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Lisa Black helps Suzie Ketene check out job leads.

PHOTO: LISA WAMBOLDT

Summer coming too soon

## Job hunt starts

by Steve Tonner

It gets tougher every year.

As students begin looking for summer jobs, they are finding the market even thinner than last summer, with fewer opportunities, and more people trying to fill the few jobs that are open.

Across Canada over the past few years, summer unemployment among students has gotten worse. In a country where the recession was declared 'officially over' long ago, the actual unemployment numbers for students keep growing.

In Nova Scotia, unemployment among returning students during the summer has grown drastically since 1990, when the figure was at 12.6

percent. That number went up to 16.5 percent in 1991, and 23.8 percent for 1992, according to Statistics Canada.

Krista Dewey, of Dal's Student Employment Centre, says that students are already searching for jobs to carry them through the summer because of growing concern for their future.

"People are really starting to get concerned about summer employment, so we're seeing a greater number of students", she said.

Dewey said she believes that students are generally optimistic that they will find jobs.

When asked whether she believes prospects will improve, she said there was "lots of summer employment business" coming in, but that she "can't really predict what the recruitment activity will be like".

The number of students looking for jobs in February, three months before classes end, shows how much more concerned they are about landing jobs for the summer. But some students are optimistic.

"I didn't get a job last summer," said one student. "I've just completed my resume and cover letter. I've been looking for about a month now, and I'm hopeful that if I apply to a lot of places I'll find a job somewhere."

Another student has been job hunting for a number of weeks, and doesn't know if there is much hope yet.

"I looked for most of last summer, but I found that there wasn't much, so I don't know if I'll get one or not."

## Reading week - fact or fiction?

by Jen Horsey

Is reading week a time for studying? Or will students and staff take time off to catch up on much-needed sleep?

If the students who spent their Monday lunch in the SUB are any indication, there is a lot of work to be done. Whether that work is going to be done, however, is anyone's guess. Plans range from the concrete, like going home to visit family or friends, to vague ideas about going somewhere, budget permitting.

Steve Moore, a first-year arts stu-

dent who was lounging on the second floor, was not yet sure, but said he would either "write a paper, or go to Florida in a Winnebago."

Robyn Cross, a second-year English student, is not so optimistic she will have time to relax during her break. She has three papers to write. "I'll be lucky if I sleep," she said.

In fact, most people seem to want to use the time to catch up. The library will probably be a pretty busy during this break. Students are remembering those papers that were assigned at the beginning of the term, and beginning to study for fast-ap-

proaching mid-terms.

Third-year economics student Ramy Guindy doesn't think it's fair that students have to work. "It's a stupid time for a break," he said. "Give us a break to be free instead of having mid-terms right after it."

It's not only a heavy work load that is keeping people in Halifax for reading week. Ted Smith, a second-year recreation studies student, blames the price of education for robbing him of a chance to go somewhere to take time off. "Since tuition is so damn high, I really can't afford to do anything except stay

around here. I'll try to do work; but I probably won't," he said.

Though people will be working hard during reading week, the week before is popularly known as "Hell Week". This means most profs are forced to spend spring break marking.

Patricia Mitchell, a professor in the French Department, says the teaching staff has "given up the illusion that the students are going to work" during the break.

It looks like they're wrong. Dal students will be working — at least, that's what they're saying now. Ask them again in a couple of weeks.

## Dal Black students unite for change

by Seleta

There is one place on campus that I feel at home and it is no coincidence that it is the Black Student's Advisors office. It is the office of the one Dalhousie staff member I trust with my education; therefore my life. Earlier in the term the Black Student Advisor, Linda-Lee King, appealed on behalf of the Black students to Student Services and DSU to access more space for the Black students on campus' sanctuary. She has been offered more secretarial space but not more student's space. As it stands now the lounge holds approximately eight students comfortably and it is usually packed with more than twenty. It reminds me of the gag of "how many people can you fit into a telephone booth." This of course cripples the ability for the Advisor and her assistant to complete other duties. Still, she was told that there are other lounges on campus and that her office should not serve that purpose. I disagree. She was also told that if the Black students that used the office were unhappy that they would complain. So, I asked some of the other students who use or want to use the office what it meant to them:

Dawn: Whenever I have trouble on campus that is where I go.

Isaac: SANCTUARY!

Cornell: A place to have an intellectual conversation.

Lynn: An information source, support; if I wasn't so busy it would be the first place I'd go.

Tara: ...support, networking, and a place to relax and be yourself.

Reggie: ...release, a home away from home. A place where you know you are cared about.

Tracy: A safe haven in a storm. A central place to escape all the B.S. on campus. Support from your own.

Philippa: Comfort zone. A source of Black pride. The Advisor works hard in maintaining a comfortable atmosphere for Black students. Now all we need is some damn space.

Clive: A place to relax and get away from pressures.

Marlon: ...provides a place to fraternize with other Black students on campus. The social and cultural activities are geared toward my interests.

Marcus: ...familiar. A place to exchange with other Black students who have the same experiences.

Rudo: A place for conversation in Black environment, where you can say what you want without someone skinning up their face.

Angela: Only place to go for a break from it all. No other place on campus truly represents us and has us

in mind. Linda-Lee works hard to make this place (lounge & campus) as comfortable as she can for us. And contrary to popular opinion, the other lounges do not even begin to be adequate.

To join our struggle to keep and

enlarge our on-campus family, please show your support by coming to our fundraising dance on Friday, February 18 in the Green Room at 8:00 pm. Also meetings and petitions are being generated to show support. To obtain more information on these,

...well you know where to go!

\*Note: I haven't included the student's last names or faculties because the BSA centre is the one place on campus that treats us all as equals.



Black students gather in the BSAC to discuss improving the quality along with the quantity of space.

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Shirley Tillotson reacts during the debate.

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## Student aid changes discussed

# Poor, a loan, and rejected

by Robert Drinkwater

Student delegates at a conference in Halifax last weekend say changing trends in student aid could leave some students out in the cold.

The conference, held in the Dalhousie SUB, was co-hosted by the Canadian Federation of Students and the Students' Union of Nova Scotia (SUNS). It dealt specifically with changes to student assistance.

"There's so much going on, particularly this year with New Brunswick and Nova Scotia having significantly altered their student aid programs," said Sue Drapeau of SUNS on why the two student lobby groups called the conference.

"In Nova Scotia, the bursary program is no more," she said. "You used to get a Canada Student Loan followed by a Nova Scotia bursary, which you didn't pay back. This year you get a Canada Student Loan followed by a Nova Scotia student loan."

Drapeau said delegates at the conference discussed the privatization of student loans, also new in Nova Scotia. The province handed over control of the loan program to the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce in December.

"This is the first time ever that any student loans we know of have

loans this year, Maclean says 783 were turned down. While the provincial government has stepped in to guarantee these people loans for this year, he says they've been told they'll be on their own after that.

Maclean also worries students may be denied loans because of stupid mistakes made while living away from home for the first time.

"In my first year, I missed paying a phone bill or two because I just wasn't used to paying bills. I signed up for the book-of-the-month club, for instance. Bang! I didn't remember, went home, and forgot to pay a bill. The next thing I knew, an eight-dollar bill was a fifty-dollar bill. I finally paid it off, but it's delinquent."

At the close of the conference, delegates decided they would try to get information sheets on the recent changes included in student loan packages, and would raise the issue of student aid in local media.

### Students may be denied loans for stupid mistakes.

included in them a credit check by the bank, and have allowed the bank some option in turning students down for loans," she said.

Hal Maclean, representing Dalhousie at the conference, said some Nova Scotians have already been rejected for loans. Out of 12,000 who applied for provincial student



Jean Charest likes being Tory leader THIS much.

DAL PHOTO: KEN KAM

## Senate approves harassment policy

by Gazette staff

Dalhousie's Senate spent two hours on Valentine's Day debating a less-than-romantic subject: the proposed Discriminatory Harassment Policy.

By the end of it, a large majority voted to approve the policy which has divided professors since the committee to develop it was struck three years ago.

President Howard Clark set up the Committee to Develop a Policy on Racism and Sexism in November 1990. It was composed of two professors, three administrators and a student.

Up to now Dalhousie has had no policy to handle incidents of discriminatory behaviour, although a sexual harassment grievance policy is in place.

The hundred or so faculty members, students and administrators spent most of the afternoon discussing how to structure the debate, and whether to discuss the policy as a whole or individual aspects of it. Eventually the members of the Senate decided to overrule the Chair,

Kenneth Dunn, and proceeded to examine the policy as an entire document.

The policy has been criticized by some professors who say it threatens the principle of academic freedom at a university, where controversial ideas should be discussed freely. Some have said the policy's definition of offensive behaviour is too vague.

Its proponents have said it would protect the rights of students and professors who might be victims of discriminatory attacks in the classroom and elsewhere on campus.

Earlier drafts of the policy had contained provisions for formal hearings which could have ended in a person being expelled from the university. The policy passed Monday emphasizes mediation procedures.

The policy must be approved by the Board of Governors before it becomes official. It is scheduled to go before the Board in March. Afterwards, a Committee on Discriminatory Harassment would be nominated to oversee implementation of the policy. It will be reviewed in three years.

## After the big landslide

by Adam Newman

Jean Charest, the federal Progressive Conservative Party leader and one half of its parliamentary caucus, was in town last weekend for a provincial party annual meeting. Charest became an MP in 1984, when he was 26 years old. Since then he has served as Youth Minister, Minister of Fitness and Amateur Sport, and Minister of the Environment.

Charest granted the *Gazette's* request for an interview.

**Gazette:** How do you find the new House of Commons?

**Charest:** It's quite different, to say the least. It's testing my sense of perspective and history and of humour. But it's not a place where we are going to have a great deal to say — in fact, if anything, the parties in the House of Commons — the Reform, the Bloc — have indicated quite clearly that they prefer we say

as little as possible, which is disappointing for us because we do have 16 per cent of the vote, and two million Canadians voted for us, and they have a right to be heard. You know the irony of it is that the Bloc has 14 per cent of the vote and they're the official opposition, with a wealth of financial resources to back them up. And here we are with 16 per cent being shut out, quite deliberately, and that's the way things are.

But that being the way it is though, I'm not going to spend my time complaining about it. I'm just going to go out there and do the work that I have to do to rebuild our party.

**G:** What lesson can be learned from Kim Campbell's defeat and the dramatic decline in the number of PCs elected to Parliament?

**C:** Well, it's very much our party's defeat. It's not one that I think is attributed to either one individual or one decision or one pronounce-

ment. The fact of the matter is we've been in power for nine years, we have had two consecutive majority governments, and we took difficult decisions, I think courageous decisions, in the period of time we were there. We also experienced a world recession that has tested the viability of every government in the free world. There are very few governments today who are able to survive the electoral process, because people are hostile to the pressure of change and have reacted by changing their government. So it would have been very difficult for anyone.

What we do have to learn though is to accept that defeat, acknowledge it, and look at what we could have done differently — obviously we weren't listening as much as we should have. And now we have to go back within our own party and

In honour of reading week, we are pleased to announce that you won't be reading us. Look for us March 3. Just so you know. The Gazette 125 years of burning out in February

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## Dumb-ocracy

Another DSU election winds to a close... So? Big whoop.

What does that mean for you? Well... if you're among the more than 80 per cent of the student population who doesn't vote, then I guess it doesn't mean a whole hell of a lot to you.

On the other hand, if you're among the small minority of people who do vote (the less than 20 per cent of the student population), it could mean a great many things. Chances are you know someone who's running, or your friend knows someone who's running, or your classmate's boyfriend's sister knows someone who's running. Perhaps you saw a neat poster.

Yeah, I admit... There are other reasons why people vote.

I, myself, take voting pretty seriously. In just over a year, I voted at my first referendum, my first provincial election, and my first federal election. Being kinda new at this, I wanted to be sure of the decisions I was making on those ballots.

I thought, "Hey cool, I'm a voter. Oh, the weight of responsible citizenship that falls upon my shoulders now!" So with that eager and naive outlook (a.k.a. rose-coloured glasses syndrome), I absorbed a whole lot of information on the issues and candidates — just like any responsible citizen (or student) would do... thinking that my one vote is going to have a significant impact... Yeah, right.

Well, let me tell you that trying to be a "responsible voter" is a pretty frustrating experience — especially since I've come to realize that my own expectations have been overly idealistic.

First of all, going to the DSU election forums turned out to be dismally disappointing. This encounter with the candidates proved to lack lustre, fiery debate, and basically, substance. I guess, in general, that's the way I would describe all the election campaigning I have been witness to.

Instead what I have observed has almost made me want to spoil my ballot and tell the whole world that's just what I did. What happened to platforms addressing genuine student concerns, real debates, and voting for candidates based on merit not on popularity or the best poster design?

The kind of stuff I expect to see in a real, hard-fought election has been overshadowed by silly rumours, irrelevant gossip, many election rule violations (for putting up posters where they are not supposed to be, etc... yes, there are individuals who went around, looking for any violation of the election rules, and ratting on each other!), and petty rivalries — and not just between the candidates. Seems like anyone who has some kind of stake in this election is getting involved.

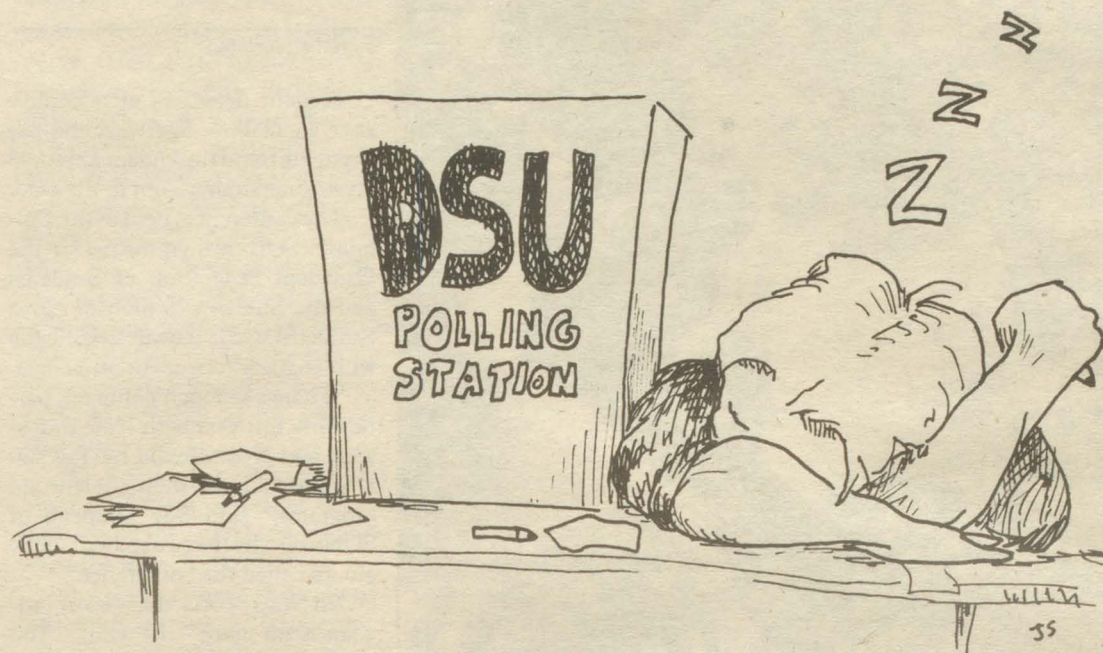
And to throw some more twists into this rat-race is the status of two candidates who once withdrew their nomination but are still in contention because their names still appear on the ballot. No one really knows how this has happened and what to do about it.

