

RESIDENCE ISSUE

On February 18th, the Board of Governors sat for the first meeting of the New Year. Having dispensed with the initial preliminaries, a heated discussion took place concerning the Visiting Privileges for Males in the Residences. The original motion from the Executive of the Board to the Board was to defeat the Students' Proposal (Dec 9, Picaro). However, after much intense discussion, it was decided to table the motion. A committee was then struck to examine the Proposal and various related issues arising from the Board meeting. The Committee consists of Mr. John Graham as Chairman, General Manager of the Dal SUB,

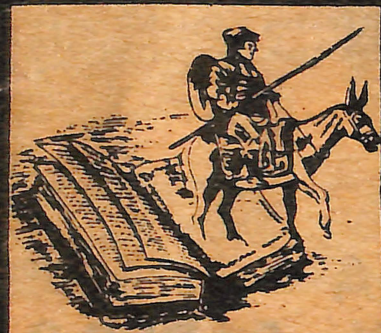
Mrs. Jane Archibald, Sister Elizabeth Adams, Representative of the Corporation, Anne Derrick, Students' Union President, Susan Pitman, Students' Representative on the Board, and Sister Marie Gillen. It held its first meeting on February 25th and after a tour of the residence facilities and a discussion of their purposes, delegated work to various sub-committees.

A progress report from the Ad-Hoc Committee was brought to the Board at its March 18th meeting. Information had been gathered from other universities in relation to their visiting policies. Roman Catholic Colleges in the States were also

polled as they most closely parallel the situation at the Mount. The entire students' proposal has also been re-evaluated with regards to its feasibility from a security standpoint. The Corporation's stated position of veto has also been delineated and the Corporation has been asked to outline precisely why they veto the Students' request.

The entire dispute over the visiting privileges has brought to the surface the entire question of the quality of student life on campus. Although the Committee has another meeting on the 25th of March —

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Fact or Fiction?

Mount's Commitment to Women

Throughout its history, the Mount has always had a special commitment to the education of women. It was originally established for this purpose and has continued, at least theoretically, with this same intention. In the spring of 1974, the Board of Governors undertook to re-examine the

basic philosophy of the University that qualitatively delineates the direction of the institution. The University realized that in order to remain independent, it would have to formulate a plan for the future so that it might more realistically understand its role as an institution oriented towards women. A joint Board Senate Committee was established to prepare a more definitive paper on the Philosophy and Objectives of the University.

In the working paper, under the heading of "Commitment", the following is described:

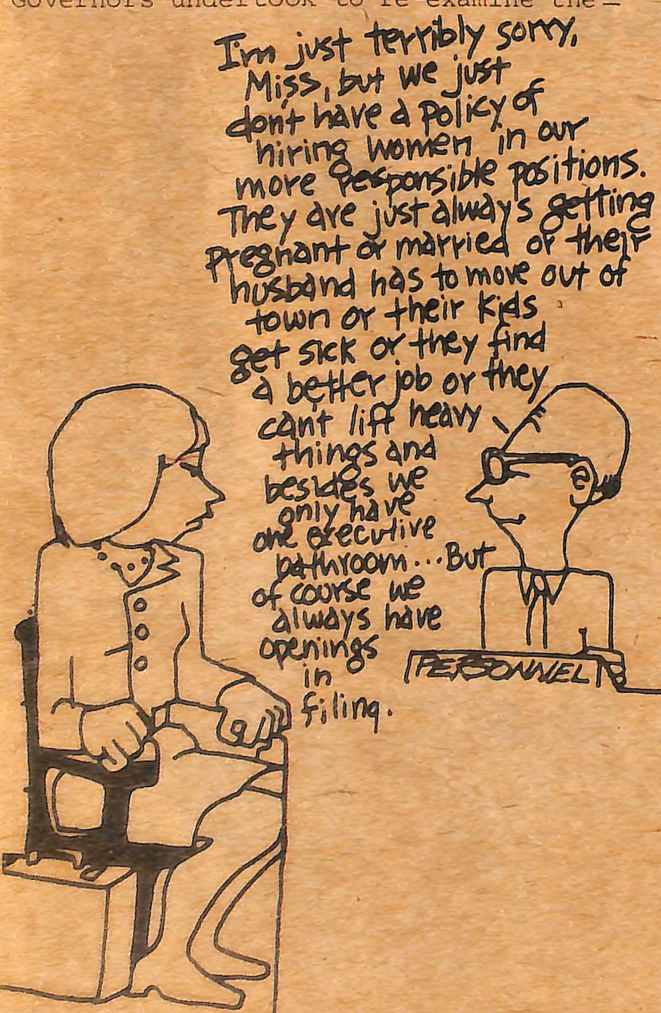
"Mount Saint Vincent should continue its historical commitment to the education of women and continue to emphasize the preparation of women for life and action in a society that is changing and calls for leadership. The admission of male students need not imperil this commitment. Women and men can be educated in a way that differs from what is viewed as traditional co-education; they can be educated in such a way that they will come to respect each other's distinctive and individual capabilities. Women's competence and abilities for leadership can be recognized, and students can be prepared to live in a society in which there is equal opportunity for women and men."

The paper also states that "A university concerned about the education of women must not only pro-

vide students with knowledge but also with an atmosphere in which women can develop confidence, intellectual independence, sensitivity, and an ability and desire to learn."

It would seem, in view of these positively assertive statements about the Mount, that the election on February 18th of the first male Students' Union President means that somewhere something is drastically wrong. It is a sad comment that in a university supposedly committed to the advancement of women, only one woman was interested in opposing a male candidate. A Students' Union with a population of nearly 1400 women will have as its President—a man.

The results of the election painfully drive home the realization that a large female majority at the Mount is willing to remain inactive while the more active minority of males assumes control of student decisions. This would seem to be a multifaceted and grave problem—one which we all



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COMMITMENT TO WOMEN

must examine painstakingly. It is probably accurate to assume that the very fact that the males on campus are in the minority drives them to assert themselves and pushes them to assume responsibility. But the complexity of the female inertia is much more profound than just this--it is this that the entire university community must examine.

Many female students at the Mount feel that the University does not diffuse a fruitful atmosphere for the growth of independence and self-assertiveness. Women at the Mount need only look around at some of the administrative positions within the University to see that even at the Mount, women are not always receiving positions of authority and responsibility. Many students feel that the lack of actual physical facilities on the campus leads to an atmosphere breeding inactivity and indifference rather than confidence and assertiveness. A Social-Athletic Complex has been discussed for many years, and now govern-



ment restraints on spending appear to be freezing any hopes for the building's construction in the near future. This being the case, representation should be made to the University for serious consideration of alternatives and interim projects.

