played at the McInnes Room at Dalhousie with MCA recording artists Black Pool.

This past weekend Terry Pulliam at Sound Market began recording the finalists for the album. Pulliam has an impressive background in radio broadcasting both as a producer and sound technician. He now runs Sound Market recording Studio which operates out of his Agricola St. home.

Beside free hot dogs, coffee and

a fat cat to pet, the studio has excellent facilities and "socialist pricing according to your means," he said. He estimates that he has invested three thousand dollars worth of his time into the *Hear and Now* project. It was initiated as a way of promoting both his studio and independent local bands. For this reason, those who needed to re-record their material did so for free at his studio.

Working in conjunction with the *Hear and Now* Festival has been Doug Barron, better known as former local disc-jockey Hal Harbour. He is presently producer in charge of independent music for CFNY Radio in Toronto.

According to Pulliam, Barron is enthusiastic about the great variety and originality the festival has extracted from the area and wants to funnel more Atlantic Canadian music to the whole of Canada.

Beside the experience of working in a decent recording facility, the bands will benefit from the exposure they will receive from such a project. The very least this compilation of jazz, folk, rock and rap, could do is bring de facto recognition of the region's musical integrity.

The album will be sent through North American college radio circuits (including CKDU) and also to regional record stores.

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Come to the dog and monkey show

BY NATASHA RYAN

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FILM

December Bride
Wormwood's Cinema

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Wormwood's also contains a video rental store in case you missed any of their shows. This is a great

place for digging up any abstract or bizarre movies you never thought you'd have the chance to see again.

For my latest visit to this lovely spot, I witnessed a movie called "December Bride." Quite an interesting piece of work. The Irish countryside was a fabulous backdrop for this unconventional movie about a young woman working in the home of two brothers, both of whom she has "relationships" with but refuses to marry. Taking place in an era where religion dictated everything, this woman risked a lot to maintain her own independence and free her child from any name other than her own.

Originally, I'll admit I was a little wary of this film as I know very little about the Irish culture or history. My fears were kept alive for the first while as I struggled to understand everyone's heavy accents as well as their relationships to each other. This was slowly over-

come by the realization that although I missed the occasional word or sentence, the characters were so expressive with their body language and faces, I could usually stay with the swing of things.

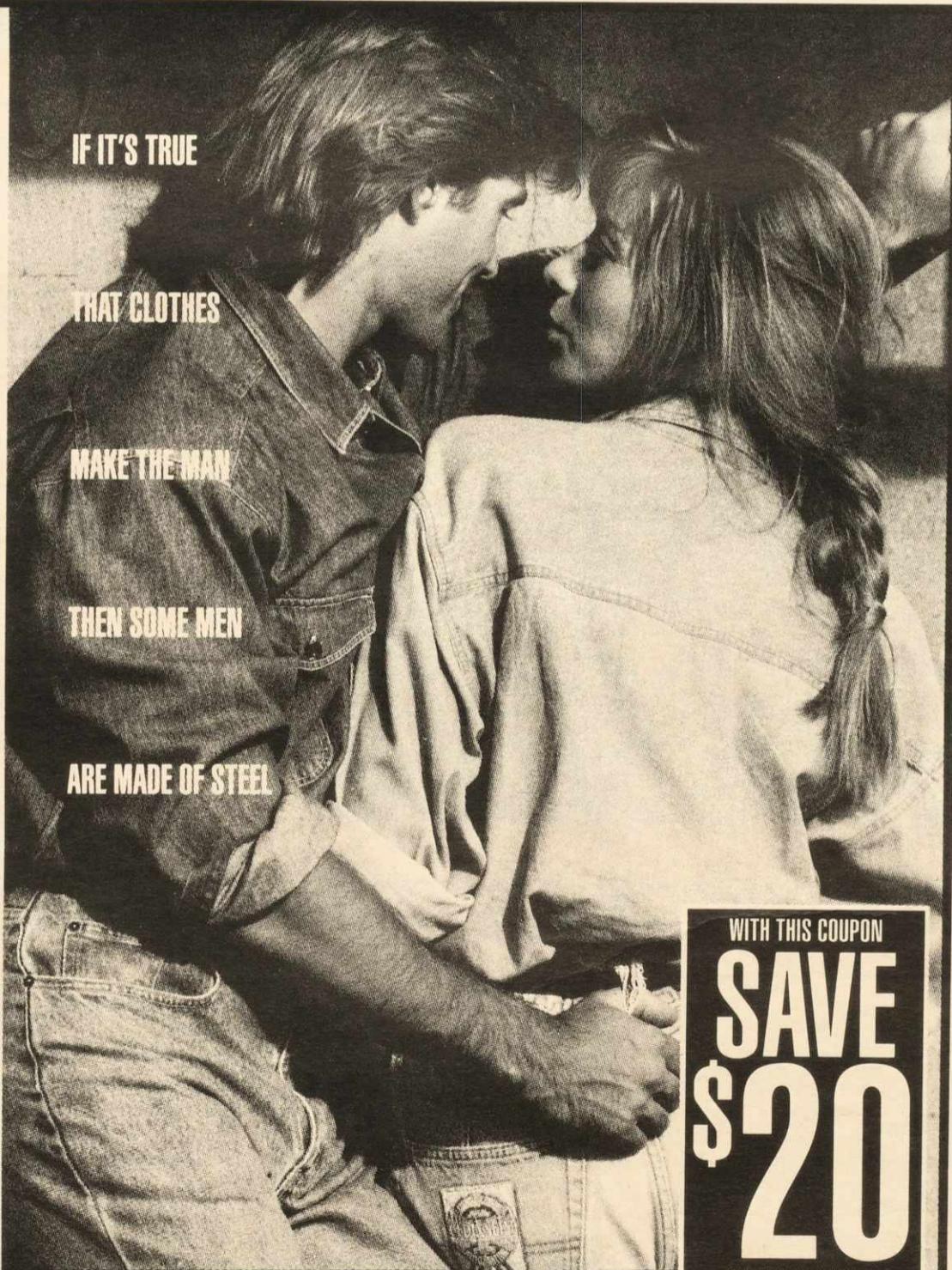
After awhile, I was actually enjoying myself and only lost the plotline during very odd circumstances. I also became rather fond of the leading lady, Sarah, who appears in the beginning to be a rather unremarkable character but then evolves into such a complex and strong-willed woman that you cannot help but admire her determination, that is, if you can overlook her easy acceptance of whichever brother is most convenient each evening.

