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I sit on a man's back, choking him  
and making him carry me,  
and yet assure myself and others  
that I am very sorry for him  
and wish to lighten his load  
by all possible means except  
by getting off his back

-Tolstoy



# Halifax Has A White Problem

By MARVIN BURKE  
(Reprint - The People)

A great many people are upset about Stokeley Carmichael's visit to Halifax last month. As far as I'm concerned, if they're upset enough to do something about some of the conditions here, then Stokeley Carmichael ought to visit Halifax every weekend.

I must admit that I'm upset too. I'm upset about the things that Stokeley Carmichael might have seen while here; bad housing; lack of recreation space; disinterested educators; young Negroes looking for work and a future to no avail; welfare institutions that perpetuate poverty, Negroes who lack information about their rights, and a human rights commission that has no teeth, no director and no meaning.

## THEY KNOW WHAT 'BLACK' MEANS

This is the reality that we have to face. These things do exist in Halifax. They exist for both black and white. But they are driven home with much more force for the black community. A recent study in Halifax by psychologists showed that by the age of four, children, both black and white, felt that the black child was inferior. But it also showed that this imagery could be overcome.

In the past, I have noticed the media throughout Canada have always referred to Halifax's 'Black Problem'. Let me now once and for all make something very clear. We do not have a black problem. We have a white problem.

For, as long as the members of our white community believe that all is well here, that there is equal opportunity for all, that our social institutions can take care of things, that Halifax will not be inundated with fire. . . .



## ISOLATED SQUALOR

The predominantly Negro community of Beechville, about 10 miles from Halifax.

then we have a white problem. . . . Its name is ignorance.

The Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission is one of the problems. Most Nova Scotians I am sure, don't even know a human rights commission exists and those who do, probably think that a human being in this province need only turn to the commission for aid and 'Presto', all is well. This is not true—as evidenced by the case of a negro child in St. Croix who was refused burial in a white cemetery.

Furthermore, the human rights commission has been in operation for almost two years now and it still does not have a director. And

I'll tell you why! I believe that they haven't found a "safe Negro" to take on the job. I know they want a Negro as director because they have been interviewing quite a few. But I'm afraid they are looking for an Uncle Tom. This kind of move would be most disastrous for our community.

## OLD APPROACH HASN'T WORKED

We must have change and we must have it fast. As for Mr. Carmichael's approach to change. . . well I wonder. I wonder lots when I hear city officials talking about helping the black community but deciding what the help ought to be rather than asking what people want. . . I wonder when kids come to me asking for jobs so they can get through school. I wonder when I note that a black man has been refused a job because of his color. And I further note that he doesn't want to contact the human rights people because, as he says, "They'll fine the company. . . but what I want is a job".

I think Carmichael's visit should give us a greater aware-

There are 225 men on the Halifax Police Force. Three of them are Negro.

There are no Negroes on the Halifax Detachment RCMP. There are two Negroes on the force across Canada.

ness of the need for real change. Ignorance, complacency and a laissez-faire attitude — the things I see in Halifax.

I do believe that many of our Negro community leaders, even those who were once described as moderate, are becoming impatient. There is still a group who want to go slowly, but their numbers are dwindling. There is a growing militancy among our young people.

We should not walk away from it and say they're rabble rousers or delinquents. I suggest that we better ask ourselves. . . Why? I suggest we still have not learned that a problem of any segment of the community is a problem for the entire community.

As for violence, I deplore it. It sickens me but I also deplore

We have a problem and we must handle the problem. If we don't, the quiet times will be over. The time for local community action is now.

(Burke, a former co-ordinator of the Halifax Neighborhood Center, is a freelance broadcaster and journalist. His comments were condensed from a CBC TV Viewpoint program.)

