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Forget your vacation...

### **Union and Admin settle - for**

by Alex Burton

It appears Dalhousie Students will not have to face a second strike in three years as the Administration and Faculty Association reached a tentative settlement Tuesday night.

content or nature of the agreement fication" said Williams. until a definate settlement is

David Williams, president of the DFA, said "an agreement was reached in the wee hours of the morning" and the settlement package includes monetary and non-monetary issues.

The settlement is not a final agreement, and the DFA execu-Both the Vice Presidents Office tive will meet this Wednesday to and the Office of the Dalhousie discuss endorsing the agreement. Faculty Association (DFA) con- "We will take the agreement to firmed a tentative settlement had our members tonight (Wednesbeen reached. However, both sides day) and they will indicate to us are refusing to comment on the how to proceed in regards to rati-

Asked if he was pleased with the settlement Williams replied "I

have enormous confidence in our negotiating team."

Any settlement must be ratified by the Faculty Assocation and Dalhousie's Board of Governors.

Eric McKee, vice president of

student services, said he was "not aware of any plans for a special meeting of the Board (to ratify the deal)." The Board is not scheduled to meet until October 16.

"Its going to take a couple of

weeks to print out a true agreement and make sure the t's are crossed and the i's are dotted" Williams said.

If everything goes as smoothly as possible the DFA could have a new contract by mid to late October said Williams.

Students Opposed to a Strike (SOS) spokesperson Kevin Young remaines cautious about the agreement. " As long as it is tentative it means there has not been a settlement" he said.

Don Manson, student representative on the Dalhousie Board of Govenors said he is "cautiously optimistic (about the settlement) and hopes it will all work out."

Young feels the information SOS distributed had an impact on negotiations. "I think students making an effort and getting informed definately had an effect on the mind set of the negotiating parties" he said.

### **Great marc**

Gazette staff

Approximately 1000 women participated in the annual Take Back the Night March held in Halifax last Saturday.

The March is held to raise awareness about violence against women and children. Focussed on reclaiming the streets at night, the march also addresses physical and emotional abuse women experience in their homes and at work.

Lara Morris, a Students Union of Nova Scotia representative and one of the organizers, described the march as a big success. "The number of women who showed

SSAV. Service for Sexual As- their experiences with violence. sault Victims, and a handful of Stone and Pandora.

participant in the March.

Women rallied at the Grand Parade and listened to Donna Marshall, a representative of the Low Income Network (LINK), talk about women's experiences with oppression in a society still largely dominated by men.

The crowd wound its way through downtown Halifax and up Spring Garden Road. Gathering participants as they marched and becoming increasingly vocal, the women continued up Coburg Road, turned down LeMarchant and arrived at the Dalhousie

Finishing in the Green Room of up was overwhelming. It gave me the Dalhousie Student Union a sense of the collective power Building, the crowd was welwomen have to fight the injustices comed by the band Earthwitch. we have experienced," she said. An open mike session was held The march was organized by and individual women spoke of

The march is designated as a other women's organizations in- women-only event. When this was cluding the Nova Scotia Council announced at the beginning of the on the Status of Women, Stepping march some women expressed their disagreement by leaving. The "There was empowerment in issue of men not participating in the air as women took their right the march was also rasied at the to walk the streets at night and in open mike session, but women set the day," said Shannon Gowans, a aside their differences and the spirit of the evening continued.

### SOS has information lin

phone line to provide up to date information on the status of negotians between the Dalhousie Faculty Association and the Dalhousie Administration.

Dialing 494 - 1275 connects students to a recorded message Students Opposed to a Strike stating the latest developments in (SOS) have established a tele- the negotiation process. "The service is one more way to provide students with as much information as possible" said SOS spokesperson Kevin Young. continued on P. 10

### Amnesty at work in Halifax

by Michael McCarthy

Although there have been encouraging changes in eastern Europe, serious human rights abuses are still common in many countries, says worldwide human rights group Amnesty International.

Last year political prisoners were detained in at least 92 countries. Prisoners of conscience, persons detained for their origins or peaceful expression of their beliefs, were held in 71 countries. Reports of torture and ill-treatment were received from 96 countries-over half the countries in the world.

"The events in eastern Europe show that when the will to endthem exists, human rights abuses can be stopped. The world needs human rights now, there can be no excuses for violations," says local Amnesty member Jim Cruikshank.

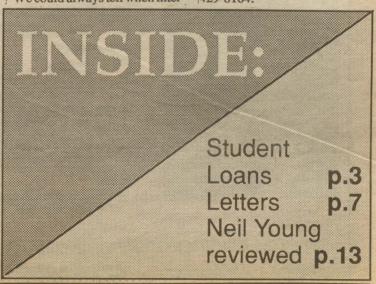
An impartial, non-governmental organization, Amnesty International aims for the observance by all countries of the principles in the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights that are relevant to the group's mandate. Amnesty seeks the release of prisoners of conscience; fair trials for all political prisoners; and the end of torture and the death penalty in all cases. It also works on cases of extrajudicial execution, "disappearances", and refugees at risk of abuse if returned to their country of origin.

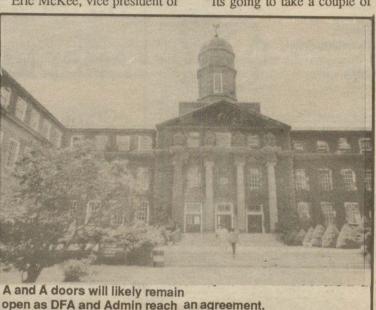
Amnesty International members write letters to governments responsible for human rights violations, urging them to protect basic human rights. Last year, the organization worked on behalf of 3,376 prisoners of conscience worldwide, 1,143 prisoners were released.

Many of those freed credit Amnesty's work on their behalf as being the key factor in their re-

"One released prisoner wrote, 'We could always tell when international protests were taking place... the food rations increased and the beatings inside the prison

were fewer...", says Cruikshank.
The local Amnesty group is presently working on behalf of Hayyan Habbus, a Syrian teacher imprisoned for his memberships in an opposition party. It also works on human rights concerns in South America, and will soon join a campaign against abuses in Sri Lanka. Meetings are the third Thursday of every month. The next meeting is Thursday, October 18 at 8 p.m. in Rm. 316 of the Dalhousie Student Union Building. All are welcome. More information can be obtained by phoning 429-8164.