The Mount has committed itself to a goal that is incredibly complex. In a predominantly male-oriented society there is real value in an institution that dedicates itself to the education of women. The Mount should not exist as a mere reflection of the conditions within society. Its uniqueness should be designed to contribute capable, independent women well equipped to advance in fields where men have always predominated. If the Mount is to survive as a viable institution growing toward its goals, then it must develop an atmosphere that will encourage women to assert themselves within their own university, and not merely to propound theories on paper.

--A.S. Derrick

WHAT THE HELL KIND OF ARTICLE IS THIS FOR A UNIVERSITY PAPER?

It was last Tuesday night at 9 o'clock that I began to understand more of the inner workings of the minds of our administrators. The occasion was the reception held for visiting students in order that they may meet the various personalities that are influential in a student's progress through and understanding of this university. It would appear that the administration did not consider the Students' Union a viable entity in this institution because none of its council members were invited.

Well, naturally, this affronted the dignity of all Mount students. Right? Oh! Well, it affronted my dignity--but, you may well ask, who am I to be affronted by the administration. That is an excellent question and one that I refuse to answer on the grounds that I have no grounds not to answer the question in the belief that I have no beliefs. What more can be said? Well, plenty! It's just that I don't really feel up to writing it down. You know, it's one of those days when you can't find a good sloth to munch on. Of course, who would want to eat a sloth except perhaps the Hungarian sloth cruncher? (The Hungarian sloth cruncher is a fictional beast with no base in myth or legend.)

I think, at this point, I ought to get back to the original idea.

The only problem is that, not only have I forgotten the original point, but I forgot that I decided to return to the original point and I flatly refuse to reread what I have already written just so that I will know what my original idea was. I mean, what can be done about it? I know my rights and you can't just break my arm or form vigilante groups or goon squads to enforce laws that make rereading compulsory. Isn't this a land of democracy? Oh! Well, isn't this the land of the free (well, not free but reasonable)? Oh! Well,

isn't this the land of Matthew Pearce? Good, I knew I was right about something.

I realize that it goes without saying but I think that it, nevertheless, should be emphasized, "Brump!". Oops! Sorry, it's just that I have this problem with gastric disorders. That Brump wasn't really supposed to be there, let alone be emphasized. What I wanted to emphasize is just what this entire article has been trying to communicate: that there are no jack-rabbits in the Amazon.

--Olaf Terrence Biscuit Barrel

Spam and Eggs

In view of the situation which has prevailed in the Mount Cafeteria all year, I will write my last complaint/tribute to this extraordinary emporium of unusual cuisine. I am really going to miss writing this column, but I am sure Dietetic Services will not.

No one has ever complimented the cafeteria on its state of cleanliness. Compared to other universities I have visited, our cafeteria was much cleaner and healthier looking. However, the good with the bad; our silverware and glasses are much to be desired.

As for the food, it is still heavy on the grease and sweets and very light on the protein and taste. Towards the end of the year we witnessed a little more fruit, a little more cheese but a little less cooked food. I still feel a need to complain about the scanty portions--still being one pork chop, one steak (?) which are not the bother of fighting for more. I often see myself as Oliver, looking up innocently at the staff, and saying, "Please sir, I want some more," only

to hear sorry, no seconds allowed. I had to starve on the first. So I ended up buying about two cartons of eggs a week, maybe four pounds of cheese a week, plus the odd package of hot dogs, and now will have to declare bankruptcy because of my "habit"--good eating habits.

From the way I see it, because the food has changed so drastically from first term, I come to the only conclusion, we are running out of food. The infamous "Wiener Supremes" are answered by a new fish "Curried Chicken Livers" and the utmost delicacy I have ever witnessed, Roast Chicken. The package deal should I say, complete and I repeat, complete, with the gizzard bag--neck and all!

These are the last reflections of 1975-76, summed up in one word: unfortunate. I have only one wish for next year; that the prices do not go up. With my approximate \$800 I could have gone to Acapulco. Perhaps next year, living in a townhouse, I can eat better, cheaper and make it to Acapulco with a thin body.

--P.A. Yates



council in retrospect



For the Students' Union, Orientation launched us all into the year in the usual state of chaos. A wine and cheese party sponsored by the Students' Council drew about 200 people--faculty, administration, and students who were probably as interested in the varieties of wine and cheese as they were in each other. Council also had a coffeehouse with folk entertainment and a dance at the end of the week. A bargeque held during the traditional faculty-student softball game was poorly attended, but those who came enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere and the beautifully sunny day. That last night the film "Chinatown" was shown in Seton Auditorium. More events were impossible for Orientation due to the simple fact that there were not enough people to co-ordinate activities.

Although many aspects of the Union were maintained in a state of constancy this year, many things underwent upheaval as well. A seemingly insoluble problem at the beginning of the year confronted the Council when the City Police, who were heavily involved in working as security at the events, announced the withdrawal of their services as part of a city-wide policy. Happily this was resolved in the employment of the brothers of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity as the Union's security force.

In the area of entertainment, variety was attempted with little success. Coffeehouses were poorly attended as were films. The poor attendance and resulting loss of money eventually forced Council to discontinue offering these forms of entertainment. Beer and Chips held on Wednesday nights were always guaranteed a large enthusiastic crowd. The attendance at dances, however, was not spectacular, particularly the few times an unknown or novel band was introduced. The October Provincial Liquor strike also created some consternation among students and inconvenienced the Union a good deal.

Due to various resignations, elections were held in October and Council, with its added strength moved ahead to tackle student concerns. Relations with the Dalhousie Students' Union worked well for all concerned. In October, Mount students, under the Dal-Mount Students' Union agreement, became included in the Dal Prescription Drug Plan. With the appropriate authorization this allowed them to get their prescription drugs free from a drugstore in the city. However, for the amount of money that the Mount Union paid to the Dalhousie Union as set forth in the agreement, facilities at Dalhousie could have been better utilized.

Students' Council realized the pressing need to develop the Union into a more efficient business. As a result, a part-time Union Manager, Ron Boutilier, was hired. Difficulty was experienced in properly defining his job; his responsibilities extended to entertainment, ordering of supplies, maintenance of Union records and consultation. His employment led to the Union dealing through a lawyer for such legal matters as a rental lease with the University. A stage was built for the Union by the Halifax Vocational School for cost and carpeted and painted by members of the Council.

Aspects of the Union were successful in many cases because of the hard work and dedication of the people who committed themselves to their tasks. In some areas the interest withered or was overwhelmed by frustration and general incompetence.