Unfortunately this movie is no longer running at Wormwood's but will hopefully be available on video sometime in the near future. It is definitely worth the effort of finding it if you are into a story with a very different view of relationships as well as great scenery.

Coming to Wormwood's in the near future, is: the B Movie Festival from September 20 to 23, "Movies so bad they're good!", and the 11th Atlantic Film Festival, Voices and Vision Highlights from September 24 to 29. If you still have any queries, call the Film Line at 422-3700 for information and a good laugh, or pick up a copy of the Cinema Guide, free, at a number of places.

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BY BOB LEAN

I ADMIT FOOD ISN'T my forté. If I could avoid it altogether I probably would. There's just too many things to get done in a day, etc. But when the cramps set in I know where to go - The Spartan on Quinpool Road.

FOOD
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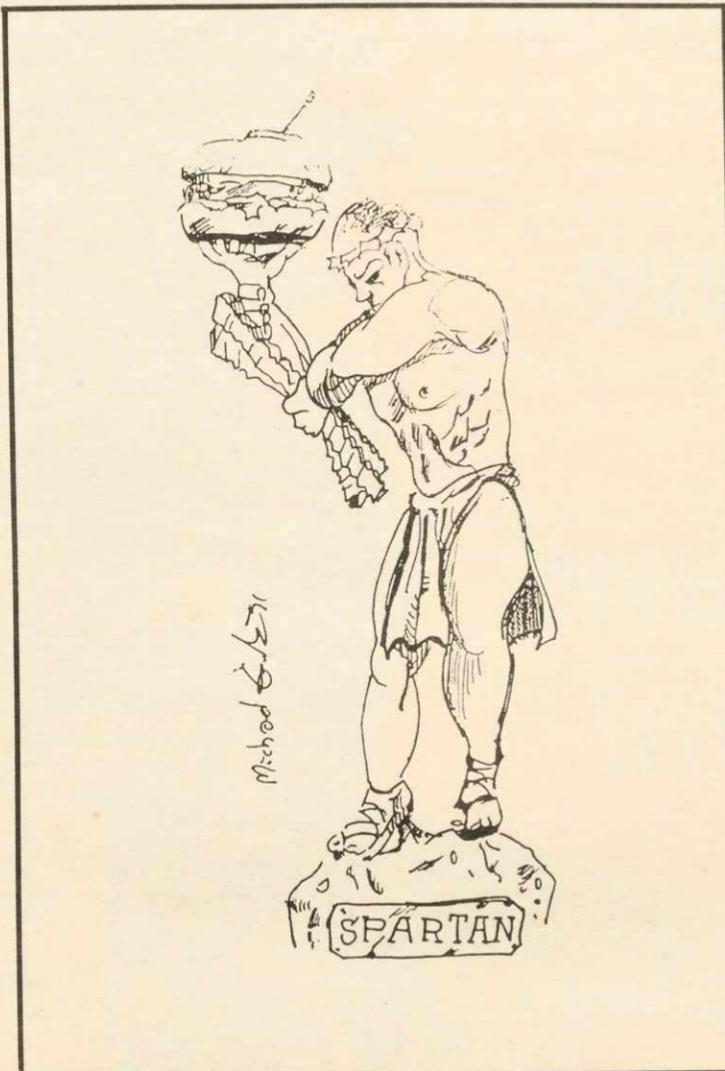
Take last week: I was walking down Quinpool in search of diversion when all of a sudden my stomach commenced to tighten and flip flop like a squirrel in a washing machine. I'm doubled over standing on the sidewalk and cursing that muffin I ate nine hours ago. In a blind haze I stagger past the Colonel's and MacDonald's, but Big Macs and 11 secret spices just don't appeal. I'm really getting desperate and thinking my only option is Oxford Theatre popcorn when there it is - the faded facade of the Spartan Restaurant.

The sign is music to my eyes, I hope they never re-paint it. "Spartan" - just what I want in a meal when survival is more important than cuisine. Like many of the charming, humble eateries in Halifax, The Spartan is a totally unpre-

tentious place run by a family which still speaks Greek within the restaurant.