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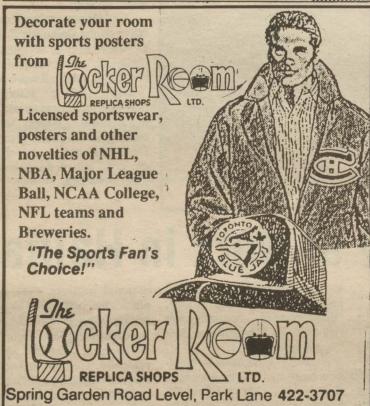
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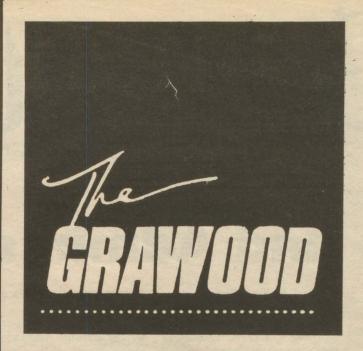


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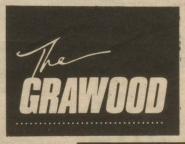
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### Money denied...

### Loan limits: more red tape?

by Jeff Harrington

HALIFAX (CUP) - Forty Canadian university students have been denied loans this fall because of little-known limits on students aid.

Under amendments introduced by the federal government last fall, students are now limited to \$20,000 for undergraduate programs, \$30,000 for masters programs and \$40,000 for doctoral

funding at a maximum of \$105 a week, for a total of \$54,600.

The new rules on maximum loans are aimed at students who 'show no real commitment to finishing their studies," said Rick Woyiwada, director of policy for the Canadian Student Loan pro-

Under the policy, each province programs. The previous limit for sends the federal government the

all students was 520 weeks of names of students whose loans it will not process. The students are given a chance to appeal if further funding is denied.

> But critics say the Secretary of State, the federal department that administers student assistance. already has too much on its plate to deal fairly with students who reach the limit.

Jeff Phelps, chair of the Students Union of Nova Scotia, said provincial student assistance bodies are more in tune with the needs of students.

The Secretary of State is a mess, a shambles," said Phelps. "It's a big department that shouldn't have to deal with this."

The department is also "very condescending to students," according to Jane Arnold, chair of the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS).

"The process is really arbitrary. Students are adults. They should get the same customer service as they would get if they wanted a loan for a new car," she said.

Provinces send the federal government each student's year, program of study, a list of previous courses the student has taken and whether or not the courses were completed.

Woyiwada said cases are treated on a "case-by-case" basis and students who genuinely need more money will not be denied funding.

Wayne Doggett, who chairs a committee that advises Nova Scotia's education minister on student aid, is concerned about the "discretionary nature of applying the policy.'

"How would you like to have someone judge whether or not you've jumped around from institution to institution? You may have very good reasons," he said.

Doggett said the advisory com- plans in jeopardy, doesn't it?" he mittee, which has received no said. written guidelines on the policy, is also concerned about the effects Scotia's director of student aid, limits will have on low-income students "at a time when costs are escalating."

In Nova Scotia, 14 students have been refused further funding this

One student, who has received a letter warning she will reach her limit next year, said she is one of a year," she said.

But Kathleen Inkpen, Nova said students in good standing who need to borrow beyond their limit should have no trouble getting extra money.

"(The policy is for those) who do one year of commerce, one year of arts, one year of science, then go to hairdressing school for

### CUP Briefs

### Reactor unsafe

SASKATOON (CUP) - The University of Saskatchewan should squash plans to buy a controversial ten-megawatt nuclear reactor, according to a local citizen's coalition.

Using a recent report critical of a two-megawatt nuclear reactor in Pinawa, Manitoba, the Pokebusters Citizens Coalition has intensified its campaign to stop the U of S from buying the

The Atomic Energy Control Board (AECB) has said Pinawa's two-megawatt reactor is unsafe because of improper waste management, inadequate testing procedures, and a general lack of quality assurance in the design.

Pokebusters official Tom Eremondi said if the two-megawatt reactor can't operate safely neither can the larger one being considered by U of S.

"The U of S board of governors should reject the Slowpoke outright," Eremondi said. "The Atomic Energy Control Board's document is enough proof.

"Hidden dangers within the Slowpoke reactor would pose unnecessary risks to thousands of university students and the surrounding community," he said.

But Metro Dmytriw of Atomic Energy of Canada Limited said those who are afraid of the reactor "don't understand the technology."

When asked about the safety concerns, Dmytriw said an environmental impact assessment would be conducted under the provincial and federal government guidelines.

The university board of governors is expected to make a decision on the issue by November.

an increasing number of students who are pursuing two undergraduate degrees rather than a masters program or doctorate.

The student, who asked to remain anonymous, said she may degree if she can get a job without about. it, rather than deal with the Secretary of State's red tape.

stress?" she said.

policy will cause students is wor-

"If you're considering going ada? into a program and you get one of these letters, it kind of throws your said.

Inkpen said the warning letters are being sent out because "nobody reads the instructions" in the province's student aid handbook.

According to CFS chair Arnold, the new student loan limit is not choose not to finish her second the only issue students know little

"How many students know the GST will be placed on their text-"Why put myself through the books, how many know the government is placing a three per cent Doggett said the uncertainty the tax on loans? In Nova Scotia, how many students know they're paying the highest education in Can-

"They just don't know," Arnold

### **Docs fear HIV**

by Greg Sewell

TORONTO (CUP) - Fear of infection, misinformation about transmission, and negative attitudes towards lesbians and gays are leading medical students to be weary of treating HIV-positive patients, says a recent study.

At the University of Toronto, 548 medical students were polled about their attitudes and knowledge of AIDS and HIV infection.

The poll discovered that half of them believe they should have the right to refuse to treat those infected with HIV, and 25 per cent feel the risk of infection interferes with the treatment of AIDS or

Seventy per cent said they have negative attitudes towards lesbians and gays. And one in six would not want their children in a room with a HIV-positive person.

According to Dr. Michael Hulton, co-chair of the HIV Primary Physicians Care Group, the results of the study mirror the level of information in the general public.

However, Hulton was angry over what he sees as a decrease in the sense of responsibility felt by doctors to treat everyone.

'Tell the silly buggers that a generation ago it was their duty to treat everyone. There's no precedent in the medical profession of running away from treating patients becasue of danger to themselves. You did not refuse your infectious patients," he said.

### Four students disciplined

by Patchen Barss

WOLFVILLE, N.S. (CUP) -Acadia University has slapped sanctions on the four men responsible for hanging a homophobic banner outside a campus residence last March.

