

Funding too low

Students protest

HALIFAX (CUP)—Students of four Halifax universities have organized to stop tuition increases in response to an announcement that universities in the three Maritime provinces would receive little more than half the government funds needed to finance the next year.

The Council of Maritime Premiers (CMP) announced Jan. 27 that universities would be granted only a 6.7 per cent increase in government funding, instead of the 14 per cent increase the universities requested from the provincial governments. Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island immediately announced they would add more money to bring the total in those provinces up to a 7.7 per cent increase, but New Brunswick universities will not be so fortunate.

The Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission (MPHEC) had recommended that the CMP

grant the universities all 11 per cent increase in operating budgets, a 1.5 per cent increase to offset regional disparity and a further 1.5 per cent over five years to be used among the region's universities to equalize funding. This level of funding would have meant a tuition increase equal to the cost-of-living increase of approximately 10 per cent.

The CMP rejected the commission's suggestions for a regional disparity grant, agreed to the internal disparity grant (but spread over 10 years), and granted a 6.7 per cent increase rather than 11 per cent for operating expenses.

The premiers also rejected the MPHEC's three-year plan for university funding that called for a 14 per cent increase in funding for this year and 11 per cent increases for the next two years.

Students at a Jan. 31 meeting,
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Can you afford to be in this line next year?

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Unity at stake

Acadians seek recognition as founders

MONCTON (CUP)—“To be franco-ophone in our region, is to pay more to live . . . we are tired of spending all our energies simply to survive.”

Acadians are tired of a bilingualism that means assimilation, and a federalism that denies them recognition as a founding people, the Task Force on Canadian Unity was told here Jan. 31.

Students, women and national groups told commissioners that francophones comprise more than a cultural entity—they are socio-economically different from the rest of New Brunswick. Northern New Brunswick faces the worst un-

employment and lowest wages in the province.

They have been oppressed because of their language, and perhaps the only solution is a separate political entity, Jean-Pierre Lanteigne of the Parti Acadien told the task force.

“It is intolerable that, in our land, we cannot be sick in French, die in French, receive French police services, telephone in French, or even eat in French in the six major cities of the province.”

All the groups addressing the task force—with the exception of two finance representatives—

agreed that the Acadians have “the inalienable right to self-determination.”

Universite de Moncton rector Jean Cadieux explained that Quebec independence, if it were to happen, would only mark the beginning of the efforts of francophones in Canada to re-establish their identity.

“To be equal doesn't have to mean being the same. We claim the right to be different . . . for Acadians, the most important question in any Canadian referendum should be: Do you agree that the French culture must survive and

develop, and that measures must be taken to achieve this?”

About 150 students from the Universite de Moncton participated in one of the meetings, waving Acadian flags and demanding equal rights for Acadians, after plainclothes police harassed them as they tried to enter, frisking them.

“In this so-called bilingual province where all people are considered equal, we've learned that some people are more equal than others,” one student said.

While the government studies the problem, “our brothers and sisters of Acadia are being assimilated.”

Summer unemployment

Government does nothing new

OTTAWA (CUP)—The federal government's summer youth employment program has been unveiled and despite public outcry over last summer's crisis jobless levels, the only thing that's changed is the name.

The Canada Summer Youth Employment Program, announced Feb. 1 by Employment Minister Bud Cullen, will create the same 60,000 direct jobs the government created last year, and cost for the program will increase only \$1.2 million to \$96.2 million.

Unemployment has risen 17 per

cent over the period.

The program also boasts that it will place 250,000 students through Canada Manpower Centres for Students, an increase of 15,000 over 1977. But an employment ministry spokesperson was unable to account for the increase.

The spokesperson also admitted Feb. 2 that at least 40,000 jobs had been counted twice in Cullen's announcement. Many of the government-created jobs will be placed through the manpower centres, and therefore are included in the

250,000 placement figure.

Half the government-created jobs are generated by the Young Canada Works program. The National Union of Students has demanded 80,000 more YCW jobs to prevent a recurrence of last summer's crisis, in which 165,000 students were without work.

NUS also demands that the principle of massive direct job creation be extended to general unemployment. But Cullen has insisted that the government must rely on the private sector to create

employment.

“At least 200,000 students can expect a jobless summer—when they look for work there will be nothing from either the private sector or government,” says NUS executive-secretary Dan O'Connor.

Cullen downplayed comparisons with last year in his announcement, preferring to dwell on his appeal to business. “Despite this major program, we are still relying on the private sector to provide the largest number of summer jobs for students.”

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called by the Atlantic Federation of Students and the National Union of Students, laid plans for a regional information campaign to unify all the groups hit by the CMP's refusal to support education costs.

The thrust of the campaign will be to inform students, support staff and faculty of the ramifications of the CMP's decision: increased tuition, and unwillingness to meet staff wage increases next year and continued cutbacks that will affect the quality of education.

A petition circulated throughout the region will ask the university communities to meet the MPHEC's original recommendations for the 14 per cent increase and to add a clause to offset tuition increases. Apparently the MPHEC recommendations would have resulted in the cost-of-living tuition increase. The petition will be presented to the CMP at its next meeting in the early spring.

Local petitions, to supplement the regional campaign, will ask the universities to freeze fees at their present levels.

According to Don Soucy, NUS central committee member for Nova Scotia: "Students, along with faculty and staff, are going to be hit by this decision. If we can join our forces in a unified voice to the governments we can effect change.

We have to show the government that we are not about to go on paying more and more for an education that continues to decline in quality because they refuse to bear the true costs."

What is your opinion of the performance of the Residence Society?



Patricia Nauss, ARTS 2
I really can't answer it.



Anne Uteck, ARTS 3
Actually I don't hear that much about them.



Bruce Holmes, COMM I



Janet Hunter, SCIENCE I



Debbie Lloyd, ARTS I

They sponsor dances and bashes. I don't have anything to compare it with. From what I've seen they've done a good job.

I like Games Night and the different activities they set up for the residence students.

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Monies needed

Admins. go to student unions

HALIFAX-ST. JOHN'S (CUP)—Students at three Atlantic universities are being asked to contribute to administration funds for building expenditures at the same time as administrations are threatening to raise tuition fees at least 10 per cent for next year.

At Dalhousie University the Alumni Association approached the student union executive for a student contribution to a university fund raising scheme. The student union has struck a committee to investigate the question of wits participation, but it has been suggested that union fees be increased to pass \$350,000 onto the administration over a period of years.

As an alternative to increasing student union fees the Dalhousie executive is considering renegotiating the mortgage on the student union building held with the university.

The fund raising scheme is for a huge sports complex the university hopes to build to update their facilities. Costs for the project doubled while it was still in the planning stages and the university is now short \$3.4 million.

In St. John's at Memorial University students will be asked to vote in a two-day referendum at the end of February to turn their student union building fund over to the university for the construction of a library.

The \$750,000 collected from students between 1960 and 1970 was meant to be used for construction of a student union building but those plans were quashed when neither the university or the provincial government would cover any additional costs.

The student union executive is supporting the transfer of funds. Student union president George Wyatt says that the university and business community will also contribute if students provide the start-up funds for the library. In return for the money students will have equal say in the operation of the university bookstore, and greater control of the administration-owned student centre.

The referendum was to be held at the beginning of February but growing student opposition to the idea and some procedural problems kept the issue from going to the polls.

