



INVOLVEMENT 77

September is a month of much activity and, unfortunately, just as much confusion here at the Mount.

To give Students' Council members a chance to gain some experience during the summer months and therefore enable them to weather the chaos of September, elections are held in February, a turnover of government effective the first of April.

Here is the problem. The elections of last February left a number of positions unoccupied. Namely, Executive Vice-President, Academic Vice-President, Arts Representative, Science Representative, Non-Residence Representative, Residence Representative, and New Students Representative. It is therefore essential that you, the students be made fully aware that nominations open Tuesday, September

and will close 6 p.m. Wednesday, September 27. Campaigning will start immediately after the close of nominations and continue until 6 p.m. Tuesday October 3. Voting Day will be Wednesday October 4.

Very often we are lazy and apathetic and decide that it is far easier not to be bothered with student politics. The temptation is so great to let someone else volunteer for the job.

Student Politics is **not** the only area that suffers from non-support. Yearbook staffing has been all but non-existent except for a handful of girls who consider a yearbook important enough to devote almost all of their free time to. Where are all the students who worked on their highschool yearbooks?

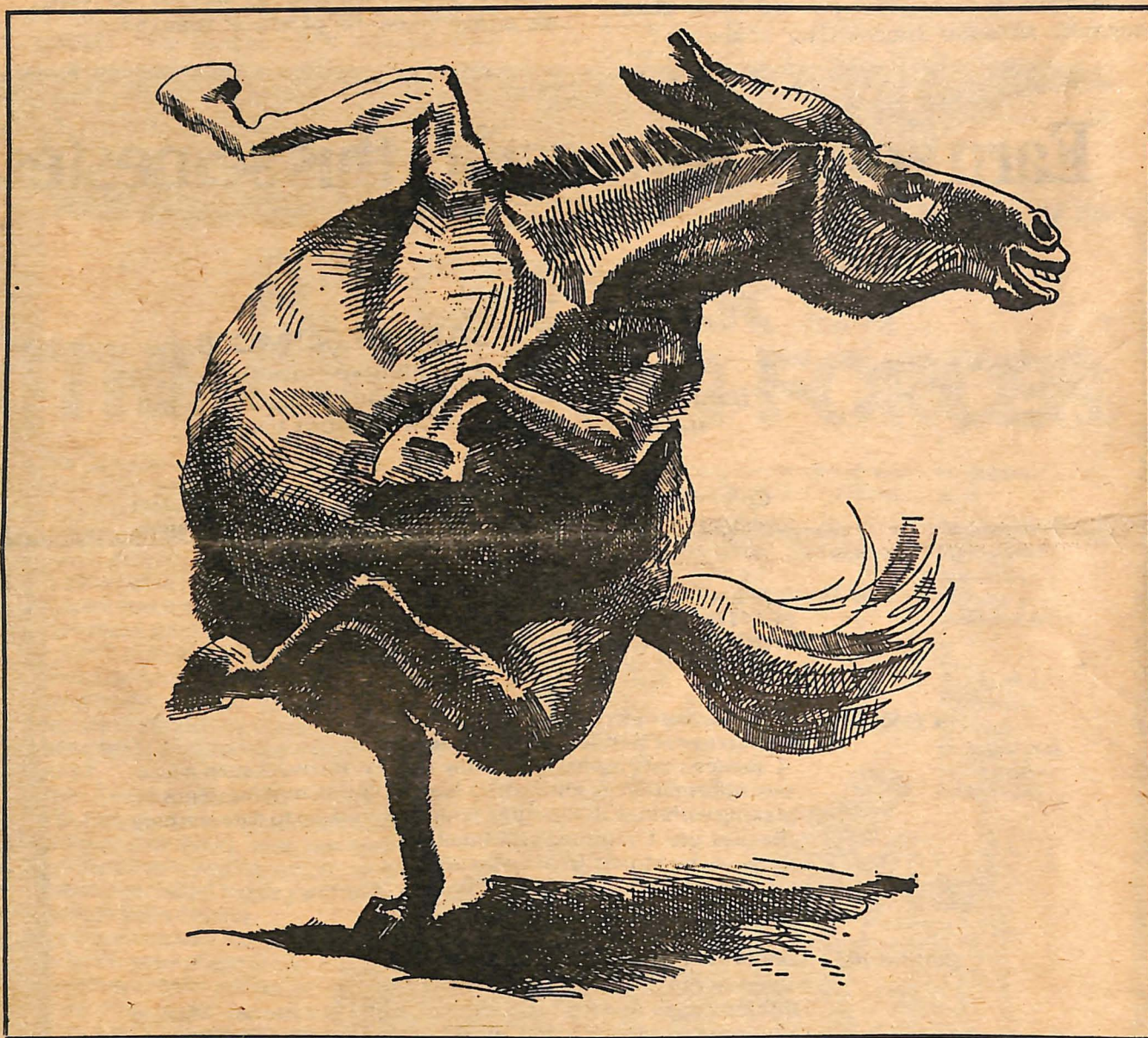
Our newspaper, Picaro, is another area student workers are badly needed. A couple of hours a week by the right number of people could make our newspaper function at it's full potential. Not only can working on the newspaper staff give students that feeling of involvement that they are constantly looking for, but it also provides great experience in learning to work with others towards a common goal, experience really worth having once out in the working world.

