

Gazette's choice for editor rejected; staff quits en masse

On Sunday, January 28, the Dalhousie Council voted overwhelmingly to veto the staff choice for editor of the Dalhousie GAZETTE. At the same time it approved Council Arts Representative Ken MacDougall as Editor for the 1973-74 term.

Marg Bezanson, the choice of the staff as well of Council's own Applications Committee, was defeated by a vote of 1 in favour, 10 opposed, 4 abstentions. As well as being Advertising and Business Manager since the beginning of the 1972 academic term, Bezanson was unanimously endorsed as President of the Atlantic Region of Canadian University Press (ARCUP) last November.

MacDougall has served on Student Council for one year and has served on various committees for the Task Force and the Alternate Student Government Committee.

Both candidates spoke at the meeting. MacDougall, proposed a structured organization, whereby he would be chief editor, or "autocrat" according to his oral brief to the present staff. He said he would try to bring up to 50 new people to work on the paper so that wider coverage could be given to the Halifax and Dartmouth City Councils, and the Nova Scotia Legislature, as well

as to news and activities in the Student Union and the university as a whole.

He also favoured purchase of a composer unit so that the paper could do more of the actual newspaper production. This unit was scheduled to be put into implementation last fall, but it was not, due to delays by the manufacturer.

Bezanson indicated that the collective approach to the newspaper's operation would be maintained. She acknowledged that there have been problems during the year, but that the staff had responded in many areas, including a vast increase in the coverage and a better system of providing on-campus events.

The attempt at a co-operative paper was desired because it allowed more people to get involved in many aspects of the paper's operation and because it allowed the entire regular staff to have an equal say in the editorial policies and overall content of the paper.

The motion to ratify Bezanson was defeated and the following motion to appoint MacDougall as Editor was carried by a vote of 10 in favour, 1 opposed and 4 abstentions.

Immediately following that, Council moved to amend Regulation 14 whereby the new editor could

take office at that time (9:20 p.m., Jan. 28).

This motion, requiring a two-thirds majority vote because of its Regulation status, was defeated. Council then moved to instruct the Chairman, Raj Nadarajah, to review this edition of the paper to ensure that no libel be printed. The apparent intent of this motion was to prevent the outgoing GAZETTE staff from deliberately writing libelous or defamatory stories in order to seek revenge against Council by initiating a law suit.

A wire was also sent to the Printer, Fundy Group Publications in Yarmouth, asking that no paper be printed unless initialed by the Chairman or President Brian Smith. This motion was passed.

A further motion instructing a member of Council to write a letter to Bezanson thanking her for applying for the editorship was defeated, an extraordinarily discourteous move.

Following these decisions by Council, the GAZETTE staff decided to resign in support of Marg Bezanson and in opposition to the undemocratic actions of Council.

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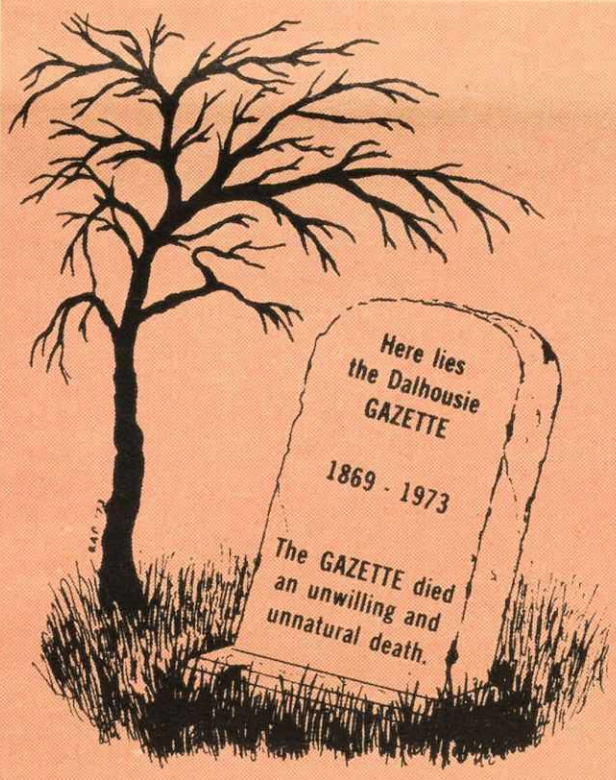
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"... Those who profess to favor freedom, and yet depreciate agitation, are men who want crops without plowing up the ground. They want rain without thunder and lightning. They want the ocean without the awful roar of its waters. This struggle may be a moral one; or it may be both moral and physical; but it must be a struggle. Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did, and it never will. Find out just what people will submit to, and you have found out the exact amount of injustice and wrong which will be imposed upon them; and these will continue till they are resisted with either words or blows, or with both. The limits of tyrants are prescribed by the endurance of those whom they oppress..."

Frederick Douglass, August 4, 1857

This is the last issue of the Dalhousie GAZETTE that will be produced by the present staff. If the GAZETTE is published within the near future it will not be our paper but published by the council, by their appointed editor. We will continue publishing a newspaper however. The name of this paper has not yet been decided but it will be forthcoming within one to two weeks from the date of this publication. Watch for it on your newstands soon!

Communications secretary voices support

Although, I was unable to attend the council meeting on January 29, I feel that I am close enough to the issue at hand, and have been informed of the meetings and events well enough to make a statement on the matter.

I must say that I am thoroughly disappointed with the actions and intimations of both the applications committee and council. Not only have these representative bodies done a tremendous injustice to Marg Bezanson, but they have also insulted the present editor and staff of the GAZETTE.

The injustice to Miss Bezanson is apparent.

The applications committee proved itself to be a farce. Of the three members, only one interviewed one of the candidates for editor and the other candidate was interviewed by only two members. At the council meeting, just these two members were present and one of them could not even vote for lack of information. Very little competence on this particularly important responsibility was demonstrated by the committee.

With respect to the editor and staff, council certainly showed none — of respect that is. Council must have believed that they were dealing with children who were going to try to get even with council.

Its attempt to immediately install Ken MacDougall as editor, before Glen Wanamaker's term had expired, displays an incredible and unjust amount of distrust. I have talked with the staff, before and after the meeting and I am convinced that the operating members of the GAZETTE have a good deal more integrity than would allow them to stoop to libelous reprisals. Council furthered the insult by imposing censorship on the paper — the highest offense possible to any newspaper. Not content with this, Council went on to instruct the printers not to publish anything unless approved by a council appointee or the president of the student union. To me, this is the action of a group of people who, upon realizing that they had grievously wronged someone, sought to protect themselves by imposing further sanctions.

The entire affair has been demeaning both to council and to the GAZETTE. I sincerely hope that all council members consider what they have done to the supposed free student newspaper.

Steve Long,
Student Council,
Communications Secretary

M.U.S. canned for now

HALIFAX (CUP) — The proposed Maritime Union of Students may be longer in coming than organizers hoped.

Local problems in New Brunswick are hampering the provincial student union's progress toward a regional union.

As well, local union elections are being held — making it difficult to co-ordinate action to build a regional union.

Atlantic region student leaders proposed a Maritime union after Atlantic delegates walked out of the founding conference of the National Union of Students last November in Ottawa.

The delegates, angry at the way local unions will be represented in the national union, proposed to start a

regional union. They wanted equal representation for each province, while the majority of delegates, from western Canada and Ontario, opted for representation by population.

A late November meeting to form the Maritime Union of Students was postponed, when one of its key participants had to play in a football game.

Another meeting was tentatively scheduled for this month, but several of the New Brunswick unions have lost interest for the time being. It has now been postponed indefinitely.

The Nova Scotia Association of Student Unions, along with the New Brunswick Union of Students, is reportedly still very interested. The student unions at Memorial University of

Newfoundland and the University of Prince Edward Island had earlier indicated similar interest.

But the New Brunswick Union

is still bogged down with local problems.

Nova Scotia student leaders hope after elections are over,

and if the New Brunswick union can get together with them, the idea can be made a top priority again.

4th Estate back in court

by Glenn Wanamaker

A tentative date has been set for the beginning of a new trial in the libel case involving the 4th ESTATE newspaper and Le Chateau Mens' Wear Limited.

The trial is expected to open February 5 before Nova Scotia Supreme Court Judge J.L. Dubinsky. A ruling by the N.S. Supreme Court appeals division on November 23, 1972, reversed an earlier decision by the trials division to dismiss the case.

Le Chateau alleges libel through two newspaper articles in March, 1971. One item cited by Le Chateau was a photograph from the Dalhousie GAZETTE. The articles arose out of a campaign against slum housing in the city.

The case was dismissed October 2 by Judge F.W. Bissett. He ruled that in order to

sustain an action for libel "a corporation must be defamed in the way of its business."

In reversing the decision, the appeals division's three judges ruled that Mr. Justice Bissett should have waited until Le Chateau's counsel had presented their evidence before dismissing the case.

D.A.G.S. meets

Priorities of the Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students was the topic of the Graduate Council meeting on Monday, January 22. Social functions have headed the list in the past, because they have been the easiest to plan and attract participants.

Friday night parties reach only some of the students. The grad house has served the needs of a few more, but at the present time it is not being used to capacity. New furnishings have been purchased. Magazines, a color T.V., and games are available, or it can just be used as a quiet place to talk.

The Council recognizes that smaller groups within the graduate community might better meet some of the needs of their members than D.A.G.S.

To help these groups, the Council will release up to 25 percent of the year's fee, for projects sponsored by the subgroup and approved by Council.

A general meeting of D.A.G.S., on Friday, January 26, was poorly attended. Those present did suggest some means of improving communications between council and grad students.

In the future, look for a Valentine's party in the Grawood Lounge, a skating party, a sleigh ride and a newsletter. Friday night parties at the grad house will continue.

Council would like to do more but we need your support, your ideas and your willingness to work.

"Wonder drugs" cause flu

by Charlie Moore

Have you noticed that there seem to be more colds and flu around lately? The reason, according to a recent U.S. study, is the over prescription of the antibiotic "wonder drugs" such as penicillin by many physicians.

According to the study, doctors are now prescribing antibiotics for 31 percent of patients complaining of colds. Because of this, the viruses

which cause colds and influenza as well as other infectious diseases have built up a resistance to the drugs and are becoming stronger and harder to combat. The report states that the death rate from infectious diseases is rising rapidly. This can be seen graphically in such instances as the flu epidemic now raging in Great Britain where over 1,000 people died from this disease during the last week of December.

In view of these facts, antibiotics have the potential of becoming one of the biggest medical horror stories of the century. To avoid this, strict governmental controls on the use of antibiotics are needed immediately.

