

# Tuition increases likely Governments cut back funding

by Mark King,  
Atlantic Region, CUP

Confirming the fears of many Maritime students, the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission (MPHEC) announced Friday funding levels for Maritime institutions will be substantially less than recommended next year. The commission said in a release that the basic operating grant will be increased 6.7% with the Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island governments boosting grants to institutions in their provinces an extra 1%.

The MPHEC had asked the Council of Maritime Premiers for a basic increase in operating grants of 11% and two allotments of 1.5% each for funding equalization within the region and with the rest of the country. The grant shortfall will almost certainly mean tuition increases at maritime universities next year according to most sources. Although the exact amount will not be known

until the institutions have finalized their budgets, increases are expected to be tied to cost of living increases.

The Atlantic Federation of Students and the National Union of Students expressed anger and disappointment at the decision. AFS Secretary-coordinator Tony Kelly, said the premiers have displayed a blatant disregard for the objective needs of post-secondary education. "By approving an increase which amounts to only 6.1%, well below the rate of inflation, and the recommendations made by the MPHEC, they have assured massive tuition increases, faculty and staff unrest, and extensive cutbacks in services provided."

The Atlantic Association of Universities expressed disappointment at the announcement but have accepted further belt-tightening as a matter of course. Following a regular meeting in Halifax last week, Presidents from three Maritime provinces agreed they would not know precisely where they stand until they are informed of subsidies for non-space and renovation costs and special grants later this month.

Father Malcolm MacDonnel, President of Saint Francis Xavier University and chair of the AAU said although the decision puts the universities in a difficult position, he was happy to have the information earlier.

Owen Carrigan, President of Saint Mary's University said that the Saint Mary's budget committee will have to consider the final figures once they have been notified of complete funding assistance. Carrigan, who was also chair of the Nova Scotia sub group of the AAU said the final decisions will have to be made by the institutions but he expects tuition fee increases are a certainty.

The President of the University of Prince Edward Island, A.B. Baker, said he expects their residence and other fees would have to be in-

creased as well to keep in line with expected inflation increases. Baker said universities can no longer afford to subsidize the cost of students living on campus.

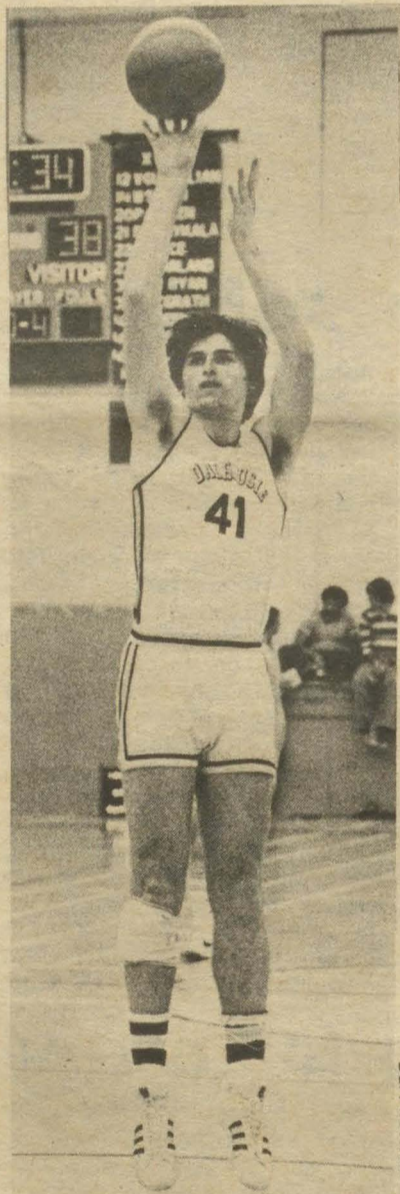
In a press release announcing the funding levels, the MPHEC said that the Council of Maritime Premiers' decision was "appropriate in the present circumstances". The commission said it recognized the fiscal pressures facing government at this time and agreed with the premiers' assertion that a failure of the economy to take an expected upturn since the recommendations were made in September does not warrant a substantial increase.

The commission also noted the federal contribution was significantly less than anticipated. The federal government contributes most of the portion of post-secondary funding through a combination of tax points and straight per capita grants.

Kelly said he was very surprised with the commission's reaction to the government decision. "It is difficult to understand why a neutral advisory body would label reasonable funding levels well below the recommendation. The response destroys the credibility of the commission as an objective impartial group."

Atlantic NUS representative Gene Long said that the refusal to adequately support the institutions will result in decreased accessibility with more and more students unable to afford an education beyond high school. Long said it was frustrating to see the institutions refuse to challenge the priorities of spending set by the provincial governments. "They all feel the incredible strain on the quality of education as a result of cut-backs but backed down when the government imposed its mis-directed results," he said.

## Scores 2000 th



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"This is a very special moment in Dalhousie sports history," said head basketball coach Al Yarr. And indeed it was, for Bob Fagan had just scored his 2000th point in AUA competition, a feat accomplished only twice before in CIAU history. It happens that Fagan's predecessors were also Atlantic conference stars: Mickey Fox from St. Mary's and Steve Pound of Acadia.

The moment came during the first half of a Munro Day contest with the SMU Huskies, when Fagan's 14th point also became number 2000. The game was stopped, and in a brief ceremony in front of a full Dal gym Bob Fagan was presented with the game ball, as well as a standing ovation.

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University presidents restrained their enthusiasm over government announcement of meager funding for 78-79

## Halifax students organize

by Scott Vaughan

In response to the Council of Maritime Premier's funding announcement last week, students from the four Halifax area post-secondary institutions have initiated plans to organize students, faculty and university support staff in order to fight the inevitable tuition increases and university cutbacks.

At a meeting Tuesday evening, representatives from Dalhousie, St. Mary's, Mount St. Vincent and the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design discussed ways in which they could best co-ordinate their efforts in opposition to the tuition increases. The meeting, organized by the Atlantic Federation of Students (A.F.S.) and the National Union of Students (N.U.S.), laid plans for the formation of a committee, composed of students from all four institutions, which would organize student action against tuition increases.

Last year students from Nova Scotia institutions marched on Province House in response to tuition increases, and, according to NUS representative Don Soucy, were successful in forcing the government into increasing its post-secondary education spending. "Nova Scotia became one of the most organized provinces in

Canada," Soucy said. "We were successful last year because we worked together. Collectively as a voice we held down tuition increases."

The CMP announcement will not only affect the students at universities in the Atlantic region, but also the faculties and support staff, according to Tony Kelly, secretary-coordinator of AFS. "We need to form alliances with support staff unions and various faculties, for they will equally be affected by the restraints as will be the students," Kelly said. At Dalhousie, there was a strike before Christmas by the Operating Engineers, and threat of strike from the maintenance workers, the Dalhousie Staff Association and the Dalhousie Faculty Association.

"The university administration was barely able to meet the demands of its various staff this academic year. Next year there will again be threats of strike action, and in the light of the CMP announcement, the administrations will be unable to keep up with the various staff demands for salary increases," said Gene Long, Atlantic fieldworker for NUS. "The issue is not only tuition increases, but also university cutbacks. These cutbacks will effect all facets of the

university, including the basic quality of the level of education, in all institutions in the Atlantic region."

Government statements that they are the victims of economic restraint are not reflective of the real situation, according to Lou-Anne Meloche, A.F.S. member. "Nova Scotia is making money on education grants from the federal government," Meloche said. "Nova Scotia received a 22% increase in its post-secondary education budget last year, but was not required to spend all that money on education. There was more money spent last year than this on education by the provincial government, a fact most people overlook. Governments are siphoning money off the education budget and putting it into 'development' projects, such as the Mercator."

It was agreed that the best way to oppose the increases and cutbacks was through collective organization and demonstration. A petition will be circulated throughout the Halifax area, and plans for a general meeting with Council of Maritime Premiers was discussed.

Another meeting will be held next week. Announcements will be posted throughout the campus, and all students are urged to attend.

# Housing secretary quits

The Dalhousie Student Council is without a Housing Secretary. Sheila Beal resigned her position this week because she was being paid \$800 for a year's work "virtually doing nothing."

Although a number of council members are pushing for abolishment of the position, Student Union



Sheila Beal burning her Dalhousie Council privilege card.

President Robert Sampson would like to see it stay. "There's a lot of work to be done and I think the position's very much warranted," Sampson said.

The university already has full time employees to look after housing on campus. However, Sampson sees the job of Housing Secretary extending to the community. "Dal has a number of residences, but a good many students live off-campus. They should be able to get help with things like the Resident's Tenancy Act and the Landlord's Act. The people in the Housing Office work for the university so we need someone to look after these other concerns as well," Sampson said.

Beal does not agree. "There is really no reason why it can't be handled by a committee on council," she said. "They would still have a budget to work with. But it doesn't warrant an ex-officio position on the executive at \$100.00 a month—it can't be justified."

The matter will be brought up at the next council meeting. An appointment will be made to fill the position until the end of the year or until the position is abolished.

## Student aid deadline

by Liz Joyce

February 15 is the deadline for student aid appeals. A spokesperson at the Student Aid office told the *Gazette* that she was not sure how many students have appealed, only that "we have quite a few."

There are at present close to 10,000 applicants wishing to receive financial help. The total amount a student can receive is \$2800 consisting of an \$1800 loan and a \$1000 bursary. However, the government takes into consideration parent's or spouse's contribution, which is calculated on a Contribution Table, and also, the student's summer savings. If the applicant does not have a summer job, he or

she must apply to a minimum of five places, and if still unable to find work, must fill out a review form.

Bursaries and scholarships obtained from another institution are considered assets, and the part-time earnings allowed is a weekly salary of \$75. This does not mean that the student is ineligible for aid, merely that this extra income will be taken into consideration by the Student Aid office. The same applies to investments and savings.

Any student wishing to appeal or look into student aid should contact the Student Aid office on Fenwick Street, or phone there at 424-4191.

## CANADIAN UNIVERSITY PRESS

Canadian University Press is looking for a national President for the 1978-79 term, starting April 1, 1978. CUP, with its main office in Ottawa, is a co-operative of sixty student newspapers whose main interest is news and information exchange for the benefit of the newspapers and students.

The President is responsible for liaison with other organizations; with the national advertising co-operative based in Toronto; with national staff, regional executive and newspapers in CUP; and for internal communications. The President assists field staff and regional executive with student union relations and emergency newspaper situations, assists in planning the national conference, and works on the weekly news service and features service produced from the national office of CUP. The President should be familiar with CUP's financial workings. The President must be free to travel extensively, but be based in Ottawa, Ontario. The applicant must have a working knowledge of Canadian University Press and student newspapers. Bilingualism is an asset.

The position of President runs for 56 weeks, starting April 1, 1978. The salary is \$180 per week, with cost of living increases quarterly and a full medical and dental plan.

Deadline for applications is February 10, 1978. Interviews will be held in February at the spring regional conferences of Canadian University Press in Sackville, NB; Montreal, Quebec; Toronto, Ont.; and Edmonton, Alta.

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## Listen to CKDU!

This week on CKDU 610 AM

The programmers at CKDU are determined to get the students of Dalhousie to listen. Athletes should be interested in Pat Findlay's sports programme giving a comprehensive, detailed report of Dalhousie's intramurals, as well as varsity sports events every weekday at 11 a.m. and again at 5 p.m.

For you Marx Brothers fans CKDU is featuring The Fabulous Marx Brothers as well as "An Evening With Groucho" Sunday February 5 at 10 p.m. Next Tuesday on the "Concert Canadienne" Programme the music of Leonard Cohen as well as a brief interview with this fine Canadian artist can be

heard at 6 p.m.

In regular programming, Mike Wile hosts Early Morning each weekday from 8-10. Martin Sullivan hosts a Jazz show beginning with National Public Radio's "Jazz Revisited" Thursdays from 3-6 p.m. If you want to hear the latest album releases listen to Bruce MacLennan's New Records Fridays at 4 p.m.

CKDU tries to provide the students living in Fenwick Place, Howe Hall, and Sherriff Hall with a great alternative from the hype of AM radio. CKDU, an FM station accidentally misplaced on the AM dial.

## Will racism sell?

A strongly anti-bilingual book is on sale at the Dalhousie bookstore because bookstore manager Irving Kirk thinks it will sell.

J.V. Andrews, author of *Bilingual Today, French Tomorrow*, regards increasing bilingualism as a threat to unilingual English-Canadians.

In an interview Wednesday, Kirk said that the bookstore should not censor the books it sells. The university exists to let students know "there are alternative viewpoints", he said, adding that he disagreed with the book. Public debate over the book has increased interest in it. Kirk added.

He hopes to sell Playboy magazine, and expects some criticism for that decision. He said he would probably distribute Maoist literature if he thought it was going to sell.

Kirk, who is a Canadian Indian,

pointed out that much of the bookstore's content slurs Indians.

The bookstore's main responsibility, the sale of textbooks, loses money, Kirk said. The bookstore sells other merchandise, such as mass-market paperbacks and school supplies, in an attempt to break even on its entire operation.

Immediately before the interview, a *Gazette* reporter noticed that inside each copy of *Bilingual Today, French Tomorrow* near the bookstore's cash register there was a recruitment brochure for the Alliance for the Preservation of English in Canada, a Halifax-based anti-bilingualism group. When told about the brochures, Kirk said that he was unaware of them, and would have them removed.

The bookstore had ordered 20 copies of the books and seven had been sold by lunchtime Wednesday.

## I.S.A. meeting tomorrow

The International Students Association wants to help solve accommodation problems for overseas students and would like to compile a list of rooms and apartments occupied by overseas students including when they are to be vacated. This information would be useful in helping to house students arriving for the next session. All overseas students are

asked to contact the I.S.A. executive by leaving information c/o I.S.A. at the main desk of the Student Union Building.

There will be an important general meeting of the I.S.A. Friday February 10 in room 314 SUB. All international students are strongly urged to attend. Coffee, doughnuts and a bar service are provided.

