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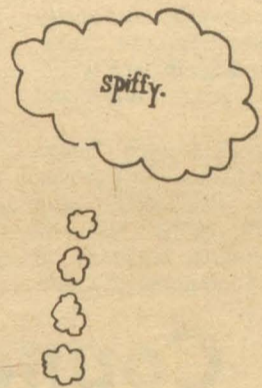
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Attitude of intellectual colonialism

French-Canadian Studies Nil

OTTAWA (CUP) — A survey of 24 Canadian universities, including two bilingual ones, reveals an appalling lack of French-Canadian content in English-language university French courses.

The survey entitled "French-Canadian Studies and their place in University French Departments: A Critique and Model for Change in English Canada", was released this week by three Carleton University professors — Sinclair Robinson (assistant professor of French), Donald Smith (assistant professor of French) and Robin Matthews (associate professor of English) and federal government researcher Joyce Wayne.

The report criticizes the demeaning attitude most English-language university French departments take towards the teaching of French-Canadian language, culture and literature.

"In general, French departments seem to consider French-Canadian literature and civilization marginal, and French-Canadian language an unfortunate corruption of a pure

tongue," the report says.

Like studies of English-Canadian language and literature, French-Canadian studies are not considered worthwhile. "An attitude of intellectual colonialism, both conscious and unconscious, has pervaded Canadian universities", the report says, thus discouraging all but the hardy from persevering to find and understand something of the Canadian (and French-Canadian) identity.

The report also criticizes French departments for teaching 19th and 20th century literature mainly, as if Canada doesn't exist. "Such courses prepare students, by major omission, to believe that work done in Canada is not 'serious' work especially when French-Canadian literature is barely offered or limited."

Courses in language and linguistics are seriously limited both in number and scope, the report adds. In most cases French departments are heavily oriented towards literature; where language courses do exist, the language taught is "international" and

not Quebecois French. Thus students are ill-prepared both on the linguistic and cultural level "for any real contact with their French-speaking neighbors."

French departments were also taken to task for limiting French-Canadian literature studies to honors and/or senior undergraduate students, "preventing many Canadian students from access to material of their own country."

The survey of courses — French and French-Canadian — did not include freedom to take course in other disciplines, and those courses are rarely given in French.

The highest percentage of offerings devoted to French-Canadian studies was 25 percent, the lowest four percent and the average was 14 percent; the professors' model calls for 46 percent.

The University of Alberta is lauded for its program in French-Canadian language and literature which is separate from French language, although the program does not treat the studies as fully as it could, the report says.

However, the report adds, it is by far the best solution yet seen in an English-Canadian university.

Only two universities of those surveyed "offer a significantly different pattern in French-Canadian studies in French departments." They are the University of Ottawa and the University of Saskatchewan, Regina campus. The Regina campus offers about one-third of its French department courses in French-Canadian materials, the highest proportion in any university outside Quebec.

The University of Ottawa, a bilingual institution, shows a good proportion in its "Francais" section with 17 or 57 courses listed in the 1972-73 calendar involving French-Canadian studies. But the French section for English-speaking students has only three of 23 courses offered, thus reflecting "the deficiencies of French-Canadian studies prevalent in most English-Canadian universities."

The following is a list of the universities and the results. Reading courses and qualifying years are not included, and the calendar year is shown.

UBC — two courses of 27, not counting two open courses; 1972-73

Brock — two of 14; 1972-73

McMaster University — five of 52; 72-73

University of Calgary — one of 22, not counting one open topic course; 1972-73

Carleton University — four of 43; 1972-73

Dalhousie University — one of 25, not counting one open

Glendon College, York University — five of 26, not counting one open course; 1972-73

University of Guelph — four of 32, 1971-72

Laurentian University (bilingual) — French

department one of 17; "Department de Francais" seven of 44, not counting one open course; 1972-73

McGill University ("College" and university levels) — 21 of 88 not counting one open topic course; 1972-73

Memorial University — three of 31; 1972-73

University of New Brunswick — two of 19, 1972-73

Queen's University — three of 27; 1972-73

University of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon campus) — three of 22; 1972-73

University of Toronto — Erindale Campus — two of 16, not counting two open topic courses; 1971-72.

Scarborough College — three of 15; 1971-72. St. George campus — four of 45, not counting three open topic courses; 1971-72.

St. Francis Xavier — two of 10; 1972-73

Simon Fraser University — four of 35, not counting four open topic courses; 1972-73

Trent University — three of 19; 1972-73

York University — "French Literature" and "French language training" courses — three of 28, not counting three open topic courses; 1971-72

University of Victoria — three of 21, not counting four open topic courses; 1971-72

University of Windsor — seven of 38; 1972-73.

The researchers' model of course offerings for English-language university French departments has three basic areas of concern. In each area, majoring students would take a minimum of courses; French-Canadian literary studies, French literary studies and studies in language and linguistics. Students then would be able to specialize in one of the areas, the report says.

The model language courses would try to develop the students' linguistic competence to the same level as their French-Canadian counterparts.

The model's French-Canadian literary studies have a maximum of thirteen courses, French and linguistics have a maximum of sixteen courses, not including the auxiliary or peripheral courses.

The report admits "the total number of courses offered in each area would depend upon the resources of individual universities, but a ratio close to the one presented here (46 percent) should be retained in order to provide a full and open program of offerings that is fair to the integrity of each area."

Council trudges on

by Dale Parayeski

Council representatives of the faculties of medicine and nursing were dismissed at the last Student Council meeting. This was done because they had not attended a stipulated number of meetings and failed to present "reasonable" cause. A spokesman from the Nursing Society said that their representative's non-attendance was because she felt that the nursing students were not benefiting from their liaison with Council. Nominations for both positions have been called

for.

All matters concerning the budget were delayed until the next meeting. Comments and revisions regarding such, from all those concerned, whether on Council or not, were to be directed to Treasurer Gary Blaikie.

Dan O'Connor, Council member-at-large and its most proficient constitution memorizer, saw to it that before a new organization can be officially recognized, it must be examined by the Constitution Committee. Although "in the rules", this was not always the

practice in the past.

Fees for joining the Pharmacy Society were raised to \$14 and are to be incorporated into tuition next year, thus making membership mandatory. Results of a pool taken by Society members show, however, that most Pharmacy Students are not protesting this.

It was announced that seven delegates will be sent, at Union expense, to the University of New Hampshire later this year to attend a conference on entertainment. More information will be available when the plans are finalized.

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Brian Smith appointed NSASU Pres.

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by Marg Bezanson
 W. Brian Smith, following the formation of the Nova Scotia Association of Student Unions NSASU October 18 at Dalhousie said, "The main thrust of the association will be to defend and advance the interests of post-secondary students in Nova Scotia, and our talks with the assorted levels of government." Smith was appointed President of the Association. Other of-

ficers are: Stan McNeil, Vice-President (from Xavier College in Sydney) and Margaret MacEachern, Secretary (from Saint Mary's University in Halifax.)

Founding members of the NSASU are the Student Unions of Saint Francis Xavier, Xavier College, Acadia, Mount Saint Vincent, Nova Scotia Technical College, Saint Mary's and Dalhousie. The constitution provides that any other post-

secondary institution in the province will be eligible for membership.

Each member Union will provide two delegates to the Association — the President and one other person chosen by the President of that member Union.

The purpose of the Association as expressed by the Constitution is: to defend and advance the interests of post-secondary students in Nova

Scotia; to provide means of communications through which members unions may improve and maintain the quality of their internal operations; to provide a means through which members may: (a) determine areas of mutual concern, (b) formulate solutions of the defined problem areas; (c) to pursue the common good when negotiating with the Federal and Provincial levels of Government.

Smith stated in commenting on the association's purpose, "We intend to improve the public's opinion of us, but we haven't discussed any specific ideas yet."