A Committee of Concern for the SUB Fund spokesperson says, "No one doubts we need a new library desperately, however, in the face of cutbacks and higher fees it is absurd to expect students to provide what should be provided by the provincial government in the first place."

The group called for a delay in the referendum because there was not enough information and publicity available for students to make an informed decision.

King's student union vice-president Trent Thompson said he thought it would be difficult for students to absorb the costs of a contribution to Godfrey's visions. But, the question will be settled in a referendum.

And, on Feb. 8 students at Calumet College at York University in Toronto voted to donate part of their fees, normally spent on student activities, to the college administration to save it from folding because of budget cuts.

The students voted to give about \$10,000 to stop a plan to amalgamate the college with one of the other seven colleges at the university.

"This money could go a long way for students. There has to be a complete investigation of university expenditures before we even consider giving away this money," a committee member said.

At the same time, back in Halifax, King's College president John Godfrey is asking students to increase their union fees by \$20 and pledge \$35,000 to a "King's Tomorrow 200" fund raising scheme. The plan is in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the university's founding. With the \$2.5 million he wants to raise, Godfrey says he hopes to renovate the university's existing structures, fund a journalism program and add a new wing to the university's main building.

FLASH

*Mt. Allison students
say yes in AFS
referendum*

S.R.C. ELECTIONS

S.R.C. Non-Executive

- Residence Rep** - Chuck Given
James MacKay
- Commerce** - Howard Chan
Dean Hirtle
June Wilmot
- Day-Hop** - Mike Gillis
Ken Smith
- Freshman** - Jane McGinn
(Yes/No)
- Engineering** - Steven Drane
(Yes/No)
- Science** - Wayne Lemoine
Ian MacIntyre
- Graduate** - Irwin Simon
(Yes/No)
- Arts** - Bruce Bishop
(Yes/No)

Board of Governors (Four to be elected)

- Angus Capstick
- Scott Carswell
- David Colgan
- Eileen Dooley
- Joe Doucette
- Chris Johnson
- David Joyce
- Irwin Simon
- Glen Treger
- Scott Wolstenholme

Student Senators (Five to be elected)

- Eileen Dooley
- Joe Doucette
- Eligio Gaudio
- Chris Johnson
- Eleanor Metivier
- Irene Pierzchala
- Irwin Simon
- Steve Snider

Residence Society

- President** - Margaret Chisholm
Scott Wolstenholme
- Vice-President** - Malcolm Roberts
(Yes/No)

Elections will take place Monday Feb. 20 and Tuesday Feb. 21 from 9 am till 5 pm. Polls will be located in the S.U.B. for Day-Hop Students, and in the foyer of High Rise Two for the Residence students. Please have your Student I.D. available, in case of any conflict.

For S.R.C. positions you may vote for each individual which represents

your constituency (i.e. a graduating senior in Arts, who lives off campus is allowed to vote for Graduate, Arts, and Day-Hop). Each voter is allowed to vote for a maximum of four individuals for the Board of Governors, and to a maximum of five, for the Senate. Please once again exercise your franchise and VOTE.

Voting irregularities

by Leo Jacobs

Students who dropped out of Saint Mary's can and have legally voted in the Council elections.

Chief election officer Donald Rankin said, "The requirements to be able to cast a vote is that the persons name be listed on the computer print-out sheets of registered students." The print-out sheets are made up of all people who register in a course at the year's beginning.

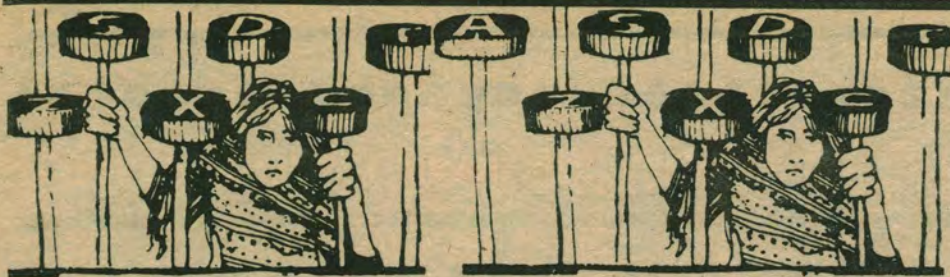
The problem is that students who have dropped their courses up to now have retained their students cards which are valid until the academic year ends.

Although these students have had their names cancelled officially through the registrar, the computer sheets being used for the elections still have all students who first registered listed.

Rankin says he disagrees completely with the situation; "I have no choice but to use the out-dated sheets. Student council did not want to pay for new lists which would be accurate so we had to use the old ones."

When the Journal asked Rankin if he felt the elections might be declared invalid because of the situation, he said, "Definitely not, because it involves only a handful of students, as a matter of fact I know of only one ex-student who has voted and I also know of one individual who I could not let vote because he wasn't on the computer sheets, but I know he is a SMU student."





LETTERS

To all students from SRC President

As most of you from Cape Breton already know the Provincial Government is planning to close the General Hospital in Glace Bay and make a forty to sixty bed addition to St. Joseph's. As of to date both hospitals are filled to capacity. With the addition of two new mines in the immediate area, the government's projected facilities will be inadequate.

In a response to Health Minister

Maynard MacAskill's announcement to close one of the hospitals, a group of concerned citizens including 17,000 names on a petition have formed a committee, calling for a new hospital.

This committee is planning to make a presentation at Province House on February 17. The group will be pushing a bed through selected towns on route from Cape

Breton to Halifax to gather support. Once in Halifax the group, along with any interested citizens and students, will leave the Dresden Arms at 9:30 Friday morning, pushing the bed down to the Legislature.

This recent cutback in the social services for Cape Breton is just another in a disturbing trend. In a period of high unemployment and

escalating costs it is time for the government to stimulate the area in both jobs and services.

There will be a meeting of all concerned Halifax students Thursday, 7 p.m. at St. Mary's University on the fifth floor of the Student Union Building. I urge you to turn out and make this march a success.

Yours sincerely,
Glenn McInnis

An open letter from SMU KAMP



All the money which S.M.U. KAMP earns throughout the academic year, through such things as bottle drives, skating parties, and its confection stand, is used in the summer for a children's camp. The money is used primarily for general costs like equipment. This is usually subsidized by a Canada works grant, but there is forever the chance that the grant will not come through or that it will be cut back. Then it is up to the efforts of the previous winter to have provided the money.

On that note I would like to thank all those involved in winter carnival, who supported KAMP with their money, whether it be in alpine alley at the confection stand, or at the pub in the leg auction. Through your efforts you have raised over a hundred dollars for us. We and the kids appreciate it and thank you.

But there is at least one person who has no concern for the kids, because he, she, or they entered the KAMP office over the weekend and stole the entire amount. The theft of this money makes it hard on the kids and us, because unless we

make up for the loss, we will be short this summer and the kids will suffer.

We appeal to you to help us overcome the loss, by supporting KAMP in its endeavours for the remainder of the year. As a first step, KAMP will have a bottle drive

on Sunday Feb. 19, so keep your bottles handy, because we need them.

Please use your heart and think of the kids, who are depending on you.

Margaret Chisholm
Francine Chaisson
Wayne R. LeMoine

Condom feedback

Dear Editor:

Regarding the superfluity of both space and comment in your Jan. 18 edition of the Journal concerning condom advertisements, it would seem as if the quality of your publication is sinking. Granted, the discussion has some relevance due to the fact that both the Board of Governors and the Editor of a university newspaper have seen fit to express opinions on the subject. But there are grave objections to the appearance of such an ad in a student paper.