I don't believe that students are apathetic anymore. We all know that Dal has a communication and awareness problem. And after all that I have seen, I can understand how those who have put the effort into being informed have been frustrated into indifference.

But, y'know what? I'm still going to vote. Why? Because there are, despite all this election crap, some good candidates out there working hard to get my vote, and who deserve it.

However, as another election comes to a close, I can't help but agree with James Reston who said in 1968, "All politics are based on the indifference of the majority."

Lilli Ju



## LETTERS

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### Barred from bar

To the editor:

My wish is to make a complaint about the admittance policy of the Grawood.

On Saturday night a friend and I went to the Grawood to see the Waltons. We arrived at 9:15 pm, and were about number forty in line. By 9:45 we had made our way to the front of the line, not because people were being let in, but because they were frozen from the cold and had to leave. Those working at the Grawood informed us numerous times that once the band begins to play and people start to dance the waiting line would move in quickly.

Exactly what kind of policy is this? Those of us standing outside with cold toes offered to dance but this offer did not get us in the door. They had said this would take place in about twenty minutes. It was a mighty long twenty minutes. After about thirty more minutes of waiting, they said it would be about five more minutes. During this long twenty-minute wait they admitted about seven people from the line, after which they came outside and said, "We are sorry but we can't let anyone who isn't on the guest list!"

So after two hours of standing outside with frozen feet and false beliefs of when we were going to be let in, we were refused admittance! What is even more maddening is that in the two hours we stood outside with false impressions we witnessed people come out from inside and get friends as well as some gaining admittance through the side door. One Grawood employee had even told us that we shouldn't

have come down so early! I thought that was awfully odd. The advertisement did say 9:00.

I think the events of the evening were unprofessional and rude. I will not lie and say that I understood the concept behind a university bar having a guest list which excludes a lot of students, because I don't. Furthermore, I wouldn't be writing this letter if I hadn't been misled by the employees of the Grawood.

For future events I strongly suggest that you not advertise, and that you send private notices to those worthy of a guest list. To all Dalhousie students, I strongly suggest not getting into a line at the Grawood, and if you should do so anyway be sure to have a heavy coat and alternative plans!

Cheyanna Scott

positions of power generally do not live in the communities they are making decisions about. This results in decisions which may maximize profit for the corporation, but which have a tendency to forget about the needs of the community.

I agree that David Suzuki is well worth ten grand, and I'm not taking issue with that. However, the livelihood of communities across Nova Scotia (and the world) would be best served by putting power where it belongs, in the community itself, and I know that Dr. Suzuki is an advocate of this concept as well.

Wayne Groszko

### More Vernon

To the editor:

While reluctant to join the fray re: the 'Vernon controversy', Elanne Mikale McDonald's letter of Feb. 3 requires a reply. In sum, Ms. McDonald endorses a 'blame the victim' rationale with reference to rape, her premise(s) are:

- 1) rape is inevitable (a fact of life).
- 2) as a consequence, women should use "common sense" and modify their behaviour.
- 3) to do otherwise is to implicate oneself in one's own victimization.

In contrast to the above-outlined perspective, the "radical feminists" whom Ms. McDonald deplors propose an alternative approach. Simply stated, a feminist view posits that sanctions and behaviour modification should apply to the perpetrator, not the victim. Loreen Clark's book, *Rape: The Price of Coercive Sexuality* is helpful in deconstructing the sexist assumptions implicit in Ms. McDonald's viewpoint.

Mary MacDonald

### People power

To the editor:

In the opinions column concerning David Suzuki (February 10), the executive of the Dalhousie Science Society (DSS) states that "in order to maintain the livelihood of coastal communities across Nova Scotia, large corporations in conjunction with biologists, economists and sociologists must work together to form a viable solution". Who did the DSS leave out of this grand statement? How about the people who live in those communities? The idea of having so-called "experts" get together to come up with a solution and force it on communities from the outside has been attempted many times all over the world. This strategy has resulted in disaster after disaster. The decision-making structure of large corporations is such that the people in

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# opinions

## Education report badly flawed - students

The recommendation of the external committee to the Council on Higher Education that Dalhousie University's School of Education be terminated demands a response from all those who are committed to excellence in Nova Scotia education.

We reject the report's paternalistic suggestion that students should be cut off from their choice of career by government quotas based on employment prospects. Today no one enters a university programme, general or professional, with a guarantee of employment upon graduation.

The proposed elimination of doctoral studies in education is a short- and long-term mistake of immense proportions. These are the most dynamic times for education since the Second World War: new technology, dramatic social change, difficult economic readjustment, and a host of other factors are changing both the climate in which our schools must operate and the expectations that they must meet. The report itself acknowledges how vital the need is for research, now and in the future. It is folly to suspend educational research just at the moment when we have the greatest need of it. It is also unwise to leave educators in Atlantic Canada dependent on the field work of expensive American and Toronto consultants.

Of equal concern is the review team's apparent determination to ensure that Nova Scotians who wish to pursue scholarly work in the field of education — as fully a third of us are interested in doing — must leave Atlantic Canada. To exacerbate the 'brain drain' from this province and region is clearly not in anyone's best interests.

Several of the recommendations contained in the report are at the odds with "the Council's mandate to ensure a rational, effective and accessible provincial university system." The committee's recommendations represent a significant impairment of the accessibility of teacher education in Nova Scotia. Given the already frighteningly competitive nature of entrance to BEd programmes — in each of the past several years there have been ap-

proximately 800 applicants for the 90 places in Dalhousie's School of Education — the recommended reduction of places will work to the further disadvantage both of minority candidates and of those whose breadth of experience (an essential among those which make good teachers) may have come at some cost to their undergraduate averages.

Those candidates with low income or with family obligations will face an additional impediment: expense. In a time of spiralling tuition costs, dwindling bursaries, and increasingly restrictive access to loans, a second year of study — which has nowhere been demonstrated to produce more effective teachers than single-year programmes — will effectively bar many from the profession.

In addition, it should be observed that this second year of study will double the cost of educating each teacher. If, as the report makes clear, one of the principal motives informing the move toward university rationalization is expense, then one has to wonder how substantial savings can be effected by halving enrolment but doubling the cost of each graduate.

The external committee's "institutional impression" of Dalhousie casts doubt on the competence of the entire report. The assertion that the Dalhousie doctoral programme's "own base within professional education is not secure, and its reputa-

tion with practising educators would appear to be extremely weak" is particularly questionable. Did the reviewers establish any criteria for judging the doctoral programme, the coursework and research of its candidates, or the dissertations of its graduates? Did they examine the employment or publication history of those holding doctorates in education from Dalhousie? Did they disclose their methodology for polling "the profession" about the efficacy of the doctoral programme? They did not, and indeed it is clear that they did not canvass "the profession" on this subject at all. The external reviewers failed to do any of the most elementary work necessary for evaluating a doctoral programme. To dismantle a respected and important doctoral programme on the basis of such an unscholarly — indeed, antischolarly — document seems imprudent, to say the least.

The external report glosses over far too many issues to warrant acceptance. The plight of currently enrolled part-time students is a case in point: such students are given until September 1995 to complete their degrees, but those universities anointed by the report are given until then to have their new programmes in place. How could a part-time Dalhousie BEd student complete his or her course work if Mount St. Vincent does not implement its new secondary school courses prior to the

deadline? Staff considerations are equally vague: in one place the reports seems to suggest that all present staff will be accommodated in some way during the rationalization, but elsewhere seems to give those universities which will retain education departments a veto over any reassignments. Such internal contradictions indicate that this report is far short of the comprehensive analysis required by the council's mandate, and by the people of Nova Scotia.

Finally, we stand by the quality of Dalhousie's Bachelor of Education programme. Although the report makes no mention of Dalhousie's BEd — a curious oversight for a document purporting to take a comprehensive overview — it is implicitly quite critical of this programme. As the present students, we are in far

better position than the external reviewers (who were here for less than a day) to judge the quality of our instruction. We came to Dalhousie in part because of the university's reputation and in part because this School of Education is respected nationwide — notwithstanding the report's bald, unsubstantiated, and rather bizarre assertion to the contrary — and we have not been disappointed.

The report is an ill-formed and ill-advised act of administrative vandalism which will not accomplish the goals set for it, but which will compromise the welfare of Nova Scotians now and in the future.

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# Pizza spies on the prowl at UBC eatery

VANCOUVER (CUP)—Student councilors at the University of B.C. say they have no qualms about hiring private investigators to spy on their employees.

The Alma Mater Society's food and beverage department hired two detectives in November to report on

the work ethic of employees in Pie R Squared, the council-owned pizza joint. The two sat at tables with tape recorders and made notes.

Charles Redden, general manager of the AMS, said it is "generally accepted practice" for the council to hire private investigators to monitor

its employees when they receive customer complaints. "Because complaints were raised we were duty-bound to action," Redden said. "We followed standard operating practice to bring in someone unknown to staff to observe and that was what we did."

But Hugh Finnamore of the United Food and Commercial Workers International union said spying on food employees is generally considered uncommon and extreme.

"I wouldn't say it's standard practice—not covert monitoring," Finnamore said. "It's unnerving. For somebody to

hire [investigators] is to say, 'I don't trust you.' It's a real morale-basher."

Employees called the action a betrayal of trust between the council and the employees.

"We knew [the investigators] were watching but we didn't know what," one employee said. "It was like a soul rape."

## the Gazette

the Gazette will be electing a Managing Editor and Copy Editor for the the 1994-95 publishing year. Both are salaried positions to run for a year, officially beginning May 1, 1994.

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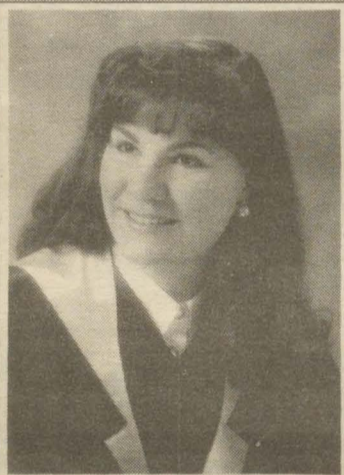
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# arts & entertainment

## Spine — a new band with a plan

by Leslie J Furlong

David Ledden understands the business side of rock 'n' roll. He must or else he wouldn't have paid for our first round. We are sitting in a pub, sampling the wares, telling tales and talking about the local biz.

"When a band makes a tape, automatically they should set aside a hundred for mailouts. Handing over a bunch to Sam the Record Man just isn't enough," he says.

It's statements like these that give me the impression Spine is a band with a plan beyond mere local notoriety. Kind of cocky for a group that has only been around for half a dozen gigs and, as of this article, have nothing committed to tape, but Ledden's been around the block enough to know what it takes. He only needs the right band, and Spine could be the one.

When our second round arrives I make sure to pay for it, if only to



preserve the appearance of journalistic integrity. Talk moves to Spine's music, a combination of David's ten years of experience, most recently with Sawtooth, and the energy of guitarist Jason Hill and drummer

Trevor Townsend, who split their time with the more experimental Samsara. It was through the former vocalist for Samsara that David met them and asked if they would back him up.

As our conversation progresses, we discover that we both put faith in the song "Rape Seed" as being the one with single potential. The only

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Spine will be playing at the Double Deuce on Thursday, February 17.

PHOTO: PANDORA VAUGHAN

## Play explores abuse, paranoia

by Dave Lowden

Wendy Lill is a powerful playwright, and *All Fall Down* stands as proof of this. She makes us see things we don't want to see, and her simple, succinct lines ensure constant controversy, making her audience ask questions beyond their notions of left-right dogma.

### THEATRE REVIEW

*All Fall Down*  
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*All Fall Down* portrays how a parent's visit with a child therapist with fears of abuse at her daycare grows into a tornado that shatters other families and the community around them. Brilliantly directed by Mary Vignoe, the play's suspenseful

rhythms rarely let up so that even humour takes on ominous overtones.

The play opens with a short monologue by the child therapist about images, exterior as well as the ones created in a person's mind, immediately putting the audience into a self-inquiring state of mind.

Molly, played by Rhonda MacLean, is the neurotic single parent who upsets the serenity of her ocean-side community. Not content with having undermined her own life as well as her child's, she also brings down a neighbouring couple whose child attends the same daycare.

Emma and Ewan Grady (Jenny Munday, Hardee Lineham) are the perfect couple with the perfect parent-child relationship whose lives disintegrate under the pressure exerted by the community united on behalf of Molly and their own chil-

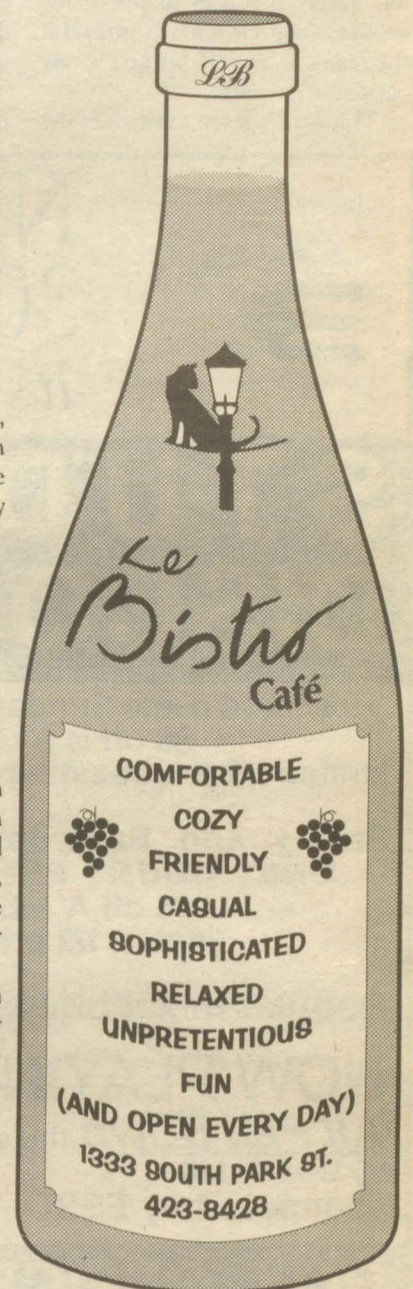
dren's welfare. Ewan sees this witch hunt mentality as paranoid bullshit, but as the therapist says, "If they [the community] don't feel you're with them, then you're against them."

