



Financial problems pressing

Gingerbread House may have to close in '75

by Gingerbread House executive

THE GINGERBREAD HOUSE is a student organization, set up for the care of their children while attending classes at the University. It grew out of the Married Students Association who drafted the guidelines for the child care service and after approval of the University Board of Governors, a charter was granted in August 1972. With very limited funds and some help from the University, the basement of Monay House was designated for the center. Seventeen children were enrolled the first year.

From the first months the House struggled with financial problems. Fee increases and fund raising attempts by the committee made it possible to meet only the most necessary financial commitments, mainly staff salaries. Plans for start up in September '74 were begun in April and through the Continuing Education Department inquiries about the Gingerbread House were directed to committee members during the summer. There was no money available for advertising.

The University is expanding its part-time student enrollment at a rate of 10% per year and the total part-time student enrollment is about 40% of the student body. A significant number of these students are married and need convenient, low cost child care to carry out their academic plans. Our enrollment at the Gingerbread House has increased by 75% in one year to a total, at present, of 31 children. These figures conclusively prove the need for this service and suggest that there may be a need for a more extensive day care program on the campus, which would serve the needs of full time students. It is unlikely, however, that the Gingerbread House will open its doors next year unless outside financial help is forthcoming. Despite fee increases and careful budgeting, rising costs and unpaid debts from the first year's operation have already forced the Gingerbread House to close during the afternoon sessions. This closure is effective after Christmas. Should funds be made available they would be used to clear up outstanding debts, some of which were incurred during the initial set up, to adjust staff salaries so they compare more favourably with the going rates, to refurbish and renew toys and play equipment -- the equipment and toys now being used have been donated by students and to date there has been no money available for the purchase

Photo by Jill Doucet



of new toys and finally, to have some amount available to more extensively promote the facilities available at the Gingerbread House for the upcoming year.

Although the Gingerbread House has faced a financial struggle, this hasn't dampened the enthusiasm of the children, the mothers or the staff. The children are happy in their activities, the donated toys are well used and the children's creative energies are being directed. The mothers have a say in the care of their children and they are close at hand should they be needed.

Our facilities are quite adequate, however, a permanent home for the Gingerbread House is one of your most important goals. Having facilities which are used exclusively by the play group would allow the director and her staff more time to work with the children eliminating the need for packing toys and equipment away each afternoon. The rooms we now have are also used by various church groups.

The question of day-care has been brought to our attention, however, we

feel that to set up and successfully operate such a facility would require more time and experience than we, as mothers and students, have to give. We suggest that such a service would operate most successfully under the management of the University.

The convenience and excellence of the Gingerbread House operation, (now in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church adjacent to the University), is a great encouragement to mothers who, but for its existence, might not consider returning to school.

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BETHLEHEM: A MESSAGE OF HOPE

By Sister Albertus

"His state was divine, yet He did not cling to His equality with God, but emptied Himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are."
-- Paul to the Philippians

In the flurry of activity and excitement that has come to be associated with Christmas, it is good for us to pause and reflect upon the message of Christmas for this particular moment in history. Christ came into the world as a man to reconcile us sinners to His Father, to free us from the obstacles that might stand between us and the peace, love and joy which God the Father meant us to experience as His children. In order to accomplish this, Jesus surrendered His godhead, took upon Himself human flesh and lived among men in simplicity, humility, selflessness and dedication. He extended His gift of healing to all who had need of it: the lonely, the blind, the leper, the poor, the sick and the hungry. As He passed through life, "virtue went out from Him and healed all."

Our world desperately needs the healing and reconciling spirit of Jesus.



Sister Albertus: President of Mount Saint Vincent University

As His followers we must try to do our part to make His spirit present in our personal milieu. The numerous international catastrophes and tension-producing conflicts which characterize our civilization are perhaps beyond our personal influence but we can find within our own little world many individuals who need a healing Christ-like touch which it is within our power to extend.

Christmas is a time of giving but very often we think of it only in terms of material things and forget the deep yearnings of the human spirit for something more. As concerned Christians, let us be thankful for all that we have and are and enjoy, and be moved "to give of our plenty to those who have little."

In order to do our part that the feast of Christmas may achieve its true purpose in the hearts of us all, let us pray thus:

Lord Jesus, as we see our world divided between the overfed and the hungry between the comfortable and the homeless between the privileged and the oppressed teach us to look to Bethlehem and find a message of hope for mankind.

CHRISTMAS:

By Don Shipton

I anticipate Christmas with mixed feelings. The weather gets a bit colder there's a few snow flurries, and there's a tingle of excitement in the air with the expectation of the holiday season. It's a nice feeling, but I get uneasy about what we do to Christmas, and what Christmas does to us.

People have got angry at me in the past for making them feel guilty about Christmas. Well, maybe that's all right even though it's not my intent. I don't want people to give up their fun, nor do I want to be cynical of the warmth and sharing that regenerates families at this time of year. I would like to think, though, that Christmas has its own merit. I would like to think that Christmas brings to mind God's love for us—that in effect the life of Christ most clearly displays infinite, creative goodness. It gives credence to the fact that ultimately nothing is more important to human beings than a love which accepts a person for his or her own unique worth a love for the other person with no direct self-interest involved. If that means anything, it should evoke some response in us, and the only way I can think of responding appropriately to self-giving love is with self-giving love. If we can latch on to that as a human value, Christmas may lose some of its inherent contradictions. It should help us decry the rank commercialization which fosters consumerism and exploitation. It should help us think of those who hurt at Christmas because they can't go home or don't have a home to go to; and it can deepen our love for

A TIME FOR LOVE

families and enrich our sharing with them
I would like to see us put Christ in Christmas, and try to be like him the rest of the year.

Don Shipton

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ARTS WEEKEND PRESENTS HASSLES

by A.S. Derrick

At 2:30 a.m..I have just finished helping to clean up after the Arts Weekend dance. Despite the lateness of the hour there are still a few unclouded thoughts in my mind. Firstly it should

be widespread knowledge that Anne Higgins' hard work and painshaking perserverance is the principal reason for the success of Arts weekend. Her efforts and the uncomplaining assistance of those people who helped her should not go unapplauded.

From the vantage point of a grubby worker, certain things appeared irritatingly familiar. How much simpler and calmer things would be for those who sponsor these functions if the people who attended them would refrain from making as much devastating disorder as possible. There is absolutely no need for University students to amuse themselves smashing glasses--perhaps if they were the ones that had to crawl through

floods of beer and dripping cigarette butts they would resist. There is also no need for harassing the bartenders, ticket sellers and door checkers. It sometimes does not take much to wear out your welcome.

Aside from this, for the second time in a row, somewhere along the line, the Administration neglected to supply us with adequate keys, at two in the morning when you are soaked with other people's alcohol is no time to rectify the situation. Mr. Merrigans' office also neglected to see that on Thursday night the cafeteria was open for decorating Table cloths for the bar also mysteriously never materialized.

There were a great many other obstacles that one way or another were overcome. Always the determining factor of success was people's willingness to help out.

One especially bright point is the entire affair was that whatever went wrong

behind the bar cannot be blamed on the Administration--they had no hand in the catering. Perhaps it was a good thing because when they did try to help us with something, they created more problems than they solved.

Food Committee Proposal:

CAUSES UPROAR

By A. C. B.

On the night of Thursday, November 28, 1974, some 46 girls of Evaristus Hall fourth floor were called to their lounge for the usual monthly floor meeting. It began in a relatively quiet manner - until the topic of food services arose. Suddenly the atmosphere changed. It became alive with angry tones and questions concerning the new proposal.

Basically this proposal stated that the present cafeteria would become a resident - non-resident cafeteria on a cash-a-la-carte basis. This would make a change in prices and services in the building. The question of prices caused the most uproar. Several different points were brought out: (1) The question of paying 2¢ for cream for coffee was discussed. The point being a vending machine charges 15¢ so why should we, the students, be charged 17¢ in a cafeteria which is supposed to be run with the consideration of students in mind! (2) Another idea is the fact that non-resident students only pay for what they eat but resident students pay the full amount because of their meal cards. (3) One very important item the students disagreed on was the amount allotted per day for food which would be as follows:

Breakfast:	Juice	15¢
	Cereal	15¢
	Egg	20¢
	Toast and jam	20¢
	Milk	15¢
Total	-	85¢
Lunch:	Soup	25¢
	Casserole	75¢

Total - \$1.90

These are considered to be average meals.

The prices alot \$4.20 per day for food, which for four months averages out to approximately \$350.00. When you work this out for the full 8 months the cost is approximatley \$700.00 (considering that butter for bread and milk for coffee is bought separately and if you want another glass of milk extra is paid.) Therefore the college would make around \$100 - \$150 more on each student above that which they now recieve.

WHY!!!

Many other committee suggestions were brought forth but may be too embarrassing to mention.

Since this meal plan may not come into effect if at all, until next term, and if you don't care, then you wouldn't have anything to worry about.

As no one is as yet really sure what is going on nothing positive can be stated. However the general consensus was that an alternate food service be sought. - Mainly because they don't seem to be able to manage under the system which they themselves chose.

It is hoped that all students will be as concerned as we are and will put forth any suggestions or ideas to a food rep.



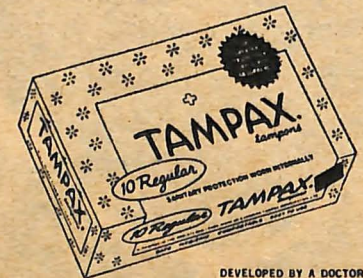
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Continuing Ed Reaches Out

This year the Continuing Education Department has a new face, Miss Shirlee Steele. She will work with Dr. Mairi Macdonald and act as counsellor-co-ordinator for the Continuing Education students.