The whole tone of the ad is in the present, and thus aimed at those desiring immediate birth control methodology. As the percentage of married students on campus is quite low, I suggest that the ad is inappropriate, particularly on such an indiscreet full-page spread. There are plenty of doctors, pharmacies, medical journals, and books where information is sure to be more reliable, and where a far more healthy approach is to be found. A student newspaper is no place for advertising prophylactics.

Secondly, partly due to the tone of the ad, and partly due to the general impression received from the ad as well as your Editorial (in the Jan. 18 Journal) that students in general need this information (and this accessibility to the product), I believe that the advertisement, rather than "encouraging responsibility" as you suggest, is catering to the libertinism on campus and in society in the realm of morals and promiscuity. Of a certainty "promiscuity exists with or without such ads" and students have a right to information, but there are far more appropriate channels through which to offer and obtain such information, and the presence of the ad in your paper only makes promiscuity more tempting with the easier accessibility of condoms.

You talk about responsibility. The truly responsible thing for students to do is to avoid sex before marriage, and thus eliminate any change of premarital pregnancy and the birth of unwanted (and thus unloved) children, or worse

yet, the murder of children by abortion in the name of "birth control". Either way, there are risks—of unnecessary and burdensome inconvenience; or the strong possibility of psychological problems, self-blame, etc. that often follows an abortion. The truly responsible student will count the cost and not need access to birth control devices unless or until he marries.

And the truly responsible action for the staff of a student newspaper is the open condemnation of promiscuity, and the refusal to sacrifice responsibility for the sake of a few bucks, by not advertising condoms for students. This will avoid the risk of ruining or terminating someone's priceless education, and will be for the general health and better interests of students.

Yours sincerely,
Eric G. Hominick

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Opinion

What is the Commerce Society?

Although I'm sure nearly all students in the Commerce Faculty have heard of the Commerce Society in one capacity or another, I wonder how many of us know even roughly when or why this student association was formed. Recently I did a bit of research into the subject and came up with some pretty interesting facts.

The Commerce Society, or Commerce Student Relations Committee, or Commerce SRC, or Business Administration Students Association (whichever name you prefer) began way back in that great year of 1933. Its first name was the Delta-Lambda-Kappa Society, and it was started by the University Student Placement Office or, as it would be known today, Manpower on Campus. Its initial purpose was to seek summer and permanent employment opportunities for students through an organized program of talks and interviews with employers.

As the years passed, so did the functional capacity of the Delta-Lambda-Kappa Society. The Academic Calendar for 1965-66 described it as a society which

"formulates and implements a program of an educational, social, and recreational nature for the benefit of its members."

More recent calendars depict the Society as being a really worthwhile organization to belong to. The Society sponsored such events as the Annual Ball, Christmas Parties, and an unusual campaign called "Bring Back Christ to Christmas", which enabled residence students who were unable to be at home for Christmas, to spend sometime at the homes of the 'Day Hops'. The Society often had guests from the business world brought on campus, and tours of various businesses in Halifax were arranged for anyone interested in going.

Then, as now, every student registered in the faculty of commerce is a member of the Commerce Society. Each year, elections are held, and ten students from the Commerce faculty are appointed to the Commerce SRC. The top five students (those with the most votes) represent the students at faculty meetings and each have a vote which weighs as strong as a prof's in matters affecting the student

As always, the Commerce Society is still doing all it can to encourage students to communicate with their professors and the business world. Approximately once a month, we sponsor 'smokers'. Both students and profs from the Commerce Faculty are encouraged to attend. However, anyone can attend these get-togethers. Lately the smokers have been getting a bit more lively, with music and all the "liquid refreshments" anyone can handle. Its a great place to get together with friends and meet your profs on an informal level.

This year for the first time, the Commerce Society helped organize the Annual Tax Seminar, co-sponsored by the Saint Mary's Faculty of Commerce and the Canadian Tax Foundation. This function was attended by approximately 250 Chartered Accountants, Lawyers, and representatives of the various Trust Companies and Banks in the area. Students were encouraged to sit in on these informative and interesting talks on Income Tax preparation and the various Tax Laws. The Commerce SRC was happy to donate their time to help

expose the University to these important members of the business and professional community, although we were a bit disappointed that more students didn't attend these seminars.

Another important event sponsored by the Commerce Society is its annual Student-Businessman Dinner. The original purpose of this dinner when it was started four years ago was to provide an evening of informal conversation between students, faculty and the business community. In past years, we have had such well known speakers as Donald MacDonald, then Minister of Finance; R.K. Vaughn, then Vice-President of Air Canada; and W. Struan Robertson, Chief Executive Officer of Maritime Tel. & Tel. Besides fostering informal discussion between those attending the dinner, many students have expressed satisfaction with the fact that it enabled them to see businessmen in a different light. Speaking to them across a desk, or at an interview is one thing, but sitting beside or across from them at a dinner table is another thing.

Students are given a chance to see that their future employers are really human - they may like pickles or pork chops as much as you do. Many students have said that at former dinners they were able to build just enough self-confidence while talking to a businessman at dinner to help them to speak intelligently at interviews. Some students have even been given job opportunities by the businessmen they spoke with at the dinner.

This year's guest speaker will be W. Earle McLaughlin, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Royal Bank of Canada. Mr. McLaughlin spoke at last year's convocation exercises at the University and we've heard nothing but glowing reports about him. His speech is entitled "Lets get the facts straight".

We're expecting a large crowd for this dinner, and we've invited more businessmen than ever before. The dinner will be held on March 9 and the tickets are already on sale - in the SUB or near the Residence Desk. This year we decided it was about time the students got a break, so student tickets will be sold at \$4.00 each; that's even less than last year. You can even pick where and who you want to sit with.

That about wraps up this blurb on the Commerce Society, except for two things:

Our next smoker is this Friday, Feb. 17 and its going to be the best yet. We've got some great music coming in, and the profs have promised to show. The second thing is: Don't forget about the Student-Businessmen Dinner. Circle March 9 on your calendar, buy your ticket, and get ready to open the door to opportunity.

by Susan Helpard

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GAY RIGHTS

An interview with Robin Metcalf, chairperson of Gay Alliance for Equality (GAE)

by Joan Pennie, journal staffwriter

What makes people gay?

It is probably learned, as we learn any form of sexual response. You are born with a very broad potential for sexual response and people develop certain directions. It is just learned in the same way we develop other tastes in life. It is important to realize that most gay people in the movement feel that it is not worth spending much time worrying about causes any more than it is worth thinking about the causes of heterosexuality. Whatever causes homosexuality is similar to whatever causes heterosexuality. I do not think that either are deviant from the other. Neither are any more normal or absolute or natural than the other.

Most other cultures tolerate homosexual and heterosexual activity and do not see them as exclusive roles. People are not identified as heterosexual or homosexual, they are simply people who may engage in either and this is closer to what human beings are potentially capable of. It is our sexually repressive culture which has laid this firm distinction between the two. Under natural circumstances you would probably find a full range of sexual activity with some people leaning more one way than the other. In this sense it is important to realize that the repression of gay people is not only just the repression of a specific group of people; it is the repression of the sexuality of the entire population.