All the roles were performed with genuine ordinariness, no small feat considering the room for pretentious grandstanding in a play dealing with such a weighty subject. The audience were given authentic people, the ones that live next door, the ones who watch too much television...

That children were heard but never seen during the play points to the truth that their world is one dictated by adult agendas. No matter

how much we care for our children we inevitably endanger them with our preconceptions of right and wrong. To paraphrase the therapist, children are not receptacles of the truth. Children are receptacles for anything that we give them.

No one wants to believe that a mother, a child or a social worker would lie for the benefit of subconscious ulterior motives. In a time when the questions far outweigh the answers, Wendy Lill shows us how easy it is to gather around the snake oil sellers of the media and believe in the next conspiracy or help create the next monster.



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# arts & entertainment

## A psycho-cop movie with a big difference

by Mark Farmer

*I Love a Man in Uniform* is the perfect antidote to *Top Cops*. It's a disturbing psychodrama about ordinary guy Henry Adler, who gets far too deeply involved in his acting debut as a cop. He starts to unravel at the seams as his real-life and acting personalities merge.

This isn't just some rehash of the

nice-guy-flips-out theme you see in Hollywood product like *Falling Down*, and this is thanks largely to Tom McCamus, who plays bank teller and would-be actor Adler. McCamus makes this film — it's all about his character's breakdown as he tries to deal with the breakdown he sees in society at large.

McCamus plays Adler with an edge so sharp you could cut granite

with it. But Adler isn't a drooling maniac. He's ordinary. You've seen at least one Henry Adler before — he's the quiet, polite bank teller or bureaucrat or office worker who dreams about being someone important, someone with a spine.

Henry slogs away at his bank job and lands a role on the cop show, "Crimewave" ("An aggregate of every bad cop show ever made," writes the director). As soon as Adler puts on the uniform, he gets filled with the power, the purpose, the identity and authority his meaningless life lacks, and bad things start happening.

Adler starts wearing the uniform outside his house. He starts walking the streets with it on, then tries handing out tickets, then starts fantasiz-

ing about beating the pulp out of people for parking offences. All this time his relationship with his TV co-star Charlotte starts to turn obsessive. He can't seem to distinguish between her and the role she plays on the show. His bank is held up, his father has a stroke and dies, he quits his bank job and eventually discovers for himself police corruption. Then something deep inside Henry Adler snaps in two.

*I Love a Man in Uniform* is dark and menacing (very cliché, but very true), and a lot of the film is spent watching Adler slowly go nuts. But if you like tension, this film is it, and it doesn't hurt that *The Tragically Hip* help out on the soundtrack.

I really fell for the opening shot of

a cop swinging his night stick in slow motion while electric blues guitar wails in the background. I got a delicious chill watching Adler walk out on the street for the first time in uniform, oozing power, confidence and swagger. It's infectious.

The film does drag from time to time, such as when a Marilyn Monroe look-alike robs the bank. There are also some macho slow-motion shots you can do without. But there's more than enough to recommend this movie, and by the end I still hadn't decided: how much of it is macho fantasy, paranoid delusion and complete mental breakdown? "It's a simple matter of priorities," Adler says. I'm still not sure what his really are. A-

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## Spine

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problem is that Jason hates it, calling it dumb. "That's the point," David tells me. "Rock 'n' roll is dumb music. That's why it isn't called classical. The best rock songs are simple songs."

Simple in arrangement, maybe, but the lyrical content of "Rape Seed" proves to be something not dumbed down at all, dealing with the one-sided misogyny of many other songs in many other forms of music.

"For me, saying the word 'bitch' is a step from gunning down fourteen women. The word 'nigger' is a step away from a lynching. Both are part of the same line of reasoning, starting from the same place and ending up in the same place."

The Yin to "Rape Seed"'s Yang is a cover of an old Bee Gees tune, a song that has been a closer for all of their gigs, but might not last beyond this Thursday at the Double Deuce or their opening spot for Entombed this weekend. "Ultimately, it's not the song we want to be known for, but it has got us some attention."

The third round arrives and we each pay for our own drinks this time. The conversation has shifted away from music to Wormwoods and the Toronto Maple Leafs, and we both get a chance to dumb down for a while.



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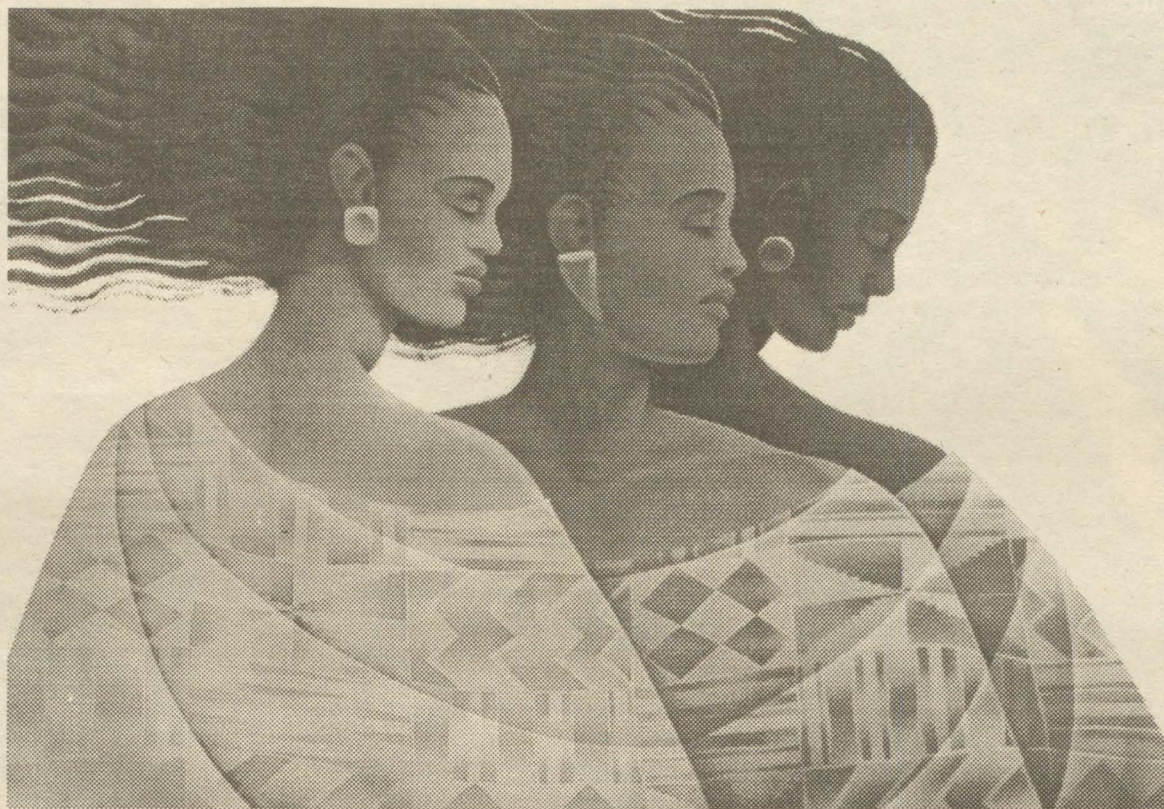
## Ruler in the Kingdom of Men

by Ronald E.A. Blake

Have you wondered ...

- Who is really in charge on this planet anyway?
- What proof is there that God exists?
- What kind of people believe in God anyway?
- Should we think of God as a she, he, him, or shim?
- Is it possible for God to have a problem, if so, what would it be?
- If God is loving and is neither blind nor deaf, why do good Christians die of cancer after the church prays for them?
- Did I meet an angel in my front yard?

Those interested in obtaining a copy of this book, please contact Black United Students c/o Jasen Gannon.



## BLACKSISTER

We the sisters of far and wide.  
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Black Freedom! "The sisters of pride."  
The wider the shoulders, the Blacker the pride.  
"We the sisters of far and wide, we the sisters who  
breathe Black power, Black pride!"

Rolanda C. Kane

## This Woman

I have been so fortunate as to meet a certain woman. This woman has led a difficult yet interesting and respectable life. She would describe to me the turmoil she faced in her childhood. As a child, this woman was unjustly treated by the relatives that looked after her. She was the one who had to complete all the household chores or be subject to a severe punishment. The duties also extended outside the house to include all gardening and various tasks in the yard. This took part while her sister never lifted a finger and had the opportunity to go to school every day during the week.

The reason being that this woman was too black. This woman was scorned because she was black like her father's side of the family. Therefore, she was made to do all the strenuous household work and not be able to play with friends or go to school very often. While her lighter-skinned sister played and had the opportunity to go to school. Therefore, this woman is not as learned as her capabilities would have allowed her to be. But this woman has overcome these adversities.

This woman has also mentioned how beautiful the capital of her native country was when certain people were in power. And when those people departed, the country as a whole, went into a serious decline. Then as the opportunity arose she knew it was now time for her to also depart and expand her horizons.

The advice I have received from this woman was instrumental. From her experiences I have learned various things. For instance, some situations must be endured before you can act on them appropriately. Be watchful of people whom you develop relationships with who knowingly give you things you can't return. Never spend time with people who aren't going anywhere and aren't doing anything. And do your best not to be known as a carrier of news.

I have gained a wealth of wisdom from this woman. This woman is like a mother to me. This woman is a proud, Black Jamaican woman.

~Robert X Lyons~

## A Glance at Racism

### BLACKS ON BLACK

As an international student, I have learned and experienced with utter disgust the unwarranted barbaric state of racism in Canada. Prior to my arrival I had thought that Canada was an ideal place to live in. Unfortunately, experience has proven otherwise.

Racism, much of which is driven by ignorance, is the state and the condition of being apart. It is the no man's land between peoples. I view it as an artificially-created distance necessary to attenuate, for the practitioners, the very raw reality of racial, consequently leading to economic, social and cultural discrimination and exploitation. It is the space of the white man's being. It is the distance needed to convince himself of his denial of others humanity.

It ends up denying all humanity of any kind both to the other and to himself.

Racism is the white man's night, the darkness which blurs his conscience. What one does not see does

*If Black people are to go back to Africa, then White people will have to go back to Europe*

not exist. Also at night, one does not balk at the skin's deep peculiarities of the woman you sleep with. They are pink on the inside. People permit themselves to reason away racism. And in due course their sensitivity becomes blunted.

The writers who close their eyes to daily injustices will see less, and their work will become barren. Some may prefer not to see certain things, others choose not to hear certain voices. The things we turn away from do not cease to exist and the voices do not stop shouting.

The only "crime" committed by the racially attacked people is their unflinching commitment to the right to self-determination. People have told me to go back to where I came from, as if they themselves belong here. History tells us that all races in Canada are landed immigrants, except for the First Nations People. So if Black people are to go back to Africa, then White people will have to go back to Europe. So people, look at yourselves in the mirror before you throw stones, because I have a feeling you might be living in glass houses.

~Baagi T. Muereki~

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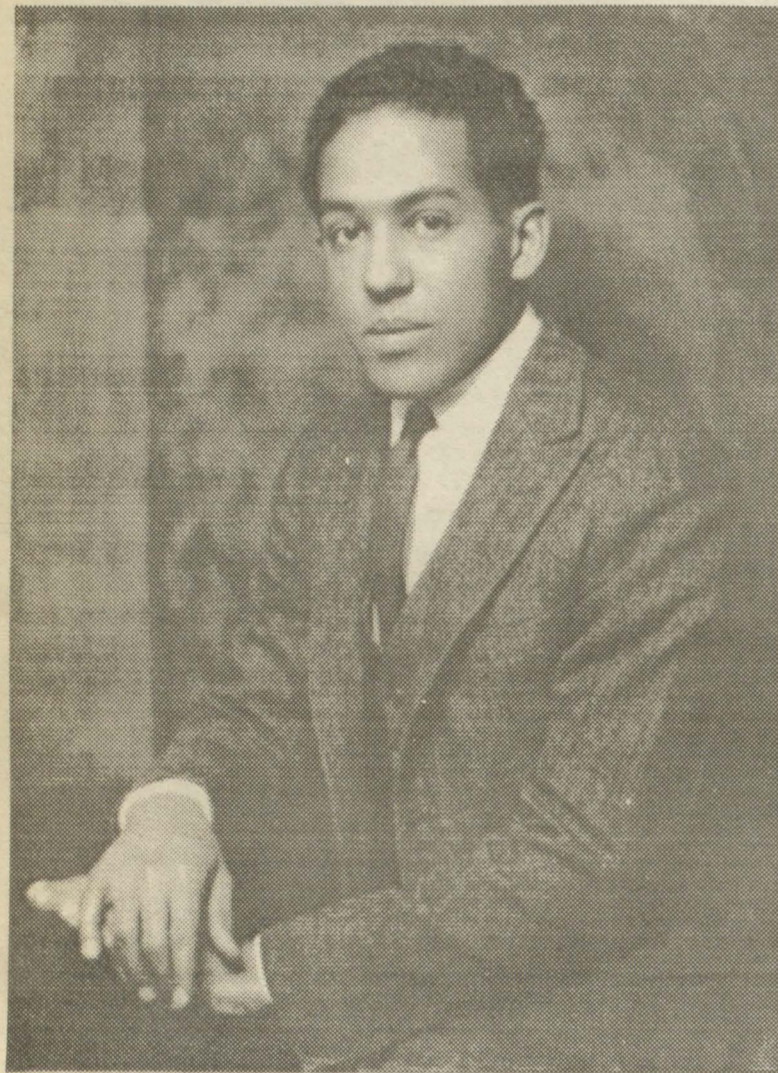
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They told us before.

