

Strike squeezes students



Canadian Peace Pledge Campaign

Pressuring for **peace** vote

by **Ellen Reynolds**

A national campaign whose objective it is to "vote Canada out of the arms race" has been collecting pledges from Canadians to vote, in the November 21 federal election, *only* for a candidate who actively supports an end to the nuclear arms race. The Halifax chapter of the Canadian Peace Pledge Campaign was inspired by an April 1988 visit of renowned peace activist Dr. Helen Caldicott, a world leader in the disarmament movement.

As part of a network of over 150 peace and disarmament organizations, the Halifax group has collected over 5500 pledges since April. They use the signed pledges to pressure the government to recognize peace as an election issue and to take a vocal stand. The campaign is used to show politicians the support there is for disarmament in Canada and to allow Canadians to see

where the candidates stand on peace issues.

A 12 point Candidate's Questionnaire the campaign sent to federal candidates demands yes or no answers on specific questions concerning peace. The answers to this questionnaire will be presented publicly November 12. According to local campaign spokesperson Peter Davison, the style of the presentation has not yet been decided. The Conservative, New Democrat and Liberal federal candidates were polled and, along with the final tabulation of pledges, the candidates' answers will be made public, says Davison.

Canada supports the nuclear arms race in a variety of ways — from cruise missile testing in Alberta to allowing nuclear armed submarines into the Halifax harbour. In October '88 the campaign called for national protests after the government admitted that they are delaying a

decision on the purchase of a fleet of nuclear-powered submarines planned for in the government's "Defence White Paper". The Halifax group participated on October 8 in National Action Day in three locations in Metro asking Nova Scotians where they would like to see their tax dollars spent — to buy nuclear-powered submarines or to fund social services, education and the environment. The results from across the country were sent to federal Defence Minister Perrin Beatty and distributed to the national press. Locally, out of 761 people asked, 673 were in favour of funding social services over the 88 who would rather see the money spent on buying nuclear submarines.

Recently, the Peace Pledge Campaign commissioned an Angus Reid poll which revealed that seven out of ten Canadians were more likely to vote for a candidate who emphasizes peace issues.

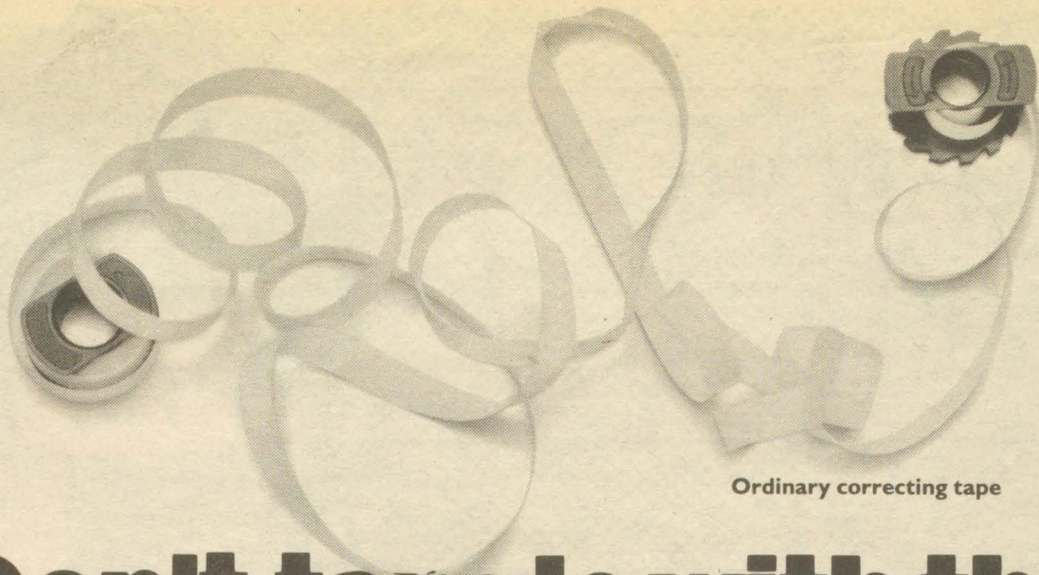


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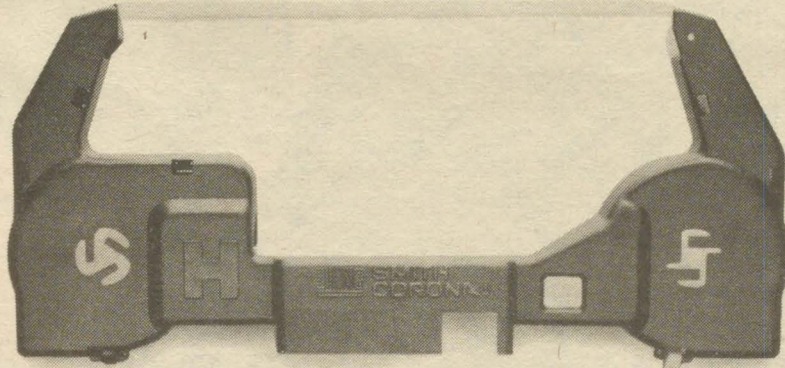
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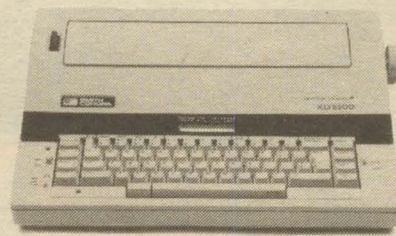
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Will these talks pay off ?

by Lyssa McKee

One day before the strike date, Dal students are still waiting to find out if they will have classes on Friday. Though marathon discussions continue between the DFA and the administration, no

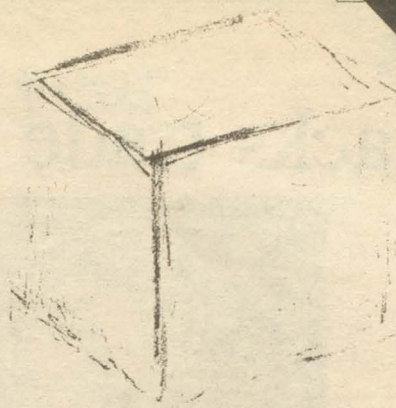
agreement had been made public by late Wednesday night. DFA president David Williams would only say that talks would resume Thursday.

In a press release distributed on Wednesday, the DFA confirmed

that "progress has been made on several non-monetary issues." The union declined to specify which issues these were.

The news that the two sides had sat down again surprised the university community. Many students see the strike as a foregone conclusion, and some have already planned what they are going to do with the time off.

Negotiations between the DFA and the Board of Govern-



The black box (famous from physics experiments).

We can only speculate about what is happening within

nors resumed at 2 p.m. on Tuesday and lasted until 1 a.m. Both sides were close-mouthed about the talks, saying the negotiations

were at a delicate point. Neither side wanted to jeopardize the success of the talks by making any premature comments.

UIC law degree

by Heather Hueston

The day before the faculty strike is supposed to happen, students will be lining up to fill out their unemployment insurance forms as part of a Law Society-sponsored protest.

Law Society president Grant Borbridge says that students want to focus attention on the provincial government and collecting UIC benefits is not the main motive.

Borbridge said that he has read UIC information and interprets it to allow benefits to persons who are not in full-time attendance at a university.

"It seems to apply in this instance so we thought we'd encourage students to sign up as a means of protest."

Borbridge says that law students face stricter time constraints than do most arts and science

undergrads. He points out that many provinces insist that articling students start at a certain date and an extended term could lose them the position. Borbridge adds that law students are required to have a certain number of weeks of education in order to qualify to write a bar exam.

Students need only prove they are available and willing to work says Bill Hayter of the Canada Employment Centre.

He adds that he ran into the same situation last year with TUNS students. Some of them received benefits after their 19-day strike.

A plan by some law students to file protest suits against the university in small claims court has apparently fizzled due to lack of support.

The UIC Application Rally takes place today at 2 pm in the Weldon Building.

DSU ready for action

by Heather Hueston

About 16 members of the Dalhousie Student Union sat down for two hours last Monday to brainstorm strike strategy.

Some of the ideas thrown away were an open forum with Dalhousie President Howard Clark at the Grawood Thursday night and another to organize a human chain of students between the Dalhousie Faculty Association offices and the Administration offices.

The meeting did decide on three strategies to express student concern about the pending strike.

The first, a media attention-

grabber of booking a table where both sides could meet and negotiate was put on hold when both sides *did* sit down to talk the following day.

Community Service Coordinator Beth Beattie says that the second idea, a mock prison holding a student is still underway. The imprisoned student is to represent how students are being held hostage by the unresolved labour situation.

A sit-in of President Clark's office is the third plan. The sit-in and the prison will happen "whenever the strike starts" says DSU President Juanita Montalvo.

A strike information table has

also been set up in the SUB lobby to answer students' questions.

Council voted last Sunday to allow the DSA, DFA and the Board to set up information tables in the SUB. Councillors did not want to allow the DFA to rent office space in the SUB, a move which Montalvo says does not prevent the DFA from booking a room in the SUB.

The DFA has stated that in the event of a strike, the administration informed them that they will not be allowed on university property.

Although the university owns the land the SUB is built on, the DSU owns the building itself, says Montalvo.