Plunking myself down in the first booth I of course order the special - grilled haddock, fries and cole slaw (no time to ponder a menu when death is around the corner). Peter, the cook, is perched high atop the wait station, eyeing you as you wait for the food. I'm sure, when he's not too busy, he checks you out to see if you're a little too scrawny (I am) and "maybe ya need a few extra fries or a little more cole in your slaw." Anyway, he whips up the staples and she's back with your food in no time, calling you dear and everything. You've just had time to scan the *Chronicle-Herald* and found out that in world-terms, Canada isn't even big enough to have a reputable publishing industry - who writes this stuff, anyway!?

The food is great. The haddock slides down my throat quelling the squirrel for another 7-8 hour period. I even go overboard and have a piece of pie. The best apple I've tasted in eons. The tea is nice as it warms your belly and perks you up. Smiling, you leave a loonie, grab a toothpick, drop \$6 (cheap) on the counter and scam - restaurants are a scream.



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BY GAZETTE STAFF

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Sodales, the Dalhousie University debating society, will host its annual novice tournament during the weekend of October 4-6 to introduce its junior members to the experience of public speaking.

Sodales serves two major groups of students. The first are those with some speaking experience and an interest in competitive debate. The second are those who have limited, if any, experience speaking in public.

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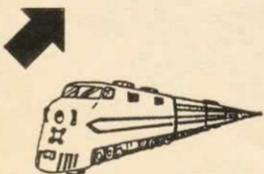
of some ten million. And apart from Leningrad, the other urban centres of Russia did not experience mass protests.

The coup had been building for months. There were open calls by party hard-liners and senior military figures in leading publications like *Pravda* and *Sovetskaiia Rossiia* for the removal of Gorbachev and all his works. What was remarkable was that it did not occur sooner. Gorbachev was never popular among the top echelons of the Soviet Communist Party. This was a group, after all, which under Leonid Brezhnev had lost all touch with the life of the common man. Gorbachev was unique among his peers in having both the vision and the courage to recognize the intractable problems facing Soviet society after seventy years. Instead of following the example of his immediate predecessor, Konstantin Chernenko, and doing nothing while enjoying the limitless perks and authority of General-Secretary, he chose to risk everything for the sake of what he understood to be unavoidable reforms.

Germany and the former members of the Warsaw Pact all owe their unity and freedom directly to Gorbachev. Glastnost has permanently and unalterably changed Soviet political life for the better, as was evident in the quick failure of the coup and the assertiveness of the republics. Imagine how different things would have been if over the past six years Gorbachev had not allowed civil society to debate issues openly and to learn the full truth about the country's tragic past. Even his stubborn and self-defeating loyalty to the "socialist choice" must be seen, at least in part, as a shrewd appreciation of the party's historical role. For all its terrible crimes, the party was the only organization capable of affecting fundamental, nation-wide changes, and without it, as we are seeing now, there is a real danger of total breakdown in the social order. Moreover, the banning of the party once again demonstrates that their understandable hatred of Communism blinds people to basic principles of liberal democracy.

The paradox, of course, is that Gorbachev was an unlikely candidate for the role of undertaker of the Soviet Communist Party. That he has done so while trying to remain loyal to the ideals of a lifetime and with unprecedented respect for legality is rather to his credit. For contrast we need only look at the high-handed and opportunistic conduct of his presidential rivals in Ukraine, Azerbaijan, and especially Georgia. Indeed, even Yeltsin has not been consistent in respecting civil liberties or the interests of non-Russians.

History will be kinder to Gorbachev than his contemporaries have been. Even if his leading role in guiding the Soviet Union is now greatly diminished, he will be remembered as a true democrat who freed the world from Stalinist Communism.



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SPORTS

Breweries race in Grand Prix

BY MARIE-FRANCE LEBLANC

Despite pre-event controversy the Moosehead Grand Prix went off without too many hitches.

The Bengal Lancer horses remained calm as classical music filled their stalls, over the sound of race cars with mufflers.

Moosehead has promised to remove the newly paved portion of the Commons as quickly as possible. "All will be back to normal by the end of this weekend," according to Moosehead general manager Harold MacKay.

In effect, race organizers controlled everything but for a few exceptions.

A Canadian Armed Forces man, trying to get a free glance at the race from Citadel Hill, fell into the fortress moat. The accident that

occurred at 3:30 Sunday afternoon left the man injured and in the Victoria General Hospital.

Another weekend surprise was the Oland Breweries' attempt to cash in on Moosehead's publicity. Taking advantage of the controversy over Moosehead's decision not to do anything special for North Park St. and other area residents, Oland's decided to treat them.

The brewery, celebrating the opening of its new cold beer store, went around the North End of Halifax distributing free six-packs of Oland's beer. Accompanying the gift, was a 25 per cent off coupon on Oland's products designed in the shape of a race flag. The coupon did not refer to the Moosehead Grand Prix, but rather to Daytona Florida.

