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Still another course evaluation guide

by Ron Norman

Sunday March 14, Student Council accepted with reservations the basis for a new course evaluation guide (anti-calendar). The new guide will be more subjective in its approach, and will cost about \$1600 less than the 1974-75 guide.

The concept of an anti-calendar has repeatedly come under fire. Dissatisfaction with the past computerized format, and what was considered high costs of production finally led to the cancellation of the calendar this year. According to some the calendar was simply not of any value.

However, the Russell-Smiley executive took the stance that the calendar did have a basic worth, if only it could be produced for less and in a more easily digestible style. Thus, Academic Affairs Secretary Phil Hicks was given the task of drawing up a new guide.

Though Hicks's report claims the new guide will cost only \$2000, treasurer Mark Crossman figures it to be "at least \$2500". The 1974-75 anti-calendar cost \$4,142, while the 1973-74 guide was \$4,804.

Though only a rough outline in the report to council, Hicks's new guide recommends the implementation of "yellow pages" to defer expenses. Council, though assured by Hicks that the guide would not bite into an already depleted student advertising market, (one consumed by the *Gazette*, *Pharos*, and the *Student Handbook*) seemed skeptical.

The major change in the guide, and one suspects, its major objective would be the subjective format shown in the sample from the report:

Sample
English 100 - Section 25
Prof. Smith

I would visualize my section of **Introductory English** as being primarily an outside reading and thinking course. I assign ten short novels in total for the year, and am not overly concerned by who does and who does not attend class discussions. I require four major

essays on the material covered, and look for original thought and in-depth philosophical analyses to a minor extent only. I would expect my course to require an average of seven hours weekly reading and writing time.

Student Comments 1976-1977

- excellent course, prof. good, well informed lectures, I am pleased
- good prof., concerned with students
- was great deal of valuable class participation in this course, and teacher-pupil interaction was valuable, however, great speed in covering course

-reading far too heavy for what's supposed to be a bird course

Note that the new guide would contain comments from the students as well as a short paragraph by the professor detailing the objectives of his course.

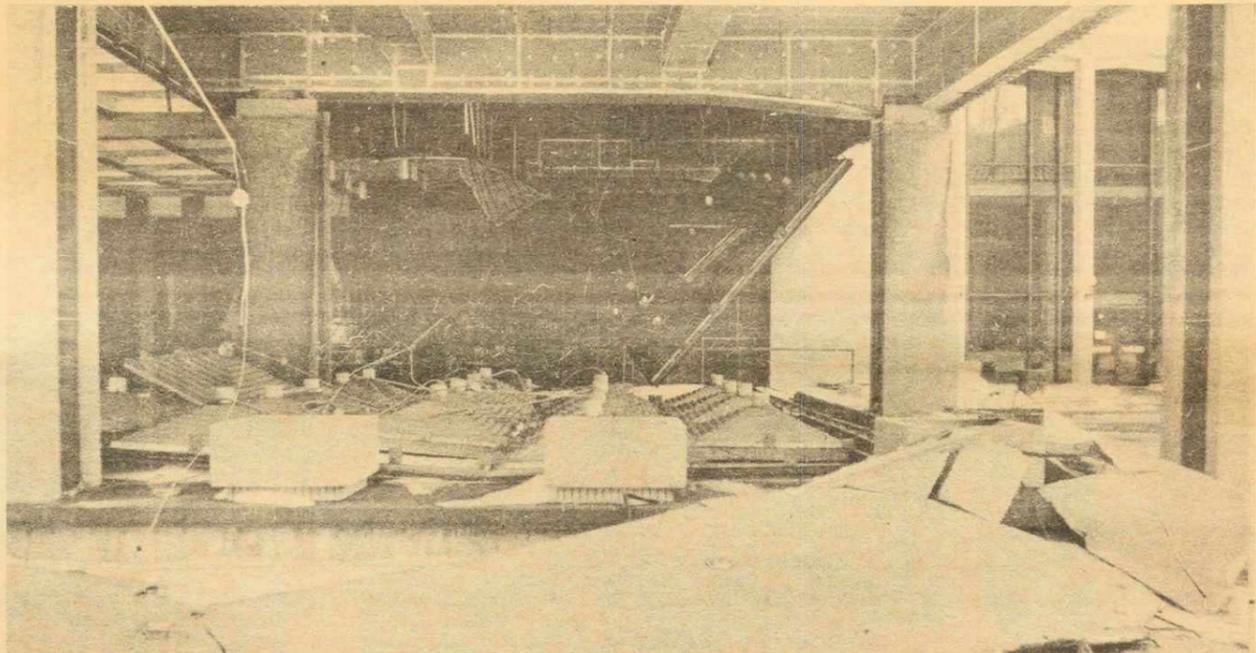
The basic assumption of the course evaluation's worth was doggedly attacked by Member at Large Mike Sherar. Sherar suggested that the \$2500 could be better spent on the societies.

The calendar's worth was reinforced by Council's recognition that the Commerce, Law, and Philosophy faculties are each producing

their own evaluation guide. Each faculty felt that the guide was sufficiently worthwhile to spend a large portion of their budget on it.

Council awaits a more specific report by Hicks.

Beginning September 1, 1976, Dalhousie students involved in an accident which results in damage to their teeth will be able to have their teeth repaired. The service comes under a new dental coverage clause adopted by Council which states: "When certified by the attending Student Health physician dental services would be provided for
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Chicken Little? Damage caused by wind to the entrance of Tupper Building. Dal Photo / Jensen

Wind storm damages Tupper Building

by Dave Purcell

Well it was one windy time in the old town on Thursday. Wind had aided in flooding the ferry terminal, early on the morning of the 17th.

Around noon however, an even more spectacular event was unfolding on the Dal campus.

Professor Allen Penny of the architecture school at N.S. Tech was standing by the Tupper taking wind readings. It seems that he studies the effects of wind on tall structures. With buildings going up and up and up nowadays this study is relevant. How would you like to work in an office where you could get seasick on windy days?

The professor explained to me that the Tupper has a bad wind problem. Very simply, as the wind hits the building and goes over the top it splits, part going up and part going down. Not only does the wind gain velocity but it also changes direction. In addition to that, the wind bends as it travels around the corners. It might be, in a simplified view, be related to diffraction of light as it bends around objects. The two effects combine to form enormous winds around the building. In one year the front door has had to be replaced twice.

Today the winds were very high and this was producing an extremely large force. The light panels at the front entrance were being ripped from their places on

the ceiling. Along with the fibrous plaster which surrounds them the panels were being torn slowly from the ceiling and tossed across the street. One brave soul who, come hell or high water, was determined to walk by, figured that it would be safe if he remained across the street. It wasn't. He only had enough time to take refuge behind a mailbox, before a light panel whisked past his head. It was soon followed by other debris.

A lady who resided in the house across the street from the Tupper was interrupted from her daily chores as the panel crashed into her front yard. I'm pretty sure she was worried, as she continued to watch panels being torn from their respective places and flung into her yard, dangerously near the windows.

Taxes

Tuition receipts for income tax purposes are not being mailed out automatically, you have to pick them up at the business office in the A&A Building.

Tuition up all over

Tuitions all over Atlantic Canada are going up. The information the *Gazette* has is that UPEI will be up 10%; St. Mary's will be up about \$50; UNB about 10-20%; Mt. St. Vincent will be up \$20; Memorial University's fees will perhaps have the biggest jump-\$200-\$300 as reported by the student newspaper there. President Henry Hicks is still saying that there will be no tuition increase here.

However, Dalhousie has been the least hit by the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission's allocations. It has received a 10% increase in provincial funding. While a 12% increase was the lowest in Ontario, 10% is the highest in the Maritimes. UNB received only a 6.5% increase.

Students here are concerned about what the trend in cutbacks and increased tuition will mean to education in the Maritimes. Nation-

al Union of Students is seriously considering staging a demonstration and a parade permit for Victoria Park on the 24th has already been obtained. This Thursday night at Kings College there will be an organizers meeting with students from every Maritime university attending.

As to what cuts will be made here at Dalhousie next year Dr. Hicks told the *Gazette* that fiscal restrictions will be accommodated in the following manners: hold the line on engaging new staff- revamping University telephone systems- not fill requests by departments for new teachers. Dr. Hicks stated that there will be "no academic services cut" and that student teacher ratios will, generally, not be affected, despite an expected enrollment increase. The increase though will be small, perhaps around 3-4%

1936: Hicks a Rhodes scholar

Student Government History # 67

Shortly before the 1936 Christmas vacation the Students' Council met to consider the fate of the 1937 yearbook, *Pharos*. It was estimated that sales would be lower than in 1935-36, and only one set of applicants for the book's positions had appeared. Not wishing to suspend publication once again, the Council appointed the applicants on condition that any deficit over \$100.00 would be deducted from salaries. If there were profits these would be split evenly between the Council and the staff.

When people returned from the vacation *GAZETTE* front page news included the recent award of Nova Scotia's Rhodes Scholarship to Henry Hicks, an Arts & Science student at Dalhousie. Activity in the communications field occupied much attention. The Council had approved publication of a new regular newsletter, the *Dalhousie Bulletin*. The *Bulletin* would be printed three times a week, providing updated notices of events at the institution. The Council had also established a Radio Committee, under the chairmanship of ever-active John Fisher. This group would oversee the student radio programs on CHNS. Attempts to have regular exchanges among student newspapers were increasing.

Conscious of its role as a leader of student opinion, the newspaper reviewed its 1936-37 platform of 13 points for campus reform. Announcing that seven of the "planks" had been accomplished, the editors presented a new platform containing 15 reforms.

When the Council met after its vacation the first business was to

ease the financial terms for *Pharos*. The budgeted deficit was doubled to \$200; a change perhaps necessary when no one was fighting for the Editor's position.

Most of the January 10, 1937 meeting was spent in a review of a draft revised Constitution. This draft proposed the most far-reaching changes in student government since the 1912 reorganization from direct to representative democracy. The most striking change was institution of direct election for the President and Vice-President. Under the 1912 system these positions had been filled by the Council from among its membership. Agitation for direct election had been led by John Fisher in opposition to the steady string of Medicine presidents.

The Council was not willing to abandon altogether its influence over the selection of the leading student officials. The students would choose from among Council nominees for the top positions. Write-ins and open nominations were not provided for. The pre-1912 direct rule was slightly restored with a requirement of at least three student meetings a year. The power of constitutional amendment would be returned to the students from Council.

The new constitution also provided the opportunity for further reduction of women's role in student affairs. Since World War I it had been traditional for a woman to be selected as Vice-President. Now that the position was to be elected the Council would appoint a Second Vice-President from among its female members. A further novelty was the selection of a Council member, the Freshman rep, by

Council from among the student body. This position had been elected at large, and never before had anyone but the students actually controlled Council membership.

The new constitution was presented to the students in the newspaper. An editorial stressed that this was the first major revision in 25 years, and speaking to the constitution committee declared, "Dalhousie thanks you for a job well done". It was also reported that once again the hockey budget was a source of controversy, and that Council felt there were too many ads in the *GAZETTE*.

Six days after giving the new constitution initial approval the Council confirmed it. They were reassured that no conflict between the athletic group (DAAC) and Council was created by the new system, and the subsidiary constitutions of major societies under the new constitution were approved as well. The DAAC succeeded in gaining Council support for its effort to increase athletics coverage in the newspaper. The executive was authorized to decide should the problem be financial.

A students' forum on the new constitution was held January 22, after its approval. Several students who had not been active in Council work came forward to attack the Council involvement in elections through nomination of the top officers and choice of the Freshman rep. The attackers included Henry Hicks, George Robertson, Elwyn Hughes and Art Ormiston.

There was much excitement over the founding of a Newfoundland Club at Dalhousie. "All residents of the Oldest Colony" were invited,

and Professor Gordon Cowan was to be the first speaker.

New ground was broken by a late January editorial on the quality of teaching. After describing the problem of professors who merely read notes in class the writer asked, "Are we men or mice? Mice, we fear, and wise ones. We know too well the fate of the bold one at examination time".

January 1937 also marked an increase in the anti-Nazi sentiment at Dalhousie. For the first time German refugees lectured on campus, led by the former director of the Berlin School of Political Science.

It was announced that the 1937 valedictorian would be Graham Murray, who has been a distinguished Professor of Law here. Remarking on the housing problem, the newspaper traced agitation for a men's residence back to 1869. There was still none.

Endicott

Dr. James Endicott, former Canadian missionary in China will be in Halifax from March 19 to March 31 addressing various groups throughout the city on the history and politics of modern day China.

He will be speaking at the following locations and dates:

-On **Education and Re-education in China** Wednesday, March 24 at 7pm and

On **Socialization in China** Monday March 29 at 7 pm in Auditorium C Seaton Academic Centre, Mount Saint Vincent University

-At the Dunn Engineering Building, Dalhousie University 7:30 pm

His visit is being sponsored by the Canada-China Friendship Association and the Student Christian Movement of Canada.

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Province to cut 300-500 teachers

by Kathy O'Brien

Education Minister Maynard MacAskill announced earlier this week that his department will reduce its cost sharing on the number of teachers employed in the province. This will mean a cutback of 300 to 500 teachers from the provincial education system in the coming school year and will result in the government saving about 3 million dollars. Currently there are approximately 11,500 teachers employed by the province.

Dr. MacAskill said that most provincial school boards now employ more teachers than required by education regulations, and that school enrollments have dropped.

He further stated that there will be additional reductions in school personnel as the enrollment continues to decrease.

Recent demographic studies show that enrollment in elementary schools has declined across the country since 1970 and will continue to decrease until the early 1980s. Secondary school enrollment is expected to peak in 1976 and then steadily decline until the turn of the century. However, university graduates are expected to increase by 13 to 14 percent over the next five or six years as the last progeny of the post-war "baby boom" leave the post secondary

education system.

Enrollment in the schools will not begin to increase until the mid-1980s when offspring of the original "baby boom" generation will begin to reach the elementary schools. However, projections for the 1990s indicate an enrollment increase of 40 percent, with more students than ever enrolled in the schools across the country.

The annual attrition of over 800 teacher retirements and resignations should make easier the cutbacks of the 300 to 500 teaching positions in the province. The move should not mean the firing of teachers but rather a cutback in

programs and a raising of student-teacher ratios in certain areas. It will also mean that there will be far fewer positions open for graduating Education students. Minister MacAskill stated there may have to be a review of future enrollments by all institutions involved in teacher education. He cited the enrollment limits placed on the provincially-operated Nova Scotia Teacher's College as a case in point.

There are currently 269 full-time students in the Education program at Dalhousie. Enrollment in the program has remained relatively stable over the past five years, although there have been slight increases since 1973. However, enrollments at other provincial teacher education institutions have increased more sharply.

Despite this, Professor J. Roald and Eric Ricker of Dalhousie's Education department do not foresee any limits being placed on this university's education program. In an interview Professor Ricker claimed that the department could not respond to short-term demographic changes by keying down departmental operations due to the expense involved in such a move. However, he added that there would certainly be no expansion of existing facilities.

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Whitemen tricked Indians

by Brian P. Duggan

Room 115 of the Weldon Law Building was the setting for a forum on Native Land Claims held on Wednesday March 10, 1976. Representatives from the Native peoples in the North were present as well as MicMac Indians from Nova Scotia.

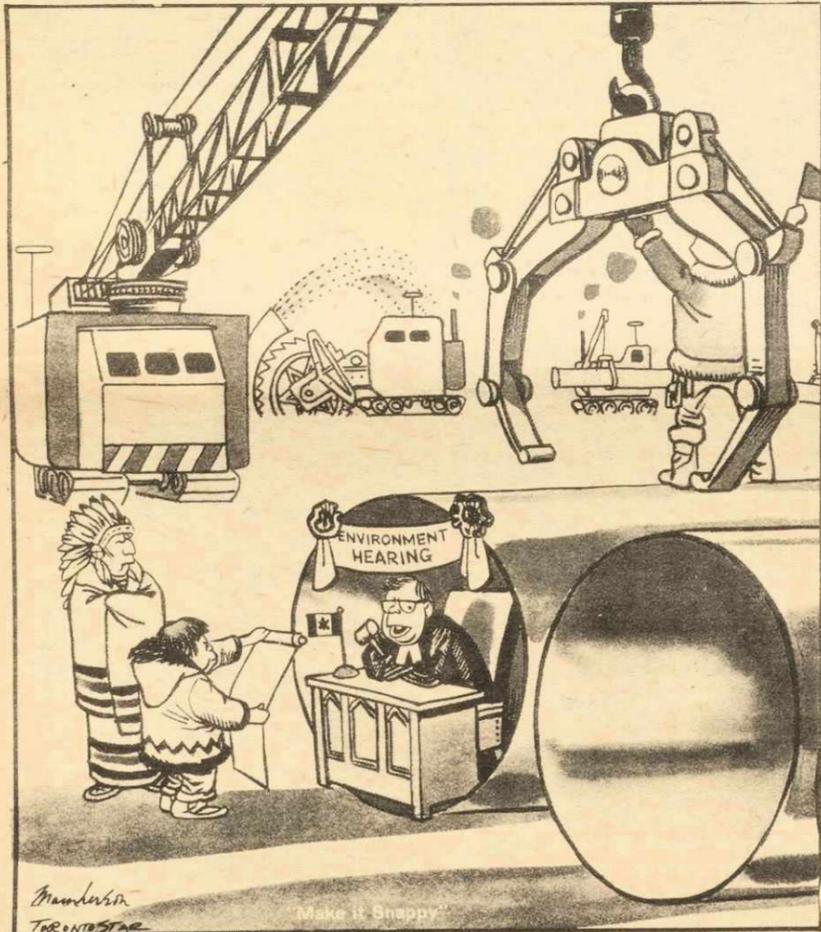
Eskimo, who live above the tree line. Both of these groups have for many years been preparing reports to present to the Federal Government concerning the use of the land that they live on.

The Dene people number 17,000 and they are represented in the Federal Government by a Council-

Territories do not want this to happen to their environment. What they want is some input into the type and amount of development that takes place on their land.

The feeling that I got out of this meeting was one of frustration on behalf of the Native people. There I was sitting in the same room with a group of people that my government for many years did not even think about until valuable resources were discovered in the North. I am sure that if oil was not discovered in the Territories the government would have just sent along the welfare cheques and talked about how much they are helping the Native peoples.