One of our more necessary groups is the odd jobbers committee. This committee is responsible for making posters, pamphleting of residences and decorating for dances and special events.

Working on any of these committees offers free admission to a number of social events during the year.

In many ways, the work on Council is not always pleasant, not always rewarding and not always what one might expect. But on the other hand, it is a valuable experience, something that can-

and they're off.....!



not be approximated by 4 years sitting in a classroom. It is often very interesting and stimulating; many friends are made, many good times are enjoyed. When you think that you spend seven months of the year at the Mount, it seems ludicrous to pass up the opportunity to see the university from the inside.

There are many things about the Mount that we all find cause for complaint, many things that could do with improvement. But nothing is going to get any better if we only talk about it-improvements do not develop from nowhere.

Much in the past years has been accomplished in many areas at this university by its' students, and you can only realize just how much when you look through the eyes of one involved. Without participation from the students what has been achieved is lost. Only with your concern and interest and

willingness to help out can this progress be continued.

Despite what you may think, it does not take great experience or years of involvement to hold a Students' Council position, such things are as know-how are are learned. However it is not possible to acquire enthusiasm and energy- these are the vital ingredients

Contribute your part to make the Mount a better place, help us to help you. For those of you interested in running in the upcoming elections, nomination papers are available at the Council offices in Rosaria Hall.

(as of September 27)

MARCH IN UNITY

EDITOR'S PAGE

Mount students are no strangers to taking positive action whenever there is an important cause. Last year, for instance, a general meeting in Rosaria Hall called for a demonstration to express concern about cutbacks in education. This led to 1700 students, faculty and support staff from across Nova Scotia marching to Province House to bring our demands to the government officials.

We at the Mount are again called upon to lend our support for another important issue: unemployment. Government inaction in this area is aggravating an already critical situation. More students than ever before were out of work this summer. An ever increasing number of

graduates are unable to find work in their field of study. Women, especially, have been hard hit with this problem.

Obviously, student unemployment problems are tied to the larger un/underemployment problems of all Canadians. Just as obviously, solutions to these problems will be best fought for by uniting on a broad base with all those who are also victims of the crisis.

Our rally last March resulted in the provincial government giving a much needed special grant to all Nova Scotia post-secondary institutions. Only with active participation by all of us can we again hope to produce results.



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COUNCIL COLUMN

Council made a lot of changes this summer in the physical setting of our offices. The Picaro and Photopool offices are still located next to the bookstore but virtually everything else has been moved. The President's old office has been changed to a Students' Lounge. This Lounge will be used for Council meetings as well as an area for students to meet and talk with their representatives. The President and Executive Assistant are now located in what was Mrs. Miner Office (the first door to the left as you leave the main corridor in Rosaria). The door next to that is now the new Yearbook. This move was made to more properly facilitate the Yearbook staff. Next to the Yearbook office is the General Office which houses the Council Executive - namely, the Treasurer, the Internal, External and Academic Vice Presidents.

All of these moves were made in the hopes that a more business-like atmosphere would result.

The Student Store is now located in what was the Rosaria Day Hop Lounge.

As well during the summer, student representatives attended many conferences on your behalf. In April, we attended the Atlantic Federation of Students' Conference at the College of Cape Breton, where we discussed pertinent issues such as: Student Un/Underemployment; the AFS constitution; on-campus organizing; tuition fee increases, and Government cutbacks.

In May, we attended the Association of Student's Councils General Plenary in Toronto and were educated about CUTS - Canadian University Travel Service. Any questions you may have dealing with CUTS, please call the Student Union Office.