The banner, declaring a floor of the residence to be "fag free," appeared a day after Acadia's student newspaper, The Athenaeum, published an eight-page gay and lesbian supplement.

At the time, the floor's residence assistant said "(the banner) resulted from our general anger at reading the Athenaeum last night."

The residence assistant later resigned from his job and is no longer allowed to live on campus. Both he and the three other students are no less culpable) than malicious, on disciplinary probation. None have been identified.

In a letter to the university community last week, Acadia President J.R.C. Perkin called the banner "deeply offensive to many members of the community." Perkin said he fully supports the sanctions and hopes students "have all gained new insights and sensitivities as a result of the incident."

The university's sexual assault harassment committee also released a statement, saying the "baggage" or prejudices many people bring to university make the elimination of sexual harassment "a tremendous challenge."

"This incident, which may have been more thoughtless (although

indicated that Acadia is no more immune to demonstrations of intolerance than other parts of society," the committee said.

Acadia student council president Steve Machat said he too supports the sanctions but hop that if such incidents recur, "they'll get a little tougher."

Machat said the controversey forced both the university and the students' union to "enter new territory."

The student council is now discussing the formation of a student rights committee, which would have a mandate to act on behalf of students who are persecuted or discriminated against.

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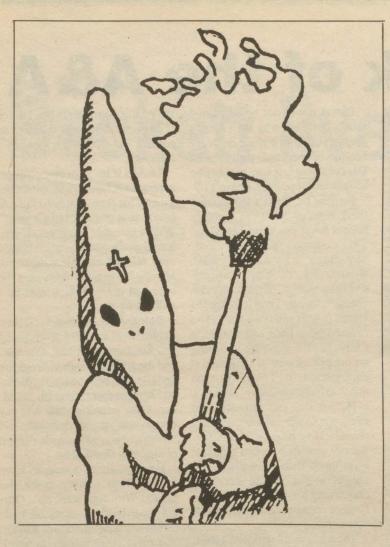
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### Psych research racist

by Bruce Gilchrist

Widely criticized psychology professor Philippe Rushton was the target of a seminar on racism in psychology held at Dalhousie last Saturday.

Rushton, a professor at the University of Western Ontario (UWO), is primarily known for his controversial publications on the genetic difference between whites, blacks, and asians.

American professor Dr. Leon Kamin, of Northwestern University, conducted the seminar that refuted Rushton's genetic theo-

Kamin, a self-described psychology watchdog, dissected Rushton's assertions that blacks were genetically less advanced than whites.

Kamin said he became interested in Rushton's work when he received a letter from the professor outlining his research. Kamin

decided to investigate the "research" in detail.

Rushton's work states blacks have low birth weights, high infant mortality and shorter life spans, and cites this as evidence proving blacks have a genetic sexual program less highly evolved than whites. Kamin refuted this theory, explaining the differences in the statistics was a result of public health problems.

Kamin also challenged the data upon which Rushton has based his theories. Citing the example of blacks leaving home earlier than whites, which Rushton states is the result of blacks being more "sexually precocious" and "less restrained" than whites, Kamin noted many of the blacks in the study had left home early because both their parents had died.

Part of Kamin's talk tocussed on other "scientific" authors who have published generally condemned papers on genetic differences. Arthur Jensen, best known for a paper published in the Harvard Educational Review in the early '70s, was also a target for Kamin's attack on racism in psychology. In his article, Jensen claimed the statistical differences between the average I.Q. of black Americans and white Americans was genetically based.

"Intolerably racist research like this should be called by its proper name," said Kamin.

Dr. Bruce Moore, apsychology professor at Dalhousie, said "if the things Rushton said were true he would have every right to say them, but that clearly isn't the case. I think any examination of Rushton's work should focus on the question of his competence."

As a result of the controversy surrounding his theories and the anger they have generated in the community, Rushton is now teaching his classes at UWO via video

### Quebec students question reps

MONTREAL (CUP) - Quebec's largest student federation - tradieducation lobby - is being chal- and business, Plourde said. lenged by a new provincial group.

A less militant student federation is gaining momentum in the province and may represent over post-graduation tax, Plourde said. 100,000 students by the end of this semester.

The upstart Federation des Etudiantes et des Etudiants du Quebec (FEEQ) is hoping to replace the 15-year-old Association des Étudiantes et Étudiants du Quebec (ANEEQ) as Quebec's student voice.

Students at six universities will be holding referendums this semester to decide whether to join FEEQ, including McGill University and the universities of Montreal, Sherbrooke, Laval, Chocoutimi and Trois Rivières.

If those universities join FEEQ, the federation will represent more than half of the province's undergraduate university students.

"I think we're getting more and more popular because ANEEQ hasn't been able to adapt to the new needs students have," said FEEQ official Nicholas Plourde. "We feel we're the organization which represents student needs right now."

Both organizations oppose the Quebec government's decision to raise tuition fees for the first time in 20 years this fall. But, while ANEEQ's platform calls for free university education, FEEQ accepts that students should shoulder some of the cost of their education.

FEEQ's political platform revolves around a "new partnership" tionally Canada's most militant between students, government,

> The best way to offset Quebec universities' \$300 million deficit, is to ask students to pay a special

"Our goal is to implement measures that won't hurt accessibility, but that will still help solve the underfunding problem," he said.

ANEEQ, which launched many bitter, drawn-out strikes over its history, has been credited with upholding Quebec's 20-year-old tuition fee freeze.

But the organization has been losing membership over the past decade. At its peak, it had over 30 members. Today, only two university members and 18 college members remain.

Concordia, one of the two university members, will be holding a referendum this semester to decide whether to continue its membership. The other university, l'Univerite de Ouebec a Montreal (UQAM), is boycotting ANEEQ meetings because it feels the federation is too centralized, although it is not considering pulling out.

ANEEQ official Stephane Lessard said the new student organization may split up the student movement at a time when it desperately needs unity.

"They're just playing into the government's hands," Lessard said. "There's nothing more those in power would like to see than a lack of solidarity among students who are undergoing hard economic times."

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Lessard said FEEQ's platform is towing the government line and ultimately goes against students' interests.

'The moment you ask students to pay more, you're going against their interests," Lessard said.

He said the only way to solve the underfunding problem is to force corporations to pay a one per

cent education tax.

ANEEQ said the new federation is not going to have much success.