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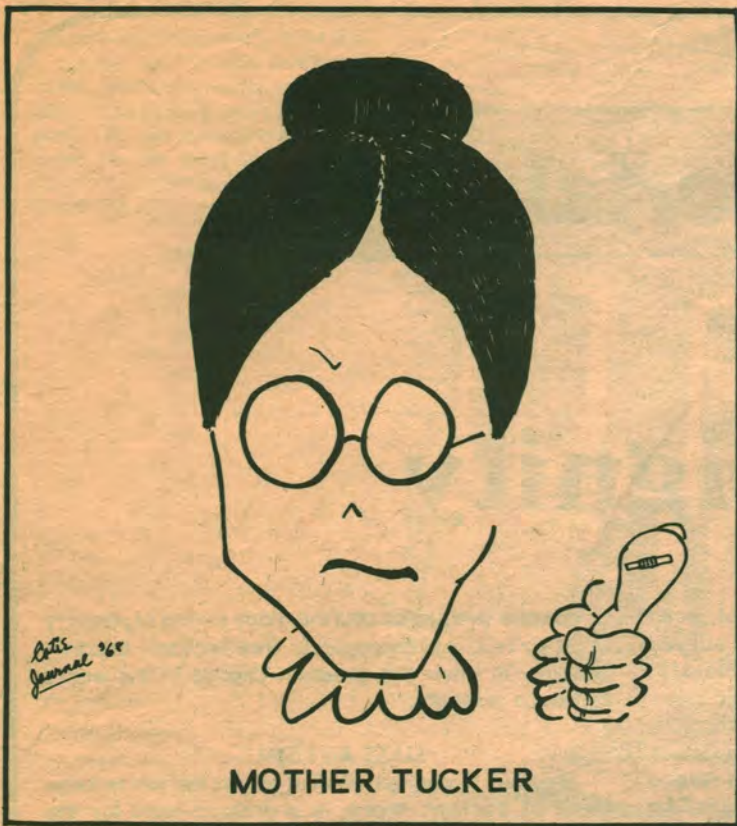
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# Ray - Man Of The Week Webb

There are few sights that we can recall that were more exemplary of the "boys" at St. Mary's than the scene in the men's washroom in the SUB after last week's Ski Club dance. A broken beer bottle spread around the top of one toilet seat and dirt spread around the floor of the washroom were just two of the sights.

The job of cleaning this mess up is supposed to be that of the Saturday morning clean-up crew. However, they didn't clean this up nor did they clean up the numerous broken bottles around the west cafeteria of the SUB. This dirty job was done by Ray Webb who spent most of Sunday cleaning up the building.

Ray spends every afternoon cleaning up the SUB and during the evenings he can usually be seen pushing a mop cleaning the floors. He is certainly a most worthy "Man of the Week."



DEAR MOTHER,

I guess I'm a typical S.M.U. pig. I got pissed to the gills at the Ski Club party last Friday night. My girl didn't seem to mind too much until about 11:30 when I urinated in the cigarette machine. Much to my amazement she got real dirty at me. I managed to calm her down by patting her on the ass a few times, and this lasted until about 12:30 when I shot a "moon" while singing "Louie, Louie" with the band. She really blew her stack then, and she took a taxi home, crying all the way. I guess she just doesn't understand me. How can I get her back?

WONDERING

DEAR WONDERING,

WHY DON'T YOU SWING, COMPLETELY NUDE, BY YOUR LEFT ARM FROM THE TREE IN FRONT OF HER HOUSE, HAVE AN APOLOGY TATTOOED ON YOUR LEFT BUTTOCK AND TWIRL SLOWLY IN FRONT OF HER WINDOW. IF THIS DOESN'T WORK, TRY URINATING IN THE LETTER SLOT OF HER DOOR.

MOTHER

Dear Mother,

I want to be sure of a date for the Winter Weekend this year. I don't think there is a girl in town who can match your comeliness or personality. I implore you to let me act as your escort for the events of this year's Carnival. How about it baby?

