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Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax, Nova Scotia

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New Five Year Plan for Mount Computer Resources Approved

A one-year in-depth study by the Mount's Computer Committee to assess the needs of faculty and administration for computer services has just been published and distributed on campus.

Robert Farmer, director of Computer Services, describes the Computer Resources Plan as "a painstaking job carried out by the eight member president's committee which will, we hope, give us a model for the next five years."

The Computer Committee, consisting of Chair Mary Moore Uhl, Deans Patricia Mullins and Susan Clark, Registrar Diane Morris, Dr. Norman Uhl, (Education Department), Dr. Charlie Edmunds, (Mathematics Department), Shirley Margeson, (Office Administration Department) and Robert Farmer, who is secretary for the committee, made numerous recommendations which

cover the needs of both faculty and administration.

Faculty require an increase in central computing resources; user consulting and support and access to microcomputers, while administration needs to develop a large number of databases; more microcomputers and the DECmate as a standard word processor for all offices.

"The need for information and training for both administrative and academic users is vital," Farmer says. "Users of the university's computing equipment should make knowledgeable and efficient use of hardware and software."

—Five Year—

The five-year plan is divided into three phases, for the years 1985-86; 1986-88 and 1988-1990.

"The first computer plan we had was completed in 1983," Farmer points out, "and we expected that it would take five years to implement. However, most of it was in place in 18 months so with this new plan, we hope that we can at least look forward to a minimum of three years to carry it out!"

He feels that the Mount is "as well off as most other universities in the (Continued on page 8)

Candlelight Supper To Be Repeated

Last year's Host Family Pot Luck Candlelight Supper and Stage Show was so successful that the event will be repeated this year on Saturday, February 22 at Vinnie's Pub from 6:30 to 10 p.m.

Host families are being invited to come along with their international student (or students) to enjoy this colourful evening of ethnic food and fun.

Reception will take place from 6:30 to 7 p.m. with supper following from 7 to 8 p.m. The stage show begins at 8 p.m. and the evening comes to a close with dessert and coffee.

Carol Hartzman, the Mount's international student advisor says, "We plan to make this an annual event. It's a wonderful way to bring our international students and their host families together."

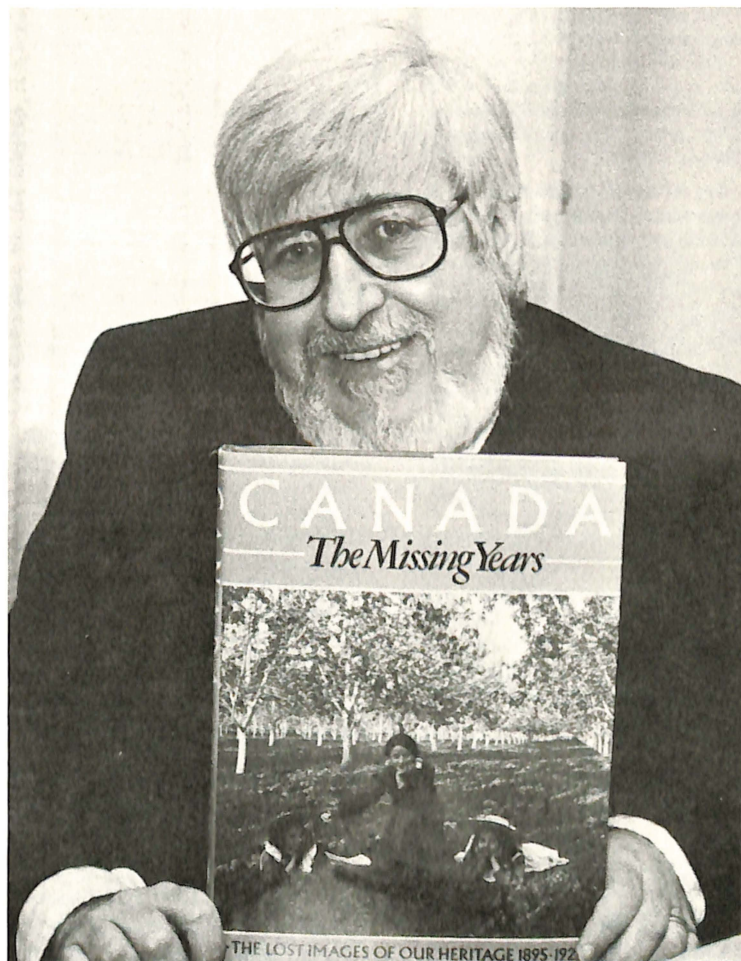
Vintage 1925

Vintage 1925, this year's Faculty Association Dinner Dance will take place on Saturday, January 25 in the Cafeteria, starting at 7 p.m.

Wear your (or your parents') carefully saved clothes of the period — your great gatsby get-up — your flapper fringes and pearls and enjoy the music of the twenties by John Sayre and the KC's.

Nancy Gilbert and her culinary cohorts will provide re-creations of past times.

Tickets are \$8 and obtainable from members of the Faculty Association Social Committee.



Dr. Patrick O'Neill displays a copy of the new book which tells the story of his discovery of old Canadian photographs taken at the turn of the century.

Discovery of Old Canadian Photos Now Appearing in Book Form

The story of 4,000 Canadian photographs, discovered by Dr. Patrick O'Neill in the British Library when he was searching for unknown Canadian plays, has been told by Patricia Pierce, in a beautiful and fascinating book *Canada — The Missing Years*, and recently published by Stoddart Publishing Company.