Traditionally, when people have sought causes, they did so in hope of finding a cure. I think being gay is very nice and I do not want to see people prevented from being gay.

The history of the Gay Movement

The issue of gay liberation first arose in the 1860's when simultaneously, a number of people like the American poet Walt Whitman, the British writer Edward Carpenter, and German psychologist Karl Heinrich Ulrichs; began developing gay consciousness.

The first Gay Liberation organization, the **Scientific Humanitarian Committee**, was founded by Karl Ulrichs. This German gay movement became organized and formed a petition trying to appeal paragraph 175 of the Prussian Criminal Code, which banned homosexuality. The movement was supported by Sigmund Freud and the **Social Democratic Party**, among others. It came close to success in the 1920's, but the rise of Fascism pushed it back into the closet. The Nazis destroyed the movement.

It is estimated that between 1/4 and 1/2 a million gay people were exterminated in Nazi concentration camps. The different groups in the camps wore identification symbols. The gay people wore pink triangles; today's gay liberationist symbol. They were the worst treated prisoners, given work that no other groups were given. This is ironic because it is a popular image that the Nazis were homosexual themselves.

The Nazis also extended paragraph 175 to include homosexual dreams. One could be given the death penalty for having a homosexual fantasy. At the end of the war, East Germany appealed the Nazis portion of paragraph 175, but in West Germany it was left in the books until 1969. In Germany today, the only group surviving the concentration camps not given the government pension are the gay people.

The next wave started in response to the McCarthy witchhunts. In 1948 and 1953 respectively, the Kinsey Institute published two important studies of human sexuality of males and females, which found that gay people formed approximately 10% of the population. The McCarthy campaign against communists was accompanied by a campaign against homosexuals.

The major organizations set up in this second wave were mainly civil rights oriented. The movement at this time did not go too far because it was trying to gain respectability for gay people in straight terms.

The third wave of the gay movement started in

1969 when the police raided a gay bar in Greenwich Village, New York, called the Stonewall Inn. Instead of passively accepting the raid, the patrons fought back. They were tired of being constantly pushed around by the police. They threw bottles at the police, they tore up parking meters and threw them also. They barricaded the police in the bar and the police had to call for reinforcements. Before the reinforcements came, the gay people set fire to the building with the police still inside. The riot lasted for 3 days, and it received virtually no coverage from any of the straight media, even though this event marked the birth of the gay movement.

Immediately after the Stonewall Riot, a number of organizations sprang up, most notable was New York's Gay Liberation Front, which quickly spread to major North American cities. Within a year there was a continent-wide movement which is still in existence.

It uses the word gay instead of homosexual because gay is a positive word that the movement made up for itself. Before the movement got going, it was an underground word that basically only gay people knew about. Since the gay movement started here, it has become a word in public consciousness. This movement says that gay is good; that gay people are good for those qualities that are unique about them; that gay people don't have to copy straight people to be acceptable. It demands more than simply protection from discrimination. It demands the possibility of a fulfilling life; a truly gay life, for gay people and it hopes to end all sexual repression.

Has the idea of being gay changed in the last 10 years?

Canada has had a gay movement since 1969 so the gay issue has been raised in the public eye in a way that it never has before. More gay people are coming out and living openly. Gay people's attitudes about themselves have possibly changed, though it would be wrong to exaggerate this because coming out is pretty well as hard as it ever was. Repression is just as bad as it ever was. People are still being beaten up and murdered. People are still being faced with extremely negative attitudes.

However, once people do come out they find a more supportive community than before; a community that is more visible and more accessible. Once out of the closet, there is stronger support for the individual.

The decision to come out is still a private one because people do not grow up in a gay community. The vast majority of gay people grow up in heterosexual surroundings and have to make the choice as to whether they are going to make contact with the gay community; so it is a point that the individual has to work on.

Many gay people have grown up with the idea that they are the only gay person in the world. They grow up and do not know anybody else that is gay. Once that decision to step into the gay world is made once you find out that there is one, it is certainly significant that there is a supportive community. This makes a big difference about how a person carries on life from that point and how that person views him or herself. The way you come out and what happens just after you come out and the type of people that you first make contact with is extremely important. A gay person has to be happy about being gay and must see it in a positive light. A lot of gay people in the past have held a very negative view, even though they lived a gay life-style.

The older gay culture and community in many ways was a mixed blessing. It is always good to have a gay community to support you, but in the past the gay community has had many elements of self-repression and tendencies to see themselves as crippled or sick. The new gay community is proud about being gay and believe that being gay is a good thing. The new community is also angry, but instead of directing our anger upon ourselves, we are directing it outwards to the real oppressors. The

newer community is a much better community for the gay people to come out in.

What is GAE?

GAE is the **Gay Alliance for Equality**. It is a gay liberation organization founded in May of 1972, and was incorporated as a non-profit organization in Nova Scotia on Nov. 9, 1973.

Its main purpose is to achieve social and legal equality for gay people. It was set up to fight discrimination and to help individual gay people with whatever problems they are facing, and to establish a gay community centre.

Some of its activities so far have been legislative but not all. GAE has presented briefs to the N.S. legislature and they are thinking of doing that again. The briefs ask for sexual orientation to be included into the human rights code. There has not been a major effort in this area for about three years.

It is felt that the climate might be more suitable for such an amendment to the human rights code as on Dec. 15, when the National Assembly of Quebec passed an amendment to their human rights charter to include sexual orientation. The human rights commissions of Ontario and Saskatchewan have also made recommendations to have sexual orientation included. It is felt that legislation will soon be more socially acceptable.

When the federal government issued a green paper on immigration three years ago, a joint committee of parliament sent a commission around the country. Gay organizations (including GAE) across the country on their own initiative presented briefs to this commission. Consequently, the new immigration act does not refer to gay people. In the old act, gay people were prohibited from entering Canada or immigrating here. This was in the same section as epileptics and prostitutes. This was the first successful campaign by the gay people in Canada to have a law amended.

GAE has also been involved in the CBC case, it originated here in Halifax. CBH in Halifax refused a public announcement from the Gay Alliance for Equality for the Gay Line. GAE fought the case, carrying it to the national level. They filed an intervention on CBH's application for a license renewal. They also presented a brief to the CRTC and though this was not successful in terms of having their license denied, they were successful in getting media coverage and it has since become a national issue and has been carried on by the **National Gay Rights Coalition**.

GAE has a gay counselling line, which is like a help line; monitoring information, counselling and referrals for gay people. It gives out information on places to go and how they can get involved in the gay community or the activities of GAE. This also helps gay people who are having problems specifically dealing with their homosexuality. They have been running this for several years.

GAE also operates a speakers bureau which sends people out on request to speak to schools or organizations. There is a fair number of requests. Most come during the school year. The reaction of the student is normally quite positive.

Their biggest activity at the moment is the operation of the Turret which is a gay community centre which they have been running for two years. It is at 1588 Barrington Street. They run a licenced discoteque there twice a month. They have had an application for a permanent licence approved (a club licence) all they have to do is finish the renovations for it to come into effect. They will be able to have a licence six nights a week. They will not be doing it all the time because they also want to serve under age people. With such a regular operation, GAE will be financially secure.

This community centre is also used by other movements such as Gay Youth, and the Gay Christian Group and other consciousness-raising groups. It may be noted that there are now three organizations in Halifax, GAE, **APPLE** (Atlantic Provinces Political Lesbians for Example) and **Gay Youth**.