At the beginning of the year the Council attempted to tackle some knotty, complicated problems; the revision of the Constitution and the rather philosophical discussion on the direction and purpose of the Union. Unfortunately, these issues eventually became bogged down in the daily routine of managing the Union's affairs. However, the whole question of the Union's direction did create --

a turmoil of ideas within the very core of the Union, amongst its most concerned students. It became increasingly apparent that the Union's function was not to create needs but merely to fill them. The tight efficient management of a few vital aspects of the Union was realized to be far more advantageous to the students than the discorganization of greater diversity. The incredible amount of work that constantly faced those few students who cared enough to accept and execute responsibility only illustrated the general malaise and lethargy that hung over the campus. Such a state of apathy impressed upon the Council the need for the Union to limit its scope. The greatest difficulty the Union faced and still faces is the disinterest of its members. So many students seem satisfied to slip through the Mount, never having investigated its multifaceted opportunities.

The Students' Council involved itself in what for many resident students was a heated issue--male visiting privileges in the residences. Complications and misunderstandings with the University led to delays in the resolution of the problem. Students' Council approached the resident students with a proposal to protest the delays. However, students were not willing to take such a drastic stand against the University and so the idea was dropped. Finally the

students' proposal for implementation of the visiting policy went to the Board of Governors for discussion. Although the Corporation of the University, comprised of Sisters of Charity, clearly delineated their prerogative as owners of the University to veto the proposal, a Board Committee was struck to investigate the matter further. Without doubt, some good is bound to arise from the dispute; questions are being raised about the entire quality of life on the campus and the direction of the Mount in relation to its alleged commitment to women.

--A.S. Derrick



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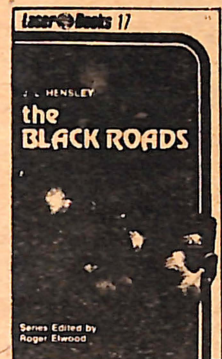
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fees paid to an educational institu-
tion if the fee does not exceed \$25.
However, last year I took several
courses, each with a fee of \$10 or
less, but the total for the year is
more than \$25. May I claim these
tuition fees when filing my income
tax return?

A. Provided they otherwise qualify,
these fees would be deductible if
they were paid to the same educa-
tional institution. It is the total
of fees paid to the educational
institution that counts.

Q. What receipts or certificates
must I enclose with my income tax
form when claiming my tuition fees?
How do I calculate the amount of
tuition I can claim?

A. The educational institution you
attend will provide you with an
official receipt or certificate
approved for income tax purposes.

Tuition fees supported by receipts
or certificates may be claimed for
any 12-month period beginning in the
taxation year. If you claim fees paid
for the academic year, simply attach
the certified receipt to your tax
return. If you claim fees paid for
the calendar year only, here's what
you can do:

1. The amounts paid for September--
December of 1975 are usually
only a part of the amount shown
on the certified receipt. If so,
specify this partial amount on
your receipt.
2. Amounts paid for last term
studies (January--April of 1975)
can also be claimed provided, of
course, you hadn't claimed them
on last year's return.

Q. I am a student at a Canadian univer-
sity. How do I calculate the tuition
fees allowable?

A. Tuition fees supported by the proper
certificate may be claimed for any 12-
month period beginning in the taxation
year, which means for 1975 you could
claim either on the calendar year or
the academic year 1975--76.

Q. I am a student at university and
have a part-time job which becomes
a full-time job during the summer
months. My earnings are more than
\$1,800 a year. I pay my own tuition
fees out of my earnings and under-
stand that only I can deduct these
fees from my income for tax purposes.

If I do this, my income will be re-
duced to \$1,400. Does this mean my
father can claim me as a dependent?

A. Yes, if your father supported you
during the year. However, his \$646 ex-
emption is reduced by the amount that
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STUDENTS

Q. My employer sent me a T4 slip showing the amount of tuition fees he paid on my behalf last year. Do I have to report this on my return?

A. Yes, but if you attended a qualified educational institution, you should be entitled to claim tuition fees to offset it. Be sure to submit a proper receipt for tuition when making this claim.

Q. I am a full-time university student and have obtained temporary employment some 200 miles away. I am required to pay my own travel expenses to get to this temporary job. Can I deduct this expense from income I earn during the summer?

A. Yes. If you have been in full-time attendance at a university or other post-secondary education institution in Canada, and you move to take a job, including summer employment, you may claim moving expense deductions. This applies only to moving expenses to get to the employment and not to those for your return to the university.

Q. I was a student at the university from September until the end of December, a period of four months. However, I did not start classes until the middle of September. May I claim the education deduction of \$50.00 a month even though I did not attend for the whole month of September?

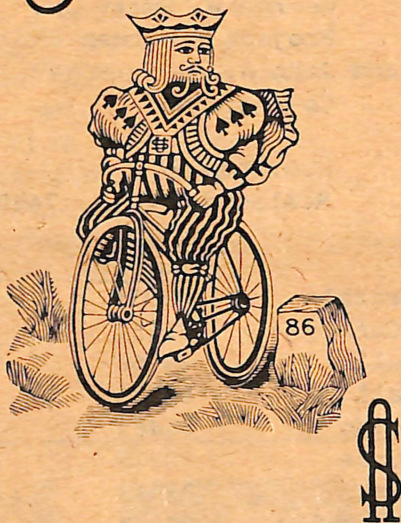
A. Yes. As long as you attended the institution for at least one day in a month, you would qualify for the \$50.00 education deduction for that month.

Q. Last year my wife attended university for eight months. She did not earn any income and did not receive an allowance of any kind. Does this mean I can claim the education deduction on her behalf?

A. Yes, under these circumstances, you would be entitled to an education deduction of \$400.



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EDITOR'S PAGE

Another academic year is almost over and it is with mixed emotions that I leave the position of Editor of The Picaro.

Never in one year have I been so proud, so disappointed, so annoyed, so educated, so frustrated and so fulfilled. In so many ways I will be relieved of the responsibilities, and pressures of deadlines, etc, but I will miss those who I counted on and thrived off this year. There are so many things that will never be the same and so many people's paths I might not cross again, but in all I would have not missed this year for all the years in time. I have learned to take on responsibility, accept defeat and work in unison with my colleagues.

It seems so cliché to start in on the "I would like to thank", but it is so essential and right.

The first and foremost in my mind is to Larry Bates, in that simply without him there would have been no paper. As our Layout Manager, he was a driving force behind the production of the paper. As a good friend he constantly lightened my spirits and held my mind together.

To Anne Derrick, a very special thank you for all her support. As President, friend, comedian, philosopher, janitor and all other roles she is involved in, we counted on her throughout the year, and were never let down. It will be a sad day when Anne leaves the Mount, and one we are not looking forward to. dispensable. Without you the mechanism

Dear Editor and Staff:

Our Chapter of the Jaycees is located behind the walls of the State Penitentiary and the membership is composed entirely of men incarcerated at this facility. We recently initiated a new project entitled "A Brighter Day", which we would like your campus paper to help us make a success.

There are a great number of men here that do not have friends or relatives on the outside with which they may correspond. Our brighter day program is designed to fill a void in their lives and brighten their day each day at mail call. There is nothing more discouraging than the lack of communication with the outside and receiving mail is one of the most important things in an inmate's life.