Sure, we remember.  
Now when the man at the corner store  
Says sugar's gone up another two cents,  
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And there's a new tax on cigarettes —  
We remember the job we never had,  
Never could get,  
And can't have now  
Because we're colored.

So we stand here  
On the edge of hell  
In Harlem  
And look out on the world  
And wonder  
What we're gonna do  
In the face of what  
We remember.

Langston Hughes  
(1902-1967)

## Invasion of My Privacy: My Experience as a Young Black Woman

by Ann-Marie Woods

I think back to my first experience with racism. "Nigger!" they shouted as they whipped my sister with branches, poked and prodded her. I was only about five at the time. I ran all the way home scared to death and yelling, "They're killing my sister, they're killing my sister."

From that point on, things progressed. On our street there lived a family with two boys and a girl my sister's age. I was about six at the time, and my sister, eleven. They would bully us almost every day. It even got to the point where we were chased to our door at knife point. My sister being older than I, wound up wearing the worst of the brunt.

Years passed and I was still naive to what was taking place around me. Black people were few and far between in my elementary school. In school I excelled in sports, academics, and being a class clown. I was leading the "normal" life of a child.

I passed on to junior high where I studied history, never aware that anything was 'incorrect'. I believed what I had been taught. I never found it strange that there were no Black people in history other than slaves.

At this point in my life, my best friend was white, most of my friends were white, and I was quite comfortable with that.

I can't quite put into place when I became aware something was wrong. I was not originally from Nova Scotia, so I did not know many Nova Scotian Blacks. There was a major transition from elementary school to junior high. The Black population went from six to about thirty. I began to want to fit in more with my own

people. This was accomplished by one major thing, "WHEELIES". Yes, Wheelies Roller Skating Rink, that's where all the brothers and sisters went. Of course I still didn't really fit in, but I tried. I roller-skated every Saturday in a continuous never ending circle and then went to McDonald's where I hung out for hours. Eventually, I got to know more

Black Nova Scotians; I met people from Halifax, North Preston, and East Preston. I never understood then why I liked Wheelies so much, or the walk from Wheelies to McDonald's where everyone just hung out.

It was in grade nine that I discovered my culture, and some of my history. My brother had started a group called Voices, which was a theatre group dealing primarily with Black Nova Scotian culture. I sort of helped out and from there became more involved in Black functions. I went to a Cultural Awareness Youth group banquet. It was held at the George Dixon Centre up in the games room. It was a great time, a social time, for Black people like me. I had come to realize that I had something in common with these people. We shared a culture, a historical past, that no one else can relate to no matter how hard they try.

From that point on things took off. I started learning Black history.

Of course, not at school, but through a group that my brother started called the Cultural Awareness Youth Group of Nova Scotia. They used to have debates on Black history, and also quiz teams very similar to Reach For The Top on Cablevision 10. I learned so much that I truly began to love my people and appreciate myself. I also started to think of white people in a

more negative sense. I started to realize that some people just wanted to be with me because I was "different". It was cool to have a Black friend.

I remember working on a project in high school with one of my friends at the Dartmouth

Regional Library. Some Black guys had tried to pick her up when we went outside for a break. When we went back inside she looked in my face and said, "I hate those f---in' niggers." I took every book I had in my hand, threw them in her face, and stormed down the stairs. I could not believe it. She came after me to explain herself, get this: "Anne-Marie what's wrong? 'You're not a nigger, you're not Black, you don't act Black.'" They just don't understand.

I recently had extensions in my hair or braids as some people might call them. I had people stare at me on the bus. I felt as though I just landed. White ladies would come up to me fascinated. Of course they had the

usual four comments and questions to make.

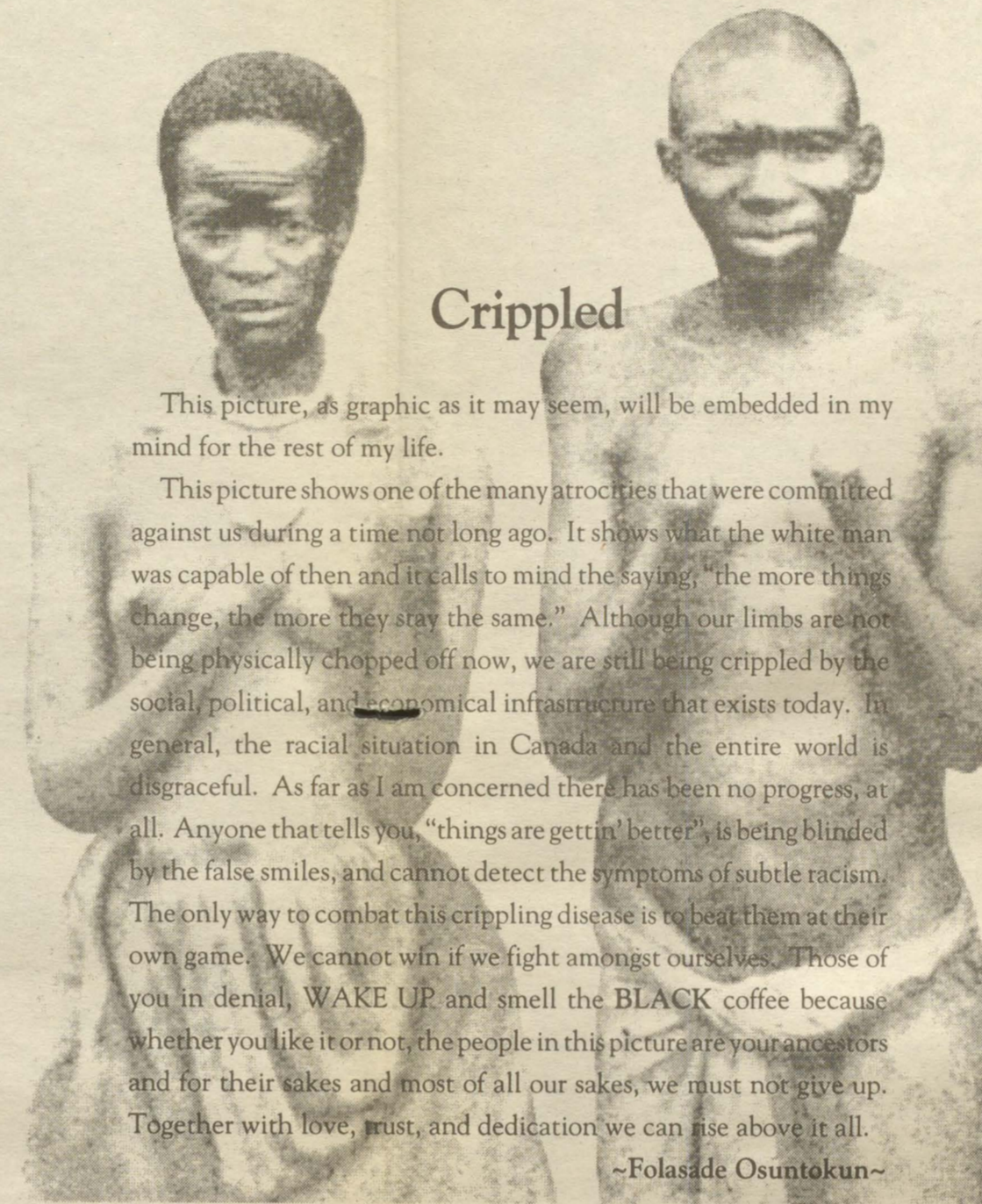
"Oh I love your hair."  
"How long did that take to do?"  
"Can you wash it?"  
"Does it hurt?"

Can someone please explain to me why our hair is so fascinating? White people always want to ask questions and touch it all the time. Why is it that we as Black people constantly have to educate the majority? I was in New York, no one stared at me or asked me strange stupid questions about my hair. Then I came back to Halifax.

You see, White people need to start educating themselves. Can you imagine walking up to a White lady on the street and saying, "Oh I love your hair, can you wash it?" Think about it...

A White person will never know what it is like to be one of the few Black people in a university class of 150 students. They will never experience little children trying to eat them because they think that they're chocolate, going to teach dance classes in the South-End where both the children and the parents are scared to talk to you. Nor will they experience being stared at, followed throughout stores, not being served, not being able to hang in groups of five or six without being called a gang ... the list goes on!

So you see, all I want is for racist ideas to stop. I want White people to learn Black history, and not grow up ignorant in regards to Black culture. And please respect me as a young Black woman. Ask me questions, but don't invade my privacy.



## Crippled

This picture, as graphic as it may seem, will be embedded in my mind for the rest of my life.

This picture shows one of the many atrocities that were committed against us during a time not long ago. It shows what the white man was capable of then and it calls to mind the saying, "the more things change, the more they stay the same." Although our limbs are not being physically chopped off now, we are still being crippled by the social, political, and economical infrastructure that exists today. In general, the racial situation in Canada and the entire world is disgraceful. As far as I am concerned there has been no progress, at all. Anyone that tells you, "things are gettin' better", is being blinded by the false smiles, and cannot detect the symptoms of subtle racism. The only way to combat this crippling disease is to beat them at their own game. We cannot win if we fight amongst ourselves. Those of you in denial, WAKE UP and smell the BLACK coffee because whether you like it or not, the people in this picture are your ancestors and for their sakes and most of all our sakes, we must not give up. Together with love, trust, and dedication we can rise above it all.

~Folasade Osuntokun~

## Africa

Africa my Africa,  
Africa of proud warriors in the ancestral savannahs,  
Africa my grandmother sings of  
Beside her distant river  
I have never seen you  
But my gaze is full of your blood  
Your black blood split over the fields  
The blood of your sweat  
The sweat of your toil  
The toil of slavery  
The slavery of your children.  
Africa, tell me Africa,  
Are you the back that bends  
Lies down under the weight of humbleness?  
The trembling back striped red  
That says yes to the sjambok on the roads of noon?  
Solmnly a voice answers me  
Impetuous child, that young and sturdy tree  
That tree that grows  
There splendidly alone among white and faded flowers  
Is Africa, your Africa. It puts forth new shoots  
With patience and stubbornness puts forth new shoots  
Slowly its fruits grow to have  
The bitter taste of liberty.

David Diop

Submitted by the African Students Association,  
Dalhousie University



## In Africa, I live in the Biggest Tree in the Compound

by Nadia Ronke Meley Maathey

The following are extracts of conversations I've had in Halifax with many people: White Canadians, Black Canadians, and Caribbeans. They are not a figment of my imagination though I wish some of them were. These are conversations I encounter on a daily basis, some of which illustrate the problem of stereotyping.

Q: How did you get to Canada? (some friends who have been asked this question said things like.)

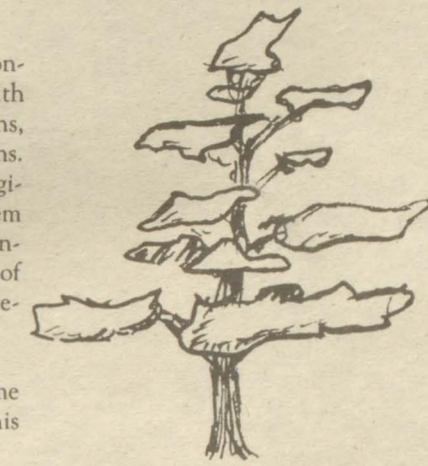
A: I swam across.  
Q: Really?

Q: What do you wear to school in Ghana?

A: I wear jeans, pretty much the same things worn here, as well as traditional clothing. (Do you think I walk around naked, I wonder?)

Q: What! (she shrieks) You have BMWs in Ghana (I think she's about to faint)

A: Yes (I reply confidently) we have many BMWs in Ghana, amongst other luxury cars. ("Ignorance is such a vile thing," I think to myself).



Examples of other questions I get asked:

Q: (Flicking through my photo albums) I didn't know Africans would be light-skinned, I thought they were all very-very black, like I see on T.V.  
A: Not at all. We are of varying shades even within a nation. As you move further north of the equator in Africa the people get progressively lighter in skin tone like the Ethiopians and then still further north is Egypt and Libya where the people are Mediterranean in appearance but still are a part of Africa.

Q: Ooh, you're from Africa...  
A: No, I'm from Ghana in Africa. Actually they're some fifty countries in Africa and Ghana is but one of them.

Q: Ooh you're from Africa, I know someone who lives in Kenya, he's called Alfred...eh well I can't remember his last name. Do you know him?

A: No I'm sorry. (Yep I'm very sorry if you don't realize that Ghana is on the opposite side of Africa, quite far from Kenya. I certainly don't presume that you would know my friend John whatz his name in British Columbia.)

Q: Do you have lions on the streets?  
A: No, the only time I saw one was at the zoo.

Q: Do you have houses in Africa?  
A: (Some of my friends reply as follows) No, we live in the biggest tree in the compound.

Yes, we have houses, and they are made from iron rods, concrete, and cement plaster, and in terms of their beauty, structure, and size many of them are a lot like Spanish villas.

## On Being Black..

Black is discovering that mothers of the little white girls who bring you home after school for a snack, wash your dishes a second time.

Black is a fifth grade teacher explaining the history of Africa, and telling you that your ancestors were immoral, primitive, barbaric and inferior.

Black is having a white man approach you to tell you how much he likes black girls.

Black is having a white woman tell you over and over that you are equal.

Black is wearing a frozen smile when you hear jokes about black people made by white people.

Black is driving home from UCFA with your boy friend and being stopped by the police and told to get out of that area

Black is moving through years of discovery, fear, bigotry, militancy, brotherhood, pride and unity.

Black is an attitude. An attitude of pride and a wondering at the tolerance of well-meaning white people.

What do I mean by that...

I mean, for example, you and me. You were very nice in giving me this assignment to talk on being black. But I wonder what you would have done if I had asked you to talk on being white.

You see, we are not yet human to human, are we?

Not yet.

Anonymous

## The Color of Friendship

### Snow Blindness

To pitying Europeans: From an African

Once upon a time we were a people united, we built monuments yet unexplained today, we were fearless warriors who laughed in the face of danger, and triumphed in adversity. We were a spiritual loving, sharing people, who believed that one child was the child of the whole village. Yet you refuse to admit these facts to our children, who continue to feel the pangs from a hunger that cannot be satisfied with food.

In fear, you took our brave men, our protectors and our children's pride from us, and stripped them of their dignity and self worth.

Yet you wonder why we despise you. When we walk past, you droop and lust for us in private. But don't you know that we would rather DIE than satisfy your lust?!