Nearly 150 pages of photographs dating from between 1895 and 1924,

provide an intriguing pictorial history of those days when Eastman's Kodak had become widely available and was easy to use.

The 200 views chosen for this volume show young Canada as it really was — the great natural beauty, the exploration of the Arctic, the creation of new provinces, the building of new cities, and include famous (Continued on page 8)

THE PEACE BEAT

by Pat Copeland

Are Star Wars tests a case of pulling the wool over our eyes? Apparently some American experts think so.

They are claiming that the Reagan administration is staging impressive-looking tests which are supposed to show major progress towards a space-based weapons system as Congress slashes into the Strategic Defence Initiative budget.

Ray Kidder, a scientist at the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory in California has been reported as stating, "The public is getting swindled by one side that has access to classified information and says whatever it wants, whereas we can't."

One experiment involved firing a chemical laser beam at part of an old US Titan missile. It was described by General James Abrahamson, director of the SDI organisation, as "a world-class breakthrough." Photos showing the missile disintegrating were distributed by the Pentagon and film was shown on television.

But the tests did not represent any scientific breakthrough. The chemical laser known as MIRACL, was developed as far back as the 1970's and lasers have penetrated metal many times before.

Also the distance between the laser and the target was only half a mile, whereas laser beams would have to travel thousands of miles in space.

MIRCL's beam cannot be directed. The machine is much too large to be lifted into space and its dozens of delicately positioned mirrors were kept cool by 9,000 gallons of water.

The impression was given that it was the laser that blew the missile casing apart, but that was not the case according to John Pike, head of space policy for the Federation of American Scientists. "It was a gadget at the top, a crossbar that was supposedly there for dynamic loading, with cables pulling down, that caused it to fly to pieces," he said. "The test looked more impressive than it actually was."

Among future projects are laser tests on the space shuttle, which are to be publicised at the Pentagon's request.

The need to impress Congress is likely to grow as critics mobilize their forces. In 1985, Congress removed \$1 million from the SDI budget, forcing research cutbacks.



The 12th Annual University Community Art, Craft, Baking, Hobby and Talent Show

Open to all students, staff, faculty and alumnae and/or partners or "significant others," this year the university community show will feature a special section on collections. If you have a collection of any size or shape, from the traditional to the eclectic, now's your chance to display all or a part of it. All entries will be accepted between January 20-24. Everyone may enter up to five items in the other categories, at least one will be shown. Register for the noon hour talent shows. All are eligible to win the prize in the Pottery Lottery.

Thursday, 30 January, 12:15 pm

Opening: Marc Neima, student and director/producer of A Chorus Line

12:30 pm — Preview scene from A Chorus Line

"A Chorus Line" is a celebration of those unsung heroes of American Theatre — the chorus dancers. A Chorus Line will be produced by the Mount's Department of Speech and Drama February 7-11, 1986.

Mount Co-op Student Lands Challenging Job at Expo '86

Senior public relations co-op student Lindsay Williams will be flying to Expo '86 this spring, but she won't be visiting. She'll be working.

The federal government has hired Williams as an area supervisor for the Canadian Pavilion at Expo '86.

Working from April to October, Williams will be training and supervising hosting staff, who will tour guests through the exhibits and entertainment booths at the Canadian Pavilion, the gateway to Expo '86.

"Managing people is going to be the biggest challenge," stated Williams. "I learned from managing staff on my last co-op work term that it isn't easy."

Williams worked as a Project Officer with Parks Canada in Calgary, Alberta, this past summer. She organized Parks Canada's participation in the Calgary Stampede, Edmonton Klondike Days and the Vancouver Pacific National Exhibition — to help celebrate Parks Canada Centennial Year. She has also been employed by IBM in Toronto, Maritime Electric Limited in Charlottetown, and Farmer's Dairy in Bedford.

A resident of Bedford, Williams stated her travel experience with co-op positions has prepared her for working in Vancouver. "That's the thing about the Co-op Program. Because I've worked all across Canada, I have that broad knowledge of Canadian provinces from P.E.I. in the East to Alberta in the West, which will be beneficial when working with staff and tourists from across the country."

Williams, who plans to specialize in promotions and special events, expects her experience with Parks Canada



Lindsay Williams

celebrations and Expo '86 will lead her to her long-term goal: the 1988 Olympics in Calgary. "What better experience than to work at two of Canada's largest special events," smiled Williams.

After Expo, Williams plans to return to the Mount in January, 1987 to complete her Public Relations degree. By then she will have collected a wardrobe designed by Alfred Sung (for Canadian Pavilion staff) and travelled to Europe (with the money earned in Vancouver.)

As transportation to and from Vancouver and accommodation with a family in north Vancouver are provided by her employer, Williams plans to save for travel.

Smiling, she stated, "So I have my life planned until April '87."

Ottawa to Improve Status of Disabled Persons

OTTAWA — A new 5-year federal strategy which entails a commitment for more than \$16 million in grants and contributions to improve the status of disabled Canadians was announced recently by Benoit Bouchard, Canada's minister responsible for the status of disabled persons.

"Although existing programs have effected change within government departments and agencies, I am not satisfied with the overall progress being made, and this was also emphasized in the recent Boyer Report: Equality for All," said Bouchard. "There is a recognized need for co-operation, as well as the pooling of efforts of different levels of government and the private sector."

Bouchard also noted that an additional \$250,000 is being allocated to the Program for the remaining four months of the current fiscal year in order to respond to the immediate needs of organizations of disabled persons.