Last October, Halifax hosted the first **Atlantic Gay conference** attended by over one hundred people from all four provinces. This was seen as valuable in starting to build communications in the Atlantic region and develop the gay movement.

This July first weekend, GAE will also host the **National Conference** for the National Gay Rights Coalition.

Most of the October conference was concerned with discussions about gay issues. It was most important in terms of developing political consciousness and getting people in contact with one another. Many people there had never been to a gay liberation meeting before. Some were from communities where there were no gay liberation groups so it was important for people to get to know each other. There was talk about issues people had not had a chance to discuss before, and some

fundamental groundwork was done.

There are not very many gay groups in the Atlantic region right now, there are the three in Halifax and two in Newfoundland: GOWN, which is Gay Organization of Newfoundland, and CHAN, the Community Homophilic Association of Newfoundland. There are no groups at all in N.B. or P.E.I. so a lot of work has to be done.

Has the movement tried to change the public image of gays?

One of the problems is that there is very little media coverage given to gay issues and we are really at the mercy of the media for what they decide to carry. We do get media coverage when we have a specific issue to publicize and when we demonstrate or file an intervention.

In some cities gay people are involved in cable television. We may do that here. It would make the images of gay people more realistic. The problem is that the media are under control of multi-national corporations. We really do not have much control.

There is a gay book store in Halifax, the **Alternative Book Store** at 1585 Barrington Street, on the 3rd floor. This deals in gay and feminist literature which are of value to gay people.

What is the media coverage like?

In Halifax, the media coverage is negligible, the Halifax dailies almost never give coverage to gay issues. They just totally ignore them. The Jury Room incident is a good example.

The Jury Room is a bar in Halifax which refused to serve gay people and we picketed it last year. There was no coverage what so ever in the papers.

When there is coverage, as in larger cities, gay people are covered sensationistically. They see gay people as good copy. Most of the coverage has also been exploitative. For instance if gay people are involved in murder, it is invariably reported as a gay murder or a homosexual murder. One never picks up a paper and sees a headline saying heterosexual murder, or heterosexual found guilty in prostitution ring. A person's heterosexuality is never emphasized in an article but a person's homosexuality invariably is.

An example of this was in Ottawa a couple of years ago. There was a police raid of a prostitution ring involving gay hustlers in their late teens, most of them around seventeen years old (all between the ages of fourteen and nineteen). There were a number of highly-placed gay men in the civil service who were clients. These are the sort of men who tend to use this service because they want discretion.

When the police raided this ring, they called a press conference, which is unusual. They were going to announce this raid and give out the names and addresses of all the men who were arrested which would then be published in the **Ottawa Journal**. One of the men said that if his name was published he would commit suicide. The police and the paper heard this but published it anyway. The man jumped from his thirteenth floor apartment. This sort of complete disregard for human life on the parts of police and press is quite common.

Also, in any heterosexual prostitution cases, the prostitutes are arrested and not the clients. It is not necessarily fair, but that is what usually happens. In homosexual prostitution cases, it is the other way around. The clients are arrested, as in this case, for molesting the prostitutes. These people were not being exploited any more than other prostitutes.

What types of discrimination are gays subjected to?

Discrimination in housing, employment, and public services are the basic ones, but there are many other areas where we face discrimination. One of the most important areas is in the armed forces. They have an official policy not to hire gay people and they are always having witch-hunts to drive gay people out. This is quite common. A lot of gay people lose their jobs in the armed forces and there is a constant reign of terror trying to hunt out gay men and women. It is estimated that ten or fifteen people are fired on such grounds every month in the Canadian armed forces.

Another common form of discrimination that faces gay people is child custody. It is particularly common for gay parents to be denied custody of their children because they are gay.

A gallop poll last summer indicated that the majority of Canadians support the inclusion of sexual orientation in the human rights code which would mean that gay people would have civil rights protection. On the other hand the majority of Canadians also did not consider it a valid lifestyle so there is still prejudice.

Getting back to discrimination, federal prisoners are often subjected to murder or rape by fellow inmates and guards. They also often have to

undergo aversion therapy to supposedly change their sexuality. Aversion therapy is a disreputable form of psychiatry in which for example, a gay man might be strapped down to a bed and have electrodes attached to his testicles and given electric shock while he is being shown pictures of nude men. It is often made condition for parole.

Also Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation will not fund housing for gay couples while it will fund housing for heterosexual couples that are living common law. There are many cases where non-married heterosexual couples have legally recognized rights where gay couples do not have these same recognized rights. As in income tax, where a common-law heterosexual couple can file joint tax returns but gay couples cannot.

The divorce act also discriminates against gay people, by making homosexuality grounds for divorce. We would like to see this changed, though we have not decided what we would like in its place, probably a no-fault. As it stands now, being able to divorce someone for being a homosexual, the person who is a homosexual in the marriage is considered to be "at fault" for the break-up of the marriage. This makes for prejudice in their legal rights to the custody of the children.

What is Body Politic?

It is a monthly gay liberation journal that has been publishing since December, 1971. It is the only gay publication in Canada of any regularity. It is very highly regarded internationally, and considered by some people to be the finest gay liberation publication in the world. It is read extensively by gay activists in the United States and Britain as well as in Canada. It is very important to the Canadian gay movement because living in such a sparseley populated, wide-spread country we need something like **Body Politic** to keep communications going between national conferences. It is the only real means of discussion of gay liberation issues, and the only real way of knowing what is going on in other parts of the country.

On December 30, 1977 the **Body Politic** offices were raided by five police who seized all the materials for the next issue; all their corporate records; even their subscription list going years back. The attorney-general of Ontario laid charges against the three offices of the corporation of **Pink Triangle Press** which publishes **Body Politic** (a non-profit collective). The charges against them have been under sections 164 of the Criminal Code which is the use of the mail to distribute indecent materials and under section 159 which is possession of indecent material for the purpose of distribution. This last charge also refers to a sex guide book which were distributed through the **Pink Triangle Press**. The book called **Loving Man** is by Mark Friedman, a gay psychiatrist from the United States.

The charges against **Body Politic** largely arise out of an article that was carried in the December issue called **Men Loving Boys Loving Men**. It deals with the subject of **Petophelia** (sp), which is sexual relations between adults and children. The article was an interview with four or five men who have had sexual relationships with boys and it was expected that article would be highly controversial when it was published. A columnist for the **Toronto Sun** which is a very homophobic paper; a sensationalist tabloid, has been ravaging against gay people for some time and he picked up on this article and started calling the gay movement a bunch of child-rapers and called for the destruction of **Body Politic**. It appears that this was the immediate spark for the action by the attorney-general.

This particular article written by **Body Politic** was not specifically for or against **petophelia**, it was basically trying to give some factual, non-hysterical coverage; shedding light on what it is actually like to be a **petopheliac**, which is the great red herring of the gay movement. The article is not particularly new either, they have had a number of other articles on the same topic which have never resulted in arrests or anything.

