

Board passes new structure

By MIKE SMITH



Hours in the new Students' Centre aren't very liberal, like 12 o'clock. If you don't have your ID card the commissionaire will turf you out.

(George Nahrebecky Photo)

The Board of Governors has passed a draft act to restructure the university which will make Saint Mary's University a legally autonomous body. It must now be passed by the Nova Scotia Legislature.

The six-page proposal, which will be placed before the Legislature this session, is the result of over a year of discussion by a 10-man University Committee. The Committee had two student representatives.

The original representatives were ex-Students' Representative Council Vice-President Simon Rosenblum and External Affairs Representative Danny Mullally. Last year Rosenblum's place was taken by council Secretary Sue Mader.

The proposed act will incorporate students into the legal definition of the university for the first time. They are not mentioned in Bill 113 (1962) which defined the university.

That bill defines the university as the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Halifax, the Vicar-General of the Archdiocese of Halifax and a third

member who is appointed by the other two.

The new bill defines the university as "...the Board (of Governors) and officers of the university and of all who are entitled to elect members of the Board." Students will be entitled to elect four members to the new Board.

The University also includes, under the new definition, faculty members, (they will elect six members) and the Society of Jesus (they will be allowed to appoint one member). The alumni will be allowed to elect six members.

There will be members of the new Board.

The new proposal also makes the Board of Governors a legal body for the first time. Although a Board of Governors is mentioned in Bill 113, it is defined as an advisory body.

The new act would place the selection of the univer-

sity president in the hands of the Board of Governors. Its been there for a while in fact but the law places the power in the hands of the Archbishop of Halifax.

The new bill makes the university an officially two-tier body. The Academic Senate set up by the new bill was not mentioned in the previous acts and was a de-facto body without legally defined powers. It was appointed to make things easier for the Board of Governors.

The Senate will have 29 members of whom 5 will be elected by the students. The faculty will have 15 members and the administration will have the remainder.

The university president will be an ex officio member of both bodies.

Power to make academic decisions is still vested in the Board, but the new bill

Voting for fee increase

Students will be voting today and possibly tomorrow on a seven dollar increase in the \$18 student fees that they already pay. At least that's the word from Student Representative Council President Mike deVerteuil, before Monday's meeting that voted to ask the student body to approve the raise.

He said the two-day voting period is necessary to make sure that enough students can vote on the question to make it effective.

"We need a 60 per cent student turnout for it to go into effect", he said. The Council decided to hold the referendum on the same day as the elections for the non-executive posts to the SRC so that at least the required number of students would vote.

"I think we will have to hold over voting for two days to get it. There was only a 50 per cent turnout for the executive elections," he said.

He explained that the increase was necessary to meet

new expenditures. Five dollars of the increase will go to Radio Saint Mary's for this first year.

"But next year they won't necessarily be getting five dollars per student", he said.

"The two dollars is mainly to equip the music room for which we have absolutely no equipment", he added.

But Sec Treasurer Francis Fraser does not think the increase is enough.

"I think that for the next year it will be enough, but next year they may have to up again, not significantly," he said. He also spoke about Council financing in general.

"In the past years the societies have been given grants of money but I'm going to try to have a business manager appointed who will act as a purchasing agent so that budgets will be set up as they have been in the past, but organizations wanting to get money will get it only as they requisition it and show need for it," he said.

President-hunt is under way

by Francis Abbott

Administration president Henry J. Labelle's term of office expires June 30, and the hunt is on for his successor. A presidential Search Committee made up of three Board of Governors members, two faculty members, and a student, in almost inverse proportion to the representation of their numbers in the university community has been set up, chaired by Roman Catholic Archbishop James M. Hayes of Halifax. The three Board members have been appointed, the faculty will vote on its two members, and the

Students' Representative Council will pick its representative, said SRC president Mike deVerteuil Sunday night. That is, if the SRC decides to accept the invitation to sit on the Committee.

"I know of at least two," who would try for the post, deVerteuil said. But neither deVerteuil nor Residence rep Bob Doucette seemed too enthusiastic over the offer of the one seat.

"The idea of having one student on the Search Committee is an exercise in futility," said Doucette. "For example the two token student senators on the Senate. If that's what it's going to be like, we may as well foret the whole thing."

deVerteuil said the same thing. He said he sent a letter to Hayes asking that

faculty and student representation on the Committee be increased because the faculty and the students are the most concerned and are not yet on the B of G. The faculty also sent a letter asking that their representation be increased, saying that they would be working more closely with the new president than anyone else. The faculty executive and the B of G executive then met and exchanged ideas.

deVerteuil's letter was read and discussed at a February 13 meeting of the Board, a meeting that also "decided to leave the situation as it was because they thought the appointment will be made by the new Board of Governors which will have both students and faculty on it", he said.

"The president's resignation becomes effective on June 30. Whether or not this new Board will be in effect then, I don't know, deVerteuil said.

He said he did not think the Search Committee will have much say anyway, and that it will be the Board who will make the final decision.

"The Search Committee is in no way important. They propose names and say to the B of G 'Go ahead, take your pick'", he said.

"The National Education Office prepared a report on Saint Mary's and one of their observations was that the Board of Governors didn't really know what kind of an institution Saint Mary's was

trying to be," he added.

Based on a basic Christian philosophy," intersected Doucette. The next president of the university would be a Jesuit.

"I understand that one of the Board of Governors members appointed to the committee is publicly committed to having a Jesuit for the next president," he said.

"I'm looking for a good person. Whether the person happens to be a Jesuit or a non-Jesuit is of secondary importance. We should be looking for a good person, and we shouldn't go out looking specifically for a Jesuit", he said.

But he did not know of any Jesuits here that would make a good president.

"I don't know some of the Jesuits here," he said.

But Doucette was more emphatic, and against a clerical president.

"By having a religious person there, you're down one already because of the reverence that is supposed to be held for these people. You cannot voice your opinions because he is supposed to hold a position of reverence with his little white collar," he said.

His solution was to include the whole university in the decision.

"The only way we can accept this is that the final decision must be left to all the communities in the university, which must, of necessity, include the students," he said.

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Blames U of Montreal Law student fails, sues for \$210,000

MONTREAL (CP)-Instead of heading for the nearest tavern when he failed his first-year law examinations, Mansour Gabriel decided to sue the University of Montreal.

In his damage suit, the student is claiming \$210,000 to cover his 1968-69 tuition fees, "the loss of his profession" and "moral damage resulting from an unjustified decision on the part of the faculty of law."

Mr. Gabriel said he was awarded a 58.1 average in his first-year exams, but deser-

ved to get 85 per cent. The passing grade is 60.

He said there were three reasons why his marks did not average 85 per cent - the "lack of culture" of those who corrected his papers, the "mediocrity" of the examiners and "the incompetence of the professors."

In a letter of protest written to the university rector when the examination results were announced, Mr. Gabriel said: "Students should not have to suffer just because the professors are dunces."

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(Ken Langille Photo)

Cactus Flower: Widescreen sitchcom at its best

by Wayne Gillis

Cactus Flower is a very funny movie. A convulsing crowd of people practically rolling in the aisles, plus my own belly-laugh and guffaws convinced me of that when I went to see the movie last Saturday night.

Situation comedies are old hat, both in movies and on television. What makes Cactus Flower extraordinary is the superb acting of oldtimers Walter Matthau and Ingrid Bergman combined with Hollywood's newest kook, Goldie Hawn.

Matthau plays the part of a dentist who tells his girlfriend (Goldie Hawn) that he is mar-



ried to avoid any thoughts of matrimony entering her head. This works for a year until Goldie becomes so jealous of the non-existent wife that she attempts to commit suicide. Her neighbor, a young writer named Igor, saves her life. Matthau has a twinge of conscience and decides to marry her. Goldie insists on meeting his wife, Bergman, as the dentist nurse, is asked by Matthau to play the part of his wife.