Q and A: Defining students' rights

by Lorna Irons, Ryan Stanley and Heather Hueston

What classes do I have to go to?

You don't have to attend any classes given by Dal instructors, whether on- or off-campus. This includes any classes given by non-DFA members who are "expected" by the administration to fulfill their contracts and teach. Many DFA members are giving classes in their homes on their own time. That's what John Barnstead of the Russian Department will do, because "my obligation to provide knowledge (of Russian) is paramount. It takes precedence over the strike." Barnstead says his students are not required to attend.

Student Services VP Eric McKee says it is a matter of "personal choice" whether students attend classes. In a flyer distributed across campus last week, the administration urges students to attend lectures and labs held by campus by faculty not participating in the strike.

What about material handed out in these classes? Can I be tested on that?

A motion passed October 7, 1988 by the Senate, the academic

governing body, stated that a student's decision whether to cross the picket line "should not result in any formal academic consequence". That means students cannot be penalized by marks or grades for not attending classes.

Tests need not be written nor assignments handed in until after a strike is over, says McKee.

A DSU strike strategy meeting decided not to clarify this motion because it worked better as a "blanket statement" that would take precedence over any later faculty decisions. "This is to ensure that a student who attends classes will not have any advantage over a student who refused to cross picket lines to go to class," says DSU President Juanita Montalvo.

There was some confusion when teachers were not informed of this motion and told their classes they would be responsible for material handed out during the strike. Montalvo says professors must make up the information in remedial classes to students who did not attend during a strike.

DFA president David Williams confirms this. "If you want to hear a lecture twice, go to class,"

he says.

Although administration will not comment on the possibility of the strike lasting longer than two weeks, Senate president Bill Jones says there was no time limit put on the policy regarding academic policies.

Who is going to be teaching courses?

According to DFA president David Williams, about six per cent of the DFA bargaining unit (about 700 professors, counsellors and librarians) will not participate in the strike. There are also part-time faculty who are not part of the DFA and who will not be paid if they do not teach. The medical and dental faculties are non-DFA, says Williams.

Williams confirmed that a waiver asking faculty to agree to defy a strike had been circulated by administration. He said it would never be known how many faculty signed the document.

King's

This is a grey area. Neither the DFA nor King's College president Dr. Marion Fry were able to state categorically that Dalhousie students did not have to attend

classes or would not be responsible for material given by King's professors. If a student misses material, Fry doubts whether the King's professor is obligated to make it up to the student as a Dal professor must do.

"I do see a difference between a Dal professor who is required to (provide lectures twice) and a King's professor who is not on strike and whose students are supposed to show up to class," says Fry. As for King's students, courses will continue as normal. No Dal profs are responsible for anything more than occasional lectures to foundation year students, says Fry.

Will I get any of my money back for the time lost due to a strike?

No, there will not be any refunds for classes or labs missed as a result of the strike, because the administration will make every effort to provide the full academic programme for which the students enrolled.

The administration does plan to assist students who wish to drop courses or withdraw from the university. The amount of refunded tuition drops from 70

per cent to 50 per cent after November 14. If a strike occurs before that date, McKee says the deadline will be "deferred by the number of days the strike lasts, so that students will not be at any disadvantage."

What about residence?

Again, the flyer states, and McKee confirmed in an interview, that services in residence would not be interrupted by a DFA strike. Students who returned home during a strike would not receive any portion of their residence fees. McKee said students who wish to withdraw from residence will get refunds according to the normal policy, "but individual concerns will be taken into account".

Can I still use the library?

Although reference services will be affected when the librarians walk off the job, normal circulation should continue thanks to the presence of part-time student employees and Dalhousie Staff Association members.

The flyer cited in this article is dumped in the SUB lobby by the front door.

Turner attacks trade deal, promises student aid

by James Hamilton

Liberal leader John Turner spoke before a largely pro-Liberal crowd last Thursday at Saint Mary's University. He spoke with confidence, with only a few rambling statements and periods of word-searching.

Turner began with a 15-minute crowd-rousing speech in which he endorsed local Liberal candidate Mary Clancy and continued his attack on Mulroney and free trade. He had few new points to add and instead concentrated on the legal troubles of Tory cabinet ministers and emphasized the cultural and economic perils of free trade.

Most of the questions in the question and answer period which followed dealt with educa-



Raymond Mah: Dal Photo

Turner gesticulating to crowd of media and students at SMU.

tion and what changes Turner would make is elected. Turner's answers were perhaps predictably pro-education though he offered few concrete promises. He reassured the crowd that the Liberal party was committed to post-secondary education and would make student aid more accessible to all groups.

Responding to questions about his popularity, Turner said that

voters should compare him with the alternatives and not to someone perfect like the Almighty. He added that this election should be a question of leadership, not a popularity contest.

Turner demonstrated his ability to lead later in the forum when, after being criticized on one of his answers, the leader rebuked the individual by pointing out that this wasn't a debate.

DFA calls foul

by Lyssa McKee

The Dalhousie Faculty Association (DFA) has asked its lawyers to file a complaint of unfair labour practices against the Dalhousie Board of Governors.

The union charges that the chief negotiator for the administration, Bryan Mason, has been

undermining the DFA negotiating team to the DFA members.

The union took offense at two separate administration publications, titled the "Collective Bargaining Reports" of October 26th and 31st. In these reports, the Board of Governors tried to stress "its efforts to find an acceptable and reasonable alternative to strike action".

The DFA feels these reports, which were distributed throughout the campus, represent an attempt on the part of the administration to cause the faculty to lose confidence in their negotiating team.

The reports include such phrases as "the DFA president refused to meet" and "the DFA would not discuss". The statement of October 26 ended with the statement, "The Board can only conclude that the Dalhousie Faculty Association is determined there will be a faculty strike this year at Dalhousie."

DFA president David Williams refused to specify what exactly the Association objected to in the reports. He pointed out that "the N.S. Trade Union Act tries to protect union members from the undue influence of powerful employers. It includes a clause which protects unions from hav-

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NS students protest March: "Underfunding under John"

By Erin Goodman
HALIFAX (CUP) — When 200 students marched to the Nova Scotia legislature October 27 to protest underfunding, they found that Premier John Buchanan's government had locked them out. "We weren't allowed on the grounds of province house today," Dalhousie student council president external Lara Morris told the students crowding against the fence which surrounds the legislative building. "We called the office four times to talk to the minister of higher education and training, who also happens to be our premier, and he wouldn't talk to us."

Inside the legislature, a weekly cabinet meeting was being held. Morris was told by the premier's office that a new policy banning public demonstrations on the grounds had been set the week before. The order apparently came from the premier's press secretary.

A rally was held on the sidewalk outside the fence bordering the legislature, with an overflow of students from Dalhousie, Mount Saint Vincent University and the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design spilling out on to the street. A handful of students from Acadia University in Wolfville travelled across the province to take part.

The march, organized by the Dalhousie University student council and endorsed by the provincial Young New Democrats, protested what many students are calling the systemic underfunding of post-secondary education in the province.

Although provincial NDP leader Alexa McDonough and a recently-appointed education critic from the Liberal Party were present, no Conservative representative appeared.

McDonough said that Tory Premier Buchanan appeared to be "thumbing his nose at students."

She apologized on behalf of members of the legislature "embarrassed" by Buchanan's refusal to allow student access to the grounds. "John Buchanan and his new Tories need to be reminded that the Nova Scotia legislature doesn't belong to them."

Also present at the march were members of the Dalhousie staff and faculty associations.

The crowd's high-spirits weren't dampened by news that the Dalhousie Faculty Association had rejected a proposal for binding arbitration from university administrators the night before.

"(They) did not make a serious proposal," said DFA president David Williams. "They propose a lengthy, complicated, unworkable process before we even go to arbitration."

Legal costs for the faculty association have risen to \$46,000-a-day during negotiations. The faculty is in a legal strike position on November 4, and according to Williams, "This time, people are serious."

"The faculty is at the end of its rope. We cannot allow Nova Scotia universities to continue to deteriorate."

Said Acadia University student council president Chris Van Buskirk: "All Nova Scotia universities are underfunded and disadvantaged compared to other universities across the country. The government must step in now."

Acadia student Rick Gates is running as an independent in the November 21 federal election, on a platform of post-secondary education issues.



Radical students gathered outside Province House last week to protest government underfunding of post-secondary education.

Paul Grandy: Dal Photo

Quebec students on strike

By Chris Lawson

MONTREAL (CUP) — Quebec college students put down pens and picked up placards October 26 as a three-day province-wide student strike began.

More than 100,000 students at 32 colleges walked out of classes. The strikers are demanding reforms to Quebec's 20-year-old loans and bursaries system.

The protest was organized by the province's student lobby group, l'Association nationale des etudiants et etudiantes du Quebec (ANNEEQ). It wants the provincial government to make part-time students and those living away from home eligible for financial aid.

About 123,000 Quebec students receive cheques from the government's \$250 million program.

Classes were cancelled at 26

CEGEPs and students set up picket lines in front of 10 colleges the first day. Only about 30 students at Champlain Regional College in Lennoxville closed the student-run cafeteria.

No universities have joined the strike. Universite de Sherbrooke, Concordia and McGill students

voted against the strike at poorly-attended general assemblies.