The new strategy involves three major thrusts:

- a new Disabled Persons Participation Program of community support to assist disabled persons and their self-advocacy organizations to meet the objectives of self-determination, self-reliance and self-management;
- an innovative partnership that engages the public and private sectors in planning for the Decade of Disabled Persons in order to meet its goal of "Full Participation and Equality" of disabled persons; and
- an implementation plan for all outstanding *Obstacles* recommendations to be tabled before the newly-created Parliamentary Sub-Committee on the Status of Disabled Persons.

Calling for Papers on Education

A conference on the future of higher education has issued a call for papers. Entitled "Visions of Higher Education — Trans-national dialogues: Transformations," the conference will take place Aug. 18 to 22, 1986 in Zurich, Switzerland.

Themes include alternative structures and future financing for higher education.

The deadline for the submission of abstracts is March 1, 1986.

Information: John Sinton, division of natural sciences and mathematics, Stockton State College, Pomona, N.J. 08240 USA.



Long service awards were presented by President E. Margaret Fulton at the Christmas luncheon on December 20. L to R; Back Row: Don Duggan, security (5 years); Centre Row: Jean MacKay, bookstore manager (5 years); Susanna Goudey, business office (5 years); Alice Baker, Assisi switchboard (10 years); Evelyn O'Toole, secretary, Education Department (10 years); Joan Beed, security (5 years). Seated: Joyce Symonds, food services (10 years); Gladys Grandy, food services (15 years) Shirley Burgess, housekeeping (15 years); Stella Anderson, food services (10 years) and Helen Arnold, print shop (10 years). Not shown in the photo were: Eric Densmore, maintenance; Joan Richardson, secretary, Athletics Department; Raymond Sampson, Judy White and Linda White, housekeeping; Kathleen Neves, reading centre; Christine Carter, Admissions and Carlene Polak, registrar's office, who all received 5 year awards. May Goodwin, housekeeping received a 10 year award.

MacLennan Report in a Nutshell

While the report on the Royal Commission on Post Secondary Education in Nova Scotia boasts 115 recommendations, its own press release can be boiled down as follows:

GOVERNMENT SHOULD:

- establish a Department of Human Resource Development and Training (which it has already done) to identify job needs and provide the necessary training opportunities;
- appoint a Council on Continuing Education to co-ordinate the many continuing education programs offered throughout Nova Scotia;
- introduce an "occupational education" promotional campaign to increase public (student) awareness of alternative career options;
- establish an Educational Opportunity Fund to make loans to university students needing assistance

(replacing the existing provincial government bursary program);

- establish a Nova Scotia Council on Higher Education (to plan and co-ordinate an over-all provincial university system);
- establish a core curriculum (and improve counselling services) in high schools throughout the province to "better prepare" students for university entrance;
- restrict Nova Scotia university enrolments of students from outside the province unless a "fair-share funding solution" is adopted;
- provide Nova Scotia universities with 70 per cent of their total costs (student fees at the Mount in 1985 represented 29.2 per cent of general operating income excluding research and ancillary services). It should be noted here that the provincial government's grant to the Mount in 1985 represented 60.8 per cent of the Mount's total operating income.

In Memoriam

Sympathy is extended to Mary Moore Uhl, on the death of her mother, Mary E. Moore on December 19, in her 95th year.

Our sympathy also goes to one of most recent honorary degree recipients, Dr. Agnes Nanogak, whose husband, Wallace, died at Christmas. Anyone wishing to write to Dr. Nanogak can reach her at P.O. Box 1704, Inuvik, NWT, X0E 0T0.

UNIVERSITIES SHOULD

- include a core curriculum for university undergraduates;
- set entrance examinations standards to determine basic abilities of students in English, French and Mathematics; and
- co-ordinate their plans and priorities

so they complement "the system as a whole."

The above information is based on the Nova Scotia government's press release on the MacLennan Report. The report itself is as scarce as hen's teeth but the university has purchased a number of them from the Dalhousie University print shop and anyone interested can obtain one from the Mount library.

List Activities In International Development

The Pearson Institute of International Development at Dalhousie University is interested in identifying any activities such as courses, workshops, lectures, art exhibits, etc., which relate to the field of international development, and which are planned for the summer of 1986.

If the Institute can come up with a list of activities centred in the Metro area, it will publicise them by means of a brochure. This may be an initial step towards the launching of a Halifax Summer School in International Development.

Anyone with an activity to include in the listing, is asked to call Jean Hartley, at the Mount's Centre for Continuing Education, local 324, who is the liaison person with the group.

Research Grants Awarded

On the recommendation of the Committee on Research and Publications, the President has awarded the following research grants:

Dr. Virginia Cronin: Word Association in Hearing Impaired and Normally Hearing University Students — 650.00

Dr. Susan Drain: Connection and Correspondences: The Papers of Margaret Gatty — 2,260.00

Dr. Fred French: Cognitive Strategy Assessment and Intervention with Upper Elementary EMH Students in Grades 5 & 6 — 2,636.28

Dr. Amalie Frohlich: Synapse formation in the fly visual system — 9,730.00

Dr. Rudy Kafer: An Examination of Personality Characteristics of Noncollegiate Volunteers — 641.74

Dr. Robert Lake, Marie Riley, Judith Scrimger: The Role of the Daily Newspaper in the Management of a Controversial Issue: A year in the Coverage of Abortion by three Toronto Newspapers — 2,265.00

Dr. Wendy MacLean: An Institutional Approach to Wage Setting and Employment — 2,430.00

Dr. Christopher Moore: Egocentrism and Children's Drawings — 930.00

Dr. Barnett Richling: The Hudson's Bay Company in the Northern Labrador Fur Trade — 1,362.10

Dr. Joseph Tharamangalam: Economy, Caste, Class and Politics: Mobilization and Change in Kerala — 700.00

Dr. Jeffrey Williams: Study of topological spin in the SU (n) group, N>2

In addition, the following were awarded Sabbatical Leave grants for the 1986-87 academic year.