We would like you to print a few names of prisoners in your campus paper and thus encourage students to write to these men. We feel that college students are at a time in their lives just as we are, that since they are planning their futures, they may be able to help some people improve themselves. This is one of the goals of the Jaycees and we are working for the improvement of all persons involved.

Please let us hear from you regarding this request at your -

cal aspects of the paper would have folded. You were there to lean on and although your jobs may not have been the most prestigious in the world, I truly hope you learned and enjoyed your contribution. It is hard to express how much I appreciated you as staff and as friends.

For those who succeed me, I want to assure you that I will be more than happy to get you on your feet and start the Picaro going. It is not an easy job but it is something you will remember and be proud of the rest of your life.

In closing, I would like to express the need for survival if you expect to see the Picaro publishing next year. It's your paper--it's up to you.

Have an endless summer, and be your own Invictus, the master of your fate, and the captain of your soul.

--P.A. Yates

earliest convenience. We are listing below several names of men that would appreciate someone to write to and correspond with. We would also like a courtesy copy of your campus paper. Thank you for helping us help someone here have a brighter day.

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Richard Guffey	91151	28
Edward Hall	88566	30
Harold Hall	90370	31
Robert Hamon	85463	27
Larry Harris	88375	22
Gorden Hart	85818	26
Kenneth Harwell	90962	22

A letter to the President of the Students' Council:

While reading the Chronicle-Herald this past week, I came across the enclosed advertisement for Mount Saint Vincent University. I must say I was quite surprised at the stereotyped picture of "male teaches female". The reason I was so surprised is that Mt. St. Vincent has been quite effectively run in the past by the Sisters of Charity, and if your 1975 University Calendar is accurate, females comprise the majority by far of your faculty. In view of these facts, why then was such a picture used in the advertisement for your University? Could a picture of a female professor not equal the message you are trying to convey? If so, why not? I certainly think it more fitting to Mt. St. Vincent that a female professor be used to advertise your University.

Today we are waging a constant battle against stereotyped images for the best interests of our people, both female and male. It is difficult



enough for female professors to gain respect in male-dominated educational institutions, but to have a female-dominated institution resort to such a stereotype is self-defeating and rather difficult to swallow.

I am asking you to please, if possible, have my letter published in your Campus Newspaper and bring it to the attention of those concerned with advertising.

I thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Lois Hoegg
Wolfville, N.S.

In response to the letter written by Lois Hoegg referring to the advertisement which appeared in the Chronicle Herald and Time magazine, we are questioning the validity of the message delivered.

On one side of the coin, it appears to show the stereotype role--male teaches female. Subliminal education, you say? I doubt it very much. MSVU being a predominantly female institution, seems to have contradicted itself and jeopardized its goals and philosophies. The argument of "could not a female professor equal the male professor" arises. Whether it seems to be more fitting for a female prof to be teaching the predominantly female population is not the question. Is it not just as sexist and archaic to condemn a male academic?

Our society consists of females and males, whose pros and cons constantly weigh and outweigh one another. We must draw away from so called women's lib, and male chauvinist sex roles and delete the stereotyped images all together. What our society needs to realize, especially the fanatics on either side of the fence, is that we need a revolution, an uprising of people's liberations to clear the air once and for all. If this ever comes about it will revolutionize our thinking and will be ideal for both sexes. We will then no longer need to raise petty issues and blow our own horns, nor will any man or

BUDGET

March 31st marks the end of the fiscal year for Students' Council. In order to balance the books, campus societies and organizations are asked to submit written summaries of how any monies they received from Council were spent.

Budgets for the 1976-77 academic year must be submitted by April 15th, 1976. Societies that fail to submit budgets may not receive monetary support next year. Council executive has no way of "guessing" how much a society will need. Therefore, budget commitments will be made to only those who submit a summary of expected expenditures.

Societies may contact the Council Treasurer, Deborah Graham, for assistance in preparing budgets and summaries. Her office hours are:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 12--3 pm

Tuesday, Thursday 3:30--4:30 pm

Her office is located in the Council President's Office (near Bookstore, Rosaria Hall).

--D.M. Graham

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woman need to be constantly on the defensive.

In conclusion, I believe in the one for one concept. The female sexist ads are just as frequent as the ads unfair to men. When we start to realize that we are all people, with differences then and only then can we realize our potential and use them without fear of being labelled.

--P.A. Yates

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- Fail to have a ticket 'home'
- Forget or lose your identification (passport, or other)
- Fail to obtain a visa when required
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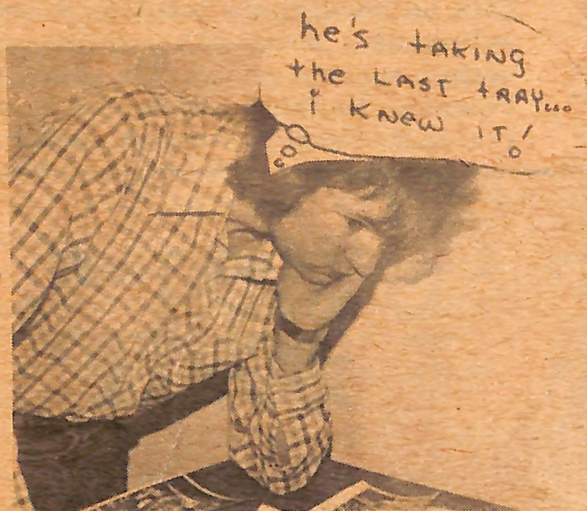
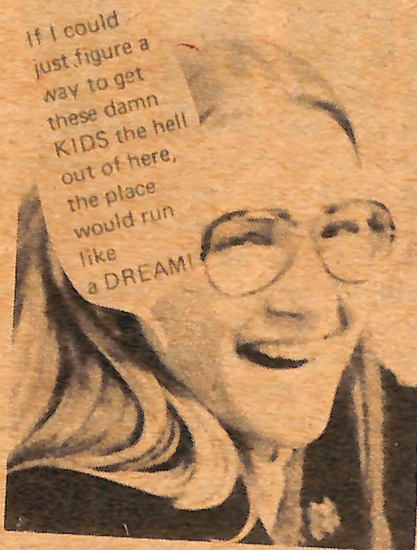
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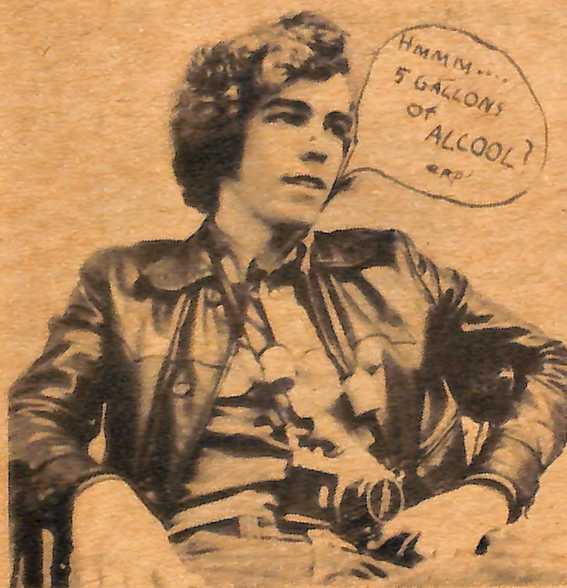
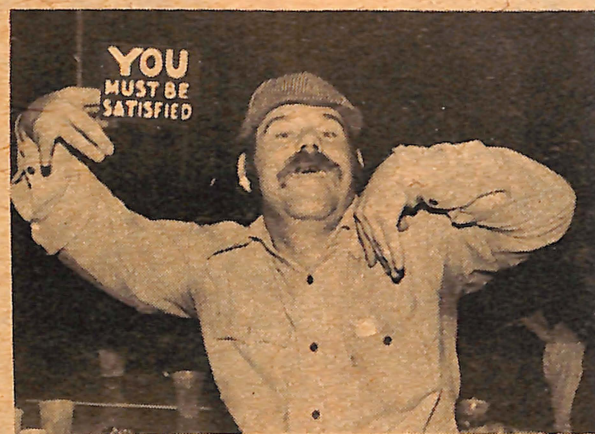