Hopeful

DEAR HOPEFUL,

YOU HORNY LITTLE DEVIL! MOTHER WOULD LOVE TO DO THE TOWN WITH YOU. THE ONLY PROBLEM IS THAT FATHER LABELLE, EDMUND MORRIS, AND BOB HAYES HAVE ALREADY ASKED ME. THE PROBLEM WILL BE SOLVED BY A BATTLE ROYALE TO BE HELD ON THE THURSDAY BEFORE CARNIVAL WEEK-END ON THE MALL. THE WINNER TAKES ALL. I ADVISE YOU TO BE THERE IF YOU WANT TO GET IN ON THE ACTION WITH ME. THE HALIFAX POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS GRANTED ME A SPECIAL LICENSE FOR THAT WEEK-END SO THAT I CAN CARRY TWO PEOPLE ON MY POGO STICK. SO, IF YOU WIN, YOU GET TO RIDE WITH ME FOR THE WHOLE WEEK-END AND I KNOW YOU CAN REALLY BOUNCE.

MOTHER

Collins:

## "It was a quickie"

The Huskies didn't go to the Canadian College Bowl.

Marcia Collins, Miss St. Mary's University, did.

Marcia was one of eleven girls in the Canadian College Bowl Pageant held in Toronto November 20-22.

"It was the most professional and the busiest pageant I've been in yet. However, it was the one in which I was the most relaxed," said Marcia.

Each girl had five minutes with the judges on Thursday afternoon. This was when the winner was chosen. Caroline Sloane, Miss University of Western Ontario became Canadian College Bowl.

The girls participated in two parades and attended the Canadian College Bowl game.

"There were riots at the game. At half time I went to get something to eat and was nearly trampled in the stampede. Two people were on the floor and there was a lot of pushing and shoving."

said Marcia.

In January, Marcia goes to Waterloo Lutheran University for the Miss Canadian University Pageant.

—Ed Gavsie

## Murray's Strikes a Blow for Conformity

Last week a group of university students including a Dalhousie council member and members of the Dalhousie Gazette staff were evicted from Murray's Restaurant for what the management defined as 'table-hopping'.

One patron said, "I heard the lady in the green sweater say that the hippies smelled up the place." He was referring to the cashier.

A group of Dalhousie students said that they had been kicked out the previous week because they were "...unwashed, in need of a haircut, and were wearing clothes unfit to be seen in public."

Being a bit annoyed at this summary eviction, they gathered a cortege of friends and returned

Friday night. They were quiet, they were orderly, they were kicked out.

Some of the evictees said that in the past they had been kicked out at such ungodly times as 10:00 A.M. At 10:00 A.M. Murray's is hardly what anyone would call crowded. In fact, there is usually no one who could be offended by even the raunchiest hippie-type. The management has no excuse whatsoever at that time, if indeed they have any excuse at any time.

After their forcible eviction the protesters gathered in Victoria Park and chanted "Murray's manager is a pig."

The manager said "No comment."

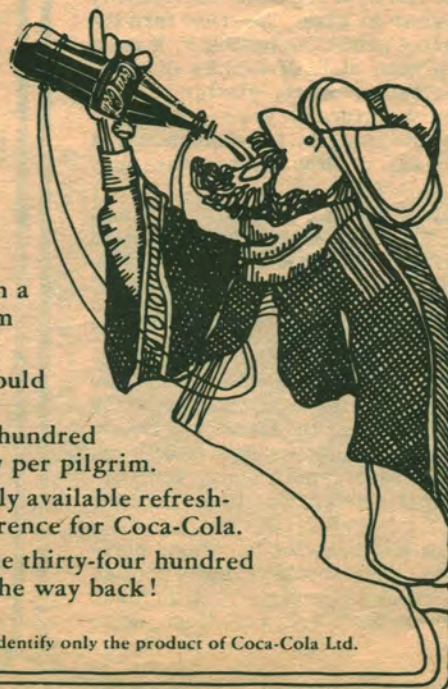
The cashier said, "I just work here."

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Understandably, the pilgrims did need readily available refreshment, but this story indicates a strong preference for Coca-Cola.

It is not known if Mecca was able to provide thirty-four hundred cases of Coke to make things go better on the way back!

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## editorial

### The Nova Scotia Negro ...

# Deprived of Dignity

The plight of the Nova Scotia Negro is a fact which the majority of us prefers to ignore. Few people in this area are so naive as to say that there is no racial problem. We tend to take the silk-noose out, suggesting that he can better himself by working harder and living according to the law. In other words, we tell him to be like us.