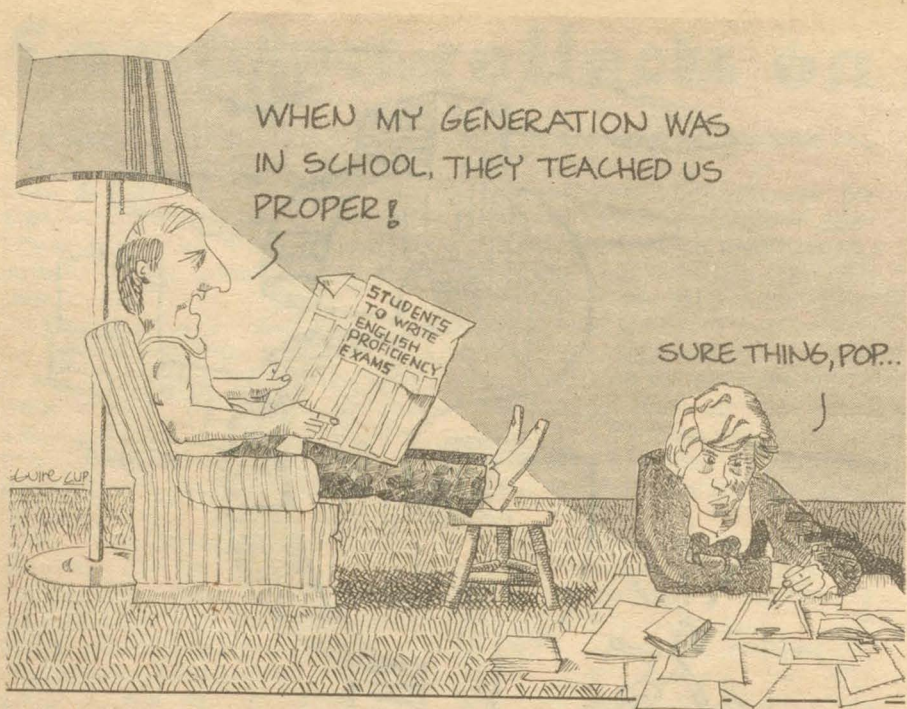
## Mount A to take AFS vote

SACKVILLE, N.B. — Students at Mount Allison University will vote Feb. 14 on whether to join the Atlantic Federation Students (AFS), the university's student council decided Tuesday night.

Mount Allison is not a member of either AFS or the National Union of Students (NUS). AFS officials said that a NUS referendum was not planned.

Lou-Anne Meloche, AFS staff person, said that AFS "looks forward to increased participation from Mount Allison" and praised them for their "constructive input in the past".

The Feb. 14 vote will be the first AFS referendum at Mount Allison.



## U of T requires tests

TORONTO (CUP)—The University of Toronto will require all arts and science students entering the university to pass an English proficiency test, beginning in 1980.

Students who fail will be able to remain on campus for a year, but if they fail a second test they will not be permitted to continue at the university.

The regulation, adopted by the faculty of arts and science general committee Jan. 23, must be approved by the university's governing council before it is implemented.

After some people attending the committee meeting objected to a

multiple choice proficiency test, the committee agreed to form a special committee to decide what type of English test students will be required to write.

The Carleton University senate considered similar measures two years ago. It agreed that all students should be given proficiency tests, with a passing grade required for graduation and remedial instruction available for students who did poorly on the test. However, according to an English department spokesperson, the program was never put into effect because of its \$100,000 estimated cost.

## Centre to regain staff?

by Denise Roberge

It appears that the Dalhousie Counselling and Psychological Services Centre will be successful in its efforts to attain a complete staff. Spokespeople for the University Administration have said that they realized the attempt to cut down on the Centre's staff may have been an unwise move.

The counselling centre is presently operating with only two fulltime and two part-time counsellor/psychologists, whereas in the past there were five fulltime and three part-time staffpeople. As a result, this year the Centre has had to cut back its services drastically. The staff at the Centre is greatly overworked under the present circumstances and cannot provide the required quality service to the student body.

The Dalhousie Student Council has supported the Centre in its attempt to regain an adequate number of counsellors. Robert Sampson, president of the Dal

Council, will present a motion at next Monday's Senate Council meeting asking that they too approach the University administration for the necessary permission and funds to hire additional staff.

E.T. Marriott, dean of student services, explained that the administration is now aware of the concern over the Centre's plight. "I am encouraged to believe that the Centre will be given careful consideration and full treatment by the University when next year's budget is being drawn up," he said.

Vice-president Guy MacLean said that a number of people have been talking to him about the situation and have presented a "strong and compelling case". Although final decisions will not be forthcoming for several weeks, MacLean said the counselling centre was one of the top priorities at a budget meeting last week. "Students have demonstrated conclusively that the service needs to be improved," he said.

## Council election March 15

It's election time again! March 15th is the date of this year's Dalhousie Student Union elections. Vice-President Peter Mancini is confident that the controversy which he and Union President Robert Sampson have raised will increase this year's turnout at the polls.

Asked about the possibility of his running for office again, Mancini would not concede to a yes or a no but added that, "All things are possible." However, in a recent letter to Del Atwood of the Xaverian Weekly, Sampson said "... no one likes us—no one but the people. And who knows, maybe come

February and the student elections, the people just may have a chance to re-affirm their faith." Sampson had no further comments as of yesterday.

President / Vice - Presidential teams have until Feb. 27 to announce their candidacy. A \$10 fee must be included with applications, but it will be refunded one week after elections if all campaign regulations have been met. Nomination papers are now available in council offices and signs are posted throughout campus. Anyone interested should contact Chief Electoral Officer Pat Dix in the Council office.

# Proficiency tests for Dalhousie?

Dalhousie University may be joining many post-secondary institutions across the country which have entrance exams in language proficiency.

A committee has been formed by the Faculty of Arts and Science to evaluate the extent of the literacy problem at Dal. "Canadian university students are becoming illiterate", according to Dr. Tom Sinclair-Faulkner, chairperson of the committee. He told the *Gazette* his group will be conducting a survey of the faculty to determine its attitude to this "crisis of literacy". He hopes to discover what, if any, standards of literacy are in force and "whether a physicist, for example, makes the same demands of literacy on his students as a historian."

A survey at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario showed that 70% of frosh and 30% of graduates were reading, writing, and reasoning at less than university level.

Several Canadian institutions have introduced written examinations in literacy. Without successfully completing these, a student cannot receive a degree. However, many of the same universities have eliminated remedial reading courses, which may cost up to \$300 per student, on the grounds that basic language training is not

the responsibility of the university. This leaves the burden of such training with elementary and secondary schools, which in many cases are simply not providing their students with adequate instruction in the basic use of English.

Sinclair-Faulkner said that, "From the student's point of view there is much to be gained from raising school and university standards. The declining level of competence of university students means that a university education tends to become less valuable. Increased confidence of employers in the university degree, inspired by high academic standards, would improve the position of graduates on the job market."

"What is needed is an upgrading of standards across the board. It is unnecessary and inefficient to have universities undertake elementary language training and it is inexcusable to allow students to graduate without knowing how to read and write at university level," Sinclair-Faulkner concluded.

The results of the survey, together with the committee's recommendations, will be released sometime in March. Sinclair-Faulkner's group welcomes suggestions and feedback, which can be directed to Room 324, Dunn Bldg.

## Metro Coalition discusses demands

by Eric Lawson

The Metro Coalition of Support for the Unemployed has undergone some serious introspection and internal revision in the past month, triggered by a debate raised within the Coalition concerning the organization and function of their January 16 public meeting.

AFS representatives felt that the Coalition had designed a poor agenda for the meeting, one which did not represent all of the varying opinions of persons both within and without the organization. As a result, student representatives supported the intervention of such groups as the communist In Struggle, and publicly voiced some opinions of their own, against Coalition policy.

The students are further dissatisfied with the participation of some labour leaders in the Coalition. AFS Secretary-Coordinator Tony Kelly feels that labour, specifically the leadership of the Halifax/Dartmouth Trades and Labour Council, does not participate in the actual working of the Coalition, and appears only at situations it considered politically advantageous.

Leo MacKay, a labour representative in the Coalition, plays down the importance of the disagreements between labour and students. He said that he would "stack his record for attending meetings up against Kelly's any day, but would prefer that things simply were not done that way." MacKay feels that only by ignoring ideological differences and working towards actually helping the unemployed can the Coalition function effectively, and that controversy "puts nothing in the pockets of the unemployed, and only scares them away from our organization."

AFS supports the general concept of the Coalition, and wishes to continue in full participation and support, but feels that a more rigid set of policy guidelines is required. AFS has drawn up a constitution

consisting of a list of demands for the Coalition to present to the government, an outline of purposes for the Coalition in general, a presentation of the tactics to be used to secure the demands, and an outline of the structure of the Coalition.

At a meeting designated to discuss the AFS proposal, held Monday, only the demands were reached on the agenda. They were discussed, revised, and accepted in principle, with the tactics and structure to be ratified at a meeting to be held next Monday, Feb. 6. The demands decided upon are as follows:

We call for the right to work at meaningful wages, and to that end we demand:

## 93.5% vote yes

CUPE accepts offer - After nearly five months of negotiating CUPE Local 1392 workers finally have a contract. At a general membership meeting yesterday CUPE accepted the Dal administration's latest contract offer.



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# Cutbacks hit students

The Maritime Provinces Higher Education commission and the Atlantic Association of Universities have sold out to the governments of the Maritime Provinces. Rather than condemning the governments for their response to a body they established for the purpose of financial recommendations, the MPHEC and the university presidents are politely accepting this crisis situation by congenially speaking of belt-tightening.

After receiving reports from the post-secondary institutions in the region, the MPHEC decided that in order to merely maintain last year's level of services a 14% increase in operating grants would be necessary. The commission said post-secondary education in the Maritimes had reached the crossroads and the direction it would take in the coming year hinged directly on the level of government funding.

The commission cited last year's low level of funding and escalating costs as factors that were contributing to an increasing disparity between post secondary education here and other parts of Canada. They did not foresee the possibility of any immediate reversal of this trend. However, a three year plan was proposed that would have begun this reversal, the first step being the 14% increase.

As in the past, the Council of Maritime Premiers ignored the Commission's recommendation, slashed the amount in half and announced that New Brunswick will receive a 6.7% increase, while Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island will get 7.7%.

These cutbacks in funding will lead to drastic cutbacks in the operations of the Maritime institutions. This "belt-tightening" will affect students, faculty, and support staff. Tuition again will rise, and course selection, number of professors, and general services are apt to decrease. Faculties and support staff will not receive an increase in salaries even equal to the rise in the cost of living, and will be forced into strike situations.

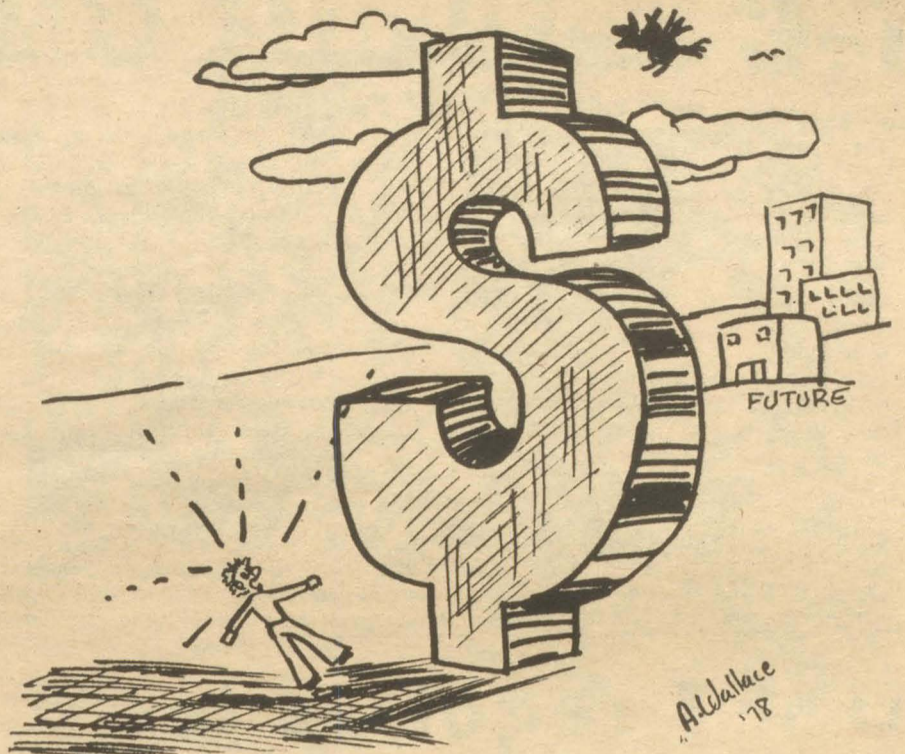
Accessibility and quality of education is again being attacked. Students from low and middle-income families will find it harder to attend university because of increased tuition. With the rising costs of food and rent, insufficient student aid and chronic unemployment, many students are being forced out of our universities.

Last year's student march resulted in positive action — in June, the universities were awarded an extra grant. Pressure again must be applied so that students will not be denied access to university.

Tuesday night, students gathered at Dalhousie to form a committee to plan action. AFS and NUS were there; Gazette people were there, one student council member was there, but very few concerned students from the general population. It is a vital issue that will greatly affect you.

Think about whether you can pay more for your education next year. Something can still be done but it will take a lot of honest concern on the part of all students at post-secondary institutions in the Maritimes.

by Valerie Mansour



## Forgetful Ms

Dear Ms. Editor:

At the last council meeting most council members expressed a sincere concern with the context of our beloved Gazette. The general feeling was that for too long our paper has concentrated on a national rather than a University scale. Whether our Editor is highly influenced by the CUP Regional Office which is so readily at her disposal or feels the issues at Dalhousie are not important is a question we must ask.

So often the Gazette accuses many individuals and groups of conspiracies and patronages, yet let us look back at the Gazette. Our Editor has openly admitted that quotes are often used, yet never really said. "They would have said it anyway" is her rational. A move has been afoot for some time now to obtain autonomy, a move which intends to apply for N.S. corporate status. Mind you such a move was done behind the backs of both council and the executive, not to mention the students who have paid for this paper. Let's put the facts straight Ms. Editor, it is high time you put the students of Dalhousie first and left your pithy undermined political games home.

Council has put up with your pithy undermined comments long enough, now let's look at some facts. Since this administration has come to office more physical changes have taken place than ever before. We need only look at our Green Room, Cardroom, Grawood, Bookstore, Gazette Office and Pharos Office to see concrete evidence of change. It was this council that took part in that march on Province House last February. Carlton House, an issue lagging for some 4 years, was realized under this administration. The Dalhousie Drama Society received a good deal of time to enable them to start up. Domus was aided and now will remain as a permanent entity on campus. Our work with NUS, AFS, the Board of Governors, Senate Council, Senate and every damn committee that exists within the

university administration. How soon you forget so much Ms. Editor.

Issues such as I.D. cards, double stamp events, student services, prescription drugs, relations with our fellow institutions are merely a few topics which are constantly dealt with. Yes Ms. Editor it is evident you have had trouble finding this information, yet you so often remark how little local, on-campus news there is.

I outlined some of the good things in which our Council has done, mind you we have made mistakes. It is really too bad that our student newspaper can't see both sides of the coin. Much work has been done and much more is needed. I can only hope that the Gazette will see its way to objective reporting in the future.

Sincerely,  
Robert Sampson  
President  
Dalhousie Student Union

## Gazette not a Ms

Editor's note:

Although the editor often has to take the flak for what this newspaper does, people should keep in mind that "Ms Editor" is not the Dalhousie Gazette. The Gazette staff is made up of a wide assortment of people, and decisions about what the paper does are handled democratically.

I cannot remember having told Robert Sampson that we make up quotes. We do strive to do honest and accurate reporting and try to print exactly what people have said.