Shirlee is a native Albertan, a graduate in Education from the University of Calgary. She has worked as counsellor in high schools, and more recently, while doing post-graduate work in Toronto, as a counsellor in a community college.

Her work will include helping Continuing Education students in handling any academic, personal or social problems. She hopes to work closely with the various university departments in helping students choose academic courses, programs, or making career decisions.

Since she arrived in September Shirlee has been busy organizing a committee of



Shirlee Steele: Continuing Ed. Dept.
Photo by Jill Doucet

student representatives from various departments who will work with her in developing seminars, planning social events and furthering the Continuing Education program in many ways.

Shirlee herself has personally visited all evening classes, and will in the new year have an open-office policy from 4:30 until 8:30 on Mondays and Tuesdays. She is available each day in Room 330 from 9:00 until 4:30 and is keen to have all Continuing Ed students drop in to meet and talk with her over a cup of coffee.

Editor's Note:

In the next issue of Picaro there will be the initiation of a column devoted to the activities and concerns of the Continuing Education students along with names and pictures of the student representatives.



WOMEN at WAR



The executive of the Mount Saint Vincent University Drama Society 1974-1975 are as follows:

- President: Lea Pelletier
- Secretary: Susan Maxan
- Treasurer: Julieann Fraser

Plans are underway for a production in March. Several are to be chosen from. One is a comedy where the women of the world try to stop a war-could you do what they did? Sounds like fun right? Well all males and females interested, why not take at break Tuesday December 10th at 12:00 P. M. and come to SAC Room 515, to talk over what we've got and where we're going! Oliver is not completely shelved, so all those who showed up in September, how about appearing? We need a lot of team effort so it will be great to see you there!

"Chimo"
L. Pelletier

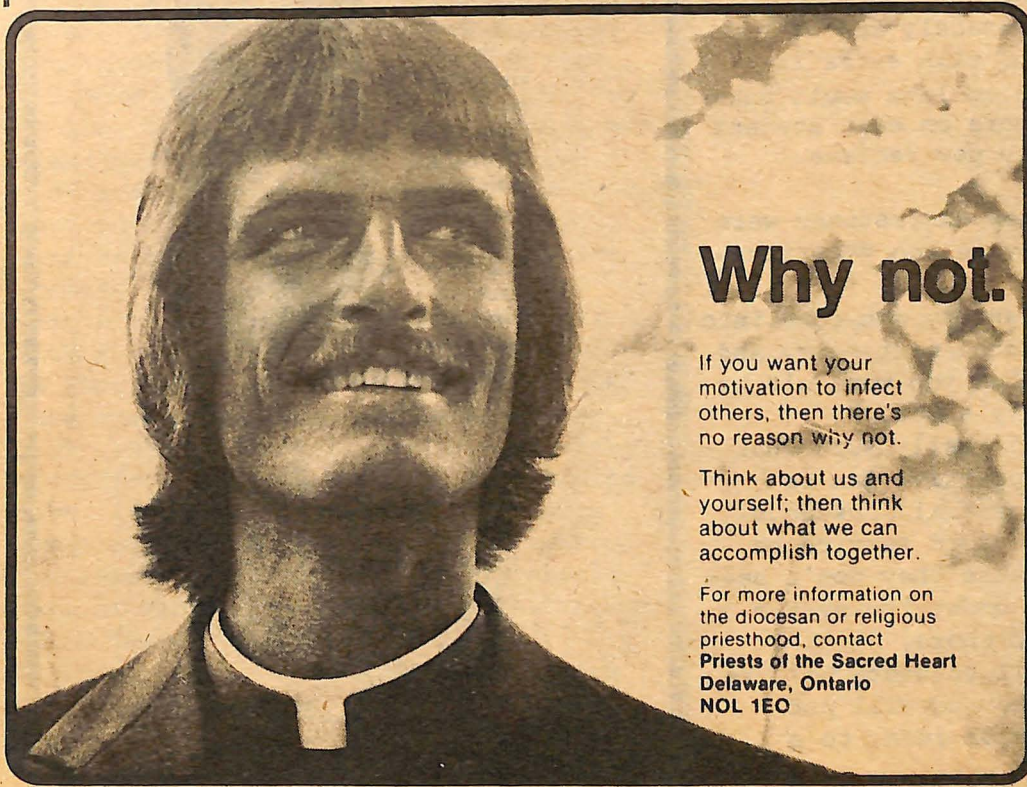


Science Society

By Colette Boudreau

Hi everyone, I'd like to introduce you to the science society. The executive consists of three people:- Anne Delicaet, president - Stephanie Napke, vice-president - and Jimmy, Belliveau, secretary-treasurer. Anne, Stephanie, and Jimmy, are all chemistry majors, but we musn't forget the people in biology of which there are a few on campus. Barbara Way, our science representative, is one of these. Barb, along with raising insects in her bathtub, finds time to represent the science students, by sitting in on student council meetings.

Although the science society is a very young one, it is increasing rapidly in number. Science students seem to be very interested in participating, and are very co-operative.



Why not.

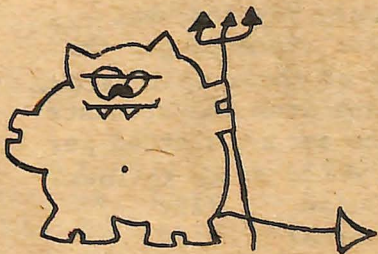
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STAFF MEETING



THURSDAY DECEMBER 5

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EDITORS PAGE

CONFUSION — DAY CARE

In running down any story I have found that people are reluctant to talk, side step your questions, and the answers are generally inconsistent. But in following up my story on the Gingerbread House I found it more so to the point of confusion. As a result I asked the Executive of the Gingerbread House to get something together (story on page 1).

This story explains the problems the House is confronted with. But what led to my confusion was why this problem even arose. The blame cannot be put on the Executive of the Gingerbread House. They, in my opinion, have done a fine job considering what they have been up against.

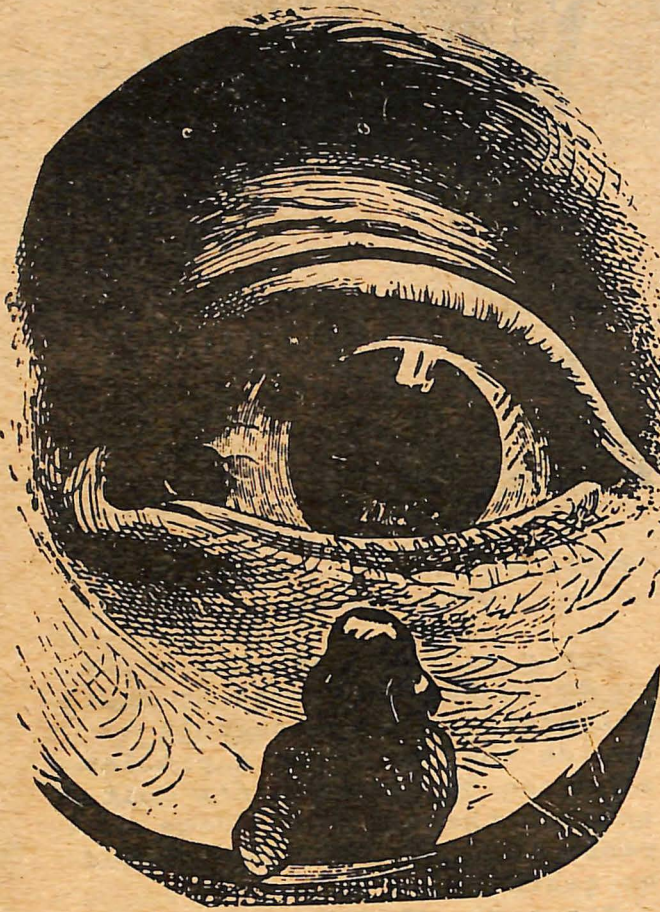
What have they been up against? "A Hell of a lot" and matters are compounded because it's uncertain where and who are causing the bottle necks.

Now lets forget the Gingerbread House and jump into the real question. Why does the Mount not have a day care center under its auspices? Why? If you have the answer I wish you would tell me. It's completely beyond me to find it.

The reasons for having a center fairly weigh you under.

I could write pages and pages on the merits of a center but I will save the wear and tear on you're blood-shot eyes and say it in a sentence or two. The Mount is billed as a womens college. If it truly wants to full-fill this role it must consider women with children.

In closing, I would like to ask the Board of Governors if they would make a statement (to be printed in Picaro) regarding their position on a Day Care Center. *L.D. Shaffer*



What's happening?

I once heard an old man say that he was disappointed in the youth of the 70's. He said that they were too complacent. He would much rather see students be radical as in the 60's.

I agree with this man 100%. For if we, the students of the 70's are conservative now we will be more so when we are older. If we do not push for change when we are young, foolhardy, and idealistic we will not fight for change when we are older, set, and saddled with responsibility.

Another man said "I'm too old to have all the answers." He meant this as a put down for the young idealist. Well I think we have a hell of a lot of them.

You may have noticed change is a slow process. The reason for this is as you grow older you find rocking the boat doesn't pay off. This leaves the radical work in the lap of youth. If we are conservative also where is change to come from?

Many of you probably think you're "far out". I mean you do dope, dabble in sex, and some even don jeans. You're walking signs rejecting the system. You're doing absolutly nothing except sluffing life.

Organize, fight for change, get involved.

L.D. Shaffer

Election: Poor Returns

Approximately 20 per cent of MSV students voted on Wednesday, Nov. 19. Students refused to vote, not because they didn't care -- the chief complaint being, "I don't even know who or what I'm voting for."

Some people didn't realize it was election day. Flyers were distributed throughout the campus but little work was put into the preparation, but one must consider that Student Council is short of staff and time is limited.