What can you do? Well, if you get a cold or the flu, don't ask your doctor to prescribe antibiotic drugs unless he feels they are really necessary to avoid complications. Remember, the average person is only ill enough to really need antibiotics about once every five or ten years. As well as the danger of widespread infectious disease, antibiotics can cause some nasty side effects. A large number of people are allergic to penicillin and although they may have no allergic reaction to one dose, the second dose may cause anything from skin rash to death. Among other things, antibiotics can also cause damage to vital organs and discoloration of tooth enamel.

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Gay lib comes to Halifax

G.A.E. gives "liberation through pride"

by Marci Landry-Milton

The Gay Alliance for Equality (G.A.E.) formed last June has finally brought a "Gay Liberation Movement" to the "largest city east of Montreal," (Halifax).

Judging by the concrete work being done by this group, G.A.E. intends to achieve its aims of helping Gays with their own liberation problems as well as improving relations between the gay and straight communities.

G.A.E. is comprised of an executive of five, elected for a one-year term and a public relations officer. Half of the executive as well as the director of the Gay telephone line are female.

The major source of funding for G.A.E. is donations from both members of the group and others.

G.A.E. holds formal meetings every second Wednesday. They are open to the public and take

place in the Inglis Street Universalist Unitarian Church, which has donated its space for their purpose.

According to Nils Clauson, a Grad student at Dal and a member of G.A.E., "assistance of G.A.E. is largely a liberation through pride." He points out that members of the group "can feel pride in their homosexuality by taking part in meetings which increase the confidence of members through participation in activities with serious social and political aims."

G.A.E. has succeeded in establishing a referral, information and counselling service called Gay Line. Open Thursdays through to Sundays, it receives calls from 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Those answering the phones are volunteers, who have received the same training as Help Line counsellors. There is also a two-way exchange of

counselling advice between the Help and Gay Lines.

Although G.A.E. follows no political dogma as do some gay, militant groups in the U.S., it does have political goals by which the organization hopes to strengthen its position to deal with the community. For example discrimination against homosexual individuals, and communities is often felt in the loss of unemployment, housing accommodations and the refusal of rights of publication (advertising).

G.A.E. does not believe that homosexuality is a sickness nor a basis for the denial of basic rights. Their official stance is that "homosexuality is a natural and healthy expression of human sexuality."

A committee of three is presently drafting a 10-15 page brief to be brought to this session of the N.S. Legislature. It is aimed at the Human

Rights Act which currently allows discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

With the assistance of Dal Legal Aid G.A.E. intends to apply to the Provincial Government in September for its registration as a non-profit organization.

G.A.E., along with CHAT, a homophile association in Toronto, participated in the last federal election with some lobbying. A questionnaire designed to obtain candidate's stands on matters of interest to

homosexuals with circulated to all candidates. Response was extremely low. Stanfield made no reply. His stand may be summed up as: let the laws remain as they are.

G.A.E. is only eight months old. Its members often risk physical and personal loss by openly declaring their sexual orientation; although this has not yet happened in Halifax. Judging from its size and accomplishments in this "small town" G.A.E. is successfully fulfilling a need.

Soc. investigation begins

Procedure outlined

by Glenn Wanamaker

The Ombudsman's Office has outlined a procedure for its investigation of the disputes in the Sociology Anthropology Department. Assistant Ombudsman Terry Burke says the procedure simply calls for meetings with students and faculty.

A letter was sent early last week to the Department's Graduate Education Committee and to the Course Union. The Course Union has agreed to the procedure but the Committee has not yet indicated its approval.

The investigation was initiated by the Course Union in a January 19 resolution asking the Ombudsman to investigate

the legality and functioning of the Graduate Program, and charges of intimidation against Professor Dr. J.J. Mangalam.

The origins of the dispute lie in the apparent arbitrary imposition of a new "core program" for graduates. Dr. Mangalam recently resigned as Chairman of the Graduate Education Committee. It was under the direction of Mangalam and former Department Chairman Don Clairmont that the new program was instituted without any consultation with other faculty or students.

Burke says the investigation will report no later than the end of February.

Maritimes to form one education body

by Glenn Wanamaker

The three Maritime provincial governments have given their approval to the Council of Maritime Premiers to organize a single Higher Education Commission to build up a sound system of education.

The approval followed recommendations by two commissions studying high education in the Maritimes.

The concept of the single Commission is to make one group of interested citizens responsible for listening to the views of the professional educators, students, parents and the public-at-large concerning what would be "desirable" future developments in higher education.

The recommendation for a single commission was contained in a study by the Association of Atlantic Universities. A further study group was formed to review the needs for a region-wide policy. It reported:

"If there is a need for co-operation among educational institutions, there is just as important a need for the governments of the Maritime provinces to approach their policies toward higher education on a region-wide basis.

"It will make no sense at all for each province to try to be self-sufficient in every aspect of higher education. For a number of advanced, specialized and professional programs, the most likely result of such an

approach will be to create second- or third-rate schools which have very high costs in relation to the standards achieved."

The Commission will have the responsibility of advising the Council of Maritime Premiers, and though the Council, the provinces, of plans for the development of a comprehensive program. The Commission will consult closely with the provincial education ministers and with the institutions under its jurisdiction in all matters that affect them.

Because its emphasis will be on improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the education system, the Commission will focus particularly on developing comprehensive plans. It will also concern itself with providing increased institutional specializations within the region.

Opportunities in higher education will be available to the French-speaking residents of the region. In addition, both the Commission and its staff will have capability to offer services in the French language.

Maritime universities and certain other institutions of high education will be brought within the jurisdiction of the new Commission at the outset.

The spheres in which the Commission will be asked to advise are: the future structure and development of higher education in the Maritime region; the support for new

programs or institutions; the desirability of terminating support for some existing programs; co-operation among the various institutions; the encouragement of regional centres of specialization; provision of access to educational services not available within the region; systems of student aid; and the definition of the institutions to be included within the new system.

It will be the responsibility of the Commission to make recommendations to the Council of Maritime Premiers, and through the Council, to the three provinces concerning the estimated expenditures called for by the approved programs of studies.

The membership of the Commission will represent various aspects of the public interest within the region. About one-third will come from the institutions (executive and faculty); the remainder will be drawn from among senior public officials and the public at large.

The three separate higher education agencies, including the University Grants Committee of Nova Scotia, will continue for about one more year. During the transition period, while the new Commission members prepare themselves for assuming their full responsibilities, it is expected that all these agencies will function in close co-operation with each other.

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Council appoints own editor

Freedom of press denied; GAZETTE staff resigns

The last Student Council meeting voted to reject Marg Bezanson for Editor of the GAZETTE, despite the fact that she was the choice of the staff as well as of Council's own three-member Application Committee. After voting to approve Ken MacDougall as Editor, the entire present staff of the GAZETTE walked out of the meeting and as of Thursday, February 1, all staff members have resigned from the paper.

By so doing, Council has violated the Statement of Principles of Canadian University Press and is therefore expelled from the national organization and its national advertising co-operative, Youthstream.

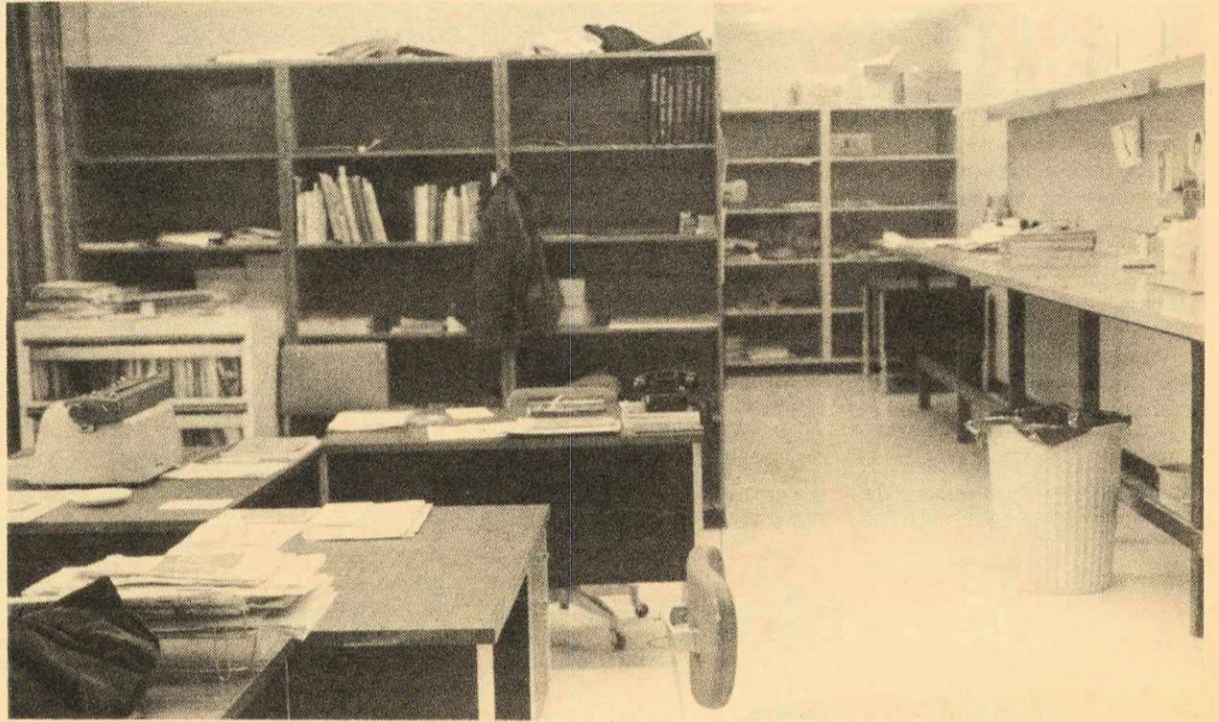
The reasons we have walked out are the following: Many universities in Canada have provisions that allow the staff of the student newspaper to elect their own editor with no interference from Council. At Dalhousie, the decision to choose the editor is in the hands of the Council. The procedure requires that all applicants apply through the three-person Applications Committee which then recommends its choice to Council. This Committee is also required to conduct an informal poll of the staff to determine their choice.

The standard practice and the accepted procedure in the past has been for Council, to accept the staff choice. The rationale is simply this: the staff would know exactly what qualifications are needed to carry out the duties of Editor. The staff would also have worked with this person for the whole year and would therefore know what difficulties could arise. The working relationship would be good to begin with — a very important prerequisite for the job.

But rather than do this, Council approved a fellow Council member, a person who had but a few months of writing experience and no technical or editing experience. They ignored the moral right of the staff to work with the person of their choosing.