The Gazette is not planning to incorporate behind the backs of anyone. Much research has to be done before such a big move is made. Before telling council how we can become independent we must find out ourselves.

There is more going on at Dalhousie than we are writing about—increased campus coverage is an aim of the Gazette this term. But there is also a big world out there with lots of things happening. We try to achieve a balance in our coverage of national, regional and local issues.

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# Sampson reflects on AFS

by Robert Sampson

Now, since much of the controversy over the AFS issue has died down, let me, for a moment, reflect back over the past several months on the events which had taken place.

I first must admit that, although my remarks at Council when we finally decided to release our fees were in favour of AFS, these were said on behalf of the members of the Student Union and not on behalf of my personal views. As noted in a letter to the Editor last week, my personal views were reflected in my negative vote towards this issue. Why, several reasons have lead me to take this stand and I must say the most important was that of being responsible to you the students. The argument that the students through referendum had voted to give these monies to AFS is a valid one, however, no one could deny that what AFS was last February and

what it was in September were two very different things.

During my election campaign, we supported this organization because it was a true organization. Since then and until late fall, AFS turned into an almost nonfunctional (with the exception of one or two individuals) organization. Is that what you voted for last February?

Now let us back up this aforementioned statement with fact, not insinuations or untrue accusations as our beloved Gazette so often does.

1) There had never been an audit on the AFS books since 1975. When Dalhousie passed a motion to instruct AFS to do an audit, it took 4 months to locate the treasurer and books. Upon receiving the AFS books and performing an audit, the statements and accounting comments were full of disclaimers, one being an amount of receipts missing by both our past Secretary Co-ordinator and our past staff

person.

2) AFS went into debt and had to lay-off its staff workers.

3) The treasurer resigned in September.

4) Only one original Executive member was functional over the summer.

5) At the fall annual Conference, no one would run for the Executive position of Secretary Co-ordinator.

I could go on and on and in every instance, back it up with fact. However, this is all past tense. Now, let us look at why your Council, upon an Executive recommendation, decided to withhold your funds to AFS. Do you think your Student Council would be acting responsible to release approximately \$7,000 to an organization which:

- 1) had no treasurer?
  - 2) had no financial controls?
  - 3) had no constitution?
  - 4) had no Secretary Co-ordinator?
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held, the Dalhousie Council, along with St. F.X., Acadia and Mt. A., fought very hard to implement a set of financial controls which were badly needed. Also, a lengthy meeting was held amongst all the Student Union Presidents to take positive, and I repeat, positive action to get AFS back on its feet.

I do feel AFS has come a long way since last September and feel Dalhousie played a very important role in spite of all the controversy. The Atlantic Federation of Students has still a long way to go, however, we will try in every way to help AFS to best represent the students of Dalhousie University as well as every other University in the Atlantic Provinces.

I might add, of all the disagreement and backlash, the only ones who complained about our move was the Gazette staff and a few AFS Executive members. Whether that tells a story in itself I leave you to decide.

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## Coalition unites

The following letter was adopted at the January 30 meeting of the Metro Coalition for the Support of the Unemployed.

To the Gazette:

Over the past several weeks a controversy has arisen over the activities of the Metro-Coalition of Support for the Unemployed. Many of the statements issued in this regard are misleading and the Coalition would like to clarify its position.

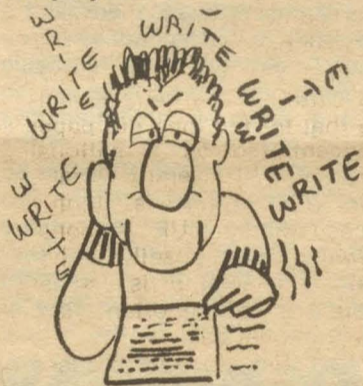
It was agreed by Coalition members that the focus of the 16 January meeting was to encourage unemployed workers to come forward and explain the problems they faced. It also was intended that the unemployed use the meeting as an opportunity to form a Union of the Unemployed. Unfortunately, this decision was not fully explained at the beginning of the evening and resulted in obvious confusion. The Coalition believed that adequate opportunities for discussion of its policies and programme would be available in future forums designed specifically for this purpose. The Coalition also intended to distribute a policy pamphlet, which was prepared before the meeting but could not be printed for the 16 January. The pamphlet outlines clearly the Coalition's position that unemployed and employed workers must work together to fight increasing unemployment, wage controls, plant layoffs, and cutbacks in educational and social services.

Anyone attending Coalition meetings realizes that all its members agree that fundamental changes in the political and economic system are needed before Canadians can hope for meaningful employment. There is disagreement within the Coalition on how this change will come but all Coalition members are free to bring forward their political positions and argue for its acceptance within the Coalition. But because the members of the Coalition do not share a tightly defined political position, it is felt that criticism must come forward in a positive manner and not be reduced to simplistic denunciations. Many critics of the Coalition forget that by its very nature the Coalition must include varying political analyses and strategies for struggling with the question of unemployment.

In all the criticism of the Coalition it is forgotten that this

Coalition is the first of its kind in Halifax to unite students, trade unionists, women's groups, and community organizations. The Coalition admits openly that it has made mistakes but to suggest that its members do not intend to work for progressive political and economic change is unjustified.

Fraternally,  
Metro Coalition  
of Support for the  
Unemployed.



## CPC not guilty

To the Gazette:

The unjustified and false slanders made by the group In Struggle (IS) in its letter of 26th January to the Gazette ("Get Serious Jim McLean") demands an answer.

IS states that in the activities of the Metro Coalition of Support for the Unemployed (MCSU) "... the Communist Party of Canada (C.P.C.) and others worked actively to oppose and sabotage certain demands put forward by In Struggle." They claim that these demands (which were proposed in connection with the September 28th demonstration of the MCSU) were 'For an end to wage controls', 'Fight to withdraw Bill C-27', and 'Fight layoffs and shutdowns'. What IS maintains were its demands, are not in fact what these demands actually were. The 3rd demand they in reality put forward was 'An end to cutbacks in education and social services' rather than 'Fight layoffs and shutdowns'.

The expressed purpose of the September 28th demonstration was to mobilize the unemployed and a fundamental part of the MCSU's Program For Action involved the demand for 'our basic human right to meaningful employment'. Therefore a representative of the C.P.C., understanding the importance and validity of the demands proposed

by IS as well as the importance of the above-mentioned demand of the MCSU, put forward the following motion: "The basic demand of the demonstration is for 'the basic human right to meaningful employment that gives working people dignity and self-respect'; that part of the means to that objective are 'an end to wage controls', 'repeal of Bill C-27' and 'an end to education and social service cutbacks' ". This motion was accepted by the Coalition and all four demands were carried on placards and posters in the demonstration.

Did the C.P.C. thereby "oppose and sabotage" the demands put forward by IS?

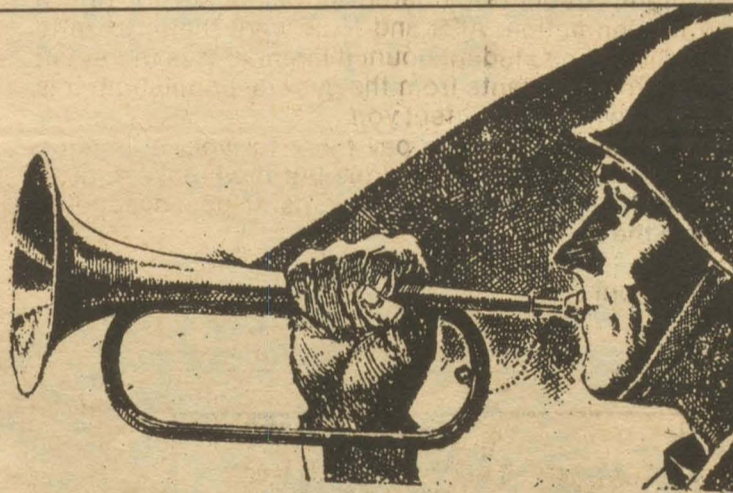
It is true that the C.P.C. and others prevented it from turning the

MCSU into a vehicle exclusively at the service of IS.

IS should understand that when it enters into a coalition with other parties that all the principles of a coalition will not be entirely the principles of any given member group. If it feels that by not agreeing to have IS's demands be the demands of the Coalition, that "the C.P.C. and others worked actively to oppose and sabotage" their demands, it becomes obvious that they were willing to be a part of any coalition only if they could completely dominate that coalition.

Also slandered in IS's letter were the leaders of the trade union movement. It is not the task of the C.P.C. to defend them in this forum

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# Arts deserve equal broadcast

by Mary Hamblin

Visual Arts Nova Scotia has passed a resolution requesting the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation to provide local and national arts broadcasts equal in time to the regular daily sports broadcasts.

At an October 30 meeting, artists from across the province voiced concern over the lack of media coverage in the field of cultural events. Ted Ross, coordinator of Visual Arts, recently met with Charles Bautiste of the Secretary of State's Office to discuss the problem. Ross said that he would like to see better publicity for

upcoming events, cultural summaries following sports broadcasts, and full time staff members specifically concerned with cultural events in each media office. He is disturbed by the fact that few stations maintain a full time office for a cultural events reporter, when public support for the Arts is rapidly growing.

"Locally and indeed all across the province, cultural activity is at an all time high," Ross said. "One now has to be selective in what activities to attend, when five years ago we longed for these events. Where is the logical growth in media cov-

erage?"

Visual Arts Nova Scotia is setting up meetings with various representatives of the provincial media and is interested in public response to their resolution to request more coverage. The office is preparing a brief, concerning the type of

coverage of cultural activities evident in various areas of the province, which will be presented at the next public hearing of the CRTC for CBC license renewal.

Letters may be sent to Visual Arts Nova Scotia, P.O. Box 3306, Halifax, N.S. B3J 3J1.

# Psych conference here in April

The Atlantic Provinces Inter-University Committee on the Sciences (APICS) will be sponsoring its 3rd annual Psychology undergraduate conference to be held in late April. This conference will give undergraduate psychology students an opportunity to meet with students from all over the Atlantic Provinces, plus an opportunity to present their own research. Further information can be obtained from Sharon Himmelman (5216 LSc), Craig Berryman (5304 LSc), and /or B. Baxter (4216 LSc).

APICS also has a Summer Research Assistantship program which provides an opportunity for undergraduate science students to assist in research projects conducted in Atlantic Universities and Research Laboratories. The student must apply for a project in an

institution other than her / his own. Further information is available from the Heads of individual Science Departments.

The Dalhousie Association of Psychology Students (DAPS) is sponsoring a Psychology Get-Together on Friday, Feb. 10 in the Psych. Lounge, 8 p.m.-12. There will also be informal luncheon seminars at 12:30 p.m., in the Psych. Coffee Lounge, beginning Feb. 7. Individual psychology professors will be discussing their reasons for being in psychology and their research. DAPS will also be distributing a psychology undergraduate course attitude questionnaire within the next few weeks to provide the psychology curriculum committee with information on course and program interest.

# Dal mathematicians meet every Friday

Did you know that because Alfred Nobel's wife was having an affair with a Mathematician, there isn't a Nobel Prize in Mathematics? If you attended meetings of the Dalhousie Math Club, you would have known this and some other interesting trivia.

This is the first year of operation of the Dalhousie Math Club. The Club is open to all undergraduate students studying Math at Dalhousie. The club holds frequent meetings on Friday afternoons at 4:30 in room B400 of the Killam

Library. If you are interested in coming to Club meetings, just look at the Math Club bulletin board on the 5th floor of the Killam Library for notices of future meetings.

The Club so far this year has done or is planning to do the following: sponsoring guest speakers, organizing students to tutor math to children in the Killam Hospital, sponsoring problem solving sessions at Dalhousie for gifted highschool students, and last but not least, organizing parties.

# Rosemary Brown speaks on rape

"Rosemary Brown Speaks on Rape" will be shown on Halifax Cablevision, Channel 10, on Monday February 13th at 3:00 and 6:30 pm, and simultaneously broadcast in Sackville by Metrovision.

Rosemary Brown, feminist and N.D.P. member of the B.C. Legislature, discusses her own feelings of fear and powerlessness in the face of harrasment. To illustrate her point, she quotes a recent rape case in Vancouver which reveals the

frustrations of working with the current rape law.

This talk is part of a recent workshop sponsored by the Maritime School of Social Work entitled "Women and Violence" and the videotape was produced by Halifax Rape Relief through the facilities of the Videothatre.

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against the diatribes of groups like IS, but we think it is in place to give our rationale for working with the trade union movement.

The C.P.C. maintains that one of the keys to uniting employed and unemployed workers is held by the labour movement. True, all sections of that movement have not always lived up to the role it could fill as an organization fighting for the interests of the working class. All progressives must be wary of the collaborationist positions taken by some labour leaders committed to right wing social democracy and some who are outright supporters of monopoly capitalism.

At the same time the C.P.C. views positively the attitudes taken by some sections of the trade union movement that see unemployment on a mass scale not only as a threat to the continued existence of the

labour movement itself, but also as an attack on the entire working class. The C.P.C. applauds and encourages that section of the labour movement that sees the fight for full employment as a class struggle. We will continue to work with and educate these people, (and other honest trade unionists who have not yet come to this position), to understand that the fight for full employment will be realized only by the replacement of the capitalist system by one of scientific socialism.

Yours sincerely,  
**Scott Milsom**  
 Halifax Club, Communist Party of Canada  
 P.O. Box 7063 North Postal Station, Halifax, N.S.  
 (A member organization of the Metro Coalition of Support for the Unemployed)

# LOOK

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# Halifax union tries to help

by Jeff Round

Although the Metro Coalition for the Unemployed has been in existence in Halifax for five months, another group, the Union of the Unemployed, was formed in the city six years ago.

The Union of the Unemployed was formed by three volunteer workers in the old Neighbourhood Centre. "People were coming in with no jobs and problems in getting their UIC. At the time there was no group to help them so the Union of the Unemployed came out of that," said Shirley Gillibaard, one of the original co-founders of the union.

The aim of the Union was to help unemployed persons find work and help those having trouble with UIC, landlords, mortgages and monetary problems. They made arrangements and began to work with Manpower as well as the Unemployment

Commission, dealing with individual cases through various departments. Frequently, arrangements were made with Social Services to forward money owed to people, thus avoiding bureaucratic obstacles.

Gillibaard criticized the Coalition of the Unemployed for procrastinating. At their last meeting the Coalition made a motion to elect a slate of executive officers from the ranks of the members, but postponed the actual election for a later meeting. "At the last meeting they could have elected an executive slate. Instead they chose to postpone it another month. What happens to the people who are having UIC problems right now?"

Gillibaard also criticized the Coalition for placing politics ahead of the plight of the unemployed. "The Coalition knows we exist, even if they do claim to be the first

organization to help the unemployed. If they had chosen to work with us people could be getting help right now. The ground work has all been laid out by the Union but the Coalition want to do it their way—a political, radical way. What about the ordinary person who wants a job and needs help with UIC now?"