Little campaigning was carried out. One Candidate commented that because she felt most students knew her there was no need of campaigning. I do hope the results gave her an indication that a little more effort was required.

Most new officers stated they feel MSV students don't care and wonder what it takes to get students involved. Possibly the students here are not unconcerned, but rather, lost, bitter, and confused.

Will the new officers fulfill their role? Many have had little involvement with Student Council but from observation of arts weekend it is fair to say that they are willing to put forth much effort.

Remember, if you felt you didn't know the candidates in the recent election, you did have the right to vote NO on the ballot. And if you didn't know what the positions were, that's you're fault for not attending Student Council meetings. If you have complaints, don't just talk, take action by attending these meetings.

-- Donna Carter

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Bob Dylan**



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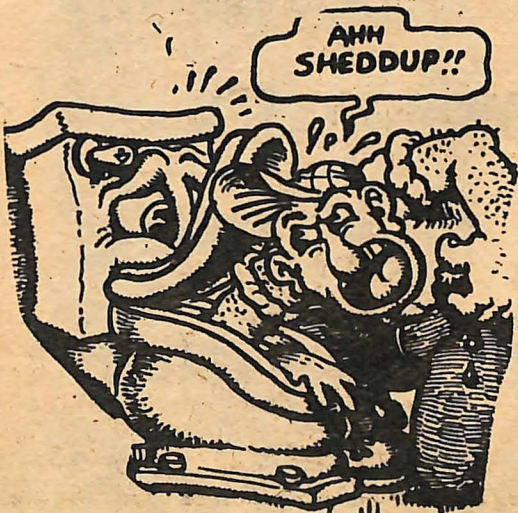
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The Continuing Adventures of
Monty & Rosie

Monty was just getting ready to go to the beer bash at the University but he couldn't decide what to wear, a problem even men have. He wasn't quite sure whether to wear dress pants or go casual. He decided on casual.

The bash started at 7:30 p.m. so he arrived around 9:00 p.m., one never went to these events on time. As he entered the lounge area resplendent in his navy Levi jacket, white Levi shirt, navy Levi cords and Levi belt with his scuffed up Adidas sneakers, he knew he had chosen right because he couldn't tell himself from the other people there.

He saw Rosie over in the corner with a bunch of friends and after picking up two beer went over to sit by her.

Rosie who had been at the lounge since 7:30 p.m., was quite smashed and had been telling her friends how some jerk had tripped her while she was walking in the woods. Seeing Monty, she waved for him to come over which he was doing anyway and presenting her with a beer that she graciously accepted, he sat down.

Now the beer bash, which as most beer bashes go was neither good nor bad to the patrons but "all right I guess" and was turning into the weekly drunk. There were the usual number of guys trying to hustle some unknowing freshmen and the usual number of freshmen waiting to be hustled by some drunken guy from Dal. So around 10:30 p.m. when they were sure nothing exciting was going to happen Rosie said, "Let's go up to the townhouse and have a little party since it will be the last one before exams!" Monty who didn't want to get anyone in trouble asked if they were allowed, to which everyone just laughed.

Sitting inside the townhouse, with Mick Jagger singing on oldie but a goodie that he couldn't get any satisfaction, Rosie whispered to Monty, "How would you like to see my sea shell collection in my room?" Monty replied, "Are you sure you won't get into any trouble?" but Rosie just laughed.

Next issue: A Tender
Love Scene



Dear Ann,

Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
I think I'm in love
With a girl like you.

Bill Shakespeare

Dear Bill,

You write me a letter,
In it you may marry,
Would you believe
My name is Harry.

Dear Ann,

What am I to do? I went out on a date the other night with Herman and we were pestered by these young hoodlums standing on a street corner by the lounge. They made remarks about Herman's masculinity and insulted my mother. I asked Herman why he didn't do something, but he said he was only on his third course of "How to defend yourself against hoodlums" and that he couldn't do anything until he was finished. What should I do until then?

Afraid to walk the
streets at night.

Dear Afraid,

There are a number of alternatives to this disheartening dilemma. You can take karate yourself; you can change boyfriends; you can buy a Doberman Pincher or you can stay home and watch T.V.

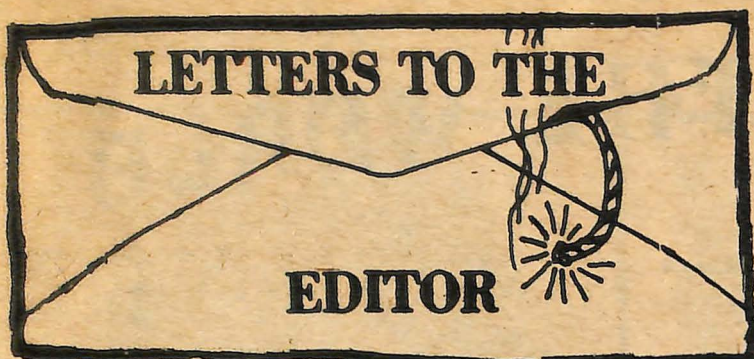
Dear Ann,

Golly, gee whiz, outasight. Hey Anny baby, the moon was full the other night and me and my chick were watching the submarine races, when all of a sudden she said I had bad breath. I use Right Guard, Left Guard, Killer Aftershave, Sure to Help foot spray and I'm not a wet head. But my mouthwash failed me. What can I do?

The Artificial Kid.

Dear Arty,

After reading your full letter, (there wasn't room to print it all) maybe if you brushed your teeth after eating an 18 inch pepperoni, salami, greenpepper, onion, garlic, bacon, cheese, anchovie hamburger pizza, you wouldn't have this problem.



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X-mas Cheer

To the Editor:

Well here we are again almost time to hang out that old stocking of ours and get our Christmas Cheer (booze).

The time when old St. Nick makes his rounds to the different stores or should I say St. Nicks. There are so many of them I am almost inclined to disbelieve in him, but that would only leave me with the great pumpkin.

Well Exam time is creeping up once again, so I am extending my best wishes for everyone in their endeavors.

Well now, I have been asked by my little test tube buddies to bestow their Christmas greetings along with mine to all our former and recent friends we have met in the microbiology lab- to all those people who have uttered that four letter word many, many times.-GREG

Besides those people I have met from the micro., I would also like to extend my Christmas greetings to all my other friends outside of the Microbiology labs.

In closing I would like to confirm those rumors all you micro. students have been hearing-Yes it is true *Escherichia Coli* and *Bacillus Subtilis* are exchanging marriage vows soon-but can these mixed marriages really work?? Peace

Greg Cookley

Under-nineteens: Speak up!

To the Editor:

In answer to a letter in the last issue of the *Picaro* discussing the plight of under-age Mount students, I would like to make it clear that I am very sympathetic to their situation. What few people realize is that Beer and Chips has an age restriction on it because repeatedly a number of under 19's were making it a distasteful event for everyone else. As always, it is tragic that a few make the majority suffer.

It is a constant headache to many Universities as to how those under the drinking age can be included in the social activities of the campus. The letter in the *Picaro* was the first concrete indication I have had that you, the under-age Mount student, are dissatisfied. Again, so much more might be accomplished if people channeled their energies into the enforcement of change rather than muttering among themselves.

A. S. Derrick

Keep Mount For Females

To the Editor:

I am writing in answer to the article "Men's Residence Busting with Activity" by Larry Shaffer. I totally disagree that Mount Saint Vincent should have a men's residence because of the basic fact that it is a women's college. To have a men's residence built, M.S.V. would lose the uniqueness of being a women's university. This uniqueness M.S.V. has is one reason why many girls register here.

I came here primarily to study and obtain my degree. I did not come here to find myself a husband. Many girls come here to achieve something out of life and distractions can be very difficult to ignore if they're in the form of men.

Although MSV is affiliated with Dalhousie, it is in itself a separate entity with a uniqueness all its own and if a men's residence was built, the uniqueness would vanish. It would become just an extension of Dal.

Secondly, I don't think male students are really being discriminated. They know they're in minority and if they don't like that, why did they choose to come here in the first place?

In conclusion, I can only restate that if a men's residence was built here, the uniqueness of MSV would vanish and Dalhousie would probably turn it into an extension. Mount Saint Vincent would be no more.

Karen MacDonald
Evaristus Hall

Thanks a Million!

To the Editor:

I am writing this article on Thursday evening November 28. I guess you could say it is the calm before the storm.

Arts Weekend -- "Freeloaders' Frolics" has been in planning for the past month and a half. All is ready now for everyone to 'freeload' and have the time of their life! If all goes as planned, this weekend will be a great success.