ANEEQ leaders have asked to meet with Quebec education minister Claude Ryan before deciding on extending the strike indefinitely. No meeting time has been confirmed yet, and Ryan's office did not return calls.

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DSU: Spineless, gutless jellyfish again?

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When the strike happened in January 1985, the faculty only went out for a day. The support wasn't there for them to pursue their demand for higher salaries.

At that time, only one councillor on the student union spoke out in direct support of the Dalhousie Faculty Association (DFA). He was concerned that the

administration's refusal to pay professors salaries comparable to those found at many other universities would begin a trend of professors leaving Dalhousie for more lucrative positions elsewhere. And that's exactly what happened.

David Williams, president of the DFA, says Dalhousie has lost fifty faculty members over the past two years. Whether they've retired or left for better-paying jobs, the positions aren't being replaced.

Students complain of overcrowded classrooms, classes that exist only in the academic calendar, and a general drop in academic standards at Dalhousie. Overall, they don't support a faculty strike.

If a university is only as good as its faculty, a faculty is only as good as its salary will warrant. Students don't seem to make the connection, and the student union sits on its thumbs.

Why has the DSU taken a neutral position on the impending faculty strike? Members say they want to remain "fair" and "unbiased" in order to serve the interests of the student they represent.

By attempting to represent the interests of all students, most of

whom won't recognize or support the need for a faculty strike, the student union is sacrificing leadership in favour of popular sentiment.

The DSU struggles to plan student activities in the event of a strike that will appear "neutral". The sentiment seems to be focused on neutral protest drawing media attention to the plight of the poor student, caught between two sides which warrant neither our support nor our condemnation.

Oh, sorry. It's the *situation* we're supposed to be condemning. A situation of financial strangulation originating from our administration. It seems natural for the DSU to support a

faculty strike. When has neutrality ever been effective?

The average Dal student may be more immediately concerned with losing a week of school than with the gradual erosion of the quality of education at this university. The student union, by reflecting this view, does a disservice to the faculty, the students they represent, and the students who will be faced with a similar strike situation next year and the year after that and the year after that ... until president Howard Clark finally succeeds in running this place into the ground.

Which side of the picket line will you be on this Friday?

Erin Goodman



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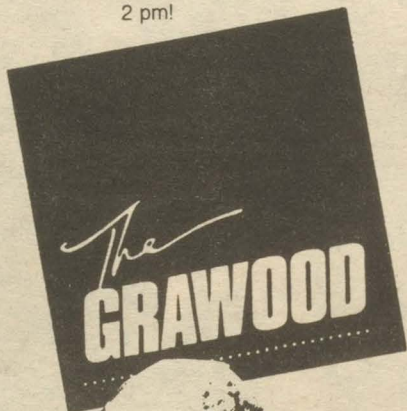
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OPINION

Baha'i faith for peace

by Mitra Samiei

The Association for Baha'i Studies

They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

— Isaiah 2:4

The wish for peace has always occupied a place in the minds and hearts of humankind. At this time in the history, the leaders and thoughtful citizens are aware of the need for peace more than ever. The conditions which distinguish the increase in this awareness include the progress in the fields of communication and transportation, the increase in the destructive capacity of humanity, and above all, the increased willingness of the ordinary citizens to contribute to the efforts of establishing a world peace.

On October 24, 1985, the Universal House of Justice, governing body of the Baha'i Faith, addressed a peace statement to the peoples of the world, in response to the designation of 1986 as the United Nations International Year of Peace. This statement of peace was presented to the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the fortieth anniversary of the U.N. as well as to a large number of states and governments throughout the world. The following passages are excerpts taken from this statement:

The scientific and technological advances occurring in this unusually blessed century portend a great surge forward in the social evolution of the planet, and indicate the means by which the practical problems of humanity may be solved. . . Yet barriers persist. Doubts, misconceptions, prejudices, suspicions and narrow self-interest beset nations and peoples in their relations one to

another.

"The winds of despair," Baha'u'llah (Founder of the Baha'i Faith) wrote, 'are, alas, blowing from every direction, and the strife that divides and afflicts the human race is daily increasing. The signs of impending convulsions and chaos can now be discerned, inasmuch as the prevailing order appears to be lamentably defective.' This prophetic judgement has been amply confirmed by the common experience of humanity. . . Indeed, so much have aggression and conflict come to characterize our social, economic and religious systems, that many have succumbed to the view that such behaviour is intrinsic to human nature and therefore ineradicable.

With the entrenchment of this view, a paralyzing contradiction has developed in human affairs. . . As the need for peace becomes more urgent, this fundamental contradiction, which hinders its realization demands a reassessment of the assumptions upon which the commonly-held view of mankind's historical predicament is based. . .

To choose such a course is not to deny humanity's past but to understand it. The Baha'i Faith regards the current world confusion and calamitous condition in human affairs as a natural phase in an organic process leading ultimately and irresistibly to the unification of the human race in a single social order whose boundaries are those of the planet. The human race, as a distinct, organic unit, has passed through evolutionary stages analogous to the stages of infancy and childhood in the lives of its individual members, and is now in the culminating period of its turbulent adolescence approaching its long-awaited coming of age.

Whatever suffering and turmoil the years immediately ahead may hold, however dark the

immediate circumstances, the Baha'i community believes that humanity can confront this supreme trial with confidence in its ultimate outcome. Far from signaling the end of civilization, the convulsive changes towards which humanity is being ever more rapidly impelled will serve to release the "potentialities inherent in the station of man" and reveal "the full measure of his destiny on earth, the innate excellence of his reality."

Letters

Nicaragua needs help

To the Editors,

There are few countries which have suffered as much as Nicaragua in recent times. An earthquake devastated the capital city in 1972 resulting in the loss of 20,000 lives. In the revolution which overthrew the Somoza dictatorship in 1979, 50,000 died. Since then in a war in which civilians have been the main targets of the contra rebels, there have been another 50,000 casualties. On October 22nd of this year Nicaragua was hit by hurricane Joan, resulting in widespread destruction and loss of life as well as an estimated 300,000 homeless.

As a physician who has worked in Nicaragua for a year and a half, I can attest to the fact that the Nicaraguan government has a reputation among aid organizations as being honest and efficient in its use of international relief. We are asking for your generous help in this time of need. Tax deductible donations should be made out to "Inter Pares (Tools for Peace).

Yours very sincerely,
Tim Bood M.D.



Voice of Women speaks out

by Kirsten Nichols
and Kristin Roberts

Since the late 1800s Canadian women have been active in organizing groups to unify their quest for peace and equality. In the 1890s, the Women's Christian Temperance Union organized educational and religious activities to promote peace. By 1914, the International Woman Suffrage Association had grown into a well-organized group with 11 million members. They, along with other women's groups, were rapidly

growing in size and influence with optimism for the future.

With the beginning of the first World War, peace efforts stalemated and it was not until after the Armistice was signed that the peace movement was revived. In the years following the Armistice, women's groups were actively lobbying to ban military training and militaristic text books from school curriculums. The women continued to educate the public on peace and equality issues. But as with the first World War, the second world war signaled a lull in peace-oriented

activities.

After the second world war and the explosive entrance into the nuclear age, the peace movement was slow to pick up because many people believed they had seen the last war (due to the threat of new atomic weapons). The first women's antinuclear group in Canada was The Mothers Committee on Radiation Hazards, founded in Vancouver in 1958. They were concerned about the effect of radioactive atomic testing/fallout in children's milk. They expressed this concern by lobbying the government for controls and conducting their own research.

Two years later, in 1960, the Voice of Women was established by a group of women who were angry and frightened by the collapse of a summit conference between the United States and the Soviet Union. At the same time nuclear fallout was found to be contaminating food and it seemed the world was on the brink of nuclear war.

Since its beginnings, the Voice of Women has continued on the road towards peace with actions ranging from objection to Vietnam war (especially the use of chemical weapons against the civilians) to networking across the globe with exchanges between various women and peace groups.