Dr. Leslie Brown: N.S. Food Co-ops: Insomorphism with food retail and co-op sectors.

Dr. Norman Okihoro: Perceptions of Policing In a Rural Non-farm Community.

Dr. Rosemarie Sampson: Age & Sex differences in Adult Moral Judgement and Self Concept: Longitudinal and Cross-Cultural Studies.

Dr. Wendy MacLean: An Institutional Approach to Wage Setting and Employment.

Dr. Barbara Rao: The role of membrane lipids in Opiate receptors-effector interactions in cultured neuroblastoma cells.

Profile



Virginia O'Connell

"You have to be happy to learn and have a certain inner security to survive."

This is a conclusion that Virginia O'Connell has come to after working with young children, as a teacher, a mother, and now, as director of the Mount's Child Study Centre.

"This is why it really angers me," she says, "when there isn't sufficient funding for proper daycare. Our governments seem to be very unfeeling in this respect. There is not enough awareness of the problem."

Trained daycare staff is as essential as trained highschool teachers, O'Connell says. "This is why we are so lucky at the Mount because our Child Study Centre has quality staff who I enjoy working with. It's a very rewarding job."

O'Connell obtained a B.A. from Dalhousie University in 1967, "and after that I immediately got married and we moved to Newfoundland." She worked at the St. John's YWCA for a year where she was in charge of programs for both children and seniors.

Following a move to Gander, she taught French to grades 3 to 7 for two years.

After returning to Halifax, she decided to take a Bachelor of Education at the Mount, and then taught for another three years before starting a family. She has two sons, now aged nine and 11.

"I stayed home while the children were young," she says, "but I was very heavily involved in community work,

with the Home and School Association, on the executive of the Dalhousie Board of Directors and the Dal Alumni Women's Association."

She feels that her job as director of the Child Study Centre makes use of all her past experience in both teaching and community work.

Her personal philosophy is "to enjoy the moment" although she likes to plan carefully. "Just the same, when you're working with children your plans can often go awry!" she admits.

It's important to keep an open mind and to be flexible, she believes, and to try and be open and take suggestions from others. "We have five excellent teachers at the Centre and we all cooperate," she says. "Our main purpose is the care of the children."

O'Connell is very proud of the Centre. "We have a long waiting list and at the moment 71 children are registered with us," she says. "At our Christmas party we had 185 people!"

Lectures at Dal On Reproductive Technology

A free lecture series entitled *My Body — Whose Baby? Looking at Reproductive Technology*, begins at Dalhousie University on January 30 with a talk by Sybil Shainwald, President, Women's Health Network on *Informed Consent and Contraception — Who Controls Birth Control?* at 8 p.m. in the McMechan Auditorium, Killam Library.

On February 6 at 8 p.m. a panel discussion on Reproductive Technology and Infertility will take place and on February 14 at 8 p.m., author Diony Young will discuss *Obstetrical Technology — Too Much of a Good Thing?*

A workshop on Reproductive Technology will take place on February 15 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Dal Student Union Building with speakers, resource people and discussion groups providing a chance to talk about the concerns and issues raised in the lecture series.

Reproductive technology involves the development and testing of contraceptives; artificial insemination, in vitro fertilization and other treatments for infertility; prenatal tests and treatments like ultrasound, amniocentesis and fetal surgery; childbirth technology like fetal monitoring.

My Body — Whose Baby? is sponsored by The Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women; Nova Scotia Women and the Law; Women, Health and Medicine; the Prepared Childbirth Association of Nova Scotia and the Women's Health Education Network.

Free childcare will be provided during the workshop. For information call 454-9936.

Nanogak Prints Available

There are still a few prints of Agnes Nanogak's scenes of Inuit life available for \$150 each at the Mount Art Gallery.

Anyone interested can see them at the gallery.

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BEGGAR'S BANQUET



Join together to assist the Metro Food Bank
\$2.00

(If you can't come to the banquet - send in your cash donation)

Rosaria Multi-Purpose Room
12 noon & 1 pm, Thursday, January 28, 1986
Speaker
Fred McGinn, with the Metro Food Bank

CARITAS DAY

January 29
(Celebrated as the University's Founding Day)
The opportunity to share in collective or individual acts of service for the civic good.

Sponsored by the Student Affairs Committee

US Universities Launch AIDS Educational Campaign

Increasing concern and public awareness over Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) has prompted the American Council on Education (in co-operation with the American College Health Association) to disseminate the most current information available on the legal issues regarding AIDS on campus.

ACE also thinks it essential that each university/college establish its own high level campus committee on AIDS along with campus-wide educational programs.

—Task Force—

The American College Health Association has also established a task force on AIDS to provide guidelines for institutions as they address the clinical, legal, educational and policy issues that the disease raises.

The task force, chaired by Dr. Richard P. Keeling of the University of Virginia, is composed of physicians, nurses, health educators, housing officers, personnel, specialists, and student representatives from all across the country.

Apart from disseminating the most current information on AIDS, the task force is also drawing up policies with regard to student housing, educational priorities, medical records,

confidentiality of information, testing and Counselling. In addition, it will issue guidelines regarding the clinical evaluation of those in risk groups and the protection of university health care providers.