When questioned on the political stand of the Association Smith said "It will depend on the issue and I'll leave it at that."

Although the proposition of the formation of this Association was mentioned at the October 16 meeting of the Dalhousie Student Council, Council members were told by Smith, "It doesn't matter if you ratify this association or not because we are going to form it anyway." So like it or not, 17,000 students will be represented by the Association.

The New Brunswick Federation of Students Unions has been informed of the present situation. A meeting is tentatively scheduled for mid-November to discuss the formation of a Maritime Association of Student Unions. Nothing has been resolved



Brian Smith, recently appointed President of NSASU.

concerning the possibility of joining the National Association of Student Unions. According to Smith, "Some people are lukewarm on the idea and no one is hot on it." A meeting of the National Association is scheduled for November 12.

Smith commented "I'm glad that the Nova Scotia Association is now in existence and also that the provincial government is showing favourable cooperation."

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"Economy still strong"

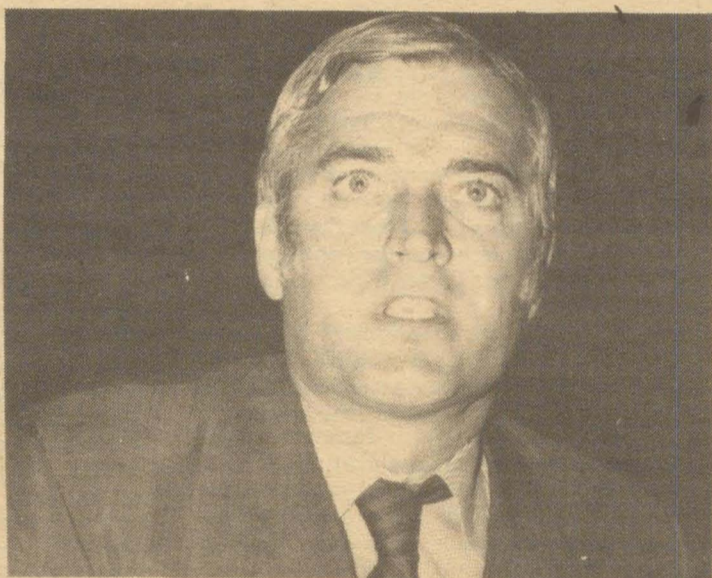
by Don Retson
 "Don't compare the Liberals with any ideal or the Almighty, just the alternatives." Addressing a crowd of about 100 students in the McInnes Room last week. Finance Minister John Turner defended the Liberals as the only "credible alternative" in the 1972 election.

As he has done so often in this election campaign, Turner charged that National NDP leader David Lewis was trying to con the Canadian electorate with his "simplistic slogans".

Criticizing Lewis' use of "slick slogans" such as corporate welfare bums, Turner went on to equate implementation of NDP policies with "community collapse."

Turner himself came under heavy attack for the "unliberal policies" of his government. Criticised for infringing the civil liberties of individuals through implementation of the War Measures Act, Turner stated that if people were dissatisfied with Liberal policies they had the power to throw them out of office. Turner rejected the establishment of a Judicial Inquiry Board to look into infringement of civil liberties, claiming that "Liberals should be accountable to Parliament and the people of Canada rather than a Judicial Inquiry Board."

Several times Turner was grilled on the economic policies of the Liberal Party which have produced the highest unemployment in the country in over a decade. In his reply to these concerns, Turner reiterated past Liberal statements that high unemployment rates across Canada (over 10 percent



John Turner speaks at Dal SUB jack novack/ dal photo

in the Maritimes) was due mainly to the post-war baby boom and the subsequent overflowing of the Canadian labor market. Despite such high unemployment, Turner felt the Canadian economy was still strong.

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The myth of objectivity

By David Deitch
Reprinted from the Nation

The American press is under attack from the left, the Right and the harassed middle. It needs reform and it knows it, but nothing less than profound structural changes will make a qualitative difference sufficient to insure the survival of newspapers as credible agents of information about the society in which they operate.

However, all attempts thus far to accommodate newspapers to the needs of society have failed, and all the evaluations have turned out to be indexes of failure rather than progress toward some satisfactory result. Criticism that does not lead to structural change is simply an exercise in reformist frustration, and the effect has been that the press today is one of the least trusted of the country's national institutions, public or private. Right wing critics complain that the papers undermine confidence in democratic institutions by striking at the government. The Left insists that, by adhering to so-called balanced reporting, they in fact stabilize the worst features of an inequitable system. The confused middle is rapidly losing faith in the ability of the daily press to sustain the image of impartiality that newspaper managements — not readers — have demanded.

It thus becomes obvious that the press will not begin to cope with its credibility problem until newspaper managements acknowledge that the mystifying standard, objectivity, cannot be adequately defined or achieved, that in fact it is pernicious to the society as well as to the institutions of journalism. This neutrality is demanded by newspaper administrators and editors, concerned that the news content remain under tight control; there is no evidence that it serves a public interest.

At a time when people are becoming politically more aware a newspaper loses credibility when readers believe themselves to be manipulated and propagandized on behalf of those who dominate the political economy. It makes no difference how they identify those powers or whether their evaluation is right of stems from the widening circle of paranoia that seems endemic to a highly centralized society.

A commitment to the notion of objectivity has in effect become a sign of manipulations, whether newspaper managements like it or not, and the way to deal with it is to admit that the editorial function is inherently biased, that reporters have opinions of their own, and that newspapers, like other large institutions, are political entities.

In European journalism, the rule is there is no clear line between reporting and opinion.

"We are proud," said an editor of *Le Monde*, "not of our objectivity but of our independence." The assumption is that the reader knows the viewpoint of the reporter and expects it to be reflected in his copy...

Le Monde makes itself credible by rejecting the myth of objectivity. It exposes all its biases to the

reader, who automatically learns the security of reading "news" that is placed in a readily identifiable context. *Le Monde* journalists — the best in the world — have established their reputation over time on a newspaper that has given them their heads.

Readers take issue with *Le Monde* journalists, not with *Le Monde*, and do not feel they are being propagandized by an objective automation. The context of the news becomes as important as the news itself — indeed the one can never really be divorced from the other — journalist and reader engage in a relationship similar to that of actor and audience.

In the American press, however, the fact is that many reporters try to make editorial points between the lines of their objectivity, thus inserting surreptitiously what they should be writing candidly. The trouble with using a subterfuge — however much it may clarify the point of a story — is that it still leaves the reader wondering how objective the news story is, how responsible the reporter is, what his biases may be.

The notion still prevails among writers that they should strive to be as objective as possible. It has a nice, clear-cut ring to it, but nobody has been able to tell them how to approach their elusive goal, much less what it really means. Most reporters and newspapermen fall back on the idea that the proper solution is a kind of "balance", a presentation of pro and con that lends itself to mathematical analysis; that is, always try to get the other side of the story, even for just a couple of lines.

It is a puzzle why reporters continue to insist that objectivity, or balance, is the key to good journalistic life, but one explanation may be that it permits a kind of psychological anonymity. A reporter need not reveal what sort of person he is, uncover his biases.

More important, by clinging to the myth that he is indeed being as objective as humanly possible, he can evade personal responsibility for his work; he is only a technician of the news. Advocacy, on the other hand, openly admitted, requires an exposure of self, a willingness to undergo scrutiny and a commitment to excellence that seems very demanding.

Some reporters are thus afraid of advocacy. Those who don't feel strongly about things see no reason to take sides. Other correctly perceive that they lack the confidence to be advocacy reporters, that they do not really know their "beat". A reporter cannot express his convictions about, say, education unless he has made himself an expert on the problems of school and the theories of learning.