At the last meeting of the Coalition this very point was raised by a member. Gillibaard reaffirmed this opinion saying "politics has no place in trying to help somebody

with a UIC problem."

At one point the Union was meeting regularly and had churches backing their efforts, but now has been temporarily "laid in the mothballs". The Union realizes the main problem is lack of publicity for the group. A meeting is being planned, however, and announcements will be made soon. In the meantime, those needing help with unemployment problems are urged to contact Shirley Gillibaard at the Halifax Health and Welfare Office, 2164 Gottingen St. B3K 3B4.

# Hospital butts out

by Geri Geldart

"We promote the idea of a clean environment, healthy living and positive role modeling behavior." This statement is part of the Victoria General Hospital's new policy on smoking. In conjunction with the National Education Week on Smoking the V.G. has designated "No Smoking" and "Smoking" areas throughout the hospital.

Executive Director of the Canadian Hospital Association, B.L. Brosseau, stated, "The hospital can no longer be regarded as simply a 'repair shop'. It has now become a centre for community health and must assume an important role in health education and health protection." Using this as a basis, a committee, chaired by Florence Bell, was established to design an educational program which would effectively implement and publicize this new policy. Supported by the Board of Commissioners of the V.G., the committee began their task. On January 23-24 a program, consisting of films, displays and

educational booths, was conducted for the staff and the public. Response to and cooperation with the program has been excellent. Bell said that the hospital plans to make this a permanent program.

The dual purpose of this program is to make the public aware of the adverse effects of smoking on their health and also to decrease the inherent fire hazard. Staff, visitors and ambulatory patients are only allowed to smoke in designated areas. Patients who are confined to their beds are allowed to smoke in their rooms if no medical gases are in use. Although it seems paradoxical that this major fire hazard, smoking in bed, is allowed, one must consider the psychological effects that an already ill patient would experience if such a restriction were enforced.

The V.G. realizes that they can't eliminate smoking in the hospital, but they are taking a major step toward creating a successful control system.

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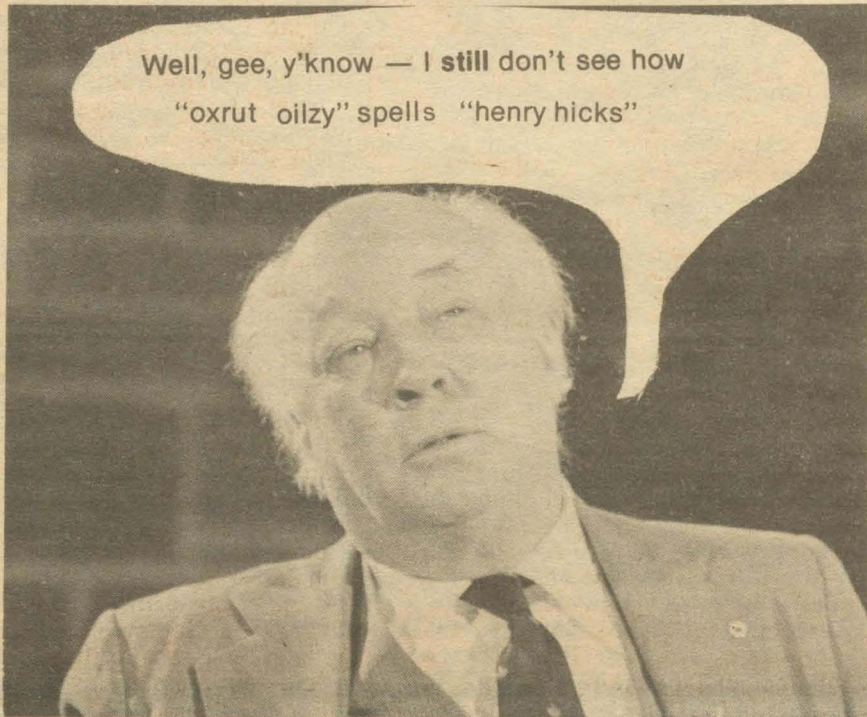
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# SILLY SNAPS

John Howard Oxley's entry was selected as the winner of our first SILLY SNAPS contest. Honourable mention also goes to Don from manpower for this submission:

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### Unemployment coalition

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1. The Coalition opposes all forms of wage controls, and calls for the repeal of Bill C-73.

2. the repeal of recent UIC legislation Bill C-27, that further reduces benefits to unemployed people.

3. an end to financial cutbacks in, and an expansion of, health, education, and other social services.

4. an end to layoffs and shut-downs, and all other methods of depriving workers of their right to employment.

5. an end to tripartism.

The issue of tripartism is a particularly explosive one, and much of the ideology of the Coalition, and AFS, is demonstrated in its treatment of the question.

Tripartism is a Canadian Labour Congress-approved platform for action which involves close cooperation between labour, government and the corporate sector in solving the country's economic ills, and has been in action for approximately two years.

The Metro Coalition opposes tripartism on the grounds that it implies collusion on the part of labour with big business, and is a form of "class collaboration." Under tripartism, according to the Coalition, government has no commitment to react to a request from labour, and has historically shown greater loyalty towards the corporate sector than the labour movement.

The Coalition wishes to make it clear that it opposes tripartism as

an individual policy, and not the CLC in general, and is lobbying to have organized labour withdraw from negotiations with the government. The Coalition as a founding policy advocates agitation against, rather than cooperation with, government, as they feel that the interests of working people are never served by government sectors.

Due to an angry exchange of letters between AFS and the Coalition, many expected Monday's meeting to bring to a head the issue of continued AFS participation in the Coalition. However, both Kelly and Coalition chairperson Sharon Reilly have acknowledged that the correspondence was excessively vitriolic, "angry letters by angry people", and feel that cooperation is a better policy for action than non-fraternity and fragmentation.

Kelly says that AFS, although still dissatisfied with labour leadership's position within the Coalition, wishes to remain a working partner, so long as unity around the proposed structure and demands is obtained.

The Coalition is functioning more efficiently than it has in the past, due principally to a revision of its institutional structure. Petitions from the Inco miners are being distributed, and the issue is being tied to the question of layoffs of local shipyard workers. A Union of the Unemployed is being initiated at a meeting to be held Wednesday, Feb. 8. Letters are being sent to various allied organizations, and a general public information programme has been discussed.



## Northern pipeline

## 'Boom' may bust before it starts

OTTAWA (CPA-CUP)—Canada may be in danger of losing the thousands of jobs that were supposed to have been provided by Foothills pipeline-related manufacturing and construction.

Both American pressure for a smaller-diameter, thick-walled pipe which Canadian factories are unable to produce, and financial pressures which may force the Foothills group of companies building the pipeline to seek U.S. money may result in Canadian workers losing the jobs that were supposed to be provided by pipeline-related manufacturing and construction.

Deputy Prime Minister Allan MacEachen, who negotiated the recent Canada-U.S. pipeline agreement, says he is unable to provide guarantees that Canadian factories will produce all the materials used in construction of the Canadian portion of the line.

But NDP leader Ed Broadbent points out that if Canada is to gain the 100,000 man-years of employment MacEachen boasted about after the signing of the agreement, 98 per cent of pipeline-related manufacturing would have to take place in Canada.

That is unlikely to happen because of a number of factors which are working against Canadian industry. Critics of the \$10 billion project, the largest ever undertaken by private enterprise, pointed out before the agreement was signed that MacEachen's forecast for jobs was extremely over-optimistic.

Despite their warnings, all four parties in the Commons supported its construction in a special August pipeline debate. That debate paved the way for the signing of the agreement and the NDP's support of the project proved to be the final blow to a beleaguered coalition of unionists, native people and environmentalists who were calling for a 10-year moratorium on its construction.

With construction of the pipeline not slated to start until 1981, several problems have already cropped up.

Foothills may not be able to raise all the money for construction of the Canadian portion of the line in Canada without government guarantees. During the pipeline debate, the company had assured the public that no such guarantees would be needed. But initial testing of the financial waters told it that some prospective investors wanted the guarantees to protect their money.

The government had assured parliament that no guarantees

would be forthcoming. Unless the government changes its tune, the Canadian money may not be forthcoming, forcing Foothills to seek American financing. As a natural condition of such financing, the Americans may want to see a good proportion of pipeline-related manufacturing take place in the U.S.

As Broadbent pointed out in the Commons recently, American investors were telling the business community through advertisements in the Wall Street Journal that 30 per cent of the construction would take place in the U.S.

The U.S. wants to use a smaller-diameter, higher-pressure pipe than that proposed by the Canadians in order to cut costs. But that means the steel walls on the pipe would have to be thicker, and Canadian manufacturers are unable to make the pipe to those specifications.

Imports of Japanese steel also come into the picture. With the announcement of a U.S. 'trigger-price' quota system on steel imports, the Japanese will lose a good deal of their share of the U.S.

steel market. That leaves Canada a prime target for the dumping of Japanese steel, which Japanese manufacturers will try to sell here in order to recover their share of the North American market.

Even if MacEachen's over-optimistic predictions about the number of pipeline-related jobs to be created in Canada come true, the effect would be to lower the rate of unemployment by only a bit more than one per cent. Now it appears the effect will be considerably less

than that.

That angers Broadbent, who told the Commons recently that "almost the only benefit" Canada would gain from the pipeline would be the jobs that were created as a result of its construction.

"What is at stake here is the integrity of the government and the categorical promise made by the deputy Prime Minister Sept. 9," when he bragged about Canada getting 100,000 man-years of employment from the pipeline, Broadbent said.

Yukon Indians, meanwhile, are again asking for a delay in the construction of the pipeline until their land settlements are implemented.

During the pipeline debate, the government assured parliament that land claims negotiations with the native people were proceeding smoothly and an agreement in principle was near.

Five months later, representatives of the Council of Yukon Indians were in Ottawa to say that not only were the negotiations not proceeding smoothly, but that the agreement in principle was at least 12 to 18 months away.

The government has also gone back on its promise to hold further inquiries into the social impact of the pipeline, where the Indians would be allowed to put forward proposals to cushion the impact.

Under questioning in the House of Commons, Indian affairs minister Hugh Faulkner said no decision had been taken on further inquiries.

Indian representatives said they may take their case to the courts if the Liberals persist in their attempts to steamroll the pipeline through their territory. If that happens, construction could be blocked for years while the matter is tied up in the courts.

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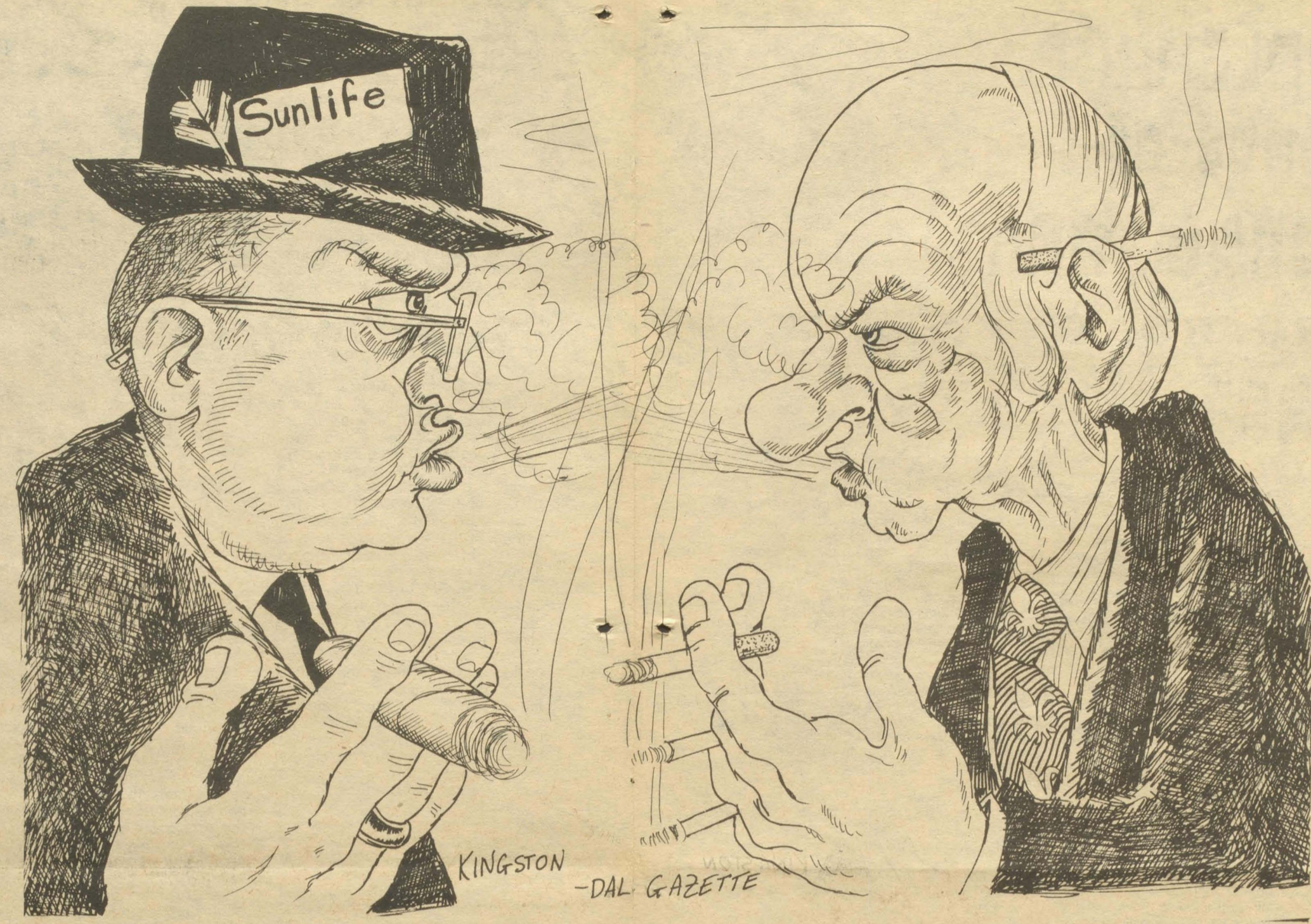
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# SUN LIFE: THEY SAY THEY ARE LEAVING - BON DEBARRAS !!

by Larry Black  
of Canadian University Press

Two weeks before the crucial 1970 Quebec election, a spectacular caravan of heavily-armed Brink's trucks, laden with bonds and securities, "sneaked" across the Ontario-Quebec border under the watchful eye of most of Montreal's mass media.

Now, eight years later, the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, the country's largest insurer and seventh largest financial institution, has announced that it too intends to sneak across the Ontario border, with its stocks, bonds and head offices.

The stated reason for the move, which won't take place for two years (until after the national referendum on Quebec independence) is Quebec's language law, Bill 101, which the company says affects its ability to operate its multinational head office.

The threat to move out of Quebec at this time has caused a stir in Canada, particularly among those interested in the outcome of that referendum.