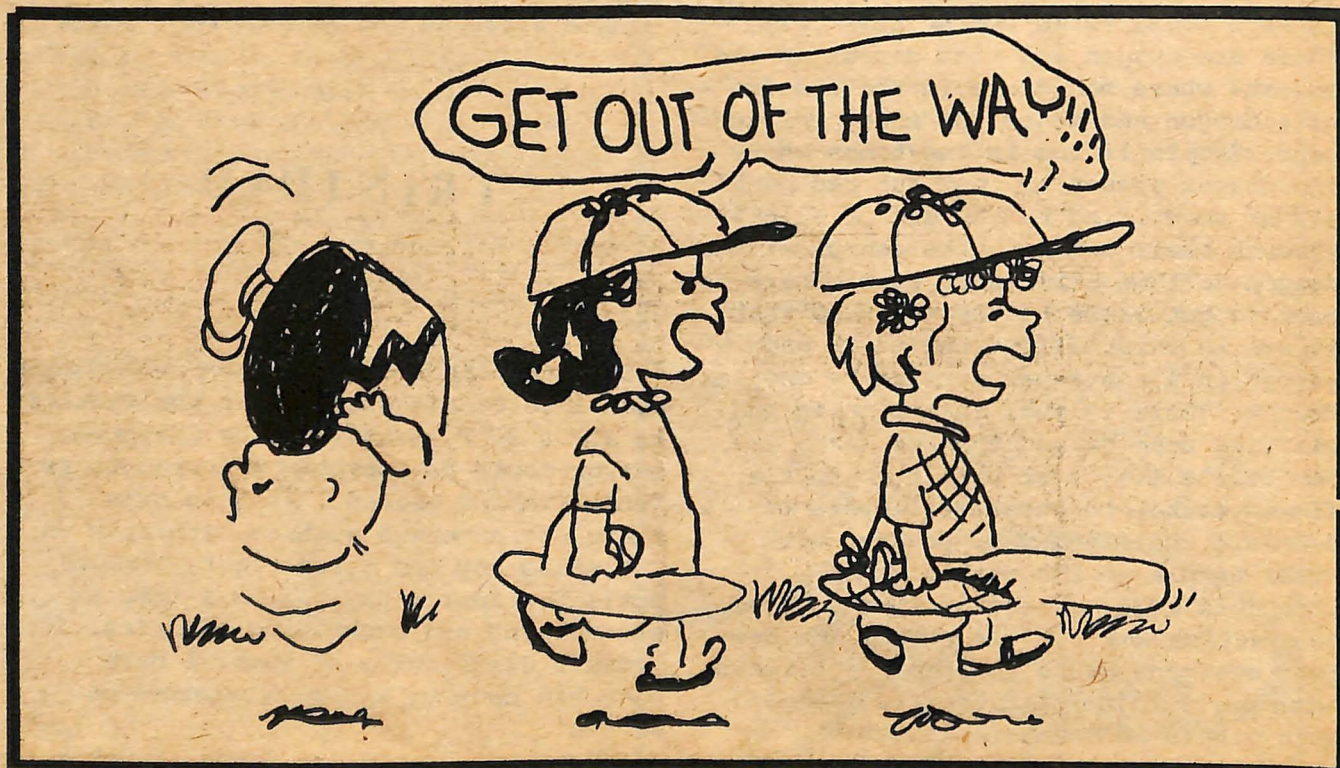
There have been many obstacles in our way, but fortunately, with the help of several people, they have temporarily waved aside. One problem, in particular being the very necessary, more than frequently questioned catering service.

Aside from the usual difficulties everything has gone smoothly. This has been the result of a great number of people who have gone out of their way to help make Arts Weekend '74 the success it is going to be. Without these people, I could never have managed to get things off the ground. Especially deserving thanks is student union president Ann Derrick. She has always been there when I came crying for help and was always, willing to pitch in and lend a hand. Thanks Ms Derrick and Mrs. Wheeler of dietetic services have been super people to work with and deserve a lot credit for doing what they did in the present catering problem. Mr. Gerald Knott of Seagram's Liquor Distillers came to our rescue and temporarily saved us all from this catering problem.

Marie Timmons, Elaine and Janet Meade have been my right hand team, pitching in whenever they could -- especially decorations which are entirely to their credit. Trudy McArthur did a fantastic job on the poster.

I could never begin to name all those who have helped but everyone deserves more credit than I could write in the whole of *PICARO*. Ticket sellers, those on the door, people who put up posters, bartenders -- everybody thanks a million! Special thanks to Jose Tremblette for being the bar manager on Friday and Saturday nights and for putting up with me.

-- Anne Higgins



CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

HONG KONG

For those Chinese families that celebrate the birth of Christ, the Christmas Mass is held at midnight and many people have their infants baptized at this Mass as it is a great honor to be baptized on such a day as Dec. 25th.

On New Year's eve it is very important that the family celebrate together. The Chinese New Year does not fall on the same date as the Canadian one. Because the Chinese calendar differs, it can sometimes be held in January or February. The first three days of the new year are official holidays.

For those who are of the Buddhist faith, ancestor worship is practised in the early mornings of those first three days at the temples or at home. This is an indication of the respect that the Buddhists have for their ancestors. The Buddhists abstain from eating meat on the first day of New Year's and eat specially prepared vegetable dishes. New clothes are worn on New Year's day.

Of course, there is no snow for either Christmas or New Year's as the temperature at that time is in the high forties.

-- Anna Tsang

Hong Kong is a mixture of many different religious backgrounds -- the way a person celebrates Christmas depends on his religious background. The older people do not acknowledge Christmas at all. But the younger people do because they have become acquainted with the English traditional Christmas through the Catholic missionary schools.

The school children receive the same vacation period as they do in Canada. The Chinese labor unions have arranged to have December 25th as a holiday.

-- Stella Mao

The Chinese New Year is celebrated more than Christmas. The New Year celebration used to last for 15 days. There is much socializing during this time. There are dragon and lion dances in the streets where men dress in the costume of a dragon and dance for money for the poor. People living in the homes where the dragon passes by put out red packets of money tied to the end of sticks through their windows. The men under the dragon costume climb onto each others back to get close to the money so that it can be snipped from the stick and placed in a container carried by another dancer. There is much entertaining and visiting done during the New Year. On New Year's Eve, most people go to the flower market to purchase flowers to decorate their homes or to meet with other people at the market.

One old Chinese custom that we used to practice was at the end of the New Year everyone would go into the streets with gayly colored lanterns to talk and meet others and compare lanterns.

-- Yuen Huang

The Catholic Missionary schools have Christmas parties for the children where gifts are given. These gifts are paid for by the parents of the children.

The Christmas Mass service is much the same as it is in Canada except in many parishes, the Church offers a Christmas dinner free to all parishoners.

Although not all people in Hong Kong celebrate Christmas (because all are not Christians), everyone celebrates the Chinese New Year. One custom for the New Year is the New Year's day meal. Extra food is prepared so that some food can be saved after the meal. This is to symbolize that a man has enough to feed his family and the extra is a good luck sign to indicate that a man will be able to amply feed his family in the New Year.

-- Garbo Lau

Midnight Mass is held with Christmas carols being sung following the service. At about 3 a.m. the younger adults leave and party at night clubs. Early Christmas day everyone shows up at the main square to see the competition among the Junkanoos. These are people of all ages, both male and female. Costumes are made of cardboard and brightly colored crepe paper. People start to make their costumes as early as August. They also dance on New Year's Day. There are usually ten groups of 150 people competing and they dance to the music of goat skin drums and cow bells.

Later Christmas Day is spent in visiting friends and relatives and exchanging gifts. Imported Christmas trees are decorated in the homes. We have the usual Christmas dinner of turkey but a special traditional dessert is served -- either Benny cake (made of sesame seeds) or coconut cake.

New Year's eve is spent party hopping and New Year's day is spent at the main square watching the JUNKANOONS.

TRINIDAD

Christmas and New Year's are celebrated much like Canada except that the weather is about 90°F. Actually, the Christmas season could be honestly referred to as "the drinking season". At this time there are numerous parties, starting on Christmas day and going right through until New Year's day. It is a time of socializing and exchanging of gifts.

Santa Claus comes by boat. I have seen him come by a sleigh mounted on wheels!

-- Joanne Lambkin

MALAYSIA

Christmas is celebrated in the same manner as it is in Canada with decorated trees, turkey dinner and exchanging of gifts. Special Malaysian dishes of curry are prepared for visitors who may drop by. One special Chinese Christmas dish is sweet balls made of rolled dough which is cooked in boiling water then put into a sugar syrup which is flavored.

King Hee Fatt Choy, however, is celebrated much more. That's the Chinese New Year. This is public holiday with lion and dragon dances (although these are not as plentiful as they once were).

People visit each other exchanging candies, cookies, fruit and wines. If a family is well-to-do, waxed ducks and sausages are given as gifts. Firecrackers were once used to drive off evil spirits during the New Year. An old belief was that to sweep your floor on the first day of New Year's would mean you were sweeping away good luck. Those children who were not of a young age, would try to stay awake until the stroke of 12 on New Year's Eve to ensure that their parents would have a long life.

This is not practiced very much today.

-- Lai Leen Chew

BERMUDA

Because we are so close to the United States there is not much difference between how we celebrate Christmas and how they do. Everything about our Christmas and New Year's activities is exactly the same as the Canadian's. Real Christmas trees are decorated for the occasion as they are not too expensive to buy. Also school children decorate Christmas boxes and fill them with food for the poor. Little milk cartons may also be decorated and filled with money to give to the poor. The only things different that we have are cassava pie and Gombey dancers.

Cassava pie is a traditional Christmas dinner dish which is a root pie made with chicken and ham. The Gombey dancers appear in groups of ten to fifteen. They are dressed in jeans and white shirts, shoes with bells on them, colored capes and white net, grotesque masks which hide

the identity of the dancers. They are black dancers ranging from youngsters to those in their late teens. They carry a whip in one hand and mock hatchet in the other. As they dance through the streets people follow them. The dancers dance to the beat of drums and the pounding of sticks. The Santa Claus parade is something that all the people turn out to see. He usually arrives in a large, red fire engine while groups of school children sing Christmas carols.

--Trurina Cooke

Gail Tucker

Judithann Fraser



Virinder Toor

It's the time of the season when you shouldn't be on the streets of Montreal panhandling with local wine--os.



Mrs. Diane Tinkham

Just giving...



Sherry Morash

A time to be with your friends and family. Time to forget troubles.



Laila Paattinen

With us it's getting together and having a good time.



John Schwartz

Family time---celebration



Bernita Purcell

A spirit of happiness with people, but above all God!

.. BITS and THINGS ..

PHILOSOPHY OF A BRIDGE PLAYER.....

1. Life is looking for a fourth.
2. When confronted with trouble ruff and sluff.
3. Heaven is making 7 no trump doubled redoubled.
4. Hell is going down 6 on a 7 no trump doubled and redoubled
5. A deep sea finesse is God's answer to your prayer.