It has been evident during this whole year that Council opposed the orientation and direction of the newspaper. They have opposed our attempts to run the paper collectively and they have employed some subtle means to make the paper become an organ of Council and particularly its Executive. The Frederick Douglass quotation on page 1 sums up our feelings of the Council's political nature most accurately.

MacDougall wanted the paper to run autocratically in that he wanted to be the sole person responsible for all editorial positions. He also planned a seven-person editorial board which would be responsible for different areas of the paper's production. But the content, as we understand it,



The Gazette office stands empty and silent.

would be up to him. We can not accept this plan as it runs completely contrary to our journalistic and political beliefs.

This newspaper can be run in a co-operative or collective manner. Problems do naturally occur as most people, upon joining a newspaper, are not prepared to accept the opportunity of having an equal say in the content and editorial decision-making. There is opportunity to pick rather than be assigned, stories. The collectivist approach allows for group decisions, decisions that more than one person make, and decisions that reflect more opinions than just one.

This newspaper, and it is no exception, should be free to act and write as its members honestly believe, within the bounds of legal requirements. A newspaper is not an organ; to serve any function, it must be allowed freedom to act as a check or counterbalancing agent against the institutions and organizations that are affecting our daily lives.

Student Council is a political organization. It can make decisions that could affect what we learn in class, what we learn on the social level; how we act and react.

The purpose of the GAZETTE is to ensure that this Student Council, supported by our money, and given the power to act on our behalf, does not abuse its authority and waste our money. We must ensure that Council is representing the needs and wants of students. By presenting the facts on any issue we relate what IS going on; by our reaction and interpretation of these facts, we attempt to put things in their true perspective.

However, the facts alone and by themselves, do not always speak for themselves. There are always reasons why people act in certain ways, and our presence is to act as a check against their acting in their own interests, whether for their own personal benefit or for that of their organization or structure. If Council, or any other political body, possesses the right to appoint its own editor, the role we have previously suggested is impossible. Even though a Council-appointed editor may not be from Council itself, its decision to appoint a particular person is inevitably based in how well this person will act in their (Council's) interests.

This Student Council not only has the power to appoint its own editor, but it has exercised its power to the detriment of the students of this university.

We oppose completely this undemocratic move by Dalhousie Student Council in rejecting Marg Bezanson as Editor of the GAZETTE. By their actions, they have violated the basic right of freedom of the press. Neither the student body nor the com-

munity will benefit.

Not only will students lose the only critical check that exists, but we will lose in more immediate material ways as well. As the GAZETTE is a member of the Canadian University Press and adheres to its Code of Ethics and Statement of Principles, all rights and privileges will be suspended as long as Council refuses to accept the staff's choice for Editor.

Included in this is the immediate loss of an international news service and direct communication with member newspapers across the country. CUP's national advertising co-op, Youthstream, will stop sending all advertising to the newspaper and this will mean a loss of over a \$1,000 in ad revenue over the rest of this year. It will also cut out any revenue next year, and as Youthstream represents most universities in Canada and is known as the exclusive representative of the university market, the possibility of generating national ad revenue next year is very low.

Youthstream is gradually growing, having been in operation for only two years. In the past year, Upper Canada has received ads first as the market is so much larger. Advertising sales have increased almost 200 percent for some papers. The total volume of sales has jumped tremendously, and the Maritimes too will benefit from the organization. Next year, national ad revenue will undoubtedly increase substantially in the Atlantic provinces.

Over the last two months, the CUP newspapers in Halifax have done the groundwork on the formation of a local advertising co-operative. With the combined efforts of three university papers here and increased circulation and market, revenue is certain to increase substantially.

At the same time, we have been discussing a new co-operative, to improve both inter-university communication, and the reporting of community events.

An independent newspaper is vital. To deny its right to independence, is to remove a democratic right. A newspaper must retain the right to a specific viewpoint as determined by its staff. It also has the duty to relate the viewpoints of non-staff members through letters and contributing articles.

Student Council has outrightly rejected this freedom, and we will continue to oppose and struggle until their actions and their power to take such actions, is changed and removed.

We ask your support to pressure Council to reverse their decision, and we ask your support for Marg Bezanson as the democratic choice for Editor of the GAZETTE. And we ask that you sign the petition that will be circulated over the next few days.

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Ex-offenders form "self-help" groups

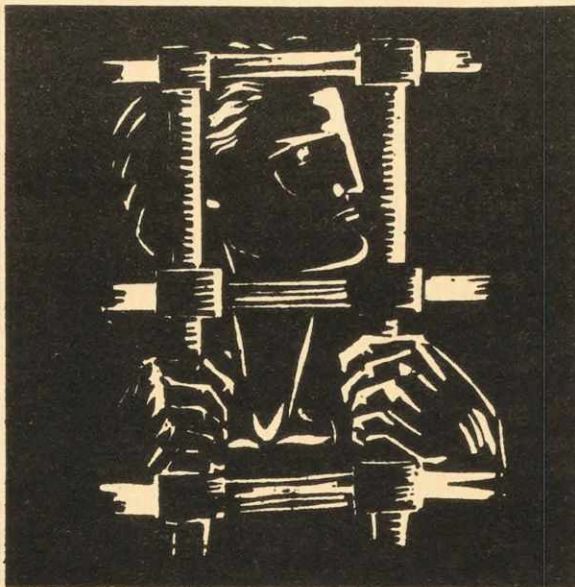
by Marg Bezanson

The road from the prison cell is not necessarily a circuitous one. Although it is often claimed that it is impossible to rehabilitate most criminals, this is being disproven by such groups as: the recently formed Coalition for Supportive Services and A.F.T.E.R. (Association for Total and Effective Rehabilitation) in Halifax.

Both groups are associated with the Coalition for Development which is funded by the Anglican, United, and Roman Catholic Churches and consists of several other organizations such as: Halifax-Dartmouth Council of Churches; a representative from the Human Rights Commission; MOVE; Catholic Social Services Commission; Anglican Diocese of Nova Scotia; Lutheran Churches of Halifax-Dartmouth; Halifax Presbytery United Church of Canada; Tel-Ed Video Services; Upper Hammonds Plains Community Development Association; Halifax-Dartmouth Trades and Labour Council; Halifax Neighbourhood Centre; Nova Scotia Legal Aid; A.F.T.E.R. and a representative of the Halifax Regional Welfare Department.

The Coalition of Supportive Services is funded by an LIP (Local Initiatives Program) grant. Its objective is to employ ex-offenders in such jobs as repairing Church halls and other church properties which have been opened to citizens groups and in assisting elderly pensioners. The group is working at St. Mark's Anglican Church on Gottingen St. and is presently doing repairs and painting on that church.

Also through the use of two outreach persons the group is trying to "animate Church groups into social



learn to open doors for himself again."

The ex-offender has to learn not only to work back into the 8-hour work day but also to take personal initiative to carry out everyday activities. There are also various social problems that the ex-inmate comes in contact with. It is difficult to communicate with a society he has been completely cut off from for a long period of time.

An attempt is made to overcome these problems by holding group therapy sessions regularly. Also the fact that each person is given an opportunity to "get back into the rat-race" at his own rate helps.

These problems are being overcome very effectively by the thirteen men presently working with the CSS Project. "The men use their own initiative to go to work" said David French, co-ordinator for CSS, "If a guy tips off, he is jogged by some of the others but there have been no real problems in this way."

Painting and repair work is being done on St. Mark's Church, furniture is being repaired and clothes and quilts are being made for senior citizens on pensions.

Due to the fact that the group is funded by an LIP grant the number of people hired and the length of employment is limited. However, if the program succeeds, consideration will be given to extension when the grant terminates. "One hundred men could be employed in these types of jobs in this area," commented Rev. Parsons.

The group works in close conjunction with A.F.T.E.R. This group was set up last May by a group of concerned ex-inmates. They are currently waiting for a reply to an application for an LIP grant which was sponsored by Mayor Walter Fitzgerald, the Most Rev. William Davis, Chief Justice Gordon Cowan.

The statement of purpose of A.F.T.E.R. is: "By our association's definition, 're-integration' implies not only a change in an individual, but also a more important reformation of the social institutions in our society which mitigate against 'effective' rehabilitation. To effect change at both levels we have formed an association based on co-operation, self-help and premised on our first-hand experience as ex-

involvement" by the use of audio-visual documentation and brochures. These persons also assist in seeking permanent employment for ex-offenders. Two paralegal persons work with the ex-offenders to train them in a general law degree. They also assist the audio-visual personnel in making documentaries to inform and educate the public, encouraging positive attitudes toward penal reform.

There is a great need for such an organization as the recidivist rate (percentage of men who return to prison) is extremely high under the usual circumstances. Rev. James G. Jones who established the first half-way house in North America in Chicago in 1954, found that the recidivist rate of the ex-offenders who passed through his house dropped from 79 percent to 25 percent.

Similar results have been found due to half-way houses in Canada. The project was initiated in Canada by an Anglican priest, the Rev. T.N. Libby, in 1962. These houses, which are known as St. Leonard Houses, have spread to many cities across Canada including Halifax.

The Coalition for Supportive Services and A.F.T.E.R. differ somewhat from the St. Leonard Society. They are operated by ex-offenders themselves. The participants are under no outside supervision and must use their own initiative to work.

Ron Parsons, who is the co-ordinator for Coalition for Development and is working unofficially with the Coalition for Supportive Services (CSS) said the main problem faced by the ex-offender when entering society is that "he no longer has a keeper. He must

offenders."