You systematically and purposely wiped out culture, language, pride and other African traits from us, so that you could more easily rob us of our riches and use us to increase your own. You divide us, and turn us against one another, so that you can steal and murder with ease. Your wealth was and is still built from our suffering. Yet you wonder why we never forget.

### AND YOU CALL US CRIMINALS?!

You treat us like children, and wonder why it angers us. You call us backward and tell us we are a people in shambles - from a continent in the same condition. Yet you forget what we were BEFORE you soiled our minds with your lies, took riches from our land without paying, took our people without asking, diluted our blood with your seed!

### AND YOU WONDER WHY WE DON'T TRUST YOU!

You prefer to remain in a mental fog, so that you do not see the destruction you have rained on us. You toppled our house. We have been rebuilding it - despite all. Yet you say we are useless, lazy, hopeless, helpless.

### ARE YOU YA & YA BEIND?!

You expect us to learn about you, yet you refuse to do the same for us. Then you use your ignorance as an excuse when you offend.

### WE ARE STRONG! And don't you EVER forget that!

Please do not frown with sadness, shrug your shoulders in wonder, or use words of pity. It is you who deserves pity. It is your head that needs to be examined. It is you who will pay dearly in the end.

### A.Njoku

### The Thinking Thought

There's more to me than just me.  
There's more to me than what people see.  
Maybe she's the body and I'm the living spirit  
of her thoughts. Maybe she's the guidance that  
hold me in peaceful thought, and he's the peaceful  
hands that keep her at rest as she holds me.  
She is she, together we are we.  
Best known as family!

### Rolanda C. Kane

(To the living memory of my mother Mrs. Madeline Suella Kane)

by Nadia Ronke Meley Maathey

I saw him as I was climbing up, he was standing just at the end of the stairs. "He must be the new guy who has been jumped a grade," I thought. At that moment little did I realize what a cherished and beloved friend he would become - he was Indian and I was Black....

I grew up in the nation of Ghana in West Africa. I had no shame whatsoever about my race, simply because I had black role models all around me, and within my family. My mother is a lawyer, my father runs his own company and my grandfather was a judge. Other Black role models included doctors, politicians and professors. I grew up with a lot of pride in my race. Ghana also has a business community of successful Lebanese and Indian people. My dislike for Indians began when I noticed how badly they treated their Black employees, as though they were slaves. They considered themselves superior to Black people. I also witnessed an Indian male say that Black people were utter fools. It was against this backdrop that I grew up forming negative stereotypes for the painful and humiliating treatment they meted out to my race.

..... as I got up the stairs I said "Hi," to the Indian boy, thinking how lonely, friendless and intimidated he must feel. He flashed a grateful smile at me and introduced himself as Senthil. Over the course of the term we got to know each other better and discovered that, in spite of our racial and religious differences, we shared lots of common interests and opinions. It was hard initially for Senthil to feel fully accepted in the class since he was new, much younger and a brilliant student. The top scholars of the class felt intimidated by this "young upstart" who beat them in courses in which they had dominated. They mocked him and tried to intimidate and belittle him. (I found it interesting that one of the ringleaders was an Indian himself). Senthil however, stood his ground admirably in these trying circumstances. Most of Senthil's provocateurs were my friends so when they made derogatory remarks about him, I boldly rose to his defence and expressed my disgust and displeasure.

..... Throughout the course of our blossoming friendship I grew to respect Senthil for his integrity and honesty and I gradually discarded my negative and stereotypical preconceptions about Indians. Sometimes it took a particular situation for me to even realize the preconception I held since it buried in my unconsciousness mind. A very good example of this is that one day early in our friendship Senthil asked me to become his girlfriend. Even though I was not surprised I was not prepared to answer him at the time. I said, "No," and muttered something about

how it would ruin our friendship. At home that night I was very perturbed, I wanted to be absolutely certain that my response was not because of his race. I came to the sad resolution that it was. I simply could not imagine having a relationship with a Indian. Even the thought of marrying one was out of the question. However, as I got to know Senthil better I soon realized that I could have a

### I'm not proud that I once harboured racist feelings

relationship with him without misgivings due to his racial identity.

I feel vulnerable, having bared my soul in this personal story since I'm not proud that I once harboured racist feelings. However, it serves to illustrate the problem of racism that I find to exist in Canada and Nova Scotia, in particular.

1. Most White people hate being accused of racism even when there is a valid basis. They get defensive,

vehemently deny it and invariably say, "Well, I have Black friends.... so I'm not a racist." This does not necessarily follow. I had a few Indian friends before Senthil and I did not consider myself a racist.

2. *Are you racist?* If you call yourself a non-racist you should not allow your friends to make racist jokes. It's not enough to say your a non-racist, without backing your words with actions.

3. An effective way of knowing if you have racist tendencies is to ask yourself whether you can in all honesty marry someone who is Black or of another race. *Well, can you?*

Finally, I would like to encourage you to take a chance and make friends with someone of another race. Don't allow their racial identity to be an obstruction to the otherwise enriching experience of a cross-cultural friendship.

### Epilogue:

*Senthil and I keep in touch and remain great friends. He is currently studying Engineering (an interest we both share) in one of the Ivy League universities in the states.*



## Dead before its time

**STUDENTS, Black - 200**, formerly of Africa, died January 1, 1994, in Dalhousie University, Halifax of historical amnesia. Born in Canada, Africa, Caribbean, and America, they were the sons and daughters of the late Harriet Tubman, Malik El-Shabbazz, W.E.B. DuBois, Sojourner Truth, and Kwame Nkrumah. They were members of the Black Canadian Students Association (B.C.S.A.), African Students Association (A.S.A.), Black United Students (B.U.S.), and Dal-Mount Caribbean Students Society. They are survived by the emptiness which will be left for future generations of Black students. Their lack of gumption in organizing themselves into a collective union has weakened their political position to a point, comparable only to the federal Progressive Conservatives. Visitation will be in Halifax from now to whenever. Funeral services t.b.a, depending on the responsiveness of the Black student body. In lieu of flowers, assistance may be offered to any Black student association or group. Maybe that assistance, a.k.a. work, will resurrect the dead.

Jasen Gannon

## feature

# Racism thrives in Canada's prisons

by Dan Robins

MONTREAL (CUP) — I asked Ross Stevens, a Black man who spent almost ten years in a variety of Canadian prisons, to what extent race is an issue in jail.

"The maximum amount," he said. "Like on the streets of South Africa."

"It's like every day a person will call you a nigger or make a joke, put a picture of a monkey on your door, or a jungle or something," he said. "But you can't really let something like that bother you, because if they see that gets to you then you get monkeys on your door every day."

'Loose', who has done about twenty years in Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia prisons, had a different perspective. He argued that most of the problems facing Canadian prisoners affect all prisoners, regardless of race.

But he also had lots of troubles with racist inmates and guards. "When I first went [to Dorchester, in New Brunswick], they told me, 'We don't want no niggers here,' and I said, 'I ain't going nowhere.' They can call me all the names, as long as they don't put their hands on me, then I have to defend myself."

"If you don't stand up for your rights, they'll walk all over you," he said.

## VIOLENCE AND INTIMIDATION

An Ontario commission looking into systemic racism in the province's prisons released an interim report on Feb. 2, detailing many of these problems.

For instance, the report says, prison officials control what social groups Black prisoners can form, what music they can listen to, what magazines they can subscribe to and even what hair products they can have. (Believe it or not, Black prisoners even have trouble getting appropriate combs.)

Policies are applied discriminatorily, so that pregnant Black prisoners aren't given the same considerations that pregnant whites are, while Blacks are streamed out of prison

education programs and into menial jobs. In many prisons, these policies have gone as far as outright racial segregation. In Quebec's LeClerc prison, for instance, nine of the twelve blocks are whites-only. One "Black" floor is known as "the Jungle".

"There's only certain wings where a Black man can go," Stevens remembered. "If they just took me and put me in another wing, there's no question that I would have a fight within an hour."

This racial control makes it almost impossible for prisoners to organize against prison racism. A group in LeClerc formed an organization called Black Inmates Fellowship Association in order to raise awareness of racial issues in prison. For whatever reason, those who took on leadership roles in the group were quickly transferred out of the prison or stuck in solitary.

The Ontario commission concluded that such problems could not exist without the complicity of officials high up in the prison hierarchy.

Though these officials may not be as overtly racist as prison guards (many of whom have not figured out that "nigger" is an insult), they are more often just not interested in solving the problems of people who society has already given up on.

"The administration tries to be color-blind, but that way they don't see the problems," said Marie Beemans, a member of the board of directors of the Church Council on Justice and Corrections and for over 20 years a prisoners' rights activist.

"They don't care," said Loose. "All they do is lock you up and make sure you do your time."

## ISOLATION

Stevens and Loose agreed that prisons far from large cities are the worst. Often guards have no experience dealing with people of color and immigrants, and the tiny number of Black people incarcerated in these areas prevents them from effectively banding together against racists.

Because of the racism and ignorance among prison authorities, support is generally geared towards white Christians. While this falls heaviest

on aboriginal prisoners, it still serves to further isolate Blacks from their communities (and their lawyers).

This has been especially true at the Prison for Women (P4W) in Kingston, Ontario, the only facility for federally-sentenced women. Kingston is not a particularly diverse city, and prisons there are looked upon as more of an industry than a social issue. Even if there were adequate support groups in Kingston, though, few of the prisoners there would ever get a chance to see their families.

*"When I first went [to Dorchester], they told me, 'We don't want no niggers here.'"*

In April 1990, a federal task force recommended that the P4W be replaced with five regional centres and a facility specifically for native prisoners. This was meant to bring women closer to their families and communities, while also organizing the institutions in a way that recognized that women in prison are rarely a risk to society.

But Montreal didn't bid for the Quebec institution, and instead it's getting built in remote Joliette — where there are no established Black, immigrant or even English communities, ensuring that marginalized

women will be far from support. Even worse, it's next to impossible to get to Joliette by public transit.

Marie Beemans argues that because the people targeted by the justice system tend to be uneducated and insecure (a large majority were physically or sexually abused as children), jamming them together in prison creates an environment ripe for racial violence.

"You've got people with less education, more insecurities, more problems. They tend not to associate on the outside, but in prison they're thrown together. If you don't get along on the outside, you can go home or go out with your friends, but not in prison," she said. "When you've got a situation like racism, it gets worse. And the guards aren't the brightest so they tend to be racist too."

## COMMUNITY RESPONSES

When the prison system is done destroying people, community groups have to pick up the pieces. While there are government-funded programs, they tend to focus on integrating people back into society by maintaining control over them.

Loose decided to spend his whole term in prison rather than live outside while still reporting to the cops.

"They said, 'You gotta take a urine test,'" he said. "I said, 'How is the urine test run?' They said, 'One day, if they see you on the street and they say, 'Heh, we want you to take a urine test,' you have to go. And if you fail the urine test, automatically you're back inside.'"

Egien Scotland, the director for youth programming at the Montreal Black Community Centre, is trying to provide more empowerment oriented resources.

He's writing letters to parole boards letting them know that if Black prisoners are paroled early, they will have a place to go for help in finding housing, employment, education, and other referrals. He's presently trying to find employers willing to commit themselves to hiring Black ex-cons, while also looking for funding.

But by and large, community support, for both Black ex-cons and prisoners, has been disappointing. Beemans recalled an incident when a black inmate was beaten up by two guards in Tanguay, a Quebec provincial prison. Black community groups were reluctant to support her, said Beemans. (The two guards were later suspended after sexually assaulting a white prisoner.)

Stevens said the key to eliminating racism in prison is education, specifically for prison guards and staff who have no experience dealing with people of other cultures.

"I think if you could educate those people more and have them treat a racial situation with professionalism instead of saying, 'Ah, we don't want to hear it,' then it would be better," he said.

If we are to learn to deal humanely with crime, however, perhaps the most important education will have to happen outside prison walls. Getting sent to prison has little to do with criminality and lots to do with being already marginalized, whether by race, class or level of education.

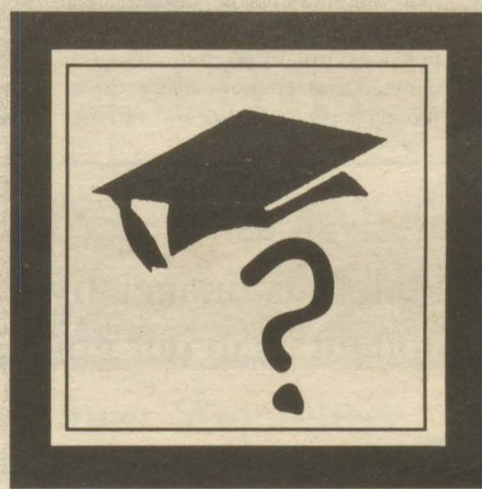
If people realized that, maybe we could start going after the folks who continue to exploit a privilege based in centuries of racial hatred, while dismantling the system that keeps them powerful.

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# Lecture offers many views on crisis

by Garth Sweet

Last Saturday at the Rebecca Cohn, the Dalhousie Science Society hosted a lecture on Economics and the Environment with noted broadcaster and environmentalist Dr. David Suzuki as the keynote guest speaker. The lecture was held on the evening of Saturday the 10th, and drew a packed house of over 1,000 people, filling the Rebecca Cohn to capacity. Sponsoring the lecture were the Dalhousie Science Society (DSS), business heavyweights Clearwater Fine Foods and MT&T Mobility, plus twelve other small local businesses and two other Dalhousie societies. Other guest speakers included Dalhousie's own Dr. Bob Fournier, noted oceanographer and CBC radio personality, John Risley the president of Clearwater and Mr. Gary Dedrick former President of the Southwest Shore Fixed Gear Association, representing the interests of the fishing community.

The focus of the discussion was mainly the Atlantic cod fishery, which has been facing a crisis for the last several years resulting in an indefinite closure of the fishery in August of 1993. Dr. Fournier opened the discussion by outlining the main problems of the fishery and discussing the five possible reasons for the severe decline in cod fish stocks. The five main possible reasons he cited for the decline are climatic changes (water too cold), increasing seal populations (they may be eating cod for food), natural cycles (in the past record low numbers of cod fish have been reported), and lastly over-fishing. He detailed how he sees the problem as going beyond simply having low numbers of cod fish. It extends to having fish that are very small compared to fish of years before and having populations so small that the ability for the schools to regrow has been severely compromised. He concluded by explaining how the closing of the cod fishery in Atlantic Canada has resulted in the largest group layoffs in Canada's history, with between 30,000 and 40,000 people losing their jobs directly or indirectly from the fishery's closure.