They came down hard on **Body Politic** because of the political climate. The Ontario government felt it was a good time to try and destroy the **Body Politic**. It has been harassed in the past, but **Body Politic** has become in the last year a much more potent force. It has increased its distribution and has become a more effective magazine in the fact that the gay movement in Canada is more organized. Before, there probably would not have been as much attention paid to the **Body Politic** or to the gay movement. They now see it as a threat to their own established power in the same way any organization of oppressed people is going to be a threat to the political power of anyone like the Conservative government of Ontario, who showed no interest in gay rights or the rights of anybody for that matter. They see it as valuable to repress the gay movement because it is becoming better organized and gay

people are becoming strong in demanding their rights. It is also an opportunity because of the hysteria that has been generated in Toronto in the last six months around gay issues especially since the murder of Emanuel Jaques this summer.

It was absurd to suggest that the article was pornographic, it was simply a coverage of an issue that is being discussed in the gay movement and in society at large. The popular stereo-type is that gay people are child-molesters. What surveys that have been done show the segment of the population which is by far most likely to molest children or to have sex with them is the heterosexual man. The most typical forms of child molestation is the rape of the daughter by their father. It has also been shown that straight men respond to much younger people than women or gay men.

Gay men are also much less likely to use violence and coercion in trying to have sex with a child. It is a stereo-type without foundation. There are obviously child-molesters and there are undoubtedly gay child-molesters but gay people do not tend to be child-molesters. Most gay people do not show any particular sexual interest in children.

How does Anita Bryant affect the gay movement?

She's polarized things, she has brought them more into the public eye. She has received more coverage than the gay movement that has been here for years and received very poor coverage. This is again an example of corporations doing what is going to be for their own profit rather than what is going to be for the public good. If they were concerned about public good they would have given coverage to the gay movement all along. They only give coverage to things they believe are going to sell newspapers or boost their ratings on television and Anita Bryant is good for the ratings.

She has made gay people conscious of the threat that is posed not only to their rights but to their very lives. Gay people in the United States have died as a result of the Anita Bryant campaign. One gay man in San Francisco was attacked and beaten up by a group of people saying "here is one for Anita". Also a number of activists have had their cars blown up or their houses bombed in Miami as a result of this whole campaign. The Anita Bryant organization was requested to issue a statement condemning violence against gay people but they have not responded.

There are obvious links between the Anita Bryant organization and other right wing organizations like those who fight the Equal Rights amendment, also the Klu Klux Klan. The anti-women forces, anti-gay forces and anti-black forces have been working together and it is quite a powerful movement that carries a threat not only to the women, blacks, and gays but to the entire population of the United States. The Anita Bryant campaign is only the tip of the iceberg. She is only the most visible and most well-publicized part of the repression of gay people, but the repression of gay people has gone on for a long time and this new backlash is much more than just Anita Bryant.

Her trip to Canada will probably have similar effects that it had in the United States: making gay people more aware of the fact that their rights are threatened or that they have no rights to begin with. I expect major demonstration records set. A lot of gay people who are not really political are becoming concerned about Anita Bryant and also want to stand up against her.

It is not really Anita Bryant's campaign in Canada, it is a Canadian organized campaign which is using her as a media device. It is important to note, however, that there are also plenty of bigots in Canada; there is no need to import them from the United States.

This article was conceived, produced and edited by the Journal. Gay rights is a priority issue of Canadian University Press. The publication of this particular article was discussed at length during two Journal staff meetings. On Feb. 2, by a majority staff vote, it became the Journal's highest priority feature article; to be published as soon as possible. At this meeting it was agreed that the Journal should be a medium for information, discussion and education.

Julius Schmid would like to give you some straight talk about condoms, rubbers, sheaths, safes, French letters, storkstoppers.

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Skin Prophylactics.

Skin prophylactics made from the membranes of lambs were introduced in England as early as the eighteenth century. Colloquially known as "armour"; used by Cassanova, and mentioned in classic literature by Richard Boswell in his "London Journal" (where we read of his misfortune from not using one), they continue to be used and increase in popularity to this very day.



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Rubber Prophylactics



The development of the latex rubber process in the twentieth century made it possible to produce strong rubber prophylactics of exquisite thinness, with an elastic ring at the open end to keep the prophylactic from slipping off the erect penis. Now these latex rubber prophylactics are available in a variety of shapes and

colours, either plain-ended, or tipped with a "teat" or "reservoir end" to receive and hold ejaculated semen.

Lubrication

And thanks to modern chemistry, several new non-reactive lubricants have been developed so that prophylactics are available in either non-lubricated or lubricated forms. The lubricated form is generally regarded as providing improved sensitivity, as is, incidentally, the NuForm® Sensi-Shape. For your added convenience, all prophylactics are pre-rolled and ready-to-use.

Some Helpful Hints

The effectiveness of a prophylactic, whether for birth control or to help prevent venereal disease, is dependent in large

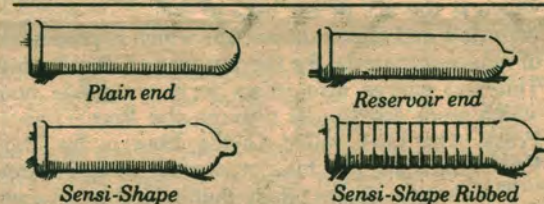
measure upon the way in which it is used and disposed of. Here are a few simple suggestions that you may find helpful.

Packaging

First of all, there's the matter of packaging. Skin prophylactics are now packaged premoistened in sealed aluminum foil pouches to keep them fresh, dependable and ready for use. Latex rubber prophylactics are usually packaged in sealed plasticized paper pouches or aluminum foil.

All of these prophylactics, at least those marketed by reputable firms, are tested electronically and by other methods to make sure they are free of defects. Prophylactics are handled very carefully during the packaging operation to make sure they are not damaged in any way.

Prophylactic Shapes



Storage and Handling

It is equally important that you store and handle them carefully after you buy them, if you expect best results and dependability. For example, don't carry them around in your wallet in your back pocket and sit on them from time to time. This can damage them and make them worthless. Next is the matter of opening the package. It's best to tear the paper or foil along one edge so that the simple act of tearing doesn't cause a pinhole. And of course, one should be particularly careful of sharp fingernails whenever handling the prophylactic.

Putting Them On

The condom, or prophylactic, should be put on before there is any contact between the penis and the vaginal area. This is important, as it is possible for small amounts of semen to escape from the penis even before orgasm.

Unroll the prophylactic gently onto the erect penis, leaving about a half of an inch projecting beyond the tip of the penis to receive the male fluid (semen). This is more easily judged with those prophylactics that have a reservoir end. The space left at the end or the reservoir, should be squeezed while unrolling, so that air is not trapped in the closed end.

As mentioned earlier, you may wish to apply a suitable lubricant either to the vaginal entrance or to the outside surface of the prophylactic, or both, to make entry easier and to lessen any risk of the prophylactic tearing.



Taking Them Off

When sexual relations are completed, withdraw the penis while the erection is still present, holding the rim of the prophylactic until withdrawal is complete, so as to stop any escape of semen from the prophylactic as well as to stop it from slipping off. Remove the prophylactic and, as an added precaution, use soap and water to wash the hands, penis and surrounding area and also the vaginal area to help destroy any traces of sperm or germs.

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Women and Unemployment: An evening of panel discussion and workshops at A Woman's Place - Forrest House, 1225 Barrington St. Thursday Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m. Participation welcomed and child care provided. For more information phone 429-4063.

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"Canadian Energy Crisis" will be the timely topic when Donald D. Loughheed, senior vice-president and director of Imperial Oil Ltd., addresses the Canadian Club of Halifax, Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 8:15 p.m. in room 115 of the Dalhousie Weldon Law Building, University Ave.