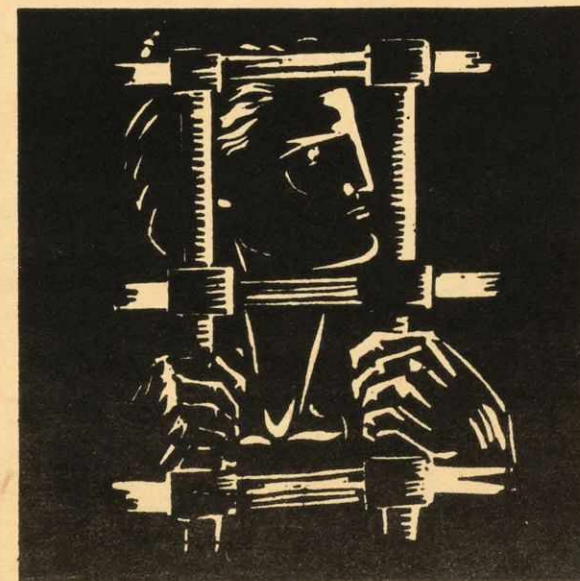
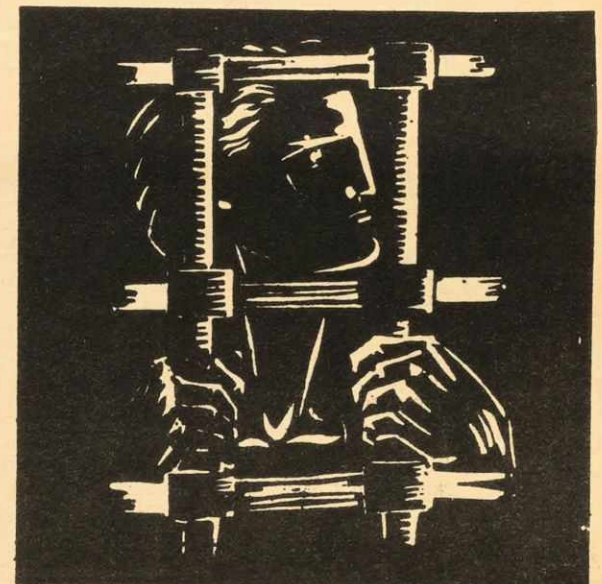
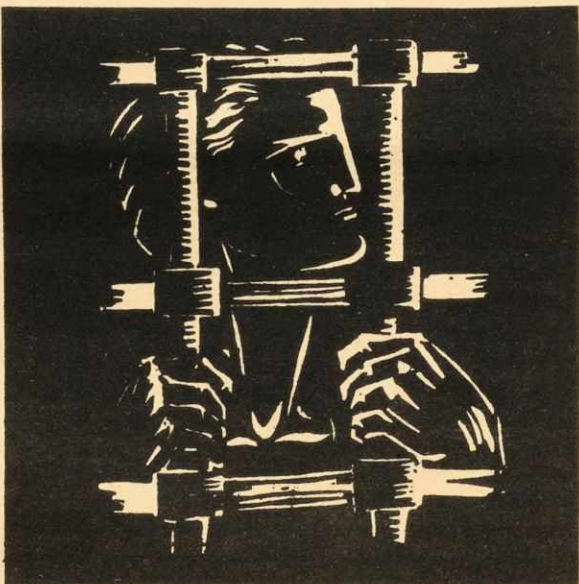
Some areas which A.F.T.E.R. is examining are: (a) co-operative service station or other business; (b) co-operative housing; (c) half-way houses and community release centres; (d) sheltered workshops in upholstery, carpentry, etc.; (e) submission of briefs to government task forces and similar commissions on release and after-care procedures, etc.; (f) to examine and offer criticism on current employment practices including bonding; (g) to push for financial assistance for ex-inmates immediately upon release; (h) to promote the rights of ex-inmates in legal matters and welfare assistance; (i) to provide a position social atmosphere to ex-offenders; (j) to promote prisoners' rights; (k) to develop effective presentation programs within other local communities.

The executive officers of AFTER are Gerry Smith (President), Bob Moran (Vice-President) and Irvine Kamsvaag (Secretary).

Rev. Parsons and Marty Martel (who works with AFTER in conjunction with Coalition for Development) both emphasized the tremendous support received from the Halifax City Council. General approval was given to the suggestion to donate Brunswick House on Brunswick Street to the group at a recent Council meeting. "Questions for information were asked but there was not a single negative vote," said Rev. Parsons.

The house is to be used for work shops as well as accommodation for those who have no homes to go to.

Public response has also been extremely favourable according to Martel. Much help has come from such



organizations as the Social Planning Department, the City Real Estate Department, and the Dalhousie and Nova Scotia Legal Aid, as well as countless others. The Board of Trade has shown considerable interest in giving interim and permanent employment to ex-offenders.

Similar groups exist in other parts of Canada. For example ex-offenders in Vancouver run a line of gas stations co-operatively.

The chance of success for these groups looks very good if one can judge from the past success of similar groups and the fact the present organization of CSS and AFTER seems superior to past groups. The argument that the average criminal is impossible to rehabilitate is difficult to substantiate when one looks at the results of such groups' effort. However, groups such as AFTER and CSS will give ex-offenders a proper chance to prove or disprove all fears of this nature.

St. Mark's is exceptional in its program of community oriented organizations. Besides opening its doors to ex-offenders for their projects, the church is used by two youth groups, a day-care centre, and a Community Centre is situated in the Church Hall.

However, Rev. Parsons said, "We are just scratching the surface." There is much that could be done with the immense amount of church space that exists in this city. Being tax-free, the churches are ideal locations for non-profit community groups.

Hopefully the example of St. Mark's will embarrass other churches into using their valuable space in a similar worthwhile manner.

Ontario students continue opposition; though fee strike loses momentum

Fees strike: moratoria cancelled

TORONTO (CUP) — The Executive of Ontario Federation of Students (OFS) Jan. 22 reversed its decision of two days earlier to organize three days of moratoria and study sessions protesting government cutbacks in post-secondary education.

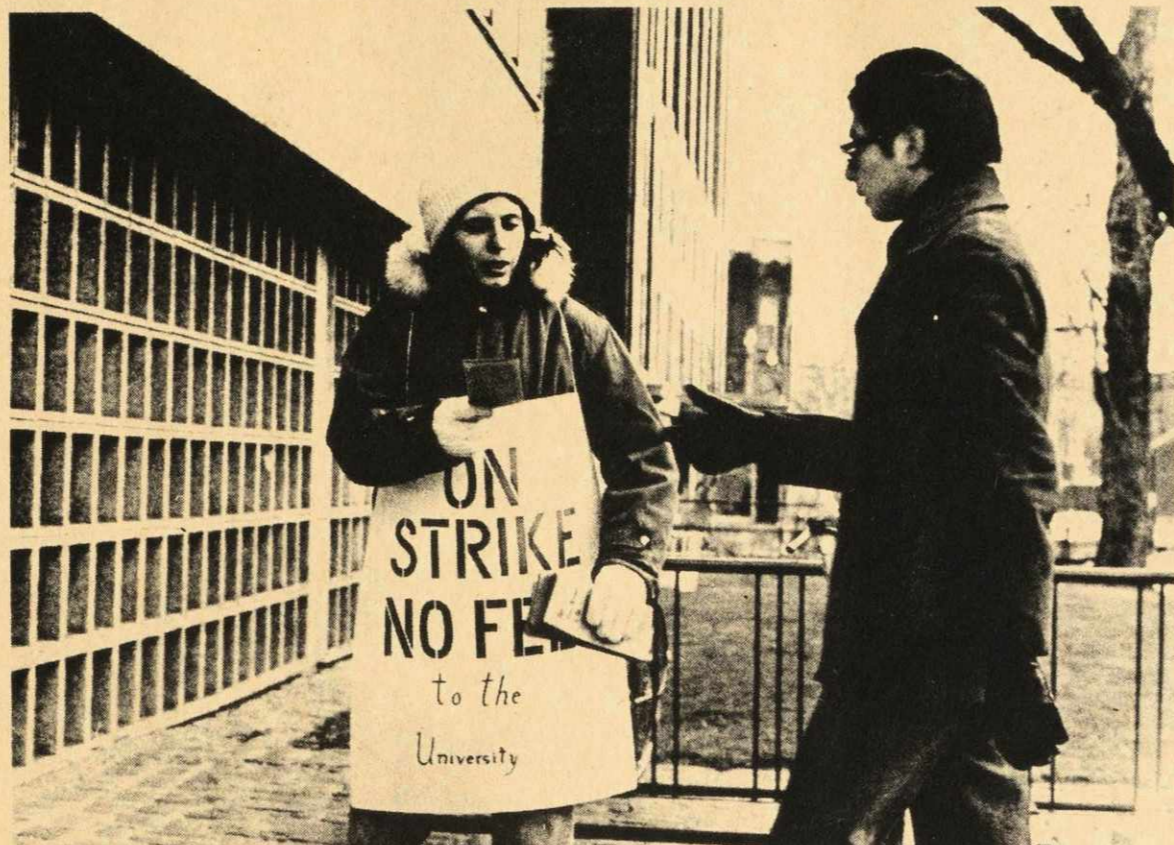
"Something like this would require a lot of enthusiasm," OFS executive member Shane Roberts explained yesterday. Roberts is the president of the University of Waterloo Students Federation.

"The solid support for such action was lacking from member institutions," OFS general co-ordinator Craig Heron reported. He had spent the morning of Jan. 22 telephoning member councils to inform them of the executive decision.

"The response was reasonably lukewarm," he said.

Except for one or two councils, OFS members greeted the proposal with reluctance or lack of enthusiasm, Roberts noted. The executive, realizing planning another action with less than enthusiastic support from a majority of its membership would be "a mistake," decided to cancel the moratoria. A demonstration outside provincial legislature last November fizzled for lack of active support.

Heron had argued against the initial executive decision in favour of holding the moratoria on the very grounds that in the end led to their cancellation. Roberts admitted there had been disagreement about the practicality of organizing the action, but said the executive had finally endorsed a compromise plan to spread the moratoria out over three days.



Student Surcharge Committee picketed 215 Huron Street, site of U of T's fees office.

Faculty cuts at Trent; President denounced

PETERBOROUGH (CUP) — Students and some faculty at Trent University have reacted angrily to a proposal calling for

massive faculty cuts to accommodate restrictive government educational policies.

Trent president Thomas Nind proposed January 19 the release of between 30 and 40 faculty members in the next 15 months, to cut a projected university deficit of \$5,000,000. He agreed to cancel classes Jan. 22 so students, faculty and staff could discuss the proposal in a day-long moratorium.

The official moratorium parallels one at Brock University last week (Jan. 18) where students are still occupying an administrative area protesting proposed firings. The Brock administration also cancelled classes for the day.

The Trent moratorium follows a call by the Ontario Federation of Students January 21 for its member student councils to organize moratoria and mass meetings against the province's cuts in educational spending, during a three-day period beginning January 29.

Lind's announcement of his proposal January 19 prompted a demonstration by more than 250 Trent Students that day. Trent Student Union chairperson Sue Genge charged Lind was capitulating to Ontario government pressure, and she urged the administration to join students in fighting Queen's Park.

Sociology professor Andrew Wernick said the situation in the universities is analogous to a production slowdown in factories when workers are laid off.

"The university has engaged in intellectual and cultural production and the provincial government has decided it no longer wants to finance intellectual production," he said. "Therefore, the university will have to lay off faculty."

Wernick proposed that all faculty members take a cut in pay to ensure no teachers will lose their jobs.

Nind said his proposal was not to be considered an edict. The board of governors and senate have both discussed it and he plans to meet with student

representatives January 23.

"I am looking for suggestions and guidance," he said. "I anticipate some modifications will be made. The budget review and priorities committee participated very little in the preparation of the proposals. The committee wanted leadership. The problems were too difficult for them."