"Twice in the 80's, organizations have tried to set up rival student organization, but they've always failed because of lack of conviction for basic principles," Lessard said.



### Ontario wants zero tuition

by Karen Hill

TORONTO (CUP) - Ontario's student lobby group got a muchneeded shot in the arm recently when the province's faculty association came out in support of free

The Ontario Federation of Students (OFS) has been advocating the elimination of tuition fees since 1972. On Sept. 18 it was joined by the Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA), which represents teaching, research and professional library staff at all Ontarion

OCUFA is calling for a reduction in tuition fess, and announced a timetable for their abolition.

OFS official Greg Elmer said OCUFA's announcement shows that student lobbying against tuition fees has been successful.

"It's told people that students aren't whiners, and they have reponsible positions on issues in the [post-secondary education] community," Elmer said.

Elmer said that OCUFA's an-

coming just two weeks before decrease in fees." Ontario's new NDP goverment enters the provincial legislature.

Although Premier Bob Rae didn't take a stand on post-secondary education issues during the recent election campaign, the NDP has as one of its long-term goals the elimination of university tui-

OCUFA's policy statement also called for the elimination of higher fees for international students, an increase in aid for under-represented students such as natives and people with disabilities, a increase in living expenses procap on grants and loans.

But University of Toronto professor David Stager, the author of a 1989 Council of Ontario Universities report recommending increased tuition fees, says OCUFA's ideas are out of date.

"I think it's irresponsible in the 1990's," Stager said. "I'm disappointed in my colleagues as schol- Stager said.

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nouncement was well-timed, ars. There isn't much hope for a

OCUFA official Bob Kanduth said the proposed changes could take up to eight years to implement, at a cost of \$400 million.

And, he added, Stager is the one behind the times.

"He's more concerned with the bottom line. We want to talk about people. He is looking at this from an economists's view."

One of OCUFA's main arguments is that high tuition fees serve as a deterrent to students, particularly those from disadvantaged

But social and cultural factors vided under Ontario's student loan play a much greater role in detersystem, and the elimination of the ring non-traditional students, rather than high tuition fees, according to Stager.

And, he said, it is inefficient to eliminate tuition fees. Instead, he suggested increasing fees for all students, while boosting aid for under-represented groups. The possible deterrent of increased fees budgetary constraints of the could be offset by the creation of new-categories of student loans,

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### OP/ED

### Sittin' by the clock of the A&A

by Chris Lambie

You've probably seen him sitting in an easy chair on a little Persian carpet just outside the A and A building. Maybe you have been lucky enough to catch him lounging beside the Student Union or the Dunn building. Well, his name is Daylian Cain, and he's been sitting all over campus for at least six hours every school-day for over three weeks.

I noticed him last Monday. He smiled at me as I was going into class. Three hours later, he nodded in a friendly manner as I left. The next day, there he was again; I was intrigued.

fratthing, a bet, a dare, a protest or think). areligious cult", but that's all he'll tell you. He loves to entertain interesting study into what he calls guesses because, as he says, they keep him entertained. The most Daylian has recorded that 219 common one so far is that he is people have asked him if he is playing with the student mind by "comfy" or "comfortable" and that



doing some sort of psychology He will tell you that "it's not a experiment. Well he isn't (I don't

> He is, however, conducting an "the dynamics of personhood".

77 have said "quite the set-up" (in reference to the easy chair). "Only one has said just right".

He told me that people are usually more negative in the morning, "they think I'm just goofing off or girl watching". By the afternoon "students and profs tend to graduate to a more pleasant state of mind, and even if they don't have anything to say, they usually smile". While I sat with him, at least a dozen people approached, with their hands raised in a psuedodefensive posture, and said "I have to ask". Well he ain't telling, "not yet anyway".

"Soon it will not be why am I sitting here, but why isn't there a person sitting in a chair on every campus of every university across this continent". It sure seems like some kind of protest, doesn't it?

He says he "hasn't legitimated [his] reasons yet", so nobody knows why, not even his Mom. This computer science/philosophy major who loves "tennis, windsurfing, cooking, competitive bass fishing [???] and, oh yeah, sitting" plans to keep it up for "at least a couple more weeks". He's ordered pizza here, and he tries to study, but the book he's reading on the philosophy of language is barely cracked. "There's just too much to look at out here", he says.

He got sick last semester and lost a whole term and nearly forty pounds. Now he says "I'm enjoying my time in between blanks a little more than I used to". He laughs at the public curiosity concerning his activities; "it's not fame or respect [he says], it's just notoriety".

The nasty weather doesn't seem to bug him too much. He notes that he's "freezing [his] ass off", but that he likes "to sit here, and while my reasons are idealistic, I am trying to turn this marathon sitting into a profit". When I asked if he gets stiff he said "I like to do a little Tai Chi when nobody's looking".

I asked if he's got any political aspirations; he told me, with a big grin on his face, that he'd "like to be the first governor of Canada". With a general "life is good" philosophy, Cain seems to embody a very relaxed and pleasant spirit. Maybe he is a bit flaky, maybe he's just crazy, but at least he's still sitting there.

Before I left, yet another fellow strolled over to ask what was going on. Daylian gave him the spiel and the guy just laughed. But as he pedalled his bike away, he shouted "hang in there" over his shoulder. Cain muttered "me and my magic carpet" underneath his breath and waved as another group of students shuttled by.

He says that a couple have thrown him money since the United Way sign went up... Others have made L-signs on their foreheads and called him a loser. "Sure I'm a little bit odd [he says], but it's becoming a fetish". Daylian Cain, Dal's newest guru or just another student with nothing better to do? Go and talk to him before you decide.

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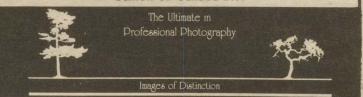
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### LETTERS

### **WUSC** at Dal

To the editor:

tween the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) and the 1988 at Dalhousie clearly eviden-Dalhousie-WUSC Local Com- ced this and, thus, SOS departs mittee a refugee student from considerably from Mr. Jones' Uganda has become a Landed position. Immigrant and is currently studying at Dalhousie, The Local Committee salutes the organizations that will sponsor this student into the camp of one of the disputfor the next 12 months until he ing parties, would have made becomes self-sufficient: the Thomas Hobbes proud; however, Administration, the Faculty As- I am not. To favor one party or sociation, the Student Union, the dissent against another, after de-Bookstore, the Alumni Association, and Beaver Foods Ltd. This thing. To simply sort through one's agreement between WUSC and ideological baggage without fits Dalhousie is repeated with other understanding all the issues in play universities across Canada such that over 40 students per year are sponsored. Since its inception in 1981 Dalhousie has sponsored the ergy. most refugee students for any single institution, a fact to be proud of. If you would like to become involved with this committee or know more about WUSC and its activities on campus and around the world contact Peter Wallace at 494-2364.