It follows that the opportunity to become an advocate would cause responsive reporters to acquire the background necessary to acquit themselves creditably. The informed reporter would make himself known as competent to act in his new professional capacity, thus raising the general level of the profession. Those who saw the advocacy role as an opportunity to dispense propaganda would be exposed

as soon as the public judged their work against the progress of events.

What is to be done? One possible course for an adventurous management could be to experiment with a program that devotes a limited amount of space each day to the opinions of those reporters who have sufficient confidence in their abilities.

The space would be clearly identified as containing advocacy accounts by the writers involved, and the content would be under the control of those producing it. It would be understood by all concerned that the judgements were those of the reporters, who have acquired the privilege of stating them by demonstrating good sense, knowledge and general competence. If the experiment succeeded, it should cause a re-evaluation of space and assignment priorities.

It would also cause newspaper managements to re-evaluate themselves politically, as they re-define the purpose and public need for the daily newspaper in the context of broadcasting competition.

Excellent newspaper men are forever complaining that they have no time to do the investigative and interpretive reporting of which they are capable. It is odd that a newspaper will boast that its state house reporter has been on the job for twenty years, but never given the readers the benefit of his opinion on state politics, or about how that construction firm got the big contract. A reporter who knows his beat should be expected to tell readers what's on his mind as a basic part of his job.

Those who see themselves as reporters of facts should be confined to factual sections of the newspaper — accidents, sports, births, and deaths — and those who want to use facts to expose larger issues should not be burdened with a technicians job. Ideally, an idea man should be paired with a facts man, or two or more frankly biased reporters.

Press releases, if important, might be printed verbatim just like the text of a speech. Rewriting them is worth no one's time.

The market for objective "facts" has been saturated by TV, as newspaper managements well know. Newspapers must provide something more than a statistical expansion of the eleven o'clock news, but no amount of "reform" discussion will produce a new product, the conditions must change. This requires structural innovation, a radical transformation of the American daily newspaper into a social participant, not a mere observer.

Neutrality is conceivable in a political vacuum and nothing is more political than a newspaper. The public knows this and withholds its belief from journals that venerate objectivity.

The key element in journalism, as in all writing and all art, is risk, sometimes personal risk. Newspapers will never be "ready" for personal journalism, for major changes, for a role in the events around them, until reporters and editors are willing to stick their necks out.

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The right to learn

by Beth Burke

'No nation can afford the number of special classes needed for learning disabled children,' Dr. Lillie Pope told a packed auditorium during the second annual Atlantic Conference for Children with Learning Disabilities for Nova Scotia, held at Dalhousie University, September 19-21.

Dr. Pope, the director of the Psycho-Educational Division and Learning Disabilities Clinic at the Coney Island Hospital, New York, said that such geniuses as Albert Einstein, Thomas Edison, Winston Churchill and Leonardo da Vinci were all learning disability cases who made it. She went on to say that while not every disabled child is a potential genius, every child has something to contribute to society.

Dr. Pope stressed that if competent help is not given to children who have learning problems the result is disastrous. She said that personal frustrations and social maladjustment may lead to feelings of alienation from society and result in drug and delinquency problems. Dr. Pope said that a recent study of a number of delinquents indicated that 80 per cent of those studied had learning disabilities. A lot of understanding and a good sense of humor will go a long way toward helping these children' she said.

Dr. Charles Drake, President of the Learning Disabilities Foundation, Inc., Reading Research Institute, and Headmaster for Landmark School, Mass., attacked the slogan 'right to read' as 'a cheap political trick used by the American politicians to milk the awful condition of illiteracy in the nation. They did not even provide any realistic help or even a readable piece of literature.'

Children should be systematically tested to find out what the problem is, continued Dr. Drake. He called for educators to start treating the causes of the problem rather than just talk about the symptoms and effects.

Testing, Dr. Drake pointed out, consists of several basic questions: Can he see and hear?, can he keep things in the proper order?, can he separate the meaningful from the unmeaningful?, is he slow in responding to questions?, does he have the ability to carry out two or more simple tasks at the same time?

Several learning aids long frowned upon by the teaching profession were suggested by Dr. Drake as a means of helping children to overcome learning problems. He advocated the use of the finger to help alleviate the problems of reading, counting on the fingers to help solve math problems and moving the lips while reading to aid in learning to verbalize.

Pharmaceutical firms are to blame for the panic over so-called hyper-active children Dr. Drake claimed. He insisted that teachers must teach children with behavioral problems how to act appropriately rather than drug them into obedience.

One of the most informative speakers at the conference was Mr. William Page, director for Educational Programs and Resources, Nashville, Tennessee. He advised teachers to make their class structures flexible in order to accommodate every child in the class. Page attacked the foundations of traditional education by suggesting that

perhaps it is teachers, not students who should change.

Page listed what he called 'the teaching Hierarchy of Beliefs. He told teachers to examine their beliefs to see if they were conducive to teaching children how to learn.

Page, an anti-test campaigner, told teachers that test should not always be given to all students at the same time and only once. He stated that tests should be given only to show the student what he has learned, not to judge his worth.

'The whole concept of failure is preposterous,' Page declared 'No-one has the right to tell another person that he has failed. It is the teacher who has failed to teach the student not the student who has failed to learn,' Page added.

Page advised teachers to give every child an alternative when an assignment is given so that he might accommodate for his personal needs. He insisted that teachers must be willing to examine themselves to change themselves before they try to change others. "A good teacher," Page suggested, "Should always be asking himself, 'Am I getting better?'"

All problems concerning children in the classroom or in the home should be met with directly and immediately by direct confrontation with the child, according to Page. Children should be given the same rights and privileges as an adult concerning his life if he is to be prepared to live in society. Why should children be taught in a dictatorship if they are going to live in a democracy?'



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Notes from the underground: final installment

This week the GAZETTE presents the last instalment in a series on the Student Council Executive and Representatives. The views of four members have not been published due either to the fact that they have resigned or that they have been unavailable and have not returned repeated phone calls.

Hopefully, this series has helped increase understanding of student government and its members. We will be doing further articles on Student Union finances and our representatives on the various bodies within the university structure itself.

It seems clear that drastic change is needed in student government at Dal for it to be at all effective. And it must happen before the next election.

Robert Hyslop — Law

"Perhaps there has been an over-emphasis on controlling the power of the executive. I myself have been very successful in working with Brian Smith and have found he works very hard and diligently. It's not fair to say he dominates council meetings exclusively or is always trying to ram issues through. The latter charge may carry some weight, but it is bound to happen a few times in a large university, and can largely be traced to a breakdown in communications. I myself am just getting to know all of the council members and we have been meeting since last March."

How do you represent your faculty?
"I try to take advantage of any opportunities to address Law Society meetings. Unfortunately, this is a not-too-frequent occurrence, as the society does not meet that often... Generally I try to make myself available at the law students' lounge and library, in order to solicit their opinions. However, it gets a bit discouraging; law students as a whole and perhaps at Dalhousie in particular are not too interested in student government. They regard their studies three year necessary evil in order to equip themselves for their profession. They follow a 'get in, study and get out' philosophy."

How does council serve the interests of the Law faculty?

"Quite well. We have been able to form an effective lobby and get an additional \$700 for law students' purposes. In the past there was the feeling that we were not getting our money's worth out of council. Perhaps the fact that the president is a Law student himself has something to do with the improved situation."

What are your opinions of council and its reformation?

"I think we (council) are doing the best we can under the circumstances. The main problem is the large size of the institution within which we have to work. As for alternative forms of student government, the only suggestion I can give is the breakup of the large university and the formation of smaller colleges. The University of Western Ontario has tried this approach and it has worked quite successfully. I am an ex-King's student myself, and I like the smaller-sized colleges, where you can learn the strengths and foibles of the individuals running for council."