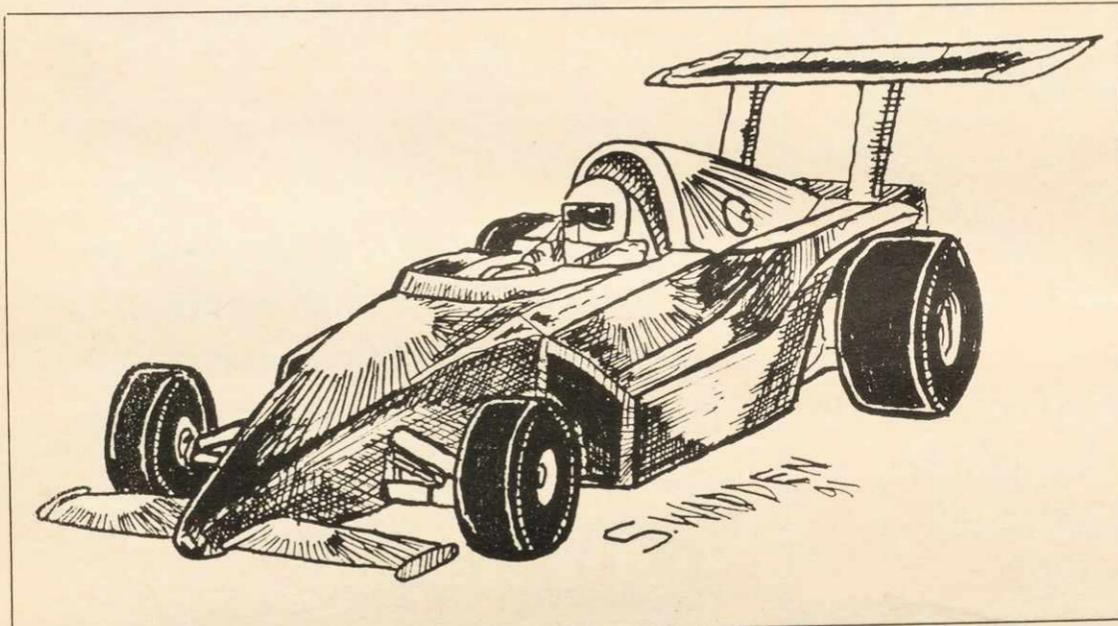
Oland Breweries President and

general manager, Rod McLeod, said the promotion was completely independent of the Moosehead Grand Prix. "Oland's has been involved with racing for over ten years," he said. "The racing tie in is with the NASCAR car race series which Budweiser [that Oland's brews] is involved in."

MacKay considered Oland's promotion to be "the biggest compliment that could ever be paid to us."

"Oland's attempt to take advantage of the situation simply hyped the event even more," said MacKay.

This may be true, but they also managed to endear themselves to the North End residents. Oland's knows what it was doing," said a Creighton St. resident. "Beer is beer. I didn't get any Moosehead, but this will do just fine."



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Dal Rugby sails to victory

BY JIM GORDON

The Dalhousie Rugby Club picked up their first win of the 1991 season with a convincing 16 - 6 victory over arch rival King's College.

Resplendent in the new black uniforms with gold and white pin-stripes, Dalhousie, the 1990 University league Champions, started slowly but gained confidence rapidly.

Dalhousie dominated the opening 40 minutes, spending much of the time in King's end of the field, but overall fitness wore down Kings in the second half resulting in Dalhousie scoring 17 points.

The star of the game was lotus land transplant, Tony "Bigfoot" Glavin. The long, lean and lanky Glavin astounded King's with brilliant running, outstanding dummies and timely kicking.

In all "Bigfoot" scored 16 of Dal's 26 points. After the game Glavin said "It was just another day at the office."

Leading Dalhousie's charge in the second half was rookie Richard "Salami" Becher. He came off the bench replacing injured Jon Simon, and scored two tries for a total of eight points. "Salami" surprised many Dalhousie players, including the coach with his blinding speed and deft backfield moves. He credited his success to his belief that there were Donairs in the end zone for all players scoring eight points or more. Curtis "the Glassman" Wiseman, playing in

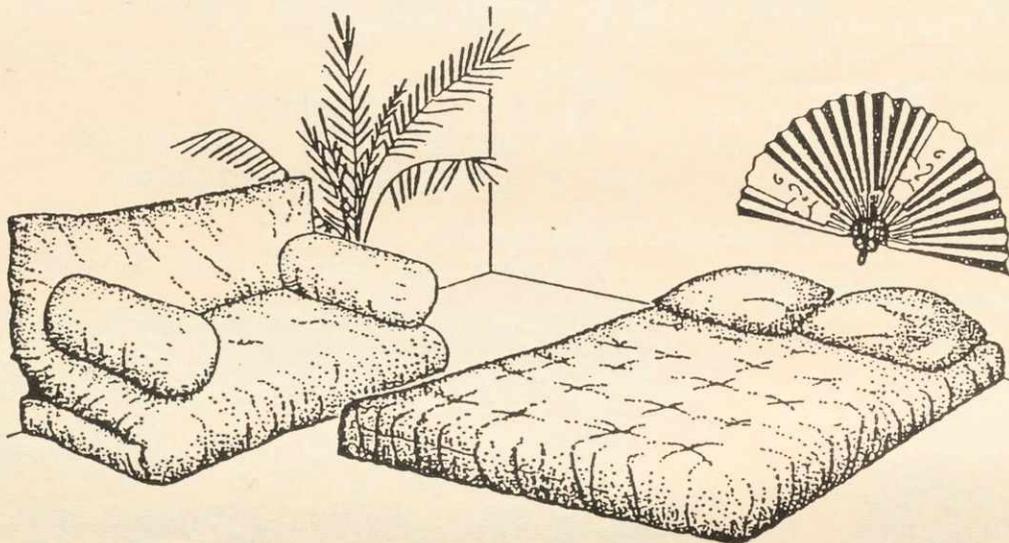
the centre for the first time, sacrificed his body on numerous occasions with bullet-like tackles, stopping all of King's backfield drives.