Also in May we attended the NUS Conference in Charlottetown, P.E.I. The same issues as those discussed at the AFS conference were dealt with but with a focus on the national level.

Louise Abraham
Students' Union President



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NATIONAL

NUS is the national organization of community college, technical institute and university students in Canada. Through the National Union of Students, students lobby the federal government and the council of education ministers, research areas of concern, gather and exchange needed information. NUS has been instrumental in the establishment of provincial and regional student organizations. It is linked with them for co-operation in reaching a common student position on matters of country-wide importance.

Decisions and policies that affect every student in Canada are made by the Federal government or by Federal-Provincial consultation. Sometimes campus and provincial student organizations can find out about these decisions, much less influence them.

NUS, working with the provincial organizations, provides student influence and pressure on policy-makers in Ottawa. The result is that government officials consider student interests when they start plans that will affect students.

NUS also acts as a pool of knowledge and resources to back up student efforts on the member campuses. Files are kept on areas of campus life. General manuals are prepared as needed. NUS conferences and materials are used to benefit student councils by providing fresh ideas about academic and service questions.

The supreme decision-making body of NUS is the general meeting of members, held at least twice each year. Votes-by-mail and advance notice of all policy proposals make sure that every member campus can discuss important NUS decisions.

Both the executive and staff are subject of the members' guidance. Well-informed and capable student governments guarantee your participation in NUS, for they coherently represent student opinions from their campus.

NUS is now concentrating on a program of action to increase students' pressure for new government policies on student aid and unemployment. There are more than 350,000 students who belong to NUS or recognize it as their national representative. It is clear that as NUS grows the depth and range of its operations will continue to develop. Students can achieve a lot, together.

There are more than 600,000 post-secondary students in Canada. Perhaps not the most powerful group in the country, but when students speak strongly and clearly, politicians listen.

Other groups recognize that students' views are important, and nationally, students speak through NUS. For example, the Council of Ministers of Education turned to NUS for the student view about Canadian policies for education. NUS was the only organization of young people invited to a major business-community-government-labour conference on youth unemployment.

Through NUS, students can have an impact on this centralized authorized over their lives. Through NUS student

input can contribute to more responsible and less remote policy-making.

REGIONAL

Over the years, students across the Maritime region, have striven to have input into the decisions which affect our education and our future.

Such a voice however, is only attainable through organized co-operation between students from the various campuses. The Government will not be influenced by an individual Students' Council. It is for this reason that the Students' Unions from across the Atlantic decided to band together to form a cohesive unit thru which students' views could be made known. This

organization was subsequently chartered the Atlantic Federation of Students, (AFS).

The British North America Act (BNA) specifically gives the provinces jurisdiction over education. Economic realities, however, have given the Federal government increasing control on certain areas of post-secondary educational policy. In order to adequately deal with these conditions, students must have organizations through which we can collectively approach both levels of government.

Through the cohesive element of the National Union of Students, a strong Atlantic Federation of Students will also be able to work with student organizations in other provinces, thus coordinating our work on national concerns.

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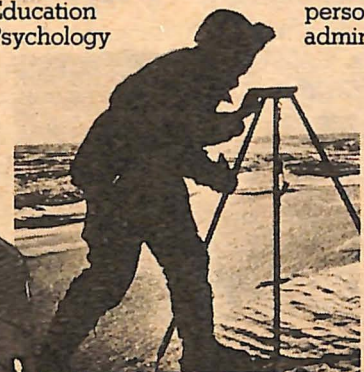
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ASK US ABOUT YOU  THE CANADIAN ARMED FORCES

COALITION ORGANIZES MARCH TO UIC BUILDING RALLY AGAINST UNEMPLOYMENT

by Valerie Mansour

The (Halifax-Dartmouth) Metro Coalition of Support for the Unemployed has called for the "all-out participation" of students, labour and the unemployed in a demonstration to protest the deplorable unemployment situation. According to Coalition organizers the march will begin at 11:45 at Victoria Park next Wednesday, September 28th. Demonstrators will march through the downtown area and then congregate outside the main Halifax UIC office on Spring Garden Road.

"Last March, the Mount took a real leadership role in our demonstration against cutbacks," said Don Soucy, Nova Scotia Central Committee member for the National Union of Students. "We're counting on them to show solid support again this time."

At a September 15th meeting, Coalition members decided "that the demands of the demonstration be the basic human right to meaningful employment and self-respect, and that it be recognized that part of the means to achieve that objective be an end to all forms of wage controls, repeal of Bill C-27, the new UIC legislation, and an end to cutbacks in education and social services."