Nind denied the Trent situation paralleled Brock's, pointing out that Brock's faculty firings take effect in September, while his proposal has the faculty leaving in 15 months.

"We have foreseen these difficulties for some time and are attempting to reduce our costs to within striking distance of our income. We hope the Ontario government will respond by meeting halfway. To date there has been no response from the provincial government," Nind said.

The faculty cuts would most severely affect Trent's science departments, according to Nind's plan. The president presented two alternatives: (1) amalgamating biology, chemistry and physics departments stressing ecological and environmental studies — thereby reducing faculty by eight to twelve; (2) combining chemistry with the physics departments and biology with geography to accomplish the same staff reduction.

Nind's plan would also amalgamate the French and Spanish departments and close the German department to release between two and four faculty members. Relocation of the geography department to the main Trent campus would reduce the maintenance and office staff now required in the separate buildings.

"I hope the students and the university as a whole will react positively after the initial shock," Nind said. "There may be some students who will seek a confrontation situation but I hope not. The proposals will, I hope, lend financial stability and flexibility to the university."

Indications are Trent students will look suspiciously on his advice.

Occupation at Laurentian against fees increase

SUDBURY (CUP) — Students at Laurentian University joined province wide actions against the Ontario government's educational policies Jan. 18, when they occupied the only operating elevator in the administration building.

The occupation took place just before a scheduled Laurentian senate meeting and the approximately 40 students succeeded in discouraging about half the senators from attending. Senate meetings are held on the 11th floor.

Students left the elevator after four hours, almost preventing the senate from mustering its quorum. They wanted to dramatize to senate members their opposition to ordered fee increases and hikes in the student awards loan ceiling. With the continuing strike by elevator maintenance employees, the administration has only one workable elevator.

The action followed a general meeting at which student council decided to call a moratorium on classes Jan. 24 to discuss the issues involved in the province-wide fees strike, organized to protest government policy.

More than 50 percent of Laurentian students have not paid their second-term fees, providing the strike with its strongest support in the province.

The occupation was also a symbol of support for students in an occupation at Brock University in St. Catharines to protest firings of faculty forced by cuts in government aid to the university.

The Brock students are continuing their occupation, with about 40 students remaining in the occupied area while others circulate petitions of support in the St. Catharines community.

They scored a major victory Jan. 20

when they convinced the board of trustees to hold an emergency meeting. The board issued a news release "expressing our concern" over the cuts, and arranged a meeting for Jan. 22 between Brock students and administrators and Ontario minister of colleges and universities Jack McNie.

At Laurentian, Jan. 24 the moratorium will bring students up to date on the government's moves and student actions across the province. A local labor leader will speak on the class aspect of the struggle. New Democratic Party provincial MLA Floyd Laughren from Nickel Belt will also speak at the meeting.

Students also intend to bring their case to the Laurentian board of governors when it meets Jan. 26. They want the board to discuss the government policies because its members were all appointed by the Conservative government and have since re-appointed themselves.

Student leaders believe the government policies will prevent students from working class families receiving higher education. They consider the action part of a plan to ensure only upperclass children have access to university.

Laurentian is the sixth Ontario campus where students have taken militant action against policy. Students at York University's main campus, York's Glendon College and the University of Western Ontario occupied their fees offices the week of Jan. 9 to 12 and convinced their administrations to release student award money to students before they paid their fees. A similar occupation at the University of Windsor that week failed.

The Brock action began Jan. 16.

Occupation may go on at Brock

ST. CATHARINES, ONT. (CUP) — More than 800 Brock University students attended a day of seminars Jan. 18 to discuss cuts in faculty and course offerings, while an occupation of administrative areas continued.

The administration cancelled classes for the moratorium but the next day students boycotted classes for an unofficial moratorium.

The Jan. 18 moratorium followed a general student meeting the day before attended by more than 1,300 students — a number unprecedented on the usually quiet Brock campus.

On Jan. 16 about 200 students took over the board of governors chambers and access-way to the president's office on the 13th floor of the Brock tower.

The occupation and moratoriums are designed to protest budget cuts resulting in the firing of some 15 faculty members and the removal of many courses from the calendar.

Provost Alan Earp said the administration sympathizes with the student position and therefore cancelled classes. Students met with administration officials Jan. 19 before holding another general meeting. They appear determined to remain until their demands for the revocation of the firings and course cuts are met.

The administration ordered the cuts after the provincial government cut back on money granted to universities.

The Jan. 18 moratorium climaxed with another well-attended general student union meeting, where students voted overwhelmingly to continue the occupation and moratorium.

Students have formed committees to distribute petitions in the St. Catharines community to gather support. They will present the petitions to the provincial government. Already several community groups have offered their support, although the students have met with strong, but predictable opposition from the conservative St. Catharines Standard, the daily newspaper.

The Brock board of governors met in emergency session Jan. 20. The board reportedly sympathizes with the student demands.

The Brock students have received telegrams of support from the Queen's University student council and other student organizations along with phone calls of support from St. Catharines citizens.

ST. CATHARINES (CUP) — Brock University students have put the pressure on their board of trustees, following a Jan. 22 meeting between Brock representatives and Ontario colleges and universities minister Jack McNie.

The students say unless a way is discovered to re-hire teachers dismissed

because of government educational cuts, they will escalate their continuing occupation to include Brock's administrative and financial offices. An occupation of administrative areas on the 13th floor of the Brock tower has been in progress for a week.

The board met Jan. 24 while students discussed future action at a general student union meeting Jan. 25. No word has yet been received on the outcome of these meetings.

The Brock delegation which met McNie included teacher and administration representatives, the board chairman and vice-chairman, and only one student, the union president Drew Davidson.

Davidson said McNie talked about a new financing system for universities "but he didn't say that would add anything to the university."

McNie said after the meeting: "We're trying to find a new way... the present formula (geared to enrollment) worked well for an expanding enrollment."

The government is trying to remain non-committal until it presents its budget in March, when university reaction would be minimal. Indications are the government hopes to raise the amount students are required to pay for education, while providing easier, larger loans, repayable as a surcharge on future income.

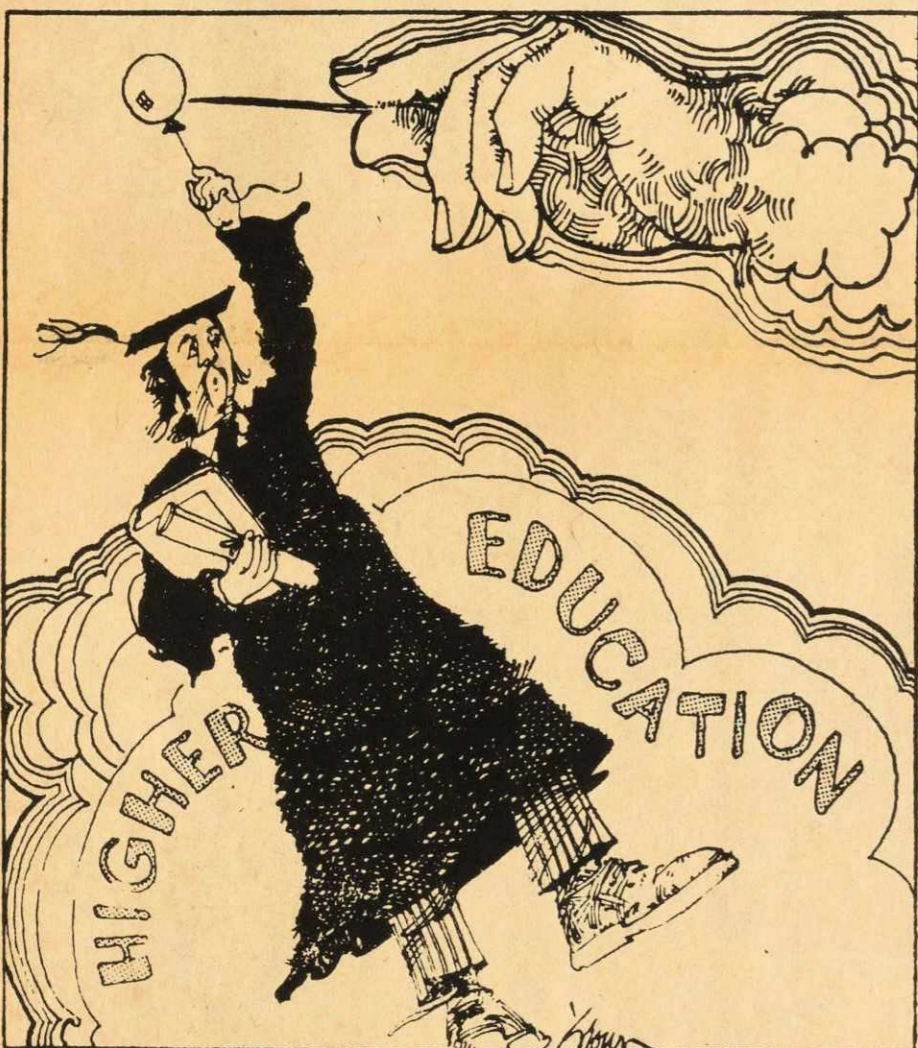
But Brock president James Gibson hopes the government will alter the basic income unit (BIU) to increase money available to Brock under formula financing. (The BIU is the weight assigned to students in various disciplines to determine how much each student will earn for the university in government grants.)

The Brock representatives at the meeting wanted McNie to either increase the BIU value, increase the grant Brock receives as a relatively new university, provide a supplementary grant for lower income universities or approve funding for graduate programs.

The delegation reported the results of the meeting to about 400 students later that day at a general meeting.

Students at the meeting were dissatisfied with Gibson's "wait-and-see" attitude. They discussed the possibility of occupying the administrative and finance offices to prove they are determined to win the fight against faculty firings. All this depends on the results of the board meeting Jan. 24 and the student meeting Jan. 25.

Meanwhile, students at Trent University in Peterborough extended their moratorium of classes from Jan. 21 into 22. The moratorium included an administration-ordered cancellation of classes to discuss a proposal from administration president Tom Nind for massive faculty and staff cuts to cover a deficit caused by restrictive government policy.



Support freedom of the press

Liquor functions out of bounds to freshmen

Freshmen face discrimination

by Dave Snow,
Dal Radio News Director

Last Monday, Dal Radio's News and Public Affairs weekly program, MONDAY AM, had a column by staffer Tristram T. Coffin which stated, in part, that as much as 10 percent of the student body could not legally attend liquor functions, because they were under the legal age for consumption of alcohol. It is unfortunate that these students cannot attend, but this 10 percent includes almost all of the first-year students. Functions at Dalhousie are, but for two exceptions in the past two years, all events where liquor is

served, and as such, are not open to this university's freshmen. Coffin went to Brian Smith and asked him what could be done about this unfortunate age discrimination.