The land claims situation now stands as one where the Dene and Inuit people are being rushed into submitting reports concerning development. The government reaction to these reports will tell us whether the government really means it when they talk about helping the Native people. The question that remains to be answered is: Who will be helped—the Native people or the developers?



The opening address was given by a MicMac Indian, who spoke on the history of Indian-white man relations in Nova Scotia. The main point in his speech was how the white people of Nova Scotia had taken the land from the Indians through trickery. He expressed the opinion that the white Nova Scotians owe the MicMacs 300 years back rent.

Communication was noted as the major problem in the linkage between the Indian and the white settlers. The Indians did not have any say in what was happening in the Province. The result was, as we all know, the white man taking over the land and eventually through many treaties limiting the Indians to small reserves. The MicMac Indians are going to present a claim to the Government of Nova Scotia in which they claim all of Nova Scotia as land which is rightfully theirs.

The representatives from the North West Territories attended the meeting as part of a cross country tour to seek support for their land claims. Two groups were represented, the Dene Indians who live below the tree line, and the Inuit or

lor. They have no input into the decision making process at this time thus they have very little political power. Essentially the claims of these people are only an appeal for some input into what type of development takes place in the area. The development that takes place must have some benefits for the Natives. Money is not what the Dene want, they will not accept a deal like the James Bay ripoff. The Dene want control of the resources that are under their land.

The Inuit people were represented by a young lawyer who was a member of their Association. He expressed the point that the Inuit people were dependent on the land or the tundra that they live on. They are basically a people who live subsistence lives. They hunt, trap and fish. In the Summer they follow the herds of animals that are necessary for their livelihood. The main concern of these people is that these animals and their environment are not disrupted. Developments such as the MacKenzie Valley Pipe Line have disrupted the wildlife and environment of the Yukon. The Inuit of the Northwest

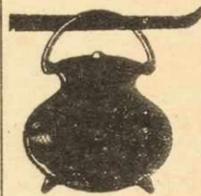
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Within the next few years tuition here will probably rise to \$1000, with no increase in services. This in addition to a decrease in the amount of bursary money. Even the administration should be decrying the obvious trend yet it has remained strangely meek.

People complain about reliance on outside teachers and experts, yet when it comes to the indigenous population education takes a back seat. Is it perhaps significant that the two most powerful countries in the world have the two highest percentages of university trained people.

While in the Maritime the crunch comes even harder, the poorest become poorer. While academic admission standards are lower higher tuition is limiting it to those who can afford it, this indicates a trend toward university for the dumb rich.

If governments want to cut down on the size of universities why not raise the academic requirements. In England universities are free and they are also truly universities. There are plenty of trade schools for those that want them.

Here we are fostering mediocre institutions of higher education with the stress taken off the "higher".

The Gazette supports a demonstration for better education in Canada. March 25th at Victoria Park has been proposed and if, at the organizers meeting, the decision is too hold it then students should get out there rally for a better Canada. The date might be a little awkward with exams coming up but the issue is so vital, not only for next year, but for the future of Canadian Universities.

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Letters

A seal expert??

To the Gazette:

I have spent the past two years at Dalhousie secure in the knowledge that anything printed in your newspaper is largely ignored by the general public. But since there is some possibility that your publication might have some impact on some individuals, there is a limit to the amount of nonsense (not to say horseshit) one can tolerate in print.

In your March 11 edition, a front page story deals with the "thousands upon thousands of infant seals" which are "clubbed on the head and skinned, while still alive" in the annual seal hunt off the coast of Newfoundland. There is much talk therein of plaintively moaning mothers, little mounds of flesh, slaughtering in a mindless manner and other tear-jerking topics. The suggestion that the Greenpeace Foundation was taking meat out of the mouths of Newfoundlanders is belittled, but that may have been simply because the suggestion had been made publicly by a politician, Fisheries Minister Roméo LeBlanc.

A number of anomalies surface from his article. Perhaps the most basic is the total indifference that Greenpeace, the Gazette and most of the rest of us feel toward "infant" or "baby" cows as we dig into a meal of calf's liver. Further, the phrase "baby seals" was unknown to the English language until Brian Davies and his misguided friends began this little crusade; the things were and are whitecoats, but who would cry over that.

The article is quite right in saying that these pelts are used to manufacture fur garments. What is quite flatly incorrect is the contention that these animals are skinned alive. Any defect in the pelt, any rip or tear, will reduce the value on the market, and therefore the skinning must be carefully, and skillfully, handled. A live pup will struggle and squirm if a sealer tries to skin it, much as you would if someone tried to skin you alive, and it is therefore impossible to take a marketable pelt from a live seal. No sealer is going to risk his life on the ice, and then throw away the money (which is his whole purpose of being there) by spoiling a pelt.

The seal hunt is not pretty. It is a messy, bloody affair. But so also is the scene in any slaughter-house. The Newfoundland seal fisherman is a skilled tradesman who produces a marketable commodity in order to earn money. Some might object to a person living lavishly on the proceeds of sealing, but who would deprive a Newfoundlander of \$3500 out of his \$7000 a year income by disallowing the hunt? Certainly not Greenpeace who made peace with the Newfoundland fishermen this week, and agreed not to obstruct them. They realized that they would be taking the meat out of Newfoundlanders' mouths.

Seals are a natural resource like fish, timber or petroleum. The only real issue which this controversy raises is the conservation of the resource. International agreement has set the quota for this year at 127,000 pelts. The Federal Government has agreed to this number but Greenpeace thinks it is too high. We laymen have no way of knowing who is correct, so, unless the Gazette is going to hire its own experts and make its own studies, it should keep its uninformed opinions to itself. At all events it should refrain from printing such mindless, emotional guff as appeared in this issue to which I referred.

It took the Greenpeace Foundation and NDP leader Ed Broadbent a trip to Newfoundland and a talk with Newfoundland seal fishermen

to convince them that Newfoundlanders are not barbaric babykillers. There is no reason to believe that the Norwegians are either. I would suggest that the Gazette try meeting with some sealers before revealing any more of your ignorance of this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph Hutchings

Law II

St. John's, Newfoundland

Ed. Note: If you had taken the time to watch the news articles about the seal hunt which have been on television every night since the controversy erupted, instead of making snide and "uninformed" opinions about both the Gazette and the purpose of the Greenpeace expedition, you would have been able to present a more digestible argument.

[a] The Greenpeace foundation consists of well-informed scientists and laymen from around the world and are not your cliched "bleeding heart liberals" [your implication].

[b] Their purpose is to hinder the seal hunt, of which 12 of the 13 ships participants are foreign. Greenpeace has publicly recognized the Newfoundland sealhunters right to capture seals for meat. However, they and we do not condone hunting white coats for a market which is doubtful in its objectives [at best]. You do.

[c] You seem to forget that there is an obvious bias in the reporting from the established press.

[d] When the law did not encompass the Greenpeace Foundation's actions, the law was merely changed to make the actions illegal.

A CASE OF CENSORSHIP

To the Gazette:

The threats to freedom of speech are usually thought to originate from sources outside the media, eg. governments or corporations whose best interests often lie in a silent press. People rely on the media to be a 'watchdog', the communities eye on the centers of power. Unfortunately that often turns out to be a naive assumption, the people who run the various media have an opportunity to be manipulators and therefore to be manipulated.

The student press is, fortunately, free from many of the pressures imposed by governmental or monetary interests. The editor of a student newspaper can be quite relaxed in the area of newspaper content. Still, the editors are saddled with the difficult responsibilities of the job. Content must be factually correct and non-libelous.

However, last week the Gazette abused its power and deliberately censored some material. Although the incident meant little to the content of the article it contradicted the purpose of a student newspaper and in principle is important.

The incident involved Ken MacDougall's column. He had sub-headed the column and some of those sub-heads were removed. It would be a lengthy and largely useless exercise to describe the emotional and personal reasons for the censorship. At the time there were those who thought the sub-heads had a vicious connotation; some thought that students would fail to comprehend the intention of the sub-heads; finally there were those who did not agree with the content of the article and were only too happy to water it down. The line between editorial responsibility and censorship became, for a moment, blurred and with only myself dissenting the line was crossed.

What was censored was neither libelous nor, to use a nice non-legal term, vicious. One of the sub-

heads read as follows "Barbara Beach may be a nice person, but..." The implication was that the position of Housing Secretary that Barbara Beach had taken could have only limited effectiveness. To take this out was not only petty but wrong.

As applied to this case there are three criteria the editors should follow: 1) Don't exclude opinions that are not yours; ones you don't like. 2) Work on the premise that your readership is highly intelligent, as opposed to the commercial media. 3) Give commentators full freedom of speech.

The Gazette is a soap box for students willing to use it. Comments, whether by the editorial board or the individual, are open to counter-comments. People should not hold back what they are valid and relevant opinions for fear of offending others. If people did not screw things up all the time then commentators would be unnecessary. But they are necessary, and the more opinions, no matter how strong, the better.

A free atmosphere and constant dialogue in a student newspaper is necessary to insure its usefulness to the student body. We at the Gazette

will be performing a disservice if that atmosphere is not perpetuated and censorship becomes a tool of the editors.

Hopefully the violation of the student's rights and the tenets of good journalism in this minor instance was, and will be, an isolated incident.

Mike Greenfield Assistant Editor

Here's to the Kingmaker...!

To the Gazette:

I was quite pleased, and amazed

to see Ken MacDougall's article "In Pursuit of the Big Apple."

Once in several months one of your writers makes an important statement, and although I am unwilling to believe "everything I read" I find his statements on the recent "elections" to be most interesting.

Mr. Crossman, the King-maker, if that is truly what he is, is certainly an interesting character. However, he is also very dangerous. I suggest gentlemen that we deal with him in the normal manner.

So "spppppppppph" to you Mr. Crossman.

Sincerely,
Michael Wile

Ken MacDougall's view

Of Goldilocks and Chicken Little :

by Ken MacDougall

Well, it's rapidly coming around to that time of the year: examinations are four weeks away, term papers are coming due, there's a run on bennies at the local pharmacies and, most importantly, students are running out of money for beer in the Grawood. As if things aren't bad enough, we now have Chicken Little running around saying that the worst is yet to come. I'll give you an example of what I mean:

"Due to the economic position of the country, the current position of post-secondary students in Nova Scotia and Canada is the worst of many years. At this point Dalhousie students are facing the following: a provincial Treasury Board that this week (March 8th) is examining critically an already deficient Student Aid program; a university president who last week announced consideration of a further tuition fee increase, albeit Dalhousie's tuitions have been consistently the highest of the country for several years; a federal student summer employment program ... These problems are evident without even venturing from our own backyard."

Chicken Little, in case you're wondering is our very own Student Union President, Bruce Russell.

But, aside from a few grammatical changes, I don't think I could have summarized the plight of students any better. The unfortunate truth of the matter, however, is that Russell's Council, more than anything else, has contributed to this state of affairs.

Last year the provincial government decided to do a hatchet job on Student Aid. Simultaneously the Dalhousie Board of Governors decided to increase tuition for the Faculty of Arts and Science. How did Council respond? Not very well, I'm afraid. Russell literally had to be dragged into the Student Aid confrontation. And, when Graduate Students, led by PoliSci student Paul Evans, offered to organize a fee boycott (Russell's responsibility, actually, if it was to be conducted in the name of the Student Union), the GSU was given a cold reception.

Perhaps there was some legitimate ground for failing to tackle the fee hike. Peter Clarke, a Student Senator who worked on the Student Aid campaign, stated at the time that, because it was summer, there was little chance of organizing an effective boycott. It seemed far more logical, therefore, to concentrate student effort on regaining the lost ground with the Aid Program.

I'd agree with that approach, if the Student Aid Programme wasn't designed to benefit the middle class. But that's irrelevant for now. The important thing to note is that this was the direction in which student effort was channelled last summer.

But even with this stand, Russell's contribution to the campaign

was minimal. It was Mary Pat MacKenzie, former Editor of the **Gazette**, who used her media influence to get Russell on ATV's "Counterpoint," it was MacKenzie who destroyed Education Minister Gillis's credibility on CBC's "Metro Action", and it was MacKenzie and Clarke who prepared the press releases, set up meetings with other unions in the province, and button-holed the support of the New Democratic Party, the Nova Scotia Federation of Labour, Dr. Hicks, President of Dalhousie and, somewhat belatedly, the Progressive Conservative Party. Barry Ward and Gary Armsworthy, two Third Year Law students, provided the bulk of research, and eventually supplied Council with the most comprehensive Student Aid report ever compiled in Canada.

The campaign received excellent co-operation from the Nova Scotia newspapers, especially the **Halifax Herald**, but not untypically, ran afoul of obstructionist tactics from the liberals at **The 4th Estate**. The efforts, however, proved successful, and the lost ground was regained. Then the torch of leadership was thrown to Russell and Council. Nothing of substance has happened since; this, in spite of the fact that the provincial government was strongly hinting at a coming programme of fiscal restraint.

Then, two weeks ago an editorial appeared in the **Gazette**. It condemned Council for failing to appoint a permanent Student Aid Task Force, while emphasizing the direction Liberal fiscal policy was taking. Russell condemned this statement in private; soon, however, he was approaching Ward and Armsworthy to prepare him another paper on Student Aid, which would be presented to the new Minister of Education, Dr. MacAskill. Last week, Russell began voicing the same concerns as the **Gazette**.

The gut response by Russell, of reacting negatively to even minor criticism of his term of office, is typical of the "need-a-boot-in-the-ass-to-get-me-moving" mentality that has pervaded this Council. But facts have to be faced. For too long the Dalhousie Student Union, supposedly the "leadership" union of the Maritimes, has been playing Goldilocks, sleeping in the beds of the university, the Regan government, and whosoever else that might have been wearing the stripes of Liberalism. Now, with the Liberal government sensing a change in public attitude away from "welfare" handouts to student bums, the end product of this tactic is coming to rest around the necks of students in the province.

Russell's bleating about the plight of students, I must admit, is magnificent camouflage. With only one and a half months left in his term, he isn't going to be around to fight the battle with the Liberals, anyway. Gord Neal will have the

pleasure of that task. He may have the help of Anne Gillis, if she doesn't need her stomach pumped from eating her SUB "banana split". Neal certainly will also need the backing of the Council, the bulk of whom supported John D'Orsay and Dave Brown.

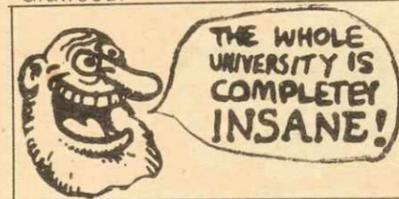
The year of lost effort is going to require immense co-operation. And people wonder why I am "not giving Gord and Anne a chance." Christ, I wouldn't give most people a chance of bailing students out of this mess.

The coming summer struggle will depend, not just on strong leadership, but on student willingness to face reality. The Liberals aren't going to whimper away like they did last year, and they aren't going to risk losing power again for the sake of supporting higher education. Dr. Hicks made that mistake when he was premier of this province, and Bob Stanfield ate him alive. Gerry Regan, no raving intellectual, at least can read history.

Students may have to kick ass this summer - the Establishment's ass. We may need pickets, petitions, strikes and other weapons of militancy, if further cutbacks in educational funds are in the offing. Has the student body the collective willpower to even consider this type of action? Probably not. For too many years Student Councils have concerned themselves with turning their Unions into Beer Gardens, allegedly the end result to students, with the aid of two apathetic to care.

Perhaps that sounds cynical. But then, some people question my judgment, regardless of my position. So do I. For, you see, it was I who urged Mary Pat MacKenzie to have the **Gazette** support Bruce Russell and Ann Smiley last year.

Even I can make mistakes. **Notes in Passing:** Someone may have noticed something wrong with my column last week. The Guzzling Gourmet pasted some of the copy in in the wrong order. I may have solved the problem this week, by ordering rounds in advance in the Grawood.



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The lunch bucket

Three weeks left. And I'm still up to my hair in letters. It appears now that at least some of them will not be answered, at least in this column, this year.

Dear Box,

This cafeteria is very nice, but it would be much nicer if there was some music rather than the clatter of dishes.

Anon.

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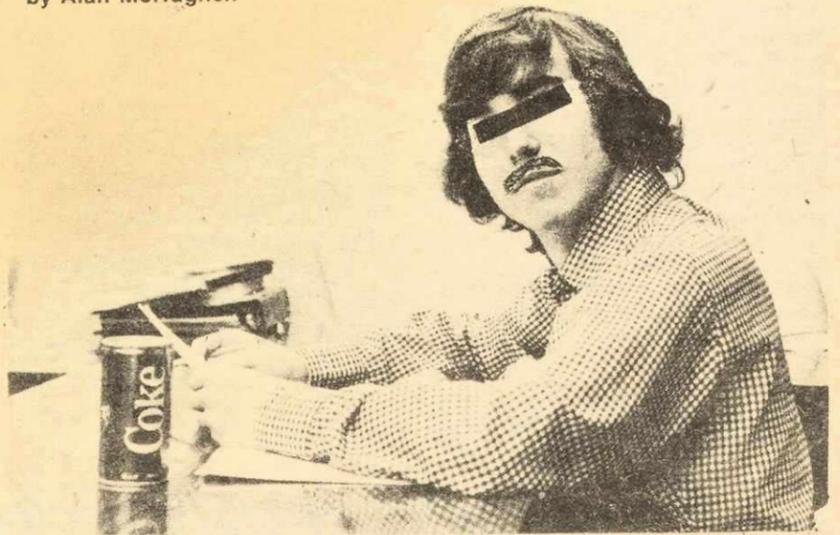
Dear Box,

It's obviously time to clear up the misconceptions under which you are labouring regarding coffee and coffee urns in the cafeteria. Firstly, the building opened in Nov. 1968. A quick calculation will show you that this means that the SUB (and necessarily, the coffee urns) is seven years old and three months. Not nine years. Secondly, the fact that the coffee urns are seven years old has little to do with the quality of the coffee. I have been drinking the coffee here for over six and one half years and I can assure you, it has never been good. The fact that the urns are old (actually what Pat means is that they are dirty; that the crud can no longer be removed effectively) may add a certain amount of bitterness and acidity; however the sad truth is that you cannot make coffee in ten or fifteen gallon lots and expect it to taste good. So much for economic expediency.