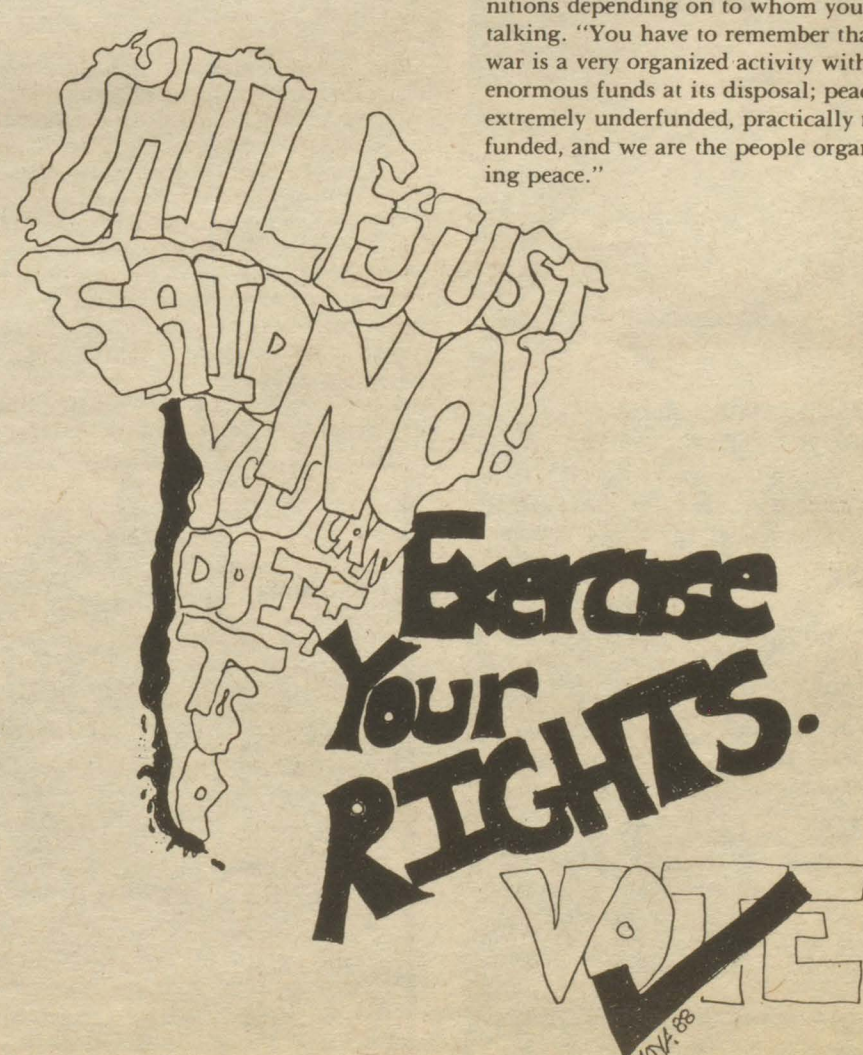
Women from across the country came to Halifax for the annual meeting of Voice of Women on the weekend of October 14.

Peggy Hope Simson, a Voicer from the Wolfville area, has been actively

involved in various levels of the peace movement. She identified the three distinct stages in the peace movement. The first is the grassroots movement, which includes a wide range of organizations involving unions, churches, women, and a range of professional groups from Generals for Peace to Lawyers for Social Responsibility. The second stage includes peace researchers who add to a growing pile of knowledge called Peace Studies, which includes courses ranging from the study of alternate defence plans to the study of structural violence — racism, sexism, as well as violence against the environment. The third stage is organizing a political carrier, a political party which will bring about new government directions at the national level. Simpson thinks the New Democratic Party is the party to bring about new directions; this is why she ran as a New Democratic candidate in the last federal election.

For the last few years Simpson has become more involved in peace education, organizing data bases and networking with students and teachers. Recently profs have been calling her in as a resource person for certain courses at Acadia University. She was amazed to be called in as "a controversial resource person." "To think that trying to develop a world without war is extraordinary tells you something about how peace is looked at in this world," said Simpson.

According to Simpson, peace is "a value loaded subject" with various definitions depending on to whom you are talking. "You have to remember that war is a very organized activity with enormous funds at its disposal; peace is extremely underfunded, practically non-funded, and we are the people organizing peace."



Tools for Peace benefit at Pub

by Alison Auld

Last Tuesday night Pub Flamingo hosted three local bands, with the proceeds going to Tools for Peace, a local non-governmental organization which aids war victims in Nicaragua. Performing in the benefit were Trio Amnistad, Henry and the Hamburgers, and the Latin Laddies.

The first of these bands was Trio Amnistad, in the place of Arauco, who were unable to be there. The group was joined by the lead singer and fiddle player of Henry and the Hamburgers in performing traditional Latin American folk songs sung in Spanish.

and the Hamburgers, a local country jug band. The four-member group, comprised of two guitars, a kazoo, and a fiddle, played a variety of songs ranging from authentic jug band pieces to a humorous rendition of "Crimson and Clover". Concluding the benefit was The Latin Laddies, a six-piece blues and jazz band with a sound reminiscent of early Santana.

Although the benefit brought in only a small number of donations, Tools for Peace called it an overall success. A large percentage of the funds raised will be sent to the National Office in Vancouver and the remainder will be placed in an account here to cover group expendi-

Aid to a country does not have to be solely financial

Following Trio Amnistad, Dr. John Kirk, a professor of Spanish at Dalhousie and an active supporter of Tools for Peace, spoke about the war in Nicaragua. He explained the stagnant condition of the revolution, now in its tenth year since the Sandinistas' victory. Although the contras have killed thousands, he stated, there have been recent signs of peace in the region. Nicaraguans continue to support their government, regardless of the scarcity of basic necessities due to heavy expenditures on the war effort and the U.S. embargo. The Canadian government has proposed \$100 million in aid.

A video which gave coverage to some of the projects initiated by Tools for Peace was shown. It was a brief but well-documented report based on the testimonies of Canadians and Nicaraguans working in schools, medical facilities and on farms in Nicaragua. The video conveyed one of the most fundamental premises of Tools for Peace — that aiding a country does not have to be solely financial; that what is most beneficial is that which is scarce and in need.

The evening continued with Henry

tures and shipping costs. The material goods collected in Halifax are also sent to Vancouver, and from there they are transported to Nicaragua by way of boat, truck, or train. They usually arrive shortly after Christmas, but at times it is difficult to find means of transport and the waiting period can extend to several months. Tools for Peace must find boats that are not stopping in the U.S., since goods going to Nicaragua are embargoed.

Tools for Peace was started in 1981 by a group of trade unionists who, upon returning from Nicaragua, sent a shipment of fishing equipment to Nicaraguan peasants. As a "relief organization" the group receives no governmental aid. The group is sustained by private donations, benefits, door-to-door canvassing and lectures. The majority of the material aid is provided by different institutions, ranging from trade unions to schools and hospitals. It is collected throughout the year, with emphasis on the month of November, when the National Campaign is held.

Tools for Peace holds its monthly meeting on the third Tuesday of every month at the Dalhousie SUB.



El Salvador on the brink

By Jeff Harrington

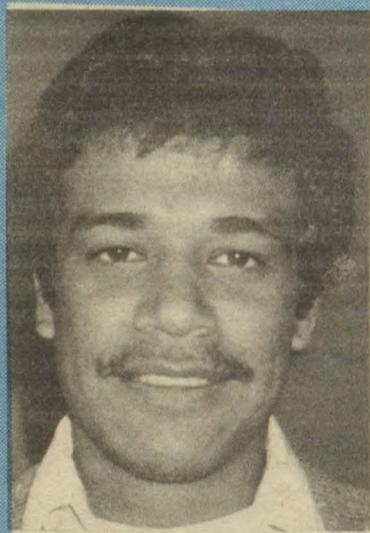
The situation in El Salvador is a desperate one, according to a labour leader who visited Halifax last week. Roberto Morales, a member of a Salvadoran trade union delegation touring Canada, spoke Thursday night to a small audience, painting a disturbing portrait of life in his country.

"They (the right-wing death squads terrorizing the country) profit from the war, and oppose ending it because they are not the ones getting killed. It is the peasants and workers who are suffering," Morales said.

Speaking through an interpreter, he said the death squads are composed of members of the right-wing ARENA party, the ruling Christian Democratic Party (PDC), and the U.S.-backed armed forces.

In the face of increasing violence and repression, popular movements in El Salvador have greatly increased their membership in the past few years. A 1988 report by the human-rights group Americas Watch states: "Forced to bear a disproportionate share of the costs of civil war, organized labour has confronted an employer class determined to maintain subsistence wages and a government which has employed a variety of tactics — from assassination to arrest — to maintain quiescence." Last week, Amnesty International accused the Salvadoran government of complicity in the recent wave of killings.

Tens of thousands of Salvadorans were murdered by the death squads in the early 1980s. Morales, a representative of the 650,000-strong National Unity of Salvadoran Workers (UNTS) is hoping for a political solution to the conflict to avoid further



Morales: "International solidarity is very important"

Beth Abbott/Oxiam/Deveric

the war will not end soon.

The governing PDC party and ARENA both denounce the UNTS as a tool of the FMLN, who they are trying to eradicate with the help of \$3 million dollars a day in American aid.

The guerrillas have increased the scope of their operations, even attacking in broad daylight. In September, they successfully brought transportation to a virtual halt for the fifth time this year. "The rebels believe that they can take power by March," Morales said Thursday night.

The United States, known for its aggression towards leftist governments in what it considers its 'backyard', is unlikely to sit idly by. Concerning the possibility of U.S. military intervention, Morales said, "It is not the U.S. that is going to decide. The popular struggle is going to attain liberty, despite the U.S., just as in Vietnam."

International solidarity will play a very important role, if El Salvador is to avoid a return to the nightmare of the early 1980s, said Morales.

Morales and his colleagues, Humberto

Centeno and Dilia Melgar, are planning to meet with officials of the External Affairs Department to deliver the agreements of the National Debate. They also plan to assert that Canada is indirectly contributing to the war because its humanitarian aid is prevented by the corrupt El Salvador government from reaching its intended recipients.

According to Morales, when foreign aid arrived in El Salvador following the 1986 earthquake, "all the medical aid ended up in military hospitals. All the canned food ended up in the garrisons of troops. All the tents ended up in the back yards of rich people."

Morales said that leaving his country wasn't a problem. "It's when I go back that I'll have problems," he added. Indeed, Roberto Morales is the General Secretary of the national union of Salvadoran bank workers. Four people have held the position before him; they are all dead.