A little something for Dr. Van Houten---- A positive reinforcer is a stimulus which increases the frequency of a behavior or response that it follows.

Wanted: Canadian Barter--all denominations will be accepted. All donations to be left at the Picaro office.

The True Procrastinator---never put off today what you could put off tomorrow.

CAPITALISM AS EXPOUNDED

by
MARL KARX

This little piggy had roast beef, two baked potatoes with sour cream, peas, diced carrots and a delightful salad.
This little piggy had none.

WANTED: People to play bridge on Mon. Wed. & Fri. from 12 to 1 at the Picaro office.

TO RESIDENT STUDENTS:

I would like to thank all those who helped my campaign and those who voted for me. Even though I lost the election (by 18 votes), I am still willing to help the student council in any way I can.

I would also like to offer sincere congratulations to Jo-anne Belliveau and I hope everyone will co-operate with her. So come on kids - Let's get out and participate! WE NEED PARTICIPATION- NOT APATHY!

Evelyn Fraser

Stephanie Napke and Sherry Morash, new co-editors of the Yearbook, are looking for staff. If you are interested in becoming an involved person, contact one of the above at 443-9939.

Monday	12:00 noon - 1:00 pm
Tuesday	12:00 noon - 1:30 pm
Wednesday	12:00 noon - 1:00 pm
Thursday	12:00 noon - 1:30 pm
Friday	12:00 noon - 1:00 pm

You may pick you yearbook up at Seton, 2nd floor or outside Rosaria Lounge during these times:

Collections for Childrens Aid

Do YOU feel the need to help someone at Christmas?

It only takes a little to give a lot . . .

In order to help Childrens Aid make Christmas more meaningful to the underprivileged children in Halifax, boxes have been placed at strategic locations on the campus:

Assisi Kitchens
Evaristus 3rd and 4th floors
Vincent Hall 1st, 3rd and 4th floors
Marywood
Marilla
Birches 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Any good clothes and toys that you can part with are acceptable.

WANTED: Someone to correspond with prisoner. Address: Doug Lanier, Prison no. 11698, Federal Penn., McMid Island, Washington.

Gippee

ART'S



WEEKEND

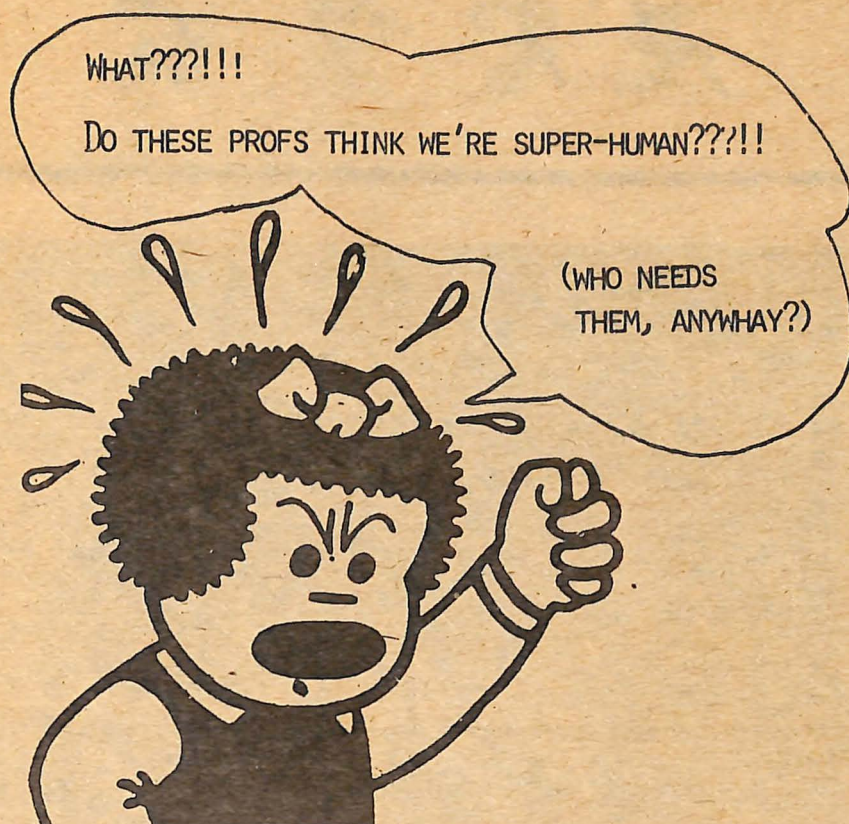
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ART'S



WEEKEND

EXAMS



<u>Biol.</u> 100A	Sat. Dec. 14, 9:15	Aud.
200A	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
201	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	S533
202A(1)(2)	Tues. Dec. 17, 1:30	Aud.
207	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
210A	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
317	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	E112

<u>Bus.</u> 210(1)	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.
210(2)	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Aud.
220(1)(2)(3)(4)	Sat. Dec. 14, 1:30	Aud.
252(1)(Crocker)	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
252(2)(Danielson)	Wed. Dec. 18, 1:30	Aud.
253 (Freeman)	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	S526
253 (Sr. Maloney)	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	Aud.
253 (Abbott)	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	S526
240	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
305	Tues. Dec. 17, 7 p.m.	Aud.
309A	Wed. Dec. 18, 1:30	Aud.
320A	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	Aud.
322	Wed. Dec. 11, 7 pm	Aud.
330A	Mon. Dec. 16, 7 pm	Aud.
332A	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	S316
413A	Tues. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
420	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
430A	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	S316

<u>Chem.</u> 100	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.
110	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Aud.
201	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	Aud.
205	Sat. Dec. 14, 9:15	Aud.
207	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	E112
306	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.
317	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	E112

<u>Econ.</u> 100(Ellis, MWF class)	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.
100 (Seth)	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	Aud.
100(Ellis, TTH class)	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.
100(Vostermans)	Wed. Dec. 12, 7 pm	Aud.
200	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.
203	Wed. Dec. 11, 1:30	Aud.
240	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
300A	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	Aud.
304	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
401	Thurs. Dec. 19, 9:15	Aud.

<u>Educ.</u> 300(1)	Sat. Dec. 14, 9:15	Aud.
300(2)	Wed. Dec. 11, 4 pm	S506
500(1) (2)	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.
502A	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.
505A	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.
507A	Sat. Dec. 14, 9:15	Aud.
510.3A	Wed. Dec. 11, 1:30	Aud.
(Int) 510.2A	Wed. Dec. 18, 1:30	Aud.
(Int) 510.4A	Sat. Dec. 14, 1:30	Aud.
511.4A	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	S306
515(1)	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	Aud.
515(2)	Mon. Dec. 16, 4:30	S503
516A	Mon. Dec. 16, 4:30	S502
517A	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
518	Tues. Dec. 17, 7 pm	S507
600A	Mon. Dec. 16, 7 pm	S406
602A	Tues. Dec. 17, 7 pm	S406
607	Wed. Dec. 11, 4:30	S528
622(1)	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	S403
622(2)	Mon. Dec. 16, 4:30	S403

<u>Eng.</u> 100	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	Aud.
102(McIsaac)	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	Aud.
102(Sr. Anthony)	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
102(Broomfield)	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
102(Kennedy)	Mon. Dec. 16, 7 pm	Aud.
102/103 (Usmiani)	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Aud.
200	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.
201	Sat. Dec. 14, 9:15	Aud.
202	Wed. Dec. 11, 1:30	Aud.
203(McIsaac)	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Aud.
203(Westwater)	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.
203(Westwater evening class)	Tues. Dec. 17, 7pm	Aud.
210	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
211	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	Aud.
300	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
307	Wed. Dec. 11, 7 pm	Aud.
310	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
360	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.

<u>Fine Arts</u> 101A	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	S306
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<u>Hist.</u> 200	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	S503
205	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
211	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Aud.
212	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	Aud.
215	Wed. Dec. 11, 7 pm	Aud.
232	Wed. Dec. 18, 1:30	S505
233	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	S502
312	Wed. Dec. 11, 1:30	Aud.
335	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.

<u>Home Econ.</u> 100A	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Aud.
102A	Wed. Dec. 11, 1:30	E108
203	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	Aud.
304A	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
306A	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
307A	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	Aud.
308A	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	E112
309	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.

Home Econ.	310	Wed. Dec. 18, 1:30	See Mrs. Sewell
	315	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	Aud.
	318A	Mon. Dec. 16, 7 pm	Aud.
	402	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.
	403A	Wed. Dec. 11, 1:30	Aud.
	406	Thurs. Dec. 19, 9:15	Aud.
	407A	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
	408	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
	412	Thurs. Dec. 12, 7 pm	Aud.
	413A	Wed. Dec. 18, 1:30	Aud.
	415A	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
	417	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Gold Room
	418A	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.

Math	100	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.
	200	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	Aud.
	201	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	Aud.
	240	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
	300	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
	302	Wed. Dec. 18, 1:30	Aud.
	303	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Aud.
	311A	Wed. Dec. 11, 1:30	Aud.
	402	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.

Modern Languages

French

(Barthomeuf)	100	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	Lang. Lab
(Morel)	100	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Lang. Lab
(Rubinger)	200	Mon. Dec. 16, 10:30	Lang. Lab
(Barthomeuf)	200	Wed. Dec. 11, 10:30	Lang. Lab
(Ozere)	200	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Lang. Lab
(Costello)	200	Wed. Dec. 11, 1:30	Lang. Lab
(Costello)	300	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Prof's Off
(Morel)	300	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Prof's Off
	210	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	Aud.
	313	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Aud.
	403	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
	404	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	S304
	411	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.
	415	Wed. Dec. 11, 7 pm	Aud.