Fearless

Surprisingly, I have to agree with you. I can remember my first cup of coffee here was in January 1963. (That was 13 years ago, for those of you who are trying to figure it out.) At that time, the cafeteria was in the Arts Annex, and it tasted just as bad. At least it's consistent. But

by Alan McHughen



there is really no alternative. A large number of people want coffee starting early in the morning and that continues through the day. The only way to make it is in the big urns. However, there is a small machine that only makes a few cups at a time, and it is located in the hot entree section. I rarely drink coffee (I'm not into methylxanthines) so why don't you try it and let me know how it is. But don't be too surprised if it isn't too shit hot (figuratively) either. Just out of interest, if the coffee is that bad, (and it is), why have you been drinking it for six years?

Dear Box,

My problem is a serious one so please treat it with respect. I am a soup lover and am up against the problem of finding a soup spoon in this cafeteria. On the rare occasion that a soup spoon is available, it is most likely dirty. I know it is impossible to expect a sudden improvement in dish washing facilities all for the lowly soup spoon, but perhaps the cafeteria could provide plastic soup spoons. It's very annoying having to eat your soup everyday from a teaspoon; I only have a one hour lunch break. Thanks.

Soupy

Whenever the cafeteria runs out of any minor thing like utensils, condiments or food, simply ask the cashier or other employee. They will instruct Peter or somebody else to go and get the missing commodity. If this doesn't work, or if you get a hassle, dump your soup over the cash register. The subsequent reaction is well worth the 35 cents.

Dear Box,

So on Friday I should eat before 6:00 p.m. Ridiculous and frustrating.

Anon.

Yes and yes. If you want to eat at the cafeteria, that is.

Dear Lunch Can,

This letter is a complaint. The cafeteria sells cigarettes, but not Colts. As you know, Colts and Colts Mild are becoming increasingly popular for the studious, coffee drinking, cafeteria going elite. They are very effective in calming anxieties, they taste much better than cigarettes, they are cheaper because one smokes very few and indeed, one can smoke one Colt in stages up to three or four lights. Also, the tips are very tasty and chewable, being rum flavoured and

wine dipped. The alcoholic content is questionable. Also, I would like to recommend the Mild Colts over the regular as they are much easier on the throat and lungs. Thank you.

Anon.

This answer is a complaint. Number one, I am a Biology student, and, as such, I am no longer permitted to smoke in any class or teaching lab of Biology. Number two, I am not into tobacco. Number three, the cafeteria is coming under increasing pressure to establish smoking/non-smoking areas, if not to prohibit smoking altogether, the way Biology did. Incidentally, I doubt if it is very effective at calming anxieties; Nicotine is one of the most powerful stimulants known to mankind.

Dear Box,

Eat my shorts. I'm sure I'm eating your's.

Beads et. al.

I was wondering who took them.

Dear Box,

I realize that the guzzling gourmet has nothing to do with the Lunch Bucket, but since you're both in the same league, this letter is addressed to the G.G. in care of the Box:

Dear Guzzling Gourmet,

In your recipe of Feb. 19, you call for "1 pile of old Gazette back issues (approx. 7 lbs. worth)"

a) Who has 7 lbs. worth of the Dal Gazette lying around?;

b) Who keeps back issues of the Gazette? Unfortunately, this recipe seems to be merely a folly, a figment of your fermented brain. Try again.

Alke

For a number of reasons, I'm going to answer this letter before I give it to G.G. First, to answer your questions:

a) Allan Zdunich,

b) Allan Zdunich.

Now, the primary reason I've decided to answer this letter is to set things straight, just for the record. The G.G. and I are NOT in the same league. I do not have to bribe my readers with alcohol, I do not have to subliminally lull my readers (eg. "...oh, dear readers...") and I do not do this for my own enjoyment. I do, however, have the stupidity (?) ... audacity (?) to sign my own name to this column. Just so as you will not get the wrong idea concerning our relationship, though, I will stick up for him and assure you that it would be quite impossible for him to have a fermented brain.

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Job outlook bleak

by Valerie Mansour

Students seeking employment in the near future will find a shortage of jobs. The government has cut back on expenditures, and, as usual, there are not enough jobs to go around.

The impact of the Opportunities for Youth cutback is apt to be great. An average of 2,156 students were employed with three projects throughout the years that they were available in Nova Scotia. It seems apparent that many students will be without jobs, thus being unable to afford university next fall.

The government will again be sponsoring the Student Summer Employment and Activities Program. SSEAP '76 is the federal government's effort to provide summer employment for students. As indicated in the summary, the amount of money they are allotting this year is drastically lower than that for 1974. 1975 figures were unavailable, but it is known that students were much better off than they will be this summer.

The \$24 million program involves eight federal departments providing 17 programs with twelve thousand jobs. However, few of these programs are new except for their titles.

The Minister of Manpower and Immigration, Robert Andras, has said that with persistence most students will find work. However, it seems that more than persistence will be needed to find success due to the extent of the government's cutbacks.

Kay Horne, the manager of the Campus Manpower Centre, says that those students who will be satisfied with a traditional job which offers minimum wage will have the least amount of trouble. Waiters and waitresses, groundskeepers, baby-sitters and retailers are always in good demand.

The Centre is trying to provide alternatives for students, but finding employment will hardly be a matter of choice.

Since last November they have been working on career-oriented programs for the summer, but their involvement in this area will end along with the conclusion of classes. At this time another Manpower location will deal primarily with this section.

The Campus office is mainly concerned with finding full-time employment for graduating Dalhousie students. Business students have been most visible at the Centre and demand for them is good. It is a more difficult task to find employment for those with a general arts degree, due to lack of specialization. Students who do succeed in finding full-time employment usually do so in the area of general administration.

There appears to be a lack of science students making use of the office's resources, and health pro-

fession students also have other means of finding employment.

Forms are available at the Campus Centre for students going into the teaching profession, so that they can individually write to various school boards. Acceptance on these jobs are left late in the year since schools don't realize the number of their teachers who will be returning until the April resignation deadline is met.

Not enough students are making use of the Campus Manpower Centre. This could be due to a lack of knowledge of the office's existence since they haven't got the funding for extensive advertising. However, they do own eleven bulletin boards on campus and frequently post helpful notices.

The Campus Centre is short-staffed this year as they have only three full-time workers. January has been the biggest month where they were dealing with up to three hundred students per day. These students applied early for their jobs, but it is only now that definite offers are being made to them.

The Centre finds it hard to get feed-back from the graduating students. Only about twenty-five per cent answer the surveys, thus making it difficult for the office to conclude on the extent of success they are having. Last year appeared to be a good year according to the results that were returned.

Occasionally students do find the ideal job. An occupation which interests them, has good pay, practical hours, and perhaps, opportunity for travel would satisfy any job seeker.

Students who do use the office's resources use them frequently. The main problem being encountered lately is that many employers want their workers to leave the area whereas students often have reason to stay in the local region.

The Campus Canada Manpower Centre is hoping that more students would come up to the fourth floor of the SUB for assistance with job hunting. Personal Information Forms are available to be filled out.

A great deal of energy and patience appear to be the main prerequisites for finding a decent job this year. It also helps to realize that Dalhousie students have a very good name on the National job market.

A small committee of Dalhousie Student Union members recently have met with finance minister for Nova Scotia, Walter Fitzgerald, to discuss the employment problem and the extent of its effect. Results of this meeting will be detailed at a later time.

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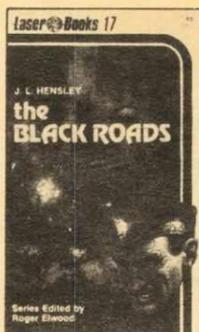
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Diversion prevents crime

by Donalee Moulton

With the crime rate reaching unprecedented highs, city residents looking for alternative solutions to the problem. Residents of Ward 5 and Ward 3, in conjunction with various social aid groups, have formed a joint steering committee to assess the situation. One solution to

the problem may be diversion, and the committee plans to implement such a program as soon as possible.

Diversion is more than merely a means of treating the problem; it is a means of prevention in many cases. Instead of placing a minor offender directly into the hands of

the law, a diversion member can be called upon to mediate between the victim and the offender. This saves first-time offenders from getting a criminal record and it could save many offenders from going back to jail. It is the opinion of many Ward 5 and Ward 3 residents that incarceration only serves to worsen the problem and if this action could be averted it would benefit the whole community.

In cases where a diversion mediator is called in, for instance in a shoplifting case or private dispute, it will be that person's responsibility to attempt a reconciliation between those involved. In essence, diversion will require co-operation and often compromise on the part of both parties concerned.

Currently, storeowners in the Gottingen St. area have expressed a growing concern over the rising incidents of crime and are open to suggestions. The police have agreed to accompany diversion members to shops to inform the owners when the project gets underway; they have not agreed, however, to lend any more of a hand than this and appear to have little faith in the project.

Diversion has been attempted in other Canadian cities with great success. In York, where a project is under way, they are reporting

recidivism rates of 20% (the usual rate is 80-90% recidivism when handled by police).

The steering committee here in Halifax intends to keep a record of its activities for future use in assessing the recidivism rate and the value of diversion. As well it intends to undertake an attitude survey involving people from judges to delinquents.

Presently the committee plans to run the diversion project on a volunteer basis with the exception of a co-ordinator who will be responsible for much of the running of the project. On March 20th a workshop will be held to train volunteers and introduce them to as many facets of the judicial system as is possible.

The steering committee has looked well into the future and are considering being on call 24 hours a day and expanding their number of full time paid employees. (Those professionals who are currently involved in the project are on temporary "loan" from such organizations as Black United Front, Welfare Rights, Legal Aid, New Options, and Big Brothers). They also see the time when they will be able to aid the offenders more directly by arranging for their stays at outdoor places, such as Pioneer Village.

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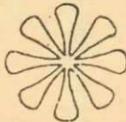


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New concept in family planning

by Lorna Muzzerall
Brian P. Duggan

Family planning is a concept that has arisen in the last few years. The rise in the cost of living as well as other socio-economic factors have presented many problems to those who want to raise a family, but not a large one. More and more people are turning to some method of birth control to help them cope with the situation. The people of Australia have been using a natural method of birth control that was discovered by Doctors John and Lyn Billings twenty years ago. This method is called either the Billings or the Ovulation method.

If you are like most people, you probably have not heard of this method. To most couples family planning is treated as a passe activity. The women must pop her daily pill while the man hopes that she does not forget. The Billings method of family planning is one where the couple must work together to make it work. By doing this the onus is not only on the woman, the success rate is achieved by the couple as a unit. The fact that both men and women have an important role brings the couple closer together and lets them communicate and discover who they are and what they mean to each other.

Probably the most appealing aspect of the Billings method is that it is natural birth control. This eliminates the necessity of taking the pill which, as some women have found out, can lead to uncomfortable side effects. The method is based on scientific knowledge which has been proven by the many years of work done by the Doctors Billings.

The most important point to

remember is that the method will not work unless both the man and the woman are involved.

This is not a contraceptive method but one in which all pregnancies can be planned, and in some instances of infertility it can help couples achieve pregnancies. Thus it works both ways.

Even though the Billings method was discovered twenty years ago in Australia, it has just come to Canada. The method is taught on a very personal basis and success has been reached in teaching it to the blind and to people in underdeveloped countries. The method is now being taught in Ontario and some local groups are now forming. They formed after an introductory lecture by a couple from Mississauga, Ontario. The reaction to this lecture was very encouraging and some Halifax couples are now testing the method for themselves.

Most of the problems that the organizers of these groups have encountered have been simply bad reactions by some people. Some think that it is just the rhythm method—it is not! Doctors do not have the time that it takes to teach the method, thus they do not recommend it. Drug companies who make great profits from pill sales have been trying to squelch the media from letting people know that there is an alternative to the almighty pill.

If this message has been received by interested people at Dalhousie, they can acquire more information at the Chaplain's Office in the S.U.B. or by phoning 454-8541 or 424-2288.

It is worth a try.

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Graduate students hold conference

by Ron Norman

The Canadian Union of Graduate Students (CUGS) achieved several of their planned objectives at the three-day national conference held in Halifax March 12, 13, and 14. However, the pivotal issue in the conference was an item not on the agenda: the purpose of CUGS and justification for its existence.

The issue initially arose from a request by Laval University for a definition of CUGS so that Laval could then prepare a brief for the Quebec conference of Graduate associations, with the hope of procuring more Quebec members for CUGS (Laval is the only Quebec university belonging to CUGS).

What arose instead was an extensive examination of CUGS as it stands now.

CUGS president, from the University of Alberta, stated that "CUGS is a self-help organization aimed at representing the views of Canadian Graduate Associations, and, thus indirectly, graduate students".

The president went on to set forth CUGS's primary functions: (1) a disseminator of information to Graduate Associations across Canada; and (2) a lobbying unit in the interests of Canadian Graduate students.

It was pointed out that while

thirteen graduate schools were in attendance at the national conference, many of the major schools, including University of B.C., University of Toronto, and McGill University were not present. One dissatisfied member suggested that the reason for their absence was CUGS ineffectiveness.

The president defended CUGS's low-level approach, saying that the gathering of information is an initial growth stage, and that once this was achieved the organization could then focus on doing something.

However, the general feeling of the members was that CUGS should move past the information stage; "If CUGS is just gathering here to share information", said one member, "why not simply send a newsletter"?

The representative from Guelph suggested that CUGS take an active role in such issues as the recent university budgetary cuts, which affect Graduate Associations across the country.

The York representative advised the CUGS executive that if it did not begin to act through lobbying and the use of the press, then York's Graduate school would seriously

consider joining the National Union of Students (NUS) who have an office in Ottawa.

John Cheyne, president of Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students (DAGS) rejected the proposal that CUGS become more active. Cheyne said that under the BNS Act education is a provincial concern, and "any attempt to form a strong national body with an eight person office in Ottawa (a reference to NUS) is just plain silly". Cheyne said that the constitution mitigates against a strong central body and that CUGS had been most successful so far

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"Our prices aren't high"

by Valerie Mansour

Dalhousie Bookstore personnel claims that their prices are not high. Amid constant criticism about the price tags on their books, Margaret White says that they charge only the list price as suggested by the publishing firms. Even their stationary items, which sell at an extremely high price range, are on the shelves at the price indicated by the companies.

The Dal Bookstore is organized so that it just breaks even at the completion of a year. There is a staff of twenty-six to pay, and freight charges are alarmingly high. For instance, on a shipment of two packs of fourteen text books, the store must pay \$34.95 to receive them.

Publishers, except for the smaller ones, give the store a twenty-five percent discount on the books bought. In most instances the store can return unsold books.

Book prices are constantly climbing, this being partly due to the paper shortage which has resulted in paper prices soaring.

Often books in the Dalhousie Bookstore have two and three price tags on them. This is due to the fact that the price on a certain edition of books might rise while there still are identical copies on the shelf from a previous order. Previously, if a new shipment of books came in at a higher price, the store would leave the original price on the other books still in stock. However, because of students' complaints as to why some people could buy the same book cheaper than others, the store decided that when the newly priced books arrived, they would put new price tags on the older books, something not allowed for example in the retail food business.

When comparing Dal book prices with another bookstore it can be seen that many books are identically priced, and sometimes Dal prices are considerably higher or lower, often depending upon the edition. Bookstores are supposed to sell at list price, except for sales.

The Dalhousie Bookstore has actually been selling books at lower prices lately. A Penguin book sale has been held as well as a sale of books which they cannot return to the publishing firm.

Some policy changes have been made recently. All freshmen books have been moved to the main bookstore with only the stationary items remaining in the other one. A trade section with reference books is now being worked on with all faculties advising the store as to what type of books should be included. The office area has been moved from the main bookstore to allow more floor space for new books.

The policy on returns is different now also; you must have a letter from the instructor of your course before a book can be returned.

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Despite selling at prices which appear to be unreal, the management at the Dalhousie Bookstore says they are charging the proper prices, and along with all the expenses to be met, they are trying to break even.





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A study of the **ACTS OF THE APOSTLES** is held at St. Andrew's Church Hall on the corner of Coburg and Robie on Friday nights at 7:30 p.m. ALL ARE WELCOME.

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PASSPORT AND APPLICATION PHOTOS are taken in Room 320 of the SUB from noon till 5 p.m. on Fridays. The price is 14.00 for 4 photos.

Mount Saint Vincent University has a reminder for **STUDENTS WHO WILL BE WORKING TOWARDS A GRADUATION DEGREE IN EDUCATION** this coming fall. Bursaries are available for full-time studies leading to a master of education degree, **BUT, APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 1.** If you need more information, call the Mount's Education Department at 443-4450, Local 181.

IMMUNIZATIONS. Students planning Overseas travel this summer should start their immunizations NOW. These can be given by appointment with Dr. G. Service, Dalhousie Health Service, 424-2171. You might also check to see if your **BOOSTER SHOTS** are up to date.

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The **DALHOUSIE PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION** will meet in the SUB Room 218 at 8:30 p.m., Thursday, March 18th. This is the group's first meeting since the leadership convention, and everyone is invited to attend.

CANADIAN CROSSROADS INTERNATIONAL presents a "Bottoms Up" on March 20th at the Jubilee Boat Club. Admission is \$2.50, with Moonstruck from 9 - 1 a.m.

The Dal Progressive Conservative Association will meet tonight, Thursday, in SUB room 318 at 8:30. This is the group's first meeting since the leadership convention, and everyone is welcome.

The Student Christian Movement and the Canada China Friendship Association in Halifax have invited James Endicott, ex-missionary and present editor and publisher of the Canadian Far Eastern News Letter to give a public lecture on Education and Re-education in People's China.

Dr. Endicott lived in China for many years and has consequently taken an active interest in China's development since returning to Canada. The lecture will take place at 7:00 p.m. on Wed. March 24th at Auditorium C, Seaton Academic Centre, Mount Saint Vincent University.

Dalhousie students and faculty are cordially invited to attend a public meeting to support the struggle of the Azanian people against racist and fascist South Africa.

The meeting is being held as part of the cross-Canada speaking tour to inform people of the situation in Azania (South Africa). The speaker will be Comrade D. Sibeko, Director of Foreign Affairs of the Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) and the Representative from the PAC Observer Mission to the United Nations.

The meeting will be held on March 25th, at 7:30 p.m. in the McMechan Auditorium, Killam Library, Dalhousie.