The Quebec government has exposed the corporation as a "poor corporate citizen" and threatened to repatriate the \$200 million the company has extracted from the province. Federalist politicians, from the Toronto Liberal MPs' caucus to Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and Finance Minister Jean Chretien, have been wailing about the company's responsibility to help preserve the Canadian confederation. And the Financial Post has run front page banner headlines asking "Did the company really have to say it now?"

It's an interesting question *The Post* itself finds the company's "decision to cite Bill 101 as the reason for its proposed departure a little premature, to say the least."

The company has stuck to this claim—"that language is the real reason"—and has delayed a policy-holders meeting on the move for three months. Company president Thomas Galt insists that the lack of rights to English education for the children of staff coming to Quebec was a major element in the company's decision: "The language of education is of vital importance in the acceptability of Montreal as a place to live."

And James Sinclair, Trudeau's father-in-law and a member of Sun Life's glittering board of directors, has said: "All he (Quebec premier Rene Levesque) has to do to stop this hemorrhage is to announce that head offices of multinational companies can operate in English and that head office families can send their children to English or French schools."

This excuse, (besides showing an unusual concern on the part of a company like Sun Life for its employees), raises a lot of questions about the company's real motives.

The most obvious is that Bill 101, as it now stands, does not interfere with the language rights of head office staffs of multinationals. During the hearings on the bill, the government backed down on this point, and has yet to draft the regulations for head offices.

But there is little doubt the government will accept the recommendation of its language office, which suggests that language cannot be legislated for multinational headquarters. French should instead be encouraged through an "effective school system so that companies can hire local people without sacrificing quality," the language commissioners say.

Provisions have already been made for the children of multinational executives who are transferred into the province for three-year, renewable periods.

Not a government "hard-line", and not one that would justify a \$10 million move—a move which would invariably be accompanied by a substantial loss of business in Quebec, and an outcry from politicians and editorialists.

Sun Life has also gone to great lengths to publicize the announcement of a decision that could have been accomplished by continuing to slip its staff slowly westward.

The company, like so many others following the shift of capital in North America, has been moving its operations and money out of Quebec toward Toronto for more than a decade. Only 20 per cent of the company's operations are still in Quebec, and the actual head office operation involves only a portion of the 1,800 jobs cited by Sun Life management.

What makes the move even more suspicious, and even less likely to be an "ill-considered mistake", is the fact of **who** made the decision to announce the proposed move.

Sun Life's board of directors is a classic of the Canadian "old boy network" that dominates the country's corporate management. It includes the heads of the Bank of Montreal, the Royal Bank of Canada, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, and the Bank Canadian National. It also includes the heads of major financial institutions like Royal Trust, Credit Foncier, Canadian Investment Fund and Canadian Pacific Investments. Major resource industries like CIL, Cominco, Consolidated Bathurst, Domtar, Gulf Oil, Steel Company of Canada, and two others which are more infamous: INCO and Noranda Mines. And names like Ian Sinclair, Alfred Powis, and G. Arnold Hart.

Any decision approved by the Sun Life board affects more than one company. In the words of the Financial Post: "The fact that Sun Life's

board is made up of leading members of Canada's financial and business elite also has many people wondering what that portends for further corporate departures from Quebec."

This is probably the most important implication of Sun Life's announcement. Leading financiers and industrialists seem to have agreed on the best way to deal with what they perceive to be the threat of Quebec independence.

Sun Life's announcement seems to indicate the path at least some large corporations have accepted in their fight against a separate Quebec—pressure on Quebec voters facing the national referendum.

Two events could have a major effect on the way Quebec people choose to exercise their right to determination for their nation. One would be a federal threat to use the Canadian army to intervene after an independence vote. Trudeau in fact indicated in a New Year interview that he would not hesitate to repeat the tactics of October 1970 and use the armed forces to change people's minds about the wisdom of an independent Quebec.

The other event would be a threat of a mass corporate exodus from the province, and destabilization of the economy, in much the same way as ITT and U.S. copper concerns exercised their power to depose Chilean president Salvador Allende in 1973.

This sort of threat is not as far-fetched as it first might seem, as evidenced by the corporate attitude that spawned the Brink's escapade in 1970 and so coerced many Quebec voters into electing the federalist option and Robert Bourassa.

Sun Life, like Royal Trust which engineered the Brink's incident, has for a century milked a comfortable profit out of Quebec. In fact, the

records of most English-Canadian and U.S. corporations in Quebec have betrayed a distinctly colonial attitude toward the province and its people.

In Sun Life's case, two of the company's 21 directors are francophones. In a city which is 70 per cent francophone, Sun Life employs 230 French-Canadians out of a total of 2,600 employees. "When you've taken out maintenance staff and the like, they can't even give a fair quota to French-Canadians even in the typing pools," says the province's Finance Minister Jacques Parizeau.

A better indicator of the colonial set-up between Quebec and English business interests is the \$200 million worth of Quebec policy-holders' premiums that the company has reinvested outside the province.

Large Canadian corporations are apprehensive about any political change that might affect their ability to maintain this situation. Despite the Parti Quebecois' pandering to corporations, especially American ones, English-Canadian business interests are united in their opposition to the Quebec independence movement.

Sun Life's early refusal to elaborate on the details of the proposed move, its decision to delay the policy-holders meeting for three months, and its subsequent explanation that the move wouldn't take place for two years seem to indicate that Sun Life isn't any different from other Canadian corporations.

The company, and likely many others, will dangle their decision as threats in the faces of Quebec voters, who worry about the province's future economic stability, until after the referendum on independence. It is the threat to move, rather than any real move, that will have the greatest effect on the spirit of Quebecois.

## Postscript

### CIA denies destabilization operation

There is an interesting post-script to the Sun Life threat.

One year ago, on Jan. 4, 1977, two agents of the Central Intelligence Agency attended a meeting at a Toronto hotel, organized by an employee of a major multinational operating in Canada. The meeting of representatives of multinationals was set up to study ways of disparaging the newly-elected Parti Quebecois government.

According to reports in both *Le Devoir* of Montreal and *Le Soleil* of Quebec City, those attending discussed ways of "destabilizing the economy of the province, possible methods of halting the referendum, and the possibility of eliminating Premier Rene Levesque and other members of the cabinet."

Lavon Strong, public relations spokesperson for the CIA, denied any knowledge of the meeting: "We did not participate in the meeting and know nothing of it. The rumours are without foundation."

But the Quebec ministry of justice thought rumours of a planned economic destabilization were serious enough to call an investigation. The minister, Marc-Andre Bedard, reported that the investigation ended March 23 and found the meeting never occurred and the affair was "without serious foundation."

But *Le Soleil* says the investigation was called in mid-December after an earlier meeting of the multinationals in Ottawa. Two officers of the Quebec Provincial Police, Claude Menard and Maurice Dalpe, went to the Toronto meeting, the Quebec newspaper said. Its sources were highly-placed officials in "the government, the police, and elsewhere."

The suspicions about the meeting seem confirmed by the statements of Parti Quebecois ministers. Levesque is quoted as saying "certain people could be interested in an economic destabilization operation," but he would not say if the CIA would be involved.

Claude Charron said such an affair would "only be the tip of an iceberg. There are many people who are ready by any means, including illegal and criminal acts, to overthrow the government."

Jean-Pierre Charbonneau, another pequisite deputy, said that many of his colleagues "are aware of the possibility of violent acts to destabilize the regime."

Bedard himself hinted there was more to the case than he was telling.

But the story ended there. Four days after the story broke, *Le Soleil* was closed by labour conflict, and *Le Devoir* did not follow the issue.

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### Today

American experimental poet **John Ashbery** will give a public reading in the Dunn Theatre (Dalhousie Art Centre) February 2 at 8 p.m. Admission is free.

### Friday

Dr. C. Quon, Ocean Circulation will speak on **The W5 of Numerical Modelling with Particular Reference to the Labrador Sea** on Friday, February 3, 1978 at 3 p.m., in Seminar Hall, 6th floor, Bedford Institute of Oceanography, Dartmouth, N.S.

The Halifax Philosophical Circle invites you to attend a public reading and discussion of the paper: **"Harman, Gettier Examples and Reasoning"** by Professor Thomas Vinci, Dalhousie University, Friday, 3 February 1978, 7:30 p.m. The Faculty Lounge, 5th floor, Administration Bldg., Saint Mary's University, Sponsored jointly by the Saint Mary's University Department of Philosophy and Dalhousie University Department of Philosophy.

The British sci-fi film classic, **Village of The Damned**, will be shown at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. on Friday, February 3, in the Life Sciences Building (Room 2815). Admission is \$1.50 (\$1.00 for children). Tickets available at the door.

**The Expressionist Image**, organized by Halifax artist Carol Fraser, will open at Mount Saint Vincent University Art Gallery, Friday, February 10, 8:30 p.m. The show consists of historic prints and drawings and contemporary work from the National Gallery, the Beaverbrook Art Gallery, Memorial University Gallery, Nova Scotia Art Bank and private collections.

Throughout the show a free film program will be presented, each Saturday and Sunday (February 11 and 12, 18 and 19, 25 and 26 and March 4 and 5), 2:30 p.m. featuring films on the work of various artists represented in the show. Also, special guided tours of **The Expressionist Image** will be available each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. These tours are designed especially for groups of school children Grade 6 age and older but may be arranged for other groups, at other times, by calling the Gallery.

### Saturday

The Marx Brothers film classic, **Room Service**, will be shown at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 4, in the Life Sciences Building (Room 2815). Admission is \$1.50 (\$1.00 for children). Tickets available at the door.

The puppet show **Hansel & Gretel** will be shown Saturday, February 4th at 10:30 a.m. at the Main Library, 5381 Spring Garden Road and at 2:30 p.m. at the North Branch Library, 2285 Gottingen Street.

### Sunday

This week's meeting of the Dalhousie Tolkien Society will feature a discussion on the topic "The Creation of the One Ring". A must for anyone interested in the fabrication and maintenance of rings of power, the session will also determine DTS activities for the remainder of the year. It is scheduled for Sunday, February 5, at 1 p.m. in Room 318 of the SUB. All middle earth enthusiasts welcome!

Three films will be shown on Sunday, February 5, at the Nova Scotia Museum Sunday afternoon film series. **"An Artist Looks at Chruches"** in Britain, **"The Royal Province"** about Nova Scotia and **"The Boat that Ian Built"** which refers to the Canadian built Laser sailboats, will be shown at 2:00 and repeated at 3:30. Admission to the museum is free.

### Monday

The **Nova Scotia Women's Action Committee** will be sponsoring a public meeting on Monday, February 6th at 8:15 p.m. at the Unitarian Church, Inglis St. The guest speaker for the evening will be Elizabeth Crocker, President of the Nova Scotia Advisory Council on the Status of Women. Everyone welcome.

**Attention chess players!** There will be an organizational meeting for the Atlantic Intercollegiate Chess Championship this Monday at 7:30 p.m. in room 316 of the SUB.

The history of the world will be presented in a two-part series, **The History Book**, to be shown at Dalhousie Monday, Feb. 6 and Monday, Feb. 13. Screenings are in the Killam Library auditorium at 12:30. Free, and everyone is welcome.

### Tuesday

There will be a meeting of the Halifax-Dartmouth **OXFAM** committee Tuesday, February 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the OXFAM office, 1539 Birmingham Street, just off Spring Garden Road. A new 20 minute slide tape show "Resistance to Apartheid 1976" will be shown and a short meeting will follow. Any persons interested in attending are more than welcome. For further information please phone Eleanor at 422-8338.

Dr. Alexander Young will give an illustrated talk on the **Directions in Canadian Sports** on Tuesday, February 7 at 8:00 p.m. in Room 406 Arts Centre, University Avenue. Comparisons will be made between present trends and changes which took place in Greek and Roman Sport. Sponsored by the Dalhousie Community Affairs Lecture Series in association with the Dalhousie Speaker's Bureau.

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**"The Channel Shore, An Analysis"**, will be the topic of the Literature in Atlantic Canada noon hour lecture series on Tuesday, February 7th from 12:05 - 12:55 p.m. at the Main Library, 5381 Spring Garden Road.

### Wednesday

There will be an introductory lecture on **Transcendental Meditation** on Wednesday, February 8, at 8:00 p.m., in the Killam Library Auditorium. Transcendental Meditation is a simple, mental technique which is practiced for 15 to 20 minutes twice daily, and which has been shown by scientific research to produce a wide range of physiological, psychological and social benefits. The lecture is free and open to anyone interested in learning more about the T.M. Program.

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A film, **"There is No Crisis"** will be shown Wednesday, February 8 at 8 p.m. in the McInnes Room of the Dalhousie Student Union. The film is part of the OXFAM Third World Film Series and it is the most recent film made about South Africa. The highly acclaimed film is co-sponsored by the Southern Africa Information Group. Admission is free.

### Thursday

The **Art Gallery of Nova Scotia** continues its Thursday Noon Performance series in February with dance, voice, piano, and pantomime hours. On February 9 there will be two dance groups, professional and amateur, their respective forms, modern and folk. The Halifax Dance Co-op will balance with the Sunday Evening Folkdancing group's Slavic, American, and English country dances in line, circle, and couple patterns. Admission is free.

A slide tape show and speaker, James MacLean from SAIG, on **South Africa** is the presentation on Thursday, February 9 at 12:30 in Room 410 SUB. This is part of the regular luncheon series co-sponsored by the International Students Association and the Overseas Student Co-ordinator. Admission is free and everyone is welcome. Bring your lunch.

### Coming Soon

**"Dental Care for You"** with Dr. Doug Chaytor of the Dalhousie Dental Clinic will be the topic of a talk and display for Senior Citizens at Gordon B. Isnor Manor, 5565 Cornwallis St., at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, February 9th. Everyone welcome. This program is co-sponsored by the Halifax Senior Citizens Resource and Information Centre and the Halifax City Regional Library.

"The Family as a Unit of Health and as a Unit of Disease" is the title of the lecture to be given by Dr. Dorothy Broderick, Editor-in-Chief of the **Voice of Youth Advocates** on Friday, February 10 at 10:45 a.m. in connection with the School of Library Service of Dalhousie University. Location: MacMechan Auditorium, Killam Library. Open to the public.

There will be an **International Student Association** meeting on February 10 at 8:00 p.m. in Rm. 314, SUB. Snacks will be served. All interested persons are welcome.

The School of Library Service, Dalhousie University presents a workshop on **"Violence in Children's and Young Adult Materials"** on Friday, February 10, 7:30 p.m. and continuing Saturday, February 11, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Conducted by Dr. Claire England, Faculty of Library Science, University of Toronto, and Dr. Dorothy Broderick. Location: MacMechan Auditorium. For further details contact the School Office at 454-3656.

The **Nova Scotia Youth Orchestra** will present **Peter and the Wolf** on Saturday, February 11, at 8 p.m. at the Q.E.H. Auditorium in Halifax. Admission is \$2.00 and \$3.00.