NOTICES

Senior class to elect valedictorian

- Prerequisites:**
1. Senior Student
 2. C+ average (2.6 - 2.9)

Rules and Regulations

1. **OPENING DATE** for nominations: Monday, March 6th.
2. **DEADLINE** for completed applications: Monday, March 20th.
3. Two valedictorians to be selected: one to represent the faculties of Commerce and Education and one to represent graduating students in Arts, Science, Engineering and Masters Programs.

4. Nominee's name must be submitted accompanied by the signatures of 10 graduating students from the appropriate faculties; for example, if nominee is a potential Commerce graduate, cosigners must be registered in the faculties of Commerce or Education.
5. Selection committee: 11 persons - 9 graduating students (elected by senior class members) plus 2 administrative representatives.
6. Candidates will meet individually with the selection committee on Thursday, March 30th. Appointments will be made regarding time and place. Nominee will be interviewed and also must present his/her proposed valedictory address. Maximum of 5 minutes. Typewritten copy of address to be submitted to chairperson at this time.
7. Voting will be by secret ballot; valedictorian will be determined by majority vote; if majority not attained on first ballot, candidate with fewest votes will be eliminated and ballots recast until majority vote for one is attained.
8. On completion of committee tabulations, all candidates will be contacted by phone regarding outcome of balloting.
9. Formal announcement of successful candidates will be made at Senior Class Meeting, Wednesday, April 5th at 12:30 p.m. in Gorsebrook Lounge.

Note

- (1) Application Forms available as of Monday, March 6th from Darlene Paris, Secretary, Student Services, 4th floor, Student Centre.
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As the west winds blow - a report

SPECIAL TO THE SMU JOURNAL
by James Mason
Argus Sports Editor

The Great Plains Athletic Conference is in its final weeks of regular season play and still, playoffs spots and locations have not been decided.

In the hockey picture, Lakehead and Regina Cougars are currently tied for first place, well ahead of third place Manitoba Bisons. Both teams have 25 points or 12 wins, although Regina has 2 games in

hand. The Cougars play Manitoba 4 times in the next two weeks before hosting the Lakehead Nor'Westers in what shapes up to be the conference regular season championship. Meanwhile, LU hosts Brandon's cellar swelling Bobcats this weekend and then has a week off.

The Conference leaders host a 2 out of 3 playoff to determine GPAC's rep in the CIAU play-downs.

In basketball the nation's number one squad, Manitoba Bisons, remains unbeaten and untouchable at 10-0. Defending C.I.A.U. finalists, Lakehead, and the U of Winnipeg Wesmen will fight out the rest of the schedule to assume the unenviable task of facing Manitoba for the conference crown.

Lakehead, after a dismal season, tuned up for the remainder of the league schedule by sweeping two of the country's top senior clubs,

Nicollett Inn of Winnipeg and Thompson Sports from Windsor.

Ken Opalko, a sophomore at Winnipeg, after a tryout with Tennessee Volunteers, leads GPAC's scoring with a 24 points per game average.

Winnipeg's Wesmenettes are also league leaders as well as the nation's number one team. Their squad includes 3 national and 3 junior national basketball members. They are undefeated at 12 and 0.



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Team. No.	G.P.	W.	L.	T.	F.	A.	T.P.
12	11	9	1	1	61	22	19
14	12	9	2	1	80	25	19
6	12	8	2	2	33	20	18
2	13	7	4	2	52	37	16
10	11	7	3	1	49	27	15
3	12	6	5	1	53	55	13
15*	11	5	4	2	27	31	12
5	12	4	5	3	28	32	11
13	11	4	5	2	40	51	10
7	12	4	6	2	24	25	10
1	13	4	7	2	42	45	10
11	11	3	7	1	29	43	7
4	12	3	8	1	53	55	7
9	11	3	8	0	29	32	6
8*	10	0	9	1	18	78	1

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Hockey Huskies gear for A.U.H.C. playdowns

by Des Lewin

Since the last time we inked a column in this weekly tabloid our favourite Huskies have had some high's and low's. The lows were their first two losses of the regular season at the hands of the hot and cold Dal Tigers and a 6-3 loss to their arch rival X-Men.

The high points were three victories, 5-2 against the Dal Tigers and two shutout victories over the weekend against Mt. A. and UPEI.

The most significant aspect of these defeats is that if you are going

to have let down you'd better have it during the regular season and not the playoffs. So now that the Huskies have tasted defeat, this talented lot of hockey players probably have gone through what apostles of biorhythm would describe as the lowest ebb.

As for the importance of these victories we must go back to a conversation we had a couple of weeks ago with Bob Boucher where he pointed out that he felt it was time for the Huskies to improve two parts of their game. That is, the defensive aspects, i.e., forward backchecking,

and the powerplay. During those two weekend games, the Huskies definitely showed improvements in both these important aspects of the game.

If the Huskies have showed any weak points of late, it definitely has to be their inaccurate shooting.

Against Dal, the Huskies had at least 5 clear cut breakaways and didn't score on one. During the weekend, the Huskies were not sharp around the goal. This will have to change since against the really good teams, scoring opportunities will not

come as often.

The work of Tim Cuppage this year has been simply superb and we hope the league governors will not overlook him when choosing the league all-stars. Steve Davies has had a difficult time of it due to injuries but knowing the type of competitor he is we know he'll be tough come post season play.

Next issue we are going to take a detailed look at our chances for a national title.

comment

Basketball Belles drop three games

by Rob Cohn

What is wrong with the Saint Mary's Basketball Belles? This past week the Belles dropped three more games, to St. F.X. 74-50, to U.N.B. 86-55, and to Dal 64-47. These three games have more than just losing in common for the Belles, in that the Belles displayed no desire at all to win.

In the Dal and UNB games they shot just 24% and 26% compared to 35% for Dal and a whopping 61% for

UNB. The fact is that the Belles are a good team player for player, but when they get on a court together they don't function as well as they should.

The Belles are not getting the output that they need from their big guns. Joan Selig is an excellent guard but is not producing the leadership that the team needs from her. Coleen Thomson has the best outside shot on the team but is not shooting enough from where she shoots best.

Kathy Ells is not producing inside in both the shooting and rebound departments but we know that she can. The team also needs more output from Nancy Collins. Although she scored 9 points in the UNB game she came up empty in the other two. The problem in these cases is the general psyche of the team. Inwardly and individually they have the desire but it has to be shown collectively on the court. In short, they don't show the emotion necessary to beat the teams which do show it.

One bright spot for the Belles is Dianne Chiasson who scored 10, 17 and 9 points in those three games. She is steadily improving and has taken up the slack inside. She lacks the motivation, however, to give the

team the necessary lift.

The desire is lacking on defense except for a few guards, namely Irene Macphee, Monica Mackenzie, and Nancy Collins. Against the Red Bloomers Nancy Collins played a very tight defense which was very effective. Against Dal this desire was also displayed but it wasn't continuous.