German	100	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	S307
	200	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	S504

Spanish	100(1)(2)	Wed. Dec. 11, 7 pm	S305
	200	Sat. Dec. 14, 9:15	S307
	300	Wed. Dec. 11, 4 pm	S305

Nursing - See Dalhousie's Exam Timetable

Phil.	100	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	Aud.
	200	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
	201	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Aud.
	202	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.
	204	Wed. Dec. 11, 7 pm	Aud.
	205	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	S532

Physics	100	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
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CHRISTMAS EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

This is the final timetable. No further changes are possible. Seating plans will be posted near the auditorium doors on the fourth floor.

Pol. St.

100	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	Aud.
204	Sat. Dec. 14, 9:15	Aud.
221A	Mon. Dec. 16, 7 pm	Aud.
301	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
305	Tues. Dec. 17, 7 pm	Aud.

Psych.

100 (1) (2)	Wed. Dec. 18, 9:15	Aud.
100(3)	Thurs. Dec. 12, 7 pm	Aud.
201(1)(2)	Thurs. Dec. 12, 7 pm	Aud.
202	Wed. Dec. 18, 4:30	S532
203	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
300	Thurs. Dec. 19, 9:15	Aud.
400	Wed. Dec. 11, 4:30	S528

Rel. St.

100A	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
200A	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	S501
211	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.
214	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	Aud.
302A	Tues. Dec. 17, 7 pm	Aud.
310	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
314	Wed. Dec. 11, 4 pm	S529

Sec.

Stud.

101(1)	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	S426
101(2)	Fri. Dec. 13, 9:15	S426
101(3)	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	S426
101(4)	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	S426
102(1)	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	S431
102(2)	Wed. Dec. 11, 1:30	S431
102(3)	Sat. Dec. 14, 9:15	S431
102(4)	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	S431
103	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
201C(1)	Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30	S428
201C(2)	Wed. Dec. 11, 1:30	S428
201C(3)	Fri. Dec. 13, 1:30	S428
205 Miller	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.
205 Maxwell	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Sec. 1-S428 Sec. 2-S426
206	Thurs. Dec. 12, 7 pm	S428

Soc. &

Anthro

206(1)	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	S501
206(2)	Tues. Dec. 17, 7 pm	S501
300	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	S501

Soc.

100(Keyes)	Mon. Dec. 16, 9:15	Aud.
100(Lowry)	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
100(Clark)	Wed. Dec. 11, 7 pm	Aud.
202A	Wed. Dec. 11, 9:15	Aud.
302A	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	Aud.
303(1)(2)	Tues. Dec. 17, 1:30	Aud.
304	Tues. Dec. 10, 7 pm	S506
309	Tues. Dec. 17, 9:15	Aud.
312A	Wed. Dec. 18, 1:30	Aud.
360	Thurs. Dec. 12, 9:15	Aud.
404	Mon. Dec. 16, 7 pm	Aud.

Statistics 303 (1)(2)

Tues. Dec. 17, 1:30	Aud.
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Speech & Drama

200	Thurs. Dec. 12, 1:30	S315
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WAIT A MINUTE!
WHO'S THIS COMINGTHE W/AT
UNO G. W/AT

MORE THAN BAND-AIDS

By Diane Tinkham

The health services are available to all of the University community. Dr. Gonsalves, M.D., has office hours twice a week -- every Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. He is also available on an emergency basis. I would like to stress that if you are in need of a Doctor's services, please come down early in the day so that Dr. Gonsalves can treat you or another Doctor can be located.

My office hours are Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. However, if an emergency occurs after hours, the

proctors and facilitators have my home phone number. There is also a registered nurse who lives on campus and who will take calls when I cannot be located. (She can also be contacted through your proctors.) I want to emphasize that the health service is not only a bandaid station but that we are very much involved in all aspects of healthful living, e.g. weight control, skin care, birth control, etc. We have many free pamphlets available and if we do not have the information you need, we will endeavor to obtain it for you. For the faculty and staff if you would like to practice one aspect of preventative medicine and have your blood pressure checked periodically, I would be glad

to oblige.

Another service offered by your health service is that of psychological counselling. Dr. Van Houten has weekly appointments which can be made through my office. We also are able to use the Dalhousie Student Counselling service on a limited basis; appointments can also be made through me.

Final word of advice -- if a serious emergency occurs and you are unable to reach me and you are in doubt as to what to do, call the Victoria General Hospital 429-5151 and ask for Emergency then request to speak to a Doctor. There is always a Doctor on duty and it is the fastest way I know of obtaining medical advice.

NUTRITION

By Bonnie Green

This year the Home Economics 309 class is sponsoring educational projects on various aspects of good nutrition. These will be appearing in the form of posters and announcements around the university.

Each month there will be a new topic and every week of that month will enlighten on a different idea of that topic. Iron will be featured during the month of November.

The ideas highlighted so far are:

"Iron gives you zest
The pill is a substitute
but the foods are the best."

This means that for you poor souls who don't like any foods containing iron, even supplements in the form of iron pills are a help.

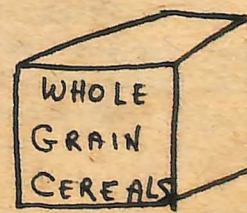
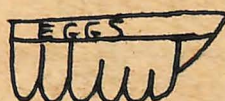
With the Nutrition Canada Survey showing a high percentage of the population being anemic, the importance of iron can't be stressed enough.

Iron is found in a variety of your everyday foods; for example, egg yolk, enriched cereals, organ meats, raisins and prunes which aren't all that difficult to include in the diet. So be sure to look for these messages. They've got something to say to you.

IRON GIVES YOU ZEST
the pill is a substitute



but IRON Foods are the BEST



Santhe Record Man

CANADA'S LARGEST
AND
BEST-KNOWN RECORD STORE

*Extends Seasons
Greetings*

BAYERS RD. SHOPPING CENTRE
(Lower Mall)

OPEN Mon., Tues. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Wed., Thurs. and Fri. 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

MARINERS WIN CATCH

By Gail Rice

The Mount "Mariners" won the Inter-collegiate "B" Varsity Volleyball championship for the first time on the weekend of November 23 in Fredericton, N.B.

The tournament was a single-round-robin with six teams competing: MSVU, King's, University of New Brunswick-St. John, St. Mary's, Dalhousie Junior Varsity, and St. Thomas University. The Mount went into the final match undefeated, but were upset by the Huskiettes who played extremely well. This forced a three-way play-off between MSVU, St. Mary's and St. Thomas who had been beaten in a three game

thriller earlier in the day by the MSVU girls.

St. Thomas University drew the bye and MSVU and St. Mary's played off-- with the Mount dropping the first game but coming back to win the next two and the match. The tired "Mariners" took to the floor for their 12th, 13th, and 14th games of the day-- again losing the first game but coming on strong to win the next two the final one by 15-2 score for the championship.

Members of the team are: Becky Robar (captain), Cheryl Marciopont, Ann Lennox, Anne Horgan, Carolyn MacLean, Susan Scott, Sheila Ferguson, Cathy Sherwood and Donna Walsh.

NO RESPONSE TO INTRAMURALS

By Esther Mosher

We have had some response to the intramural activities but it has not been entirely satisfactory. Many people have expressed interest and then not shown up on the night they are scheduled to play. Those who have shown up have enjoyed themselves. Many of them had never played before and had little knowledge of the sport, but they were keen and came out to compete for their residence. Even if a team was losing they were in high spirits, after all it's only for fun.

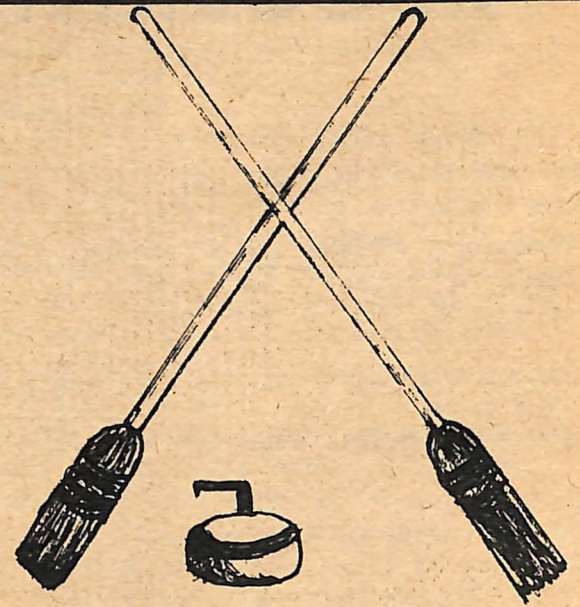
When we asked people why they did not show up, we got the usual "I don't have any time". Well neither do we but we feel that one hour out of one-hundred and sixty hours a week is not going to do much damage, if anything it will do some good for you. Reconsider it. It is a lot of laughs.

As it stands right now, Vincent Hall number two team is in the lead, with the Townhouses tied second with the Vincent Hall number one team. The Townhouse's hope to compete against Assisi Hall and Evaristus in the near future but who knows perhaps they are scared of us. Anyway time will tell.

If any Mount students wishes to form their own teams and compete in the intramurals, go right ahead, all I ask is that you inform us so we can schedule you in with the other teams.

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of myself and the other intramural representatives, to congratulate Gail Rice and her volleyball team on their fine job at U.N.B. Fredericton and to thank them for bringing the Maritime Intercollegiate Varsity Volleyball Championship to Mount Saint Vincent. We are all Proud of you.