But the Negro is not like the rest of us. He has been isolated, exploited, and discriminated against for 150 years. He has been stripped of his dignity.

Most Negroes live in small segregated settlements, scattered throughout the province. Some are remote; others are in little pockets adjacent to the white community. We do not have legal segregation in Nova Scotia but the all-Negro community has been more or less mutually accepted. In the rural areas the houses are often tar-papered huts without flush toilets. The roads are often unpaved and full of potholes. The heads of households must accept menial jobs (The number of Negro manual workers in the Halifax-Dartmouth area is far out of proportion to their numbers.) For many, work is seldom steady and they must rely on unemployment insurance or welfare payments.

The Negro's lack of education usually means that the stimulus necessary to motivate his children is lacking and the money problem prevents

his children from going very far in school, even if they could. Thus the poverty cycle. A survey taken several years ago among Negro fathers in Halifax County showed that 50% of them had completed only Grade 6 or less while less than 3% had gone beyond Grade 12. In a day when a Grade 10 education is needed to drive a truck, the Negro is relegated to ditch-digging. And yet, people like former Mayor Lloyd can innocently say that we treat Negroes much better than the Americans.

#### CHANGE OF ATTITUDE NEEDED

Paternalism should be discouraged; but more social responsibility and a greater sense of awareness are needed. The real crime is that people (because of their skin color) are, more often than not, doomed to a comparatively sterile and servile existence. The Negro is cut off from the opportunity that is open to his counterparts in the mainstream of society. Potential human creativity and service to mankind are taken from a society that has denied human dignity to a segment of its population. The situation in Nova Scotia leads us to recall Grey's "Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard"; the poet laments the lot of poor peasants who had neither the drive nor the means to rise above the circumstances that entrapped them.

It's a time for commitment. If each person at this university decided to make a personal effort

to combat prejudice and the many forms of poverty (material, psychological, intellectual) accompanying it, then the greatest change in the world has been wrought.

#### MASS ACTION

Beyond a change of attitude in the white segment of society, there is a greater need for the Negro to involve himself and to engage in group action to achieve his own ends. Negroes are still slaves if the best they can hope for is the few crumbs that the government decides to throw their way.

From mass group action, the Nova Scotia Negro must assert his right to develop a genuine black culture within the Canadian mosaic. This may appear far off at present but in years ahead, the better-educated Negroes will see how shallow the values of middle-class Canada are. In the United States, centres of black culture have been set up where Negroes can further the Afro-American way of life.

Canadians are largely unaware of the Negro situation in Nova Scotia. It's time for the Nova Scotia Negro to let Canadians know. It's time for white Nova Scotians to give them a hand and not the weak paternalism of the past. It's one thing to give an innocent prisoner comfort but quite another to help him escape.

## Brother, can you spare a dime?

By TOM MORRIS  
(Reprint - Canadian Tribune)

The man came down the aisle of the crummy restaurant dropping a card on each table. It reads: "I'm deaf and dumb. Any donation you wish to give will be gratefully accepted." He then starts at the back and watches as you read his card, waiting for your reply. Some people shake their heads uneasily, others dig into their change.

There is a sound of music as you walk along Toronto's Yonge street doing your shopping on a lovely Saturday morning. A man without legs, sits on the sidewalk almost under the feet of the passers-by playing a beat-up accordian, jangling a tin cup.

A lonely face stares out at you from the pages of the daily paper. The caption reads: "Little Cynthia will spend the summer in the hot city unless you give. . ." It's a smooth, heart-tugging pitch directed at people who like kids and also sells the papers who love to build up their philanthropic reputations.

Canadians, who are encouraged to spend more money on booze and cigarettes than on hospitals and training centers for the physically handicapped and summer camps for kids, aren't quite sure how to treat a cry for help. Should you give the accordian player a dime? How do you feel just walking past? If you gave the dime - or more - are you helping anyway? Who should send Cynthia to summer camp?