Smith stated that one experiment was tried at a function last year. Students who were not legal age were stamped differently than "wet" students. The union had hoped that this would allow "dry" kids to participate in that and future entertainment events. As it turned out, the Union found that the "wets" were buying the "drys" their drinks. "Something like this takes co-operation from everybody

to work," Smith said, "but, unfortunately, our students here are not willing to co-operate." He added that this was fine, but "we cannot risk everyone losing their right to drink because some are abusing a system such as the two-stamp system." A second method which Smith himself suggested was that of the "restricted area". One section of the function would be off-bounds to drinkers. At first, this seems to be even more discriminatory, but Smith seemed to feel that this would work.

Only certain tables would be off-bounds to drinkers who had a drink in their hands. You

could take a guest who is underage, and be with him or her at all times except when you wanted a drink. The dance floor would be free for everybody, and the "dry" section would not be in an awkward position to enjoy whatever was going on.

A system such as this was not tried mainly because the organizers thought that the "drys" would feel segregated. Smith feels that they wouldn't, because they could interact with the "wets" at all times, except when the "wets" wanted a drink.

A spokesman from the Liquor License Board stated to me that the segregated system was

allowable in the laws of this province, as long as it was properly enforced. He added that isolated cases of non-cooperation by the people involved would not be acted upon by the board if the set-up of the restricted areas was efficient.

If Council were to adopt this system then this would mean that the freshmen class would participate in all events, rather than just a very few. With the wholehearted co-operation of everybody involved, functions of the student union would be open to all. I say, give the students a chance to fully enjoy their first year at Dalhousie.

N.S.A.S.C. goes to Ottawa

HALIFAX (CUP) — Executive members of the Nova Scotia Association of Student Unions will go to Ottawa soon to press for changes in the federal regulations governing Nova Scotia's student loan program.

The delegates will accompany provincial education minister Allan Sullivan.

The decision to approach federal officials came from a meeting between Sullivan and association executives, Jan. 10.

Sullivan called the meeting to discuss proposed changes in student aid for next year and to continue discussions begun in October about general student loan procedures.

The association wants changes in the way student loans administered. Association secretary Marg McEachern is optimistic.

"We want a standardized simplified system," she said. And judging by the response that we're getting (from government) we'll probably get it."

"Right now there are a lot of bugs in the system," she said. "We want changes in the area of required parental contributions, a standardized summer savings table, a shorter, more simple application form, a more realistic definition of independent status, and more easily obtainable bursaries."

The association would de-emphasize parental affluence and emphasize the needs of the student.

It would standardize the table requiring a student to save a certain amount of money during the summer. Failing stan-

dardization, the association would eliminate the table.

Students would gain independent status when they reach 19 years old, the association says. It would not matter if they lived at home.

"Basically we're looking for a more humane system," McEachern said. "A great deal of progress is being made."

"Student unions are showing the collective power they are able to muster," she said. "And government is finally listening."

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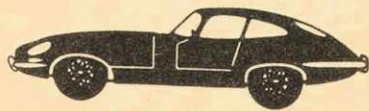
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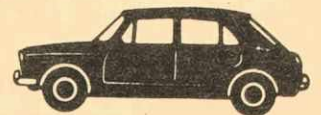
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Wheelin' around



by Charlie Moore

New notes from all over this week.

Chevrolet is now in the process of testing a revolutionary new concept in automobile manufacture. The new idea is the use of several molded fibreglas panels which are bonded together to form a body/frame structure. Between the panels, after bonding, are empty cavities into which is poured a closed-cell polyurethane compound which hardens to form a solid block. This results in an extremely rigid unit which has the extra added advantage of being light.

Suspension parts, the engine, the transmission, and the various bits and pieces of

hardware that go into a finished car, are bolted to steel plates which are molded into the fibreglas. The construction is rattle free and completely rustproof. Maybe the most important advantage in light of the new safety standards is that the structure is highly crash-resistant. In addition, damage from a crash is limited to the impact area only, minimizing the cost of repair.

The idea of an all-plastic car has been around for some time, at least since Jim Hall's Chaparral racing cars of the nineteen-sixties which had a plastic body and frame. Chevrolet now has a working prototype, and if manufacturing costs do not

prove to be prohibitive, a production version could very possibly be in the offing. I personally would not mind paying extra for a car which would not rust out from under me in two or three years.

Hurst Corp., (makers of Hurst shifters, etc.) is building a special version of American Motors' Gremlin to sell to various local police and fire departments. They call it Rescue System 1, and it is conceived as a sort of "quick to the scene of the accident first aid kit."

Modifications to the standard Gremlin include a 304 cu. in. V-8, belted wide tires on Hurst wide alloy wheels, roof mounted flashing lights and siren, built in

speaker system, front and rear push bars, and a luminescent orange-and-white-striped paint job. Special rescue equipment includes 25 gallons of water, a fire extinguisher, a resuscitator, a stretcher, two first aid kits, an aluminized blanket, jumper cables, an electric winch, and a hydraulic rescue tool developed by Hurst with two giant arms capable of prying apart crushed bodywork with a force of five tons. The idea behind all this is have these vehicles cruising on turnpikes and freeways, ready to give aid to crash victims at a moment's notice. Oh yes, the price. A cool \$11,900 F.O.B. the Hurst factory.

Porsche-Audi division of Volkswagen has announced a new small car called the Audi 80. It is to be a running mate to the larger and very successful Audi 90 and 100 series. For the North American market it will have a 1470 cc 85 hp engine capable of pushing it up to 105 mph. The new Audi has front wheel drive and is available as either a 2 or 4 door sedan with rumours of a sport coupe later on. With a price of around \$3,000 it could give Volkswagen's own fastback some stiff competition.

Mercedes-Benz has restyled their mid-size 280/300 range. The

new body is longer, lower, and wider, but retains the traditional Mercedes family resemblance. It will come with a 2800 cc six cylinder or 3500 cc and 4500 cc V-8's. Assorted transmissions are offered including 4- and 5-speed manuals, and also 4- and 5- (!) speed automatics.

The Peoples' Republic of China seems to be increasingly interested in the Japanese auto industry these days. They recently ordered 1100 two-ton trucks from Toyota plus 1000 medium size trucks from Hino Motors, an associate of Toyota. A group of Chinese auto engineers also recently visited Japan to study automaking practices there. Presumably they are looking for ways to modernize their old-fashioned automobile industry.

Finally, if you would like to see all-plastic cars become a production reality (see above), here is your chance to tell Chevrolet Division. Drop a post card to this address giving your name and address and tell them your opinion:

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That's all for this week, keep wheelin'.

movie notes

by Stephen R. Mills

The only picture you must see this week is *Wedding in White* (at Scotia Square). The film is reviewed below. For those who have seen it, and still wish to take in a picture, here's a short run-down on what's available.

The Valachi Papers (Casino) Charles Bronson stars in a Mafia picture. Exciting but sterile. Bronson is excellent.

Slaughter (Paramount) A poor American International successor to *Shaft*. Jim Brown stars.

You'll Like My Mother (Oxford) "A Thriller" in the tradition of "Sweet Charlotte" and "Baby Jane" starring Patty Duke. I've always found these movies sleazy but if its your cup of tea, feel free.

Young Winston (Hyland) This treatment of Churchill's early life has its moments but not enough to make it a masterpiece or even a great movie. If the Union Jack is still flying in your back yard, you might get off on it. Otherwise, skip it.

Wedding in White is very delicate material. Like a flower. Or a work of art.

The film was written and directed by William Fruet, author of "Goin' Down the Road" and "Rip-Off". Without disputing the talents of Donald Shebib, it's obvious the success of these two Canadian films is owed to Fruet's perceptive scripts. *Wedding in White* is based on an incident from Fruet's own life. Twenty-five years ago, while walking down the main street of a small Prairie town, he passed a young girl pushing a baby carriage and accompanied by an old man. Fruet learned the girl had been raped by a young soldier and was forced to marry the old man to save the reputation of her family.

This provided the plot for *Wedding in White*. The central characters are the girl (Carol Kane), her mother (Doris Petrie), her father (Donald Pleasance) her brother (Paul Bradley) and his friend, who

commits the rape (Doug McGrath).

Pleasance is the only actor of international reput and, though he's very good, he does not turn in the best performance of the film. This belongs to Carol Kane, whose very presence creates and sustains an atmosphere of sensitive and sorrowful alienation. She is referred to as "not bright" throughout. Her illiterate speech and the movie posters on the wall seem to attest to the fact but her behaviour does not. The shyness and fear does not grow out of her but from her environment — her home and the war-tense world about her. Her only real participation is as a victim, and she appropriately suffers as scapegoat not only for her family but, it seems, for the circumstances themselves.