Anyone wishing to support Salvadorans in their struggle should call OXFAM/Deveric at 429-1370.

Snapshot of strife

By Jeff Harrington

As El Salvador heads towards presidential elections next March, popular movements in the country are struggling to achieve a 'national dialogue' in the hopes of ending a civil war which has lasted eight years.

A National Debate, promoted by the Catholic Church was attended by 59 groups representing trade unions, church groups, universities and the private sector. The right refused to participate, claiming that the debate would be manipulated by the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN), an opposition guerrilla group.

The debate organizers stated: "The greater the participation of different social forces, the better we will avoid the evils and limitations of excessive politicization. The goal of the National Debate is not to destabilize the situation, nor to favour one side or the other, but rather to rationally and humanely move closer to peace."

The situation is grim. According to Amnesty International, a resurgence of right-wing death squad activity has resulted in the deaths of hundreds of Salvadorans over the past 18 months. The victims are often peasants and rank and file members of trade unions, a tactic designed

to intimidate anyone sympathetic to the guerrillas or organized labour.

At the same time, there has been a marked increase in guerrilla activity, including powerful bomb attacks on the wealthy areas of the capital, San Salvador and on the provincial headquarters of the National Republican Alliance party (ARENA), the U.S.-backed right-wing party that dominated the municipal elections on March 20. The guerrillas have long promised to spread the war to all parts of the country.

The U.S.-financed Salvadoran army has responded by mounting helicopter attacks and bombings on rural villages in an attempt to deny the guerrillas peasant support, destroying homes, crops, and livestock and killing those unable to flee.

During the strife, the economy has been destroyed. Only 23% of the working population have permanent jobs. The health care system is a mess, a situation exacerbated by the October 1986 earthquake, which rendered seven of the eight hospitals in the capital useless. The education system is chronically underfunded, and serves only 42% of El Salvador's 2.8 million school-age children. The housing crisis is also acute, with 900,000 homeless out of a population of 4,860,000.



bloodshed. The three-member delegation has brought with them three 'agreements' approved unanimously at the National Debate. This debate was a forum attended by a wide range of social forces, but boycotted by the right. The agreements demand: 1) the continuation of dialogue as the only alternative for a political settlement between the government, the leftist Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) guerrilla group, and the forces of the nation. 2) the end to U.S. intervention in the domestic affairs of El Salvador and 3) the installment of a popular government that responds to popular demands.

The UNTS is planning to have a half million demonstrators on the streets of the capital, San Salvador, on November 15 to "demand compliance to these agreements by the government." Despite the hopes of the vast majority of Salvadorans for a negotiated settlement, there are indications that



Complacency kills

A gentle reminder from Amnesty

by Lynda Cassels

During the coming weeks of pre-election rhetoric most of us will let slip at least the occasional snide comment about Ed, Brian or John. Or, succumbing to the heat of alcohol-enhanced debate, release our political frustrations in a torrent of lively expletives ... The more assiduous of us may go so far as to actively campaign for the government or one of the opposition parties.

In many countries such "subversive" activities could be enough to send you to prison. Thousands of "prisoners of conscience" in over 80 countries are currently imprisoned because of their beliefs, religion, sex, or ethnic origin. Many were arrested for crimes no more insidious than speaking out against the policies of their government, or knowing someone who did. Many are detained without trial, and torture is common practice. Some are never informed of the charges against them.

For more than 25 years Amnesty International has been working to secure the release of prisoners of conscience around the world. The non-partisan, volunteer-based human rights organization has proven that, with persistence, the concern of individuals can effect results. Seven hundred thousand Amnesty International members from 150 countries pledge their support to the organization, and hundreds of thousands write personal letters to heads of government on behalf of individual pri-

soners. According to the organization's 1988 annual report, more than 1600 prisoners of conscience were released during 1987.

Amnesty International, aren't they the people who pulled together those amazing *Human Rights Now!* concerts last month? None other. Under Amnesty International's banner Bruce Springsteen, Sting, Tracy Chapman, Peter Gabriel and a host of others brought the *Human Rights Now!* campaign to capacity crowds around the world. The Toronto and Montreal concerts last month sold out. For everyone who went there seemed to be five more who wished they could. But there were other voices as well, quieter ones, whose hushed criticisms were nonetheless heard and heeded by Amnesty.

Why is a respectable organization like Amnesty International tarnishing itself with the hype and glitter of rock? They're ruining their credibility, these voices whispered. An editorial in the *Toronto Star* questioned the integrity of what is called "superstar do-goodism."

Agreed that the exuberant festival atmosphere generated by *Human Rights Now!* is discordant with the sombre nature of human rights work. Equally agreed that for many of those who attended, and perhaps for some of the performers, enthusiasm for human rights was a transient and fleeting phenomenon. Yet it cannot be refuted that the driving force behind human rights work is and must be the will,

determination and awareness of the people. Once roused, public awareness need only be directed to be made effective.

This is the challenge facing Amnesty International in the aftermath of *Human Rights Now!*: to channel the excitement and enthusiasm generated by the concerts toward the very real human crises which Amnesty faces.

1988 marks the 40th anniversary of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, yet at this moment prisoners of conscience are held in over 80 countries, and as many as 90 governments are known to practice torture. The nations which ratified the Universal Declaration were acting on behalf of their people, and of the people of all nations. It is clear from the statistics that governments are not prepared to live up to the wishes of the people. The people must act themselves. The function of Amnesty International is to direct that desire and give it voice.

It seems a suitable time, as Canadians across the country revel loudly in their freedom of speech, for Amnesty International to nudge us in the side and remind us of what a freedom it is. The third week in October was Amnesty International Awareness Week. This year is had a lot to compete with, but as you uproot these obnoxious campaign signs someone sticking in your lawn, think for a moment.

Speaking your mind is not a small privilege. Use it.



Kang Jong-Hon, prisoner of conscience.

What price freedom? Thirty-seven cents.

Prisoner: KANG JONG-HON
Country: Republic of Korea (South Korea)
Place of Detention: Taegu Prison

Kang Jong-Hon, born September 16, 1951 in Japan, where his parents and three brothers now live, was a medical student at Seoul National University when he was arrested in November 1985. At that time, more than 300 people, many of them Koreans from Japan studying in South Korea, were held for investigation. Thirty-nine of these stood trial.

Kang was sentenced to death for 'espionage' activities, charged under the National Security Law with infiltrating groups in South Korea on behalf of the People's Republic of Korea (North Korea).

At his trial, Kang states that his conviction had been obtained under torture. This contravenes the Constitution of the Republic of Korea, which states: "No citizen shall be tortured or compelled to testify against himself in criminal cases." It also contravenes the United Nations "Convention Against Torture..." (Dec. 1984).

Kang's sentence was commuted to life imprisonment under a presidential amnesty in March 1982 and reduced to 20 years under an amnesty in August 1984.

AI has reviewed all the available information and concluded that there are not sufficient grounds for accepting the court's findings that Kang was guilty of espionage. AI believes that Kang Jong-Hon was imprisoned for the non-violent exercise of his right to freedom of expression. AI has therefore adopted Kang as a prisoner of conscience and is calling for his immediate and unconditional release. Two other AI groups are working on behalf of Kang, one in England and one in West Germany.

Amnesty International is a non-partisan, grassroots organization dedicated to ensuring the right of every individual to hold and express his or her beliefs. Amnesty members write letters to governments around the world on behalf of men and women who are in prison

because of their beliefs, ethnic origin, colour, or language, so long as those persons have neither used nor advocated violence.

Individual prisoner cases brought to Amnesty International's attention are carefully researched and double-checked through the organization's head office in London, England before they are officially adopted as prisoners of conscience. The diligence of the organization's research has earned Amnesty International consultative status with the United Nations and the Council of Europe.

This year the Canadian section of Amnesty International has invited newspapers across the country to public the stories of four prisoners of conscience in recognition of Amnesty International Awareness Week. Gazette readers are encouraged to write to the addresses given, politely requesting the immediate release of Kang.

Letters requesting the release of Kang Jong Hon may be sent to:

His Excellency President Roh Tae-Wee
The Blue House
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Chongno-gu
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Republic of Korea

His Excellency Mr. Park Sook-gil
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Letters should express concern that Kang Jong Hon was imprisoned for the non-violent exercise of his freedom of expression, in contravention of the United Nations' Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Mention that Kang John Hon is currently serving his sentence in Taegu Prison and that he was arrested in 1975. Letters are more effective if it is clear that writer is aware of the details of the prisoner's case, and if they are written in a respectful manner.

blood

I see a world with a WARNING
I see the factories and the bombs
the red buttons in every country every state
guns, planes, M16's
BANG BANG BANG
rotten scum, you are a corpse rotting.
flesh you kill murder
you are a wretch, I retch at you — at your face
I can't handle you I can't —

WRETCHED DOG JANUS CORPSE
Je vois sang I see blood
ton sang your blood
YOU WILL BLEED FOR IT —
I hear the Angels crying
weeping for your soul

— Irjanahmedmian

Railway Station

*i have sat here now
for six and a half years
with my bags packed*

*the train leaves at eight
every morning
but i do not get on*

*at the hot dog stand
i meet an old acquaintance
we exchange greetings*

Karl Wendt

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Touching Halifax

By Michele Thibeau

Sarah McLachlan, a native vocalist and songwriter of October game fame, has just put out her first solo album on Nettwerk Records, called *Touch*, and it does just that to one's heart. From the first time it is played the amazing combination of melodies and vocal arrangements enchant the listener.