Members of the Coalition emphasized the importance of their demands. Susan

Kenney, unemployed and a member of the Committee of the Unemployed, said that "these are the major areas of attack by the government on the majority of Canadians", and that "unemployment is directly linked to these attacks". Soucy added that it was "clear that it is the same conditions which are all at once keeping wages down, increasing unemployment, decreasing accessibility to higher education, increasing corporate profits by 15% in the first half of 1977, and forcing cutbacks in health, education, and other social services. Therefore, broad based unity is needed and must be reflected in both our demands and our strategies. We must remember that there is strength in numbers."

Georgina Chambers, a member of the Coalition, will make the initial address to the crowd. Jack Haley, Chairperson of the Cape Breton Committee of Concern for the Unemployed, will then kick off the march. Over the past summer, the Cape Breton Committee organized a series of occupations in federal buildings to emphasize their demand for jobs.

Plans are for Gerald Yetman, Nova Scotia Federation of Labour president, and Soucy to speak at the UIC office. They will be joined by a member of the Committee of the Unemployed.

The rally will coincide with the first day of the NSFL's annual convention. About 250 labour representatives from across the province will be meeting inside the Lord Nelson Hotel, opposite Victoria Park. The theme of the three day meeting is unemployment. The Federation sees the demonstration as a positive step in uniting people around the issue.

This past summer, many provincial student organizations and other groups across Canada have attempted to form Coalitions as well. The Canadian Labour Congress, while embarking on a large media campaign on unemployment, have indicated that they are leaving the job of organization and mobilization around the issue to the provincial federations.

The national press coverage given to the actions this past summer in Cape Breton has led to Nova Scotia assuming the leadership in struggles against unemployment. Students and workers across the country are waiting for the next move. Successes here may spur action in the other provinces.

"Government's inaction on this problem is affecting all Canadians," said NSFL Treasurer J. K. Bell. "What is a more basic democratic right than your right to work!"

STUDENTS AND LABOUR UNITE

by Lou Anne Meloche

This summer in Nova Scotia students and labour leaders joined together to fight against the country's increasingly high unemployment.

In Sydney, the Committee of Concern for the Unemployed has staged a series of peaceful occupations of federal buildings to demonstrate their demand for decent jobs.

Following the Cape Breton action, a public meeting of 150 students, workers and unemployed met in Halifax and formed the Metro Coalition of Support for the Unemployed.

"It is no surprise that things are exploding here," N. S. Federation of Labour President Gerald Yetman told the audience. "Whenever any prosperity comes we are the last to feel it and when hard times come we are first to get it in the friggin' neck."

There are 60-80,000 unemployed in Nova Scotia, more than 15,000 of these from the Halifax area. Another 12,000 are on unemployment in Cape Breton Island, where some labor leaders estimate unemployment to have reached 40 per cent.

"Though the youth unemployment rate is twice as high as unemployment in general, it has become quite clear that there is no one solution for youth unemployment and another for general unemployment," said Don Soucy, Nova Scotia Central Committee member of the National Union of Students (NUS).

The same economic conditions which are causing one are also causing the other. To change those conditions for

the benefit of all workers is what is going to change them for the benefit of students."

Committees have been set up in Pictou and Trenton, Nova Scotia, with the objective of uniting organizations, community groups, and individuals on the broadest possible base to fight for jobs.

As well as NUS and the NSFL, the Halifax Coalition has members from the Voice of Women, the Halifax-Dartmouth Trades and Labor Council, N. S. Women's Action Committee, In Struggle, the Communist Party of Canada, New Options School, the Nova Scotia Labor Research

and Support Center, and the Halifax Committee of the Unemployed.

"We could be losing a whole generation of youth to unemployment," said Soucy. "An increasing number of students are unable to continue their education because of lack of summer jobs. Countless others are graduating into a world that is telling them that there is no place for them or their skills. The ramifications from this imposed feeling of uselessness is pretty damn scary. Something must be done."

"They are united in their attack against us," said Bell. "We have to be united in our response."

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ELECTIONS

Council elections are being held this fall to fill the following positions:

Executive Vice-President
Internal Vice-President
External Vice-President
Academic Vice-President
New Students' Representative
Residence Students' Representative
Non-residence Students' Representative
Arts Representative
Education Representative
Science Representative
Senate Representative (2 positions)

The duties of these positions are as follows:

The Executive Vice-President of the Union shall:

- assist the President of the Union in the performance of her duties and shall act for the President in the President's temporary absence. He/She does not have the signing power of the President.
- be Chairman of the Applications Committee and the Elections Committee. The function of these committees shall be defined by Regulation.
- act as office manager of the Union by maintaining in good order all the non-financial books and records of the Union.
- give notice to the members of all meetings of the Council and the Union at least 24 hours beforehand.
- perform such other tasks as Council may direct.