SPORTS

Interested in becoming a member of the **CANADIAN SPORT PARACHUTING ASSOCIATION?** Pick up an application form in the rack beside the Enquiry desk of the SUB or telephone 455-4739 for further information.

DALHOUSIE SCUBA CLUB. The Club is diving nearly every weekend. Watch the notice board in the SUB for times and locations. Remember too, you're entitled to two free air-fills a month from Waterworld on Blower Street. Don't forget that on March 27th the Nova Scotia Underwater Council will be holding its annual **FILM FESTIVAL**. This is one of the finer of its kind in Canada.

LECTURES / READINGS

On March 18th at 8:00 p.m. in the Seton Academic Center of Mount Saint Vincent University, Dr. Frederick Lawrence will give a public lecture on **POLITICAL THEOLOGY AND HISTORY**. Dr. Lawrence, from the Theology Department of Boston College, is an authority of German philosophy and theology. For more information on lectures at Mt. S.V.U., call 443-4450, extension 233.

On March 24th in the Seton Academic Centre of Mount Saint Vincent University, there will be a public lecture by Dr. **JAMES ENDICOTT** on **EDUCATION AND RE-EDUCATION IN CHINA**. Dr. Endicott is a former United Church missionary and political activist who at one time was advisor to Chiang Kai-shek and who knew revolutionary leaders including Cho En-Lai. At 7 p.m. on March 29th, he will lecture on **SOCIALISM IN CHINA**.

ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGES IN THE MARITIMES. On March 22 / 76 at 8:15 p.m. in Room 117 of the Sir James Dunn Science Building, Dr. J.J. Ogden 111 of Dalhousie University's Biology Department will give a lecture based on a special study he has done on changing climates, and will discuss historic "little ice ages."

GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT SEMINARS: March 18 - **PRINCETON EXCHANGE LECTURE.** Dr. Robert Hargraves, Dept. of Geological and Geophysical Sciences, Princeton, will lecture on "Precambrian geologic history: growth and emergence of continents from beneath the Primordial Sea." March 19 - Prof. Janet Watson, Imperial College, Dept. of Geology, London, England, will lecture on "Mineralization in relations to the evolution of the Earth's Crust." March 25th - **MEMORIAL EXCHANGE LECTURE.** Dr. John Malpas, Dept. of Geology, M.U.N., St. John's, Newfoundland, will lecture on "Petrochemistry of the Bay of Islands Complex, Newfoundland." Finally on April 1, Dr. Tanya Atwater, Dept. of Earth and Planetary Sciences, M.I.T. Boston, will lecture on "Details of Mid-Ocean Ridges from Deep-Tow Studies."

ART EXHIBITS

On display at **SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY**, an exhibition of paintings, drawings and woodcuts by **BRUNO NOBAK**.

On March 19th, two new exhibitions open at the **MOUNT SAINT VINCENT UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY**, located in the Seton Academic Centre. Downstairs will be "Drawings" by L.J. Fitzgerald and Bertram Brooker, courtesy of the Winnipeg Art Gallery, while upstairs, "West Mexican Tomb Sculpture", courtesy of Dr. and Mrs. John Vandenmeulen.

At the **KILLAM GALLERY: MUSIC RESOURCES CENTRE**, dyed and printed works of **ALISON PARSONS**. On display until April 7th.

At Dalhousie Art Gallery, Main Gallery, Dalhousie Arts Centre beginning March 22nd, **EIGHTEENTH CENTURY SOCIETY EXHIBITION**, "Glams of 18th Century Remoter World". This exhibition of 18th century prints and drawings dealing with aspects of fantasy and the macabre will be presented to coincide with a conference sponsored by Dalhousie University for the Canadian and Atlantic Societies for Eighteenth Century Studies.

MUSIC / DANCES / CONCERTS

LOS INDIOS TABAJARAS, Thursday, March 18th at 8:30 p.m. in Dalhousie Arts Centre. Originating as illiterate, barefoot boys in the equatorial rain forest of Brazil, this duo-guitarist are two of thirty children and are now acclaimed on four continents as accomplished musicians.

You can nibble, noodle or nod at Dalhousie Theatre Departments **FREE NOON HOUR THEATRE**, but you won't be disinterested. The cast always has a sparkle and enthusiasm that's contagious. All performances take place in Studio One, Lower Level, Dalhousie Arts Centre, Thursday 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.

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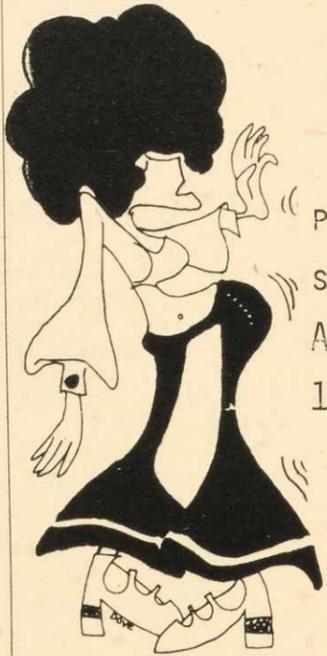
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The **DALHOUSIE REGIONAL FILM THEATRE** announces the screening of the next film in its program on March 21st at 8 p.m. The title TBA. Student Memberships may be purchased for \$1.50.

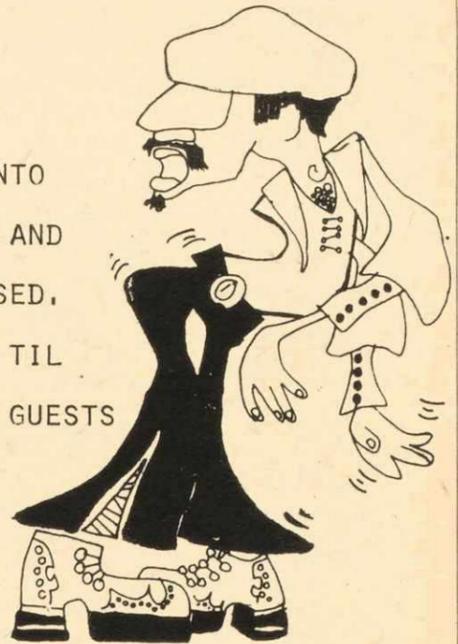


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mysticism and chemicals – two ways to enlightenment

by Gurprit S. Kindra

Within the last decade, newspapers and magazines have come up with sensational writeups on drugs like Lysergic Acid Diethylamide (LSD), mescaline and psilocybin. Reactions have ranged from a strong desire to destroy the "terrible, crippling" drugs to a sincere belief that the keys to instant enlightenment have finally been placed in the hands of mankind. These drugs have the strange and unique effect of bringing the unconscious or the hidden part of the human psyche into awareness. The drugs are commonly called Psychedelic (mind opener) and Psycholytic (mind releasing). The LSD "king", Timothy Leary, has called these drugs "the divine product" and the late Aldous Huxley, (the best known prophet of "chemical mysticism") in his novel "Island", refers to mescaline, which he also calls "Moksha" (Hindu word meaning "liberation"), as a sure means of obtaining a really real religious experience. Such sweeping and controversial claims have brought hard feelings in many theological circles and focussed on the need of a long and sober look at the potential dangers and values inherent in these drugs from the theological, psychiatric and social perspectives. The purpose here is to explore the complex controversial phenomenon and to show the need for an extensive research to solve the "mysticism-chemical" paradox. First lets attempt to clarify the term mysticism, then extend its discussion in conjunction with that of religious experience and expose the underlying complexity of the phenomenon.

Evelyn Underhill, in her book "Mysticism", 1926 labelled mysticism "the science of the ultimate, the science of union with the Absolute and noting else and that". She continued, "the mystic is the person who attains to this union, not the person who talks about it". Not to know about the absolute but to be (to unite with) the absolute is the purpose of the mystic. This hallmark, incidentally, also separates the magician from the mystic. In both cases the person is trying to transcend the sensual world, but the mystic's act is reinforced by a combination of will and emotions with the final aim the union with the ultimate, in contrast to the magician whose will combines with his intellect in pursuit of the knowledge of the ultimate. Magicians want something - knowledge - possibly for further gains, whereas a mystic gives himself up to the Divine, the Absolute, Infinite Love, and the Ultimate and the Initiator Himself. A mystic is a sentimental lover (of the Absolute) making his way toward it riding on his emotions. The mystic also "ends up" with the knowledge that the magician is seeking; the union with the Absolute is certainly also a realization of the Absolute. Now, consider the words Omnipotent, Omnipresent plus the other superlatives, (Divine, Absolute etc.), used above. These catch-words are the ones, or at least amongst the ones, used by most religious people to give some expression to the source of their inspiration as well as the object of their worship; hence the definition of a mystic, "as a person who undergoes intense religious experience". To some people mysticism is a word denoting the supernatural, to others it is simply the state of a sick soul; and yet to some it is a suggestion of occult.

The mystical experience, as stated earlier, is driven by love and emotions and hence is generally intuitive and irrational. We see these elements in the mystical states of St. Paul, George Fox, and John Bunyan. Such mystics characteristically speak of experiencing God, Absolute, One etc. and sometimes attain what they call 'union' with God.

The roots of mysticism are found in almost every religion. The ancient Vedantic Sutras and the Old Testament are literally full of mystical tests. Mysticism, it is claimed by many, is the soul of religion. This is not a far fetched statement consider the fact that mystics are the ones who claim to experience God and therefore affirm His existence - thereby forming a link between God and his religious brethren. Similarly a mystic may be seen as the activist or the leader in the religious movement. The influence of St. Francis of Assisi, a well known mystic, was a powerful one on the



seventeenth century Christian drive.

One of the commonest form of mysticism is nature mysticism. All have had an experience of this sort, at least in the elementary order. This is the result of the contemplation of the wonder and beauty of nature. Dante, Lord Tennyson, John Erigena, Wordsworth, William Blake and Richard Jefferies are some of the poets who expressed nature mysticism in their works. Nature poet William Wordsworth describes his experience in the following lines from "Tintern Abbey":

... I have felt
A presence that disturbs me with the joy
Of elevated thoughts, a sense sublime
Of something far more deeply interfused,
Whose dwelling is the light of setting suns,
And the round ocean and the living air,
And the blue sky and the mind of man,
A motion and a spirit that impels
All thinking things, all objects of all
thought

And Rolls through all things...
Philosopher Immanuel Kant found evidence of God from his contemplations of "the voice of the "conscience within" and "the starry heavens above". Most nature mystics talk about nature as a vital force divinely mysterious and beautiful.

The other form of mysticism is what is claimed to be a really real experience where the realization of the identity or union with God is perceived. In the above lines of Wordsworth this element is missing and this is where nature mysticism and the so called "genuine mysticism" differ. This type of experience is intuitive, highly symbolic and seemingly irrational, so that it is very hard to study. Consider the following description of St. Theresa's experience:

For if I say that I see Him neither with the eyes of the body nor those of the soul - because it was not an imaginary vision - how is it that I can understand and maintain that He stands beside me, and be more certain of it than if I saw Him?

Pascal describes his intense mystical experience in the following shaky and broken phrases:

Fire!
God of Abraham, God of Issac, God of Jacob
Not of the philosophers and wise.
Security, security. Feeling joy, peace.
Deum, meum et Deum vestrum.
Thy God shall be my God...
Joy, joy, joy, tears of joy.
Such experiences baffle the psychologist who is at a loss to study them.

Religious texts show that the mystic state is the Divine gift of God bestowed on his exceptionally faithful and loving devotees. This concept is hyper-sensitive for most religions, for their entire philosophy rests on the belief that God exists; this belief is affirmed and strengthened from time to time

by the mystic vision. A doubt cast on the validity of mystic vision is, to some people, like doubting the existence of God. Imagine the controversy and the general unrest in religious circles, when some people began to claim that the same mystic experience is attainable instantly with chemicals, and that too without even a thought of God!

Are the two experiences really identical, or even close? Mysticism, as shown above is a religious experience of the highest order. Mr. Zaehner, a staunch and somewhat intolerant opponent of chemical mysticism, after extensive, but biased, work on the subject suggests that the real and non imposable divine experience is identical with that of a drug taker; in itself, the divine experience has no moral value. "St. Theresa's experience", states Zaehner, "differs in this that it effected a total transformation and sanctification of character, which no preternatural agency could bring about". Concluding, Zaehner admits that "this is the only method we have of judging between divine and natural mysticism". However, earlier in his book Zaehner has admitted similarity between a drug user's experience and that of a natural mystic. Zaehner's implication that a divine experience effects a total transformation whereas chemicals do not, cannot be swallowed without a grain of salt. In the first place out of literally hundreds of "divine mystics" Zaehner can pinpoint only Teresa's case of "total transformation". Secondly it should not be a quantitative question of total or partial transformation, but of transformation or not transformation and of real voluntary transformation or drug forced unreal transformation. Finally, if a drug can produce some transformation, a heavier dose or a more chemically potent drug holds promise of a total or near total transformation. The argument that a "little mysticism" is better than "no mysticism" does hold weight.

During peak experience (which A.H. Maslow defines as "secularized religious or mystical or transcendent experience") "zeal" or drug induced, the person experiences transcendence of his ego, self, and the object world. As a result the "peaker" is beyond the realm of morality. Zaehner confirms this. Why should the means of attaining this soul-appetizing state matter? This is the situation that provoked Aldous Huxley to suggest the use of Peyote slices in place of the "sacramental bread and wine" in his book The Doors of Perception! Peyote, he argues, is cheap, readily available, without any "compensatory hangover effect", and potentially more effective than wine in terms of transcendence.

The question still remains, if mystical experience is qualitatively the same as drug induced mysticism, both resulting in the

same sort of religious experience, without any problems of morality, etc., then why shouldn't the "Catholic King" in the Vatican experience and advocate instant "chemical gratuitous grace"? And on the subject, why believe more than the accepted religious mystics like St. Teresa, St. Paul, Gazzali, and many others, who have stated that during their mystic state, they underwent the most intensive religious experience? Also consider intellectuals and authorities like Dr. Huxley and Prof. Timothy Leary who term their drug induced experiences as "A profound transcendent experience" and the giver of "The Beatific Vision, Sat Chit Anand". What about the roster of two college deans, a divinity college president, three University Chaplains, an executive of a religious foundation, a religious editor and several distinguished religious philosophers, who took LSD in an experimental programme, and according to Prof. Leary, "...reported intense mystical-religious responses and more than half claim that they have had the deepest spiritual experience of their life"? According to the earlier advanced definition of a mystic (as the person who undergoes intense religious experience) at least half of these experimenters clearly fall in the category of mystics! If such is the case then what is to be looked for is not the Godhead, nor the nirguna or the Satuna Brahman, but a molecule of LSD! Consider the seemingly wasteful lives of the great ones like Gautam Buddha, St. Paul, St. Teresa and the countless monks and yogis who reduced themselves to skeletons undergoing all kinds of physical pain, while awaiting enlightenment. Were they too naive or just unfortunate to have "come" in the wrong age when chemicals were unknown? Undoubtedly such thoughts have haunted every serious religious thinker; hence the perennial drugs versus mysticism controversy.

At the heart of the theological dilemma lies the question of what exactly constitutes mysticism. Are they so called "really real" mystical experiences supernatural in character, that is, caused by God? Is the phenomenon grounded on purely natural forces? Consider the argument of Timothy Leary and perhaps Huxley who maintain that all mystical experiences are nothing but natural psychological phenomena. According to this view, as pointed out earlier, there would be no difference between the mysticism of Teresa of Avila, Plotinus, or that of Leary and Huxley.

Christian theologians continue to affirm that Christian mysticism is caused by God alone. A well recognized author Louis Botryer, in his book "Introduction to Spirituality", 1961 writes, "no mysticism, no Christian mysticism in any case, is worthy of the name if it pretends to be the product of any method whatsoever, which a man might master by appropriate techniques". Note that these theologians distinguish essential mystical experience and drug induced experiences not by denying the possibility of the presence of the supernatural (for this would imply an underestimation of God) in chemical experiences but by generally associating them with natural forces.

All Christians are called to perfection. Recall the words of Jesus Christ "No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6) "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word and my Father will love him and we will come and make our abode in him". (John 14:23) These statements "confirm" that no one can achieve this ultimate union with God except by love of Him (which requires a prior belief in Him) - and by accepting Jesus as the only source through whom such union is attainable. This I would consider a thorny problem for Christian theologians for they can't deny that a non-christian monk's or a yogi's mystic state is caused by God.

Christian theologians have to grant that God is not restricted in bestowing (if it is the case) mystical state on saintly persons or Christians. Teresa of Avila has suggested in her "Way to Perfection" XVI, that God may grant such experiences to anyone He wishes regardless of the subjects disposition. This consideration would include even non-believers in which case, however, only evidence of the occurrence could attest it.

Mechanism and Psychology of Mysticism.

Physiological investigations indicate that all unusual psychic experiences such as those referred to as mystical are accompanied by changes in the chemistry and rhythm of the organism. The changes can be brought about by some of the ascetical practices, as well as by the direct ingestion of chemical substance. Around 1952, researches of two scientists, Abram Hoffer and Humphry Osmond, showed the remarkable similarity in the chemical composition of mescaline and adrenalin. It was also discovered that adrenochrome, a product resulting from the decomposition of adrenalin in the human adrenal glands can produce effects similar to mescaline. The importance of this discovery was enormous, due to the direct implication that each human being is capable of manufacturing a chemical in minute doses which can cause changes in the organism's consciousness. Are the mystics, when sitting in a contemplative "Samadhi", working towards the release of this chemical? Also, are mental disorders caused due to an unwarranted and/or over release of adrenochrome? Nothing certain can be stated. Contemporary Christian theologians would immediately object to the very validity of the first question on the ground that such empirical comparisons do not have the capacity to interpret the presence or absence of a supernatural element. In other words what they are saying is that the supernatural element is beyond empirical analysis.

Swami Ramakrishna, whom Huxley considered his spiritual master, in his book on Raja-Yoga (rasi) sets forth the following description on which the physical theory of Yogic contemplation is built.