Complications such as Bergman's hidden love for Matthau enter into the plot making it all very confusing. Finally Bergman gets Matthau and Hawn ends up with Igor, the writer.

Matthau lives up to his performance in the Odd Couple.

Every ounce of hilarity is forced out of his part of the dentist by Matthau.

Ingrid Bergman back on the screen after a long absence is no longer the Norse Goddess that we see on the late movies. Her acting has greatly improved over the years.

Goldie Hawn, in her first movie role puts on a great performance. With her look of naive innocence she melts your heart. Although some of her punch lines brought only pregnant pauses, on the whole she did an admirable job at eliciting laughter from the audience.

All in all this is the best comedy to hit Halifax in a long time. Only Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid matches it.

Blood Drive goes over

The Blood Drive collected over 270 pints from 276 willing bleeders last week.

The collection happened in the lounge on the third floor, Students' Centre, Wednesday (Feb. 18), under the auspices of the Christian Action Movement. The drive was organized by the CAM Blood Drive Committee, under the chairmanship of Luke Vorstermans (arts 3).

CAM President Roy Hanson was pleased with the effort. "They (donors) were coming

in constantly," he said.

The turnout was surprisingly heavy according to Hanson, "We only expected about 200."

The success of the drive this year may mean a two-day affair next year, said Hanson. There is no possibility of the Red Cross coming back to the campus this year. "They run a tight schedule," said Hanson. "And they employ professional help." The drive isn't just a matter of the Volunteer help supplied by CAM, although that plays a large part.

Centre will get lounge

Saint Mary's University Student Centre is getting a drinking lounge. The lounge will be on the first floor in what is now an art gallery-lounge. It will be open on June 1 to all students over the age of 21, who pay the membership fee of roughly ten dollars.

In two weeks a committee composed of students' Representative Council Vice President Paul LeBlanc, Athletic Director Bob Hayes; English Prof. Roger MacDonald, and (arts) Blake Houssar will be submitting an application for a liquor licence to the Nova Scotia Liquor Board. Asked about the delay Paul LeBlanc said "We haven't submitted it yet because of certain legal aspects which our lawyer is looking into right now."

The proposal will have to go before council to be accepted or rejected because it will belong to the Saint Mary's Student's Association. The \$15,000 dollars needed to set up the bar will come from

an outside, undisclosed source, and not from the students.

"At every point so far in our negotiations we have received a favourable reception from the Liquor Board," said LeBlanc. He thinks we are almost certain to get the licence.

The original idea of a student bar has been around the campus for several years. In October, on a suggestion from LeBlanc, a committee was set up to investigate the possibility of a bar on the university. "I was originally sceptical of the idea because I didn't feel that we would ever get before the liquor board."

The licence will cost 150 dollars a year.

"The reason for opening the lounge on June 1 is that it will give us a chance to iron out a few bugs such as management," LeBlanc said. The management will be from outside the university as will be the bartenders. Students will be used as partime help on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays.

They came, they saw and they bled. In the process they collected enough blood to put the Blood Drive over the top this year.

Guelph students propose alternate plan

GUELPH (CUP - JOURNAL)

Guelph students have given administration president, W. C. Winegard, an alternate proposal in their dispute over the firing of sociology professor Donald Grady.

Winegard, after a nearly a month of silence on the firing, had proposed a review committee February 13. Winegard had overturned departmental recommendations by dismissing Grady.

Winegard's committee would be composed of three tenured faculty members, one chosen by Grady, one by the administration and a chairman named by the other two members. Hearings would be "informal, private and binding on both sides," according to the Guelph administration.

But the students have proposed that the committee be composed of seven members, two tenured faculty, two non-tenured faculty and two students, with a chairman chosen

by the other members.

The student committee would meet openly and the decisions would be binding on both sides.

There were about 700 of the university's 5500 students at a Wednesday (February 18) meeting to discuss the administration's proposals. They came up with the alternate plan.

The students gave Winegard till Friday (February 20) to reply, but he countered by saying he could not reply until Monday (February 23)

Grady's firing has been the center of discontent on the Ontario campus since the start of the new year, when the administration refused to renew his contract. The administration gave no reason for the dismissal.

The situation is reminiscent of last year's administration firing of History professor Keith Sutherland at Saint Mary's University. There the administration re-

fused to renew the professor's contract and a two-day sitin took place, until university president Henry Labelle agreed to negotiate. Sutherland later accepted compensation from the university administration and did not return to his teaching position.

At Guelph, students and faculty have demanded that the administration explain the reasons behind its actions; at least 300 students have signed a petition calling for the public release of professors curriculum vitae so that "...decisions reached by the administration be publicly justified, specifically the recent decisions regarding the sociology department."

Grady was a leader in a fight for student participation in the sociology department on a one-man one vote basis. Senior faculty crushed the move last November, after the department voted to support an October strike by campus workers.

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Campus unrest spreads in American colleges

Student unrest continues to spread to new campuses in the United States, including Ohio University, the Santa Barbara campus of the University of California, Colorado State, and Philadelphia's Drexel Institute of Technology.

At Ohio University in Athens, more than 500 students were involved in brick throwing incidents at the main administration building January 30 after 150 students occupied the building January 20 to protest increased tuition.

Several students and police received minor injuries in what the student newspaper *The Post* termed a riot when police moved in to guard the building during the January 30 demonstration.

Ohio national guardsmen were put on alert as students protested both the tuition increase and administration president Claude Sowle's refusal to meet with the student protest group, Coalition of Concerned Students, during the building occupation.

Forty-six students were arrested, which touched off further incidents aimed at police handling of the situation. The campus police office was tear-gassed, forcing it and a dormitory in the same building to be evacuated.

There also have been numerous bomb threats, including one at the campus radio station while Sowle was holding an on-the-air question session with students. Simultaneous fire alarms have been set off across campus also.

Injunction

A city injunction was granted against nine specific students to prevent them and 100 others from assembling on or near university property. This essentially made all student assemblies illegal.

Tuition at Ohio University has risen drastically in the past two years, and the state legislature has failed to increase its appropriation to higher education enough to prevent the continued fee hikes.

Students complain that the administration is not lobbying hard enough to prevent the continuous fee hikes which are making a college education impossible for an increasing number of students.

At Santa Barbara, the UC campus which has been described as the most apathetic in the system has been severely disrupted in recent weeks.

Students have been protesting the firing of William Allen, an assistant professor of anthropology.

A petition was circulated on campus to obtain an open hearing on Allen's dismissal after the department chairman announced he would not be rehired for next year. 7776 students out of 13,000 on the campus signed the petition.

When a group of students took their case to the administration building January 30, acting chancellor Russel Buchanan called in the Santa Barbara county sheriff's office. Before the day had ended, police from nearby counties, a small group of National Guardsmen and campus police from other UC campuses were present.

Students continued to demonstrate despite police orders to disperse, and nineteen students were arrested stemming from their alleged

leadership of demonstrations. Most of the 19 have been charged with trespassing on a state university campus, a misdemeanor, but their bail has been set unusually high at \$2500. 5000 students participated in the rally which resulted in the handful of trespassing arrests.

Students claim Allen is being fired because of his anti-establishment viewpoint. Allen has been very vocal in voicing concern over American exploitation of South American countries. Students say Allen has had several works published, has brought in the most research grants in the department, and teaches one of the most popular courses at UCSB.

On February 2, 4000 students rallied for Allen, and some temporarily occupied the Anthropology Department building. Police who have patrolled the campus constantly since the first demonstration prevented the takeover from lasting long.

But the following day 900 students occupied the faculty lounge building, cleaning out the food and bar. The students later left the building on their own.