"I think both the university administration and the students' council should engage in more and better long-range planning."

"I'm not sure all council members are pulling their share of the work. We should be working together to improve council, and this means attending meetings and not just packing it in and giving up as some council members have done."

Chris Novelli — Nursing

Why are you not then working on the Committee for Alternative Student Government?

"I feel I can better serve the nursing students by raising funds for a national conference of the Canadian University Nursing Students Association — it's a more worthwhile effort."

"The central problem is the apathy of the students. They just don't give a damn. Council members in turn are apathetic with regard to representing their interests. Often they consider themselves above doing menial work. Brian Smith is frustrated — he works like a dog but can do little more than organize."

"Suppose the committee did come up with ten different means of student government — the students wouldn't care enough to get behind one and support it. All they care about is having a place to eat and a place to park their car. On a large campus, I don't see any changes being possible, due to the large apathetic masses involved. Why should I sit and rap with those characters for hours when nothing will come of it? I love to see things change, but what's the good of trying if nobody else cares?"

"You cannot break through the students' apathy without scaring them. Some hassle has to be caused to bring them to their feet. Perhaps a period of anarchy is what's needed."

"In the meantime, Nursing will elect somebody else to sit on Council. Perhaps they will fit into the groove a bit better."

How do you represent your faculty?

"I have given up on Council. I attend Nursing Society meetings and am personally acquainted with almost all the nursing students and their opinions. While it was easier to represent my faculty because of its small size, this was a disadvantage when it came to carrying weight on Council. Nursing, Law, Medicine and the other smaller faculties are looked down upon by council. It seems all power and attention goes to the Arts and Science reps... It turns out that 4 or 5 people on Council always sway the issues — everything goes one way."

Why are you so fed up with council?

"You can't realize how much of a farce it is till you sit on it. It is not representative of the students at all. Many council members speak only for themselves and are working only for their own advantage — in other words, they're power trippers... the majority of the students are being ripped off."

"The whole council system is for the birds. It must be scrapped and something new started... it can't be reformed."

Pictured to the right are:
top: Debbie Henderson — Arts
second: Robert Hyslop — Law, Bob Mohn — Grads
third: Ken MacDougall — Arts, Barry Ward — Commerce
fourth: Chris Novelli — Nursing
(Photos by Charles Gosling/ Dal photos — photos in last week's supplement on the Student Council)

Debbie Henderson — Arts

German. "The role of these representatives would be the giving out of information and receiving of advice."

She suggests that this could be achieved "by the enlargement and formation of departmental societies such as the French, History, and German clubs; the Economics Course Union, the Psychology Course Union, or the Sociology Course Union."

In her capacity as Chairman of the Committee on Course Evaluation Henderson hopes to see a course evaluation booklet published for next year. Henderson is also Chairman of the Course Monitoring Committee and one of the two council members on the Executive Council.

On Council:
She feels that the main reason Council appears ineffective is because the Student Council, although given a lot of responsibility by the executive, "is given no direction nor enough information by the executive to effectively carry out its duties."

She also thinks that the executive could be improved by employing "a system of multi vice-presidents."

Role:
Debbie Henderson, one of four Arts representatives on Student Council, feels that "it is impossible for four students to represent 2400 students."

As a member of the Committee on Alternate Student Government, she would like to see the Art's representatives categorized into smaller divisions. For example, a separate representative would be elected for Political Science and Economics, or English and Music, or French and

Pierre Gagne — Health Professions

On Council:
He feels the power of the presidency is probably too much but this is not just because of Brian Smith — but because of the defined role of the president. As for improving Council, Gagne says he "doesn't really know yet," "but maybe I'll know better after a few months. In some cases they do some good things."

Role of the Union within the University:
"Right now, they are concerned with entertainment, the Task Force and athletic outlets, and they're involved in student discipline, and basically in trying to see that students get a fair shake."

As for getting more student representation on the university decision-making bodies, he says no, we should not, "not from what I've seen. Maybe students have not been responsible in the past to warrant more say. As well, with new people coming into the university how do they know what's right and what's going on."

His role:
He feels he doesn't know enough about Council yet as he has only been to a few meetings. But he says that Brian Smith seems to have all the power and that Council is aiming to control him a bit.

On his own personal role, he says, "How can you represent anyone when only 55 people vote in the election?"

"If students showed real concern for their faculty, the role of the Council rep could be important, but apathy really takes away a lot of the responsibility from the job."

Ken MacDougall — Arts

nalism and condescension of older students." A manifestation of this problem is "Orientation Week" which he describes as a "rip-off" and a "big drunk" and which, while supposedly designed to orient students and buffer the shock of a different world, was instead designed only to show a profit.

Ken is a member of the Elections Committee, the Committee on Alternate Government, the Curriculum Committee, the Course Evaluation Committee, the Course Monitoring Committee and three sub-committees.

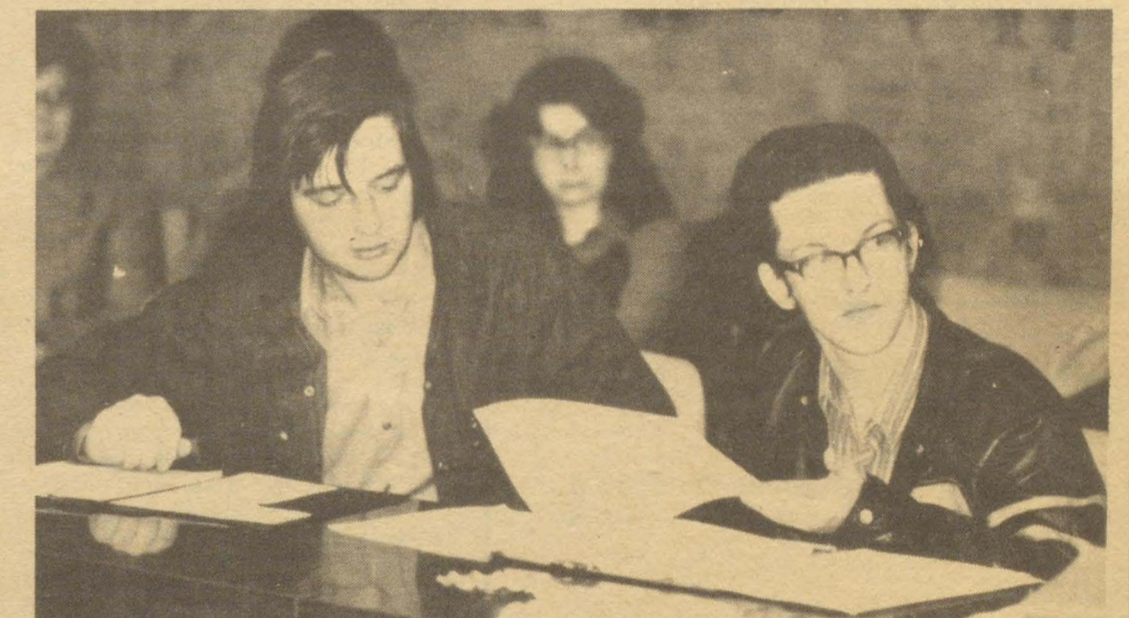
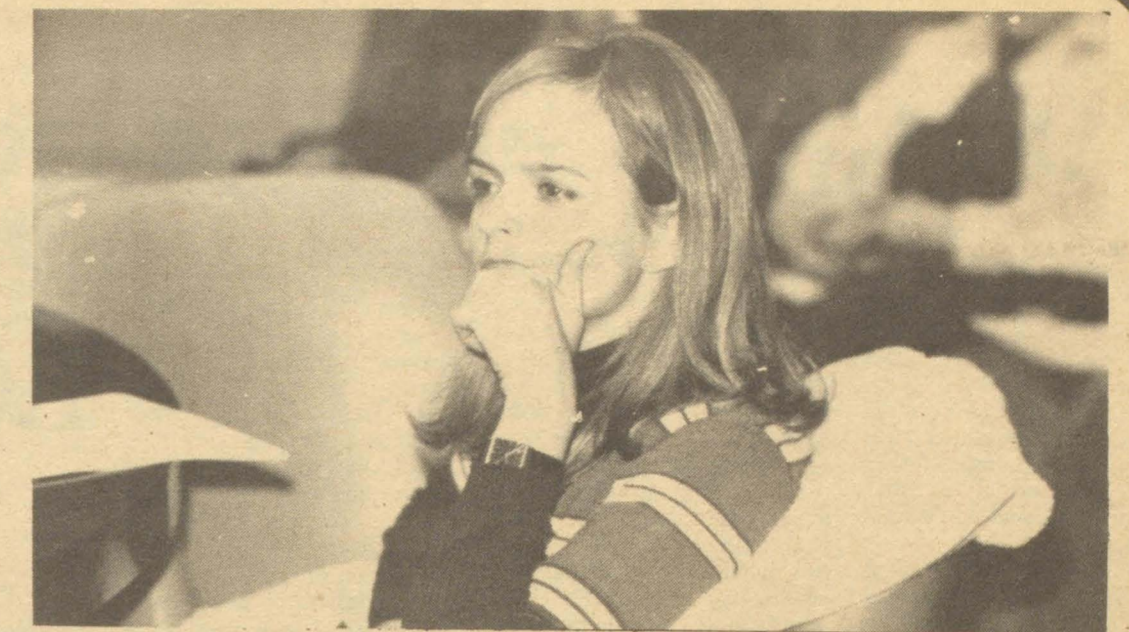
ON COUNCIL:
He describes his fellow Council members as "a group of people with the right ideas who lack the leadership to effectively do all they want to do for the Student Union." He would like to see the Student Council "unite in solidarity with the students and take a hard-line shot at the Student Administration."