"According to the Yogis", he says, "there are two nerve currents in the spinal column called Pingala and Ida, and a hollow canal called Sushumna running through the spinal chord. At the lower end of this canal is the Lotus of the Kundalini". They describe it as triangular in form, in which, in the symbolic language of the yogis, there is a power called "Kundalini" coiled up. When the Kundalini awakens, it tries to force a passage through this hollow canal, and as it rises step by step, as it were, layer after layer of the mind becomes open and all the different visions and wonderful powers come to the yogi. When it reaches the brain, the yogi becomes detached from the mind and body and the soul is set free". Note the resemblance between the Yogi power Kundalini and the chemical power adrenochrome. It is a personal observation that the majority of the hard drug users as well as the self proclaimed mystics experience shivers at the base of their spine prior to the "trip". Sometimes these shivers are accompanied by extremely violent body shivers which gradually die down and at the end of which, it is claimed, the selfless soul perceives Unity or in the drug takers terminology, "the trip" through the Universe begins. W.H. Clark, in his famous book "Psychology of Religion" (1969), quotes one incident where such body motion is exhibited by a mystic "...She exhibited extraordinary trembling, lively movements and a transport of joy".

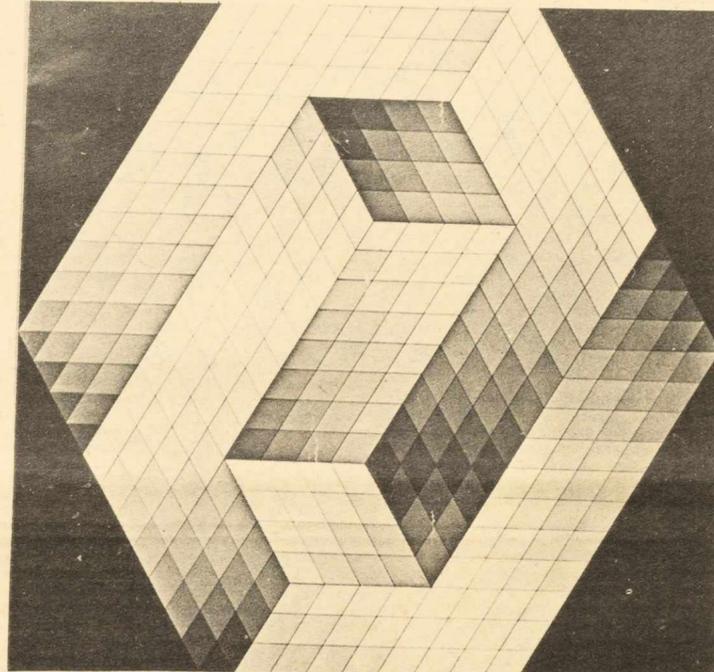
The hypotheses of chemical control in usual states of consciousness, have been further extended by Cambridge philosopher, Dr. C.D. Broad who is of the opinion that the human brain and nervous system work to eliminate rather than produce. Dr. Broad and particularly Timothy Leary are convinced that each person at this moment is capable of perceiving things that happened millions of years ago! Now the function of the brain is to cut down the feed-in of this massive but largely irrelevant information. Impossible, not if one remembers that the coiled DNA in every cell of the body is the carrier of "coded" information handed over from generation to generation going right back to the time of the original "conception". This DNA chain of complex protein molecules took over us as uni-celled organisms at the moment of our conception, and planned every stage of our development, in accordance with the genetic blueprint handed to us by our (respective) father and half by our (respective) mother.

Each man, therefore, according to Huxley, is a "mind at large". In our everyday life this "mind at large" is under the constant suppression of our brain - which

allows us to experience only a trickle of consciousness - which is totally relevant and essential for our biological survival.

The "Kundalini" or adrenochrome of the mystics and the synthetic LSD and mescaline of ingestion moves towards the brain (characterized by the shivers of the subject) reaches the grey matter and by virtue of its chemical properties short circuits the ten billion cells therein, and as a result, removal of the suppression mechanism is effected. Now the infinite number of circuits of these ten billion cells begin to process the infinite information trickling through and the subject is enlightened on finding himself face to face with reality, truth or infinity.

The vision of Divine light, that the mystics so often speak of, could be the super-perception (remember, "the Mind at Large") of the tremendous amounts of the actual energy involved in reception of infinite information.



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It is no wonder then, that most mystics and drug users are awed, wonderstruck, humiliated by their ignorance and bent with reverence for the Initiator after their terrific experience. This theory however crazy it may seem (remember the famous at one time termed absurd theories of Galileo, Copernicus, Newton, Darwin and Einstein?) is largely inconsistent with the facts.

Ineffability and passivity - the two main characteristics of a mystical experience also point towards the credibility of the above theory; for who wouldn't be left speechless and totally passive, awed and wonderstruck upon being bombarded with information right from the time of Creation? Consider the following quote in one of Timothy Leary's works.

The drug induced experience involved (a) astonishment at the absolutely incredible immensity, complexity, intensity and extravagance of being, existence, the "cosmos call it what ever you will. Otological shock I suppose. (b) The most acute sense of the poignancy, fragility, preciousness and significance of all life and history. The latter was accompanied by a powerful sense of the responsibility of all for all... Intense affection for my family... Importance and rightness of behaving decently and responsibly.

This statement we see is of an extremely responsible and mature nature involving acute sensitivity and awareness, far from the "irrational babblings" of "dope addicts", that some self-styled theologians and psychologists speak of.

Research on the subject on a strictly scientific basis yields similar results. Dr. J. Houston of The Foundation for Mind

Research in his published report states that his experiments established a pattern of phenomenological descent into the depths of the human psyche. He found that, the subject, under proper guidance, is capable of re-enacting any historical event with abnormal awareness and even recapturing the very evolutionary sequence of life. This, Dr. Houston believes, is possible because "the psychic system has an anatomical prehistory of millions of years as does the body... It may be for this reason, then, that the activated psyche can be called upon to remember states which to us seem to be unconscious... We may add to this the theory that the psyche contains all the contents of time, history being latently contained in each individual".

Regarding the "newness" of the knowledge of this psychological phenomenon, some simply refuse to accept the idea that LSD could produce such divine awareness.

Catholic theology maintains that genuine supernatural (drug induced) mysticism, but some modern theologians today are beginning to see the "naturalness" of the supernatural and are willing to recognize the possibility of the production of a genuine mystical experience by the ingestion of chemicals. After all God in His Infinite Wisdom created man, apple, daffodil and LSD molecule.

CONCLUSION. Are psychedelics and mysticism two sides of the same coin? Responsible decisions must take into account not only legitimate intentions but also the examination of the various effects produced by the drugs and all the circumstances attached to their use.

The complexity of the situation leaves us on an awesome threshold. Some religious leaders consider it improper for man to tread upon the holy grounds of the unconscious, protesting against the exploration of "inner space". On the other hand, some people are demanding inner freedom and the situation has taken the shape of a major religious and civil rights controversy.

Finally it is not improbable that God who created "everything" would use the occasion of LSD induced mysticism to cause enlightenment. Further research on all aspects of the phenomenon is most desirable.

Thanks to Cate Young for her bizarre poster.

Molsons retaliates against CUP boycott

by Peter O'Malley
Canadian University Press

OTTAWA (CUP) --- The recent publication in the Canadian student press of an article supporting unionized workers in Quebec in their struggle against a subsidiary of molson's Breweries, and calling for a boycott of all Molson products, has come under fire from the Breweries' head office in Toronto.

The article titled "The Molson Maimers and Their Victims", first appeared in the McGill Daily in Montreal, and described the fight for fair wages and safe working conditions by the 364 employees of Vilas Furniture in Cowansville. 60 miles east of Montreal.

The Cowansville Vilas workers have been on legal strike against the company, the largest furniture manufacturer in Quebec and part of the Molson's furniture division, since last July.

The major issue in the dispute is the pay system, which provides a low base-rate with bonuses for workers who increase the pace of production beyond the specified basic level of output. Work under this "incentive" pay system is unbearable, the workers say, and leads to debilitating production line accidents.

The article about the Vilas dispute and the boycott was picked up from the McGill Daily by the features service of Canadian University Press and soon began to appear in the 65-member national student newspaper network. Regional meetings of CUP papers in the Atlantic and Quebec then endorsed the boycott, and several student newspapers across the country have since announced they will no longer run Molson's advertising.

REACTION QUICK

Since news of the Vilas dispute and the Molson's boycott had been largely confined to Quebec and not received much attention elsewhere in the country, the Molson Company was quick to react when the article started appearing in the student press.

Company Vice-President, Public Affairs, G. Alex Jupp began visiting student newspaper editors in Montreal and Toronto to put the company's side forward, and to condemn the article as "the most erroneous one-sided piece of misrepresentation that has ever been seen in a university newspaper".

Jupp claimed the Molson Company "has absolutely no desire to interfere with the freedom of any paper to publish what it wishes" but that Molson's, and the student press, had been "victimized" by the CNTU affiliated union representing the Vilas workers.

His approach shifted, however, when he spoke with members of the CUP national executive in Ottawa. In a series of telephone conversations, Jupp repeatedly referred to opinions expressed by Molson lawyers that the article might be potentially libelous. He also made a pointed suggestion that CUP might be the target of a lawsuit. Jupp's request that CUP advise its member papers who had not yet run the article to refrain from doing so was rejected, but he was assured CUP would report on the Molson position when it was made available. He then prepared a 10-page "rejoinder" which, he claimed would clarify the situation at Cowansville Vilas, and refute the basic claims made in the earlier pro-union article.

THE ARGUMENT AND THE REJOINDER

The main line of argument pursued in the article which appeared in the student press was:

- that the Cowansville Vilas factory is unsafe and has a high rate of accidents and injuries;

- that these are due to the unnatural pace of work on the production line;

- that this pace is the result of the incentive pay system;

- that, however fast the worker's pace, the pay level is inadequate; and

- that the Cowansville Vilas management, and the Molson head office which directs their industrial relations strategy, has been intransigent in refusing to change the pay system to a basic hourly rate, as demanded by the workers and their union, the Federation of Wood and

The union says they will not enter a new collective agreement until the fundamental pay system is changed; management refuses on the grounds that the incentive pay system is normal for the industry; the union counters by saying that despite (if not because of) the fact that the system is general, it must be changed.

And the "facts" are in dispute, with both union and management officials citing different figures, calculated in different ways, to support their differing positions, while claiming that the other side is "misleading" the public.

TESTING THE CLAIMS

But, in the Vilas dispute, there is

the general all-industries average, and only 74.6 percent of the average paid in other durable manufacturing industries. For Quebec, the average wage in the furniture industry was \$159.41, 79.3 percent of the industrial average and 74.4 percent of the average for durable manufacturing.

But stating the difference between what is paid in the furniture industry as a percent of what is paid elsewhere, as management in low-paying industries does, somewhat underestimates the differential. From the point of view of the worker, the difference between his low wage and higher rates prevailing elsewhere as a percentage of his present wage is more meaningful.

Using this method and the Statistics Canada figures, the average furniture worker in Quebec would have to receive a 35 percent increase in wages to come up to the average paid in the durable manufacturing sector as a whole in the province.

The Statistics Canada figures cited here include all salaries paid to all employees, from the president of a firm to a production line worker, and do not show the variations in what different employees receive.

But they do clearly show that the furniture industry in Quebec, as in the rest of Canada, pays workers considerably less on average than what employees in general, and in the durable manufacturing sector in particular, receive for a week's work.

ACCIDENTS

Neither Statistics Canada or Labour Canada have any comprehensive data on the frequency of work accidents in the Canadian furniture industry. The Workman's Compensation Board in Quebec City, however, does have information on accidents in the industry in Quebec.

According to WCB figures, the general rate of accidents in 1974 for all industries in the province was 26.6 per million hours worked. For the furniture industry, the rate was 72.5 per million hours worked, almost three times the general rate.

The problem with the WCB information is that no breakdown is available to compare the accidents rates in industries which are based on incentive pay systems and those which are not.

Consequently, there is no way of telling how much the difference in accident rates is due to the incentive pay system in the Quebec furniture industry, and how much is due to the nature of the tasks involved - cutting, sawing, sanding etc.

The Molson's rejoinder suggests that there is nothing at all dangerous about the incentive system. Union officials, however, claim that the rate of accidents in plants operating on the incentive plan are "at least" 3 to 4 times those which operate on straight hourly wages.

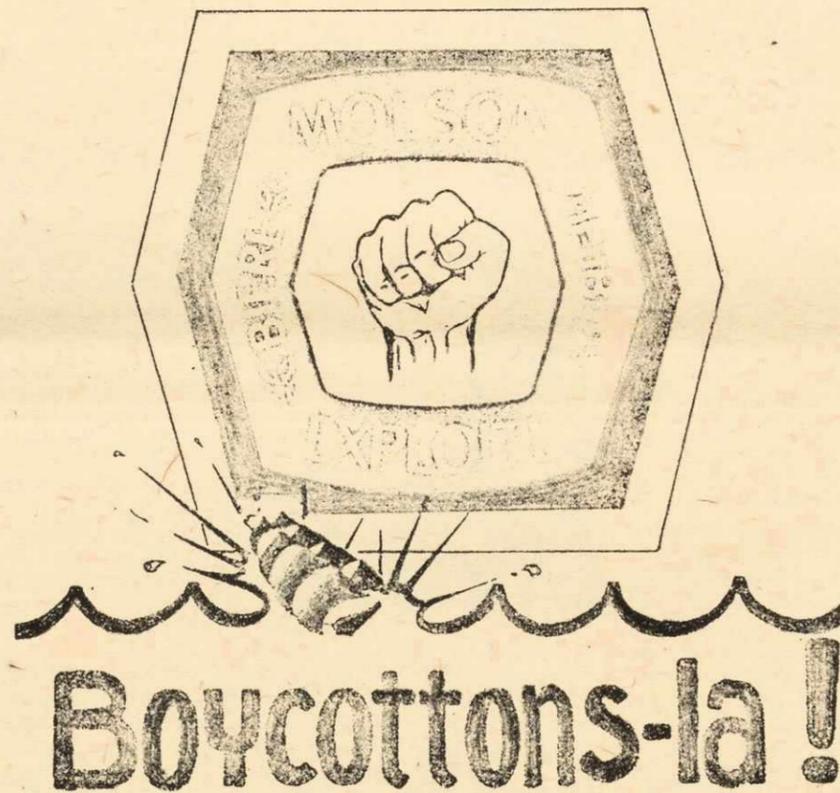
However, based on the data supplied by the WCB in Quebec City, it is possible to conclude that workers in the furniture industry are about three times more likely to suffer accidents than the average worker in the province.

THE INCENTIVE SYSTEM

Molson's PR people can rail about the "politically motivated" union leadership at Vilas and attempt "red scare" tactics all they want. The fact is that every labour organization in Quebec, if not in Canada, has gone on record as being opposed to incentive pay systems.

A spokesperson for the 2 million-member Canadian Labour Congress stated in a telephone interview that the CLC strongly oppose incentive

Soutenons la lutte des
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Building Workers (CNTU).

The Molson's rejoinder argues:

- that the safety record and pay levels at the Vilas plant are better than the average for other furniture plants in Quebec;

- that the "politically oriented" union leadership is unfairly demanding the abolition of the "incentive" pay system "despite the fact that the incentive system is characteristic of the furniture industry and 80 percent of all manufacturing plants in Quebec" including "all the manufacturing plants in Cowansville"; and

- that the article relied on factual information given by striking workers and union officials, which is at variance with factual information the Company offers to give its side of the story.

In short, the Molson's rejoinder shows that the industrial dispute at Vilas is characteristic of most bitter industrial disputes.

The union says the working conditions and pay levels are unsatisfactory; management replies that it is better than in other similar factories: the workers counter by claiming the industry as a whole provides unsatisfactory working conditions and pay levels.

some room for independent judgement. The company position outlined by Molson's rest squarely on the favourable comparison it alleges between the pay and safety record of Vilas and the furniture industry in general.

If we accept that claim without question, and since the furniture has been used as a standard for comparison, it is possible to test the merits of the workers' claim that safety and pay are inadequate.

This can be done by comparing the performance of the furniture industry to that of industry in general, and to other manufacturing industries in particular in the key areas of pay levels and accident frequency.

WAGES

According to Statistics Canada figures, we find that last June, a month before the Vilas workers walked off the job, the average wage paid for a week's work in Canada was \$205.07, and in Quebec \$200.96. For durable manufacturing which includes the furniture industry, the average for Canada was \$224.94, and \$214.39 for Quebec.

As for the furniture industry, the average rate for Canada was \$168.04 per week, 82.7 percent of

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Student income tax breaks outlined



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The subject of income tax is a complex one, but important to all Canadian residents.

Students must, like all other adult Canadians, file a return for any year in which they have income exceeding allowable deductions. Of course many students may not have to pay any income tax, even if they have received money during the year for part-time or summer employment.

This article is a basic guide outlining some of the laws and responsibilities commonly applicable to university students.

All taxpayers are entitled to a standard personal exemption of \$1878 and a minimum of \$100 for medical expenses and charitable donations. A 3 percent deduction for employment expenses (to a maximum of \$150) may also be made from employment earnings.

As well as these exemptions which apply to everyone there are certain other exemptions which may be claimed by students.

Tuition Fees

Students may deduct tuition fees paid to the university (provided they exceed \$25). These fees may be claimed only by the students, and not by his/her parent or some other person, regardless of who may have actually paid for them.

Tuition fees may be deducted for either the 'calendar year' or 'academic year', at the option of the student. Their taxable income for any twelve month period, provided that the period begins in the calendar year in which the student received the income on which she/he is paying tax.

These fees, of course, must not have been claimed previously.

A tuition fee claim must be supported by an official receipt. This is the fee statement signed by the university at registration, and a cash receipt serves for this if fees are paid in installments.

Education Deductions

The education deduction may be claimed by any student in full-time attendance at designated education institutions. This consists of \$50 for each month of full-time attendance in the taxation (calendar) year.

Attendance must be for at least three consecutive weeks, and the term includes the beginning and concluding months of the school term. If the student has no taxable income, or needs to claim only part of the education deduction in order to reduce his/her taxable income to zero, her/his parents, spouse or guardian may claim it all, or the unclaimed part, of the education deduction.

Moving Expenses

Everytime a student leaves university to work (for work-terms or summer employment), she/he may claim moving expenses against earned income.

Students moving to a university may claim moving expenses only against taxable award income.

These expenses may not be claimed if the student was reimbursed by her/his employer.

Expenses that are deductible include travelling costs (including meals and lodging en route); transportation and storage; temporary accommodation (up to 15 days).

Receipts must be retained to support any of the above claims. A completed T1-M form must be attached to your return; a copy of this form is available from your local taxation office.