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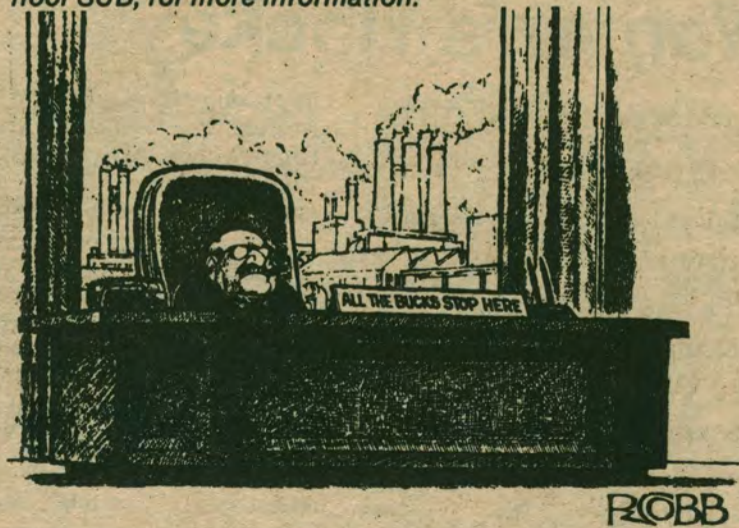
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No easy games left

Huskies get ready for nationals

by D.A. Rankin

The St. Mary's basketball Huskies have just completed a most successful week in their stretch drive to the Atlantic basketball championship. The Huskies completed the week with a record of four wins, including a key victory against St. F.X. The Huskies find themselves in second place, just one game behind Acadia in the loss column. St. F.X. are one game behind the Huskies. The SMU club must win all their remaining games to finish first, and the way they have been playing this task could be accomplished. However, it will not be easy. In their four remaining games, the Huskies play UPEI in the gym on Saturday, St. F.X. on Sunday at the Metro Centre, travel to Wolfville next Wednesday, and complete the regular season against Dal on Feb. 28. These are the top teams in the conference.

In the last two weeks, the Huskies have turned their season around. Two weeks ago most media experts (the Journal not included here) had

written St. Mary's off, however, now all agree they have a shot at the national title. The key to the turn around has been a more aggressive defence. This coupled with the fine play of Ron McFarland and Frank White has produced ten wins in the last eleven games, including six straight. According to Huskie mentor Brian Heaney, the difference in the last two weeks has been the return of McFarland. "He has given the club a more balanced scoring attack because he can score from the outside, penetrate the zone, and run the offence." And one can not forget the big man, John Brown. He is the unofficial team leader and usually is the top man in scoring and rebounds. Heaney says of Brown: "He always comes through, and has gained the total respect of all the players. He is gaining more confidence week by week."

Although a few players have been singled out in this article, the Huskies, to a man, have been playing

like a team. And if their goal of a National championship is to be realized, then this united team effort must continue for the next four weeks.

ST. MARY'S 92 ST. F.X. 89

Sparked by the 36 point performance of Frank White, the Huskies outlasted the X-Men 92-89 to move into a second place tie. The Huskies led 47-43 at the half. Ross Quackenbush complimented White's performance adding 18 points and John Brown chipped in with 14. Pat Adrien, the only real big man the X-Men have, did not dress for the game. Varouj Gurulian led "X" with 26 points and shot an incredible 76% from the floor.

ST. MARY'S 123 U.N.B. 75

In a game which resembled an N.B.A. encounter, both teams forgot the word defence as the Huskies totally outclassed the Red Raiders 123-75. Seven players scored in double figures for the Huskies.

ST. MARY'S 82 U.N.B. 70

In a game marred by turnovers and sloppy play, the Huskies defeated U.N.B. for the second day in a row 82-70. When asked about the difference in his team's performance on Saturday, Huskie Coach, Brian Heaney commented: "They were carnivalized." The game was much closer than the score indicates and the Huskies did not seal the victory until the final three minutes. Roger Tustanoff, playing in place of John Brown, led the Huskies with 18 points. Tom Kappos added 15.

ST. MARY'S 105 DALHOUSIE 75

Playing their fourth game in six days, the Huskies showed no signs of fatigue as they defeated their cross town rivals 105-75. SMU led at the half 51-40. In the second half they completely blew Dal off the court as Ron McFarland scored 18 and Tom Kappos 16 in the last half. McFarland led the Huskies with 30 points, while John Brown and Tom Kappos scored 26 and 20 points respectfully.



Ron "Hawk" McFarland

Dal Photo / Simkins

Women's Hockey

Thanks to the great performance in nets by rookie Barbara 'Bert' Riley, the Saint Mary's Women's Hockey team defeated Dalhousie 4-1 in an exhibition game at Dal rink on Saturday. The girls were led by goals from Cindy Calnen, Sherry Conrad, Jill Milne, and Candy MacKean.

This game was only the second time that the female huskies have competed against a university team this year. Earlier in January, the girls travelled to St. F.X. and defeated the X-ettes 4-1.

Competing in the Halifax Senior Women's Hockey league, the girls

meet such teams as the Fairview Acettes, Sir John A. MacDonald High School, and St. Pat's High. With little more than a month of play left, they will be finishing their regular season play and then competing in the playoffs. In addition, they travel to PEI this weekend for a tournament involving teams from the Maritimes and Massachusetts, followed by a tournament from March 3-5 in Saint John, N.B.

Home games are played every Tuesday night at 8:00, so come on out and support your female huskies!

Floor Hockey

by D.A. Rankin

The St. Mary's University Floor Hockey team was defeated by the Waterloo Old-Timers 7-2 in the championship game of the College St. Anne Tournament last weekend. SMU, the defending champions, defeated College St. Anne 4-3 in the semi-finals, to gain a berth in the final. In that game, St. Mary's fought back from a 3-0 first period deficit to defeat the host squad in

overtime.

In earlier round robin play, SMU finished second, behind Waterloo. The team was composed of eight students, faculty, and staff. The tournament was the second of its kind, and a bigger and better tourney is scheduled for next year. It is hoped an intramural floor hockey program can be started at St. Mary's next year.

BALLS AND PUCKS

by D.A. and D.L.

Tim Cuppage and Steve Davies have to be very happy with the back to back shutouts over the weekend. We definitely have the best goaltending in the country. Everyone knows in the playoffs one needs hot goaltending. Kathy Mullane's Belles are having a great deal of trouble putting points on the board these days.

The mens team are just the opposite. In the last four games they have averaged 100 points per game. Don't you hate the fence sitters who, just a few weeks ago had nothing but negative comments about the b-ball team. How easy it is to pass praise on a winning team.

Football coach Jim Clark is away on his annual winter recruiting sojourn. Get your tickets early for the big game on Sunday at the Metro Centre. Early indications show a large crowd and don't forget this is the first athletic event in the building. Roger Doucette, that nationalistic baritone from the Montreal Forum will sing the anthem in the Vees opening game

on Sunday night.

There is a judo club starting up on campus, watch for further details. The broomball team won their first playoff 3-0. Speaking of broomball, the Journal team was upset 4-2 in their opening game. However, some key players were absent due to the football game earlier Wednesday morning.

Here is one for the trivia buffs to impress their friends with over the break. No less than four former and active pro hockey players attended SMU in the last seven years: Lowell MacDonald of the Penguins in 1970, Bob Warner of the Leafs '72, '73 and '74, Gerald Gibbons of the Toros in '73 and last years WHA MVP Robbie Ftorek in 1970-71. And finally, watch for the Journal sports supplement in the March 8 issue, included will be exclusive interviews with Sparky Lyle, Andre Dawson, and Rocky Blier.

Thought for the week: When the going gets tough, the tough get going. (Our playoff thought for the Huskies)