Some people may say that this album resembles work by British vocalist/songwriter Kate Bush, and they would not be wrong. However, Sarah herself admits being heavily influenced by Bush and they share similar vocal ranges and power. In Sarah's case, she has the experience of five years of vocal training, eight years of classical piano and twelve years of classical guitar.

Nettwerk first discovered Sarah when she played with the October Game and they opened for Moev. The band itself asked her to front them, but she waited until late

1987 to accept a solo deal with Nettwerk. She is now living in Vancouver, where the album was produced.

The album itself is quite a piece of work. Within the package one finds lots of different sounds, such as the more fast-paced single "Vox" and the rhythmic chant-like quality of the title song "Touch". One of my favourite pieces on the album is called "Uphill Battle". This instrumental is one of those songs which have twice the effect when your eyes are closed. The music moves slowly, one instrument at a time, up a hill, gently peaking, and once once more faces an uphill battle. It ends realistically in the middle before the next hill begins.

If you enjoy the music of Kate Bush and Sinead O'Connor then you will find this album delightful, especially because it represents the talent from your home town.

Sarah McLachlan



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No man is an island but Women are the rock

By Ellen Reynolds

*Hey Botha, hey Botha, man
What are you trying to do
When you strike the woman,
You strike the woman
You strike the rock.*

In 1956, 20,000 women from all over South Africa marched on Pretoria singing these words in protest to the legislation forcing black women to carry passes. This protest song provided the title to the play, *You Strike the Woman, You Strike the Rock: A Tale of Three Women*, put on by the Vusisizwe Players from Johannesburg, South Africa.

The play, based on the lives of the three-woman cast, described life under the triple oppression in South Africa — being black, poor and a woman.

With humour, song and dance, the women presented a series of vignettes about life hawking chickens in a township on the outskirts of Capetown. Occasionally breaking into the musically clicking Xhosa dialect, the women told of how "everything (in South Africa) is upsidedown". In the African tradition, mothers take pride in their responsibility to rear the children using all their strength and resources to ensure a decent life for their families. Restricted by the government to "homelands" without arable land or resources, parents have been forced to leave their children and find work in the cities to feed their families.

With a simple black back drop and several props, Poppy Tsira, Thobeka Maqutyana and Nomvula Qosha made full use of facial expressions and vocal sound effects to set a variety of scenes.



The Vusisizwe Players from Johannesburg, South Africa.

Photo courtesy Dal Arts Centre

On the bus to Capetown when Mamele (Tsira) changed her squealing baby's "shitty nappie" and Mampopo's (Maqutyana) face went into wild contortions, the audience was in tears with laughter. The sensitive interaction between Tsira and Maqutyana when Mamele's daughter pleads for her mother's forgiveness reveals a closeness to the dialogue which could only come from experience.

The women joked about how Botha controls people with passes and that soon they would need a "shit liscense" to go to the toilet. And the foreboding helicopters sent the women into a frenzy, praying that the trouble which accompanies "those birds" would pass them by this time.

Mamele's and Sdula's husbands are not much support. In Mamele's case, he merely drinks away what she earns selling chickens on the side of the road. She gets a good price for her chickens and for allowing customers to fondle more than the produce.

These women work as domestic servants, hawkers of food or prostitutes and are subject to racial and sexual degradation daily but with their unfailing energy and strength they always find hope despite the oppression.

In the words of one; "The sun will rise for all the working women of the world". With this strength and hope it's easy to see why, if you strike the woman, you strike the rock.

foul call

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ing their bargaining team undermined." It is this law which the DFA claims the Board of Governors ignored by publishing and distributing the reports.

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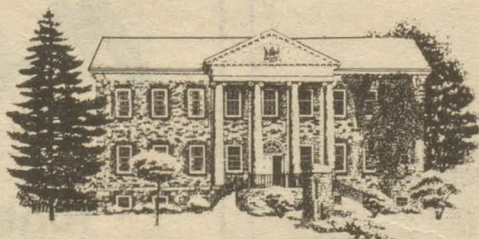
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Imagine

A treat for Lennon fans

By Dal Jiordani

What can be said about John Lennon, a man whose talents, creativeness and vision has touched the hearts and lives of millions, that has not already been said? This review, focused on the film *Imagine — John Lennon* and the accompanying soundtrack, is not an attempt to pass judgement on a person whose life is both well-documented and

mysterious. That job will be left to the historians and the people who remember what he was and what he stood for. Instead, I will comment on the living epitaph his work has become and how some of these recent forms are presented.

Capitol Records has released a compilation of Lennon's music and performances in conjunction with the film biography, both



Photo: Courtesy BMI

Lennon: peace for the next generation

authorized by Yoko Ono. The movie, a more positive look at Lennon than Albert Goldman's recent book, attempts to present the life of John Lennon as that of an energetic young musician, a powerful peace activist, a lost hero and returned, loving father.

Directed by Andrew Solt and produced by David Wolper, the film makes use both of well-known shots of Lennon and a great deal of rare documentary-style footage, a treat for Lennon fans as much of it was previously unreleased. Also featured are several interview clips with Len-

non's sons, Julian and Sean, his first wife, Cynthia, and Yoko Ono. The first portion of the film looks at Lennon in the process of maturing as a songwriter and an individual. The shots range from backstage at concerts with the Beatles, to recording sessions, to private scenes of home life. In this section, as throughout the film, extensive use is made of music Lennon either wrote or performed.

In the post-Beatles period, Lennon grew increasingly active in the peace movement, a phrase that was highlighted by the song "Imagine". While the first section of the film focused on a young man who was thrust into position of overwhelming success and managed to survive nicely, this section emphasized that John Lennon was a peace-loving person who was simply a little eccentric in his method of presenting his vision. Lennon's drug use, highly documented by the

press of that time, was not ignored, but neither was it elaborated on, as if the filmmakers were saying "Yeah, he had a little problem. So what? Don't judge his whole life by one bad habit."

In the mid-Seventies, Lennon's absence from the public spotlight and his separation from Yoko led to a great deal of speculation on the direction his life was headed, though it is true that his personal problems at this point were greater than any previously experienced, they were not as terrible as what was publicized. This section of the film and the last one detail his fall from grace and his recovery. The feeling one gets is that while his problems lead to a great deal of introspection and suffering, they also led to him becoming a person who was finally at peace with himself. It seemed that he had finally gotten his life back on track once and for all when his existence was so tragically ended.

The film's soundtrack highlights some of Lennon's greatest works from the Beatles era and beyond, as well as two previously unreleased tracks, "Real Love", taken from a demo cassette, and a rehearsal version of "Imagine". In addition to the soundtrack, a book showcasing the movie, written and edited by the film's director, Andrew Solt, is also available.

As with the soundtrack and the book, the film is but a brief look at the vision of a performer whose career was ultimately cut short. As a musician, a poet, and a philosopher, his work will remain to be enjoyed for years to come, but as a dreamer, he will best be known for asking people to do nothing more than *imagine*.

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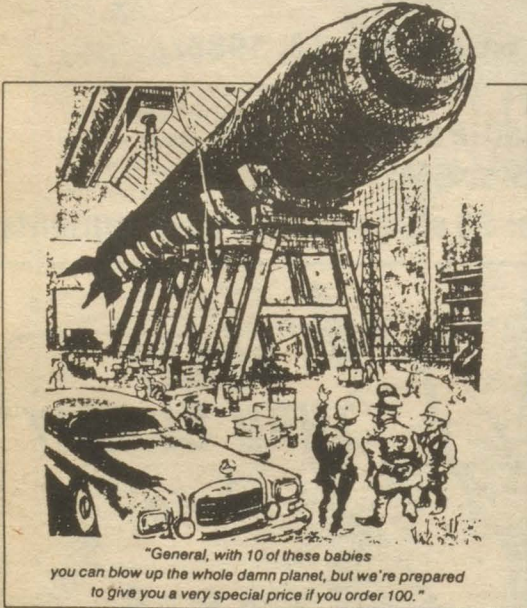
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Soccer Tigers close successful year

By Brian Lennox

The Dalhousie men's soccer team had their best record in years (7-4-2) and did not make the playoffs. In previous years this record would have easily qualified the Tigers for post season play. The players are somewhat disapp-

pointed but they should be proud of their performance this year. In their final game the Tigers beat Mount Allison 3-2 on goals by Keith McAlary, Jeff Conatser, and Mike Herasminko.

Dalhousie displayed some great character as they were down 2-1 before coming back to win.

Coach Ray McNeil, is especially proud of his team in their last game as they could have easily stopped playing. Winning this game meant little except to their pride.

The Tigers were eliminated from the playoff picture on Friday as they lost 1-0 to St. Francis

Xavier. As it turns out, even if they had won this game they would not have qualified for the playoffs although the players did not know this during the game. After falling behind the X-Men, the Tigers really pressed them and were unlucky not to get the tying goal.

Over the weekend the tigers

suffered some injuries to key players. Goalkeeper Raul Pina was playing with a bad back for the last three games of the season. In the final game against Mount Allison forward, James Leiper suffered a compound fracture of the left ankle. Hopefully Leiper can make a full recovery from a very serious injury.