Property Tax and Sales Tax Credit

A student living in residence may claim \$25 occupancy cost for the year.

Child Care Expenses

The cost of caring for children is allowed, within certain limitations, as a deduction from the income of a working mother, or, in some cases, from the income of the father.

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systems, calling it a "throwback to 19th century sweat-shop conditions".

Molson's explanation of the incentive system is contained in the rejoinder: "The incentive system essentially rewards workers for their efforts expended, according to a pace which they establish themselves, in the context of a system which reduces the need for continual supervision".

Just how the furniture system "rewards" workers for their efforts has already been covered in the section above on wages. The reference to the work pace as being set by the workers themselves is also pure rhetoric. Furniture workers aren't there to engage a hobby, but to make a living. The cost of living is something they have no control over. As it increases, the incentive system demands that they increase the pace of production, whether they like it or not.

But the incentive system is well described as one which "reduces the need for continual supervision". Indeed, this is the essence of the system. The "boss" doesn't have to check periodically to make sure people aren't slacking off. The pay system does the "bosses" work automatically and is omni-present each working minute of the day.

Not only does the incentive system make the "boss" omni-present all the time, it pits worker against worker where parts of the productive process are dependent on one another, and completely destroys the co-operative nature of productive labour. And because it stresses "individual" efforts and isolates each worker, the incentive system is totally anti-thetical to the basic egalitarian principles that unionism is founded on.

Under the incentive system, the

fast worker cannot have concern for those who cannot maintain the specified pace; on wages, all workers must be treated and paid equally for performing the same job for the same length of time.

Because the incentive system represents an attack on the dignity of labour and on basic collective principles, the Vilas workers are not alone in their active struggle against it. At the present time there are no less than 6 other strikes in progress in Quebec over the same issue. And, according to CNTU officials in Montreal, the union movement in Quebec is committed to actively supporting every worker's struggle where incentive pay schemes are under attack.

The Vilas struggle is very important, however, because a victory for labour there would set a precedent which would force other furniture manufacturers and other industries to abolish the incentive system. As one union official put it, "workers have always dreamed of abolishing incentive programs, but only recently has it become realistic to actively struggle for this goal".

BOYCOTT MOLSONS

What can students do? We can boycott Molson products individually by refusing to buy them, and collectively by refusing to stock them in student unions, student pubs, and at student organized functions. And, through our own media and outside media contacts, we can bring the message to others, particularly to trade unionists in our communities.

What will this do? It will put pressure on the Molson's Company. Maybe Molson's will then decide to direct their full attention to arriving at a just settlement of the Vilas dispute instead of wasting their time publicly condemning the union and harrasing media which dare to explain the worker's just demands.

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In conclusion, the writers of this article realize that the alternatives for individuals are many and complex. Should specific information be required they suggest you contact the local income tax office at 426-2210. The service is available free of charge.

Q. What receipts or certificates must I enclose with my income tax form when claiming my tuition fees? How do I calculate the amount of tuition I can claim?

A. The educational institution you attend will provide you with an official receipt or certificate approved for income tax purposes.

Tuition fees supported by receipts or certificates may be claimed for any 12-month period beginning in the taxation year. If you claim fees paid for the academic year, simply attach the certified receipt to your tax return. If you claim fees paid for the calendar year only, here's what you can do:

1) The amounts paid for September - December of 1975 are usually only a part of the amount shown on the certified receipt. If so, specify this partial amount on your receipt.

2) Amounts paid for last term studies (January - April of 1975) can also be claimed provided, of course, you hadn't claimed them on last year's return.

Q. I am a student at a Canadian university. How do I calculate the tuition fees allowable?

A. Tuition fees supported by the proper certificate may be claimed for any 12-month period beginning in the taxation year, which means for 1975 you could claim either on the calendar year or the academic year 1975-76.

Q. I am a student at university and have a part-time job which becomes a full-time job during the summer months. My earnings are more than \$1,800 a year. I pay my own tuition fees out of my earnings and understand that I can only deduct these fees from my income for tax purposes. If I do this, my income will be reduced to \$1,400. Does this mean that my father/mother can claim me as a dependent?

A. Yes, if your father/mother supported you during the year. However, her/his \$646 exemption is reduced by the amount that your income exceeds \$1,332.

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Q. My employer sent me a T4 slip showing the amount of tuition fees he paid on my behalf last year. Do I have to report this on my return?

A. Yes, but if you attended a qualified educational institution, you should be entitled to claim tuition fees to offset it. Be sure to submit a proper receipt for tuition when making this claim.

Q. Last year my wife/husband attended university for eight months. She/he did not earn any income and did not receive an allowance of any kind. Does this mean I can claim the education deduction on her behalf?

A. Yes, under these circumstances, you would be entitled to an education deduction of \$400.

Q. I was a student at the university from September until the end of December, a period of four months. However, I did not start classes until the middle of September. May I claim the education deduction of \$50.00 a month even though I did not attend for the whole month of September?

A. Yes. As long as you attended the institution for at least one day in a month, you would qualify for the \$50.00 education deduction for that month.

Q. I am a full-time university student and have obtained temporary employment some 200 miles away. I am required to pay my own travel expenses to get to this temporary job. Can I deduct this expense from income I earn during the summer?

A. Yes. If you have been in full-time attendance at a university or other post-secondary education institution in Canada, and you move to take a job, including summer employment, you may claim moving expense deductions. This applies only to moving expenses to get to the employment and not to those for your return to the university.

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Oakville, Ontario, residents have the highest average income in Canada, \$10,922. Next come Sept-les, Quebec with \$10,810 and Mississauga, Ontario with \$10,284. This information can be found for 100 selected Canadian cities in the 1975 edition of **Taxation Statistics**, available from Information Canada. Did you know that...

Doctors and surgeons have the highest average income among self-employed professionals in Canada. Recent taxation statistics show they earn \$42,730. Self-employed lawyers and notaries come next with an average annual income of \$36,598 and self-employed engineers and architects with an average income of \$33,751. Did you know that...

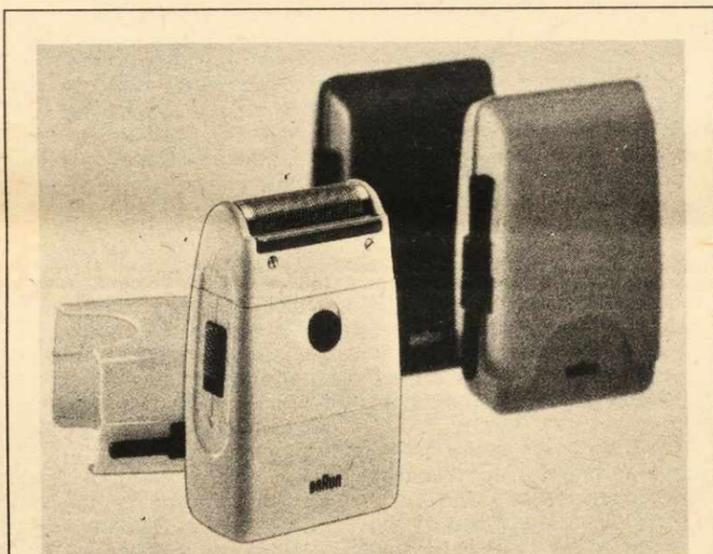
Incomes for 9.8 million taxpayers increased 15.8 percent in 1973 as compared with 1972. Of that number, 7.5 million taxpayers increased their income by 28.2 percent, and 2.3 million decreased their income by 22 percent.

US/CANADA SCORE LOW IN CONSERVATION EFFORT

SAN FRANCISCO (ENS-CUP) ---- The Paris-based International Energy Agency, which includes 18 western industrial nations, has issued a report singling out the US, Canada and Switzerland as the world's biggest energy hogs.

The report said that of the 18 member nations, all had achieved greater energy conservation goals than the US, Canada and Switzerland. England scored the highest marks in the organization for conservation efforts.

The report charged that the US has "no standards, incentives, and almost no taxes to force down energy consumption".



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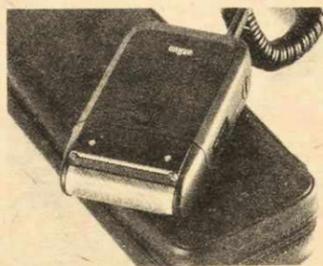
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Class Approval may be obtained in department offices during the summer.

No Class Approval will be given September 6 - 10.

REGISTRATION SESSIONS:

Students may register after the submission of Class Approval forms. (If their registration is not complete by August 31, students must attend the Registration session in September.) Registration closes at 11:30 a.m. September 18. Students who register after this will be charged a late fee. Details, including information about registration by mail, will be sent in July.

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18 September	All categories of students	9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Royalty visits Cohn

by Mike Greenfield

Undoubtedly Herbie Mann is one of the premier jazz flautists in the world. His career has spanned three decades and in that time he has made just about as many sounds with the flute that can be made. Recently he has formed his own group "The Family of Mann" and they have already produced one album, "First Light".

For Halifax audiences Herbie Mann's concert was another in a series of superlative jazz concerts provided by the Rebecca Cohn this year (with Preservation Hall yet to come). Yet there were reasons to be apprehensive about this concert. To cover costs the Cohn was forced to have two shorter concerts rather than one longer one. Earlier in the year when the same set up was arranged with Jose Fleiciano it amounted to a very short and limited view of an excellent musician, invariably something of a disappointment. Secondly, some of Herbie Mann's recent albums were of the disco-music variety, abhorrent stuff to most jazz lovers; it would have been a let down if Herbie would have played disco. On both counts the Family of Mann

quickly dissolved any apprehensions. From the opening "High in the Andes" to the encore "Hold On I'm Coming" they represented the best of Herbie Mann's jazz flute.

Disappointingly though, the Family of Mann was not complete. Bob Mann the guitarist did not make the plane from Toronto. The fault apparently lay in an Air Canada botch up. The band also lacked a sax player, on the first Family of Mann album David Newman played sax and flute, too bad he was not included in this concert. The Family of Mann did include - Arman Halburian on percussian (everything from cowbells to whistles), Pat Rebillot on keyboards, Steve Gadd on drums, and Tony Levin on bass.

The incompleteness of the band was soon lost as Herbie and his flute took us to the sweetest reaches of the Jazz Kingdom. Unlike the guitar, the flute does not fill you an awesome sound, it gently surrounds your consciousness and then it lifts you like no other instrument can. This was best illustrated in the piece that started off the second half of the first concert, Pat Rebillot's "Violet Don't Be Blue".



A special concert - Mitch Miller & the A.S.O. filmed for C.B.C. television

by Bradley Warner

On Wednesday afternoon, March 10, the Halifax community had the rare opportunity of experiencing the pain and pleasure of creating a musical program for television. It definitely was more pain than pleasure. Although the audience was briefly disappointed with a last minute change in program, we were treated to colourful romantic and contemporary works: Rimsky-Korsakov's *Scheherazade*, and Roger's and Hammerstein's *Sound of Music*.

As usual, Mitch Miller was a colourful character on the stage. (Perhaps some remember his antics in the long-running T.V. program, *Sing Along with Mitch - I do*). For all his extroverted, humorous behaviour, he is in fact a reasonably accomplished conductor of more serious music. For example,

Scherezade, although considered a "popular" romantic work, demands that the conductor carefully draw from the instrumental resources of the orchestra to create a tableaux of imagery the theme of which the work suggests. This can be rather difficult when one considers that the A.S.O. is somewhat noted for its lack of co-ordination and responsiveness.

Miller, on the whole, was able to accomplish his task. The only major flaws in the performance originated in the sector of the various sections of the orchestra and soloists. This not to say that they did not perform well, rather, that the listener was aware of various glaring errors which briefly disrupted the flow of

the music--unfortunate, but true. For instance, in the Rimsky-Korsakov number the cellist at times unnecessarily dragged-out one of the two dominant themes delegated to that instrument.

The concert master (first chair, first violin section) as usual was technically correct, but stylistically, (ie. emotively) his interpretation was, perhaps, a bit cool towards Russian romantic lyricism. On the other hand, the brass section was excellent in clarity and control. The majority of the woodwinds were also performing in a like fashion. My compliments to the flutes, bassoon, and oboe, (although the solo clarinetist lacked consistency in tone and texture).

The *Sound of Music* somehow seemed to come off much better than the first piece on the program. Perhaps the A.S.O. is much better at playing popular numbers rather than the "old-fashioned stuff", but I'd prefer to think that it was more likely due to the fact that there was no "warm-up" before the taping and the taping situation is always somewhat constricting to even the most accomplished performer.

For all my criticism, I still considered this taping session a very enjoyable and instructive experience. It was not a "formal" concert, rather the possibility of creating an ideal music program within the confines of the television tube. This is a second best to first hand experience in the concert hall, but give the producers credit for the endeavour.

The program will be aired in mid-May.

By the second half of the first concert Herbie and his band were sufficiently warmed up, and each composition even the slower 'Cric-ket Dance' was alive with the beat of musicians 'cookin'. Each musician's solo pumped more energy into ten minute long renditions of such tunes as Wonder's 'Bird of Paradise'. Pat Rebillot's keyboards and Tony Levin's bass were especially memorable.

While rock stars tend to become infatuated with their success in generating a mass following, jazz people tend toward the introverted with the knowledge that it is only their music that pleases people, not any media hype. As the Family of Mann played you realized that no light show, or dancing girls, or fits of destruction will satisfy either you or the band. Herbie Mann and his

troupe have got the ability of top musicians and the attitude of jazz artists, coupled with the easy going manner of Herbie Mann himself, you've got a lot of class and something approaching a perfect concert.



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Studley - the house of humour

by Brian Manning

This year's addition to the Howe Hall brotherhood is a small, twenty year old structure on LeMarchant St. cradled between Henderson and Cameron Houses called Studley House.

If this piece had been written in September, it would have ended here because at that time that was all there was to tell. Now as the sands of time draw to a close one can write a sentimental article about what a wonderful experience it has been to live here etc. If the reader is wondering why this bit is called 'The House with a Sense of Humor', you will understand after reading this sequel to the 'Perils of Pauline'.

The development of our good nature began at the first of the year when we descended upon the place ready to relive the previous years' experiences of parties, card games, bashes and other not so enjoyable activities such as laundry and studying. We were told that we would not be able to move into our new home because it would be

another day or so before the finishing touches were put on it. After eight days of sleeping in the lounges of the other houses we were allowed to move in. We had the pleasant company of carpenters and electricians who tinkered about for weeks. We were all quite happy.

Our happiness was short lived, while the administration had seen fit to overhaul an entire apartment building it decided to leave the bathrooms as they were installed, some twenty years ago. Now don't get the idea that there is anything wrong with twenty year old bathrooms, as a matter of fact 1956 was a vintage year for a lot of things, but the fact remains that these dens of vanity just couldn't hack the pace of fifty people shaving, showering etc. every day, and they soon began to deteriorate. The floor tiles came up, paint peeled off the ceiling, and tiles came off the walls. They were, in short, a mess.

Finally the administration came to the rescue, well sort of. They sent in their army of carpenters to

renovate our hopelessly ruined wash-rooms. They worked off and on for quite some time tearing out the old and building in the new. The main problem with the whole affair was that they were, at first more off than on and when they finally began to concentrate their efforts it was time for our Christmas exams. Who can study when Santa's elves are working right under your nose? Nobody. So we complained to the management and they were only too pleased to call off their workmen. Well in order to shorten this tale, just take note that the workmen did not return until it was time for second term mid-terms and we bathed happily ever after.

We suffered a number of losses over the Christmas break. A rather incidental one was the color T.V. from one of the lounges. The other was the loss of our Residence Assistant, Burns MacMillan. We were all just getting to know Burns and it was too bad to see him leave. Our Dean thought that we were all old enough to take care of ourselves

and that we really didn't need an advisor, so there was no replacement for Burns. The university also saved money.

One rather odd event that occurred this year was the bulletin board issue. A house, especially one in the organizational stages, needs a bulletin board. Since we were not given one our president improvised and used the windows near the front entrance to post important notices. Some cracker-jack photographer from University News took a picture of our windows, complete with posters and displayed it in his rag, showing one and all what untidy people we were. Nice guy. At least the News took note of the QUARANTINED sign that we posted at the height of the flu epidemic. As for the windows somebody broke them over the Christmas break and the university replaced them with nice plywood ones. By the way we did eventually get bulletin boards.

All in all it's been a grand time, what with a second T.V. being stolen, frail railings on the stairs that were replaced with nice sturdy Halifax Sewer commission barricades, and water that is hot only when one doesn't want a shower. If you ever wonder why a Studley man has a good sense of humor and a keen ability to complain - walk a mile in our showers. By the way if you should decide to drop in sometime, don't be surprised if you win the "300th television thief of the week prize".

Ike Spike and Tina Tuna sensational

by Donalee Moulton

There were no blinding lights, no smoke explosions, no Mick Jagger whippings; there was only one slim woman compelling her audience to become totally involved in her music, in her show, in her. That music, that show, that woman was Tina Turner.

The group, which performed here last Thursday, is a show in itself. An all male back-up band opens up the audience with a few fast and funky jazz numbers. Right on their heels and the Ikettes, three girls singing disco and dancing boogie. But all this preamble is merely an obscure noise compared to the explosion Tina created when she hit the stage. She was the show.

Singing material that for the most part was not originally hers, she nonetheless made them originally hers. Producing new sound and new moods out of familiar tunes she was a success not only as a performer but as an artist. One of the more outstanding songs in this realm was her version of "Proud Mary".

With regard to her performance itself there are two words which aptly describe it--powerful and dynamic. From every corner of the Forum Tina's voice, Tina's music, Tina herself forced her audience to respond, compelled them to attention. On stage, lost in sound and movement, Tina Turner is a powerhouse and this power is transmitted to each and every spectator.

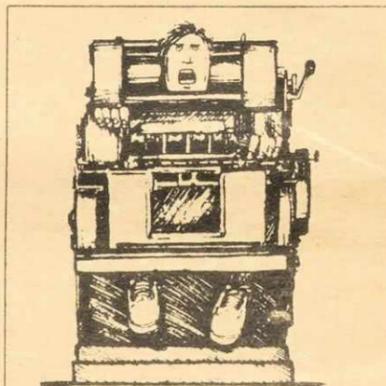
Tina's performance is a duality--her voice and her dance form. Accompanying every song was a dance created and performed by Tina and the Ikettes. Every dance was a movement reflecting the naturalistic to the point of being primitive. Symbolizing the "music moves the body" theme these four are living proof that the body can indeed move. Movement bordered on the mabacre, the erotic, and the obscene, each effectively enhancing whatever number being done.