Peter Wallace



#### So So **Socialists**

Dear editor:

In response to Frank Jones of the International Socialists (SOS-SoSo). While encouraging the interest, keeness, and ingenuinity of Mr. Jones (indeed, it was quite refreshing to see that SOS had struck a nerve), I must challenge the shortcomings of his approach.



First, a clarification - the idea that students are unable to adequately protect their interests must be put in context. Should a strike lockout occur, how might the students protect their interests - not an unwillingness to side with one Thanks to an agreement be- party or another in a dispute, as Mr. Jones suggests. The chaos in

> Mr. Jones' argument that student interests are best served by tossing, willy-nilly, student hats tailed analysis of the issues is one is to pursue a will o' the wisp. The former is to think critically. The latter is to mischannel vital en-

> Surely, as an international socialist, Mr. Jones is familiar with Karl Marx. Well, my reading of Marx (some 75 books and 250 articles) indicates that the most comprehensive critique of capitalism is founded on a comprehensive analysis of capitalism. Somehow, Mr. Jones has missed this recognition. Where is his detailed analysis of the Administration's position?

To conclude, I entirely encourage the rights of students to decide the issues for themselves; after all, that is the point of raising their awareness through the provision of full information about all the issues, not just a selected few.

That is where SOS stands on the protection and promotion of student interests! Where do Mr. Jones and the International Socialists

Kevin Young, SOS

#### Co-op

To the editor:

I am a third year student in the Co-operative Education program (co-op for short), which finds jobs for students in the workplace and mixes workterms with classes. When I entered co-op last September, the co-op workterm fee was \$75.00. A fair price to pay, said Art Sedgwick, head of co-op, considering how much we would be making on the jobs they were finding for us. Cheryl Harding was hired as our placement officer. Things looked great.



This past March an emergency meeting of all co-op students was called. We were told by co-op and administration that a vote on a fee increase from \$75.00 to \$175.00 was necessary. This increase would strengthen co-op, and keep, Cheryl Harding on a permanent basis. Without it, the program would dissolve.

Some students felt like they were being threatened. It wasn't unanimous, but the majority was in favour of the increase. So the fair workterm went from \$75.00 to

This past May, while the students were on their workterms, we were told that co-op and administration had met again and increased the fair workterm fee from \$175.00 to \$350.00 (notice a pattern forming?).

No meeting of the students. No

discussing it with us. No vote. They didn't bother to mention it until after it had been decided.

Of course this increase was necessary, we were told. It would strengthen co-op and keep Cheryl Harding on a permanent basis. Sound familiar?

Don't get me wrong. I'm grateful to co-op and bear no malice against Cheryl Harding or Art Sedgwick. They got me a very productive job this past summer which earned me a lot of money. I just don't want to give it all back to them.

Craig Falkenham





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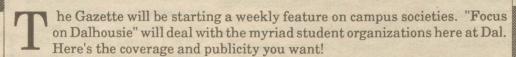


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### Reborn Hippies à la 1990

by Mia Culpa

They can be found on campus or in the bars downtown. They could be your neighbour or a relative. They might be the person standing behind you in a line up or

Anyone - anywhere - could be one. So, watch out! Be vigilant, beware...of the hey dudes.

Who are they? No one really knows, but rumours abound that the majority of them originate from central Canada.

There are ways to identify them. Look closely and you'll notice the differences that distinguish them from "normal" people.

A baseball cap, worn backwards, or a bandana, is mandatory sions such as excellent, right on, head gear. A bead necklace is optional as is a single earring for the male hey dude. Female hey dudes usually wear long dangly earrings. Both women and men cription? It's hard not to: they're wear the obligatory tie-dye Tshirts and patched jeans. Footwear ranges from Birkenstocks to hiking boots.

and is often in a pony-tail. Iley come a mainstay on campuses dudes listen to music circa 1970. across the country. They're cool,

Anything before 65 is questionable, anything after 76 is right out. Favourite bands include the Dead, the Doors, Zepplin, and Neil

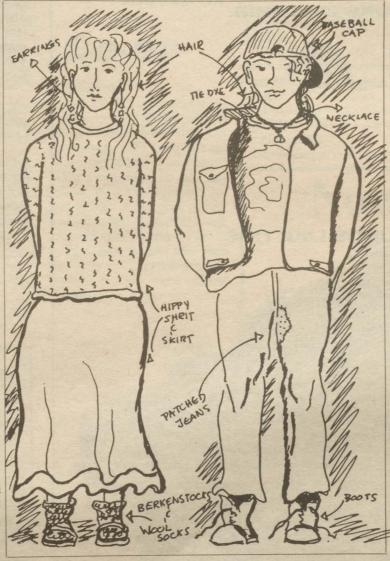
The most popular modes of even in the toilet stall next to you. transportation are mountain bikes and skateboards. Wealthier hey dudes drive painted vans or 4x4's plastered with logos of obscure wind surfer and sun glasses com-

> Hey dudes are never seen in a Cutlass or Caddy, do not wear polyester or perm their hair. They would rather lose their stereos than work in MacDonalds and dislike any kind of authority.

> Speech patterns are also important. Hey dudes can be casily identified when using expresyaahoo, coool, and of course the self discriptive hey dude.

> Know anyone who fits this diseverywhere!

Copying the dress codes and musical tastes of the hippy Hair must be long, au-naturel, generation, hey dudes have be-



they're hip, they're happening, and they are also frustrating.

Hey dudes look, sound, and smell like hippies. The only thing missing is thinking like hippies. While the 60's were supposed to be a time of rebellion and self expression, the hippy copycats can, unfortunately, only be described as partyers.

Hey dudes are great imitators of fashion but have little knowledge of the politics of the late 60's and early 70's. Concerned more about the next party than about injustice or social progress, hey dudes are tonnes o' fun, but lack ideals.

Not every hippy understood, or even cared, what was going on around them, but at least there were people who spoke for the hippy generation. They had a voice that the hey dudes seem to lack.

It may be cool to drive around in a beat-up Volkswagon van and listen to 60's music, but its not enough! Its important to understand the messages of those times as well. So, before you roll another one (cigarette that is), think about it and ask yourself what you've done to change your little corner of the world.