The External Vice-President shall:

- act as liaison officer between Mount Saint Vincent Student Union and the Student Unions of other universities.
- be the active representative between Mount Saint Vincent University Student Union and the community organizations.
- be responsible for other duties as designated by the President of the Students' Union

The Academic Vice-President shall:

- be the student representative on the Senate. This shall be an ex officio position.
- be responsible for the permanent setting up and functioning of the book depository.
- be directly responsible for initiating course unions on campus.
- be ex officio member on all course unions.
- be the representative of the Student Union at all conferences related to academic matters.
- be responsible for immediate preparation of course evaluations and critique at the end of each semester. He/She shall ensure that this critique and evaluation go out to all incoming registered students.
- be responsible for setting up a committee, made up of majors in each department in their senior year, to be actively present for the duration of registration week, to assist any registering students.
- be a member of the Applications Committee and the Nominating Committee to investigate the academic standings of each of the applicants.
- perform all the other duties as designated by the council.

The Internal Vice-President shall:

- act as liaison between the Council and such clubs, societies and organizations

under the jurisdiction of the Student Union as may exist on campus. He/She shall also be responsible for co-ordinating all campus activities of such clubs, societies organizations and faculties

b. be jointly responsible with the external vice-president to bring outside campus news to the students.

c. submit to the president of the Council a report of what he/she did during the year by January 31 and March 31.

d. be responsible for any duties designated by Council.

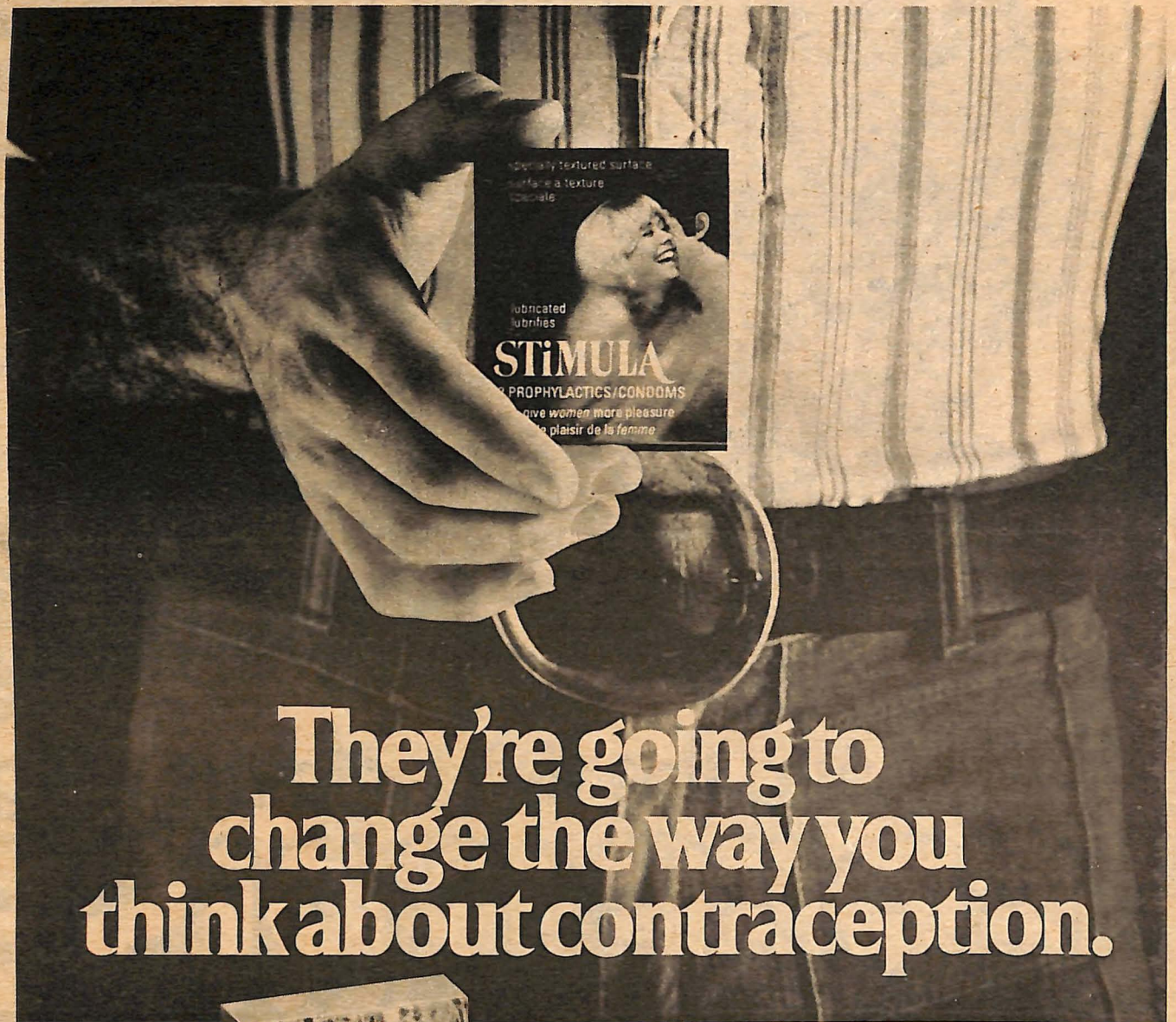
e. be responsible for sending memos to all the clubs for final reports of their activities during the year and for their budgets for the coming year.