There's the Cancer fund, the Heart fund, Easter Seals, Christmas Seals, Community Chest, pitches for every possible disease - for children, handicapped, chronically ill and even the SPCA. If that isn't enough, you can give more for CARE overseas, adopt a Korean orphan, feed the hungry Indian children a cup of powdered milk a day or a hundred 'private' projects organized by churches, societies and citizens' committees.

A line of thinking is sold which claims that it is the responsibility of the individual - you and I - to dig into our pockets for "our favorite chari-

ty. . ." They hint that you're not concerned unless you give and give and give.

A number of things ring phoney: Why is it up to the individual to choose his "favorite charity"? Which one is most important? Is your concern for illness, hunger and children's welfare measured by the chequebook? Do these people want charity? Should they be forced to depend on it? Is it not the individual's right through society to ensure that the sick and handicapped are provided with the means for rehabilitation by society? Where the hell do the taxes go anyway?

There is something sick about our society which pillages foreign countries economically, breeds poverty at home, at the same time piously prodding its citizens to give. The rich turn the whole charade into a profitable business. It must be fine to sit around at \$100-a-plate dinners, showing off your spring attire, chatter to one-another about the unfortunates you are helping - and know the whole thing is tax-deductable. It also helps keep the wealthy housewives busy during the day.

Each society has its problem of the handicapped. Cancer, tuberculosis and heart disease strike everywhere. What differs is the way in which a given society deals with the problem; from a medical, organizational, financial and psychological standpoint.

The poor children of the pillaged, underdeveloped countries will not see their problems solved by the cup-of-milk-a-day theory. They will grow up healthy when the lands they live in belong to them and the riches now stolen are theirs. Let the charity organizations busy themselves with the real answers to illness, hunger and poverty.

Should you drop a dime in the accordian player's cup? If you do, don't stop there. Let's abolish charity as the degrading spectacle it is, in favor of providing for everyone's welfare through social action.

## Letter To the Editor

November 25, 1968

The Editor  
Saint Mary's Journal

Dear Sir;

I was very disappointed to see an example of the worst kind of sensationalism in the last edition of the Journal. One of the things the student press is trying to do (I thought) is to question the basic assumptions upon which our society rests. This is not done necessarily with the view of undermining them but merely to subject them to critical analyses for a change. The so called 'Bourgeois Press' is of course very critical of grassroots social change of the type that would disrupt our society as we know it. Therefore, when an incident occurs that would tend to draw the people's attention to the nature of our society they cover that story in such a manner that it prejudices the reader against those involved. Mass media coverage of the Canadian Union of Students for instance has prejudiced everyone, including students, against that organization for reasons that can not be substantiated. I could give many examples of biased reporting but one is enough.

The Journal is guilty of this same sort of thing when it runs a headline COMMIE CRAPS ON CAPITALISM. This coupled with most reader's built-in prejudices against Communism elicits the built-in response, "So what else would you expect a dirty Commie to do?" Let's leave the emotive headlines and biased reporting to the Mail Star, the Journal has enough problems without copying the prejudiced style of the mainstream papers.

Yours truly,  
Mike O'Sullivan, Arts IV

Editor's Note . . .

The headline was not used to cater to any prejudices which the students may or may not have. The only reason for writing the head in the fashion was to make the story appear interesting to the reader. A head reading Charles Boylan Is Opposed to Capitalism would not draw many readers because no one knows who Charlie Boylan is. And after all, it was an accurate head.

"It has been constantly held that a negro, or for that matter a white, from the north end of the city simply doesn't want to work. It has been proven that these people want to work and can do an average if not exceptional job."

Henry Bourgeois



GIVE A DAMN

"There's a lot of poverty and as a consequence a lot of prejudice and discrimination." Henry Bourgeois, Director of the Neighborhood Center.



"The average person in Halifax is aware of the situation, but refuses to accept it. People drive through these impoverished areas and actually see the problem first hand but it fails to register."

Henry Bourgeois

# CRUISE: 'Canadian Student Movement... only alternative'



Bob Cruise speaks to an audience of about 50 in the Student Center.