Dal's Dr. Bob Fournier, Dr. David Suzuki, and Clearwater's John Risley.

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Next to speak was John Risley of Clearwater Fine Foods. Risley spoke on the Clearwater perspective of the cod fish problem and defended the use of dragger boats for fishing, citing the fact that there have been no conclusive studies showing them to be environmentally harmful.

A dragger boat uses a large fine mesh net dragged behind the boat either directly on or slightly off the bottom of the ocean. The net is held open by large metal bars, fish are scooped into the net through the large opening and later hauled into the boat. Dragnets have long been condemned by environmentalists as they may damage the ocean floor with the nets they drag across the bottom. They may also scoop too many fish at a time, often all from a single school.

Fishermen have also condemned the dragnets for the same reasons and because they require so few people to operate compared to traditional longline fishing methods.

Longline fishing consists of towing lines of baited hooks behind the boat, fish from the schools then bite the hooked lines and are caught. The longline approach is favoured by environmentalists and fishermen as it does virtually no environmental damage and employs many times more people both on and off the

boats.

Risley went beyond citing the lack of a conclusive study on dragnets, and noted that in the years around 1790, 1890, and 1930 there were also record low cod fish stocks reported. He favoured foreign over-fishing and cool water temperature cycles as primary reasons for the cod fish declines. Concluding, he suggested one of the best solutions to the problem

## *The closing of the cod fishery in Atlantic Canada has resulted in the largest layoffs in Canada's history*

is to allocate fish quotas to individual fishermen. Then they could buy out other fishermen's quotas to increase their own (any single quota wouldn't be enough to support a fisherman, so buying out other people would be necessary). Similarly, processing plants would be allocated processing quotas. This would allow them to purchase quotas from other plants until they had enough to support themselves. Risley felt this would

insure fairness and competitiveness in the industry as only the larger, more efficient operations would have enough capital to buy out quotas. Less efficient people would be forced from the industry. It's worth noting that Clearwater maintains the largest inshore fishing fleet and is the largest processor of cod fish in Atlantic Canada. They would be in excellent position to purchase quotas from private fishermen and smaller processing plants.

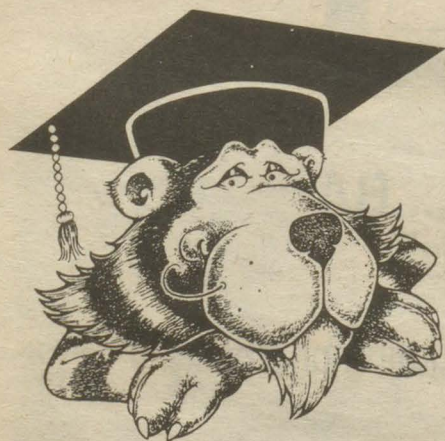
Third to speak was Mr. Gary Dedrick, past President of the Southwest Shore Fixed Gear Association. Dedrick spoke on behalf of the fishermen in general. Dedrick is notable as the spokesperson for the Shelburne blockade last year of a Russian fishing vessel which was carrying cod fish caught outside of Canada's 200-mile limit for processing here in Nova Scotia. He was a fisherman most of his life until forced out of the business by the closure of the cod fishery. Dedrick cited massive over-fishing by foreign vessels off Canada's 200-mile limit as one of the primary reasons for the decline of the existing fish stocks. Boats fishing off the 200-mile limit aren't subject to Canadian fishing laws, and the countries they are from may not have laws pertaining to over-fishing cod stocks. Dedrick also spoke of government

inefficiencies and lack of understanding of the fishery. He cited dragnets as being a major problem, as they damage or destroy cod fish breeding grounds and take too many fish from the ocean too fast. Dedrick noted that a single dragger boat can take from the ocean in one month what the entire longline fleet does in a year. He concluded by saying the best solution in his mind was to let cod fish stocks rebound and insist on a purely longline fishing industry with tight controls on foreign fishing.

Dr. Suzuki was the last to speak and received generous applause as he reached the podium. He spoke of the issue in a broader context and related the cod fish crisis to other problems facing the world such as urban violence and deforestation of both British Columbia's temperate rain forests and the Amazon basin. He spoke of how the world has undergone its most massive changes not far back in history, but recently in our own lifetimes. He explained how the population of the world is growing at an exponential rate that may not allow us to provide for our needs unless our lifestyles and our governments change drastically. On the issue of declining fish stocks Suzuki cited government agencies each demanding to be involved in the decisions as being a primary reason why the problems weren't being looked at fully, but rather just in the context of each agency's turf. He felt dragnets were a "stupid way to fish" and couldn't understand why people were still allowed to use them. He went on to say that our rate of technological advancement is exceeding by leaps and bounds our ability to use wisely what we have created. Speaking to the crowd in an entertaining and easy manner, he concluded by saying that unless we slowed our rate of progress, the Earth could be in deadly peril.

After a standing ovation from the crowd, the lecture switched over to a question-and-answer session. People focused questions on the continued use of dragnets and on global environmental issues. Suzuki and Risley fielded most of the questions, with differing opinions on most of the issues.

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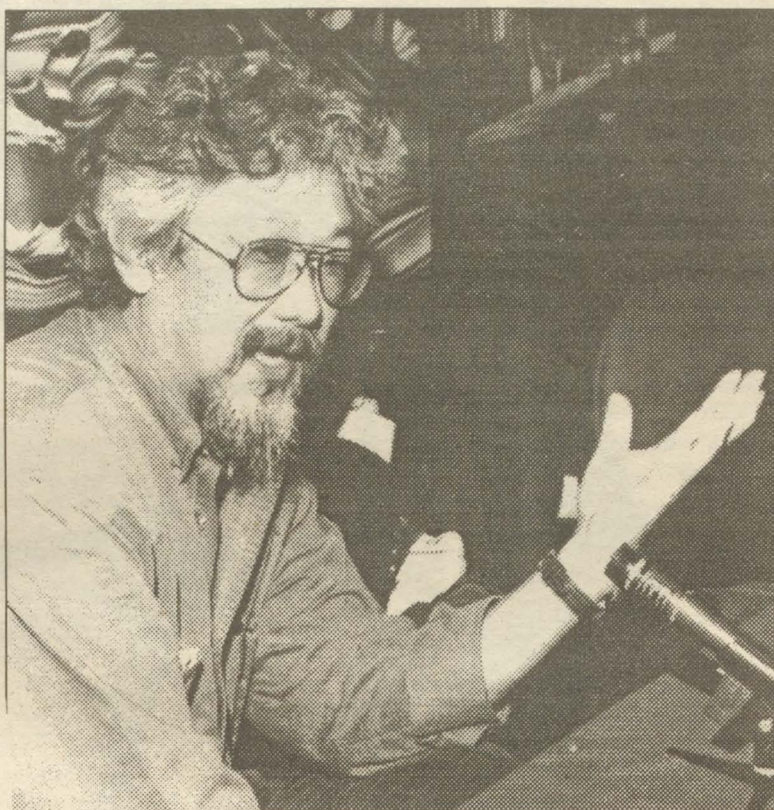
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## Suzuki goes fishing for an answer

As a member of the *Dalhousie Gazette*, I had the opportunity to not only attend the Economics and the Environment lecture hosted by the Dalhousie Science Society (DSS), I had the chance to participate in the pre-lecture news conference. Through both events, a few issues came through quite strongly. The first is that the crisis in the Atlantic fisheries is widespread and scientists don't have a solid explanation yet. Secondly, the DSS brought together four speakers each with a different perspective on the issues. Lastly, there are too many people who seem to believe that every word out of David Suzuki's mouth is scripture.

The first speaker at the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium was Dalhousie's own Dr. Bob Fournier. He is certainly an entertaining speaker and he outlined the problems well, but his conservative approach to a possible solution was not well received by most of the audience or some of his fellow speakers.

Following him was the president of Clearwater Fine Foods and an officer of our Board of Governors, Mr. John Risley. He attempted to bring a "concerned businessman" viewpoint to the discussion, but despite his possible explanations for the present crises and his brief history into previous fish crises, he still came across as the bad guy. All through his talk and through the press conference I got the impression that he was trying to lay blame elsewhere while refusing to accept the possibility that big business may have to shoulder most of the responsibility. His cause was not helped by a cheap shot he made di-



David Suzuki at the news conference.

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rected at some environmental groups.

By far, the most passionate speaker of the whole evening was Mr. Gary Dedrick. I was finally presented with a face and a point of view that helped me identify with the fisherman's side of this crisis. He clearly presented the frustration and desperation most fishermen feel in a very down-to-earth and direct fashion. He offered no scientific explanations or solutions, but did stress that he and most fishermen felt it wasn't the people who over-fished, it was the gear they used. While this sounded ludicrous

at first, Mr. Dedrick's knowledge as a fisherman and his personal passion on the subject managed to convince me this explanation was at least possible.

This brings us to Dr. David Suzuki, the obvious drawing point for the lecture. Dr. Suzuki is certainly a very entertaining speaker (he spoke for close to two hours and always kept the audience's attention) and is quite knowledgeable, but he wandered off topic. Whether this was by design because he was the keynote speaker or if he wanted to fill up his time, I

don't know. The amount of time he concentrated specifically on the crises in the Atlantic fisheries was no more than 15 minutes while the rest of his time was devoted to tying all of the world's environmental problems into each other and the fact that as humans, we still have a very narrow view of our role in the Earth's ecosystem. Time after time he stressed how little we understand nature and that perhaps we should slow down our technology and concentrate on how we can better fit into nature. For every bit of vigour and intensity Mr. Dedrick expressed towards fishermen and their industry, Dr. Suzuki surpassed it in his devotion towards solving the ecological problems of today.

points, he certainly is convincing in letting the listener know that changes in our lifestyle and our attitudes must start now.

This brings me to one final point on Dr. Suzuki and the lecture as a whole: what Dr. Suzuki or any of the other speakers say is not always going to be the final word on a subject. Too many times I found people applauding Dr. Suzuki for comments that didn't merit the response. This is in no part his fault; he cannot be responsible for how people react to his statements. What people should do though is examine his comments, along with Dr. Fournier, Mr. Risley and Mr. Dedrick, and then form their own opinions and act on those.

While I may not agree with all his

Colin Mac Donald

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Answer: What could the wise truck driver have told the two students? Simply to switch cars. Since the race stipulated that it was the last car to reach Dartmouth that determined the winner, switching cars would mean each student would want the car they then drove to be first, ensuring that their own would be last. Our winner this week was Greg LeClaire who bounded in eagerly at 11:30 with the answer. An honorable mention goes to James Hubley from SMU who had the interesting answer that the truck driver informed the two of a sale in Dartmouth. Keep those answers coming, and remember to respond early as winning answers have been arriving very soon after the paper hits the stands.

Question: In response to some requests for a harder puzzle, we have what may be a stumper for a few. You are in a local Green Gables getting ripped off on a few items. After looking around, you head to the checkout with four things to be purchased and hand them to the clerk to be rung in. The clerk works the register and tells you the total is \$7.11. "What a coincidence," you say, "just like 7-11, the American convenience store. How did you arrive at this total?" The clerk responds by telling you she multiplied the price of the four items together. "What crooks!!" you blurt, "You're supposed to add the prices!" Embarrassed, the clerk adds the prices this time and tells you the price is still only \$7.11. What could the prices of your items be then, assuming none are free?

Please send answers c/o the Gazette, Room 312, SUB or by email to GAZETTE@ac.dal.ca. Entries must be received by Monday at 4 pm.

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# sports

## Tigers win first; now meet Huskies

by Sam McCaig

Five months of hard work has culminated in a first-place finish in the Kelly Division for the hockey Tigers. Dalhousie's 19-3-4 record was enough to edge out Acadia by one point. The Axemen sported a 19-4-3 standing.

To clinch home-ice advantage for the first two play-off series, the Tigers needed to win their last three games. They accomplished that feat in grand style, wiping out their final three adversaries by an aggregate score of 22-6.

First to face the firing squad were the X-Men from St. Francis Xavier. Dalhousie travelled to Antigonish last Wednesday and romped their way to a 6-1 final.

The Tigers' winning ways continued on Friday night at Memorial Arena when the University of Prince Edward Island Panthers pussyfooted into town. U.P.E.I. left with their tails between their legs after being skinned 9-1 by Dalhousie.

Joe Suk led the way with two goals and three assists. Suk's first helper set a single-season record for assists by a Dalhousie forward. Not to be outdone, Kevin Meisner also set up three goals, with his first effort giving him the record for single-season assists by a defenceman.

Mark Myles chipped in with two tallies in the first frame as Dalhousie jumped to a 5-0 lead.

Steve Widmeyer, Dan Holmes, Ken MacDermid, Corey MacIntyre and Marc Robillard were the other Tiger snipers. MacDermid and

defenceman Allan Cox each contributed two helpers.

A win on Sunday against the University College of Cape Breton Capers would give the Tigers the division crown and Dalhousie responded with a 7-4 victory.

This game was highlighted by the honouring of eight Tigers who are finishing up their university hockey careers. They are: Brian MacDonald, Anthony MacAulay, Kevin Meisner, Joe Suk, Ken MacDermid, George Wilcox, Scott MacDonald and Brian Keeler. Congratulations guys; hopefully, this season will be extended long enough for you to go to Toronto to grab some C.I.A.U. hardware.

MacAulay, Wilcox and Keeler all bid adieu to their last regular-season game in high fashion as they each potted a goal. Also scoring were Tyler Naugler, Trent Gleason, Allan Cox and Mark Myles.

With the regular season out of the way, the real fun begins.

First round play-off action pits us against them: the good eggs versus the bad eggs; it's our players against their prayers; the bulldozers versus the hockey-posers; the...what I'm trying to say here is that Dalhousie's first-round opponent is St. Mary's.

The Tigers' first home game is this Saturday, February 19, at 7:00 pm. It's the second game of the best-of-three series so, with any luck, it will be the last time the Huskies will take to the ice this season. Wear something loud and bring something louder. Kick off Reading Week by kicking off the Huskies.



Toni MacAfee waits to find a teammate as Acadia's Heather O'Grady guards her in action last Friday. The Tigers defeated Acadia 72-53. DAL PHOTO: MIKE DEVONPORT

## It's playoff time for Dalhousie

by Frank MacEachern

It came so fast! What is it? It is the playoffs for university sports.

Just when you think you're starting to get a handle on how the teams on campus are doing, all of a sudden the playoffs come along and hit you at the wrong time. This wrong time is reading week.