The effect of the group is a sensual effect--literally. The body movements of the girls do not rely on timing and form; the show is not

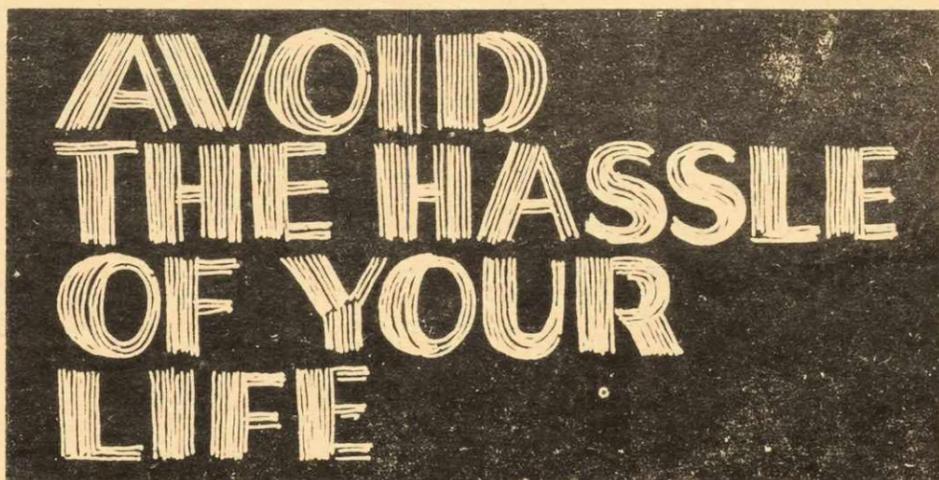
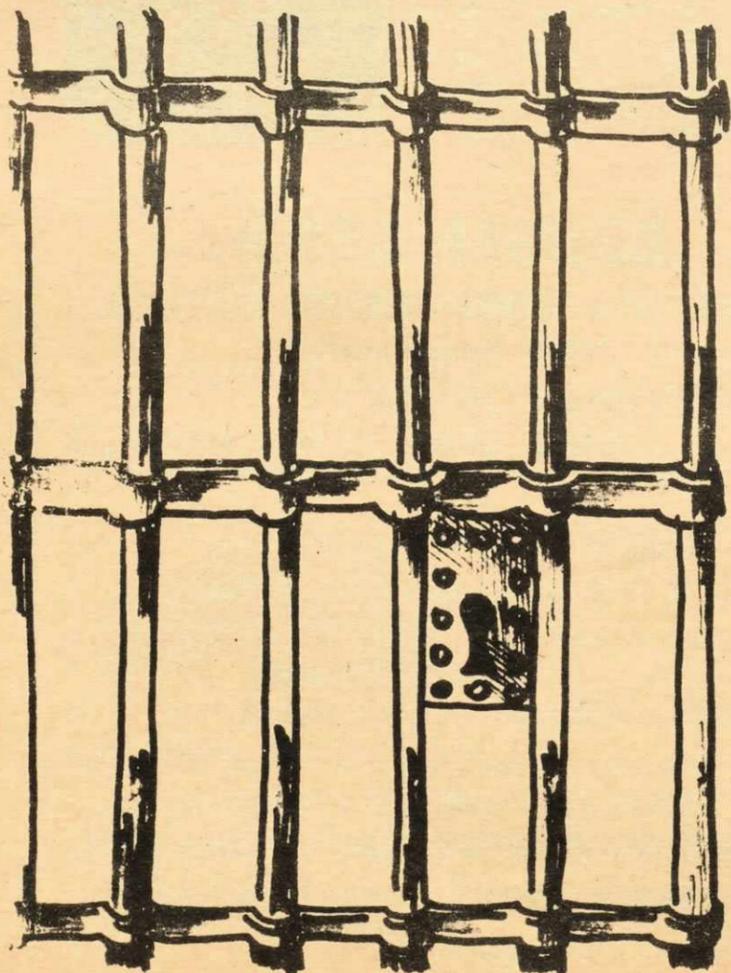
meant to be a Hollywood artifact of polish and poise. It is meant to be a display of music in the body, with the body, and by the body. The emotions of the audience are reached, not through logic and rationale, but purely through the senses. Tina and her group move not the mind but the body. They appeal to the senses and in retrospect are truly sense-ational.

Under the magnetic Tina, Ike became just another vague figure in her background. Vocalizing only twice he failed to make the audience aware of his presence as a presence worth being aware of. A fine performer in his own right he is, however, overshadowed by Tina, a role he obviously enjoys.

Backstage in an interview Ike felt that the concert had gone well pleased both with their performance and the reaction of the audience. His only regret was that, "maybe next time there will be more people". And hopefully there will be a next time.



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Other members questioned Cheyne's assumption that CUGS had been functional in the past. The Manitoba representative said that the CUGS national conference had historically been a gathering and exchanging of information process with no firm direction.

Finally, the member from Laval proposed that CUGS place an emphasis on future direction, and establish what is precisely needed on both a short and long term basis.

CUGS did not entertain the idea that they work within the already established structure of NUS. The feeling at the conference was that NUS could not adequately represent

graduate students.

However, a major problem reiterated throughout the conference was the heavy burden placed upon the executive who are not full-time staff, but students working on their theses.

The problem facing CUGS was reflected in the attitude to the International Students issue. Placed rather down the line on the agenda, by the time the issue had been reached, the executive was so heavily saddled with other chores the president could only reply that he did not have the time to devote to it.

CUGS, did, however, achieve as much as was possible given its constitutional restrictions. It decided to publish a bi-monthly news-

letter which would be circulated to grad associations across Canada, as well as to the appropriate news agencies (eg. Canadian University Press).

Similarly, the International Students issue was discussed and action was proposed. A study done by Dalhousie revealed that a lack of information and misinformation were being fed to international students. Apparently not all the options were made aware to International students.

DAGS are in the process of finalizing their own information which will supplement and correct the information distributed by the immigration department and the university. Such things as clarification of student visas, and

advising the International student about minimum monetary support required to gain entry into Canada (\$4500) are part of the report.

CUGS adopted Dalhousie's report and decided to draft a letter to be sent to the Minister of Immigration, the Deans of Faculty at universities across Canada, and the International Students Association at the individual universities.

The conference was primarily one of information exchange. During the three days much of the time was spent discussing Grad association—student union relations, social facilities, etc.

Out of the conference came a feeling that a more active CUGS is needed, otherwise membership will drop as members look elsewhere for that which CUGS cannot, and will not provide them. The member universities in attendance were: UNB, Western, Memorial, Manitoba, Laval, Calgary, Dalhousie, Carleton, University of Alberta, Windsor, Victoria, Queens, and Guelph.



Graduate students meet to discuss Guinness' rules of order.

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The cost of the program is estimated between \$3500-4000 per year, and will be covered by the \$38,550 allocation for the Prescription Drug Plan. Keep on smiling.

Another addition to the ever-expanding services to Dal students was proposed in Students' Council.

It was felt that the services of Dalhousie and Nova Scotia Legal Aid are not readily available to Union members because of the

socio-economic requirements placed on the clients (ie. one needs to make less than \$65 per week, even during the summer). Additionally, relatively few members can afford to retain private legal counsel.

What was suggested then, was a Dalhousie Student Union Legal Aid Service which would be staffed by members of the Union who are senior law students at the Law School, and who could handle relatively minor actions such as landlord tenant relations, damage and repair questions, etc.

It was suggested that office space could be found within the Student Union Building, and that a little

honararia for staffing would be necessary since the practical experience itself would be valuable to the participating law students.

A committee consisting of housing secretary Barbara Beach, Member at Large Gord Neal, and President Bruce Russell was formed to look into the possibility.

In other Council matter, \$200 was given to the Physical Education Society for the publication of their newsletter. Another \$100 was given to the NDP Association of Dalhousie.

The Winter Carnival Report was accepted from Joe Rosa, who recommended that more co-operation is needed from SUB operations. Similarly, the Elections Report and the Carlton House Report, both by Warren Meek were accepted. Meek stated in his Carleton Report that construction of social facilities on the lower campus is being affected by other construction going on around Dalhousie. His report states: "Insofar as we are concerned, the factors affecting us are the Forrest Building Renovations, the Dental Centre, the Sports Complex, and the future of University Houses in the area...our Carleton House is being rolled around in the middle of them like a ball in a revolving drum".

The most likely site for the facilities is the Philae Temple. However, nothing is certain. Meek called it "a waiting game".

stated, "People would be wise to stay out if they are concerned solely with getting a job".

Both professors warned against the dangers of across the board cutbacks, as facilities are not spread equally across the province and further constraints in certain areas would seriously endanger the quality of education. Professor Ricker said he thought the cutback was too large to impose at this time and expressed his agreement with Nova Scotia Teachers Union President Dominique Henry's statement that it would "be very unwise to cut a swath across the provincial education system with an axe, when a scalpel would do."

Professor Ricker further stated that the current low school enrollments afforded an excellent opportunity to implement needed reforms in the provincial education system. He expressed hope of seeing lower teacher-student ratios across the province and increased amounts of in-service education to upgrade the methods of those teachers already in the working force.

Education cutbacks

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At a departmental meeting earlier this week, several students voiced their concern over the proposed cutbacks which will hamper their job prospects. Professor Ricker then stated, and repeated in an interview, that the future demand for teachers was difficult to predict and that graduates often had difficulty finding jobs because they were unwilling to work outside the Halifax-Dartmouth metropolitan area. He further stated that the university did not guarantee the graduate a job and that it was "not their business" to tell students if there were already too many teachers in the working force.

When asked how the cutbacks would effect the Education department, Professor Ricker said "we will see far fewer applications". Professor Roald concurred with this view and when asked if he would discourage students from enrolling in the education program, he

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Swimmers continue to break records

Having swum dual meet competitions over both 25 yard and 25 metre distances during the 1975-76 swim season Dal athletes took full advantage of the opportunity to improve upon previous team marks. In fact nineteen new metric marks were set together with fifteen over the Collegiate 25 yard length.

Lynn Sutcliffe, a third year student of Physical Education headed the womens record breakers over the yards mark, with three new best times in the 200 and 400 freestyle together with a new 100

yard backstroke standard. First year butterfly standout for Ann Duncan captured new best in both the 100 and 200 yard distances of her specialty. Second year sprinter Jean Mason went 'under the minute' to improve upon her own 100 yard freestyle record. Senior, Wendi Lacusta added a new mark in the 800 freestyle to the 500, 1000 and 1650 records she already holds.

The Mens record board now looks to be one of the most respectable of any University team in Canada. Seven marks were adjusted down-

wards as a result of some fine performances by Dalhousie swimmers in 1975-76. Four individual and all three relay marks were rewritten. New individual event record holders are Rober Mezo, 50 freestyle; Richard Hall-Jones, 100 yards breaststroke; Steve Megaffin, 200 yards Individual Medly and Cameron Rothery, 400 yards Individual Medley. These four swimmers combined to set new marks in the 400 Medley Relay and the 400 and 800 Freestyle Relays.

Their performances have been

recognized by the Nova Scotia Section of the Canadian Amateur Swimming Association who have selected them, together with fourth year Dalhousie swimmer Steve Cann, to represent Nova Scotia in the Atlantic Open Swimming Championships being held this weekend in St. John's, Newfoundland. The revision of Dalhousie's swim records may not yet be over for the 1975-76 season!

ALBERTA PRESS COUNCIL TO INVESTIGATE PROVINCIAL SECRECY

CALGARY (CUP) ---- Alberta's press council has launched an investigation into the provincial government's lack of communication with the media.

The inquiry, which received unanimous consent at a February 27 meeting, was prompted by recent complaints in the press claiming the premier's press secretary has not aided the flow of government information to the public and in fact, has actually restricted it.

Council chairperson Walter H. Johns said the probe is a direct result of the general objectives of the Council.

"Our two main guidelines are to protect the freedom of the press by ensuring adequate access for the press to information of public interest, and to protect the public by ensuring that the press presents that information clearly".

The council will approach the provincial press secretary on Premier Lougheed himself if the inquiry does find the complaints reflect a significant problem, Johns said.

"Of course, we would handle all that in an air of sweet reasonableness. However", he added, "if we need to attack anybody to solve a problem, then by God we will".

EVENT	HOLDER	TIME	YEAR	HOLDER	TIME	YEAR
50 Freestyle	Jean Mason	26.22	1975	Gabor Mezo	22.4	Feb. 1976
100 Freestyle	Jean Mason	59.8	Feb. 1976	John March	48.92	Mar. 1974 *
200 Freestyle	Lynn Sutcliffe	2:17.6	1975	Peter Guildford	1:48.98	Mar. 1974
400 Freestyle	Lynn Sutcliffe	4:57.6	1975	Peter Guildford	4:53.23	Mar. 1974 *
500 Freestyle	Wendi Lacusta	6:11.2	Feb. 1974	Peter Guildford	10:39.2	1974
800 Freestyle	Wendi Lacusta	10:35.5	Feb. 1976	Peter Guildford	17:48.8	Feb. 1974
1000 Freestyle	Wendi Lacusta	13:22.2	1974	John March	56.9	1974 *
1650 Freestyle	Wendi Lacusta	22:18.6	Feb. 1974	John March	2:05.4	1973 *
100 Backstroke	Lynn Sutcliffe	1:08.1	Feb. 1976	Richard Hall-Jones	1:04.8	Mar. 1976
200 Backstroke	Lynn Sutcliffe	2:24.0	Feb. 1975	Jack Smith	2:24.6	1968
100 Breaststroke	Gail McFall	1:12.10	1975	John March	53.37	Mar. 1974 *
200 Breaststroke	Gail McFall	2:38.3	1975	John March	1:59.28	Mar. 1974 *
100 Butterfly	Jo-Ann Duncan	1:05.6	Mar. 1976	Steve Megaffin	2:05.6	Feb. 1976
200 Butterfly	Jo-Ann Duncan	2:32.3	Mar. 1976	Cameron Rothery	4:35.2	Feb. 1976
200 Indiv. Medley	Gail McFall	2:27.0	Mar. 1975	S. Megaffin	3:50.1	Mar. 1976
400 Indiv. Medley	Lynn Sutcliffe	5:20.0	Feb. 1975	R. Hall-Jones		
400 Medley Relay	Lynn Sutcliffe	4:33.3	Feb. 1975	C. Rothery		
	Gail McFall			G. Mezo		
	Patricia Lambert					
	Jean Mason					
400 Freestyle Relay	Gail McFall	4:11.70	Feb. 1975	C. Rothery	3:19.8	Feb. 1976
	Wendi Lacusta			S. Megaffin		
	Jean Mason			R. Hall-Jones		
	Patricia Lambert			G. Mezo		
800 Freestyle Relay	Wendi Lacusta	9:31.1	Feb. 1976	C. Rothery	7:32.7	Mar. 1976
	Jean Mason			S. Megaffin		
	Anne Campbell			R. Hall-Jones		
	Jo-Ann Duncan			G. Mezo		

Ski team 1st in Canada

by Ralph Petley-Jones

The Dalhousie Alpine Ski Team emerged as the top Canadian team at the recent Can-Am ski meet at Owl's Head, Quebec. Placing an overall seventh out of the twenty teams competing, Dalhousie beat such well known schools as McGill, University of Toronto, Laval, Cornell, and University of Connecticut. This fine performance was achieved in spite of poor local snow conditions and an almost total lack of on snow training.

The team consisted of Gill Morrow, Joanne Blaxland, Beth Mitchell, Mary-Beth MacKenzie, Larry Kerr, Greg "Boston" Larson, Ralph Petley-Jones, Greg Henry, Ted Musset, and Mike Blaxland.

It was Mike "the freebie" Blaxland's last race, ending an outstanding university racing career which saw him both as a racer and as coach of the ski team. The team was also very fortunate to have Bill Honeywell as coach and Kell Antoft

as the manager.

In the individual results Joanne Blaxland was the team leader with a sparkling third place finish in the Woman's Slalom. Her consistently fine performance in all the other events gave her the bronze medal for the woman's combined.

However, the lack of snow did not hinder the team's training in what is often considered the most prestigious of the meet's events ---- the boat races. Diligent pre-race conditioning paid off and despite the absence of John "the Caper" Kirkpatrick, Al Sinclair, Mike Keamey, and Dave Greene the Dalhousie team was once again victorious.

Next year is looked forward to with optimism, most of this years team will be returning. With a little help from mother nature the team is confident it can continue to make Dalhousie a force to be reckoned with on the international university circuit.

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Medecine wins championship

Dalhousie Memorial Rink was bustling with activity Sunday, March 14 as the Faculty of Medicine was piped on the ice by a lone piper. Enthusiastic fans all but tore the stands down as Medicine was pitted against Law for the Intramural "A" Division Ice Hockey Championship.

The fast skating and expertise stick handling of the Medicine team backed by superb goal tending saw the doctors upset the lawyers by a 7-2 victory.

Engineers as they took to the ice to the strains of "Mary Had a Little Lamb" played on a trombone were not to be outdone by Medicine's piper. The dedicated Science team skated well but lost the "B" Division

Championship trophy to Engineers. The two games total goal series ended in a 10-2 victory for the Engineers. Perhaps the best attended and crowd pleaser game of the night was provided by Commerce and Phi Delta Theta. Commerce edged P.D.T. in total goals for the two game series by a score of 5-4. Excellent officiating by Peter and Paul MacDonald and Bob Connolly kept the game well under control although tempers flared and elbows and sticks flew high, penalties were at a minimum and only one game misconduct marred the score sheet.

Congratulations hockey participants for a high spirited league and a good Championship performance.



Medicine hockey team wins 7-2 over Law.