—Not in Canada—

A call through to the Association of Canadian Colleges and Universities in Ottawa determined that there has been no such national organizing on the part of Canada's universities.

A spokesperson knew nothing about ACE's efforts or the appointment of the national task force but checked around on behalf of the Mount, however, and found that the Ontario College Health Association is

On the Move

Dr. Patrick O'Neill, chair of the Department of Modern Languages, is in the process of writing 14 entries for the Oxford Companion to Canadian Theatre. Included is a 4,000-word piece on the History of Theatre in Nova Scotia; 2,000 words on the History of Theatre in Saskatchewan and another 1,200 words on the History of Theatre in the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

Apart from all this, O'Neill spent some of his Christmas break in the British Library, London, returning to Halifax with an additional 125 rare photographs — all part of his major research project which involves the writing and publishing of seven books; two have already been published, three are completed and awaiting publication; and the other two are in the works with a completion date set for next summer.

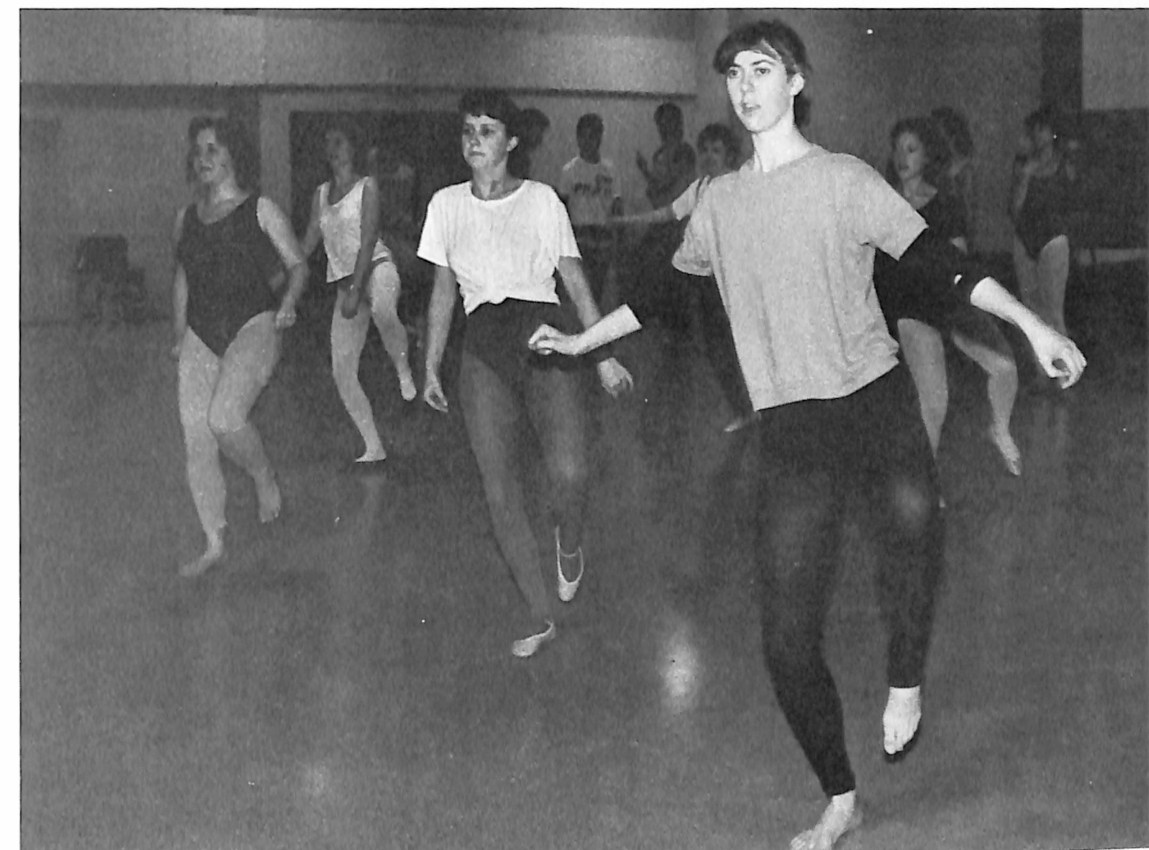
Co-operative Education Department Director Ivan Blake attended a meeting of the Canadian Association for Co-operative Education Research Committee recently to discuss the first national data collection project in co-operative education, which will be operated from Mount Saint Vincent University in cooperation with Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan. Committee members will also review a proposed project to survey employers regarding cooperative education student benefits. Blake chairs the Co-operative Education Research Committee.

Dr. Marilyn McDowell, of the Department of Home Economics, is back in Canada for a brief stay following a three-week trip to Zimbabwe. She was part of a three-member advisory team (a food scientist from England; a nutritionist from the United States) invited to advise on the development of a home economics program at the University of Zimbabwe.

Department of Home Economics chair Alleyne Murphy was in Vancouver last week attending board meetings of the Canadian Dietetics Association as director of the professional standards council which is responsible for overseeing all university internship programs and for the continuing education/professional development of its association members.

Home Economics instructor Grace Hazley also attended the national meeting as a member of the Association's board of directors.

Valerie Cowan and Lynn Atwell, coordinators in the Department of Co-operative Education, will be attending



Being part of the chorus line isn't all fun — it's hard, exhausting work as these Mount drama students discovered during rehearsals for the musical *A Chorus Line*.

seminars at Pace University in New York City on February 3-6. Co-sponsored by Pace and Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts, the seminar will feature such topics as communication, integrating career development and co-operative education and assessing student and employer needs.