STRIKE

A student strike has been considered, and students at Berkeley and UCLA may hold support protests or strikes. Berkeley students may also be striking over the institution of tuition on the UC campuses, so a strike there seems likely. Allen has urged that Santa Barbara students strike until the administration is willing to negotiate.

Allen and his family have had their lives threatened. So far he has not been granted an open hearing.

At Colorado State University February 5, the most violent anti-Brigham Young

University protests to date took place as a melee broke out during half-time of the two schools' basketball meeting.

At least six persons were arrested when about 50 black students and 50 white supporters (including some Denver Weathermen) tangled with the 40-member Brigham Young Pep Squad, CSU floor sweepers, and finally, 25 helmeted Fort Collins, Colorado police who were called to clear the floor. Several students and a photographer were injured by the club-swinging police.

The student protest was another in a long series in the

past six months against Brigham Young's affiliation with the Mormon Church, which forbids Blacks to enter certain levels of the priesthood because of their color.

At Drexel Institute of Technology in Philadelphia, students have joined with area residents to protest the construction of a women's dormitory against the wishes of community residents. The primary issue is community control over further structural development in the community by Drexel.

Two sit-ins have taken place in the schools' administration building, one lasting two days,

after negotiation sessions failed to come up with a community development plan acceptable to the administration.

And at Northeastern University, in Boston, students and police clashed January 29 during a demonstration over the appearance of S.I. Hayakawa, president of San Francisco State College. Approximately 200 demonstrators tried to gain admission to Hayakawa's speech, but were driven back by police.

About 30 persons were arrested on charges of assault and disorderly conduct.



by *Bill Sievert*
College Press Service



Drugs, Roly Ash, and the way it is

by
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Recently more and more controversy has arisen over the use and often abuse of drugs. For most people the facts behind the drug situation, not only across North America but in our own metro area, are vague. Any knowledge that the ordinary citizen receives usually has its source in radio, television or the newspaper. The odd report issued by our local news services concerning marijuana is at best short and at worst twisted. Despite this, groups of professional people; medical doctors, psychologists, and sociologists, have been at work over the past year trying to inform the citizen, the student and the user of the consequences (if any) of drugs. The fact that the student and the user take a greater interest in the drug symposium than the average citizen is easily explained. The majority of people in Halifax are narrow-minded, the news media patronize this narrow-mindedness by feeding a gullible public with images of the "drug crazed degenerate" who if not put away in an asylum or imprisoned, might infect us all.

A recent news release issued by Detective Sergeant Kenneth Paul, one-time head of the Narcotic Division in Halifax read:

"The reason so many south-east Asian countries are backward is because of the use of marijuana and opiates among the populace of those countries."

I asked Halifax Police Detective Roly Ash if he agreed with Paul's comment.

Ash: "Yes, in articles which I have read by people who have done research work especially in India where it is now illegal to smoke marijuana or hashish, it is reported that government employees are cutting down grass fields and destroying it."

Journal: Isn't it true that the Chinese who for many centuries enjoyed a rich culture and were at a greater peak in progress than all European nations, smoked marijuana and hashish in great quantities during these periods.

Ash: "Yes, but look how far down those people have come since then."

Journal: What do you feel the consequences would be if marijuana was made legal?

Ash: "We have twice as many problems as we have with alcoholism".

Journal: Just how bad is the drug situation in Halifax in terms of number of arrests, convictions, and what you have seen?

Ash: "In 1969 we arrested 21 suspects, 18 of whom were convicted. From what I have seen the drug scene is growing, chiefly in the areas of Spring Garden Road, the Halifax Shopping Centre Scotia Square, the drop-ins in Armdale, Fairview, and Spryfield."

Journal: In reference to University campuses, how bad is the situation?

Ash: "Our sources tell us that the drug scene is very big in university residences."

Journal: Do you have undercover agents on campuses?

Ash: "We don't but the R.C.M.P. might. We're not too familiar with their working policy although there is communication between our division and theirs."

The Narcotics Division, a section of the Halifax Morality Squad was formed in 1967 as a result of increased reports that drugs were being transported into Halifax from the larger cities of Toronto, Montreal, and Boston. Organized crime (which seems to have a monopoly on drug trafficking in the larger urban areas) has not yet reached our own metro area.

At present there are only three members in the Narcotic Division, each of whom are subordinate to the Superintendent of Detectives. They have no equipment which can help them in their investigation (the R.C.M.P. sometimes use dogs to track down hidden caches of marijuana or hashish. The "Narcs" as they're commonly called receive very little co-operation

from the public or professional people. Occasionally however they may receive a report from distraught parents who discover that their son or daughter turns on.

Journal: Why in your opinion do kids turn on?

Ash: "Listen! I've heard more excuses from young people why they turn on, granted, some do have family problems but I feel there only trying to escape reality. I take the time to investigate the homelife of a suspect and judge for myself.

For example in one case a young fellow had been busted for smoking pot. The reason he gave was that his father was too successful and that his friends ribbed him because of it. So he left home, dropped out and turned on. Most users try to escape reality?"

Journal: Can't you say the same thing about those who are heavy drinkers, those who depend on tranquilizers? Isn't simply enjoying a movie, a hockey game, or a dance an escape from the dull routine of going to work or listening to a boring lecture?

MORALITY SQUAD

Ash: "I can only say this; that when the majority of drinkers sit down to a bar it is usually just to have a few drinks. They don't drink to get drunk, whereas the drug user smokes grass to get really high. It's not a question of just a few joints."

Journal: "What is the normal procedure for arresting a suspected drug user?"

Ash: "We receive our information (from where I can't tell you) obtain a blank warrant and with this warrant can enter any home. The dwelling in question and the suspect are then searched. The suspect is always informed of his or her rights. He or she is then taken to the police station and interrogated. We are usually



very cordial and speaking for myself never resort to the third degree method."

At present the usual sentence for the drug user, first offence under the Narcotic Control Act is

a/ a fine of one thousand dollars.

or

b/ imprisonment for six months.

c/ or both.

First offence for the trafficker can bring up to seven years in prison. But some first offenders have received sentences as light as six months.

Journal: Do you think that the softer drugs, marijuana for example should be incorporated into those laws formerly concentrating on the harder and more dangerous

drugs such as heroine and morphine?

Ash: "Marijuana is handled differently because of various amendments made to the Narcotic Control Act, anyone guilty of possession or trafficking in pot usually draws a lighter sentence than the heroine user or trafficker. However the possession or use of the soft drugs is still an indictable offense and the offender still receives a criminal record."

MORALITY SQUAD

Journal: One last question; Has the amount of drug usage lessened since the formation of the Narcotic squad?

Ash: "No. It has increased."

Letters

Dear Sir:
Reading Mr. Teehan's article (JOURNAL Feb. 20/70) concerning the history, advantages, and popularity of an art called "wargaming", I find I am moved to a genuine enthusiasm. It is laudable indeed that a company such as "Avon Hill" should manifest such concern as to enable an enthusiast to recreate, in his own convenience, some of the most fascinating battles in history. Doubtless there will be those fanatics, eager to spread calumny over such enterprise, calling it "the very of human life", a "bringing up of that which would best be forgotten". But, please, class me not among those ranting moralists. Even now I plan to purchase one of your wargames. With several recommendations to my basement dwelling, I intend to construct a massive reproduction of the

Allied landing on the shores of Normandy. But in order to maintain the authenticity of this great battle, I shall call upon your help. Where might I rely hold of some reproductions of the following:

- broken, bleeding and blasted bodies,
- several gallons of human blood,
- minutized army uniforms, realistically soaked in puke, and the piss and defecation that comes with the last breath of life,
- copies of arms, fingers, eyes, intestines, feet, limbs, and penises that I might scatter throughout the field, and
- talking dolls that gasp a last word of warning to the living?