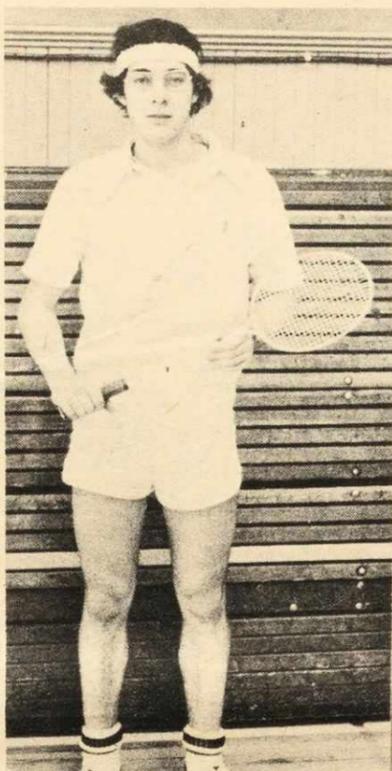
Badminton

The Intramural Men's Badminton Play-offs were played this past weekend in the Dalhousie Gymnasium.

Six participants played in the double elimination play-off. First round action saw Earl Wadden defeat Ron Faron of Medicine and Eric Elridge won over Likni Eaper. Kevin McSweeney and Amil Joshi advanced on byes in the first round. Second round matches resulted in McSweeney defeating Earl Wadden and Joshi winning over Elridge.

Kevin McSweeney and Amil Joshi met in the Semi-final match and McSweeney won 15-17, 15-10, 15-4. Joshi then defeated Elridge in the Consolation bracket and earned the right to challenge McSweeney again for the Championship, but after two excellently played games Kevin McSweeney emerged the winner with 15-11, and 15-13 wins over Amil Joshi.

A special congratulations goes out to Kevin McSweeney as this is his second 1st place win in Intramural Competition. He also won 1st place in the Cross Country Turkey Trot.



Kevin McSweeney, arts badminton champ.

Mens basketball

Interfac Basketball finally came to the season's close with the finals being played in Studley Gym March 14.

Division "A" saw Science I beat Commerce soundly 58-34.

Science I showed good all round team play resulting from many of their players having played competitive basketball over a number of years. Top scorer for Science I was Mike Sayers with 19 points. R. Putnam hooped 16 points for Commerce.

Division "B" finals saw Dentistry raise the dust to beat Law II 24-14. Dentistry had the advantage over Law II not on the game floor but in the stands where Dentistry fans gave their team loyal support.

Congratulations to all teams who played in this year's Men's Interfac Basketball.

Co-ed broomball

Co-Ed Broomball has gone the full circle with all teams apparently gaining a lot of enjoyment and recreation.

Law remain undefeated in the league.

Play offs begin Wednesday, March 17, St. Patrick's Day, so perhaps the leprecauns will share their good luck and provide a pot of gold for the victorious broomball team.

Atlantic Womens curling

by Barb Jones

The Womens Atlantic Universities Curling Championship was held at C.F.B. Halifax Curling Club this past weekend and the new champs are from Mt. St. Vincent University. Both the Mt. St. Vincent and Acadia teams fought through the 8 team round robin tournament with only one loss. This forced a final deciding game which saw Acadia University take an impressive 8-2 lead after five ends. However, the Mount team took a five ender in the sixth end and they went on to win the game 10-9. Dalhousie's only two losses of the bonspiel were to Acadia and the Mount St. Vincent team.

The Mount team consists of skip Jennifer Bates, mate Wendy Conrad, second Debbie Jackson, and lead Susan Myketyk. With the exception of Jackson, the team is the same one that represented Nova Scotia at the Canadian Schoolgirl Championships in Newfoundland last year. The all-star skip of the University Bonspiel just happened to be Jennifer Bates as well; all-star

mate was Louise Ouellet from Université de Moncton; and all-star second and lead were Virginia Jackson and Barb Jones of Dal.

It takes more than good curling to make a good bonspiel and special thanks go to Nila Ipson and Nancy Buzzel who were on hand throughout most of the three day event; to C.F.B. Prés. Joe Hecimovich; to Chairman Steve Garland who handled any difficulties remarkably well; and to Tom Black, Eileen Holden, Bob Coates and Steve Miller who all contributed to make the bonspiel the success it was. Peter Hope was much appreciated at our banquet, and Doug Clattenburg supplied the comic relief with his comments from the Bar.

All in all it was an exciting bonspiel complete with bad weather, visits from the R.C.M.P. the Brier to watch on T.V. and plenty of fights about the rules. It's going to take a lot to top that next year.

Floor Hockey continues

Regular season play continues in the floor hockey competition with standings for each team in the A & B Division not being finalized as of yet.

From the looks of things to come in Division A the two teams that will contend for first place have yet to meet, viz Sci I and P.E. I.

In Division B the top contender

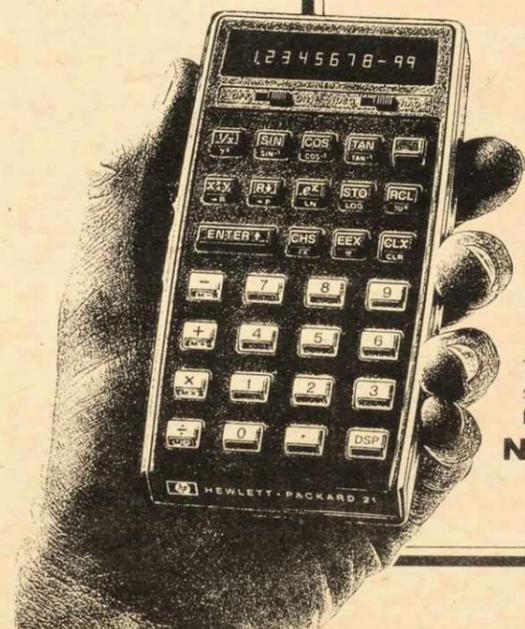
for first place is P.E. II but they must be victorious over Commerce to be assured of this.

Sunday's play saw game results as follows. P.E. II defeated Law 4-1. Commerce fought a close battle to emerge the victor over Psychology 4-3 while Pharmacy downed Arts 6-5.



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Halifax West downs Dal 2-1

by Greg Zed

The Women's Ice Hockey Tournament took place this past weekend with Halifax West Warriors taking the championship by virtue of a 4-0 record. In the final game host team Dalhousie Tigeretts were edged out by a score of 2-1. Head coach Dave Andrews of the War-

riors was asked to comment on the victory in light of the fact that his team had a 1-4 record against the Dal squad during the 1975-76 season: "We knew that if we wanted to win the tournament, we had to beat Dalhousie and furthermore we realized that beating Dal wasn't going to be easy. We had to

contain the offensive power which is part of their play. We were successful in doing just that". Robert Towner, who was quite hesitant in admitting disappointment had praise for the high school champs: "They played great. We knew that they were going to be tough and that in order to beat them we would have to be a bit more hungrier. The great fan support that they had certainly added to their play and each of them played great positional hockey". Towner did not at all attempt to make any excuses for the loss. "Our girls played a good game. Each of them should be very happy with the tournament... it's just too bad we cannot all be

and ended the "Irish" from further play. Halifax West, playing good positional hockey edged Sunny King Motel Angels in their encounter; the score was 1-0 and Wendy Knapman picked up the shut-out for the Warriors. Andrea Mounce fired two goals to lead Acadia University in a 4-3 win over Fairview Aces in an elimination encounter. The Aces were eliminated. Leonarda MacNeil tickled the twine twice for St.F.X. to knock out Acadia University 3-2 while Paula MacClure picked up the shut-out for Sunny King Angels in their 2-0 win over Brian Savoy's Red Blazers from U.N.B.

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Women's hockey tournament held here. Dal Photo / Jensen
 Halifax West took the championship.

The two day tournament, the first of its kind at Dalhousie, saw teams from the Atlantic region including the U.N.B. Red Blazers from Fredericton, Acadia University from Wolfville, St. Francis Xavier X-etts from Antigonish, Sunny King Motel Angels from P.E.I., College Ste. Anne, along with Fairview Aces, St. Patrick's High School, Halifax West High School Warriors and Dalhousie Tigeretts.

In the opening game played Saturday, Debbie MacDonald's three goal performance led the Fairview Aces to a 7-0 victory over College Ste. Anne. Elizabeth and Mary Maskell shared the shut-out. Halifax West beat Acadia University in the second encounter, 5-1 while St.F.X. registered its first win by shutting out U.N.B. Red Blazers 1-0. Sue McLellan recorded the shut-out.

Janet McKenna fired three goals for the Dalhousie squad to give the host team its first win. The late entry, St. Pats were on the end of the 6-0 thrashing that the Tigeretts handed out. Brenda Silver picked up the Dal shut-out. The 1974-75 champions, Sunny King Motel Angels posted their first win in the tournament by beating Fairview Aces 4-1. The Angels, from P.E.I. gained a bye in the tournament's first round of play. Marylon Rushton's three goal effort led the Axe-etts to a 7-0 trouncing over College Ste. Anne. This eliminated St. Anne's club from further play in the double elimination tournament. Later in the day, Dal Tigerettes gave St.F.X. its first loss by posting a 2-0 win over the Antigonish visitors. Gwen Cromwell registered the shut-out for the Black and Gold brigade.

Two goal performances from Leona Casley and Lorna Montgomery led U.N.B. Red Blazers to an easy 6-1 thumping over St. Pat's

they bowed to Halifax West by a score of 2-1. The Warriors picked up the win during "a show-down" which was necessary after both teams were dead-locked after an over-time period. Sunny King Motel Angels knocked out S.F.X. 2-1 and entered the semi-finals against the Tigeretts, however, the Angels were edged 1-0 during their game with the Dal club. Gwen Cromwell recorded her second shut-out of the day for the host team.

The final game was the meeting of the two "power-houses". On a previous encounter the Warriors beat the Tigeretts 2-1 and hence if the Dal squad were to win, they had to do something quick--they had to stop the fast skating Warriors and shoot more. When asked what the Dal squad was to do in the finals Mike O'Connor was quick to reply: "We have to contain the Warriors and yet we have to skate harder and shoot more often. We have to stay away from stupid penalties". In short the more than able assistant from the Dal brigade was quite accurate in what had to be done--what was done was another story. Lynn Buckler and Karen Fraser notched a goal a piece to lead the "best in the West" to another 2-1 win over the Dal team. Janet McKenna scored the tally for the home-town Tigeretts.

After the game, both coaches were asked to comment on the tournament: Robert Towner, who is coach of the Tigeretts, and tournament chairman was extremely happy with the way things went. "Sure we are a bit disappointed but the Warriors played well. The game was close throughout the entire time. The Halifax West played better and deserved the win but I must say I'm proud of my girls. We had to play back to back games without a rest and our girls were tired but they played a wail of

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Dal Athletic Awards



Bruce Mac Arthur (on right) receives tennis MVP award.

Winner of a Dalhousie award to alumnus, Henry Pellham.

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a game".

Dave Andrews, who also was Treasurer of the tournament was extremely pleased with his girls' performance: "We lost to Dal three times this year and we knew that in order to beat them we had to all put out 100%. We did just that. We practised for two and a half hours a week for the past three weeks. I stressed fundamental positional play so that every girl knew where she should be wherever the puck was. We could not run around out there but rather we had to play sound fundamental hockey. We did just that".

BEAVER FOODS put on a buffet banquet at Sherriff Hall following the tournament, which saw all participating teams meeting for their final social gathering. Master of Ceremonies Gred Zed, who was publicity chairman of the tournament opened the evening with welcoming comments: "I would like to welcome each and every participant to Sherriff Hall, Dalhousie's Women Residence. Likewise I would like to thank you all for making this tournament the great success it was". After a rather enjoyable buffet Zed continued his remarks. "We are honored this evening to have with us several special guests to share this evening with us, namely, Dr. Michael J. Ellis, Director of the School of Physical Education and Athletes, Miss Nila Ipson co-ordinator of Inter-Murals, and the Director of Women's Athletics, Nancy Buzzell.

Robert Towner was called upon to give his introductory remarks as chairman. He thanked his executive for a job well done. He thanked all participants and in closing he was pleased to congratulate the champions, Halifax West. Mr. Lloyd Knickle accepted the championship annual award on behalf of Dave Andrews, who was committed to a previous engagement. Dr. Michael Ellis awarded each member of the Halifax West team "lymic" styled medallions. Nila Ipson issued each member of the Dal squad the "runner-up" awards. At that point the gathering was honored to hear what was "the most realistic speech" that could ever be said to a group of athletes. Nancy Buzzell opened her remarks with a history of her participation in Women's Ice

Hockey. Then she spoke of where hockey is going: "This evening shows me how much each of you enjoy the game. I am very pleased to see the fantastic participation but in our day of economic restraint, athletics are beginning to feel the pinch. We are forced to cut some programs and modify others. Why try to acquire "varsity" status. You have a good thing. You are all having a great time. You are successful so why destroy it. You have a good start and I'm really happy for all of you. I wish you the best in the future and thank you for inviting me here this evening". Buzzell's comments must have meant more to those that are near to Dalhousie.

It was only four months ago when I attacked the Athletic program "as being bureaucratic" and un-supportive of Women's Sports. Now more than ever does this author appreciate the value of each and every member of the Department of Athletics. Truly they must be congratulated on doing a fine job.

The closing remarks of the tournament by Towner was that of sincere thanks to all participants with a special "THANK-YOU" to BEAVER FOODS. In thanking Ellis, Ipson, and Buzzell, we must begin to realize that like everything on campus, the athletic program is there for the students and it rightly places its priorities to meet the needs of all the Dalhousie community. Again Thank-You to Athletic Dept. You have fostered the growth for Women's Ice Hockey.

The following is the All-star team selected at the end of the First Women's Invitational Ice Hockey Tournament:

Defence: Margaret Cameron, Sunny King Motel Angels and Lynn Buckler, Halifax West

Left Wing: Janet McKenna, Dalhousie

Centre: Michelle Aucoin, Acadia University

Right Wing: Karen Fraser, Halifax West

Goalie: Susan McLellan, St. Francis Xavier X-ettes

This weekend the Dalhousie Tigeretts end their season's play in P.E.I. with a tournament. Next week GAZETTE will look at "the place of women in the hockey rink".



Male athlete of the year, Shawn Healy, gymnast.



Female athlete of year, (hockey & basketball), Helen Castonguay.

Behind university cutbacks

by Dan Keeton
Canadian University Press

Pssst. Wanna buy some used university buildings? Or perhaps even: Pssst. Wanna buy a used university?

An odd question. But there is every indication the Ontario government is planning to substantially decrease its investment in post-secondary education, and rationalize further the job-training orientation of community colleges.

The result would be the maintenance of universities as training grounds for the silent corporate elite, the colleges as producers of the skilled labor an increasingly capital-intensive industrial economy requires, backed up by a large semi-skilled and unskilled (and probably largely unemployed) labor force.

The desired rationalization of Ontario's post-secondary educational resources could not take place overnight. As government advisors noted in the recent "Henderson Report" on the Commission on Government Spending, "Post-secondary institutions and their clients require considerable lead-time to respond to change, particularly financial arrangements."

Universities. Happy Over Lower Funding

Perhaps this explains why the universities were happy to receive a 14.4 percent increase in total post-secondary education grants for the 1976-77 academic year. The Henderson Report, (more aptly entitled the McKeough Report, since provincial treasurer Darcy McKeough chaired the government spending commission) preceded the

government funding announcement by scarcely two weeks, hinted darkly that the "public" was not getting an equitable return on its investment in post-secondary education, and that drastic cutbacks in spending might be in the offing.

In fact, increases in university and college financing have decreased in Ontario over the last three years. For the 1974-75 academic year, government funding increased 19.6 percent from the previous year and when it was announced last year that the increase for '75-76 would only be 16.9 percent, university presidents and governing boards across the province protested loudly and immediately implemented cutbacks in their own budgets.

But this year, the Council of Ontario Universities (COU) quietly accepted the 14.4 percent increase, announced by the government on December 15, while noting that enrolment increases were estimated at 5.4 percent, and hence the increase in per student revenue would only be 7 percent.

"Since inflation is still running well above the 8 percent guideline target, the pattern of budget cutbacks which has affected all aspects of university operations in recent years will thus have to be continued", the COU statement undramatically concluded.

One might conclude that Ontario's universities have accepted the obvious need for continuing decreases in funding, and are implementing the government's cutback measures with belt-tightening resignation. But the reason for their complacency may be that, while they feel the "cost-revenue

squeeze right now, their salvation lies in government proposals to reduce enrolment."

Reduced Enrolment New Policy

The McKeough Report provides the clear answer to crowded classrooms and declining facilities: universities could maintain and even improve the quality of education, if they were only allowed to drastically reduce enrolment, it said.

Currently the bulk of Ontario universities' financing is pegged enrolment. One full-time undergraduate (or full-time equivalent) is worth one Basic Income Unit, (BIU) in provincial funds. But the report notes that the system moved from an enrolment based financing formula to "a global budgeting approach" in 1974, while simultaneously granting the reduced funds on the stipulation that the institutions keep their fees at the present level.

So the report recommends the government lift its control on tuition, allowing the individual institutions to raise fees as they see fit, and points to an eventual fee increase of 56 percent, to be achieved over a three to four year period.

The effect would be, as the report notes, to make students pay more towards their education. What it doesn't mention is that such high fees (approximately \$970 for universities, and \$400 for community colleges) would be an effective financial barrier for a large number of those currently enrolled in post-secondary institutions.

What it does is pit accessibility to higher education against the quality of education. Quality can be

maintained and even improved if enrolment is cut. In the end both faculty and students lose: if enrolment is reduced, faculty will be laid off.

The report's answers to these problems are perhaps better understood when viewed not as haphazard, emergency measures but as part of an overall plan to restructure the post-secondary education system to meet the needs of an industrial economy dominated by private corporations.

The Ontario Federation of Students suggests this in its brief to Ontario's Interim Committee on Financial Assistance for Students.

This argument is consistent with the recent developments in post-secondary education financing, and the recommendations of the McKeough Report. Despite former MCU minister James Auld's insistence that community colleges are facing budget constraints "at least as severe" as universities, it is worth noting that cutbacks for the former are suggested mainly in the "general-interest" courses, while the McKeough Report endorses the colleges' value as vocational and technical centres.

The brief shows statistics revealing that private corporations share of public expenditure costs have dropped, while personal income taxes have gone up, in the period from 1964-1974.

"Surely it would be more sensible to direct one's assault at the tax system itself... (particularly) on the question of the benefits derived by the corporate sector," the brief states, comparing the benefit corporations receive from post-secondary education compared to what they pay in taxes.

Funny Queen's Park hasn't thought of that.



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