Sunday saw the Dalhousie Rugby Club take to the field against the Halifax Rugby Club in an exhibition match. The chippy match was a hard close fought battle with Halifax eventually winning 10-8.

However, Dalhousie, which fielded a rather inexperienced, foggy headed side, had their moments but could not finish off plays which would have resulted in scores. Dave "the Imp" Thompson and John "no name" McCrimmon were responsible for all of Dalhousie's points.

The Dalhousie Rugby Club is looking for a strong season, hoping to build on the success of last year. This weekend the club has a road trip to PEI where they will take on the University of Prince Edward Island Panthers, who Dalhousie defeated for the league championship last year. The first home game of the year is September 28 against Acadia.

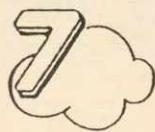
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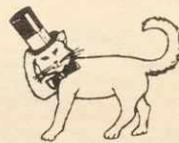
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SPORTS

Memorial routed by new soccer experience

BY ANGEL FIGUEROA

Blanking Memorial University 5-0 over the weekend, the men's soccer team seem better than prepared for their tough upcoming two-game road trip.

In their smashing rout of a squad which was larger and more physical than they, the Tigers gave a showing of skillful playing not without errors, but certainly one with much potential. Good marking, great one-touch passing and a domination in the air which would rival any air force became the winning variables in a game beautified by an idyllic autumn day.

New to the Dalhousie men's soccer experience were three variables only the veteran Tiger fan might be able to point out. One, a newly sodded pitch - which absurdly enough, only runs about 80% of the field. Two, a new blazing gold and black uniform which surely matches the ambitions of the financier who ordered the new suits to replace the dismal smocks of last year. And three, an added accent on the playing field to complement the vociferous flair of Andy Wheeler and John Amis. This comes from the newest addition to the team, fellow countryman Adrian Ibbetson (complete with the same unique British slurs and profanities that go hand in hand with disdainful scowls and gestures at bad arbitration).

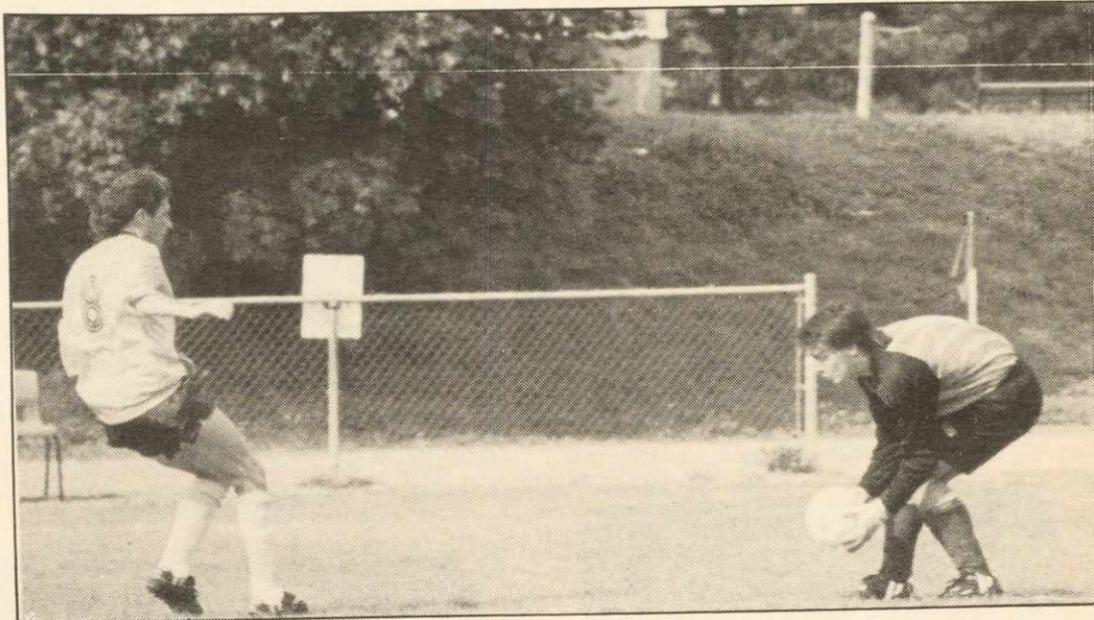
Eighteen minutes into the game

veteran player Tim Hall scored on a keeper error to put Dal into an early lead which saw no turning back. Shortly after, striker John Richmond was fed by Rob Sawler at midfield and took it down alone where an auspicious deflection from a defender put the Tigers up 2-0. Hall notched his second goal of the game after a brilliant pass by Jamie Sawler in the 41st minute, as Hall one-timed it past a diving Memorial keeper.