These freaks thrive on
RAISIN' HELL;

The Picaro, Tuesday March 23..9



I've got the
BOARD OF
GOVERNORS
and the
Charimans
eating out of
my HAND!



PRESIDENT'S EPILOG

The most valuable asset of any organization is the people that comprise it. Paradoxically they are also its greatest disadvantage. This is no less true in relation to the Students' Union of the Mount. Having been at this university for four years, I know that any progress the Students' Union has made, although made in the best interests of the Union as a whole has been made by a very small part of that whole. This surely is not the purpose of a Union. A Union is defined as "a confederation of independent individuals (as nations or persons) for some common purpose". A Students' Union would be described as an organization of students formed to —

advance its members' interests. It would seem to me that most students have lost sight of the actual purpose of a Students' Union; and sadly, too often this is as true of the leaders as it is of the people whom they lead.

It has become apparent to me that, if a graph was drawn of student involvement at the Mount, there would not be a very healthy distribution. Students exist at the two extreme ends of the spectrum, with few occupying the middle. Students at this university do not view themselves as a unit, all working together so that the entire group may benefit. It falls the lot of a small isolated group to struggle arduously —

to further the interests of a vast number of flaccidly indifferent individuals. Somehow this Students' Union has survived. For as many times as I have wondered how, I have also wondered why. In retrospect I am not considering that the years I have spent working for this Union (in other words you people) have been wasted, I feel perhaps they might have been better spent filling student needs and not attempting to create them. However, much as it disappoints me to realize it, the majority of you are not interested in becoming involved together to advance your cause as students. You would be better served and more satisfied thereby, if the the Students' Union existed as a type of catering service extending itself to provide what students want, good cheap entertainment, strong academic representation and a variety of smaller services. This would require an extremely well controlled centralized hierarchy, whose members would be adequately paid to provide the incentive. High ideals and profound commitment would not be an integral component, the purpose would be purely functional. Despite this realization, it has been my good fortune to have been exposed, through this Union, to a number of students who would not have been satisfied with a Union organized in this dimension of unadulterated functionalism.

I have often found myself in extreme conflict, torn as to whether I was really serving students if the Union was not providing the services that the majority felt were important. It was critical then to keep things in perspective and remember that this Union is still structured along the lines of an organization of people supposedly united for the common good. What many of you have found to criticize about the Union and its leaders has been your own fault. In my two years as President I have spoken to so many students who have complained that the students involved in the visceral functioning of the Union have formed a clique. It is an accusation I have never denied. Those of us motivated to work together against the common ills that plague all students are a clique, but not by choice so much as by virtue of the fact that we have been alienated from those of you who are too egocentric to join us.

We are all students together at this small, supposedly, intimate university. There is no demarcation zone that separates us except our wildly differing levels of motivation. How incredibly changed this Union would be if you would start treating it as a Union and not merely a vending machine where you put in your money and wait petulantly for some return, often kicking viciously when something goes awry. I am surprised to talk to some of you, you are in for a rude shock when

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YOU DON'T HAVE TO MAKE A CAREER OUT OF A SUMMER JOB.

Once upon a time there was a student who selected herself out of a summer job. (Oh no, we're not just picking on girls. We've seen guys do it, too.) She wanted to be an architect, this kid. So she held out for a job that had something to do with architecture. None came along that year, and by the time she decided to settle for something else, it was too late. All the jobs were gone. So was her first year's tuition.

Moral: Don't hold out for the impossible dream.

Who knows. Your Canada Manpower Centre for Students might introduce you to a whole new field. Maybe you'll like your summer job so much you'll want to make a career out of it someday.

HAVE A YOUNG SUMMER.

Manpower and Immigration
Robert Andras
Minister

Main-d'œuvre et Immigration
Robert Andras
Ministre

Canada Manpower Centres for Students.

HIRE
-A-
STUDENT

I would like to thank all those students who voted, for doing so, especially those who supported me.

Next year, with the help of Council, hopefully the Students' Union will acquire direction, some guidelines to live within, something to grow towards.

I hope, starting in April, the Students' Union will be run more as a business that will look out for the students' needs and then do its best to take care of them.

Students should realize that the Students' Union is their voice in the government of their university. The elected council is responsible to protect students' rights. The students must remember that this is their university and that without them there would be no Mount Saint Vincent. So, if the council representing the students acts in an educated and adult manner, worthwhile and well-thought out suggestions will probably be seriously considered by the administration.

With the help of Council I hope that when the fall term resumes many of the ideals I expressed in my platform will be ready for implementation.

Next year's council will also attend to work left unfinished by this year's council concerning the reconstruction of the constitution. These revisions will provide a stronger base from which to work.

I trust the students will support me and those working with me, and join us in trying to create a more active university community. Please do not feel intimidated by our titles as we are students just like you. We want you to approach us freely with any questions or problems, large or small. If we cannot help you ourselves, we can at the very least direct you to those who can.

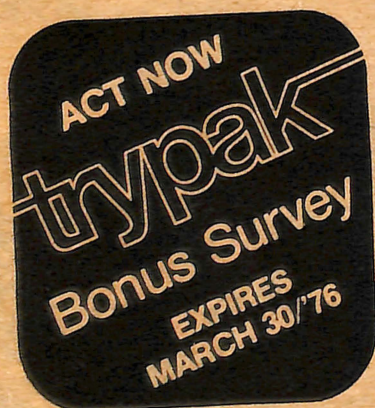
Hope to see you all next year.