The Dartmouth Regional Library and the pro feminae project will co-sponsor a program for women on **Going Back to Paid Work** Tuesday, February 14 at 1:00 p.m. at the Woodlawn Mall Branch.

Basic Education classes for adults in reading and math for grades one to seven will take place every Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. at the North End Library, 2285 Gottingen Street.

Centennial Art Gallery, Citadel Hill, the branch Gallery of the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia, is presently featuring an **Exhibition of Selected Works** from the Permanent Collection of the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design.

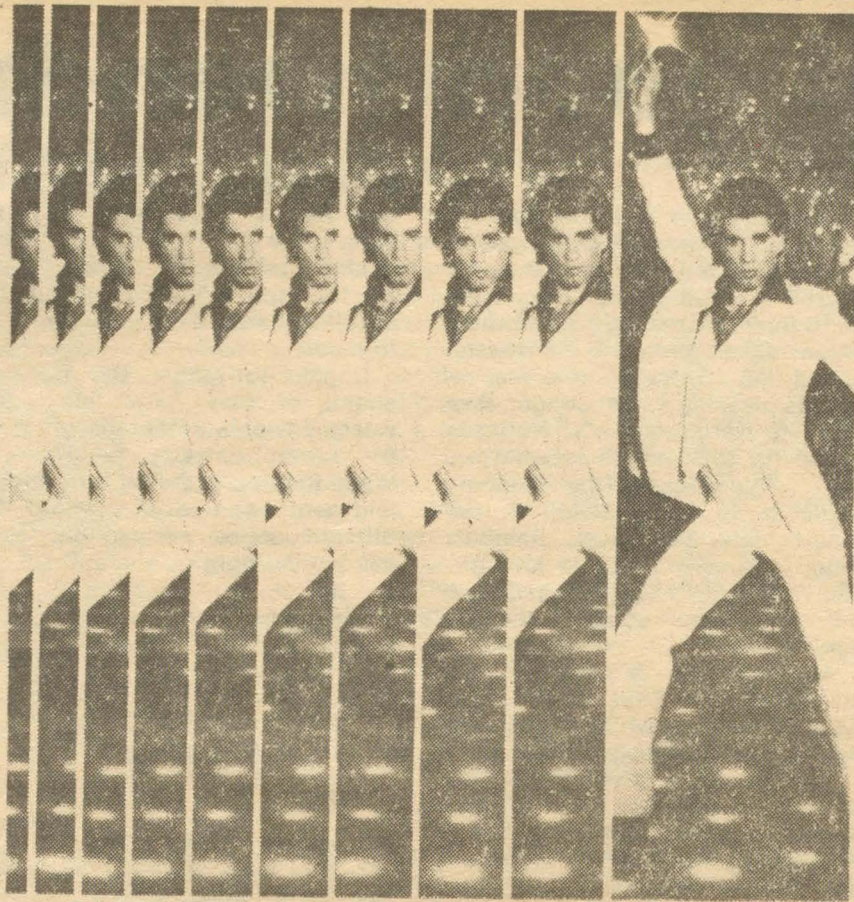
The Exhibition will be on display until February 5, 1978.

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## SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER

by Cheryl Downton

The promo reads: "Catch the fever . . . Saturday Night Fever . . . Catch it"; one can only hope it's not contagious. There is really no plot, talent is practically non-existent, the settings are flashy and inconsistent. The music is repetitious and unimaginative and the acting is so unstable it tarnishes the faintly realistic scenes and turns the movie into a choppy, not even believable hodgepodge.

Admittedly John Travolta can dance and cut a dynamic figure in \$27.50 shirts, pink pants and white suit. As for acting ability—he doesn't really get much of an opportunity to display much talent of any kind. Saturday Night Fever is attracting large audiences, but once the flash of the disco scenes wears off, there is very little left.

The story is one that has been used many a time before, with a few minor variations: Tony (Travolta) is a nineteen year old paint store clerk who lives at home with his Italian family. There are the usual family hassles which are supplemented by having Tony's older brother become a drop-out from the priesthood. Tony hangs around with his three friends whom he feels are just a little bit different from himself. He

is their self-styled leader and undisputed 'king' on the dance floor. No one falls in love, and there are the somewhat quasi scenes of a semi gangbang and a semi gang fight. Nothing really outstanding.

It's a shallow story with mediocre performances by all. Even the sub plots are not carried effectively, and relationships that have the potential to develop are ignored. The central relationship between Tony and Steffanie (Karen Lynn Gorney) falls firmly flat on its feet—there just isn't enough there to keep it going.

The ending seems to suffer the same fate as other current movies on the market—something is definitely amiss. In **Saturday Night Fever**, there are three things at fault: the preceding story refuses to support the conclusion reached, it's an unrealistic and therefore unbelievable conclusion, and the actors do not have the strength to carry it off.

by Robin Metcalfe  
**Saturday Night Fever—Nostalgia for the Seventies**

It had to happen. As we have sunk down through the depression years of the 1970's, North Americans have taken to gazing backwards at the (supposedly) happier

past. Hollywood gave the 50's a facelift in "American Graffiti" and a cult was born. In "Saturday Night Fever" we are presented with the latest twist, nostalgia for the present.

The basis of nostalgia is the creation of myth. Instead of reality, we are shown what we would like to believe about the past (or the present).

Disco is Hollywood's latest discovery. Originating in the gay subculture, it was ignored until straights took it up. Now we have two heavily-promoted films in quick succession, "Looking for Mr. Goodbar" and "Saturday Night Fever". Like their forerunner, "Carwash", they depict the tension between the reality of working people and the escapist dreams of Success and Power that are sold to them. None of these films succeed, however, and "Fever" is the biggest failure. "Carwash" did have the common touch, a feel for the gritty everyday textures of work. "Goodbar" captured some of the frightening brutality of sexuality in our society. "Fever", however, never rises above cliché.

The story (with some uncanny similarities to that of "Goodbar") concerns a 19-year-old Italian Brooklynite named Tony, who works in a paint store, hangs around with his punky friends and comes alive once a week at the local disco. The "Odyssey 2001" is a palace of fantasies, where working-class youths dress like fashion models and life is transported into an ideal world for one night a week. Unfortunately, the disco scenes are a bit too slick and glamorous to be believable, and unlike in "Goodbar", the distinction is not made between reality and the main character's fantasies.

The film becomes a sort of updated 1960's surfing saga. The conflicts are trite and predictable. Tony and his friends suffer the usual adolescent traumas, and our hero "grows up" a little, but nothing important is learned. As in the old teen movies, women are depicted as less-than-human sex toys, always ready to be fucked. (The film's favourite word must be "cunt") Judging from the audience response when I saw it, the film plays for low comedy; slapstick at best, "dirty talk" at its most juvenile. It amazes me how adults can be sent into nervous giggles by something as ordinary as John Travolta scratching his crotch. The university students who dominated the audience are perhaps not as comfortable with their sexuality as they would like to believe.

"Saturday Night Fever" looks at the present through a rear-view mirror. It distorts our reality instead of confronting it.

# B.B.!

by Andrew Gillis

B.B. King will walk onstage March 30 at Q.E.H. Auditorium and be met with a standing ovation. He is the most popular bluesman in history.

B.B. is not only a best-seller; he is legendary, and he is that because he is an innovator. A best-seller and an innovator—all in one. He is quite alive and well, and a healthy 52 years old.

B.B.'s recent albums, though, have been anything but worthwhile. Less guitar work, and less straight blues material, are to be found in each successive one. The only exception to this rule has been the release of two "reunion" live albums which B.B. has recorded with the big voice, Bobby Blue Bland. (Bobby, as Gregg Allman tells us on an old record of his, really brought "Stormy Monday Blues" to fame.) But "Lucille Talks Back" (ABC 1976) is an example of B.B.'s problems: the album contains much less than a half hour of music.

Also, B.B.'s crowds recently have been smaller and smaller. Not long ago, when B.B. was revived, and he responded with "Alive And Well", "Completely Well", "Cook County Jail"—the crowds for B.B. were huge.

"Cook County Jail" is the B.B. to be remembered: a perfect record, made in the Chicago area jail where until 1969, naked female inmates took on male inmates for heroin hits and sex; in the corridors, anywhere. The blues has always seemed healthy when iniquity is there.

The world can only take so much of a legend; it has only a certain amount of reverence on hand. B.B. has so many good years left in him that he has to try to create a new repertoire with his new albums. He has to win new fans. He's damned if he doesn't create some new material, because the supply of reverence will run out and the crowds will thin. For blues habituals like me, though, he's damned if he leaves the old stuff behind. Who would want to be a legend in his own time? B.B. is one and he has suffered for it.

But if B.B. comes into Q.E.H. and cuts out with all the "Cook County" material, ain't nobody gonna pay no mind. It will be his first time here, and I know guys who have waited the eight years since 1970 to hear that Cook County stuff. That standing ovation is guaranteed, and deserved. I will be standing, anyway.

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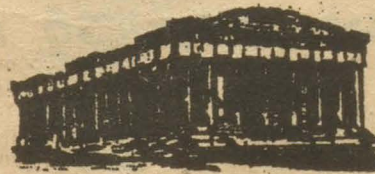
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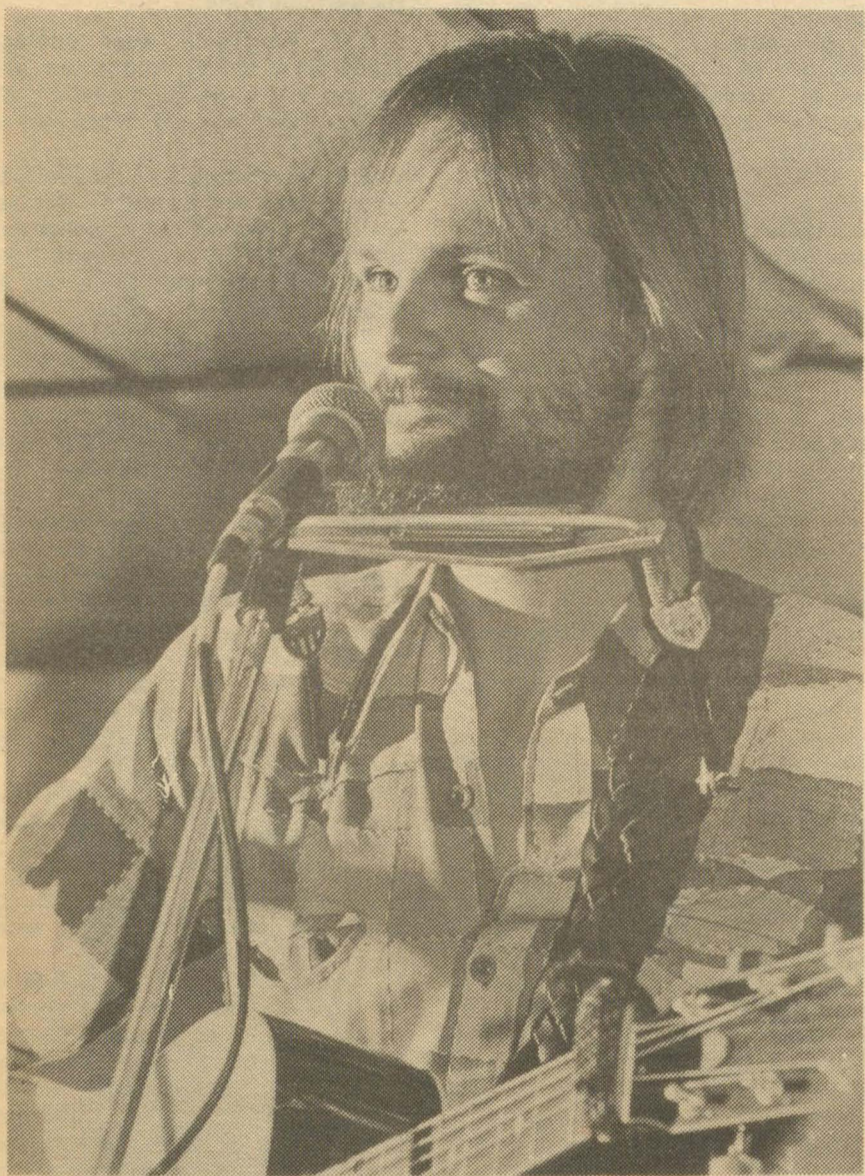
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Jonathan Edwards

# Warm music and good friends



by Cheryl Downton

Thawing out an audience is not an easy task; defrosting frozen bodies in the wee hours of the morning takes a special knack. Fortunately the Edwards combination was equal to the task and even the most frostbitten and soggy melted at a touch.

Jonathan Edwards is not a new face to Halifax audiences, and it's not likely he'll fade from view for many a year. His latest concert at

the Cohn was all one could wish for—polished, yet wrapped up in so much warmth and good feelings. Edwards is a man who shares his family, his friends, and even his dog, through a combination of music and musicians. He does backup for his wife Carolina, and she for him. They both play with the same musicians, exuding the closeness they all seem to feel for each other. Even excellent musicians can come together to a finer degree if

there is that extra something—a oneness.

Wife Carolina did the opening set, and one was truly amazed at the refreshing quality of that voice. It's the 'live' concerts which give the lie to the recorded sound, but there was no disappointment. She doesn't sound like anyone else—a realization as pleasing as her songs: **New Sun** ("to warm you up"); **Holiness** ("graceful rock music is what we do"); **Shipwrecked** (the listening audience is responsible for the jungle noise sequence); **Rainbow Reign**—Rainbow reign is falling / and I thought I heard you calling / out my name / could I believe again /.

As could only be expected, she concluded the set with **Nova Scotia**—the song which established her as a talented solo performer.

Another super talent who really excelled throughout the concert was keyboard virtuoso Kenny White. White could have easily upstaged his fellow musicians but was content to remain part of the entire effort, although his brilliance is undeniable.

During the intermission the audience was bombarded with the recorded voice of Linda Ronstadt and her **Simple Dreams** lp; probably in an unusual attempt to keep everyone awake and ready for the second set. It was worth the wait.

Jonathan Edwards is a true musician in every sense of the word. He plays excellent harmonica, polished guitar, and has a clear singing voice which remains unaffected despite varying degrees of success in the recording industry. It is again the 'live' performance where he comes into his own. He has an enviable rapport with his listeners, and seems to respond to every mood. The musical offering was a little bit of all things: **Honky Tonk Stardust Cowboy** brought out the ham; **Don't Cry Blue** and **Athens County** had hands clapping and feet stomping; **Sunshine** brought back memories; a new selection **Show Me**, accompanied

by excellent oral accordion, is worth the price of an album on its own merits; **Cold Snow** was the song of the weather hour—"The sky is shining white my love / to cover all the ground"; the smash hit **Carolina Caroline**—"I love you" set to music.

Unable to ignore the frenzied chants of 'play' 'play' 'play', the weary Edwards entourage returned for a very unweary rendition of **When the Roll is Called Up Yonder**, and sent one and all off into the blizzard outside, warned that "We'll see you all right up there."