Hey dude, try it, it'll make you feel good.

### Professors should remember why they are here

under the law. At the age of nine- treated like children?

In this country, anyone who has teen, you can drink legally anyattained the age of eighteen can where in Canada. Why is it then vote and be prosecuted as an adult that University students are still

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Educating the upcoming generations is intrinsic to the growth and development of this country. Pro-

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Teaching is terribly important. fessors—and those aspiring to be how to communicate and inspire role in the whole production.

However, it sometimes seems that those in teaching professions where thoughts and ideas are value themselves way above those examined and exchanged. It that they teach. Education does should be a place where both stunot create intelligence. It might dents and teachers learn. If professtimulate and aggravate it, but sors feel themselves so much intelligence is inate.

cation is insulting. Professors who not have the chance to be eduinsist on being called by their title cated? If universities are to be are fine, as long as they call their places where people can evolve students by their "title". When a and become the movers and the Professor Blank uses the familiar- shakers of the next generation, ity of his/her student's first name, then the teachers must also stay instead of Mr. Student, Ms. Stu- open-minded. If they remove dent, or Mrs. Student, they are themselves from those who will creating a hierarchical gap.

portant. Perhaps they insist on the Thomas Hobbes, and the Al-'respect your elders" because they bert Einsteins of the future. do not think they can earn it.

professors — play a paramount and arouse the minds of those who have come to learn.

Universities should be a place above the students, how do they Condescention as a tool for edu-feel about those in society who do be changing society they might Perhaps it makes them feel im- be missing the Pierre Trudeaus,

Respect is something that should Sitting in a classroom and hav- be earned. One does not necessaring someone speak to you as if ily merit respect because of one's you are simple-minded because title or position. When you have they have passed through the same worked hard to get where you are, stages that you are now experi- and you want to be called by your encing is hardly inspirational. official title, then by all means

Teaching is more than being insist upon it. But do not presume someone who has "published" or to disrespect or condescend to someone who is at the forefront of others when you are asking for their field. Teaching is knowing that same privilege.

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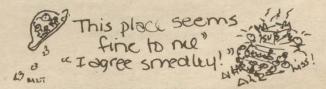
consider with drawing "said SOS them, Young said. member Ian Macleod.

the DSU".

SOS says being a component of SOS is a non-aligned coalition the DSU gives them better accesof students who are concerned sibility to everyone involved in about the detramental conse- the negotiations. "It legitimizes us quences of a strike or lock out. to the student body and they're The group hopes the information more prone to read our material"

with the difficulties and frustra- for an information network and tions created by a labour conflict. we were already operating. Be-'There is enough information coming part of the DSU simply out there for some students to formalized our relationship with

SOS hopes to prepare students in advance for a strike or lock out Last week SOS, formally an in- which they feel was not done dependent group, was incorper- during the last faculty strike at ated into the Dalhousie Student Dalhousie in 1988. "In 1988 any Union (DSU) under the title action by the DSU seemed reac-"executive ad hoc committee of tive" said Ewen Wallace, a member of SOS.



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# **Beckett live at Arts Centre**

by Allison Johnston

live readings of Samuel Beckett's also annouced in several classes.

readings are taking place.

pher, who talked to several stu-recieved any response. dents. Steven Manuel and Jean Wright took it upon themselves to writer. He taught English in Paris,

dent generated," said Manuel. After the suggestion had been The Dalhousie Theatre Depart- mentioned, Wright wrote up a ment and the Dalhousie Art Gal- notice that explained the idea and lery have joined forces to present posted it around campus. It was

The readings are "not necessar-The Art Gallery has an exhibi- ily a theatre thing," Manuel tion entitled Samuel Beckett: Tele- insists. There are acting students, plays, a series of television and theatre studies students, and muvideo productions written for these sic students participating downmediums. The Theatre Depart- stairs in the gallery as performers, ment has set up a chair down stairs readers, and even audience memin the Dalhousie Art Centre next bers. Manuel tried to encourage to the Art exhibition where live people from the English and French Departments to join in The project was initiated by a because Beckett wrote in both theatre professor, Patrick Christo- those languages, but he has not

Samuel Beckett was an Irish organize this activity. "It was stu- France and French in Dublin, Ire-

land. He worked with the French resistance in France during the second World War. His work encompasses plays, novels, poetry, etc. His most known work is Waiting for Godot.

The readings come from a wide variety of his work. The choice is up to the reader. The readings range from 15 minutes to an hour. They are scheduled Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:30 to 1:30, and weekends 2:00 to 3:00. This project began on the 13 of September and will be continuing until the 21 of October.

If you are interested in participating call the theatre department at 494-2255 and leave a message for either Steve Manuel or Jean



James DeGazio reading from Beckett.

Halifax-based film

The Room in the Back is a short. sweet story that takes place in a city that is familiar to us all -Halifax, N.S. The film, according to writer and director Glenn Walton, deals with many topics but is essentially about "taking something from the past and carrying it on into the future." It is also said to touch on our appreciation of the past, our present and past cultures, the connection and communication between old and young, and lastly a statement about preserving our neighborhoods in an architectural sense.

After Mr Walton pointed out this plethora of themes I could

mentally go back and find reference to them in the film. To try and deal with so many ideas in such a short film (approximately 32 minutes), in my opinion was a mistake. I found the story enjoyable enough. However, I think it was appreciated much more by the viewers who knew a large portion of the cast, many of whom are now Dal students.

Photo: Maria Patriquin

The casting was excellent. Ed McCurdy was perfect in his role as an older gentleman, Stanley, who has befriended a young QEH girl, Jennifer. Jennifer is played by a Dal student Raquel Duffy. I found several of Ms. Duffy's lines slightly awkward and fairly weak. There are also some touching moments that could have been more so if the timing had been

The photography was quite good. There were several shots that will strike you - if you happen to catch the film. The Room In The Back is playing along with Mr. Walton's video on AIDS - Life After Diagnosis, during the Atlantic Film Festival.

I won't get too deep into the storyline. A young neighborhood girl, Jennifer, is friends with an older man, Stanley. They share tea and good memories of times and friends of yesteryear. The plot thickens as Stanley becomes ill due to an upheaval in his life. Jennifer tries to help and is unhappy in life and at school. If I tell you more then you won't have to see the film. The plot struck me as somewhat trite, as if I had seen the story line before, perhaps in a Disney Sunday Night Movie. Being Mr. Walton's first drama effort, it is a nice little film that is worth seeing if you know some of the cast or if you think you would enjoy seeing scenic Halifax on film.