I shall not press you for this information, though even now I tingle with the thrill of leading my men to glorious

victory.
P.S. It does not seem to be specified in the rule books, but I take it as a matter of decorum that the loser in such a game of skill shall forfeit his life.

D.W. Hopewell

Dear Sir:

If anybody has been to that third floor games room and lounge then they have seen what an irresponsible bunch of clots we are that go to this university. Why do we go here I ask? Because we couldn't get into Dalhousie.

The JOURNAL is as much at fault as anybody else. Notice the way papers are strewn about the floor and chairs in the lounge? That games room is really a piss-off. I have only two questions: Should the guys who are running the room be allowed to play pool or shuffleboard or whatever while they are sup-

posedly working and getting paid for it? What happens to the money that is collected in the room?

The other thing that is a piss-off is that stupid liturgical centre. What a goddam waste of a good room! That is the perfect place to install the tavern or lounge that this place is crying for. The televisions in the other rooms don't work, and if they did you would have to be Wilt the Stilt to turn the thing on.

What's the good of the room they call the music room? Some guy is in the lounge right now taking his ass, and nobody else is going in there to watch, or sit there and feel like a arsehole while some guy puts the make on his woman. Jesus, this bus the shit out me; it really does!

I can't think of one thing about this whole place that is

worth calling first rate, including this student centre which the king of all the second rate buildings on campus. Some student centre, in which students are kicked out without their ID, and the same guys are the games room on the pool table, or whatever, and have you ever seen the mess those make? Inside a year the place won't be fit to go into.

Now that I've managed to alienate the rest of the student body let me close this piece of poor grammar with the following cynically biting sarcastoc re,arl: this is a cynically biting and sarcastic comment.

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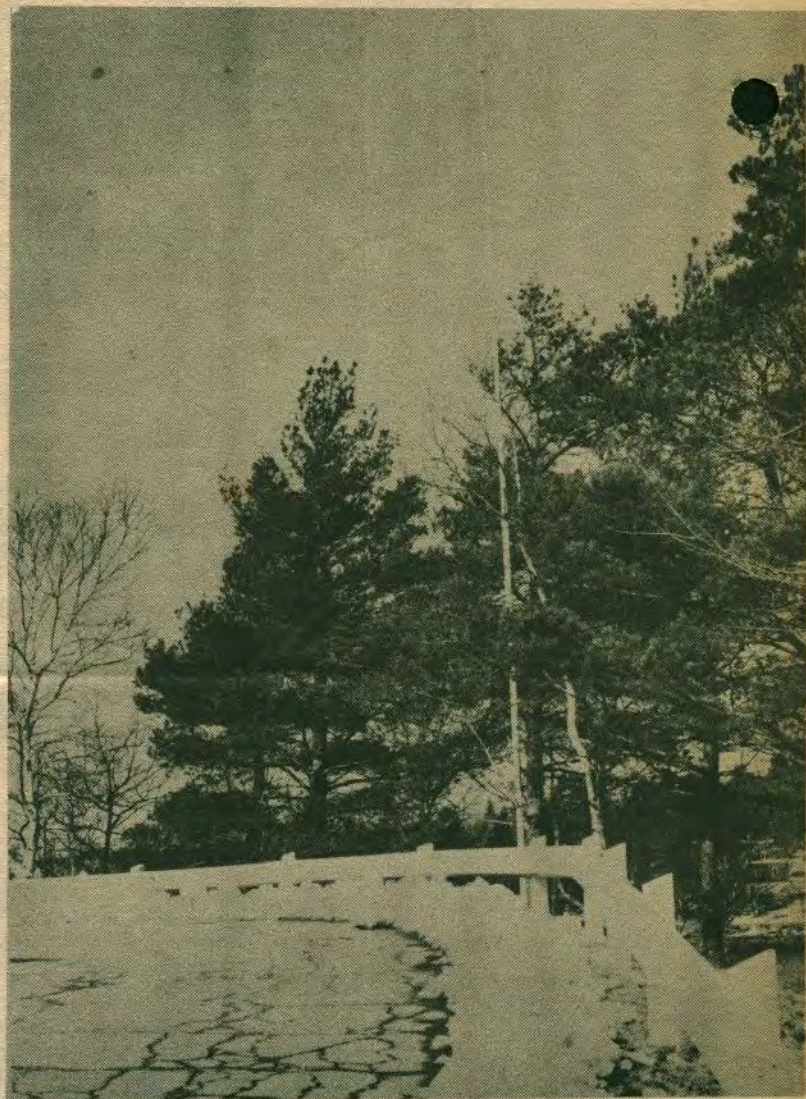
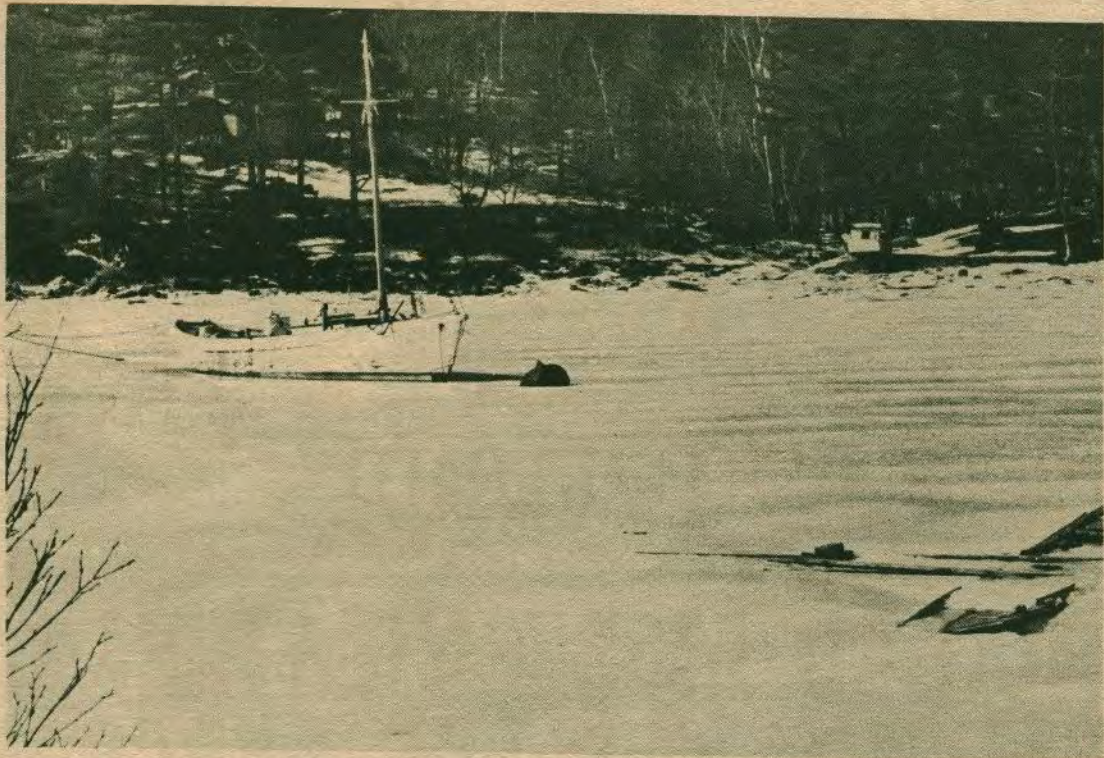


Photo Essay

by Ken Langille

By John Kelly and Peter Gregg
Senior Students at Saint Marys

To quote Disraeli in more contemporary terms one would read: Besides a monopolistic press, you must have a servile mass. The growth of monopoly capital has seen the decline of our society as "public" and the emergence of it as "mass".

Mass Media is a term common to all students and people alike in today's society. In Western Society which has fairly sophisticated system of Mass Media, the fact is especially relevant. For every individual in Canada not a day goes by in which he somehow doesn't come into contact with one form or another of Mass media. Mass Media in its twentieth century existence continuously influences our lives in all their shapes and sizes.