As beleaguered as Memorial became, they had some chances as well, but the likes of Amis, Ibbetson, and Rob Adams proved too formidable at midfield for any real threats to get through. And keeper Phil Samyn handily took care of that which did get through, showing the marks of experience he obtained from playing for a league team in Winnipeg over the summer.

Ian Clarke put the nail in the coffin after scoring from a penalty kick early in the second half, the result of a foolish handball near the net that left Memorial as good as done for the day. Clarke, with a brilliant shot that completely fooled the keeper, is already on this writer's list of year-ending all-stars.

Not to be outdone however, Richmond nailed one of his own with only a few minutes left to play. The hapless Bermuda ex-national would have been the first to admit the score should have already been 7-0, as two of his solo



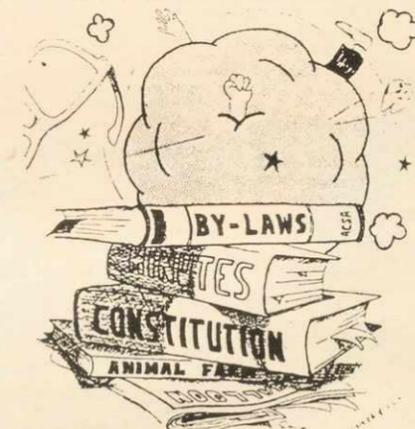
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Veteran player Tim Hall, with two goals in a 5-0 whopping of Memorial, was too familiar a sight for the beleaguered keeper.

breakaways were embarrassingly wasted earlier on. But he redeemed himself on a third breakaway with a gentle, low chip into the near corner, after receiving a beautiful pass from Andy Wheeler at midfield.

In other AUAA men's action, U.N.B. and St. Francis Xavier tied at nil apiece, as did Acadia and St. Mary's, putting Dal comfortably on top of the league's overall standings. Dal is off next weekend to visit U.N.B. and Mount Allison, two strong teams which will likely deliver some of the toughest games all season.

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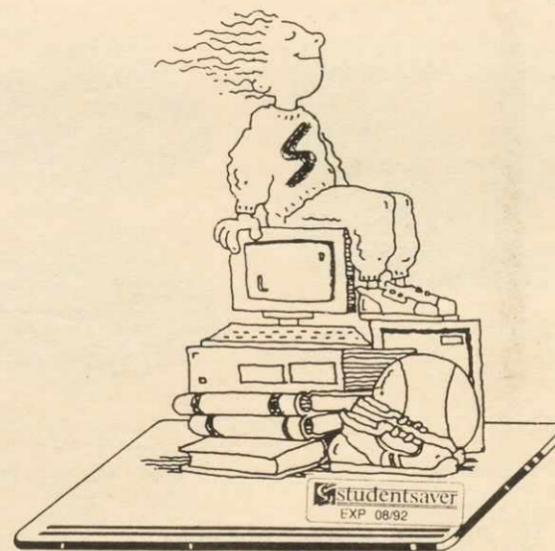
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Sunday September 22, 1pm	U of New Brunswick	U of New Brunswick	—
Monday September 30, 4pm	Saint Mary's	Studley Field	—
Wednesday Oct 2, 4pm	Acadia	Acadia	—
Sunday Oct 6, 1pm	Acadia	Studley Field	—
Wednesday Oct 9, 4pm	Saint Mary's	Saint Mary's	—
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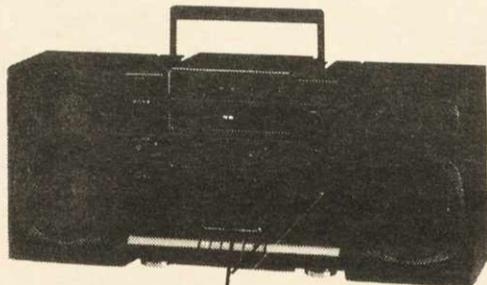
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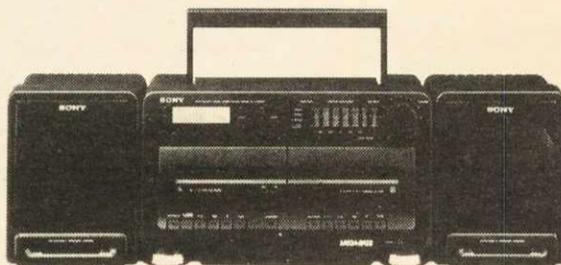