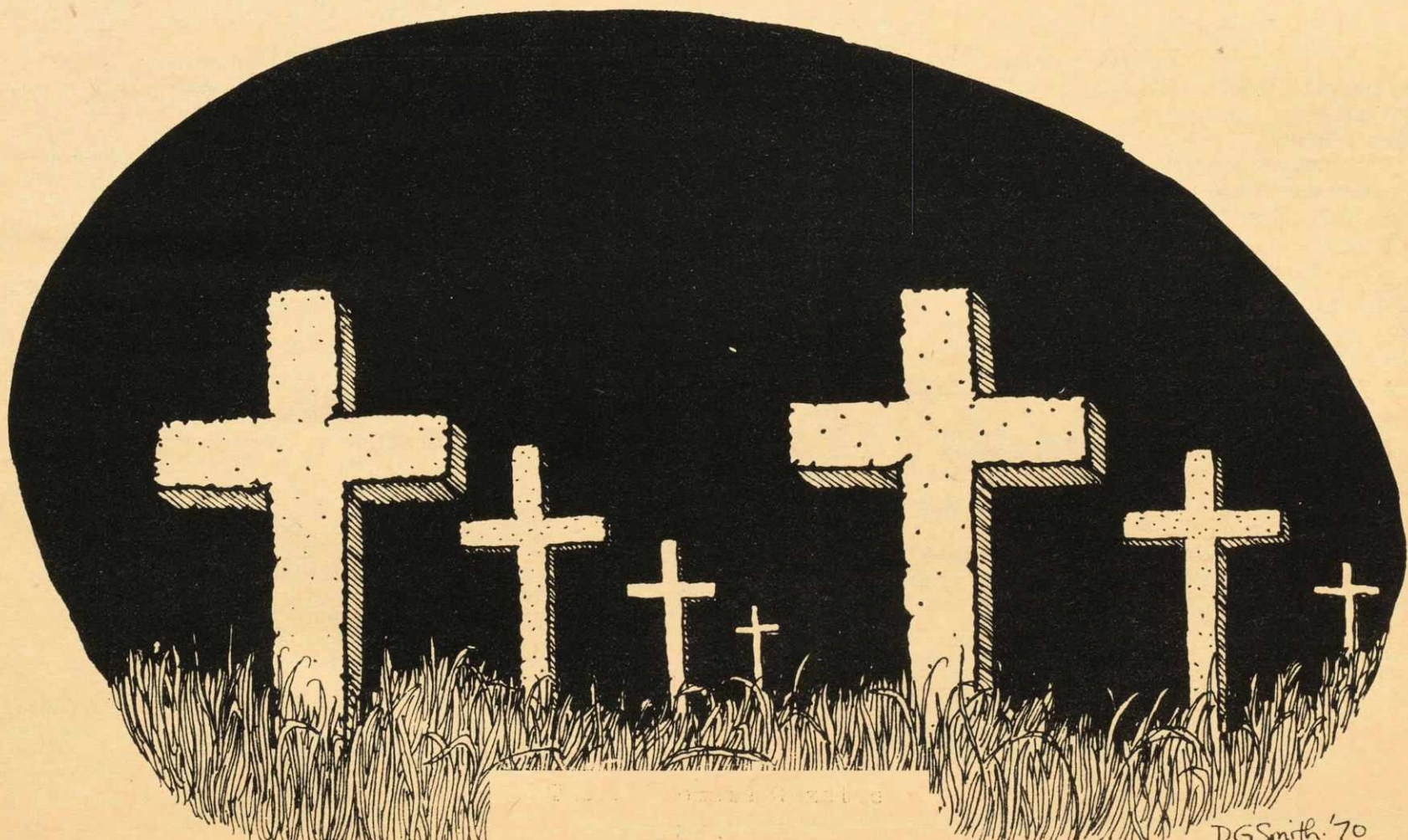
The authentic '40's atmosphere and the claustrophobic home created by skillful sets and score compliment Ms. Kane's portrayal of the lost and lonely daughter, Doris Petrie as the mother is

also excellent. (She was named Best Supporting Actress in the recent Canadian Film Awards. *Wedding in White* was best picture.) She personifies the surprise and shame the role calls for and goes beyond, her expression coupled with Fruet's dialogue hinting at the route of the problem — her relationship

with her husband before the marriage and after.

Photography was a high point of the movie and perhaps with the writing and direction, the key to its success. "Wedding in White" is a simple story, told with compassion and honesty, a picture to remember and cherish.

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"No sexual segregation"

Dal athletics leads innovation

by Joel Fournier

This week's guest writer is Dr. Edwin Belzer, Interim Director of the Physical Education School and noted Health Education Specialist. Dr. Belzer's article depicts the direction the School of Physical Education with regard to athletics and in particular the increasing role that women are playing in sports on campus.

by Dr. Edwin Belzer

In his recent article in GAZETTE, Doug Hargreaves, co-ordinator of Men's Intercollegiate Athletics here at Dal, pointed out the kinds of services rendered by his division. They include "the mundane, essential activities of arranging

for travel and accommodation, equipment purchasing, maintenance of facilities and a multitude of other administrative details which form the basis upon which a successful athletic program is constructed."

How can the administrative responsibilities for such services at Dalhousie best be apportioned — for the total athletics program, not just men's intercollegiate athletics? By a total program, I mean intercollegiate athletics for both men and women, the intramural athletics for men and women, and even the increasingly popular "sports clubs" which may include persons from the community-

at-large as well as Dalhousie students.

We made one change this year that should indicate a direction in which we think the administrative arrangements ultimately should go. The previous positions of "Co-ordinator of Men's Intramurals" and "Co-ordinator of Women's Intramurals" were eliminated. Instead, a "Co-ordinator of Intramurals" was appointed. No sexual segregation. The new Co-ordinator of Intramurals happens to be a woman. Because many people had trepidations about whether or not a female could effectively administer a program in which many, if not most, of the par-

ticipants were males, a man and a woman on our faculty were given the titles of "Men's Intramural Counsellor" and "Women's Intramural Counsellor" respectively. Happily, Nila Ipson, the woman who assumed responsibility as Co-ordinator of Intramurals, has done an excellent job, and these safety valves did not have to be resorted to. Next year we will need to make no such concession to sexism.

With a respect to the sexual segregation of administrative functions in intercollegiate athletics, we are at a different stage of development. Just as some ethnic minorities need to go through a period of relative separateness in order to establish their identity and power base, so did there seem to be a need for women interested in intercollegiate athletics in the Atlantic region to do so. I believe Dalhousie University is leading the way in this respect. Some years ago, we had simply a "Director of Athletics."

Most, if not all, universities in the region are now similar to Dal in having a person identified as a co-ordinator or director of women's athletics. Dal seems to be unique, however, in that that person at Dal, Dorothy Talbot, has a budget for her program.

Otherwise she'd be a paper tigress. Presently, the women's intercollegiate athletic budget, on a per capita basis, is virtually the same as the men's, and Ms. Talbot has done a remarkable job developing the women's intercollegiate athletics program.

The persons directly involved in administering the various athletic programs subscribe to the idea that ultimately, if the administrative functions for the total athletic program are too numerous to be handled by a single individual, then the division of labour should be made on some basis other than sex. But we do not believe it is desirable to move in that direction at the present time. To do so too soon would be to place Dalhousie in the position of a scout who had gone too far in the vanguard to be an effective leader. Perhaps, once female athletes generally throughout the Atlantic region have opportunities on par with male athletes, we at Dalhousie will be able to say that the time for sexual segregation of administrative functions has passed. But until such time, we want to provide an example which can be used as a lever by persons at other institutions who wish to improve the lot of female athletes.

Swim team sets records

by Speedy

This year we have the biggest team ever, and everybody deserves a great big Tiger roar for their efforts. Before the Christmas holidays, two meets were held, the first of which saw

the Tigers defeat Acadia.

In the second meet, Dal swam to victories over Mount Allison and Memorial. From these meets, a total of 11 Dal records were set, one of which is a Nova Scotia record set by John March in the 200 metre individual

medley.

The Swim Team was at it again on the 19th, this time against M.U.N. and U.N.B. The meet was the most exciting of the year, so far, as the three top teams clashed to find the top team in the league. And what do you know — Dal is!!

The Tigers simply walked away from M.U.N. (67-43) and beat out U.N.B. (59-51). With such outstanding swimmers as John and Peter March, Peter Guildford, Rob Brickenden and Steve Cann, the team recorded their third win of the season. The guys have their sights set on winning the Maritime College Championships this year, and at the rate they are going, they are sure to get it.

The Tigerettes, due to the absence of some team members, concentrated on confusing U.N.B. as to who would be swimming what events in the next meet by changing the lineup around and losing miserably. Boy, will they be in for a surprise when the Tigerettes "sock it to 'em" when they travel in force to U.N.B. on the 27th.

The outstanding time of the day was set by Kathy Armstrong in the 200 Breaststroke, setting a new Intercollegiate record of 2:51.5.

The "after meet" party was a huge success, everyone had a good time and thanks go to Jim and Bob Mason for their hospitality — those pizzas were fantastic.

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Sports on campus

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Good-bye

Basketball wins

by Anthea Bellemare

This year the women's basketball team looks like a strong contender for the championship. The team is composed of four former players; captain Wendy Moore, assistant-captain, Joan Selig, Judi Rice and Judy Smith, second year physical education students. Wendy at 5'10", plays centre while Joan is the quarterback of the club. Others on the team are all from Nova Scotia high schools; Kathy Wulpin, Cathy LeBlanc, Louise MacDonald, and Heather Shute, with the exception of Rose Johnston, a stand-out from St. Stephen, N.B.

The team possesses both height (Helika standing at 6'0" and Wendy at 5'10"), and speed with players such as Joan, Heather, Rose and Louise.

The team has performed well to date, defeating the Alumni 77-74 with Wendy Moore scoring twenty points.

Prior to Christmas, the team travelled to the Loyola Invitational Tournament, where eight teams from Eastern Canada competed. Dalhousie excelled during the tournament, taking top honours in the championship game by defeating Waterloo University 61-47. Dalhousie also passed three players on the all-star team, Helika Hudoffsky, Rose Johnston and Joan Selig. The quick little guard, Joan, was also voted the most valuable player in the tournament.

Since the Christmas holidays, Dalhousie hosted one of the biggest women's basketball tournaments in Nova Scotia for the past few years. Bishop's University delighted the local fans, traveling from Lennoxville, Quebec but placed third in the tournament. Dalhousie, without Rose Johnston, was upset the opening night by the Moncton Schooners; however, they did defeat Mt. Allison and the Halifax Hyacks to take consolation honours. A strong senior ladies team, St John Alpines defeated St. Francis Xavier 67-50 in the final game to win the championship. Named to the all-star squad were Karen Lee, St. John Alpines, also most valuable player; Jean Fahie, Moncton Schooners, Nancy Knowlton, Bishop's College; Nancy MacIntosh, and Kathy Fleiger from St. F.X.; and Joan Selig, Dalhousie.

Expertise promising

Team Canada skier coaching at Dal

by Joel Fournier

The Dalhousie Alpine Ski Team is fortunate to have as their coach and fellow competitor Bill Honeywell, a twenty-four year old native of Ottawa, Ontario. In his second year of the combined MBA and L.L.D program this busy young man still finds time to coach and compete with what is rapidly becoming the outstanding Alpine racing team in Atlantic Canada.

Bill began his skiing career at the rather late age of eleven, but taking advantage of the excellent skiing conditions and instructional programs carried out in the Ottawa area he soon became proficient enough to enter local competitions.

In 1964 at the Canadian Junior Championships the young skier placed third in the slalom and fourth in the combined totals. This was only the beginning of what was to be an exciting future in national and international events.

1965 brought more meets and even greater rewards. Bill raced in the North American circuit (now Can-Am) finishing second in the slalom at Taschereau, second again at Mt. Oxford, and third in the highly competitive Quebec

Junior Championships.

His excellent showing quickly brought him to the attention of the Canadian Ski Team selection committee and he was chosen as a "Les Espoirs" in that same year. "Les Espoirs" are those skiers who are expected to develop to international class competitors and are groomed for future membership with the National A and B teams.

The top-flight training and coaching received with the team soon paid off. In 1966 at Taschereau, Bill took first place in the slalom and second in the combined. He was second at Madonna in the Quebec-Americans, and later in the same year at Laurentian Zone Junior Championships took first place in both the slalom and giant slalom.