Since Mass Media permeates our society in its entirety it must without a doubt have some effect, be it positive or negative, on all facets of society as a whole and even more important on the specific facet with which it is concentrating.

This article then is an attempt to focus briefly on mass media and its influence on one specific social area, politics. Even this area can be one requiring monotonous study and subsequent writing if it is to be fully dealt with.

The topic as being discussed in this article will illustrate this point well by the many questions it leaves unanswered due to lack of time for a truly adequate study on the topic. It is hoped, however, that the article will raise a few main points and if not fully answered then at least prove their existence in relation to the subject of mass media.

Individual human beings are linked together in social groups and in societies by ideas. Social cohesion depends to a great extent on the intensity with which people accept collective sentiments and values as their own. Thus societies must make provisions for the articulation and reinforcing of social values. Because such values tend to be conservative and traditional, the reinforcement of old values is more general than the articulation of new ones. In large groups of peoples such as the nation state of Canada the reinforcing of these social values and norms by informal means is not adequate. Specialized roles are required. Those activities necessary for social cohesion and the maintenance of the value system shall be called ideological functions.

The process of socialization is concerned with the transmission of values to newcomers. Values and beliefs in already structured societies are achieved through propaganda and indoctrination, and so any argument about their origins is irrelevant. Besides providing the necessary cohesion and unity for our society, these value systems give a sense of legitimacy to the social order, including class and power structures.

In our modern complex society this perpetuation and maintenance of these social values and norms is found in the operation of the mass media, the educational system, and the churches. The ideological function of the aforementioned three groups must, in their utilization by the elite, justify to the mass

society the economic system, the political system, and so on; this is done by attempting to show that existing arrangements conform with the traditional value system.

In a "public", as we understand the term, virtually as many people express opinions as receive them; public communications are so organized that this is a chance immediately and effectively to answer back to any opinion expressed in public. Opinion formed by such a discussion readily finds an outlet for effective action against the prevailing system and its office of authority. At the opposite extreme, in a "mass" far less people express opinions than receive them. The group of "publics" becomes a removed collectivity of individuals who receive ideas from the mass media. The prevailing communications system is so organized as to make it impossible, or almost impossible, for the individual to answer back with any effect. The ability to realize a collective opinion in action is controlled by the authorities who organized channels for such action.

The most readily distinguishable feature between the "public" and "mass" is their dominant mode of communication. In a community of "publics", discussion is the main method of communication, and the mass media, if it exists, simply enlarges and heightens discussion. In a "mass" society, the dominant type of communication is by the formal media, and the "public" becomes Media markets. By media markets we mean all those exposed to the contents of the given media.

In this mass society people tend to select those media that conform to what they already believe and enjoy. These people tend to come into touch with those opinions flippantly. The person who reads Time magazine and enjoys it, usually will not read "Canadian Dimension" because of the Time reader's segregated "milieux" and routines from that of the "Dimension" reader's. The Time reader, as a result of his position, does not experience genuine clash of viewpoint or issue. He is so sunk in the routine of his milieu that he is not able to gain a view of the structure of his society and his role within it.

An important assumption under which we are working is that the people in politics in Canada are basically representative of the general population. In other words as Canadians society and individuals generally have individuals within the political system on the whole behalf. It is assumed that as a rule these people comprising Canada's body politics are basically part of Canadian society. By that it is meant that their education, religion customs and norms are for the most part representative of Canada. This assumption is very important to the validity of this article. Through accepting this it is hoped that now it will be possible to take these ideas previously developed and weave them into a more complicated framework namely; mass media as a whole and Canadian Politics. Going on this overall assumption there seems to be only one logical conclusion to draw from this. This conclusion is that politicians in Canada as a rule read the newspapers daily. As well, they listen to the radio every day, and more then likely watch television frequently.

Through reading the newspapers, they as people are subject to the basic psychological stigma attached to reading newspapers. They read the newspaper and feel that they are a part in the same vein politicians in Canada listen to the radio and are subject to the private world concept created by radio. Through watching television politicians feel the same pseudo-involvement in helping to create an overall process just as the individual citizen does.

It will be noticed that in the previous paragraph the concept of relativity, i.e., politicians feel they are involved with television, was brought out. In other words, the mass media does influence to a great degree politicians and therefore the politics of Canada if for no other reason that politicians inadvertently want to be influenced by it because they, like all citizens, to feel it is Canada speaking to them.

The real question to be considered at this point is then not whether mass media influences politics but rather is this mass media which is daily influencing us truly Canadian.

Canadian media in itself is especially influenced by

outside factors. Pick up any newspaper in Canada and note how many articles have the initials, A.P. (Associated Press) or U.P.I. (United Press International) as their source. These are American controlled and for the most part American staffed wire services. Watch and notice how many programs originate from NBC, CBS or ABC; all American television networks. Just as these American-orientated sources of news influence the average citizens, they also influence Canadian politicians and politics. What Canadians learn of the Viet Nam War is for the most part originating from American sources, a side who, obviously has a vested interest and what many politicians learn about the USSR and China is to a large degree is determined by American sources such as the Associated Press.

There does tend to be, because of American permeation in Canadian news media a definite American influence in mass media on Canadian politicians. To what degree is difficult to determine in the course of this essay. It would be safe to say through that it is to a significant degree.

The greater physical bulk of mass media in Canada is owned by Canadians. Just to say it is owned by Canadians however, is not sufficient. It is necessary to determine just what and how many Canadians own these media, to establish whether or not there is an opportunity for an individual or group to manipulate the news in their favour without fear of retaliation from opposing forces through use of the same media.

Firstly, Canadian News Media are owned for the most part by business people. "Both Newspaper publishing and broadcasting are closely linked with the corporate world." For the most part the media is owned by business people with multiple connections in other business interests. The prime reason for these business people buying news media was and is for the most part, profitably through advertising, etc. The Montreal and Toronto mass media are controlled by people such as the McConnell's in Montreal and the Bassett's in Toronto. These families are entrepreneurial families whose other interests extend in multiple directions in the corpor-

ate world, i.e., banking, retail stores, sugar refineries, etc. The Ottawa Citizen, the paper many politicians would be likely to read beyond their local one, is controlled by a large corporate concern called Southam whose publishing interests cover the entire nation.

It is quite logical to suppose that since these media are so closely linked with the private corporate world that to some extent the mass media in Canada would in their overall treatment of the news tend to be in the private corporate interest. This pro-corporate approval by the mass media could then easily influence the politicians who are firm believers in overall media truth to become pro-private corporate world in some instances regarding certain government policies.

Going beyond this theory it is now time to examine how many Canadians own the news media in Canada. If many different Canadians owned the mass media then politicians could theoretically be subject to an overall divergent variety of opinion from which to be influenced. If however, a small group of Canadians controlled the mass media Canadians and politicians alike could very easily be influenced by only one or a few viewpoints and quite truthfully believe that it was the overall Canadians' feeling.

For the most part the Mass Media in Canada is Controlled by twelve dominant corporate concerns. In the Vertical Mosaic, John Porter lists these twelve firms and their multiple holdings which cover the entire area of Mass Media. In some instances, individual groups cover the entire nation as in the case of Southam Co. Ltd., and Thompson Newspapers Ltd.

This then brings to a conclusion one essay on "Mass Media and its influence on Canadian Politics". In the essay several major points were brought forward. These points are in summary:

1. There is a mass media in Canada.
2. It does influence Canadians and Politicians.
3. Most importantly, since Mass Media, because of its existence influence Canadians and Canadian politicians, that who controls the Mass Media and how this control is exercised is fundamental in helping to determine Canada's overall present situation and future.