*turntable*  
of *drugs*  
by Andrew Gillis

## Star Wars

Saturday night a friend and I set out on an evening of mellow film-watching. The evening began with **The Marx Brothers Go West**, the 1940 production in which Groucho tells Lulu Belle "Oh, I didn't recognize you standing up", and in which Harpo hones an axe on a railway car wheel. It made me think of "A Day At The Races", a Marx Brothers classic set in contemporary times, and a film which has a lot of music. Most of the music is trite (I think Groucho planned to have the music in his films as self-parody); but when the track stewards and their families get to boogieing behind the stables with Harpo and his licking stick—well (hot damn) that's fun.

We followed the Marx Brothers with two hours of jazz films at the National Film Board. Like the Marx Brothers, the jazz greats in this collection—**Fats Waller**, **Cab Calloway**, **Count Basie**, the fierce riff man **Benny Goodman**—were pictured in that specially mysterious world of black-and-white. Seeing these films, just spliced together, most of them commercially prepared for showing as shorts in theatres, was an intense historical trip. Calloway, in white tie and white tails, spinning like one of the Locker Dancers on Soul Train—in 1935. Totally liquid jitterbug and jive dance moves, accompanied by the hard saxophone of Coleman Hawkins—in 1960, the dancers being a doorman and waiter in a New York club. You should have seen that—that was people boogieing.

## No Dancin'

Saturday evening ended. I was watching people trying to get some boogieing done at a disco here on campus. Not even enough room on the dance floor to fart, let alone dance. Music on the \$10,000 JBL sound system that was outrageous: the disco version of the Beatles. Not just one hit by the Beatles. Every song I ever heard by them, right down to "I Want You So Bad". A medley: each excerpt 20 seconds.

It is possible that like the Piccadilly, this disco was programming anything but funky music so that it would not attract a black audience. The Pic seems to do this every few months. But the irony of it, after seeing those films; the thought of such stupidity . . . I remember saying to myself at this disco: "God—this is real life." The films were history.

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# Shoshan Unsensational



by Sheena Masson

Did you ever order something from a magazine and when it arrived, well, the ad didn't lie but it didn't tell the truth either. This was how I felt Thursday evening at Shoshana Shoshan's performance. A promotional release sheet described Miss Shoshan as having a warm stage personality and an agile and flexible coloratura voice. I anticipated "an exciting opportunity

to hear a commanding soprano."

True, Miss Shoshan did have an unceasing smile but otherwise she never said a word to the audience. Her agility was seldom demonstrated though when she did sing in the higher ranges, it was in a rich mezzo tone rather than the lighter coloratura.

The richness of her voice was marred however by a continual slow throaty vibrato which at times was

almost disturbing, and caused her to sound somewhat off-pitch. As she made constant use of vibrato which requires a tensed and open shape, her words tended to be mouthy and indistinct. She may have been flexible enough to sing in five languages but they all sounded the same to me, if one can imagine Italian and German sounding alike.

Miss Shoshan was not immediately recognizable as the same person in her promotional photo. I imagine that picture and the release itself are at least ten years out of date. She may once have sung to a "sophisticated New York audience" and received "thunderous applause" but just because they liked her then, doesn't mean we have to like her now.

The release trades on what she used to be, not what she is today. Once a soloist with the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, Miss Shoshan sang only with piano at the Cohn. Her accompanist, looking like an Avon lady who had knocked on the wrong door and an over eager page turner, did nothing to help her image. One could imagine a still smiling Shoshana returning to her hotel room politely regal while the other two remained just politely polite. The overall feeling was one of pathos rather than awe.

For the bull-pen of pencil chewing reporters I was in, this was just another review. But I imagine that the majority of the audience felt disappointed and, well, deceived. Cultural Activities should research the releases they receive and require a recent recording or at least more recent reviews.

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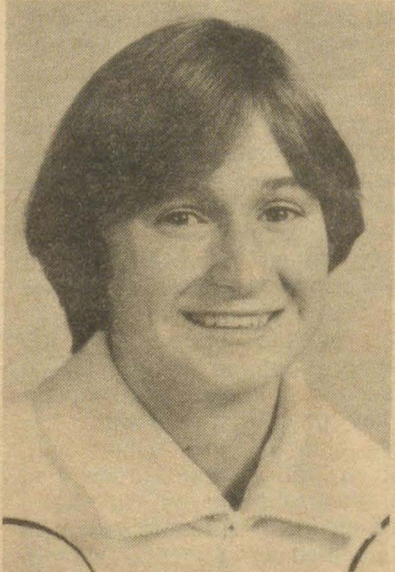
## Women Tigers win

The Dalhousie Women's Volleyball Team has once again turned its fortunes in a positive direction. After dropping two straight matches, they have won their last two handily against Mount Allison Friday night, 15-11, 15-10, 14-16 and 15-5.

Last Saturday, Dal tangled with the always strong Ceilidh Volleyball Club from Halifax. The final outcome being 15-7, 15-10, 12-15, and 20-18 in favour of the Black and Gold.

Saturday, Dal will play host to the powerful UNB club. In the only previously scheduled meeting between Dal and UNB, the match was postponed due to the flu bug visiting the Fredericton campus. Game time on Saturday is 1 p.m. so come out and support the Dal team.

Two players who will be playing a large role in the Dal Women's quest for top spot in the AUA are Deb Porter and Cindy Moore.



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Deb Porter, second year Phys. Ed., is in her second season with the Women's Volleyball Team. A native of Dartmouth, Deb is a back court specialist in the Lois MacGregor organization.

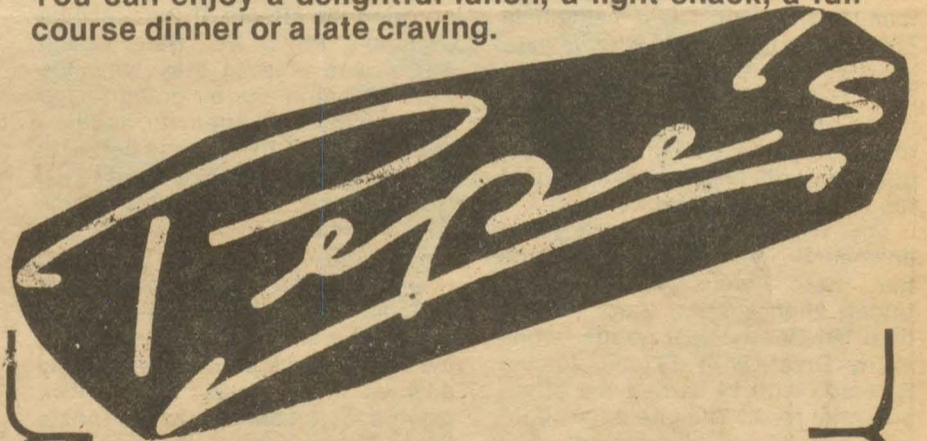


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A rookie on the team who wasted no time in making her presence felt is Cindy Moore. Last year Cindy led the Halifax West Warriors to the high school provincial volleyball crown

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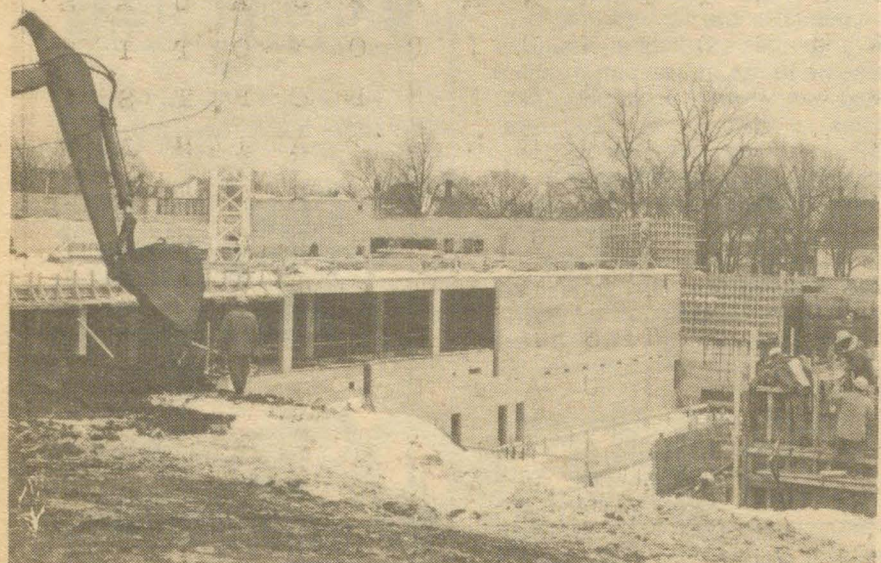
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# A preview of Dalplex from inside



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*Dalplex is running on schedule and should be ready for use by February or March, 1979. By the time this issue is printed the main floor should be poured and what is shown will be covered up until the opening.*

by Peter Hayes

After looking at the working blueprints for Dalplex, Dalhousie's new sports complex, one can only look with eager anticipation and awe at what the future will hold for sports at Dalhousie. It promises to be a marvellous facility, and it is hoped that 85 to 90 percent of the student population will take advantage of it, a reasonable expectation considering the facilities to be enclosed under the new roof.

According to Ken Bellemare, the head of Dalhousie Athletics, the

new complex might be in use by this time next year, but that would be "very lucky". Probably the official opening would not be until September 1979, after most of the kinks have been worked out.

Bellemare says the complex is proceeding on schedule, the budget is being kept in hand and the fund raising campaign is picking up dramatically. Approximately two million dollars is still needed.

The complex will facilitate 500 people an hour. On the bottom floor

there is a 50 metre pool that has 2 removable partitions, making it good enough to use in international competitions. There are four squash and four raquetball/handball courts as well as a major weight training room.

The second floor consists of offices, locker rooms, and the equipment room, which will have three windows for more efficient service. The courts on the bottom floor extend up through the second floor, where there are observation balconies. The locker rooms are quite unique in that they will be suspended above the pool area. Steel girders, being installed now, will hold up the rooms—further maximizing the vast space of the complex. Class and training rooms are also located at this level.

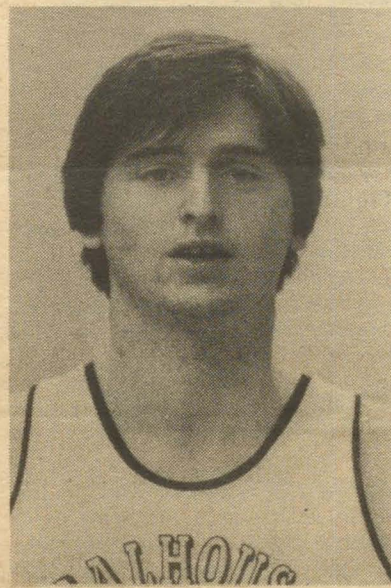
The main floor of Dalplex will undoubtedly be the highlight. The dimensions are 90 by 70 yards, with a hard, green rubber-type surface. There are to be two main courts at the center, one for volleyball and one for basketball, with the possibility of 3,000 seats being moved around them for major events. The combinations of courts that can be made on the rest of the floor is

phenomenal, with everything from tennis (2 permanent courts) to a gymnastics floor. For a major badminton tournament, 14 courts or more could be laid down. Courts can be laid down and taken up, baskets moved in and out, and nets raised and lowered almost at will—whatever the demand. There is also a warm-up room on this floor.

The cover of the facility will be an air suspension steel roof. Around the perimeter of the top level and above the main floor is a 12-foot wide track. The only way to get into the main floor will be through revolving doors, one for the general public and one from the locker area. Bellemare admitted this might cause congestion but that Dalplex was being built primarily with student needs in mind, and is definitely not solely a spectator facility. He added that Dal's "Sports For All" philosophy is being held in perspective and given priority.

Hopefully Dalplex will proceed as it is now—on schedule. That way the many Dal students awaiting its opening will not be disappointed due to delay, for there will be no disappointment in the facility itself.

## SMU hard on Tigers



*Bob Fagan became only the third player in C.I.A.U. history to score 2000 points in Varsity basketball. The milestone was accomplished in a Munro Day contest against St. Mary's.*

five is not enough.

Bob Fagan has scored 2,000 points in his career. He went into the SMU game with 1986 and got his fourteenth point in the first half to reach this magic milestone.

Bob was in foul trouble for the rest of the game and spent much time on the Tiger bench, an unusual position in all his four years. This being just outside his range, he ended with "just" 18. The Tigers sometimes look too much for his scoring contributions and must learn to stay together without him.

The St. F.X. basketball team came to town last Wednesday ranked fifth in the nation and hung on to win 76-75 against a well prepared and determined Tiger quintet. "We stayed with our game plan for forty minutes and showed the maturity, team play and poise necessary to compete at the top of this league," said Coach Al Yarr after the game. It was a significant step for the team but not the final step upward. The best style for the Tigers is evident, but whether they can be consistent with this style remains the question.

Bob Fagan led all scorers with twenty-eight points, followed by Mike Donaldson with twenty-two points on phenomenal 89% floor shooting and a game leading twelve rebounds. Donaldson had a chance to tie it with two foul shots at the buzzer and made only one, a seemingly unjust ending to a brilliant game. However, without Mike's efforts the game would not have been close. The deciding factor in the game was X's exceptional outside shooting late in the second half. Paul McGrath hit five key jumpers from deep in the corner and led the X-men with eighteen points. Pat Adrien had seventeen followed by Gil Green with sixteen. Both teams shot well as X finished with 55% and Dal with 49%. It was a clear case of X winning a close one.

This is "the" weekend. The team travels to UPEI for two must games. Two wins almost insures a play-off berth. Two losses . . . well, a split leaves everything wide open.

## Women Tigers back to winning ways

After absorbing their 3rd league loss to UNB last week, our female Tigers bounced back with a vengeance, recording wins over St. F.X., U de M, and Mt. Allison, and in the bargain pushed their season record to 11 wins against 3 losses, good enough for 2nd place behind the unbeaten UNB squad.

On Wednesday, the women downed St. F.X. 61-50 in a game that both teams would rather forget. High scoring Carol Rosenthal led Dal with 19 points, while Kathy Bryan with 23 and Joanne Richards with 14 carried the offensive mail for X. The one bright light from the "Tabbies" point of view was their vastly improved free throw performance, where they hit on 29 of 34 attempts for a high 85%.

Taking to the road over the weekend, Coach Carolyn Savoy's charges downed U de M on Friday evening 90-61 in a fast, high scoring

contest. With most team members showing the effects of the previous evening's Phys. Ed. Ball, Coach Savoy was able to stay with the swift Monctonians by going to her bench early and often, in addition to employing a tough zone defense. Anne Lindsay and Chris Buckle led the balanced Dal scoring attack with 14 points.

On Saturday against an over matched Mt. Allison squad, our girls returned to their effective, evenly balanced scoring and easily downed their hosts 78-39. Five players hit double figures, as rookie Diane Thompson led the way with 19 points, followed by Carol Rosenthal and Anne Lindsay with 14, while Chris Buckle with 12 and Kathy Donovan with 10 rounded out the top five. Next home game is Feb. 4 when Mt. Allison visit the Dal campus.