Yours truly,
Randy Tilden

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my sincere congratulations to Randy Tilden for his victory in the past election. Best of luck in your new position.

My thanks to all those who supported me in that election. Special thanks to my Campaign Manager, Allison Edmunds. Congratulations to all those who were victorious in this election, best of luck next year.

-- Susan McMullin



THANK-YOU



On behalf of the Home Economics Junior Class, we would like to thank Students' Council for all the cooperation and help they gave us in making Home Economics Weekend a success. We would like to extend thanks especially to Anne Derrick who helped and advised with all matters and to Debbie Graham for her patience and hard work over money matters. Also thanks to Larry Shaffer and Ron Boutilier for help about the various facets of the entertainment. Many thanks to Dave Reader, Randy Tilden, Matthew Pearce, Adair Stewart, Pat Murphy, Mary Healy, Diane Wright and Roseanne Winter for all their hard work.

Also a million thanks to all the Home Economics students who helped in many different ways. Special thanks go to the girls on the various committees--you did such a good job.

Yours sincerely,
Susan Power
Susan Walke

thanks

I would like to thank everyone who made an effort to provide the Mount with entertainment. And I would also like to extend my gratitude to those who made my year as the Entertainment Director a good experience.

--L.D. Shaffer

When I first came to the Mount, nervous and without knowing a soul, I was concerned about university kids being unapproachable. I'm pleased to say, that thought was changed my first day here. I would like to give a special thanks to Anne Derrick and Larry Shaffer for being so friendly to me, and helping me become involved in our university. Thanks also to all the people who inhabit the Council Office, I'm sure going to miss the ones who are leaving!

--Diane Wright

Hello! My name is Diane Wright and I'm your new External Vice-President. I will be involved in conveying pertinent outside issues to Council and the Union, acting as liaison between the Dalhousie Students' Union and that of the Mount, and attending A.F.S. and N.U.S. conferences. Student Aid will be another of my concerns. As my main job is the student body, I hope you will bring your opinions and ideas to us. Our Council meetings are open for anyone to attend--to find out when they are to be held call the Council Office at 443-4224. I can be reached at Vincent Hall, 443-9929, room 4620.

I hope you will give active support so we can better appreciate our Union's needs.

I would like, at this time, to thank all persons involved in helping to make this year's Business Conference a success. Through their vigorous effort, our guests were impressed and very pleased. I hope this effort carries over to next year, and our future conferences are received as well as our previous ones were. On behalf of the Business Society, thank you everyone.

--Dave Reader

I would like to thank those of you who supported me in my election to Council on February 18th.

As your new Academic Vice-President I will be responsible for carrying out the following duties for you:

--student representative on Academic Affairs Committee

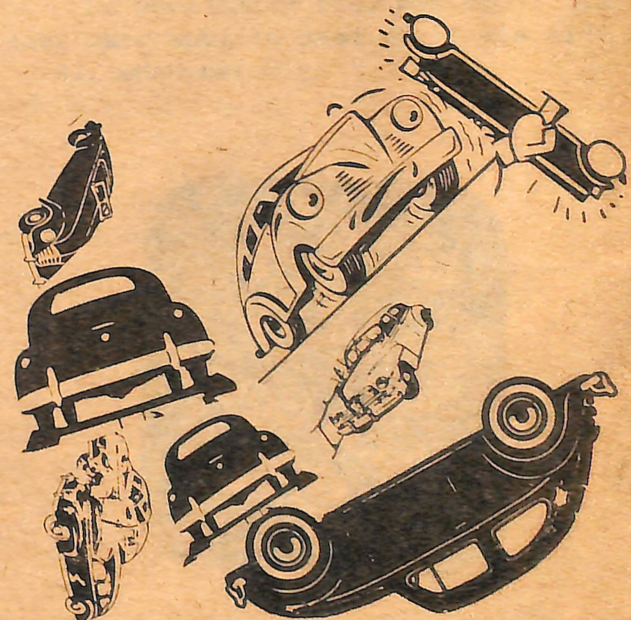
--setting up a committee of seniors to assist new students during registration week

--representing M.S.V.U. on the A.F.S. meetings on the status of higher education

--student representative on Senate
--general council matters

I would like to assure you that I will carry out these duties to the utmost of my ability. Should you want to be in touch with me, with regards to a matter within my jurisdiction, you can reach me personally at 1406 Vincent Hall, or you may leave a message at Council General Office.

Thanks again,
Nancy Hoegg



The RCMP It could be for you

students'

council

meeting

Discussion at the last Students' Council meeting on March 2nd dealt mainly with clarification of next year's policies concerning certain union positions and also with the recurring issue of males in residence. No major breakthrough appears forthcoming concerning the latter as it seems that the Students' proposal has reached a standstill in the form of the Board of Governors, if the meeting on February 18th is any indication. The current request was met with mixed feelings by Board members who seemed to be split in their views of even an attempt to implement the proposal by the students on a trial basis. As nothing definite was decided, a committee was formed to reconsider and discuss the proposal, consisting of John Graham, Mrs. J. Archibald, Elizabeth Adams, Susan Pitman, and Dean of Students, Sr. Marie Gillen, as well as Students' Union President, Anne Derrick.

At present the real obstacle standing in the way of advancement is the Corporation of this University--a body composed solely of the Sisters of Charity, who own the institution. The corporation is unequivocally against any new innovations concerning males, believing that if the present policy is changed it will oppose the philosophy of the university, remove some of its distinction, and jeopardize public funding. All this makes evident the likelihood that any positive suggestion posed by the Board will be vetoed by the Corporation. In spite of these hindrances, Mrs. Archibald, Anne Derrick, and Sister Gillen met last Tuesday morning to seek a solution or some type of compromise. They discussed alternative tactics which could be employed in next approaching the Board and the decision was reached to present the panel with the questionnaires which students filled out earlier this year, and to restate the proposal in question in a more straightforward way to clearly delineate the students' demands and expectations. Hopefully this will give the students' arguments more weight when discussion resumes.

What all this boils down to is the rather unlikely situation of the Board of Governors taking a stand against the Corporation, this assuming that the Board itself gives its approval. It seems that, at present, any major change in this field will have to be waived, at least until existing attitudes change. In the face of all this I think that the perseverance evinced by the Students' Council is certainly admirable.

Moving on to more animated topics, Students' Council issues were next discussed. The future president, Randy Tilden, suggested that more power in the field of entertainment be placed in the hands of the Union Manager, particular mention being made of the hiring and firing of bar and ticket staff. This would elicit a more accurate staff from the student body as decisions on who to hire would be more detached and less favouritism practiced. The motion was rejected because, as Anne Derrick pointed out, the director who works directly with the staff can more easily spot incompetence than the Manager and if the director's performance is unsatisfactory Council has the right to dismiss him.