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\$84,000,000 MODERNIZATION PROGRAM PLANNED FOR SYSCO

No new taxes anticipated

By PETER MEERBURG

A three-year \$84,000,000 program to modernize the Sydney steel plant was proposed yesterday in the speech from the throne opening the 1970 session of the Nova Scotia legislature.

The speech, read by Lieutenant-Governor Victor Oland, said the government plans to immediately initiate the program, which will increase the plant's productive capacity to 1,250,000 ingot tons per year.

(The government-owned mill set a production record of more than 1,000,000 tons during the 1969 calendar year.)

The 81-paragraph speech also said the

Opposition leader Regan

'Little that's new and meaty'





Carl Boswick (9) pokes at the puck during last week's game against the New Haven

Blades. Looking on is Huskies 19, Murphy. Huskies lost this game 3-2 but one the next

one 7-5.

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Huskies split against minor pros

by Claude Isaacs

Huskies played two games against the New Haven Blades of the Eastern Hockey League, last week at the Forum.

The first game was won by the Blades 3-2, and the second by Saint Mary's 7-5. SMU was out-played in the first game, as the Blades showed more finesse, and fine skating. They were really good when they got the puck into the SMU end, and peppered Goddard with 44 shots. Chuck played a magnificent game between the posts and kept the Huskies in the game.

In the second period Hebert stole the puck at centre ice and skated in on the right wing and picked the top corner behind Garret, with a quick wrist shot. Exactly two minutes and 50 seconds later Jim Dickey rapped it in from Hebert and Maxwell, and at 6:35 the score was 3-0 Huskies.

At 1:40 of the final frame Hindson scored his second of the night with assists going to Hebert and Dawson. A little over a minute later Ken Martin had the puck put right on his stick in front of the New Haven net. He coolly shot it into the far corner past Garret and the Huskies went ahead 6-2. Things were looking pretty good for SMU.

It wasn't until the nine minute mark of the second period that the Blades were able to get on the score board, with LeBlanc finally getting the goal. Late in the period Haley of New Haven went off for tripping, but SMU were not able to score until seven seconds after he came back. Hindson picked up the goal. New Haven came right back and made it 4-2 at the 16:57 mark and that's the way the period ended.

Good that is until New Haven started to roll. At 4:58 Norm Guimond, an old Junior Canadian star, put it past Goddard. LeBlanc scored at 5:20 and Morrison scored at 7:06 and the score was suddenly 6-5.

New Haven carried the play for a while but couldn't get the goal they wanted. They pulled the goalie at the end of the period but tempers were running high by this time and another big fight broke out that held up the game for about ten minutes. SMU came out on top penalty wise, anyway, and New Haven had to put their goalie back in. They still were able to apply pressure though, but Tim Ripley got a breakaway, took a shot as he was being pulled down from behind. The New Haven goaltender seemed to stop the shot, and as Ripley slid by he reached out with his stick and rapped at it. It trickled over the line and when the red light went on I nearly jumped right out of the press-box. The time was 19:47, and the fans went wild as the goal sewed up the game for Saint Mary's.

Goddard was not beaten on either of the three goals Blades scored. The first was a cheap one that rolled up his arm and dropped into the net, and the last two were rebounds which he had no chance to stop.

The game wasn't really very good, with most of the applause going to Goddard, and I think some fans went home disappointed.

The second of the two games series was vastly different. This time the Huskies were throwing a few checks, and they never stopped skating throughout the game. Tim Ripley was brought up from the Lakers, and he was a standout for the Huskies, being the hardest hitter out there. Though the win was a team effort, I remember several players who played a better game than usual. Paul Ellis was being much more aggressive, and Dennis Murphy seemed to enjoy the roughness of the game. The outstanding man on the ice was Ed Hebert, who consistently carried the puck well, and collected a goal and four assists.

The scoring opened quickly with Cameron scoring from Hebert and Ripley at 3:27. The Blades tried to get the equalizer and had some good chances, but Goddard was equal to anything they were shooting at him. The first period ended 1-0, with a round of applause from the crowd who appreciated the play.

SPORTS

EDITORIAL

Ever notice how the local dailies always say, "Blank leads Meatballers to victory with two goals". They always make it sound like the guy who scored the goals was the big leader. That's not always the case, as anyone will tell you. Often the guy who really sparks the team is back at the blue line, and though he may not get on the score sheet too ofte, the defenceman is a very important and often overlooked player by the hockey fan.

This really showed in the case of Saint Mary's this year. Though there might have been guys like Hebert, who has a lot of talent, and real diggers like Cameron and smooth skaters like Maxwell, the team was led by the defence. Steady performances from what is probably the best defensive squad in Canadian Univer-

sities is what won games and kept the scores low. The defence consists of O'Byrne, Murray, Dawson, McNally, and Grantham.

I'm not saying that it was not the whole team that finished in first place this year, I'm just pointing out that the Defence is a big part of our game. By my calculations Goddard has a 1.61 goals against average, while the team managed to collect 5.94 goals per game.

Watched the great Gordie Howe on television the other night. That guy is really something. That guy was playing in the NHL before Bobby Orr was born, and Bobby Hull used to wait outside the Detroit dressing room to get Howe's autograph. You can't say anything about this man that hasn't been said, you

can only watch, and shake your head in amazement year after year.

I was really in a bind this week to get someone to cover the basketball game. It ended up I had to go myself, not that I minded going, but I already had three games to write up plus the editorial. Don't know what happened to everybody, I guess they couldn't get hold of me, because there are about four guys who want to write B BALL.

The AIAA hockey tournament is being held this weekend, 27th, 28th of February and 1st of March, in Charlottetown, at the UPEI rink and everyone who can get over there should. The silly bastards are holding the CIAU tournament over there too, next weekend, 7th and 8th.

Dear Sir:


Just what is the story on "our" SUB? As I understand it, we, the students, are supposed to be able to come here to relax, study, or play ping-pong, pool, cards, etc. The way it is now, the T.V. are, for some reason not being used, the lounge is so dead it's a wonder it isn't buried under six feet of dirt (or is it?) And then there's the elevators. What a god-damned farce. The right-hand monster only goes past the 3rd floor on special occasions, and then it stops at every floor-all the way up, and all the way down. The left-hand one just sits there. Couldn't someone just flip the little ding-dong that stops them, then get inside and have a look at what's doing this. With any luck they might even repair them!! Also, how about a few pop and bar machines? Is Mr.

Morstadt (of Morstadt catering running this building? Is Fr. LaBelle? Or are we?

A few books in the lounge, a few snack machines, a workable T.V., some equipment in the music-room, two elevators which work, and we might make this SUB of ours half decent! Also, why must the cleaning be done after

the students get here in the morning? You just get comfortable and on goes a vacuum-cleaner, drowning out whatever is going on, up go your feet, and the next fifteen minutes are spent in this position. Somebody better get off their ass and get busy. There's work to be done!

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O'Byrne and Boswick night: SMU 13, Mount A 1

Saint Mary's clinched first place in the AIAA hockey league last Friday night, as they defeated the hapless Mount Allison Mounties 13-1. Friday, being the last home game for the Huskies this year, was Brian O'Byrne and Carl Boswick night. The wives of the two players were presented with flowers by athletic director Bob Hayes, and the players themselves received a gift. Coach Boucher also received a gift, from one of the wives, which caused fans to whistle as Boucher blushed.

The scorers were led by Ed Hebert, who collected three goals, Ellis and Cameron with two each. The other scorers were Boswick, O'Byrne, Murphy, Dickey, McNally and Dawson. The lone Mount A marker was Hart's and it was a fluke. I suppose I am as unsympathetic as the fans, who really were bugging the Mount A guys, and their goalie, who really didn't play all that badly, though, the score would indicate it. The fact is, they

just don't have the players, and what can they do? They went the whole season without even winning one game. It must be disheartening.