Hockey team returns after long road trip

By Brian Lennox

The Dalhousie Tigers hockey team completed a marathon road

trip late Sunday after playing three games in three days. Last Friday Dalhousie played Merrimack University in the Univer-

sity of Maine hockey tournament. On Saturday the Tigers beat the University of New Brunswick in the consolation final of the Maine tournament. The long road trip ended Sunday as the Tigers lost to the Universite de Moncton.

In the game against Merrimack, Dalhousie had some costly penalties which probably lost them the game as they fell 8-6. The Tigers would have really wanted to beat Merrimack as they

would have played the Maine Black Bears in the final. Last season, the Tigers lost to Maine 5-2 when the Black Bears were the number-one ranked team in the US. In the consolation game the tigers beat UNB 7-6.

Immediately following the tournament at Maine the Tigers had a long bus ride to Moncton to play the Blue Eagles on Sunday. The Blue Eagles were able to beat a dead-tired Dalhousie team 8-2.

The Moncton game would have been much closer had Dalhousie not had to play in Maine. For coach Darrell Young the Maine trip was good experience for some of the younger players and winning games in October is certainly not as crucial as winning in January and February.

The Tigers' next two games are at home as they play University College of Cape Breton this Saturday and then take on St. Francis Xavier the day after.

DFA strike will not close Dalplex

By Chris Murray

With all campus anxiously awaiting the impending faculty strike, the status of the Dalplex during a strike is in doubt. Since the Dalhousie Staff Association has not yet decided on their course of action, things are uncertain until the seventh of November.

If the DSA were to go on strike, some fear the Dalplex would close due to a lack of workers to keep the place functioning, but this is not necessarily the case. Although there are DSA workers at the Dalplex, there are also many students employed there who are not a part of the union. The result is that the Dalplex will probably remain open during a short strike.

Under normal situations, the Dalplex only closes for Christmas, and since many non-student employees would be affected, chances are every effort will be made to keep the building operating.

Another problem is the potential effect of a strike on the quality of our varsity teams. Some of the coaches of these teams are also faculty members, and although a short strike would hardly cause problems, a prolonged one could cause a disruption in a team's progress.

If the strike is short, the situation for athletes, varsity and otherwise, could be a benefit. With a little time off from the regular work load, students may be able to catch up on their studies and perhaps make an extra visit to Dalplex for that workout they just never have time for.

An additional reason to visit is the purchase by Dalplex of over \$100,000 in weight training equipment. This was a much-needed improvement, as the aging squeaky hydraulic system of the past has been given a much needed retirement. The new weight system is much larger than the previous one, and those interested in weight lifting should come in and check it out.

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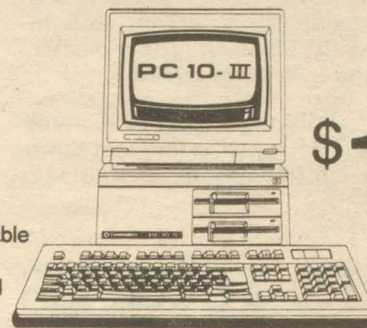


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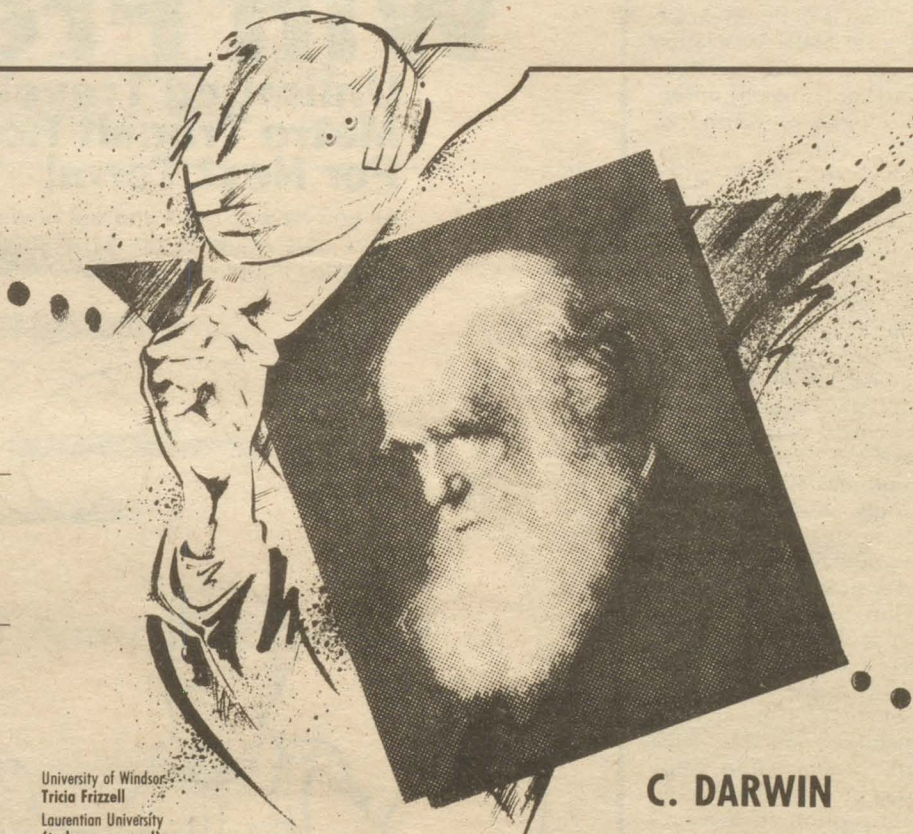
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Calendar

Thursday 3

Lecture - CG Gifford will be discussing Nuclear Disarmament at 11:30 am in room 114 of the Weldon Law Building. For further information call 420-0721 from the Law Speakers Committee. Bring your own lunch.

Lecture - The Biology Dept presents Dr. Steven Turner, University of NB, speaking on *Is the Visual Perception of Space Learned or Innate? Some Historical Dimensions of the Controversy* at 11:30 am in room 332 of the Dal Life Sciences Centre.

Lunch and Learn - Visiting guest speaker Dr. Lonnie Kliever, Southern Methodist University, will speak on *Religion and the U.S. Election Campaign* as part of the series *In the Name of God: Politics and Religion* at 12 noon to 1:30 pm at the Halifax Main Library.

Craft Show - The 11th Annual *Christmases at the Forum - the Festival of Crafts, Antiques, Art and Food* will take place at the Halifax Forum until Nov 6: Thurs 2-10, Fri 10-10, Sat 10-10, Sun 10-6. Admission is \$2.75, \$2 for seniors.

Film - Monty Python and the Holy Grail will be showing at 7 pm in the Halifax Main Library.

Concert - Queen Ida and her Bon Temps Zydeco Band will be performing at the Cohn at 8 pm. Proceeds for the Black South African Scholarship Fund. Tickets \$16.50 general, \$14.50 students and seniors at the Arts Centre box office (424-2646).

Film - *A Fish Called Wanda* at Wormwood's, 7 and 9:15 pm.

Friday 4

Film - *Poison Prevention for Primary, Our Pet Show, and Strongfellow and the Food Genie* will be the preschool films at the Halifax North Branch Library on Gottigen St at 10:30 am. All are welcome.

Lecture - The Dalhousie Psychology Department presents Dr. Neil Charness of Waterloo University, speaking on *Acquiring Skill at Mental Calculation in Adulthood* at 3:30 pm in room 4258/63 of the Dal Life Sciences Centre.

Seminar - The Dal Political Science Department presents Rob Huebert on *Naval Power and International Law in Canada's North* at 3:30 pm in the Poli Sci lounge, 4th floor Dal A&A building.

Film - Michael Khleifi's *Wedding in Galilee* at Wormwood's Cinema until Nov. 10 every night at 7 pm only. This story of a traditional Palestinian wedding in a remote village under Israeli rule is a Cannes winner.

Performance - The Dal Arts Centre presents Margie Gillis at 8 pm in the Cohn. Her solo modern dance program will include *Roots of the*

Rhythm Remai, Waltzing Matilda and Little Animal. Tickets are \$16 general, \$14 students and seniors.

Literary Salon - The Writers' Federation of Nova Scotia will be having its *Fall Literacy Salon beginning at 8 pm in the Dal Arts Centre, continuing Saturday. This year's theme is the writer in a multicultural society. Everyone welcome. For further info call 423-8116 or drop into the Federation office at Suite 203, 5516 Spring Garden Road.*

Film - *Eight Men Out* at Wormwood's until Nov. 10 every night at 9:15 pm only. Eight players on the Chicago White Sox conspire to throw the 1919 World Series.

Saturday 5

Clinic - The Nova Scotia Wheelchair Sports Association will be holding a *wheelchair racquetball clinic* at the Tower, St. Mary's University on Sat and Sun. For more info call Candace Eisner at Sport Nova Scotia, 425-5450.

Conference - The Nova Scotia Council for Multicultural Health and the Department of Health will be sponsoring *Multicultural Health: Promoting Culture-Sensitive Health Care* at the Halifax Infirmary from 9 am to 5 pm. For more info call Suresh at 420-5525 (ext. 2497).