New policies previously drawn up concerning Entertainment Director and Students' Store Manager were reviewed, clearly delineating the responsibilities in these two positions, and a motion was passed that the Students' Store in the future receive \$1,000 loan from the Council instead of the usual \$400.

Other items mentioned of interest were the legal drawing up of a rental lease for the Students' Union offices --this lease has been taken to the Finance Committee for approbation.

March 23rd is the date set to discuss the Union Manager's contract.

Also the proposal was passed to drop the old ad policy; Jane Carmen will draw up a new one, and finally the motion was passed to give the Business Society \$420. to finance their Beer and Chips on March 11th.

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Committee are already of the opinion to finalize its work before the April Board meeting, all members of the that there is a severe lack of recreational facilities on the campus. Through meetings with students and the residence committee, many student concerns about the residences have been brought to the committee's attention. These will also be presented to the Board on April 22nd.

Students in residence are concerned that the existing facilities be better used, particularly in relation to the fact that there are no appropriate facilities on campus for co-educational recreation.

Students' Council and the Students' Representatives on the Board are doing their utmost to support the original issue of male visiting privileges; however, as owners of the University,

the Corporation is perfectly justified in its decision to veto the proposal's implementation. Nonetheless, vital questions are being discussed with relation to the Mount as an institution dedicated to the education of women and the general quality of life on campus.

Whatever the Board's final decision is, there will be an underlying realization in the minds of many that this entire issue of males on campus will raise its head again. However student concerns are dealt with in the interim, the basic questions of whether the University should be acting in loco parentis, of whether the Mount is serving its purpose as a university committed to women, and of whether this position is being jeopardized or enhanced by the males on campus, will remain.

To the next Students' Council:

"The Prince must be a lion and a fox, a fox to avoid traps and a lion to frighten away wolves. He who wishes only to be a lion does not realize this."

With best wishes for a successful year.

Yours sincerely,
Mac

All students are invited to attend the annual "Awards Day" presented by Mount Saint Vincent University Students' Union on March 31st at 3 p.m. in Seton Academic Centre, Auditoriums A and D. Everyone welcome!

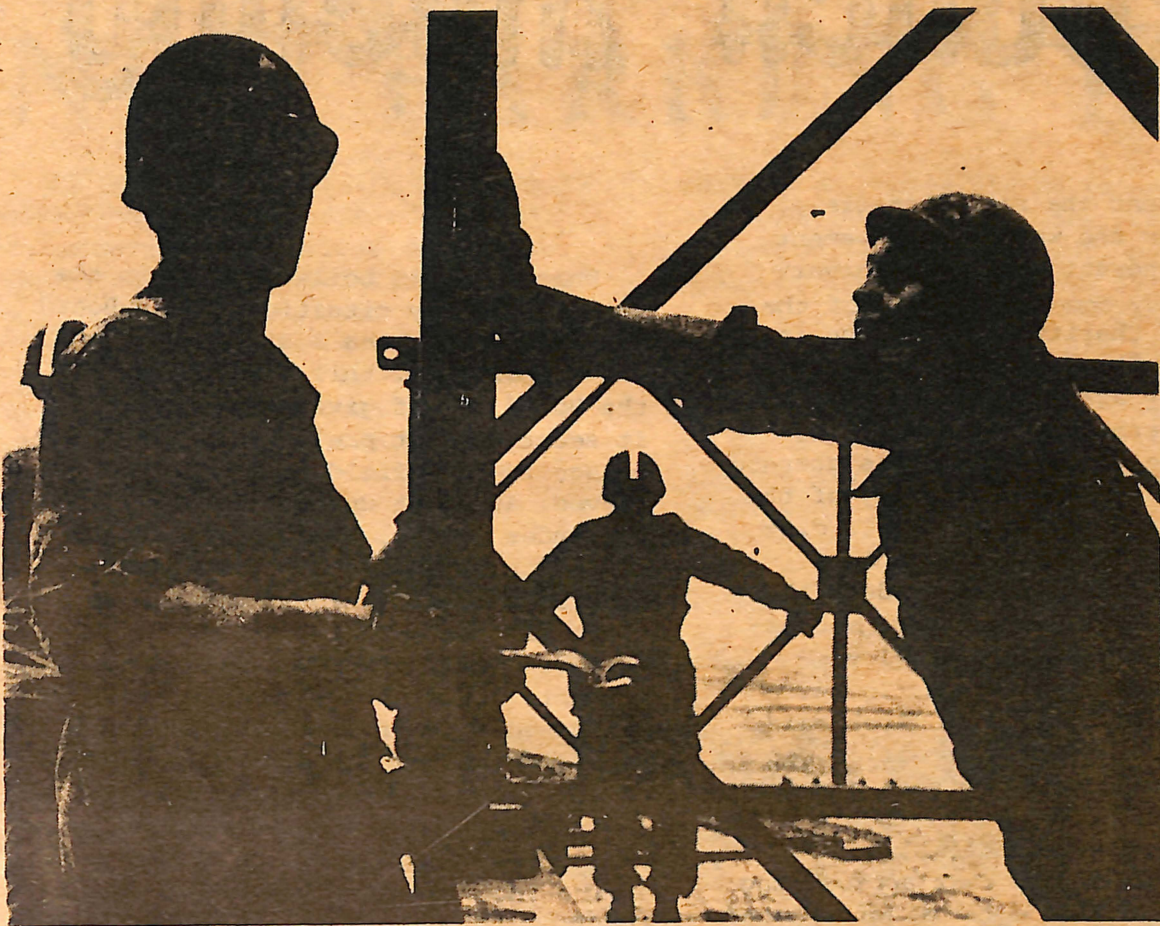
Students and faculty of Mount Saint Vincent University are cordially invited to attend a public meeting to support the struggle of the Azanian people against racist and fascist South Africa.

Pieces

The meeting is being held as part of the cross-Canada speaking tour to inform people of the situation in Azania (South Africa). The speaker will be Comrade D. Sibeko, Director of Foreign Affairs of the Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) and Representative from the PAC Observer Mission to the United Nations. The meeting will be held March 25th, at 7:30 pm in the McMechan Auditorium, Killam Library, Dalhousie.

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you finally have to fend for yourselves after University. You have complained to me about being unable to approach your fellow students who are leaders in your Union, you have whined about your ignorance of campus matters, you have exposed your immaturity and you have only hurt yourselves. University is the last relative security you will find before you step out into the storm. I wish that many more of you would have participated in the vastly -

broadening experience of the Students' Union.