1967 and 1968 were repeats of his past performances. First in the Thetford Mines slalom and combined, fourth in the Canadian Juniors combined, the Quebec Division champion, and first in the Giant Slalom at the Pontiac Cup Races held at Bromont. Quite a list of achievements for a young man who had been skiing only seven years.

Sandwiched between this

busy activity on the slopes, Bill found time to complete his high school education at Glebe Collegiate in Ottawa and receive a bachelor's degree in Political Science from Guelph University.

Returning to competition in 1969, Bill found that he had been named to the National B team. His future looked brighter than ever and a berth on the A team seemed almost assured. But as so often happens fate intervened and Bill's career came to a jarring halt. While competing in the Downhill at Aspen, Colorado, during the Roche Cup Races, he sustained a broken leg in an accident that was to keep him off skis for the next two years.

An injury of this type (broken fibula and tibia) would have discouraged many young men, but a skier with the competitive drive that Honeywell possessed was not so easily put off.

In 1971 after the pins and plates had been removed and a year of exhaustive rebuilding of the leg muscles had been completed, Bill enrolled at Grenoble University in France for post-graduate work in Political Science. Obviously the academic program was not the only offering that lured him to

that part of the world. Georges Joubert, who is recognized by most knowledgeable ski buffs as the top coach on the skiing scene, just happened to be Alpine mentor at Grenoble.

Bill was good enough to be named a member of the university team, an honour that can only be appreciated if one realizes that the rivalry among skiers wanting to be coached by Joubert is intense.

The pattern of success the young Honeywell enjoyed in Canada was repeated at meets in Europe. He was fortunate enough to ski extensively throughout the continent, in places that less blessed skiers can only dream about.

Italy, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Austria and of course, France, are just some of the countries that constituted the F.I.S.U. ski circuit. Bill won the Giant Slalom at the Grenoble Cup meet, placed second in the University of Grenoble Championships and fifth in the slalom at Val d'Isere.

Once again luck ran out. While competing at Val d'Isere, he suffered a vertebral compression fracture and was out of skiing for the remainder of the year.

Returning to Canada, he taught high school in Ottawa on a "substitute" basis, and during the summer ran a day-camp for boys.

In the fall of 1971, he was accepted by the Dalhousie Law and Commerce schools as a candidate for the combined M.B.A. and L.L.D. program.

Unable to stay away from the sport that monopolized so much of his early life, he took over the coaching duties of the Dalhousie Alpine racing team. Anxious to pass on the many skills that he had accumulated over the years, he initiated an intensive training program designed to improve an already talented group of young Dal skiers.

The hard work paid off. At the Carleton Invitational, Bill had a personal best of second in the Giant Slalom and the Dal team placed third overall. Not bad work for a skier coming off a broken back the year before.

This season the outlook for the Dal team looks even brighter. A

concentrated dry-land conditioning program begun early in the fall under the direction of fourth year P.E. student Wally Fry, has the team in top physical shape. A week of skiing at Sugar Loaf and Owl's Head during the Christmas break, combined with sporadic ventures to Martock and Wentworth, has helped sharpen the mechanical techniques of the team. In addition, two fortunate team members, Mike Blaxland and Andreas Josenhans were chosen to attend a C.S.A. coaching clinic held at Cornerbrook.

Earlier this month races were held at Martock to select the Alpine team that will represent Dal at this year's Carleton Invitational. Choosing the team was extremely difficult because of the excellent showings of so many of the hopefuls. The final selection includes: Mike Blaxland, Bill Honeywell, Ralph Petley-Jones, Tom Vincent and Andreas Josenhans.

Coach Honeywell rates this team as good if not better than last year's edition, and feels they have an excellent chance to improve on the third place showing of last year. A tall order seeing that many of the top skiers east of Manitoba will be in view.

In view of the past performances of some of the Dal team, one can only speculate as to how far some of our local skiers would go, if they had the facilities that are available at places such as Mt. Tremblant in Quebec, Rosalyn, B.C. or the Blue Mountain region of Ontario.

Well, conjecture is one thing and performance is another. The Carleton Invitational on the ninth and tenth of February and the Atlantic Intercollegiate at Cape Smokey on the fifth and sixth of March will tell the tale for the Studley team. Don't be surprised to see Dal walk off with top honours in at least one of these meets.

If indeed this prediction should happen to come true, it will be due in no small part to the hard work of a group of highly skilled young men, and in particular to their dedicated coach, Bill Honeywell.

Badminton better

by Ted Scrutton

This season the varsity badminton team is much stronger than in the past. Various competitors have won events at the Antigonish Round Robin and J.L. Illsley Round Robin. In the Nova Scotia team championship the team defeated Stadacona B before Christmas but lost to Stadacona A on Thursday, January 11.

The intercollegiate schedule consists of one round robin

tournament to be held at U.N.B. on February 24. At this meet the team consists of 3 men and 3 ladies comprising one doubles and singles team each. The players trying out for these positions are Debbie Reardon, Tok Lerg Toy, Kim Tai Tee, Beryl English, Sheila Spencer, Jim Foulds, Kathie Moules, Brian Hubley, Reg Mac-Michael, and Derrick Morris. The athletes returning from last year's team are Derrick, Reg

and Beryl.

Unfortunately, with the poor facilities at Dalhousie, we are forced to practise at 9:00-12:00 a.m. on Sundays. But we have recently acquired Nova Scotia Technical College's gymnasium on Friday nights from 6:00-9:00 p.m. The coach is very optimistic about the team this year and looks forward to a good showing at the intercollegiate championship.

Car rally to be held

The Dalhousie Student Union invites you to enter the first annual Dalhousie Student Union Rally, Sunday, February 4, 1973.

This rally is not a rough, dirt road rally. It is open to any Dal student. No special equipment or previous experience necessary. Novice class only. Location of start/finish: Parking lot at rear of SUB.

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Time: Registration — 10:30-

1:30 a.m.; Driver's briefing — 11:30 a.m.; First car away — 12:02 p.m.

Entry fee: \$2.00 per car which includes dash plaque for all entrants (driver and navigator) and aftermath in Grawood Lounge at finish — coffee, donuts, music, etc.

Driver and/or navigator must be members of Dalhousie Student Union. If under 19 years of age must have written permission of parent or guardian.

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January 29, 1973

Brian Smith,
President,
Dalhousie Student Union,
Dalhousie University,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Brian:

I am shocked by the Dal student council's actions of Sunday, January 28, overruling a Gazette staff choice of editor and appointing a student councillor to the editorship.

The further action of censoring this week's edition (and perhaps future editions) by establishing a situation where copy must be approved by the student council chairman or yourself is equally intolerable.

Both actions are undemocratic and grossly violate the Canadian University Press statement of principles. As you know, the Gazette was a founding member of the organization and so has a special interest in retaining this membership.

The sections violated are as follows:

That in no case should a representative or representatives of the student government or administration have the explicit or implicit power of censorship or the power to set editorial or advertising policies;

That the appointment of the editorial board and staff of the student newspaper should be internal, not subject to the discretion of external bodies;

That the editor of the student newspaper should be selected by the staff of the newspaper.

The blatant censorship and interference in choosing the Gazette editor directly violates this statement and may lead to a formal investigation of the situation or expulsion of the Gazette from CUP.

That expulsion would mean a loss of contact with other student newspapers, a loss of technical aid through field-working, and a lack of national copy for the paper, both in news and features. The contact with other student journalists is all important to any student paper for both technical assistance and suggestions of how to solve common problems. Our regional and national conferences, as well as the exchange of papers among CUP members, provide this contact; if the Gazette is expelled from CUP, any

staff members will lose this valuable asset of CUP membership.

As an organization, we encourage member papers to democratize their internal operations so all the staff may participate in decision-making. The logical conclusion and most important aspect of this democratization process is the staff's electing an editor.

A newspaper staff is the best judge of who it can work with and respect in editorial positions. While I was Gazette editor, we worked hard to achieving some measure of staff democracy and cooperativeness. I became more of a resource person to aid and train the staff; policy decisions were made by the staff and I had to defend them whether or not I agreed with them. I was legally responsible for the paper's content, but the staff often decided what would go in a certain issue. After all, it's the staff members' paper as much as the editor's; if staff members are willing to devote long hours of hard work to producing a newspaper, they should have a say in what goes in the paper and where.

The Gazette's decision to elect Marg Bezanson editor was based on the staff's knowledge gained through working with her, and the respect she has gained from the staff for her work. She has been a Gazette worker since September, 1971, almost as long as anyone else now on the staff.

The council's decision to ignore and overrule this democratic election of Marg Bezanson seems to be very much a defensive reaction against the paper's criticisms of the council this year. The councillors acted impulsively and used the small amount of power they have to get back at the paper.

Most student councillors rarely venture inside the Gazette office to talk to the staff or find out about newspaper production. They know little or nothing about newspapers, except that they don't like criticism of themselves in the campus student paper.

If the council had real evidence to show Marg would be incompetent and irresponsible, it should have asked the staff to select another editor for ratification by council. This was not done, as council members decided they'd rather be autocratic and petty and exercise some power. Appointing another candidate from outside the newspaper —

especially a student councillor — is undemocratic.

Ken MacDougall worked on the Gazette for a short time while I was editor. He was unwilling to accept criticism of his writing, did not co-operate with the other staff members and caused a lot of frustration and tension in the office for all staff members. He also did not participate in layout sessions.

It is very dangerous to appoint as editor someone who not only hasn't worked on all aspects of the paper, but is a student councillor. A student councillor-editor will be confronted by too many occasions when conflicts of interest will arise seriously affecting the quality of the paper. The paper then often becomes a puppet mouthpiece for the student council, and provides neither adequate critical comment nor fair coverage of council for students.

If the Dal council wants a mouthpiece, it should remember its constituents and how they will be affected. Will Dal students be willing to pay more for their newspaper?

They'll have to if the Gazette is expelled from CUP because of the undemocratic selection of the editor and the possible censorship of news on the situation. This happened to one CUP newspaper — the Gateway at the University of Alberta — last year.

When it was expelled, the Gateway lost its national advertising almost completely. Our national advertising agency, Youthstream, acts only for CUP members, so the Gateway's contract with Youthstream became invalid and void when it was expelled from the organization by the membership.

If the Gazette is expelled, the loss of national advertising revenue could amount to \$6,000 easily. This loss would have to be made up somehow if a technically good newspaper was to be produced.

I hope you will take this issue to the Dal students to let them decide if you acted in their interests or your own. It would be a shame to have Canada's oldest college newspaper become a plaything for student bureaucrats.

Yours sincerely,
Dorothy Wigmore
President,

Canadian University Press
c.c. Dalhousie Gazette staff