SPORTS



CURLING

Anyone interested in curling recreationally or competitively, please advise Mrs. Rice. Also advise her of when you would prefer to curl. Hours available are:

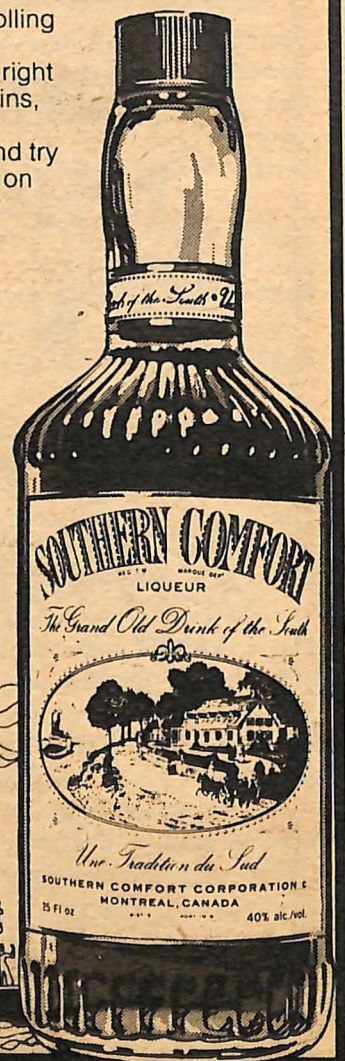
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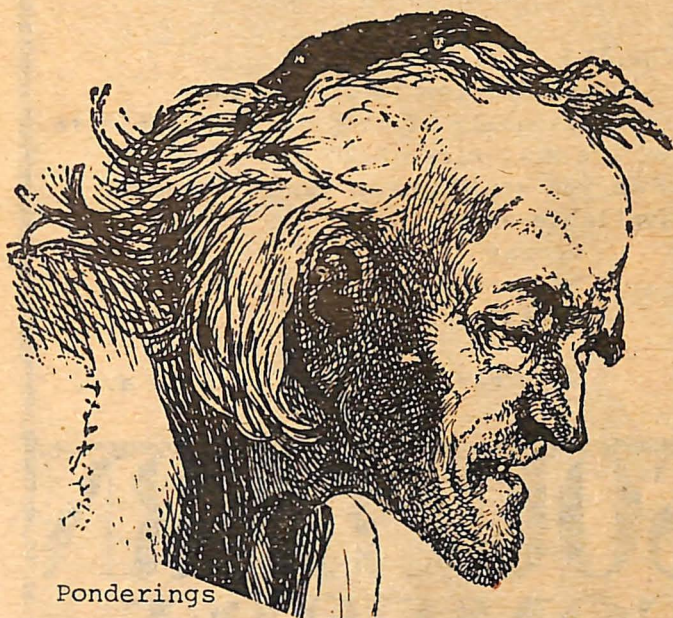
What are the Dead

Tombstones crushed in a pattern; a row
Dating a beginning and an end
of a life, I will never know

Watching 4 black circles nose their way
To a grave
I try to imagine what they will do or say

Do they pray
Of the sorrow of their lose.
Or speak of time shared yesterday.

L.D. Shaffer



Ponderings

The night closes in around me
As I walk to my home,
The man-made moons turn on
Giving my surroundings an erie glow,
Casting shadows where shadows should not be.

The wind moves through dying leaves
Scolding them, telling them to fall,
The remains of their death,
Crunch
Beneath my feet as I walk along.

Black devils cry out from their perches
in the trees
Watching-calling-watching
I stop to look at one, he stares back
I walk on wondering, who is he really?

The cars go past at a hurried pace
Going no where, coming from no where
But going- on and on and on
The drivers' faces blur
Become intermingled with one another
Identity vanishes.

I'd like to scream- "Who are you?"
But who'd answer me
I bet they don't know themselves
Why do you go so fast?
Why don't you stop and think?
I don't go on and on like you do
I stop and I think
I ask questions about things
I - wait - Who am I anyway?

Edna May Marshall

IF

If black exists then so does white,
If day exists then so does night,
If wrong exists then so does right,
If death exists then so does life,
If north exists then so does south,
If God exists then so does the Devil.

Sam Corning



Music

The band went out onto the stage,
Without their instruments one day.
And said without them they couldn't play.

They were about to turn and go their way,
But an aged man appeared on stage.
He said he had a harp they might play.

Well notes rolled out of that single harp
And the stage became a drum
A thousand voices and twice the hands
Made more music than any band could strum.

The band had learned a special thing
That music is more than drum and string
Its the people and the joy that it may bring.

L.D. Shaffer



Winds

Winds blow; some strong and fierce;
other small and almost unheard as
they pass.
They come They go. No-one ever sees
them.
Where do they go? Where are they from?

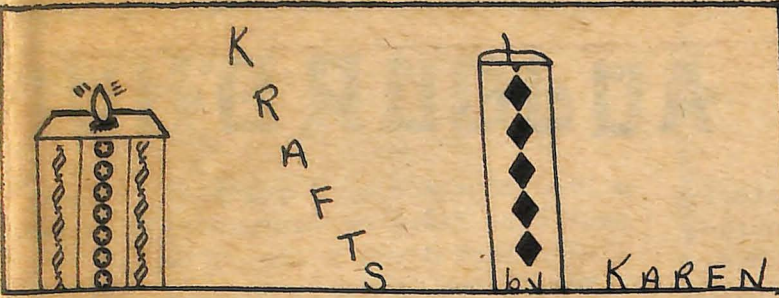
Mysteriously they come, when least
expected.
You want to see them, but no! They
are gone is a melting instant. Gone.
To where have they fled?

Escaping to the unknown reaches. Why?
From who?
From us?

You hear them speak but once.
Thru your whole lifetime; you
listen and wait for them.
They speak. It's over.
Now only the leaves speak of their
passing.

Karen McDonald

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Candle making is one of the oldest home crafts and was developed through the ages because of the necessity to light one's home. Today, candles are used in the home for decorative and festive occasions. The craft of creating your own candles has personal appeal because each candle, when molded and decorated displays your own ingenuity.

MATERIALS NEEDED

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| 1. commercial wax | 4. Wicking |
| 2. double-boiler | 5. Color and scent |
| 3. candy thermometer | 6. mold |

CANDLE WAX

One eleven pound slab of wax is enough to make four "quart-size" candles. Poured candles are usually made with wax melting at 130°F. Paraffin wax is not recommended because of its lower melting point. Wax is **FLAMMABLE**. For best results and the safest method, use a double-boiler. **NEVER MELT WAX OVER DIRECT FLAME AND NEVER POUR NEAR AN OPEN FLAME.**

Do not heat wax to exceed 200°F. Wax should be poured at 175°F. When less than this, the air bubbles created by pouring are captured in the cool wax which hardens before air bubbles can rise to the top and be released, and a dull and pitted candle results. If wax was poured when too hot, a shiny and pitted candle results.

CANDLE WICK

A basic rule to remember is that the larger the diameter of the candle, the larger the wick. There are two common types of commercial wicking -- braided cotton yarn wick and metal-core wick. A wick needs to be three inches longer than the finished candle. The wick may be inserted before or after the wax is poured. If wick is to be inserted in a finished candle, heat an ice-pick and make a hole down center of candle. If a metal-core wick is not used, dip wick in melted wax several times until stiff. Insert stiffened wick in candle hole and fill with melted wax.

COLOR AND SCENT

Cubes of concentrated, color wax; liquid candle dye; and old candles all can be used. Crayons are not recommended as they often contain certain chemicals which impair the burning qualities of wax -- causing smoking and sputtering. If used, try to get wax crayons without plastic additives.

Shave slivers of desired scent into the pourer, allow to dissolve. The scent should always be added immediately prior to pouring, thus preventing loss of scent from evaporation.

MOLDS -- ANYTHING GOES!

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| dairy cartons | all kinds of cans & containers |
| kitchen utensils | blown eggs |
| sand | christmas ornament balls |

POURING MOLD

1. Lubricate the inside of mold with a light cooking oil. This will act as a mold release. If wick is to be inserted before wax,
2. insert waxed wick through bottom hole and bring up to the top of mold.
3. Slowly pour a very small amount of wax into the mold. Wait until wax has started to solidify and continue pouring very slowly until mold has been filled to 1/4" from top. Slow pouring is necessary to prevent the formation of air bubbles.

Allow mold to cool at room temperature for a minimum of 4-6 hours. After the first hour, check wax in mold. Notice that as the wax cooled, it started to shrink and form a well around the

wicking. Insert a knife 3 or 4 times into this well. Pour additional wax into the well until the mold has again been filled to the bottom level of the candle.

After the candle has cooled and hardened, it is ready to be removed from mold. For plastic molds, take in hand and squeeze gently to release sides. Turn upside down and candle will slide out. **DO NOT POUND CANDLE MOLD ON HARD SURFACE.** If it doesn't release immediately, place in the bottom of a refrigerator for an hour, then try to remove again.

Creative Effects:

LACE ICE CANDLE

- (1) Fill mold with 2" layer of crushed ice or small ice cubes.
- (2) Pour wax (200°) to within 1/2" top of ice.
- (3) When this layer has partially hardened, add another layer of ice and then wax.
- (4) Repeat layers until candle is height desired.

SAND CASTING CANDLES

- (1) Fill a plastic dishpan or similar container with clean, damp sand about 4"-6" deep.
- (2) Scoop out free-form shape or press a bowl or similar object into sand.
- (3) Pour melted wax into the indentation. Allow candle to harden and carefully remove from sand.

FLAT SHAPES

- (1) On a slightly oiled metal cookie sheet, pour a layer of wax from 1/8-1/4 thick.
- (2) Let set until warm and pliable.
- (4) Lift shapes with a spatula and lay on a flat surface to harden.
- (5) To bend forms to shape of candle, soften each cutout over a steaming pot.

CONFETTI CANDLE

- (1) Cut or break chunks of colored wax into 1/4 to 1/2 pieces.
- (2) Place colored chunks together in a mold
- (3) Then fill mold with melted candle wax. (175°F)

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LA FEMME ACADIENNE AUJOUR D'HUI

par Gail Walsh

Le 6 Novembre, à Seton, le Département de Français a MSVU a présenté une conférence par Mme. Edith Tufts sur "La Femme Acadienne." A une époque où la situation des femmes prend une grande importance, le responsable du séminaire Acadien a eu raison de choisir un tel sujet.