Communist Party of Canada is not communist. Martin Loney is a "Guru of the New Left." Canadian Student Movement offers the only alternative to the present system.

Bob Cruise of CSM said this and more at a meeting in the SUB last week. He told a diminishing number of students that CUS was composed of "...New Left hacks." At the start of his talk there were about 50 people in the cafeteria; at the end there were about 20.

"There will be an armed overthrow of this government within my lifetime," he said.

"If you can clearly see a force in a nation which is anti-people, then you must fight it". He said that CSM had a mass united front for change.

The political line of CSM is communist, said Cruise. But he did not mean the Communist Party of Canada, which he thought was ineffectual.

The CSM slogan is "Unity with communists to defeat imperialism."

Throughout his talk, Cruise attacked CUS and such organizations as Students Union for Peace Action. He said that their primary fault was "... action without analysis." He said that such groups often took action which was useless because they had not analyzed what would be the result of the action.

The New Left is irrelevant, he said. "Student movements do not deal with student problems." He divided student problems into two main categories: job security and sex.

He said that both problems had their roots in society. Society tries to convince people that their problems are unique to themselves. When problems arise, societies' agents convince the subject that they have a problem, instead of looking for solutions in the societal milieu.

CSM takes the opposite view. They say that problems are caused by society.

One thing people should do, said Cruise, is to "...sort out their minds."

"We can support the progressive current of history or we can support the reactionary current of history."

## ATTENTION STUDENTS

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BASKETBALL HUSKIES AT MT. A

NOV. 30 — 4:00 P.M. -  
BASKETBALL HUSKIES AT U.N.B.

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# SPORTS

## JOCK TALK

If this year's basketball tournament is any indication of the play this season, the basketball league championship is going to be up for grabs. The X-men were the surprising team of the tourney coming up with a victory over Dal and a spirited effort against the Huskies on Sunday afternoon. This was only their first games of the season after several inter squad games and if they continue to improve they could be in serious contention for the lead. Led by Marty Lyons on defense who grabs most of their rebounds and John Gabriel on offense, the X-men cannot be counted out. Also considering that they have only four returnees from last year and some good rookies, they should improve and become stronger with each game.

The play of the Dalhousie Tigers has to be the most disappointing display of basketball in the conference. They have terrific individual talent George Hughes and Irving Cohen as outside shooters, and John Cassidy and Bruce Bourassa as rebounders. John Cassidy is a fantastic player with moves to spare, but he spends a lot of his time practising judo attacks on opposing players. One play in particular comes to mind on Sunday where he grabs this guy in a reverse headlock with a partial stranglehold, pulls him to the floor and bangs his head on the hardwood. Then he helps the guy up and asks him if he is alright. Meanwhile the referee says there is no foul because they were playing the ball which incidentally has been on the other side of the court for the whole match. Cassidy is going to find trouble if he keeps looking for it the way he has been. The Dal play lacks unison and desire. Its everybody out to be top gunner, and that is the kind of team that chokes such as the Tigers did on Saturday night against X. They are their own worst opponents in their bid for the league title.

But even if they play together the Tigers are going to have a hard time beating the Huskies especially if Al Brown can get back on track and start grabbing off some rebounds. Big Al didn't play as well as anticipated in this tournament, but there are some other guys on the team who can get the job done until Al gets into form.

Bill Thomas played terrific ball in both games, but Sunday he was the reason the Huskies came out on top. Thomas went up for rebounds higher than called for, and on one occasion went over the rim to tip the ball wide which looks pretty from the stands but is an infraction of the rules. Bill's defense and shooting complements his rebounding as he picked up fifteen points on Sunday.

Joe O'Reilly's first basket on Sunday gave him one thousand points in his university basketball career. Unfortunately, Joe took the ovation lying down as he was suffering from an ankle injury at the time of the announcement. But Joe is made of steel or something harder and he came back into the game in the second half to collect fourteen points.