Goalie Chuck Goddard started to make like a forward at the end of the game, as he came skating up the ice with the puck, cheered on by the SMU fans; he passed it up to Dawson, who can carry the puck well, and Dawson tucked it behind the Mount A goalie, giving Goddard his second point of the season.

A big fight at the end started by Gerry Cameron, ended with Gantham and Murphy putting a beating some Mount A guys, as the SMU bench emptied, the Mount A guys held their post.

By an ironic twist of fate, or was it a fist of fate, Phil Paradis got a punch in the face from a rowdy fan, who had started to fight. The irony was that Phil had been on the other side of the rink, and had changed places with the guy on the isle to the dressing rooms, where the fracas started.



The Dal tigers played host to the Huskies on Saturday night before a capacity crowd at the decrepit Dal gym. The Huskies took the early lead in a game that had lots of rough stuff. Al Brown played a good game under the basket, but was called on a lot of fouls. Brown's height was a disadvantage to him in this case, as the Dal guys were so short.

The Huskies defence broke down in the middle of the second quarter and Dal started to get sharp in their shooting. They were pressing SMU and forcing them to rush their passes. Several SMU passes were picked off in the first half, but if the Huskies had taken advantage of all their chances Dal would not have taken a 33-30 lead to the dressing room at half time.

In the second half Dal really came on and at one point had a fifteen point lead over the Huskies. Little Larry Archibald was a big man for Dal, as he really moved the ball well, and I don't rem-

ember him missing a foul shot from the line. The Huskies' passing and shooting fell off as Dal really played hard and stopped a lot of SMU attacks. The final few seconds were all Dal as they held the ball for the last half minute, showing fine passing, and ran out the clock, much to the delight of the Dal fans.

The Huskies, at times,

showed some great moves, and real ability, and I'm sure they can beat Dal. They already proved that didn't they? The Dal fans shouted we're number one, which when I was a little boy meant piss, but who am I to argue with the Dal fans if they want to swear at themselves?

Tigers down Huskies 65-57



Al Brown and Dennis Reardon discuss strategy with Phil Carney, during Saturday's basketball game at Dalhousie.

Apology

The JOURNAL apologizes to Claude Isaacs for making him feel like a fool and to the Commerce Society for not putting in the announcement that Isaacs promised them about nine times would go in. The announcement concerned the varsity cheering team for last Tuesday's basketball game against Acadia.

We can imagine how Isaacs felt, when he thumbed through the paper frantically looking for the announcement. Further making an ass of himself by saying that he would do the same for any other organization on campus. The JOURNAL humbly hopes that this public apology will be accepted in the spirit it is given.

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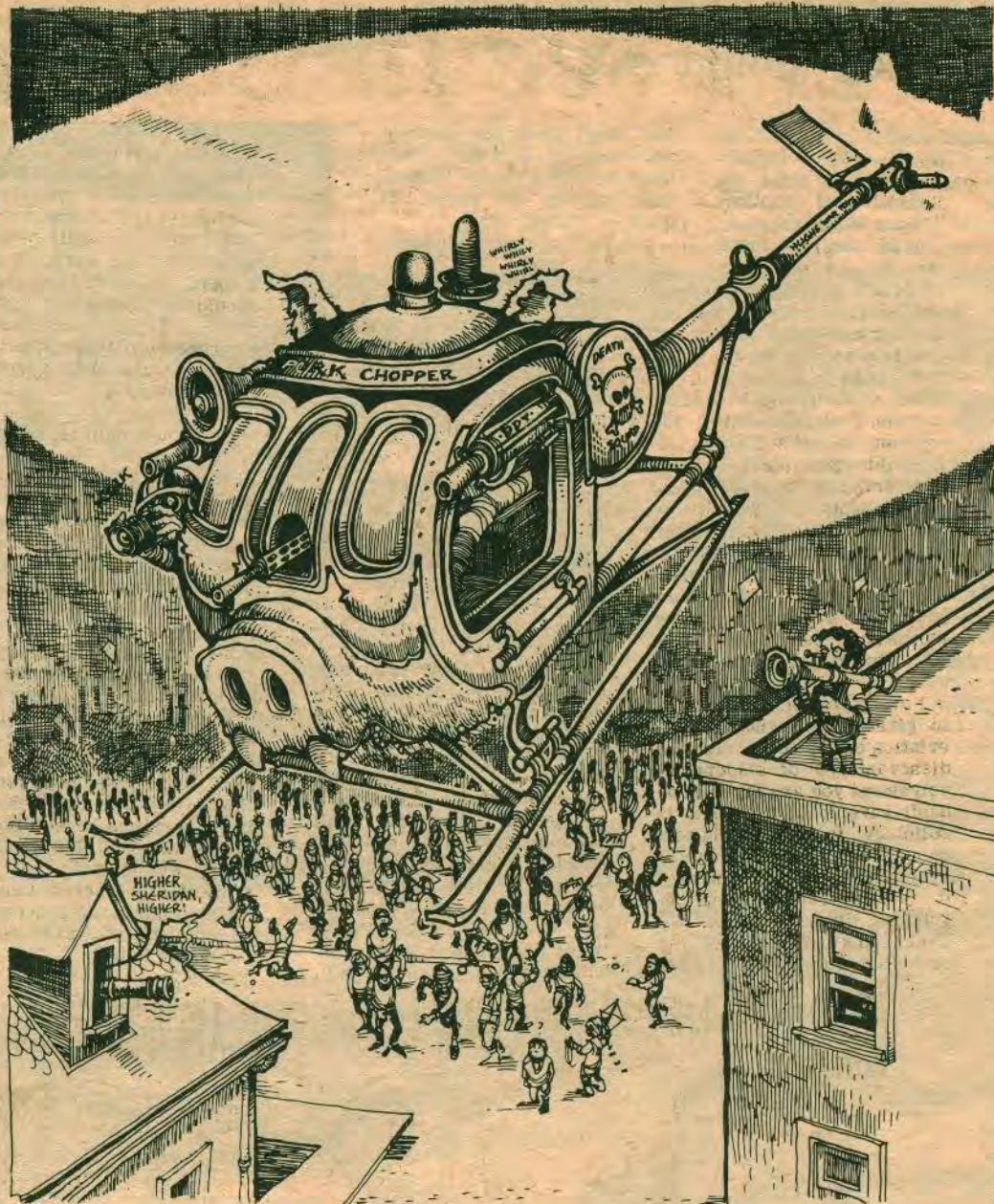
The Fifth Tournament of Nations of the USSR is scheduled to take place in 1970-1971, in four stages.

The first lap will include competitions in various sports at industrial enterprises, construction sites, collective and state farms, offices and educational institutions, and in housing estates.

The second will consist of tournaments on a district and city level. The third will be tournaments in regions, territories, Autonomous Republics, in various zones of the Russian Federation, as well as in Moscow and Leningrad.

The fourth and last stage will be the finals to be held in Moscow in July and August next year.

COMMUNITY CONTROL OF POLICE



LNS

SASKATOON (CUP)--A special commission on student discipline at both campuses of the University of Saskatchewan may back down on submission of a report advocating some of the most hard-line disciplinary regulations in the history of Canadian universities.

The Carter committee to renew discipline regulations at the U of S decided Wednesday (February 18) to recommend their report not be brought before the university's faculty council at its next meeting February 26.

The move follows a fast-increasing wave of resistance to the report, which students have described as "arbitrary," "repressive," and "fascistic."

If approved, the report would spell the end of virtually all student protest activity at the two campuses, institute the principle of double-jeopardy for student behaviour off-campus, allow students to be arbitrarily ejected from campus for no reason whatsoever, and give faculty the right to "shake down" anyone on campus for identification at any time.