### Not wild about...

### Wild At Heart

This year certainly is the year of David Lynch. For those of you who have been hibernating since last April, David Lynch is the unusual auteur of such cult classics as Eraserhead, Blue Velvet, and last year's most intriguing T.V. offering Twin Peaks. Now yet another example of his unique oeuvre is on display in theatres. The movie is called Wild At Heart and it has already enjoyed voluminous praise from international Film Festival.

ally a by-the-numbers Lynch lainous Bobby Peru. His prowe have a cluttered self-indul- that only Lynch could pull off. gence heretofore unseen in Lynch's previous work. This time Dern, is equally impressive in her histrademark weird characters and role as Dern's domineering subplots only serve to trivialize mother. Her performance is a the charming love story of the two masterpiece of delicate shading. main characters played humour- Ladd deftly creates a character ously by Nicholas Cage and Laura that is one part Blanche Dubois Dern. These two love birds have a and one part Wicked Witch Of truly infectious sweetness of spirit The West. about them that gives the film its The Wizard of Oz similarities core. Dern and Cage manage to are in fact completely intended, completely inhabit these charac- unfortunately the audience has ters making them seem totally been already inundated with so believable in the depraved, and many bizarre, extraneous characdemenetd world that Lynch cre-ters and scenes, that it becomes no ates around them.

merous strange and obscure cam- the plot. eos by members of his ever-grow-

ing company of actors. Everyone from Jack Nance (Eraserhead), to Sheryl Lee (Laura Palmer from Twin Peaks) turn up in what seems to like a forced obligatory appearance. There are so many cameos that one begins to even question the legitimacy of casting the 'beautiful and talented" Isabella Rosselini in a minor role, especially when one knows that she is the real-life girlfriend of director

In fact the only actors to distincritics and was the recipient of the guish themselves other than the Palme D'Or at this year's Cannes two leads are Dianne Ladd and Willem Dafoe. Both deliver juicy Unfortunately Wild At Heart, is over the top performances. Dafoe not nearly as good as the the above especially gives a deliciously would indicate. The film is gener- reptillian interpretation of the vilexercise. All of the subtlety, origi-foundly astonishing abilities are nality, and intelligence of Blue heart stopping in a scene involv-Velvet and Twin Peaks is coming his character and Dem's. It is pletely absence here. In its palce the best scene in the film and one

Ladd, the real-life mother of

surprise at the end when Lynch Regrettably, Lynch piles on nu-makes these references integral to

In retrospect it is a shame that

Wild At Heart is not successful. It is after all a uniquely Lynchian vision. The problem is that Lynch himself has become too undisciplined. He has let his obsessive eccentricities on to the screen with complete abandon. Not only does this reflect his own loss of the restrained genius of Blue Velvet, but it also has buried a truly charming love story in a mire of self-indul-



Raquel Daffy in The Room at the Back.

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### Soho better than so so

by Chris Lambie

THE SOHO KITCHEN Granville Street, Hfx.

A haven to people who wear bowties or those who dress entirely in black alike, The Soho Kitchen is a definitively soulfull one. In fact, on this particularly busy Friday evening, the peoplewatchers outnumbered the truly hip by a ratio of about two to one. If you aren't one, it may be advisable to dress as a sham-artsy for the evening (maybe throw in a couple of spectacular adjectives, or say the word paradigm a few times) in order to blend with the crowd.

The folky Nova Scotian decor and Astrud Gilberto singing 'the girl from Ipanema' in Spanish combined to sweeten the smoky atmosphere with a delightfully comfortable feeling. While the service was a little sloppy, and my friend was rather rudely asked for i.d, the place did seem to present some possibilities.

We ordered the Quesadillas and the Tex/Mex salsa as appetizers. The Quesadillas were excellent, teetering delicately on that fine point between teary-eyes and third degree burns. The Tex/Mex was what you would expect ...it embodied the same great salsa sauce,

do with nachos.

The wine list, held by a sculpture of a man with two big fish (very cool), was a little pricey. So we decided to stick to beers, of which they serve both local and imported. There were a couple of Australian wines and the usual jumble of mid-priced stuff the French ship over here because no European would drink it.

The specials included a fresh halibut in lime and ginger, seafood primavera, grilled chicken in a walnut and blue cheese sauce and a humus/Greek salad combination. The guy on my right, who was trying to impress his date by comparing locally carved windmills to Manet, seemed to enjoy the halibut as he cleared it away in an impressive two minutes. I half expected him to lick the plate. A group of schoolteachers on my left (don't I have big ears?) all ordered the humus/Greeks.combo so that a powerful waft of garlic and onions drifted over from their table, nearly choking anyone in its path, beware!

As entrees, we ordered the welladvertized chicken adobro and the Thai shrimp. The shrimp were excellent, they were done in a tomato marinade of ginger lightly you can be groovy too.

but there's only so much you can touched with curry. There were far too many for any normal human being to eat, but they were delicious. The chicken was kind of a disappointment; it was marketed with an enigmatic joke(?) on the menu-cover which was interesting, while the chicken itself was not. In fact, to quote my dining partner, "this kind of tastes like something you'd make at home" (o.k., so he's not real eloquent, but to the point, yes).

The dessert was evil (good) though, we scarfed a piece of really sour lemon meringue pie and a mega-rich slab of chocolatepistachio mousse torte. The coffee was nifty, but to quote the schoolteachers next door upon the waiter returning to make refills twenty minutes later "oh, you've returned have you; this is quite the happy suprise". Don't go if you are in a mad rush. Well, its probably all part of their quest for a laidback style; the only time the waiter and they raved about it, so much really looked alert was when he noticed I was writing everything down. While it was a tad expensive for the student budget (even though we all know that students have a ridiculously high disposable income in Canada) at \$46 for two people, its a definite if you're trying to convince someone that

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### Canada's rock legend returns

### The "ragged glory" of Neil Young

by Alex Mason

Ragged Glory, Canadian rock star Neil Young's latest release, is at the same time a brilliant resurgance of Young's straight forward rock sound, and a gloomy vision of a dark world and troubled times to come. It does not provide as accurate a picture of the songwriter as last year's release Freedom, but it does fit neatly into the context of the 24-album career of one of rock's most dedicated and tormented artists.