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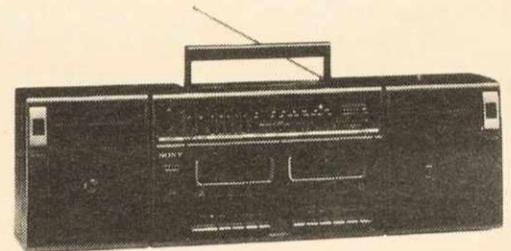
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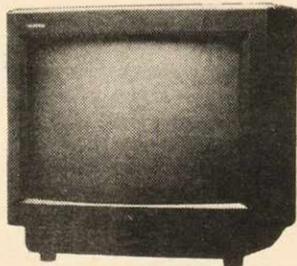
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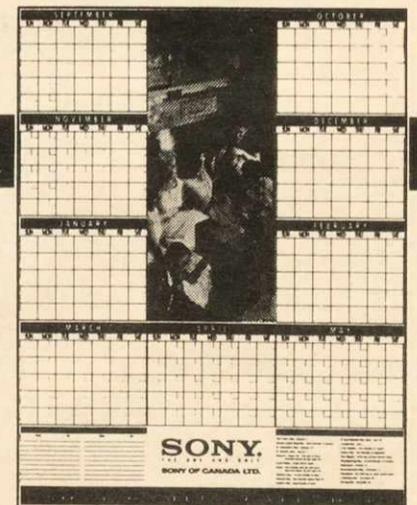
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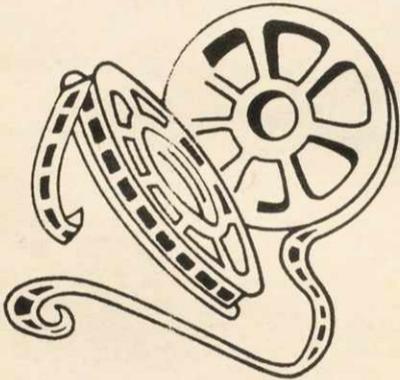


KALENDAR

FRIDAY 20

Take Back the Night Join women for our right to be safe on the streets and protest violence against women. March begins at 7:30 p.m. Grand Parade Square (next to Halifax City Hall). All women and children welcomed. Reception to follow.

Wormwood's 2nd annual B Festival. Friday to Monday Screenings at 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 call 422-3700 for more information.



SATURDAY 21

Rockingham City Centre is holding its annual **Fall Fair** 8 a.m.-4 p.m. (rain date Sept. 28). Opening w/pancake breakfast 8-10 a.m. The fair will feature line entertainment, flea market, craft and bake sale, carnival booth, canteen and much more. For all ages. 199 Bedford Highway (old fire station). 422-7766 for information.

The YMCA preventative Medicine Centre will sponsor a seminar on **"How to Create a Non-Toxic Home Environment"**. This seminar will review your house from room to room suggesting ways of reducing chemical and inhalant exposures. This seminar would be of special interest to those with allergies, asthma, and environmental hyper-sensitiveness. 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Cost: \$15.00 members \$20.00 non-members



Recycle the treasure you no longer want. Someone else may. Drop them off at the I.E.C. for sale by the I.E.C. Board at their table at the **Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students 2nd Annual Parking Lot Sale**. Proceeds from sales at the for the I.E.C. operating fund. Proceeds from tickets and table rentals for the Atlantic Centre. Sale is in the driveway in front of the McNally Administration Building, from 9:00 to 11:00 am.

SUNDAY 22

The Mount Art Gallery invites everyone, especially friends and colleagues of Carol Fraser to Sunday tea, at 4:00 p.m. We will share informally, and record for future use, anecdotes, stories and memories of Carol's vivid life and art. For more info, call the gallery at 443-4450.

A new exhibition of works by 10 contemporary **Canadian women artists of Native ancestry** opens at 2:00 p.m. at the Dalhousie Art Gallery. Included in the opening celebrations will be a sweetgrass ceremony, conducted by Micmac elder Rose Morris, and an address by Curator Shirley Bear. For more details call 494-2403.

MONDAY 23

Still haven't joined Dalhousie's many clubs and sports? Want to stay fit and learn self-defense? Dalhousie Judo club wants you - no experience required! There will be a meeting today at 6:00 pm in room 307 of the SUB. For more details, call Dave Stocker at 492-7111.



Weekly **Gazette staff meeting** today at 4:30 p.m. in the Gazette office, 3rd floor SUB. Stop by to see what we're all about.

TUESDAY 24

Wondering where all this craziness is coming from? Room 212 in the SUB is just buzzing with ideas. Come to the **Gazette's production night** to help layout a page or two, think up some headlines or just hang out and munch on a piece of pizza while you get used to the place. Everything goes (well, of course, except for... nah, everything).

The first of three workshops concerning **professional job hunting secrets** is today. Resume writing 9:00-10:30 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday. Interview skills on Friday from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. All sessions held in the Counselling Centre.

A session about **Native spirituality and university life** with Noel Knockwood will be held today in room 307 of the SUB, 7:00 p.m.



WEDNESDAY 25

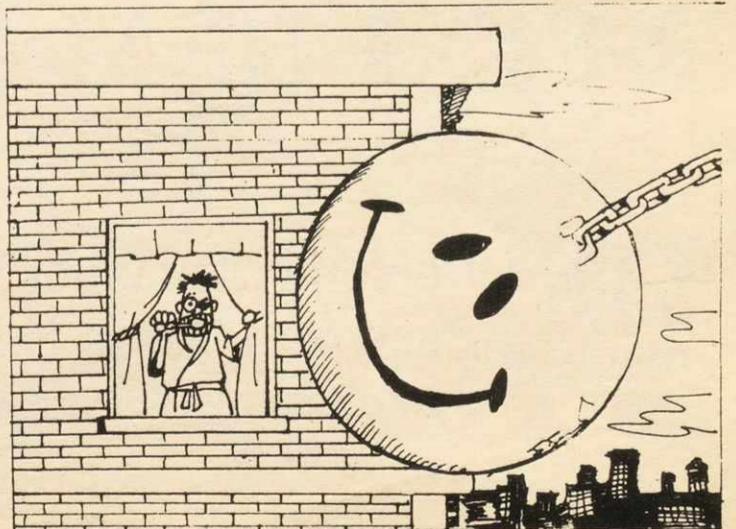
The Dalhousie Art gallery's fall film series begins on **Minqon Minqon and Mother of Many Children**. These National Film Board Productions about Native women will be shown at 12:30 and 8:00 p.m. Admission is free. For further information about this Wednesday series call the gallery at 494-2403.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

I am interested in starting a **Canadian Students Pugwash Chapter** at Dal. If you share this interest please call me. Tom Goddard 429-7864.