So much that is accomplished within this Union is accomplished by the great sacrifices of its few dedicated, diligent participants. Even its functioning from day to day does not flow effortlessly. It is a Union that is struggling free from a foetal position and is completely dependant upon those who comprise its backbone. There is much that is deserving of criticism and censure, and much that is almost impossible to change without some involvement from the students that have the insight to complain but who are without the insight to realize that they are part of the problem.

I have been at this University a long time. It is certainly not without regret that I leave; and the aspect of the Mount that I shall -

miss the most will be that which has given me the most joy and the most inexpressible frustration--the Students' Union. I hope that those who remain will find in the Union those things which make the involvement so rewarding and that they will be able to rectify those ills which I have been unable to change.

I sincerely believe that all I have done is my job--I accepted the responsibility to be President of the Students' Union and to the best of my ability I have executed that responsibility. Although I am aware that in many ways some students at the Mount may have wished that the leaders of the Union had directed it to fulfilling their desires with less consideration of ethical issues and the importance of standards within an organization, I am proud that the people I have worked with for the most part have been sincerely concerned with the quality of student life both on the campus and within society. I would not have wished to have been President of a vending machine Union, that gobbled in money and spewed out goods. If any of you feel that this is exactly the kind of Union you have, you fail to realize what I have been saying--you don't HAVE a Union, you are the Union.

You are responsible as students to maintain consciousness within the

University that you are the University. Although many groups comprise the Mount--the Board of Governors, the Administration, the Faculty--their raison d'etre is the students. You also have a responsibility to consolidate with other students to represent common student concerns. You are not all isolated, existing in individually-wrapped cellophane packages; you are a part of the whole, and this Union exists because of you and in many instances in spite of you.

I would ask you to see yourself

as an integral part of this Students' Union. See that for each contribution you make to it, you receive immeasurable rewards in some form or another.

I take with me many happy memories of good people and good times. My job has only been possible because of those people who have supported me and the concerns that we have devoted ourselves to. There are a number of people I cannot adequately thank, and I am reluctant to start because, inevitably, someone will be left out. Most particularly I wish to thank Larry Shaffer, Matthew Pearce, and Debbie Graham, for their tireless dedication to the advancement of the Union, their concern, and their indescribable sense of humour. And for their sense of humour and hard work, I also thank Phi Delta Theta Fraternity. I thank all those who worked hard for Council throughout the year and many times patiently endured my ranting and raving. For those of you who have been my friends and have contributed to my well being through your contribution to the Students' Union, I can do no better than wish you the happiness I have known here.

--A.S. Derrick

BUSINESS CONFERENCE

On Wednesday afternoon, March 17th, the Business Society sponsored an "Anti-Inflation Conference".

Dr. W. Shelton, Academic Dean, gave an official welcome to fifteen members of the business community, the faculty and students. He expounded on the continually increasing improvement of the Mount's business program. He noted the introduction of a "Public Relations" program in the near future.

Jo-Anne McGinn, President of the Business Society, introduced the guest speaker, Mr. Roger Perry.

Mr. Perry, a Chartered Accountant with Thorne Riddel & Co in Halifax, is the Regional Director of the Anti-inflation Board.

Mr. Perry gave an overview of the Anti-inflation Act, touching on the administrative structure of the Board, explaining to whom and to what products the regulations of the Act apply, and briefly discussing the methods of percentage determination and reporting.

Following Mr. Perry's presentation, discussion groups were formed--an hour was spent discussing various financial topics using the presentation as a guideline. The discussion group chair-

men gave brief summaries of each group's ideas.

A reception followed at which the businessmen expressed surprise and great satisfaction over the success of and the participation in the conference.

On behalf of Students' Council and the students, we would like to express sincere thanks to Jo-Anne McGinn for her perseverance and hard work in organizing this conference. To Rand Tilden, Diane Wright, Anne McNeill, and Dorothy Kaye, thanks for your patience and help in setting up. A very special thanks to Ken McLair, a non-Business student, for lending a helping hand.

The success of the conference is evidence that not all students are apathy stricken. To the Business Society--keep up the good work. We look forward to other successful conferences.

--Dave Reader

--Debbie Graham

REMEMBER?

Why, in heaven's name, did I ever decide to go back to school? I know I'm going to hate this university. Everybody is so much younger than I am. Nobody's friendly.

Hey, what's this notice about a store? Needs volunteer workers? Well, heck, I might as well put my name down. Can't hurt. Might even meet some people.

These thoughts have been running through my mind as I sit here typing articles for the last issue of the Picaro. How my ideas about hating this university and it being an unfriendly place have changed!!

What a wonderful, fantastic year I have spent here at Mount Saint Vincent University. And it all began when I put my name on a list -

of volunteer workers.

I've met so many people, I can't begin to remember them all. I've done so many things that I would never have done if I hadn't decided to come back to school.

As Anne, Peggy, Larry, and all the others say their thanks and goodbyes, I want to say to all students who had thoughts similar to mine last September, and have ended the year not feeling any differently, that next year doesn't have to end the same way. Just put your name on a volunteer list, or attend Council meetings, or write articles for the Picaro, and see how fast things change.

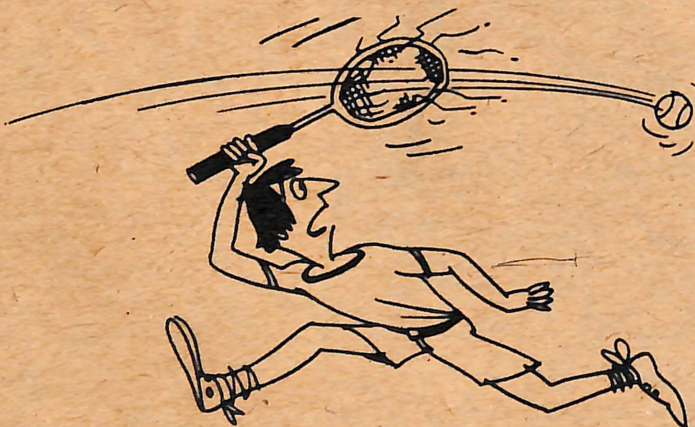
Get involved! Next year have a wonderful, fantastic time.

--Debbie Graham

Here's the Story!

FOOD COMMITTEE

Snacks during final exams will begin on April 11th and run until April 14th. After Easter Weekend they will commence on April 19th and run until April 22nd. Breakfast will be served on Saturday, April 10th and Saturday, April 17th.




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awards

Awards are presented annually by the Students' Council to the students who are felt to have contributed in an exceptional way to the quality of student life on campus. The awards nominations are then reviewed by Council and the Awards Day Committee. Persons that are considered by Council to be worthy of receiving an award are so honoured at a special Awards Day on March 31st in the Seton Auditorium.

All students are cordially invited to attend Awards Day, which begins at 3 pm on the 31st of March. It is an opportunity for students at the Mount to honour those students who have expended their enthusiasm, energies and talents for the good of their fellow students.



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