Art Gallery Director Mary Sparling was in Ottawa this month to attend a meeting of the Canadian Eskimo Arts Council, of which she is chair. The Council advises the Minister of Northern Affairs on the protection and development of Inuit art.

Professor Joan Ryan, chair of the Department of Office Administration, will be acting Dean of Human and Professional Development during the absence of Dr. Susan Clark who is on sabbatical until April.

Dr. Joe Rishel, associate professor at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, plans to draft a proposal for a Canadian history course for American history majors at Duquesne. But first he must study Canadian history, which he plans to do at Mount Saint Vincent University in May and June. He received a Canadian Studies Faculty Enrichment Program Grant from the Secretary of State with the Canadian Consulate in Cleveland, U.S.

A Chorus Line: Most Ambitious Musical at the Mount So Far

A Chorus Line, "the most ambitious musical ever presented by the Mount" according to director Marc Neima, will open on Friday, February 7 and run until February 11 in the Multi-Purpose Room, Rosaria Centre.

With a cast of 24 and great demands on actors, singers, musicians and dancers, A Chorus Line has offered a real challenge to the Mount's Drama Department.

"Rehearsals are going well," Neima said, "and we have some really talented students who are doing wonderful work."

The Chorus Line band, under musical director Paul LeBlanc and assistant band leader Ruth Leggett (a first year student in Office Administration) consists of reeds, woodwinds, trombones, trumpets, a rhythm section and a synthesizer.

Mary Turnbull, who teaches the jazz dance class in the Mount's athletics program, is choreographer for the show and Peter Hansen, a third year B.Sc. student is vocal coach.

John Hunter (taking computer studies at the Mount) is lighting director and Brian Murray (in the B.A. program), stage manager.

Asked whether he was worried about the fact that the film version of A Chorus Line will probably be in local movie houses soon, Neima said "Not at all. The film version had to be

extensively re-written and is really a completely different show."

A preview of A Chorus Line will form part of the opening of the Mount's Annual Community Art, Craft, Hobby, Baking and Talent Show on January 30 at noon.

Tickets are \$3 for students and seniors and \$5 for others.

The Mount's production of A Chorus Line will be the first in the region.

Wanted: Toys And Furniture

Drs. Ron Van Houten and Ahmos Rolider are looking for donations of small chairs and children's toys for use in their Developmentally Delayed Children's Project, a special program designed to assist parents of children with developmental problems.

The parents and their children come to the Mount twice weekly to work with Van Houten and Rolider and 20 Mount students.

Toys that provide a good deal of sensory stimulation are especially needed, and anyone having such items to donate can contact either Van Houten or Rolider by leaving a note in their mailbox or calling 434-6274 or 435-6665.

"Improve Image" SSHRC Tells Social Scientists

Social scientists are seen as "Divisive, shortsighted, unrealistic and selfish," and "if you think that doesn't hurt us, you're innocent beyond belief."

That blunt remark came from William Taylor, president of the Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council, who warned scholars to improve their image or face a drop in research support. He was speaking at a conference on the politics of university research organized by the Canadian Association of University Teachers.

Taylor accused researchers in the social sciences and humanities of a "dog-in-the-manger attitude and a superiority complex." And he described as "dumb and destructive" the view among some social scientists that they are above lobbying and are superior to engineers and lab scientists.

"If we as a community of scholars don't trust each other, why should the politicians and bureaucrats trust us?" he asked.

Taylor called on academics to work harder at explaining the importance of their research. "We haven't sold ourselves well enough," he said. "We have assumed that the money will come because what we do is great. Well, it hasn't."

Also speaking at the two-day conference in Toronto were the heads of the two other research councils Pierre Bois of the Medical Research Council and Gordon MacNabb of the Natural Sciences and Engineering (Continued on page 8)