Dennis Reardon finally came alive and a good afternoon as he collected fourteen points and missed several easy jump shots that could have put him way up there in scoring. All that Reardon needs is a little more confidence in himself, and to take a little more time in his shots. In practise his style is smooth and his shots are accurate, but in a game he seems to hurry himself too much.



# Huskies Win Tourney

The Father Hennessey trophy stays at home for the fourth straight year in a row as the Huskies came up with two close victories over St. Francis College and St. Francis Xavier University to win the annual St. Mary's Invitational tournament. The Huskies played only as well as they had to to win both their games, with each game never decided until the final buzzer.

The tournament produced two results that set the stage for a close league race this year, Dalhousie who were expected to be among the top contenders this year in the league, came up with the choke game of the tournament as they were forced into the consolation round of the tournament by the X-men who came up with a come-from-behind victory after being as much as thirty points down. The Dal loss was as much Dal disorganization as it was X desire and play. St. Francis, playing only their first game of the season after several inter-squad games, came up with a strong performance on Sunday afternoon against the Huskies, led by sharp-shooting guard John Gabriel who was selected to the all-star team and as the most valuable player of the tourney.

In the first game on Sunday afternoon, the two losing teams of Saturday night - Dal and St. Francis College - were matched with Dal coming out on top of an 83-66 score, for third place. The Dal team appeared to have good individual players but didn't seem to be playing together. Led by Guard George Hughes who picked up 32 points, Irving Cohen with 16, and John Cassidy with 15, the Tigers piled up a 44-29 first half lead and never looked back. The Tigers play rougher basketball than they do football, and get away with fouls that are obvious to ev-

eryone except the referees. Other Dal scorers were Bruce Bourassa with 10, Gary Falker with 7, and Mickey Ryan with 3.

St. Francis Red Knights were the only team who failed to place a man on the all-star team, but came up with two fine team showings. Guard Jim Markowski was the big gunner for the Red Knights on Sunday as he picked up 28 points. One of the most underrated players of the tourney was Red Knights center Bob D'Errico, who did most of the rebounding for his team while playing the entire two games. On Sunday, D'Errico picked up 11 points, Bill Lyons had 6, Rocco Ferranti, George Kudlacik, Dan Reagan, and Ron Regula picked up four each, and Ted Caouette and Lou Piccola split four points evenly.

The championship game was the most exciting of the tourney. The Huskies winning margin could have been a much safer one if they had not missed so many short jump shots and lay-ups. For the first quarter of play they had an eighty percent shooting average from the floor, and then suddenly went cold and came out with only a 35-29 half-time lead over an inspired St. Francis


team. John Gabriel kept X in the game with his long jump shots and play-making. Gabriel was rarely off with his shot as he hit 70% from the floor and was 100% at the foul line. Top scorers for the Huskies were Dennis Reardon and Bill Thomas with fifteen points each, followed closely by Joe O'Reilly with 14. O'Reilly's first two pointer of the game gave him one thousand points as a Huskie performer in the past three years. Don Harris with eight points, Al Brown with eight, John Mills with four, and Steve Venema with 2 rounded out the Other Huskie scoring.

The final team standings were first - St. Mary's University, second - St. Francis Xavier University; third - Dalhousie University; fourth - St. Francis College. The all-star team was chosen by the officials and the coaches, who were not permitted to nominate a player from their own team. The members of the team are Bill Thomas and Joe O'Reilly of St. Mary's, George Hughes of Dalhousie, Marty Lyons and John Gabriel of St. Francis University.