The album itself marks Young's first real reunion with back-up band Crazy Horse in nine years, although his 1987 entry Life, partially recorded with Crazy Horse, showed hints of their earlier patented "garage band" sound. In a word, the new material is raw. But don't get me wrong - raw is good. "Ragged Glory" is a real-life, down in the dirt, rock album relating the kind of sound that can only be captured by a four piece band. Two guitars, a bass, and a set of drums - that's all you'll ever hear on this album. There are no overdubs, and no keyboards.

Young has expressed on many occasions his dislike of studios, and since After the Goldrush (1970) all of his subsequent 21 solo albums have been recorded live with only two exceptions: his 1982 synthesizer excursion Trans, and the vocals to 1986's Landing on Water.

The 80s were a rocky ten years for Young, and Ragged Glory reflects this. The album's opener "Country Home" and "The Days That Used To Be" are the two most obvious references to what seems to be a necessity to retreat, the first on a physical, the second on a more spiritual plain. Who can forget the cries for help we heard on the sometimes intensely personal Landing on Water? Like these few lines from the song "Hippy Dream":

Just because it's over for you Don't mean it's over for me. It's a victory for the heart Every time the music starts So please don't kill the machine Don't kill the machine...

Another flower child goes to

In an ether-filled room of meathooks.

It's so ugly So ugly...

Neil Young seems to be a man who's died for his cause a million times, and yet, a million times more, the hero returns. His primary emphasis this time around seems to be on a basic contrast between love and hate. He states numerous times during the 63 minutes of music on Ragged Glory that "...love and only love can

break [hate] down."It's as though Young is trying to convince others, as well as himself, that the darkness that seems to undercut our lives can be overcome.

Young's no stranger to this type of confusion, though. His music's always indicated this seemingly schizophrenic quality. His 1979 album *Rust Never Sleeps* with

Crazy Horse featured a folky, acoustic side one, and a blistering hard rock second side. His next two albums following *Live Rust* exhibited the same diverseness. *Hawks and Doves* (1980) was a mostly acoustic approach boardering on a country music sound. *Reac-tor* (1981; also with Crazy Horse) found him back to a hard

rock sound with qualities greatly similar to the music on *Ragged Glory*.

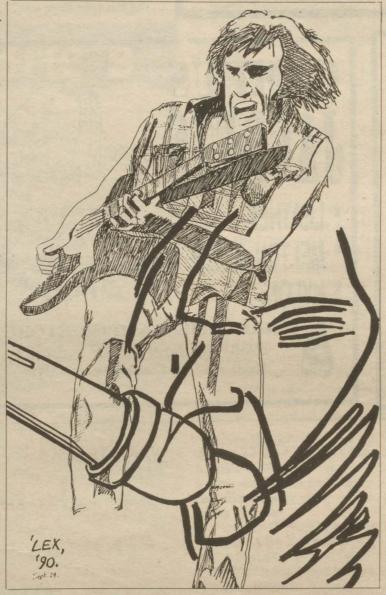
The rest of the 80s saw Young experimenting with just about every musical direction in sight: an almost entirely synthesized approach on Trans; 50s-typerockabilly music on Everybody's Rockin (1983); country music with the talents of Waylon Jennings, Willie Nelson, and others on Old Ways (1985); and finally a strange brew of experimental synthesizer rock on Landing On Water before returning (somewhat) to his rock roots on Life. All five counts were met with success in that the music on these albums supply the real insight into the diversity of Young's talents. Trans and Landing On Water stand out as possibly the most brilliant works in Young's career as a solo artist. Commercially, however, they met with diasaster as many of his loyal supporters got fed up with his inconsistency.

One last foray into blues with a ten piece brass band he named the Bluenotes on This Notes For You (1988) and Young seemed ready to settle down with a Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young reunion. After American Dream (1988) came out plans were for another album by the group and possibly a followup tour. Young never has been one to plan too far ahead, however, and before we knew it he had released an EP called Eldorado (1989) in Japan and was back with another great solo album Freedom (1989). Add to that Young's

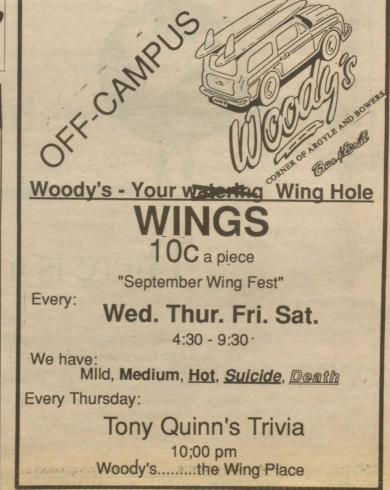
claims that his best material during the past ten years has yet to be released and his plans for a follow-up to his 1977 greatest hits compilation *Deacde* and you have the reason that Neil Young can easily be viewed as the most talented songwriter of the rock era. (At last word *Deacde II* was estimated to be in the realm of seven to ten disks long.)

Freedom and Ragged Glory have little in common with each other, it seems. Freedom, said to have been chosen by Young from about eight previous years of unreleased material, in itself reflected Young's diversity. Ragged Glory, recorded in a matter of days on Neil's Broken Arrow Ranch, is a far more consistent approach and reflects his diversity best when viewed in the context of his other albums.

Unquestionably, Ragged Glory's most moving song is "Mother Earth". Its lyrics are brilliantly crafted and the airy three part harmony chorus is accompanied only by an over-driven electric guitar. The finest moment of all, however, is the moment when Young's voice alone passes away from the chorus. "Obey Mother Earth and her healing ways." His voice is shaky, unsure (and, of course, a little off-key). But that's Neil Young - a delicate shell that is an all-too-vulnerable human. It is within that we find his strength: a strong, forgiving, and enduring soul that still searches for a heart







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### SPORTS

### Rugby rugby

by Alex Burton

Last Sunday the Dalhousie rugby hoard descended on Acadia University and soundly thumped the Axe-men 75 - 0.

Richard "Evil" Attisha led the pack as they romped over the valley men scoring a majority of Dalhousie's tries.

Tony Glavin, the stand off and place kicker, worked the backs into a feeding frenzy adding seven conversions and one penalty goal to the cause.

The half-time score was 29 - 0

and Dalhousie never looked back. Dany MacDonald also had an outstanding game, scoring four

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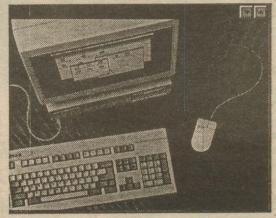


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