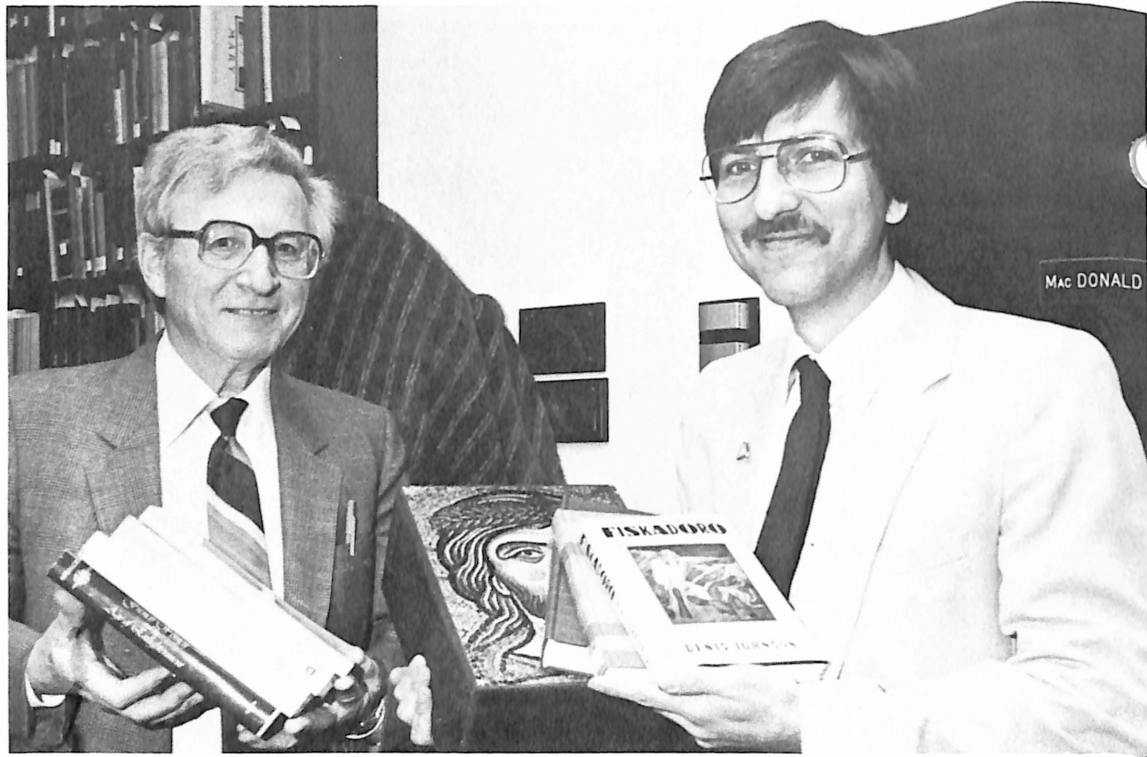
Short Courses Allow Access

The Conseil des universités du Québec is studying a seemingly unique francophone phenomenon — the increasing popularity of short, non-degree courses. In 1982-83, more than 32 per cent of undergraduate students at francophone universities in Quebec were enrolled in short courses leading to a certificate, reports a study by a council committee.

At anglophone Quebec universities, only 2.6 per cent of the students were enrolled in such programs. The study found that most of the students taking certificate programs were women, many aged between 25 and 29.

Short courses allow more students access to universities, notes the committee studying the issue. However, it points out that funding for the short courses may come at the expense of more traditional degree programs and could, in fact, lead to the deterioration of regular programming.

The council plans to study the issue before responding to the committee's report.



Friends of Mount alumna, the late Judith Trenaman, met in the Mount library in December for the official presentation of books donated in her memory by her co-workers from the Atlantic Research Laboratory. The parents of the deceased, and her son, were present and many of her friends who remembered her love of books. The \$650 donated enabled the Mount to buy 17 volumes. Mount librarian Lucien Bianchini (L) and Dr. Ian Stewart of the Atlantic Research Lab posed with just a few of them.

A.U.C.C. Statement on Bilingualism

"An important role of universities is to ensure that the leaders of Canada's next generation can respond to the realities of Canadian society, one of which is that we are a country with two official languages. English-French relations and improved communications between anglophones and francophones are important aspects of nationhood which universities should help to foster," according to a recent statement issued by the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada.

"The most evident results of the promotion of bilingualism in recent years has been the large increase in student bilingual exchange programs throughout Canada coupled with dramatic growth of French programs in anglophone schools. While enrolments in these programs still account for only a small percentage of total enrolments, the increase in the numbers is significant.

"These immersion programs are relatively recent; most are in the elementary schools and those in secondary schools are beginning to produce graduates who are entering our university system.

"Some of these students who have gained proficiency in the other official language in the elementary and secondary school systems are anxious to continue to maintain and to develop their language competencies at the postsecondary level.

"Many others who have not had the benefit of immersion programs at the elementary and secondary levels could

gain from access to courses and programs in the other official language at the university level.

—Principles—

AUCC believes:

1. that bilingual competence is most effectively developed in the elementary and secondary schools and that universities should encourage prospective students to have acquired competence in the other official language;
2. that universities have an important role to play in promoting and further developing bilingual competence in Canadian society;
3. that universities should work toward improving bilingualism in Canada by providing opportunities within their own institutions for the development of bilingual skills;
4. that universities should encourage students to become competent in the other official language prior to graduation;
5. that universities should develop their ability to foster bilingualism by: a) developing courses, course sections and programs in the other official language; b) making effective use of the language skills of bilingually competent faculty and working towards increasing the number of such faculty; c) seeking to provide students with bilingual student services and with a choice of instruction, written assignments, examinations and theses in either official language;
6. that universities should encourage bilingualism by providing

opportunities for student and staff exchanges with universities operating in the other official language;

7. that universities should promote among students, faculty and the communities in which they are located, knowledge of and interest in the cultural heritages of the two official language groups in Canada.

8. that governments should provide to Canadian universities sufficient financial resources to facilitate the promotion of bilingualism as outlined above.

Fewer Jobs

Despite an increase in total employment in Canada, there have been fewer job openings for professionals in the past year, according to the Technical Service Council's quarterly survey of 1,700 Canadian companies.

Although Statistics Canada has reported a rise in the employment rate, vacancies for accountants, executives, engineers, scientists and other professionals dropped by 24 per cent over the last year, the council says. The council, a personnel consulting and placement firm, attributes the drop to employers' uncertainty about the future.

More jobs are being filled on a temporary or contract basis, with employers reluctant to hire permanent staff because of layoff problems or wrongful dismissal suits in the future. Most employers insist on specific job experience, points out council president Neil Macdougall.

Home Life and Child's View Of War at the Art Gallery

Family life in North America from the adult point of view — and a child's view of life in war-torn Central America create poignant contrasts which can be viewed at the Mount Art Gallery until January 26.

In the main gallery, The Family in the Context of Childrearing, a photo installation by Susan McEachern of Halifax, is a major work of almost 150 images representing the daily ritual of home life, child care and the interpersonal relationships of three diverse family groups. It is accompanied by the writing of prominent psychologists, sociologists, historians and feminist authors, combined with a narrative of the artist's own family experiences.