Part-Time Babysitter Babysitting required for a lovable 8-month-old baby three days per week in my house. Nice home environment in Springdale subdivision. I would like someone who is friendly and genuinely interested in children. If you are unable to babysit three full days a week I would consider job-sharing with another person. Please call 477-8004.

Sunday Mass is held at 4:00 p.m. in room 307 in the SUB. Weekly Eucharist on Tuesday and Thursday 11:30 p.m. Midday prayer: 11:30 Wednesday and Liturgy planning Monday 12:30 p.m. Chaplains Elizabeth Fitzgerald and Rev. Brian Duggan.



Fall Cleaning? Please bring your used books, records, tapes, and magazines to the Killam Library for the Open House Sale October 18-19.

Volunteers: September is volunteer recruiting month at service for sexual assault victims. If the issue of sexual violence is of concern to you as a woman and you want to become involved as a volunteer crisis intervener, please call to inquire about our program and the September training session which begins Friday, September 27, 1991. For details, call 455-4240.

Would you like to help welcome a newcomer to the Metro area? Learn about other cultures and share your own? The **Metropolitan Immigrant Settlement Association (MISA)** invites you to join its volunteer programs. People with teaching skills, second language knowledge or just a desire to help are welcome to contact Nancy O'Donnell at 423-3607.

"Living with Cancer" is an information and support program for cancer patients, their families and friends. It meets on the first Wednesday of each month from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Cancer treatment and Research Foundation of Nova Scotia, Dixon Building, University Avenue. For more info call Rosemary Kuttner, 861-4785; Harvey Seasons, 455-1943; or the Nova Scotia Canadian Cancer Society Lodge, 420-1849.

"Walk the World" for Schizophrenia, an international public awareness event, will take place on Sunday, Sept. 29, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. on Black Rock Beach, Pt. Pleasant Park. Pre-registration will take place Wednesday, Sept. 18, 1991, from 7:30 - 8:00 p.m. Pledge forms are available from your local McDonald's restaurant or SSNS office. For more info call 464-3456 or 465-2601.

The Halifax YWCA, 1239 Barrington St., is offering a **fitness leadership certification program**. Become the best leader you can in your own unique style. Develop confidence, enhance your competency with practical aspects of leadership skills and incorporate music appreciation and basic choreography to your routines. Course begins October 11, 1991. For more info contact Dana Puma, assistant director of aquatics and fitness.

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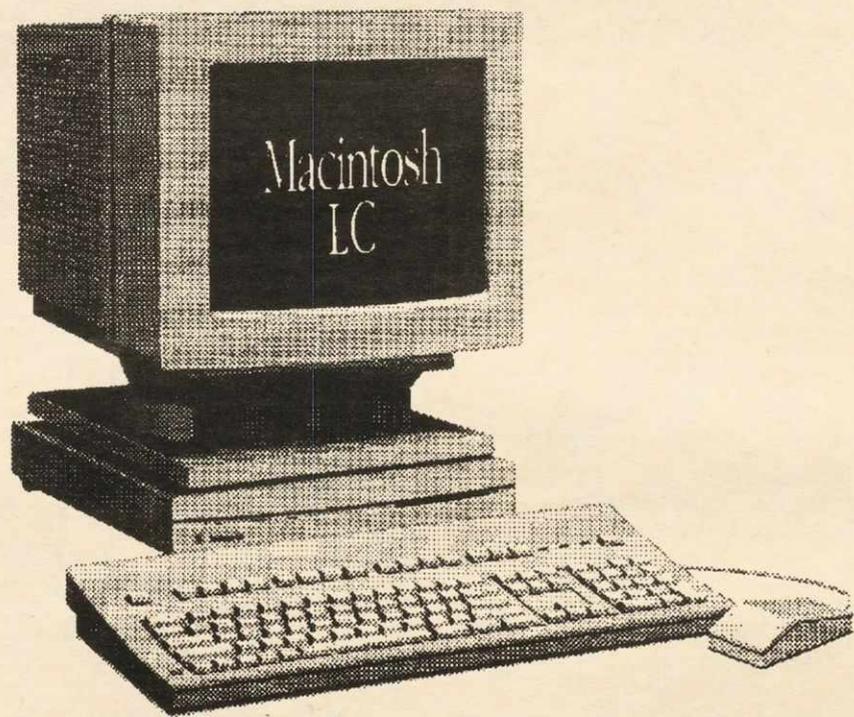
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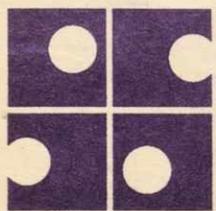
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