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Live play-by-play broadcasts with Blair Dwyer and Pat Findlay on location at the Dalhousie arena.

Sun. Feb. 5: St. F.X. at Dal - 2 p.m.

Tues. Feb. 7: S.M.U. at Dal - 7 p.m.

##### Basketball:

Live play-by-play from the Dal gymnasium.

Fri. Feb. 10: Women's action - the league-leading U.N.B. team at Dal - 7 p.m.

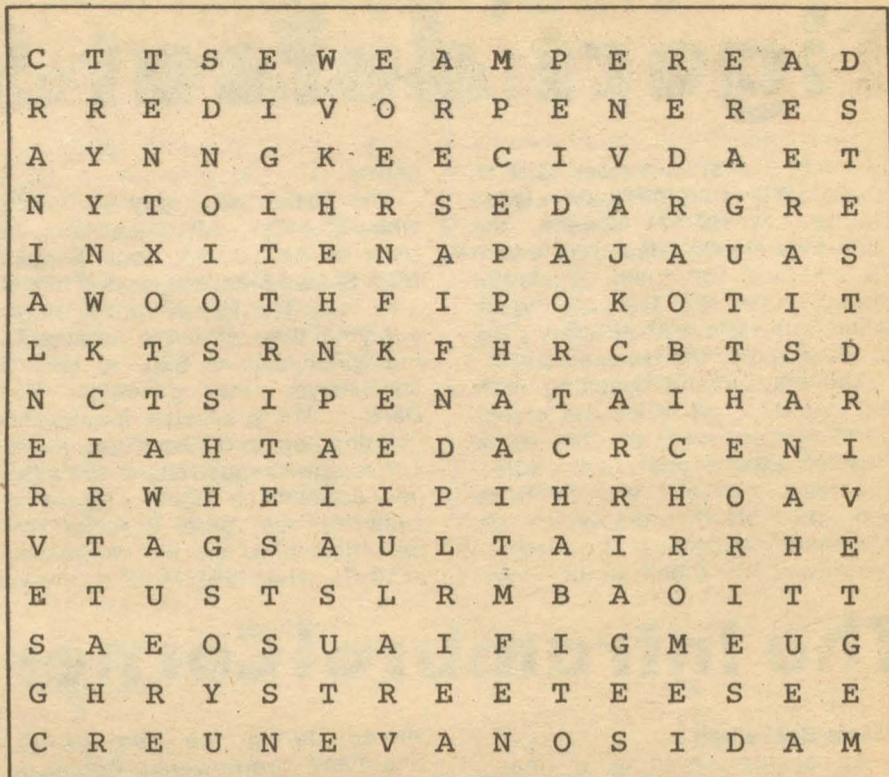
Sat. Feb. 25: Acadia at Dal, Men's action - 8 p.m.

# Dalorama

by Michael Cormier Anne Littlewood Sue Gravéfell

**Rules**

Find the word which best suits the clue. The word begins with the letter above the clue you are dealing with. The number after each clue gives the number of letters in the word. When you get the word, try to find it in the box of letters. Circle the letters in the word. After all words have been found the quiz word will remain.



- A-
  - symbol of life in ancient Egypt (4)
  - inflammation of joints (9)
  - French physicist of the 19th century (6)
  - it is a good idea to listen to this from time to time (6)
- B-
  - a straight rod-shaped bacterium (8)
  - what you are when you are provided with your meals and lodging (7)
  - two-colored (8)
- C-
  - baby, trade, way and typewriter (8)
  - substance used medicinally as a stimulant and diuretic (8)
  - mammals have 12 pairs (13)
  - room, plaster, side and order (5)
  - this game involves skill and intelligence (5)
  - parking lot (7)
- D-
  - tax, warrant, camp and mask (5)
  - not everyone gets these letters (8)
  - period from 476 A.D. to 1000 A.D. (8)
- E-
  - a cold-blooded animal (9)
  - will this type of death become acceptable? (10)
- F-
  - most of these grow on trees (6)
- G-
  - an instrument for measuring (5)
  - you must have good ones in order to succeed?? (6)
- H-
  - three goals scored in one game by the same player (8)
  - manner of conducting oneself (5)
- I-
  - card, crisis, element and matrix (8)
- J-
  - honda's homeland (5)
- L-
  - a close bond (7)
- M-
  - the longest month in the army (5)
  - center of the American advertising business (13)
  - American actress noted for her full figure (7)

- O-
  - eight legged feline found in the ocean (9)
  - capital of this great country (6)
- P-
  - authority to act for another (5)
  - one who provides (8)
- R-
  - you better stop if this boils over (8)
- S-
  - tranquil (6)
  - hockey, car, lights and side (6)
- T-
  - never buy a car before doing this (9)
- these are not always correct (8)

**Quizword Clue**  
try not to miss this (14)



Malcolm McNeill

## The Hermitage Restaurant

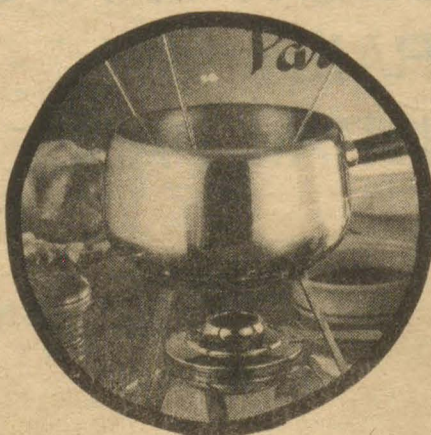
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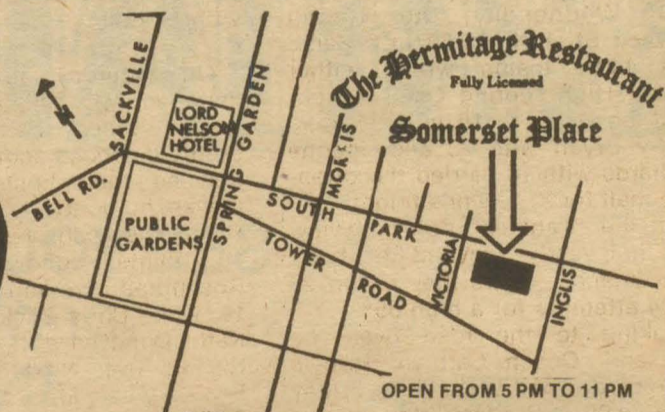


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# Tigers defeat SMU Huskies 3-1

In their first win over S.M.U. since last beating the Huskies twice during the 1970-71 season, the Tigers gave a well deserved reward to all fans for their consistent support over the last few years when Dalhousie beat St. Mary's 3-1 at the home of the Huskies.

The players and coaching staff did not let down after the disappointing 5-4 loss to the same Huskies exactly one week earlier. The team character was at stake and the efforts displayed on Wednesday indicate that our representatives really believe in them-

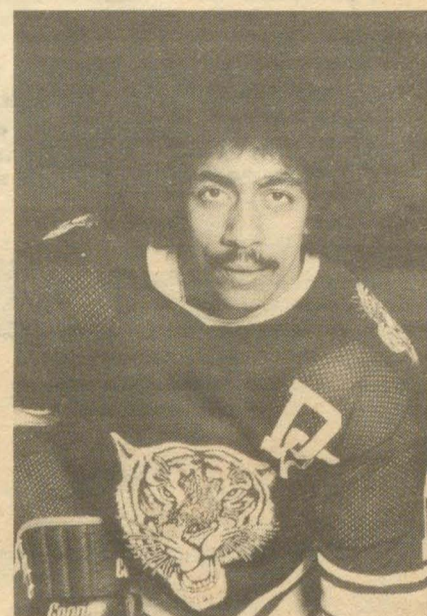
selves.

The game was only 2:31 old when Dan Cyr, left unprotected in front of SMU's net, took a pass from Shawn MacDonald to give Dal a 1-0 lead. The Tigers went to work, applying their effective forechecking which caused SMU to take 3 successive minor penalties. But Dal's power play was inept, and remained so throughout the game. The tempo changed at 10:15 of the period when the Tigers were to be called for the 1st of 3 successive penalties. SMU quickly capitalized at 10:53, when Mike Melanson fed a

pass to Mike Backman who broke around the defenceman to score on a low drive to the far side.

Both teams continued to apply pressure but remained cautious in their own end, a true example of play-off style action. Dal had outshot the Huskies 17-9 in the first period but the shots were fairly even in the second, 10-9 in favour of SMU. Ken Bickerton was outstanding in nets and proved to be the key in the 3rd period as the unbeaten Huskies tried to pull a rally after Hal Davidson provided the Tigers with the winner at 2:42. It was a beautiful play as Dan "The Bean" Cyr busted down the right side, forearm out, and passed across the crease to Davidson, who slipped it in. Bravo, Hal, for the "Biggy"!

The fans immediately proceeded to encourage the Tigers to apply pressure, and so they did. A penalty to Daniel Mongeon with 3:16 left to play did not affect Dal's morale or play, as they kept applying pressure even shorthanded. With 38 seconds to play Backman received a minor for charging as well as 5 minutes for fighting, as did Aldrich from Dal. This nullified SMU's extra attacker when goaltender Tim Cuppage was pulled out. Nevertheless Bickerton had to come out with 2 more big saves to salvage the win. A final faceoff took place in Dal's territory with 9 seconds to play



Hal Davidson scored a "picture perfect" winning goal in an exciting win over SMU last week.

which Earl Theriault won. It went to Cyr, to Off, who fired a pass along the boards that speedster MacDonald saved to score just prior to the green light going on.

The Tigers have learned and matured the hard way, but it now seems well worth it. The drive is on for a play-off spot and the support of all Tiger fans would be greatly appreciated during the next 4 home games.

## The Intramural Corner

### Men's Basketball

An exciting evening in men's intramural basketball Thursday resulted in T.Y.P. beating Engineers 28-13 and Law A 41, Meds A 38. Both games involved quick passing and plenty of end to end action.

T.Y.P. led the Engineers throughout the game and, although the score was low, many attempts were made by both teams. High scorers were: T.Y.P.'s Pat Viner—10, Elkiney Simmons—9, and Enus Crawford—8; for Engineers it was Chris Reno—10 and J. Salah—6.

The score was close throughout the Med-Law game, and at the end of regulation time both teams were tied. Law was on top by 3 after the five minute overtime period. High scorers were: Meds A—G. Donald 13, Law A—C. Charboneau 9, K. Johnson 9, and Brian Creighton 10.

### Hockey

If you like goals you should have been at the Dal rink to watch intramural hockey last Thursday night, when there were fifteen goals

scored during the two games. Pharmacy overpowered Engineers 7-1. Brian O'Rourke, Alex Mackinnon, Doug Sewell, Glenn Nevers and Dave Guiman all had one, while Wade Simpson slapped 2 into the Engineers goal. Mike Kelly had the lone goal for the Engineers.

In the second game, Studley B shutout Cameron 7-0. Scorers were Marty Boudreau, 3; Paul Dubicais, 2; Mark Walton, 1; and Bill Marion, 1.

### Co-ed Broomball

Physical Education defeated Geology 2-1 in Co-ed Broomball on Wednesday night. Geology scored first when W. Wightman put one past the P.E. netminder, but Keith MacPherson and Penny Stoker followed with one each to give P.E. the one goal edge. The next game was won by Medicine when Law defaulted. D. Corkum scored in the final minute of the game to give Dents 1 a 2-0 victory over Ocean 1. The winning goal was scored by B. Snow.

### Upcoming Tiger Hockey Games:

Sat. Feb. 4	Dal at Acadia	2:00 p.m.
***Sun. Feb. 5	St. F.X. at Dal	2:00 p.m.
***Tues. Feb. 7	SMU at Dal	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 10	Dal at Moncton	8:00 p.m.
Sat. Feb. 11	Dal at UNB	2:00 p.m.
***Wed. Feb. 15	Acadia at Dal	7:00 p.m.
***Sat. Feb. 18	St. F.X. at Dal	2:00 p.m.

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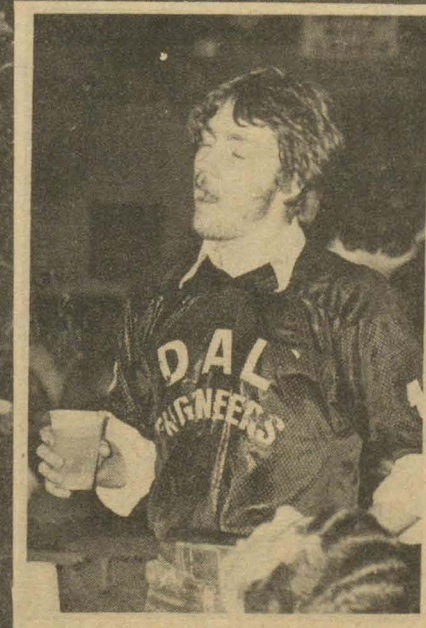
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## FEBRUARY 2ND THURSDAY

TUX'D TIGER ON ICE — Winter Carnival Ball - 9-1 a.m., McInnes Room \$10.00 couple. Music: GRIFFIN Buffet provided.

## FEBRUARY 3RD FRIDAY

Pool Tournament 6:00 p.m. Games Room, SUB  
TIGER'S TROT — Dance Marathon at Study Hall, Howe Hall 9 p.m. - 9 a.m. Regular disco from 9 - 1 a.m. After 1 a.m. only contestants can stay. Admission \$1.00. Competitors in couples only. Submit your names to the SUB Enquiry Desk. Bar services provided.

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## FEBRUARY 4TH

Snooker Tournament 10:30 a.m. Games Room, SUB.

JOIN TIGER AT THE OUTDOOR EVENTS  
(all forms at the Enquiry Desk, SUB)

Cross-Country Ski Race - Point Pleasant Park - 9:00 a.m.  
Mid-Winter Jogger's Race - Point Pleasant Park - 9:15 a.m.  
Basketball-Shoe Relay Race - Studley Field - 10:30 a.m.  
(4 members per team)

Snowball Throw — Studley Field - 11:00 a.m.  
1) (Individual) Distance Throw  
2) (Team of 2) Throw and Catch

McInnes Room  
8 p.m.  
Sunday, Feb 5  
\$2.00

Tiger's Trance



Tux'd Tiger on Ice  
McInnes Room  
9 - 1 a.m.  
Thurs. Feb 2  
\$10.00 per couple



Tug O'War — Studley Field - 11:30 a.m.  
(no more than 10 members per team)

Motor Cycle Race — Studley Field - 12 noon  
1) Studded Tires  
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Parachutists to land on Studley Field  
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Broomball Game — Dal Rink - 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.  
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Mixed Doubles Snooker Tournament — 11 a.m. Games Room, SUB

Judging of the Snow Sculptures — 12:30 p.m.

Tobogganing Party — St. Francis Hill on Robie Street 1:30 p.m.

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