Presentation - Mary Duffy, Heather MacKenzie and Tracey Jones will give a lively presentation of the best children's books of the past 10 years at the Halifax Main Library at 1:45 pm. All are welcome.

Party - *The African Students' Association* will be having their appreciation party in the SUB Garden Cafeteria at 7 pm. Free for paid-up members.

Concert - *The Halifax Camerata Singers* will perform music from the 16th and 17th centuries at the Mother House Chapel, Mount Saint Vincent University at 8 pm. Tickets at Doane Music at the Bayers Road Shopping Centre and Phinney's on Barrington St. For more info call Nicole Watkins Campbell at 424-2878.

Sunday 6

Church Service - Sung Eucharist, 11 am. Kings College Chapel (Anglican) at the Coburg entrance to King's.

Church Service - Real Life Fellowship holds a weekly worship service in conjunction with Community Bible Church at 11:30 am in SUB 314. A teaching class is held from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Everyone welcome.

Film - *New Puppet Show from Gaelic Tales* will be shown at the Halifax Main Library at 2 pm. All are welcome.

Film - *The Never Ending Story* will be the feature video at the Halifax Main Library at 2:45 pm. All are welcome.

Concert - *The Second Sunday Evening Chamber Music Concert* presented by Dal Music Department will take place at 8 pm in the Sir James Dunn Theater, Dal Arts Center. Guest artists from the University of Orono, Maine, will perform works by Chopin, Bach, and Vieuxtemps as part of the Dalhousie Music Faculty in Maine Exchange.

Monday 7

Meeting - There will be a meeting of the undergraduate science society officers and science student representatives on faculty, faculty council and DSU council from 4:30 to 6:30 pm at the Dean's Conference Room, room 332, A&A bldg.

Lecture - Dr. H.C. Clark, President of Dalhousie, on *The Challenges of Undergraduate Education in Science* at the Nova Scotia Museum on Summer St. at 8 pm.

Film - The DSU Monday Movie will be *Full Metal Jacket*, in the McInnes Room, SUB, at 8 pm. Doors open at 7:30 pm. Tickets \$3 (with CFS card), \$3.50 (students), \$4 (general).

Tuesday 8

Talk - the Dalhousie Buddhist Studies Society present *Working with Pressure: Buddhist Meditation* by Winfield Clark at 5 pm in SUB room 316. For more info call 425-0319.

Concert - The choral music of Edward Elgar is featured in the first concert of the Dalhousie Chorale's 1988-89 season at 8 pm in the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. Program includes *The Music Makers, From the Bavarian Highlands* and the *Prelude and Angel's Farewell* from *The Dream of Gerontius*. Tickets are on sale at the Cohn Box Office. For more info call 424-2418.

Wednesday 9

Workshop - Babysitting workshops for those 13 and up will take place at the Main Halifax Library Branch Nov. 9, 16 & 23 from 7 to 8:30 pm. Registration is at the library or call Tracey Jones at 421-8766.

Concert - *The Early Music Society of Nova Scotia* presents a concert of early baroque music for voices, harp and harpsichord with Andrew Lawrence-King, counter-tenor and harpist, and Janet Humberger Lolov, soprano and harpsichordist, at 8 pm in Canadian Martyrs Church, 5900 Inglis St.

Thursday 10

Lunch and Learn - Hardev Singh's film *The Sikhs* will be followed by discussion with a member of the Halifax Sikh community. 12 noon to 1:30 pm at the Halifax Main Library.

Lecture - The Biology Dept presents Dr. Lynn Taylor, Dalhousie University, speaking on *Catastrophe on a Cobble Bottom: A perspective from*

which to enhance students' problem solving skills at 11:30 am in room 332 of the Dal Life Sciences Centre.

Luncheon - There will be a chowder luncheon for winners of 1988/89 in-course scholarships in the Faculty of Science in the Great Hall, University Club at 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. Dr. Chris Garrett of Oceanography will be speaking on the topic, *Radioactive Waste Disposal in the Ocean*. RSVP: 424-3540 (by Nov. 8).

Lecture - Olu Olajide (SRES) will be speaking on *Structural Adjustment in Nigeria* in the African Studies Seminar Room at 4:30 pm.

Film - *DA* will be playing at Wormwood's Cinema at 7 pm only, every night until Nov. 17. *The Thin Blue Line* will also be at Wormwood's until Nov. 17 but at 9:15 only.

Lecture - Matthew Teitelbaum will present an illustrative talk on *Pater-son Ewen's work* at the Dalhousie Art Gallery at 8 pm. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.

Community

Meeting - The Dal Gazette holds its weekly meeting at 5:30 pm which is them followed by the actual layout of the newspaper. All students are welcome to come up to the 3rd floor of the SUB and see what's going on. Spread the word.

GLAD meeting - Gays and Lesbians at Dalhousie meet every other Thursday at 6:30 pm in room 314 of the SUB.

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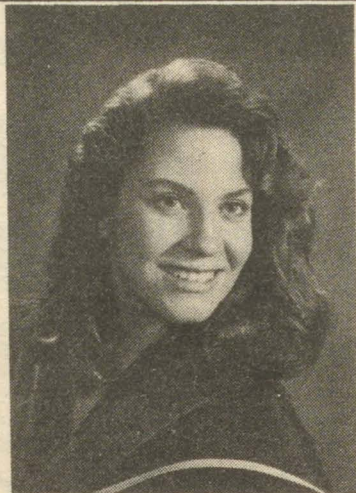
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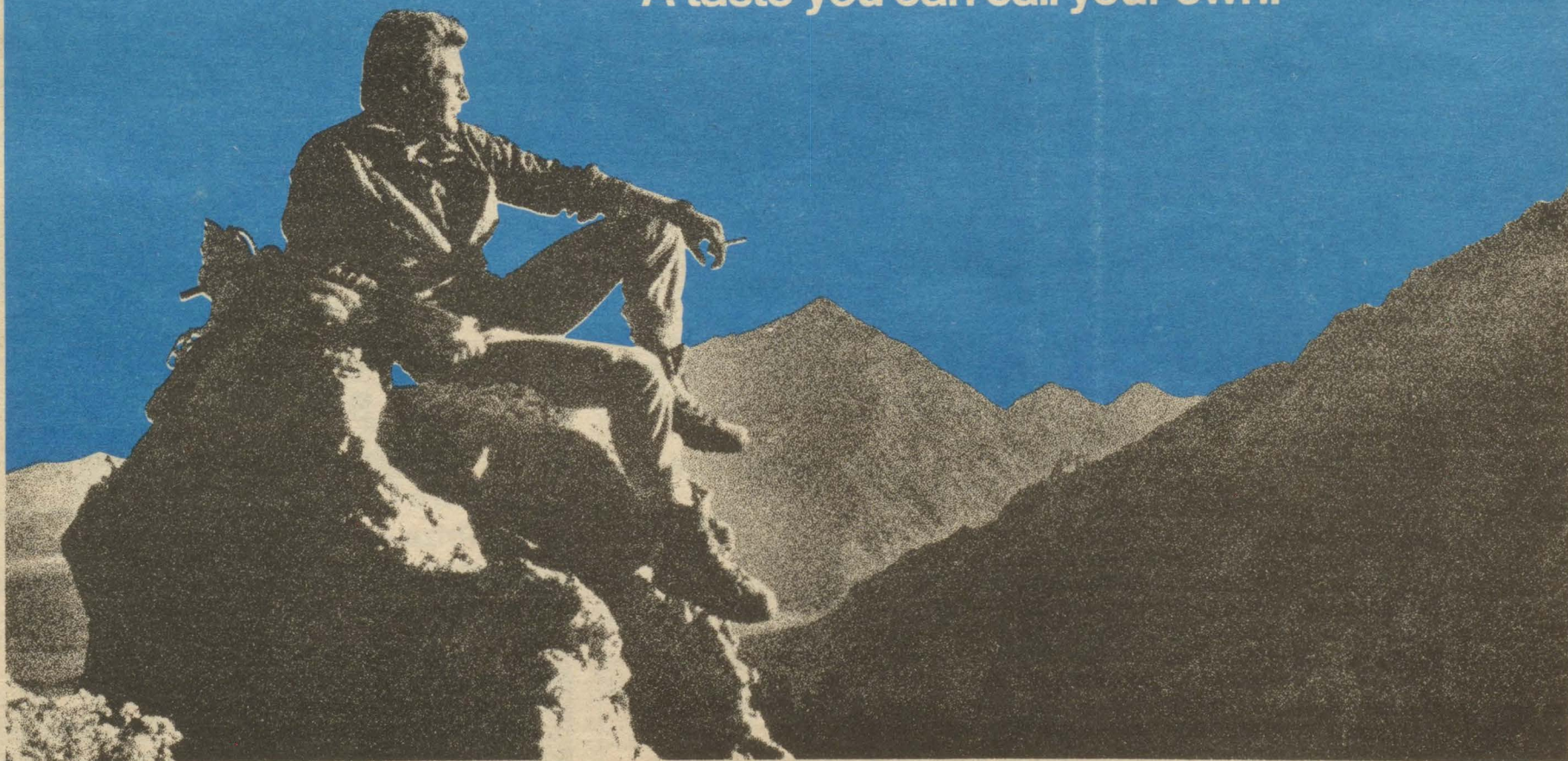
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