In the Upstairs Gallery, Disrupted Lives: Children's Drawings from Central America, include drawings which convey the experiences of war by young refugees from Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, Costa Rica and Nicaragua.

Developed under the auspices of Inter Pares, a Canadian non-profit

organization which supports Third World development, this internationally-travelling exhibit poses a challenge which "is more direct than most exhibitions programs, but which is worth confronting," says gallery director Mary Sparling.

"The contrast between the two exhibits makes each more meaningful and brings to the foreground the enormous differences in everyday life between North and Central America," she says.

Bradford G. Gorman, Art Gallery of Hamilton, describes The Family in the Context of Childbearing as "monumental." He points out that McEachern's background and training in theatre has surfaced to present a work "that is both larger than life and yet defined by the human scale of its subject matter."

Included in the work are a traditional nuclear family of two parents and two small children; a communal family with a varying number of adults and one child; and a single parent family.



Gladys Grandy (l) of Versa Food Services, received a gift from her colleagues on the occasion of her retirement during recent Christmas festivities. Sharon O'Donnell made the presentation with a big hug and a kiss.

Annual Winter Carnival January 27-31 Come one — come all!

Something for everyone: talent contest, costume contest, Moby Dick Night, Super Bowl party, Disco Night, Pub Crawl, Student Union Challenge, Brewery Tour, Canadian Paraplegic Association Challenge, skating, and skiing.

Prizes, trophies, laughs and characters.

Watch for details as they develop on the Student Union electronic display board, in The Picaro and from the special Disney characters.

THEME: Disney in 2046.



Christmas is the time when administration serve dinner to the Versa Food Services staff. President E. Margaret Fulton and physical plant co-ordinator Marie Kelly set to with a will to carve up the plum pudding.



Student union president Shari Wall and university services bookkeeper Ann Eade share a laugh at a reception given recently by the Student Union to thank all those who had been of assistance to them during the year.



Rick Walkden, housekeeping staff, registers for a business course as the Mount begins yet another semester. It was a busy time for Sandra LaJoie (L) and the rest of the Registrar's staff.

Public Lecture

Dr. Kathleen McCartney, Department of Psychology and Social Relations, Harvard University, will be the next speaker in the Mount's Public Lecture Series.

Her topic is Day Care: An Issue of Quality. The lecture takes place on Thursday, January 23, at 8 p.m. in Seton Auditorium D.

Dr. McCartney obtained her Ph.D. from Yale University and has done extensive research into the subject of day care.



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IMPROVE (from page 6)

Research Council. The three men urged the federal government to announce at least interim funding for fiscal 1986-87.

"If we don't get a decision by mid-January," said MacNabb, "It's as good as getting a no on the extra funding we need. We will have to sit down and start doing dramatic surgery on our programs."

Both MacNabb and Taylor are also waiting for a decision on the fate of their financing proposals for the next five years, submitted to the government earlier last year.

Also speaking at the conference was Science Council chairman Stuart Smith, who warned that the recent cut that halved his council's budget and dropped its staff from 68 to 30 was "only the tip of the iceberg."

"Science has a low priority in Ottawa," he said. "I can assure you that the folks who cut us are not friends of yours either."
(from University of Toronto Bulliten)

OLD PHOTOS (from page 1)

individuals along with the ordinary Canadian people at work and at play.

In her introduction Patricia Pierce describes in detail how O'Neill came across this wealth of forgotten material. The collection was one of three sets, the other two being lost when one set at the Library of Parliament was almost completely destroyed by fire and another at the Copyright Office was deliberately thrown out — a decision made by the Privy Council in 1937 which makes modern historians shudder!

It was fortunate that a third set had been deposited with the British Library — the one discovered by O'Neill.

The photographs were all in reasonably good condition because they had been handled so little. Some were found standing on end, Pierce says, some were in loose piles, some slipped into books, and had not been touched for decades.

The work of cleaning and organizing them was painstaking, and required dusting with cheesecloth, each photo being placed in its own acid-free envelope and marked with a reference number.

British Library deposits are stored in 23 buildings, three of which are warehouses at Woolwich Arsenal, and this is where the majority of the photographs in *Canada — The Missing Years*, were found.

COMPUTERS (from page 1)

Maritimes for computer services. The Mount has two Digital VAX systems, numerous DECmate and word-processing systems across campus."

The Computer Resources Plan gave the committee insight into what is actually out there on campus and Farmer is hoping for input from those members of faculty and administration who have received a copy of it.

Some interesting future technology which is being allowed for in the plan is the acquisition of a laser printer which will create the need for interface procedures between Computer Services and the Print Shop in the matter of electronic printing. Also voice and data communications and electronic mail will bring computer related functions into the telephone, mail and other networks. "The university's organizational structure will have to accommodate these and other innovations brought about by computer technology," Farmer says.

AIDS (from page 4)

actively involved in providing guidelines (legal, educational, medical, residential responsibilities) involving any Ontario university students who may be diagnosed as having AIDS.

Since the cure for AIDS is not foreseen in the immediate future, says ACE, "it is more imperative that campus communities join others in trying to prevent the spread of the disease and planning for long-term campus response."

Mount health officer Sandra Cook agrees. "This time last year there was very little in the way of well-researched material available to those looking for information on AIDS. We have no problem here at the Mount but we keep current on AIDS research and procedures through the provincial government's Public Health Department which does an excellent job," says Cook.

A brochure (AIDS IN CANADA: What You Should Know,) developed and distributed by Health and Welfare Canada has also been helpful in getting the message out, says Cook, and anyone who wants one should stop by Rosaria Centre, Room 125.

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