Unfortunately the paper takes a break, as do students, from Feb. 21 to Feb. 25. This is just the time when the hockey team will be in league semi-finals. (We're not trying to jinx the team by saying they'll beat Saint Mary's, but we do have to believe they will win.)

It also means we won't be able to report on the team's best-of-three quarterfinal series with Saint Mary's which began last night, Wednesday, and continues on Saturday at Dalhousie. Game three, if needed, will

be played Sunday at Dalhousie.

It also means we won't be able to offer coverage of the AUSA championships at the University of New Brunswick, which is happening this weekend.

But the break also means writers have a chance to take a breather and prepare for the following week.

That week is going to be a biggie with Dalhousie hosting the men's Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union volleyball championships from March 4-6.

For those interested in top-level university sports be prepared to be entertained in the next couple of weeks.

## Rowing without water

by Paula Jardine

There may be ice on the water, but it doesn't slow diehard oarspeople down. They turn instead to the ergometer.

On Sunday March 6, 1994, the King's College Rowing Club will host the Nova Scotia Indoor Rowing Championships.

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an athlete's inner metal. Deprived of the motivation to work harder that comes from the feel of the boat moving, the erg (a rowing machine), tests the athlete's inner drive. The challenge? To overcome the fear within; to survive the machine.

One hundred racers are expected

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### SPORTS SCHEDULE

#### Hockey

SMU @ Dal Saturday, February 19, 7 p.m.  
(game two of playoff quarterfinal)

SMU @ Dal Sunday, February 20 2 pm (if necessary)

#### Basketball (men)

Dal @ MUN Saturday, February 19  
Dal @ MUN Sunday, February 20  
Dal @ UCCB Saturday, February 26  
UNB @ Dal Sunday, February 27, 3 pm

#### Basketball (women)

Dal @ MUN Saturday, February 19  
Dal @ MUN Sunday, February 20  
Dal @ UCCB Friday, February 25  
UNB @ Dal Sunday, February 27, 1 pm

#### Volleyball (women)

Mt. A. @ Dal Saturday, February 19, 6 pm  
UDM @ Dal Sunday, February 20, Noon  
AUSA Championships @ SMU Saturday, February 26 & Sunday, February 27  
(Top four teams)

#### Volleyball (men)

AUSA Championships Saturday, February 26 & Sunday, February 27  
(At number one)

### Dalhousie Athletes of the Week

\* CAROLYN WARES \*

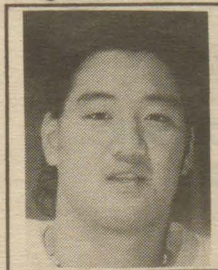


\* 29 pts.  
& 12 reb.  
\* WBB: defeats Acadia

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\* 2 goals  
& 6 assists  
\* HOC: 3 wins  
\* clinches 1st place (Kelly Division)

\* JOE SUK \*



Follow the Tigers

### Quote of the Week

"Go, Dal, go!"

~ Dal Tigers sports fans

# sports

## AUAA standings and statistics

### Atlantic Universities Hockey Conference

#### Final Standings Kelly Division

	W	L	T	F	A	Pt
DAL	19	3	4	152	87	42
ACA	19	4	3	179	102	41
SFX	13	11	2	121	108	28
SMU	12	11	3	117	136	27
UCCB	5	18	3	110	165	13

#### MacAdam Division

UNB	16	9	1	132	89	33
STU	14	11	1	118	115	29
UdM	10	11	5	126	125	25
UPEI	5	16	5	114	163	15
Mt.A	2	21	3	90	166	7

### Scoring Leaders

	G	A	P
D. Dennis, Aca	35	39	74
C. Teeple, SMU	19	46	65
D. McTavish, SFX	29	24	53
S. Kluczkowski, SMU	21	30	51
J. DeFaziom, SMU	24	25	49
J. Suk, Dal	10	38	48
T. Sparks, UNB	14	33	47
K. MacDermid, Dal	24	22	46
D. Cormier, UNB	29	17	46
K. White, UPEI	18	26	44

### Top Goaltenders (minimum 360 minutes)

	MP	GA	AV
G. Reid, UNB	458	20	2.62
S. MacDonald, Dal	610	28	2.75

D. Sproxtion, Aca	1392	82	3.53
G. Dreveny, Dal	977	59	3.62
S. Farrell, SFX	623	39	3.76

### Atlantic Universities Basketball Conference

#### Men

	W	L	F	A	P
UCCB	12	2	1163	1019	36
ACA	9	6	1093	1072	26
SMU	7	6	1010	935	24
UPEI	8	6	1203	1121	22
DAL	8	5	997	986	18
SFX	5	9	1080	1056	18
UNB	5	10	1146	1269	14
MUN	2	12	1013	1227	4

### Women

	W	L	F	A	P
UNB	15	2	1191	992	38
SFX	12	4	1134	988	32
SMU	10	5	899	859	32
DAL	11	4	1092	905	28
MUN	8	8	1004	989	20
UPEI	5	11	1013	1082	14
ACA	2	15	876	1135	6
UCCB	1	15	779	1038	4

Troy Jones, UCCB	17.7
Kevin Pick, Aca	17.1
Stanleigh Mitchell, UNB	17.0
Curtis Robinson, UPEI	16.9
John Ryan, UCCB	16.4
Mike Woods, Mem	15.6

### Scoring Leaders

Carolyn Wares, Dal	22.1
Theresa MacCuish, SFX	20.9
Lori Messer, SMU	20.6
Laura Swift, UNB	20.6
Michelle Healey, Mem	17.6
Jad Crnogorac, SMU	16.9
Heather O'Grady, Aca	16.3
Jackie Flieger, UNB	15.3
Hillary Watson, UPEI	14.1
Leslie Hill, UCCB	13.2

### Scoring Leaders

Will Njoku, SMU	25.0
Raham Dixon, UPEI	20.1
Shawn Plancke, Dal	19.9
Jeff Mayo, Dal	17.9



Joe Suk keeps an eye out on UPEI's Jim Sonmez while Ken MacDermid grabs the puck in action last Friday. The Tigers won the game 9-1. They defeated the University College of Cape Breton Sunday to grab first place in the Kelly Division. They started their Kelly Division best-of-three quarterfinals against Saint Mary's Wednesday. Due to deadline the score was unavailable.

DAL PHOTO: MIKE DEVONPORT

## Rowing

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to participate in an afternoon of racing. There are four divisions each for competing oarsmen and women experienced over 2500m: open, lightweight (men - 165 lb, women 138 lb), masters and novice.

There will even be an opportunity for the curious to try their hand

at rowing. There will be recreational races of 1000m.

Races will begin at 1:15 pm in Prince Hall, University of King's College. For those interested in competing, registration forms are available from Dalplex. There is a \$5.00 entry fee. For more information please contact Paula Jardine 425-4283, or Andrew Carter 492-8957.

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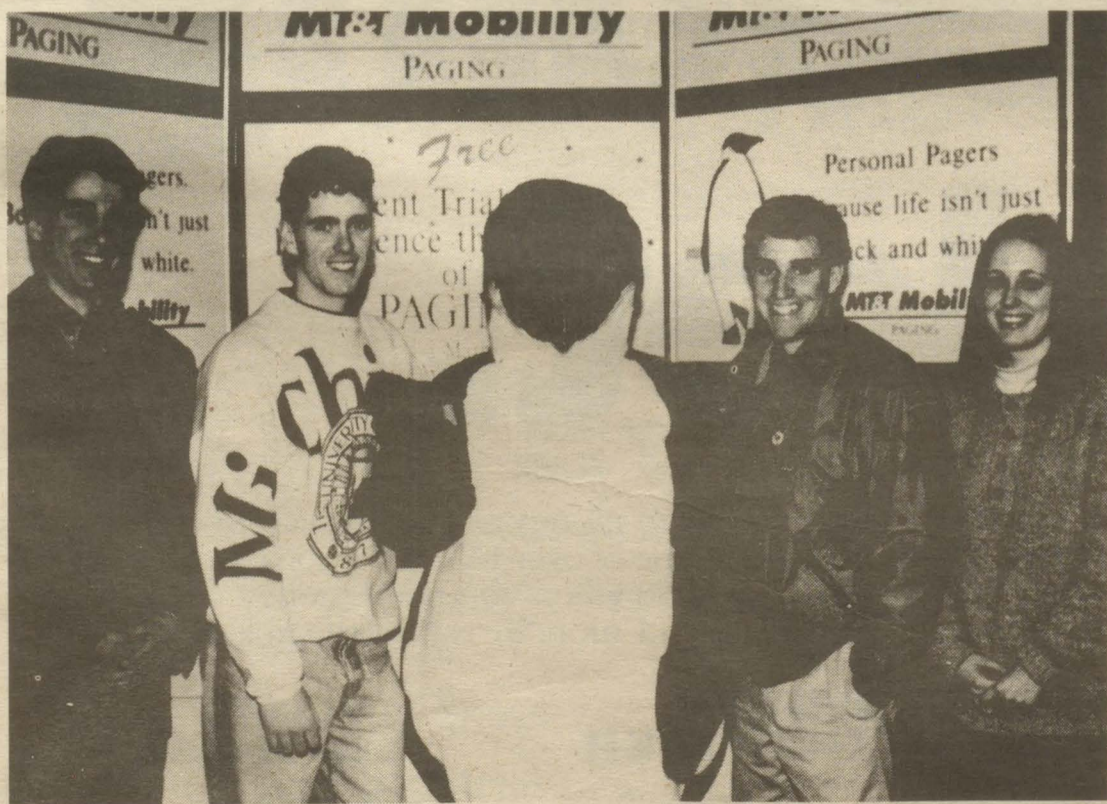
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# Charest's Tories down but not out

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change and restructure and rebuild our policy base and do our homework. That's what Canadians have asked us to do, and that's what we will do.

G: With the rise of the right wing in Canada, in particular the Reform Party, how do you see the PC Party responding? Will the ideology of the party shift farther towards the right?

C: I'm quite deliberately avoiding that type of discussion at this point in time because it is going to be a bottom-up exercise and I think it's important that the people of the Party have that opportunity — the opportunity of that discussion — that we collectively be able to move on from what's there. Though I should point out that all of this is very relative — when we talk of the rise of the "right wing" — it is the Liberals that are in power. They won the election, and they do not represent the right wing of this country.

What is going to be critically important for us as we rebuild a cornerstone... is [that] we are a national party, and if anything has been declared since this House of Commons has opened, it is that the Bloc Quebecois have a limited agenda, and one that will come to an end at the end of Parliament. And the other thing is that the Reform Party have only solidified and confirmed their regional perspective. They have quite deliberately chosen to take the regional view. I am surprised that given the fact that they have said that they would do the contrary, they have not.

G: If you were Prime Minister, what would your priorities be, and how would they differ from those of the Liberals right now?

C: Well, I think the country's priority is what would be determining the Prime Minister's agenda. A country's priority revolves around jobs; it revolves around getting our financial house in order, being com-

petitive as a nation in the areas of trade and also managing our federal system in a way that is compatible with the needs of the future and the unity of the country. On jobs, I think it remains to be seen what the Liberals will actually do.

G: Do you think students should pay more of the cost of their education?

C: I take accessibility to the post-secondary system to be a great accomplishment [of our country]. Whether or not students should pay more or less should be determined by the individual universities.

Young people who do go to university are those in our society who are the ones who will have the most chance of succeeding. There is no doubt about that. Now, I'm not quarrelling with the fact [that] they're facing a very different world than the one which their parents or their grandparents [faced]. But that's something which is there for everyone, it's not a matter of choice, we are living in a very different world, and people should not be intimidated by that.

But I think we also need to recognize that those individuals who have access to post-secondary education, who represent somewhere between 13 to 16 per cent [of the population]... are the ones who are going to have the best jobs, the best-paying jobs... and so in that sense it would not be offensive if they were to pay the cost of that. Not at all.

Now how do we do that while maintaining accessibility... is something I'm preoccupied with. I do not want to live in a country where a young person is denied access to post-

secondary education because the costs are too high. And we have to make sure that the regional support is there.

G: What do you feel is the future of Quebec within Canada?

C: My sense has always been that the challenge in Quebec is to have a forward-looking nationalism, which has not been represented by the Parti Quebecois or the Bloc Quebecois. They have... an air of nationalism that is more turned toward the last century than the next century.

G: What do you feel is the future of the Constitution, and aboriginal self-government?

C: I would hope that the issues that are of concern to aboriginals in this country are going to be addressed without us having to wait [for a new Constitution]. We can address and should address the very fundamental issues relating to the native people, like self-government, but also, I would feel, (w. should) include the issues revolving around native youth.

G: What about the future of the Constitution itself?

C: Well, the agenda will be decided by the electorate, and that's the short-term agenda. I guess we'll all have to take it from there.

G: What does bilingualism mean to you and can official bilingualism survive in Canada?

C: I would hope it would. It's one of the characteristics of Canada. When I was a boy, I remember feeling that my country was different. It was something I felt very intensely when I was very young — that in Canada we had made a choice that was different from other countries. We had chosen to coexist.

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## Thursday, Feb. 17

**DSU GENERAL ELECTIONS - LAST DAY TO VOTE** - Dal students can vote at polling stations around campus (check Gazette ad) 9 am-6 pm.

**B-GLAD** (Bisexual, Gay & Lesbian Association at Dal) meets every Thursday, 7 pm, rm. 307, SUB. 494-1415 for more info.

Counselling & Psychological Services is holding an "Interviewing Skills Workshop" at 2:30-4 pm, rm 316, SUB. For info, call 494-2081 or drop by 4th fl, SUB.

Counselling & Psychological Services is holding a "Hidden Job Market Workshop" at 1:30-3 pm, rm 306, SUB. For info, call 494-2081 or drop by 4th fl, SUB.

"Democratic Development and Human Rights in South Africa" by A.N.C. Information Officer in Canada, Mr. Jabu Dube, 12 Noon, Halifax Main Branch Library, Spring Garden Rd.

"The Black Experience in Song and Stories" is taking place at the Black Cultural Centre, 1149 Main St, Westphal, in celebration of Black History Month. 7 pm.

**Economics Justice Working Group** presents "Perspectives on Chiapas: Land Rights in the NAFTA Era" with Dan Paul, Evelyn Riggs and Tammy Hall. 7 pm, MacMechan Auditorium, Killam Library.