He describes Brian Smith as a "fence-sitter," Joan McKeigan — "she shouldn't be receiving \$1600 per year," Blakely (treasurer) "competent but misguided, too interested in profit."

ROLE:
Ken MacDougall, one of the more opinionated Council members, is representative of the Arts Faculty. "Theoretically, I'm supposed to represent the whims and desires of 2400 students. Practically, this is impossible."

He believes that in order for Council to operate effectively as representatives of the student body, there must be a well-developed "line of communication" between reps and students. This could be achieved through Clubs and Organizations within the different departments. However, Ken personally believes "that the petty bureaucrats on Council, in Clubs, and in organization are the main cause of the communication problem."

He feels that the chief victims of the communications breakdown are the Freshmen who are intimidated and "alienated by the pater-



Pot may be legalized in Cal.

LOS ANGELES (CUP) — A Californian referendum in the November 7 election must attract about four and a half million votes to legalize use of marijuana in the state.

Nine million registered voters are expected to either narrowly approve or defeat proposition 19 — to "Decriminalize" production, possession and use of marijuana.

Number 19 has an excellent position on the 22 — position ballot — wedged between a number of referendums expected to return a positive reply.

Californian acceptance of the proposition could have far-reaching effects within the United States, and in countries which have expressly outlawed marijuana under American pressure.

Latest state — wide polls show 33 per cent in favour of the proposition but surveys in Los Angeles and San Francisco show support from as many as 57 per cent of those cities' inhabitants.

The California Marijuana Initiative (CMI) is described by

Los Angeles County coordinator Lawrence Skinner as "one of the most ideal solutions for one of the greatest problems in recent times."

The proposition does not affect present laws governing the sale of marijuana. "It does not deal with the complexities of trafficking marijuana," Skinner said, "and avoids the problems feared by many people that marijuana will eventually be advertised as being sexy, or something similar."

"Some supporters believe that approval in the referendum will give police a mandate to concentrate on the trafficking of marijuana and narcotics."

Of a total six marijuana initiatives in the US this year, only the California one obtained the support necessary to achieve a position on the ballot. Attempts failed in Washington, Oregon, Arizona, and Florida, but the Michigan initiative may be able to collect sufficient signatures for a place of the 1974 State ballot.

CMI has not only achieved what many regarded as "im-

possible" with the actual initiative, but in a drive to register voters, they trained 411 deputy registrars, and registered more than 20,220 voters.

At first, people were "paranoid, and thought they would be arrested," said Skinner, but working within the law this time has avoided any hassles from police.

A sign on the steps up to the quaint CMI office pleads with visitors to "Leave your stash outside" and the only plants in the building are harmless ones, in terms of evidence.

Support has come not only from the underground media, but also from two television stations — KNBC in Los Angeles, a network affiliate, and KPIX in San Francisco — which have broadcast editorials condoning tolerance of marijuana.

Skinner predicts a number of police officers may also lend their support by giving their opinion on the referendum through a judge, to protect their anonymity. The initiative has already received support from



the Police Officers for Justice and the San Francisco Deputy Sherriffs' coalition.

The campaign has spent a total of \$80,000 on the initiative, and plans to expend the same amount during the final two weeks on a last burst. Part of the money will be spent on radio spots. Most of this has come through small private donations, with an additional grant of \$15,000 from Amorphia, the marijuana foundation.

The remainder should be covered from showings of the film "Reefer Madness" by the Playboy — backed NORML (National Organization for the Repeal of the Marijuana Laws).

The film is an excellent rendition of early anti-marijuana propaganda in the US.

But the private donations still count — a leather bag hangs in a corner of the Los Angeles office collecting blue chip, green trading and postage stamps.

The heart of the campaign still remains with those who struggled to collect signatures through the paranoia of the early days.

And if proposition 19 succeeds

Simple: "I think we'll get into doing something for pot prisoners," says one volunteer, "amnesty or something."

B. C. Student Association formed

VANCOUVER (CUP) — All but two student councils from campuses across British Columbia have formed the BC Association of Student Councils.

Representatives from 11 student councils met in Prince George last weekend (Oct. 7-8) and with letters of support from three other campuses voted to form the loosely-knit

organization.

UBC student council external affairs officer Teri Ball said the association will not have an executive or an executive office in a deliberate attempt to keep the body unstructured and to keep control equally divided among the campuses. Each association conference will chose a chairman who will run

the affairs of the body until the end of the next conference.

"We won't be paying fees into it either, to keep from getting into all the official red tape kind of hassles," Ball said yesterday (Oct. 11). She said the organization will meet twice a year to make what she called "policy decisions on issues important to BC students."

The association's main function will be to present a unified front on any important issues.

"This will increase our effectiveness 16-fold," Ball said.

She said the association is now promoting a student boycott of Famous Players and Odeon theatres because of the recent cancellation of student rates.

"We staged an informational demonstration at the Famous Players Theatre in Prince George to protest the changes and later talked to the manager.

"We feel the boycott, which we hope will go nation-wide, will serve to point out our dismay at the change, but talking to the theatre officials will likely lead to more action.

"At the moment it seems the theatres might go back to student rates if councils agree to mark student cards with expiry dates," she said.

She said they'll be negotiating

with the managers in Toronto later this year on their way to the National Students Union founding conference in Ottawa.

The association will also try to improve student loan regulations. Student representatives will meet with BC Education Minister Eileen Daily in Victoria in January.

The organization hopes to arrange for a sharing of resources among member institutions.

Its first newsletter is being handled by the Simon Fraser student council because it has its own press equipment.

The students formed a committee to study the

establishment of a proposed stock rotation system for student-run bookstores throughout the province.

The association's first chairman is University of Victoria student council president Russell Freethy.

The BC organization will meet in Vancouver October 28 to discuss the national students union. It will send about 15 delegates to the national conference who will represent all BC students not their individual institutions.