Mme. Tufts, mère de quinze enfants, a présenté le sujet d'une manière très claire et intéressante. Premièrement, elle a discuté l'histoire des Acadiens, en insistant sur le rôle de la femme Acadienne. Elle a dit que la femme Acadienne était une femme intérieure, mais aussi qu'elle travaillait avec son mari dans son nouveau pays: le Canada. Comme les femmes des autres cultures au Canada, elle devait se montrer responsable à l'égard de sa famille et de son pays.

Au cours de ses recherches, Mme. Tufts a découvert que les Archives et les ~~xxx~~

livres historiques consultés ne faisaient pas de tout allusion aux responsabilités prises par la femme Acadienne et à son rôle historique. Son évolution n'a pas été étudiée et est soudaine. Avant, elle ne jouait que le rôle stéréotypé de maîtresse de maison, mais depuis plusieurs années elle occupe une toute première place dans la société.

Pour illustrer cette idée, Mme. Tufts a cité des femmes qui ont contribué à l'essor social comme Antoinette Maillet, écrivain, Dora Godinet, Edith Butler, chanteuses, E. LeBlanc, économiste, Colleen Campbell, avocate et Membre du Parlement et bien d'autres encore.

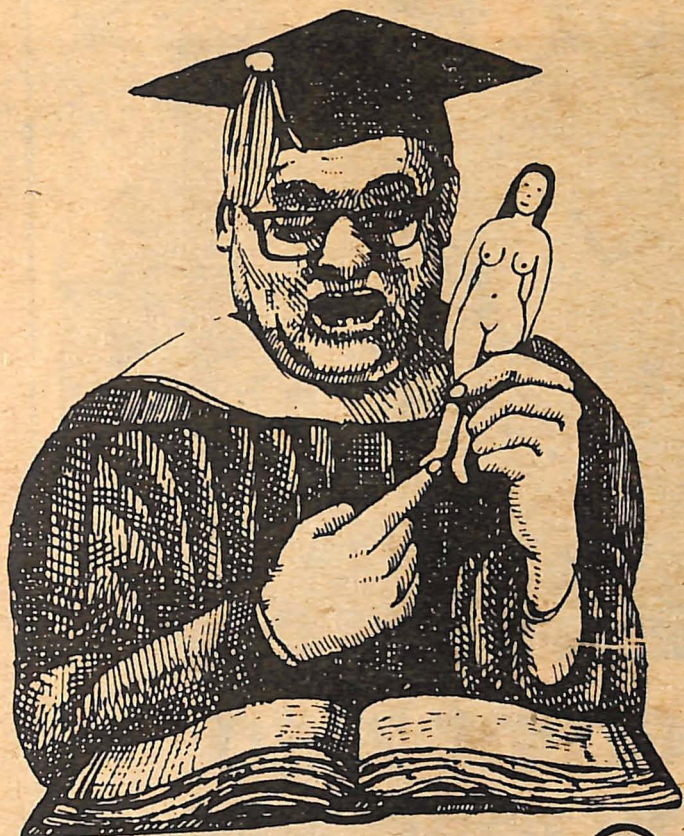
Pour finir, elle a dit que par le passé, la plupart des femmes Acadiennes étaient pauvres et peu instruites, mais aujourd'hui cela a vraiment changé et la femme Acadienne a un avantage plus que la femme Anglaise parce qu'elle possède deux cultures. Elle veut être Canadienne, mais conserver sa culture Acadienne en même temps. et la conférence

a bien montré à quel point l'Acadienne peut être fière et heureuse d'être ~~xxx~~ l'héritière d'une telle culture.

Mme. Tufts, a également souligné que beaucoup d'inégalités sociales resteraient à rejoindre, et elle espère qu'au cours de l'année 1975 ("L'année des Femmes"), chacun prendra conscience des changements à effectuer. Cette dernière remarque concerne bien la femme Acadienne que la femme Anglaise.

Je suis d'accord avec Mme. Tufts et j'espère que dans l'avenir, la femme Acadienne, comme sa contrepartie Québécoise et Anglaise, continuera à travailler pour une égalité dans la société. Je crois qu'on a besoin de femmes comme Mme. Tufts qui est fière de sa culture.

J'espère aussi que le Département de Français continuera à présenter des conférences comme celle-ci qui contribuent au développement de notre société et la culture française et peuvent aider la société française du Canada -- Acadienne ou Québécoise.



Acadian Federation Has Public Meeting December 7

Once an organization is said to be representing a group of people, or a specific population, it often needs to re-examine itself in terms of who it is actually representing. It is no exception with the Federation Acadienne de la Nouvelle-Ecosse (Acadian Federation of Nova Scotia) which speaks for 45,000 French Acadians in our province.

Funded by the Secretary of State Department since 1969 the Federation is working for the betterment and well-being of the Acadians in seven presently designated areas, one of which is the Halifax-Dartmouth region.

On Saturday December 7, a public meeting will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1084 Tower Road, Halifax and will begin at 12:30 p.m. Federation representatives and personnel will be on hand to

discuss the present objectives of the organization and the different services available to the people. This meeting will be the first of its kind to be held in Halifax and everyone will have an opportunity to express their ideas, interests, and preoccupations so that the French population of our area is better known to the Federation.

Mrs. Carmen Comeau, field worker with the Federation, who has been working in the Halifax-Dartmouth area since a year and a half ago, will be presenting her proposed program for the coming year and much discussion is expected to follow. She states that "this meeting is being held so that the most important element, that is, people, is accentuated. The Federation, by going directly to the people and listening to what everyone has to

say, can do a better job of representation and better still, of working to find ways to answer the people's needs.

"Although the Federation is often identified with those rural areas where the Acadian population constitutes a whole community, let us not forget that we number close to 12,000 in this area and although our rights are the same, our situation is different than anywhere else. Many French-speaking people are now in Halifax because jobs and universities have brought them here and our community ties are broken down. Now is the time to let our views known and see what the Federation has to offer."

The meeting is open to all Acadian and French-speaking individuals as well as anyone who is interested in the development of our French community.

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By Shirley Boron

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Monday.....11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Tuesday.....11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Wednesday..... 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Thursday.....1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Friday..... Closed

Also, if anyone is interested in donating manpower, drop into the Council Office or the Depository in the New Year. In the meantime have a Merry Christmas.



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ENTERTAINMENT

Sat., Dec. 7, 8:30 p.m.-Guarneri Quartet (Violins & Cello) Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. (434-2298)

Thurs., Dec. 5, 12:45-Musica Antiqua ensemble. Drinking songs to stately instrumentals. Foyer of the Dal Arts Centre. Free

Wed., Dec. 11, 8:30 p.m.-Murphys Law featuring "Sonny & the Starlighters" (tunes from the 30's & 40's) Dunn Theatre, Dal Art Centre. Free!

Thurs., Dec. 12 8:30 p.m., Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. Christmas Concert with a symphony, choral & Choir (434-2298)

EMPLOYMENT

Career-Oriented Summer Positions-Federal Government

If you would like to be considered for a summer job related to your course of studies, applications must be submitted by January 15th. Apply to Canada Manpower, Room 318, Seton Academic Centre.

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GALLERIES

Peggy's Cove Syndrome (N. S. Artists)-till Dec. 18 Eye Level Gallery 5785 West Street (Next to Pier 1 Theatre) Tues., Wed., & Sat.-] to 2p.m. Thurs. & Fri.-4 to 7 p.m.

RADIO

Opera Fan? CBC Dec. 7, 3p.m.-Romeo & Juliette. The Metropolitan Opera is a regular in Saturday afternoons

Concern CBC Dec. 4, 9:03 p.m. Judaism & Human Rights

SPORTS

Swimming (students & faculty)-Hfx Infirmary, Gerard Hall 8-9p.m. on Sundays.

Thurs. Dec. 5 at 7:00 p.m.-Mariners verse faculty for a bout of Volleyball Vincent Hall Gymn.

After Christmas: Curling, Tennis, Yoga Skating and/or hockey, badminton (resuming Jan. 8) Intermural volleyball & basketball, and swimming. Watch Newsletter & posters for dates & times. Judo-self defense? physical fitness? an outlet. See the square on this page & fill it out. At least 10 people are needed to make this program happen.

The Halifax YWCA (1239 Barrington St.) Registration for their Winter program begins the week of Dec. 9 (classes the week of Jan. 6) Phone 423-6162. Every type of activity is being offered.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Newman Club is collecting clothes, toys & money for poor families at Christmas Contact Sue Pitman or Fabienne Martin

Dance Co-op- 3rd annual Very Merry Workshop. Dec. 26-31. Intensive classes in modern techniques & improvisation Write Box 302, Halifax or phone Peter Zimmer (422-3326)

Unicef cards & calendars will be on sale in the upstairs art gallery Mon-Fri (9-5) Tues (9-9) Sat-Sun (12-5)

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MERRY CHRISTMAS



We take this opportunity to express deepest season's greetings to the campus community. Our gift to you is bringing the Picaro to life. We have a great year to work with -- the Mount's anniversary, International Women's Year and the President's upcoming installation. We plan to produce three supplements in the New Year -- "Past, Present and Future", "Women in Transition" and for a touch of humor -- "The Comical Harold".

We NEED news and feature writers, proofreaders, TYPISTS, layout artists, etc. etc. etc. A journalism workshop is now in planning for the new year. If you are interested in assisting to create one of these supplements or work for the Picaro full time, please drop in to see us now or first thing in January.

Hope you get through the next couple of weeks without too much pain!

Merry Xmas. and a bright New year.

Sincerely,

The Picaro Staff