A **Christian Meditation Group** at Dal invites newcomers of various religious traditions to join their weekly meditation sessions. 6-7 pm, Chaplains' Office, 4th fl, SUB. Info: Nancy Scott, 423-2736.

**Amnesty International Group 15** is meeting at 7:30 pm, rm 316, SUB. New members interested in human rights welcome! The group meets 3rd Thursday of each month. Info: Sean McDonnell, 425-0504.

**WUSC** is hosting speakers on "The World Refugee Crisis: a global challenge" with Ms. Nyoroval Whande and Mr. Gilbert Lukhoba, 7:30 pm, rm 141, A&A Bldg.

**African Studies Seminar Series** presents "The Ongoing Angolan Crisis: Current Developments and Prospects" by Assis Malaquias (Dal Poli. Sci. Dept & Angola Inst., Washington, D.C.). 4:30 pm, seminar rm #1, History Dept, 1435 Seymour St.

## Friday, Feb. 18

**Fathom**, Dal's annual literary journal, is accepting poetry, short prose, creative non-fiction, ideas for cover design. English Dept, 1434 Henry St Deadline today!

**Dalhousie Christian Fellowship** will meet at Theatre A, Tupper Bldg. at 7:30 pm. All students, staff, and faculty are welcome to attend. Info: e-mail to DCF@AC.DALCA.

**Psychology Dept Colloquium** presents "Imitations in Orangutans" by Dr. Anne Russon, Glendale College, York Univ. 3:30 pm, rm 4258/63, Psych wing, LSC.

**School of Library & Information Studies Lecture Series** presents "Value-Added Online Database of Government Assistance Programmes to Business" by Andrew Peacock, BDI Inc. 10:45 am, MacMechan Auditorium, main fl, Killam Library.

**Chemistry Dept Seminar Series:** "Transition Metal Mediated Enantioselective Synthesis Applications in Phosphorus Chemistry" by Prof. Jablowski, Memorial Univ. of Nfld. 1:30 pm, rm 226, Chem Bldg.

**Biology Dept Seminar Series:** "Solutions to the Fundamental Problems of Fish Population Dynamics" by Ram Myers, Dept of Fisheries & Oceans, Nfld. 11:30 am, 5th fl Lounge, Biology wing, LSC.

**CKDU-FM JOB POSTING - Sales Manager.** Deadline for applications is today. Send applications to CKDU-FM Sales Hiring Committee, 6136 University Ave., Halifax, N.S. B3H4J2. For info, call 494-6479.

There will be an **International Development Network** meeting, 1 pm, Seminar Rm, Lester Pearson Inst, 1321 Edward St. Call Dave/Karen for info, 494-2038.

## Saturday, Feb. 19

**Black History Month Gala Dinner & Dance**, 6 pm, Sheraton Hotel. Sponsored by Black History Month Assoc. \$25/members, \$30/non-members, \$15/dance only.

## Sunday, Feb. 20

The **Dalhousie Curling Club** will be meeting at 1 pm at the Mayflower Curling Club. For more info, call Brent at 422-0645.

**Weekly Sunday Morning Worship Services** at 11 am, rm 406, Dal Arts Centre. Community Bible Church is a multi-denominational church. Info: Dan, 425-5929.

**Drumming & Dancing at The Church**, 5657 North St. Bring your congas, tablas, spoons, clogs, and your dancing shoes! 5:30-8 pm Sundays. \$4-\$6 (kids \$0.50).

## Monday, Feb. 21

**STUDY BREAK BEGINS!** (Yay!)

**Bluenose Chess Club** meets every Monday night in the SUB, 6:30 - 11:30 pm. Players of all levels welcome. Active/Tornado tournaments Sundays.

## Tuesday, Feb. 22

**SODALES**, the Dal debating club, meets at 6 pm, Council Chambers, 2nd fl., SUB.

## Wednesday, Feb. 23

"Waiting to Exhale": **Black Women/Women of African Descent - Social and Discussion** is being held at the Halifax North Branch Library, Gottingen St, 7 pm.

The **Young Black Woman** is a presentation of the North Branch Library Women's Group, Halifax North Branch Library, Gottingen St, 10 am.

**Centre for Foreign Policy Studies Seminar Series:** Rex Brynen, "Confidence-Building in the Middle East on Land & Sea, Local & Regional." 12:30-1:30 pm, rm 141, A&A Bldg. 494-3825.

**1968: A revolutionary year** will be discussed at this week's **International Socialists** meeting, 7:30 pm, rm 306, SUB. Info: Paula, 477-6037. All welcome.

## Thursday, Feb. 24

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The **Origins of Africville** with Irvine Carvery is a presentation sponsored by The Royal N.S. Historical Society, 7:30 pm, North Branch Library, Gottingen St.

## Friday, Feb. 25

**Biology Dept Seminar Series** presents "Ascidian Embryology" by J. Richard Whittaker, Univ. of New Brunswick, 11:30 am, 5th fl lounge, Biology Wing, LSC.

**50's/60's Dance** is sponsored by the Black Educators Association, 8 pm, Grawood Lounge, SUB. \$5.

**Dal Theatre Dept.** presents an independent production of "Masterpieces" by Sarah Daniels, a provocative indictment of pornography and society's attitudes towards women. Studio One, Dal Arts Ctr, 8 pm. Tickets \$3 at door or Theatre Dept.

## Saturday, Feb. 26

**African Canadian Education Project (ACEP) Saturday School Curriculum Launch**, 10 am, Halifax North Branch Library, Gottingen St.

**New African National Film Festival** takes place at the Black Cultural Centre, 1149 Main St, Westphal, 7 pm.

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**Help Line Office Skate-A-Thon Challenge '94**, 5-10 pm, Saint Mary's Univ. Alumni Memorial Arena. Great prizes! For info, call Sue Lacroix, 422-2048.

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**DSU Council Meeting**, 1 pm, Council Chambers, 2nd fl, SUB. All welcome!

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## Monday, Feb. 28

**CLASSES RESUME!** (Groan!)

Two African films, **Neria** (Zimbabwe) and **These Hands** (Tanzania) will be shown in Theatre A, Burke Education Bldg, Saint Mary's Univ, 7-10 pm. Discussion with filmmakers will follow.

**HAH! Humans Against Homophobia** meets at 5:30 pm tonight (2nd and 4th Monday of each month). All welcome! See Enquiry Desk for SUB room location.

**Bluenose Chess Club** meets every Monday, 6:30-11:30 pm, in the SUB. Players of all levels welcome. Active/Tornado tournaments Sundays.

**Gazette Staff Meeting**, 4 pm, Gazette Office, 3rd fl, SUB. All students welcome!

## Tuesday, Mar. 1

**Tuesday Brown Bag Lunch Series** presents "Primary Health Care in Kenya - What has really happened?" by Mr. Gregory Gouley, 12 noon-1 pm, Seminar Rm, Lester Pearson Inst, 1321 Edward St.

**DSU Communications Committee Meeting**, 6 pm, rm 220, 2nd fl, SUB. Info: Lilli, 494-1281; e-mail: DSU@AC.DALCA.

**Gazette Layout Night!!!** No experience required. Begins at 6 pm. Drop by (3rd fl, SUB) and stay as long as you can!

**SODALES**, the Dal debating club, meets at 6 pm, Council Chambers, 2nd fl., SUB.

Let the people speak! **The Reform Party Youth Outreach** meets at 7 pm, rm 304, SUB. All interested in joining or just sitting in - drop by. Info: Christian, 422-2297.

Counselling & Psychological Services is holding a "Resumé, Cover Letter, Application Workshop" at 2:30-4 pm, rm 316, SUB. Info: 494-2081, 4th fl, SUB.

## Wednesday, Mar. 2

**Centre for Foreign Policy Studies Seminar Series** presents "Israeli Military Doctrine: Setbacks Towards Peace" by Camille Habib, 12:30-1:30 pm, rm 141, A&A Bldg

"Living with Cancer", an info and support group meets at 7-9 pm, N.S. Cancer Ctr, Dickson Bldg, 5820 University Ave. Info: Rosemary Kuttner (861-4785); Harvey Seasons (455-1943), Patient Services, N.S. Div., Canadian Cancer Society (423-6183).

Counselling & Psychological Services is holding an "Interview Skills Workshop" at 2:30-4 pm, rm 316, SUB. For info, call 494-2081 or drop by 4th fl, SUB.

**German Dept. Film Showing** presents "Der Fieger" in German with English subtitles, 8 pm, MacMechan Auditorium, Killam Library. Admission free.

## Thursday, Mar. 3

**B-GLAD** (Bisexual, Gay & Lesbian Association at Dal) meets every Thursday, 7 pm, rm. 307, SUB. 494-1415 for more info.

**Dalhousie Arts Society Meeting**, 6:30 pm, Council Chambers, 2nd fl, SUB. All Arts students welcome. Info: 494-1313.

**African Studies Seminar Series** presents "Personal Reflections on 3 Years as Deputy Chief of Mission for the United States in the Congo, 1988-91" by Roger Meese (Consulate General, U.S.). 4:30 pm, Seminar rm #1, History Dept, 1435 Seymour St.

A **Christian Meditation Group** at Dal invites newcomers of various religious traditions to join their weekly meditation sessions. 6-7 pm, Chaplains' Office, 4th fl, SUB. Info: Nancy Scott, 423-2736.

## Announcements

**A Gathering of Men**, a 5-session discussion series for male students, will be offered in March by Counselling & Psychological Services. For more info, call 494-2081 or drop by the Centre, 4th fl, SUB.

**How to Relax & Think More Clearly During Tests & Exams**, a 5-session program, is being offered. Info: call 494-2081 or drop by Counselling Centre, 4th fl, SUB.

## Classifieds

**Tutor** available to help you achieve better results in first year math and science classes. Call Jean Marc at 429-9199.

**Completely furnished sublet** - June 30-Labour Day. 2 large bedrooms, large kitchen and living room, with fireplace. Veranda, parking, fenced yard, near playground. Pets and children welcome. (Incl. linen, dishes, etc.) \$650 incl. utilities. Total \$1300, last week free. 454-6255.

**Oxford St. Flat** for rent (May 1) - unfurnished. 2 bedroom flat, living room with dining area, small kitchen and pantry, hardwood floors, fenced yard, near playground, bus to door. Pets and children welcome. \$650 plus utilities. Includes fridge, stove, washer/dryer. 454-6255.

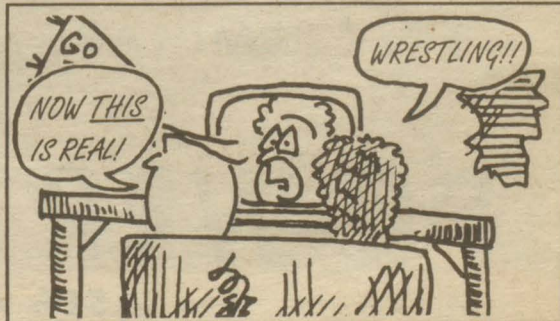
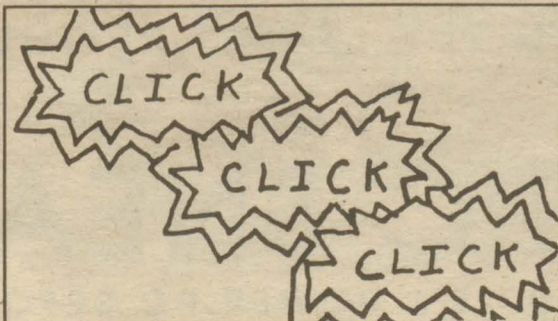
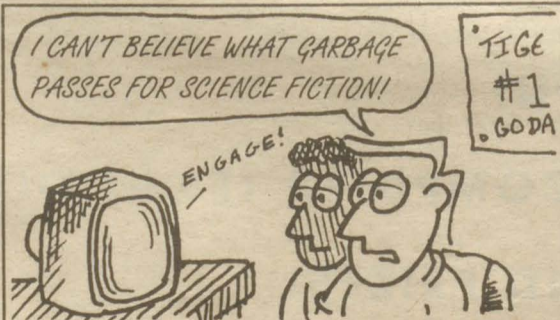
**N.B. Farm Apprentice Service:** Learn about organic farming, receive room, board, and a small stipend in exchange for labor. Sponsored by New Brunswick Farm Apprentice Service. Contact: Karen Davidge, R.R.3, Mouth of Keswick, N.B. E0H 1N0.

Anything for the Dalenbar section must be received by Mondays at NOON, at least 1 week in advance, at the Gazette, 3rd floor, SUB. Classifieds are 5 dollars. Thanks! L.J.

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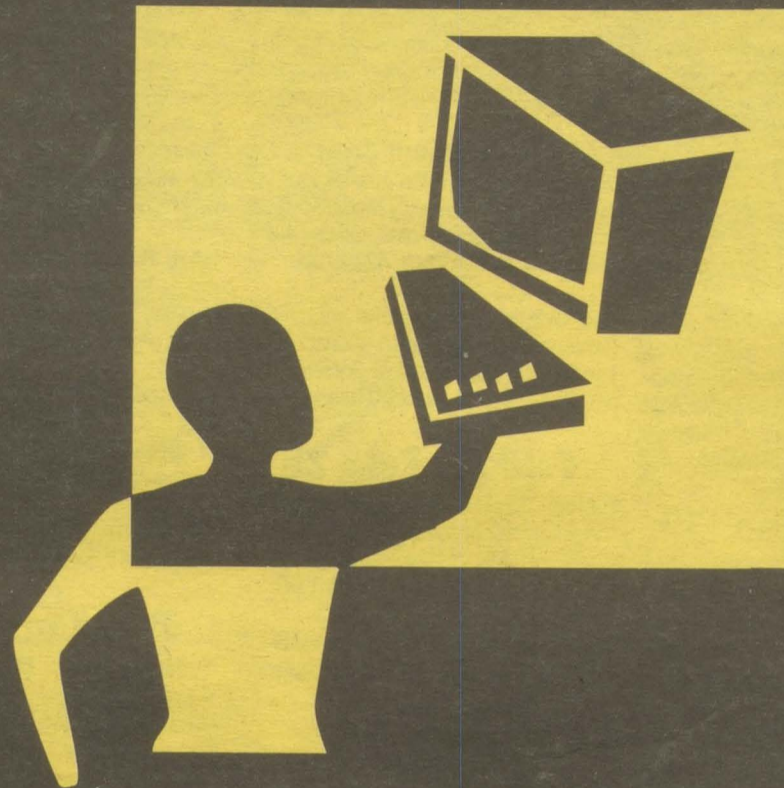
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