The only campus that does not want to join the national union is UVic, Ball said.

Indochina Action Committee

Meeting: Sunday, October 29, 7:30 p.m.
Room 316, SUB

All welcome, help us plan a teach-in for November 18 and suggest other activities that will help to end the war.

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Papers biased

Election survey taken

by Don Retson

According to a Gazette election survey taken last week, 77.1% of Dal students feel that the local newspapers — Halifax Chronicle Herald and Mail Star, are biased in their election coverage.

The question asked of those taking part in the survey was: "Would you say that the local media (Chronicle Herald-Mail

Star) have presented well-informed, unbiased news coverage of the election?" The election survey was given to 35 students chosen on a random basis. When asked "Which party, if any, would you say these newspapers have favored in their election coverage?" 57.1% identified the Conservatives as the party benefitting most from the papers coverage.

Of the 35 students contacted, only one person felt that the election coverage by the newspapers was satisfactory, the remaining 31.4% were unsure.

It is also interesting to note that those who indicated that they would support the NDP party in this election were most upset by the coverage of these papers.

Several respondents cited the papers headline story of I.H. Asper, "Lewis loses Credibility," as a case of irresponsible journalism at its best. I.H. Asper is provincial Liberal Leader of Manitoba.

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Le Club français vous présente . . .

"Le Club français vous présente..." Avez-vous déjà vu cette locution? Bien, oui? Alors vous avez assisté à un des nombreux événements présentés par votre Club français de Dalhousie: des soirées vin et fromage, des discothèques, de bons films français, de la musique québécoise et française, du théâtre, des conférences, des soirées de cuisine et des échanges. Si non, toute la joie de vivre et bonheur de la vie française vous attend... chez le Club français.

Né de l'idée de créer une atmosphère française naturelle le Club français offre à tous qui s'intéressent à la langue et culture française, québécoise et acadienne un milieu amical pour s'y entendre — l'occasion pour l'étudiant débutant d'améliorer son français et pour les autres et Anglophones et Francophones d'en approfondir leur connaissance tout en se jouissant des liens d'amitié. Nous invitons à tous les intéressés, étudiants de Dalhousie, de King's et de Mount Saint Vincent, de s'y inscrire. Vous aurez un heureux embarras de choix entre les nombreuses activités du Club.

NOTRE BUREAU

Nous vous accueillerons avec grand plaisir, tout et chacun, au bureau du Club français, salle 5504, cinquième étage de la bibliothèque Killam (numéro de téléphone 424-3687). Venez voir notre bibliothèque et notre beau drapeau acadien!

CONFERENCES

On propose une série de conférences sur des aspects divers de la vie et culture française. On pense déjà aux tels que la Fédération francophone de la Nouvelle Ecosse et les vins et fromages de France.

FILMS

Vous vous intéressez au cinéma français? Tous les deux mardis un bon film français se donne à l'auditorium de la bibliothèque Killam. Cette série de films est gratuite aux membres du Club français, vingt-cinq cents chaque film aux non-membres.

MUSIQUE

Aimez-vous la musique française? Voulez-vous apprendre des chansons françaises? Venez chanter avec nous tous les mercredis après-midi, à 3h30, au sous-sol de la bibliothèque Killam, salle 268. Aussi fait-on passer des disques français et canadien-français en les discutant. On propose

d'organiser une soirée internationale de chansons en liaison avec les clubs allemand, russe et espagnol vers Noël.

RADIO DALHOUSIE

Le jeudi, 7 heures du soir: Vous êtes à l'écoute de Radio Dalhousie, la belle voix française de l'université de Dalhousie. Robert Charlebois? René Simard? Les Karrick? Jacques Brel? Georges Moustaki? Mireille Mathieu? ...Colin et Cloé les passent tout et chacun.

SERVICE DES PRECEPTEURS

Vous avez des problèmes avec vos cours de français? Le Club français vous trouvera un précepteur à donner des leçons particulières, ou pourra bien vous suggérer des livres, etc.

SOIREES

Les soirées vin et fromage du Club français sont justement célèbres. Un grand succès de soirée vin et fromage a déjà eu lieu le 4 octobre — beaucoup de bon vin, beaucoup de fromage, et un tas de gens. On a proposé une discothèque pour le commencement ou vers min-novembre. Qu'elles sont fort amusantes!

SOIREES DE CUISINE

Vous voulez apprendre à faire la cuisine française? Vous voulez en goûter? On propose des soirées de cuisine ou française ou internationale.

THEATRE

Vous vous intéressez au théâtre? Jouer un rôle ou être metteur en scène? L'année passée le Club français a présenté La Farce du Maître

Pathelin qui avait tellement réussi que nous l'avons présentée au Collège Sainte Anne. Parce que 1973 sers le tricentenaire de la mort de Molière, le Club va présenter une de ses farces L'Amour Médecin. Il y a une vingtaine de rôles — beaucoup d'entre eux sont petits — donc ne vous inquiétez point de votre français- jouer un rôle est un des meilleurs moyens d'améliorer votre français. Amusez-vous en nous aidant à rendre L'Amour Médecin grand succès.

VOYAGES ECHANGES

Au passé le Club a eu des échanges avec Rimouski et Québec qui eurent grand succès. On a déjà organisé un échange avec Québec et l'on prépare maintenant un échange avec, ou voyage à, Collège Sainte Anne, Pointe de l'Eglise, N. E., et un voyage à ou un échange avec Saint Pierre et Miquelon.

WEEKEND DE SKI ETC.

On est en train d'organiser un week-end de ski, une promenade en carriole, et une excursion à la brasserie

Moosehead ou Oland. Pour des renseignements plus précis/ For more information Le Chant/ Singing: tous les mercredis 3h30 de l'après-midi salle B268 Killam/ every Wed. afternoon 3:30 PM Barbara Spruin 422-9120, Hans et R. Runte 424-6468 (bureau/ office) ou 823-2454.

Conférences/ lectures: Debbie Henderson 422-4288

Films français: tous les deux mardis/ every second Tuesday 8h du soir 8PM,

Killam Auditorium. Ray Ginsberg 424-6521.

Service des Précepteurs/ Tutoring Lorna Lotvedt 423-0530.

Théâtre/ Theater Peter Brinton 454-7501, Ed Messinger 424-6573 (bureau/ office), 477-4740.

Voyages/ échanges Saint Pierre et Miquelon Lynn Mitchell 454-8167

Church Point (Collège Sainte Anne) Anna Locke 454-0142.

Weekend de ski etc.: Avard Bishop 422-3177.

ou bien au Bureau du Club — Killam 5th Floor 5504, numéro de téléphone 424-3687. We are

always happy to see people. EVENEMENTS A VENIR/ UPCOMING EVENTS

—vendredi le 2 nov./ Fri. Nov. 2 réunion générale/ General Meeting à 12h30/ 12:30 Killam Basement B400- l'élection des officiers du Club/ election of officers.

—mardi le 7 nov./ Tues. Nov. 7 Film 8h. du soir/ 8PM Killam Auditorium. Les Foberies De Scapin, 1969 réalisé par Jean Kerchbron.

—mercredi le 8 nov./ Wed. Nov. 8 le Chant/ Singing 3h30 de l'après-midi/ 3:30 PM, Killam Basement B 268.

—jeudi le 9 nov./ Thurs. Nov. 9 Radio Dalhousie du 7 heures à 8 heures du soir/ from 7:00 to 8:00 in the evening une heure de musique et conversation française avec Colin et Cloé/ an hour of French music and talk with Colin and Cloé.

Are you deliberately missing out on great parties, fantastic culinary experiences, mind-expanding lectures, music, theatre and even a tutoring service? Pensez-y... le Club français.