In the broadest of terms, the report prohibits:

- any disobedience to any university regulation;
- any student action which "creates, or which may reasonably be expected to create," a disturbance at any university function;
- "any conduct whether on or off university property, which may bring the university of its officers, employees or students into public disrepute;"
- any student action on university property which "creates, or which may be reasonably expected to create, a disturbance;"
- "disruption of, or interference with" lectures, seminars, or examinations;
- "interfering with, or in any way disrupting, any meetings

held by either administration or faculty at any level;

- the use of public address systems on university property except when authorized by the student council;
- failure to carry a library identification card.

Failure to obey the regulations could result in a warning or suspension, expulsion or dismissal from the university, or imposition of a fine.

In addition, the report recommends that faculty and administrative personnel "who believes, or has reasonable grounds to believe, that a student has acted in breach of any part" of the list of prohibitions, would have the power to summarily banish students from classes or from the university.

The report also recommends that administration principals and deans have the power to summarily suspend students from campus for three days without hearing.

Hearings and punishment would be meted out by a discipline committee consisting of an administration vice-principal, three members of the university council, and three students appointed by the campus student council.

Student committee members have since denounced the report, and denied committee claims that the document was passed in committee without opposition.

Students called for creation of a new committee where students would have parity with faculty and administration, and called for rules which governed faculty and students equally.

Students endorsed a counter-report prepared by law students Larry Brown and Lenore Boyes which condemned the off-campus jurisdiction granted the university, opposed the arbitrary nature of the proposed regulations and demanded student-faculty parity in establishing disciplinary regulations.

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As I see it: Student involvement

By Francis Campbell

Before you commit yourself to any preconceived ideas that Student involvement consists of a minority of students with a maximum of pent up, inane frustrations and immature left-wing principles, tint your rose coloured eyeballs with a basic black reality.

When I started writing this column for S.M.U. I said, I would vociferously oppose any actions on the part of the students I found objectionable. I still hold to this statement but here and now I want to express my appreciation to the staff of the Journal for publishing my writing verbatim and uncensored. This takes guts, so thanks gang.

Now if you think I'm going to give you an erudite dissertation on the advantages and disadvantages of student involvement you are right. You don't have to hold a Ph.D in sociology to give an honest opinion and an opinion is not necessarily right or wrong. It is just that, an opinion.

Racial discrimination: We Caucasians (member of the so-called white society) have

held a monopoly on this sour apple for hundreds of years. Unfortunately, we must suffer for the sins of our fathers and the retribution is long overdue. University youths involve themselves in the eradication of racism, suffer the retribution and try to protect future generations from this stigma. They don't work at it in the paternalistic or patronizing way the phony, hypocritical adults do that is so nauseating, but with an honest determination that must be reckoned with. Mark an A for the students.

Poverty: Here is a sweet little tid-bit that most people feel is the sacred domain of the materialistic poor. An honest enough fallacy (if a fallacy can be honest, I don't know) but a fallacy, nevertheless. Unfortunately, in most cases materialistic poverty is a by-product of intellectual poverty. On the other hand and fortunately for us, great men and women, in the true sense of greatness, came and still come from standard and sub-standard income families. You can kick the word poverty around all you want but unless you have had more dinner times than dinners, gone without when it really hits you in

the guts; and tasted need, not want; you don't know a bloody damn thing about poverty. I challenge any social worker that hasn't, to really feel and understand his work. Maybe a couple of months on the dole should be part of the curriculum. Youth today has an awareness of this and pull no punches when dealing with it. Take another A.

The Arts: As Canadians with a young culture, or hardly any culture if you like, I feel this is an area that has had too silent a majority. Children today are still weaned on Huck Fin and Tom Sawyer and when they finish school, if they know a stanza of the Rubalyat and know who painted the Mona Lisa they think they have culture. We, the tax payers give the C.-B.C. approximately one hundred and eighty million dollars yearly and they give us the National News and Week-end-Hell, I can't see much more! How come you cultural cats in Universities haven't bombarded the C.R.T.C.? Actually, we don't do too badly in Halifax, but there is an awful lot of room for improvement. If you hams want to be cured, get on the ball. Take a D-.

On reading this over, I feel it's a very punk presentation of student involvement and the only excuse I can give is that being recently married the lead in my pencil isn't as sharp as it should be,----- I think you'll understand.

Before my lead runs out completely, I want to say that commitment and involvement in university life can be the most interesting, stimulating and satisfying experience, provided you give it your all. Involvement is living and you fence sitters and pro-establishment lollygogs are nothing but cadavers putrifying the fresh air of change that the involved and committed students are breathing. It's always dangerous to try to second guess you parasites, but if I did, I'd say that you think you can feed on the doers of society and nestle in your snug, safe cocoon. You feel you can nicely exist (because it is not living) in our so-called affluent society and if misery and injustice abound, well, it is no concern of yours. My advice to you is, never take a good look at yourself because if you do, why you just might get sick enough to become involved and live. That would be just too much, wouldn't it?

To the student that is committed and involved, you don't want or need words of praise or thanks. You do, you live, and mirrors don't scare you and that my friend is involvement. You don't want credit for the benefits the parasites will reap from your harvest but at least these snivelling nit-pickers could dummy up and not knock the efforts of you who want a better world.

Dr. Henry Hicks of Dalhousie University may not want you involved (by his own admission) in activities outside the university but for every Henry Hicks there are five thousand John Q publics that do. The Nova Scotia Legislature opened February 19th. Could you imagine the impact it would have had on this session if every student from St. Marys and Dal had marched on the House and demanded answers and actions to their questions: No pie in the sky or pious political platitudes but rock solid answers and commitments. It could be done and that baby will be real student involvement in action.

You see that when you get involved, you find you have more lead in your pencil than you realized.

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Dear Sir:

How many more accidental fire alarms do we have to put up with for the remainder of this semester? Once Friday night was irritating, enough without another Saturday evening. It is generally known by many, if not by most of the resident students that there are some rather demented types who enjoy pulling fire alarms for the hell of it, but at whose expense? I'll answer that.... the resident students! Someone has to pay for that other person's idea of a practical joke, and not too many people find this amusing; especially the fire dept. Just looking at the faces of the firemen as they stormed into the residence again Saturday night, repeating the mechanical procedures of the night before, made me and

many others feel like genuine fools. It was embarrassing to say the least, especially since Saturdays' alarm was in fact an accident...a door slammed in one of the residence blocks and set off the fire alarm. I recall this happening earlier in the year and like many other things in attended to and fixed.

If the residence does not do something immediately, the residence students are going to be forced to put precious time into devising some method of controlling these "accidents" themselves.

I'd like to know what will happen when there is a real fire and the fire dept. takes their time in coming down again for the 100th time thinking that those damn fools have done it again. It reminds me of the story of the boy calling

wolf once too often.

We should also realize that at the same time the fire dept. is answering our false alarm, there could be an actual fire somewhere else. Because we're an institution (of sorts!) the fire dept. has to send out all its trucks by law...so in the meantime what happens to the victims of the real fire?

Do we really care to keep the fire dept. on their toes by sending for them every week-end, just to see if they know their job. I think I know how to do their job almost as well as they do after watching them plow into the residence. The only thing that changes is the precise time.

By all rights the firemen should be paying residence fees, for they are in the residence more often than many residence students, or maybe Saint Mary's should apply for a license to run its' own fire dept. There would never be a lack of things to do, if our past record is any indication. Kathy Brickerden

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lonely in the office this week as the journal suffered the absence of many staffers. dave kosup will hand in his copy tomorrow. wayne gillis stayed later than he wanted to while francis the unfrocked abbott came in very late. francis campbell was in the office earlier in the week and said nice things about us for once. frank the hopalong is writing exams and so is writing nothing else. ken did all the pics again while george did manage to get one in. boy editor, has bronchitis or something equally as bad this week and is feeling miserable. claudie wrote and wrote and wrote and wrote. g. harvey signing off for another long long long long week.

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