The Senate Representatives are the voice of the students on the Senate Committee of the university. It is their job to ensure that the interests of the students are presented at these meetings and that the students are kept aware of the actions of this committee.

Faculty Representatives are the liaison between faculty societies, the students in their respective faculty, and the council.

The Residence, Non-Residence and New Students Representatives are the liaison between the students they represent and the council.

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High unemployment for women

from The Student Advocate

Women were the people most affected by the high rate of unemployment among students this summer according to the latest reports from Manpower and Immigration.

"Women are especially discouraged from looking for work," said Mary Thauberger, a director of the National Union of Students.

"The number of unemployed women has continued to increase benefitting only men who seem privileged, at least comparatively, in terms of summer work."

During May 1977 Manpower statistics showed that 349,384 students registered at centers across Canada. Of this number 36,402 found work, but only 14,396 were women.

In June, the latest figures available, a total of 475,222 students registered for work with manpower centers. 30,713 women found work, but so did 44,376 men.

The statistics, however, do not reflect the nature of the work found, nor the amount of time worked.

It is logical, says Thauberger, that the real number of women unemployment is higher than the official data indicates.

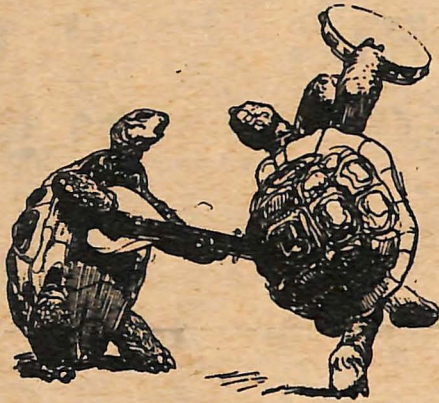
And, says Thauberger, it is no secret that the official agencies of the federal government concerned with the question of unemployment are particularly unwilling to accept a new

definition of "unemployed".

The term now does not include women who look for work while living at home and who will definitely resume their studies next semester, nor new graduates who are without work in their discipline. These women who want work, do not have the legal right to the name 'unemployed', a name that the federal government criteria estimate inexactly."

"The consequence of high unemployment is catastrophic," says Thauberger, "because it could force several thousands of women to discontinue their education."

MSVU ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE TO BE ORGANIZED



This year we would like to start something new regarding Entertainment. We would like to organize a PERMANENT ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.

We propose to do this by offering the students a period of time to come to the Entertainment Office in Rosaria Hall and leave their name, phone number and birth date. It is important that we have your age according to liquor regulations.

Following this designated period, it will be up to you to watch for notices of meetings, at which time, the committee will be formally organized.

As there will be a large number of students involved, it is not be possible for us to contact you personally. We feel if you are sincerely interested in involving yourself in a University Organization, you will take it upon yourself to watch for notices, etc.

To get things off to a start, there are sheets of paper on the Entertainment Office Door where you may sign up. October 7 marks the end of the signing-up period. At that time, further information will be passed on to all those interested.

We would like to point out that we can only accommodate a limited number of people to make the committee run efficiently, however, there are other organizations on campus which require the interest and time of students.

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Susan O'Keefe
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