Lustigkeit with the German Club

The German Club is certainly not lacking in variety and quality of entertainment: on Wednesday, October 18, they had a delightful evening of German cooking under the direction of Frau Sydille Corvin. Frau Corvin first asked those present to help prepare and then to devour such delicious German delicacies as

Spetzle, Blegte Brote, Saune Leber, Bratwuerste, Wiener Schnitzel, Kartoffelsalat, Gruenesalat, Apfelkueche and Obstorte. Quite a mouthful, in fact! We were glad to see members of the faculty among all those present, and welcome all interested.

For those interested in their activities, the German Club

usually meets every Wednesday evening, and the next event is the film "Ariane" (Germany, 1956) to be shown at 7 p.m. in the Killam Auditorium on Wednesday, November 1. There will be a business meeting after the film to discuss further activities. Further information from Judy Morash at 455-0849 or from the German Office.

31 openings

We have at least thirty-one openings in two categories. Both involve the planning and selling of life insurance programs, not just policies.

We are interested in interviewing any graduate from any discipline, but only if you're at least open-minded enough to explore a sales career. (If you're not, see page 48 of the new Employment Opportunities Handbook. Available free at your placement office.)



We will be on campus at Dalhousie Nov. 1

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Commitments:

We suffer no lack of challenges in Canada today. We do suffer, in my opinion, a serious lack of commitment on the part of government to meet these challenges. I would like to talk with you now about four I feel to be most urgent.

JOBS: Right now, more than half a million Canadians are without jobs, one of the highest unemployment rates in the industrialized world. In Quebec, one in eleven is jobless; in Newfoundland, one in nine; among young Canadians, one in five; among our native people, three in five. Well over two million people are directly affected.

Canada can do better. My government would make the creation of jobs its first priority.

My government would immediately reduce personal income taxes, to stimulate consumer demand, to create jobs. We would eliminate the 11% Federal sales tax on building materials to encourage construction, because construction means jobs. We would encourage the further processing of our raw materials here, because that means jobs.

My government would expand the retraining opportunities available through the Department of Manpower, and make that agency much more aggressive in searching out job vacancies.

My government would insist on greater long range planning of special job-creating activities—such as summer youth employment—so that the communities to be served could be involved from the outset, and so that jobs could be found for those whose need is most pressing.

Further, my government would act to strengthen our job-creating potential for the future. We would increase direct government investment in research and technology, and expedite the process by which Canadian innovations can be marketed around the world.

PRICES: What cost you five dollars four years ago right now costs you six. The poor people of Canada, the elderly and those on fixed incomes, have suffered most from this kind of inflation, but clearly it affects the earnings and savings of all Canadians. And, because it makes Canada's exports less competitive, inflation affects a good many jobs as well. The government I lead would tackle this problem directly.

First of all, my government would calculate its tax revenues in terms of constant rather than inflated dollars, so as to eliminate the Treasury Board's vested interest in inflation.

We would strengthen the role of the Auditor General, so that unproductive government spending, which contributes not a little to the inflationary cycle, might be revealed and reduced.

We would support the cost-of-living escalator formula for those receiving old age and guaranteed income security benefits.

And, should the need ever arise, my government would be prepared to use temporary wage and price controls to combat inflation.

ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE: Fifty-eight percent of Canada's manufacturing industry is foreign controlled, and there have been almost as many foreign takeovers since Mr. Trudeau took over as in the previous ten years.

Mr. Trudeau's recent legislation does not begin to meet the problem: it fails to correct a situation in which it is easier for foreign than for domestic corporations to effect takeovers; further, it fails to increase a Canadian presence in existing subsidiaries, and fails to provide for full financial disclosure by those subsidiaries.

My government would enact the changes necessary to make this legislation truly effective. Beyond that, we would revise the Bank Act to make certain that venture capital was available for the expansion of existing Canadian firms, or the creation of new ones.

My government, in concert with the provinces, would develop new programs to ensure the rapid growth of our entrepreneurial and managerial talent pools.

And we would, again together with the provinces, establish and define key sectors of the economy which are to be considered reserved for Canadian ownership.

THE ENVIRONMENT: Half of Canada's urban centres with populations of a thousand or more lack any sewage treatment, and a further third have only the most rudimentary equipment. The Trudeau government's Ministry of the Environment is not really a ministry at all, since many of its regulations are enforced by a variety of other government agencies.

We can, and absolutely must do much more to protect Canada.

My government would first of all create an Environmental Council to monitor, and disseminate information upon the quality of our environment, and recommend measures to parliament.

My government would encourage the development of large-scale anti-pollution industries in Canada.

It would, together with the provinces, act to stiffen the penalties for all forms of environmental neglect, whether to our air, soil, or water, international waters included.

It would use a variety of financial incentives to assist industry to invest in pollution control equipment.

It would create a co-ordinated Department of the Environment.

I would say again that we face no lack of tasks, no want of challenges anywhere in this land...in our cities and towns, on our small farms, and across the open reaches of our north.

We can meet none of them if we cannot create jobs, if we cannot protect the savings of those who work, cannot assume greater control over our own economy, cannot live in harmony with nature.

I am confident that we can do these things, and a great many more, if we are wisely and honestly led.

My government will strive to provide that kind of leadership. You have my word.

R.L. Stanfield

A P.C. government can do better.

U.S. allowed to appeal extradition ruling

OTTAWA (CUP) — Puerto Rican independentista student Humberto Pagan will be spending up to another year in Canada.

The Supreme Court of Canada decided today (Oct. 5) the United States should be allowed to appeal the decision on Pagan's extradition. The hearing of the case was held October 3. The appeal will be heard in the lower Federal Court sometime within the next year. The court is fully booked this year and most of next.

Pagan was arrested in Ottawa a year ago after he fled Puerto Rico where he is charged with killing San Juan riot chief, Juan Mercado during a riot at the University of Puerto Rico, March 11, 1971. He does not want to return to Puerto Rico because he fears for his life there.

During the past year, deportation proceedings went smoothly for the Americans who wish to bring Pagan to trial back in Puerto Rico, but the extradition hearing hit a snag. On June 27 Caledon County Court Judge A.E. Honeywell refused the American request to deport the student to Puerto Rico, setting a precedent in Canadian-American deportation relations. Pagan, who was kept in jail from the time of his arrest, was freed on \$3000 bail in early July.

The counsel for the US went to the Federal Court August 3, asking for an appeal on the grounds the case was of extraordinary importance.

The Federal Court refused to hear the appeal because it contradicted a 1955 Supreme Court ruling which prohibited a country seeking an extradition to appeal a case. The US then went to the Supreme Court Tuesday (Oct. 3) asking that it allow the appeal to be heard in the lower court.

Pagan was consulting with his lawyer, Bernard Mergler in Montreal today and was unavailable for comment.

However, a Pagan Defence Committee member in Ottawa said the decision to allow the appeal was based on one of three things. Either the court disagreed with the 1955 Supreme Court ruling, it agreed with the American counsel that the case is of extraordinary importance, or it felt the Federal Court's ruling on the

appeal was incorrect.

Another possible result of the Supreme Court decision, he said, is that the Americans may ask for a warrant to put Pagan back in jail. However, Judge Honeywell, who disallowed the first American extradition request, is the person who would have to sign the

warrant and reliable sources report he has already refused to do so.

The Pagan Defence Committee is expected to issue statements in the next few days on their future plans now that the appeal has been permitted.

On October 2, the day before the Supreme Court hearing, Pagan predicted

civil war would break out in his homeland in "two or three years."

He told a Toronto press conference that "US imperialism must be defeated by a revolutionary war of the people of Puerto Rico."

While 90 per cent of Puerto Rico's capital is American-owned, living conditions have not improved under American domination, he told reporters. The average salary of a Puerto Rican worker is only one-third to one-fourth that of an American worker.