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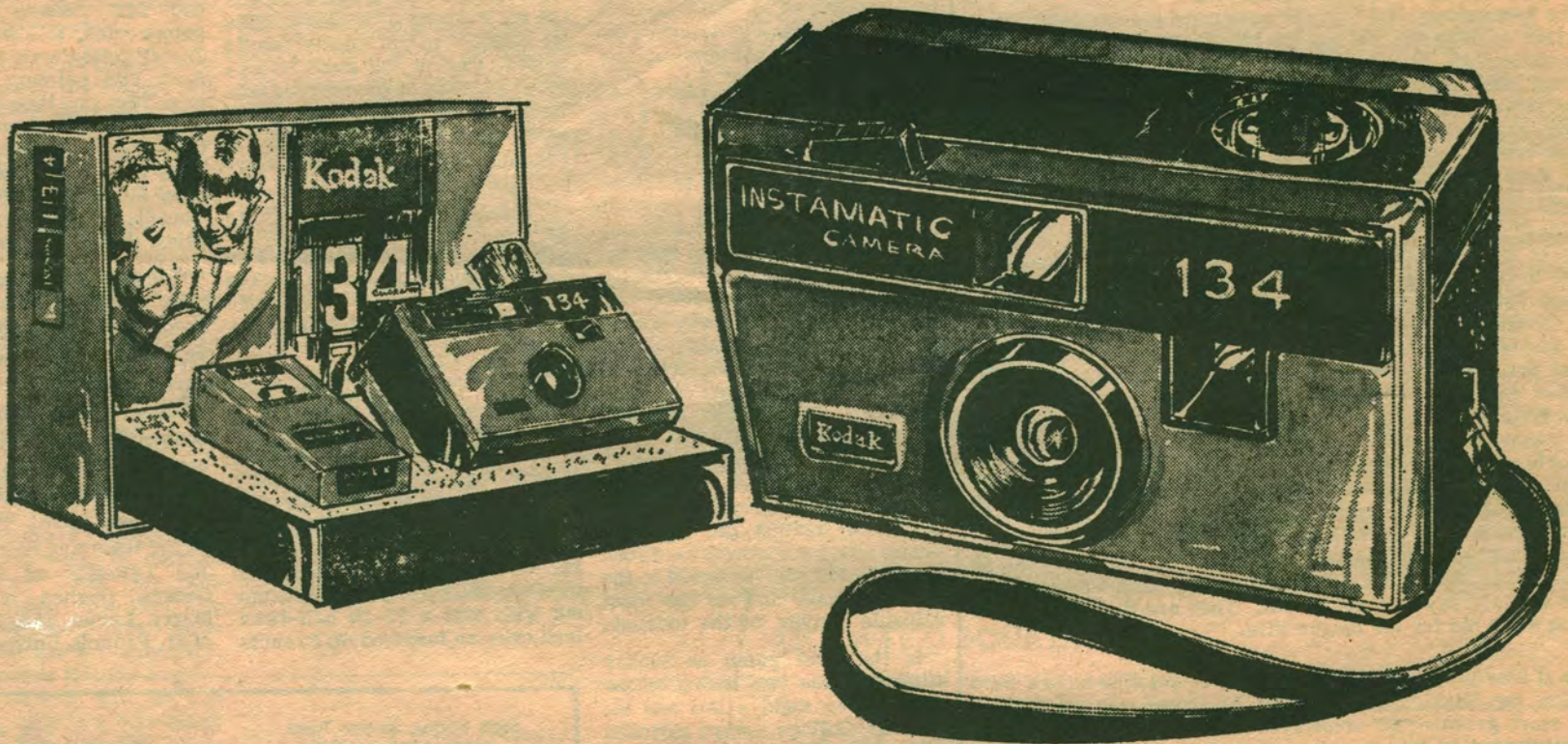
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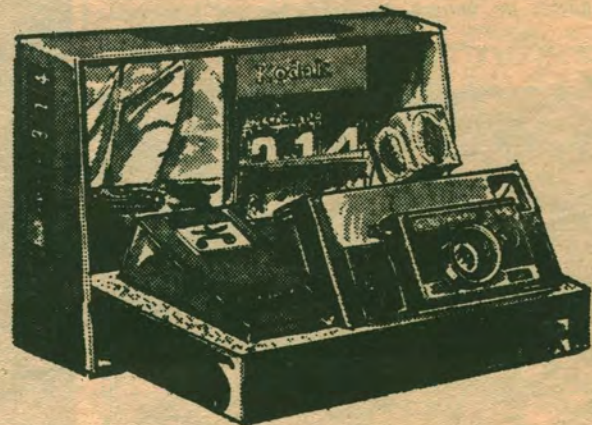
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