In spite of US domination, Pagan said, the people have resisted and maintained their own identity. He cited the long history of protests and uprisings against colonial rule. Another example cited was the language situation on the island. Although the people have been educated in English for 52 years and English was declared the official language in 1969, less than half the population can speak it, he said.

While Puerto Rico is a US colony under direct rule, he added, the rest of Latin America, except Chile and Cuba, is held under the grip or neo-colonialism, or indirect rule.

Discussing social conditions in his country, Pagan said that more Puerto Ricans had been killed in Vietnam than any other Americans.

In a speech to about 150 people later Monday, Pagan said he came to speak of the Puerto Rican independence struggle, and "in the name of people all over the world who are willing to endanger their lives for freedom."

"I come in the name of Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia and all the countries of Latin America and Africa to make this accusation against imperialism," he continued.

The meeting, called to support Pagan in his deportation and extradition proceedings, unanimously passed a motion protesting "the government's policy of deporting anti-imperialists." This referred also to Rosie Douglas, a prominent member of the black community in Toronto, who faces extradition following trials arising from the Sir George Williams University computer burning in 1969.

Hockey tournament next week

The 1972 Intercollegiate Hockey Canada tournament to be played at Dalhousie, begins on Friday, November 3. The tourney, a three game knock-out affair, is being sponsored by the Big Brothers of Halifax-Dartmouth.

Teams involved are the Tigers, St. Marys, Memorial, Acadia and St. Francis Xavier.

Friday, November 3: "A" SMU vs Memorial at 5 p.m.

Friday, November 3: "B" Acadia vs Dal

at 8 p.m.

Saturday, November 4: St. F.X. vs "A" winner at 2 p.m. (game "C")

Sunday, November 5: "B" Winner vs "C" winner at 2 p.m.

All games will take place at the Dal Memorial Rink. Tickets will go on sale this week.

A free-wheeling exhibition game will be played on Tuesday (Oct. 31) between the Tigers and Dal Alumni at 6 p.m. in the Dal Rink.

Circulo Espagnol organizing

On Friday, October 20, an organizational meeting was held to set up the "Circulo Espagnol" or Spanish Club. Evenings of Spanish music and conversation, and cooking were proposed, as well as the possibility of putting on some Spanish theatre.

As a first activity the Circulo Espagnol presented two Chilean films, done by

students of the University of Chile about conditions in Chile just prior to Salvador Allende's election.

Watch for the Circulo Espagnol signs publicizing upcoming events and do come out! For more information, contact Debbie Henderson at 422-4288 or Peter Brinton at 454-7501 or visit the Spanish Club office on the fifth floor of the Killam.

There will be a public hearing on Thursday, November 3 to discuss the proposed Harbour Drive expressway at 8 pm at St. Patricks School (entrance off Maitland Street). Everyone is urged to attend and make their views known to the mayor and aldermen on an issue which concerns all residents of the Halifax area.

WORDS FROM THE WISE ...

To the Gazette:

Here's something I'd like to share with you and your readers.

Want to do something new next time friends get together? Make beautiful music together. All you need is two people, a four foot string, a knife (or similarly shaped utensil), and an oven rack.

Place the string through the oven rack at any corner. While holding one end of the string in each hand, wind the ends two or three times around your pointer fingers. Now, lean forward until the oven rack is swinging freely, away from your body. Put your pointer fingers in your ears and have a friend strum the oven

rack with the knife.

Try variations. Have someone use his fingers to hold the oven rack in your ears, and you strum. Get stereo with two people sharing two strings and two oven racks.

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Wheelin' around



by Charlie Moore

Unfortunately, winter will be upon us soon, so it seems like time for some preparation for the cold months ahead. Winter is the season when your car takes the worst beating, but you can minimize the bad effects of the cold weather by taking some preventative steps now.

Body rust is the biggest enemy of your car and the large amount of road salt used in these climes is one of the major causes of vehicle corrosion. If you plan on keeping your car for a long period of time, I would strongly suggest getting it steam-cleaned and undercoated NOW before the salt trucks make their appearance.

Another good idea is to

remove the floor mats and dry them thoroughly. While the floor mats are out of the car, why not paint the floor panels with a good-quality rustproof paint. This will stop rust from the inside in the same manner as the undercoat does from the outside. Now wash the bodywork and give the car a good wax job, not forgetting to wax the chrome.

Moving under the hood, you should also have the anti-freeze checked. If it is below par, maybe this would be a good time to flush the cooling system before the new anti-freeze is put in. Also, it might be a good time to replace the thermostat with a winter one.

Motor-oil takes a real

drubbing during the cold months, especially during short-trip driving where the engine never really has a chance to warm up. Have the oil drained and replace it with a good quality multi-grade oil of 5W30, 5W40, 10W30, or 10W40 viscosity.

It is very important to have the oil changed regularly in cold weather. If you are confused about the right oil to buy, you are safe if the oil exceeds "SD," "M2C101B," or "6041M" specifications. This information will be marked on top of the can.

Now is the time to have the engine tuned up and the battery checked. It is necessary to have the engine running at top efficiency and the battery in good condition to ensure quick starts on cold mornings. A block heater is worth its weight in gold when the weather gets really cold.

Have a good look at the wiper blade and if they are getting shoddy after a summer in the hot sun, replace them with rubber covered winter blades or Tridon "Storm Chasers." Good windshield washers are also a must for winter driving, so make sure that yours are filled with windshield washer anti-freeze.

Your choice of the right snow tires is very important. As with summer tires, there are three basic types on the market:

1. Bias-ply in two and four ply with nylon or polyester cord.
2. Bias-belted (Polyglas and polysteel) with four or six ply.

3. Radial ply with either textile or steel belts.

NEVER MIX DIFFERENT TYPES OF TIRES ON THE SAME CAR. Very wierd and dangerous handling can result. Bias-ply are the cheapest and give the softest ride. Nylon is the toughest but gives a slightly worse ride than polyester. Bias-belted are more expensive than bias-plys, but last longer and offer slightly better handling with a somewhat harsher ride.

Radials are the most expensive, longest lasting, and give the best handling. Steel belted radials (Michilin, Allstate) are better than textile belted. Ya pays yer money and ya takes yer choice.

Finally, make sure that all your lights, horn, etc. are working and that your suspension and brakes are up to par, and remember to drive carefully. Keep wheelin'.



Acadia Axemen chop Dal Tigers 36-7

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Ski News

Dalhousie — Mount Saint Vincent University Ski Club
First meeting
Social Nite in the Grawood Lounge

S.U.B. Wed. Nov. 1st
8:30-19:30
Open to Club members
New Members Most Welcome
Bar 50¢ at door to cover costs.

Tiger Beat

by Phil Bingley

Hi sports fans! Looks like your ol' buddy Phil will be taking in Otto's Octo Beer Fest this weekend. Sports events will be taking place in all the traditional events and areas, both on the playing fields and

off. The Lobster Pot will be up for grabs in what should prove to be a most spirited game on Saturday. I confidently expect the Saint Mary's Huskies to go down to ignominious defeat at the hands of our valiant Tigers, Go get 'em, Tigers!

Rugby Tournament

Last weekend's rugby tournament saw the University of New Brunswick emerge victorious. They defeated the Dalhousie team 4-0 on Sunday and triumphed over St. Francis Xavier with a score of 19-4.

This is not to imply that Dalhousie performed without distinction of any kind. The Tigers defeated the team from St. Thomas 13-7. Eight of our

points were scored by Alexander while the remaining five went to Pizio with one convert and one penalty kick. Dal hopes to meet with the team from UNB again in contention for the Caledonia Cup. This is the award for the Maritime Champion rugby team.

In the consolation match, the St. Thomas team lost to St. F.X.

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