

Pres. capitulates on senate seats

Students now have three seats on Senate. However, the referendum of October resulted in a demand for nine seats. What happened?

The majority of Council members seem to feel that the referendum was inconclusive. Despite three weeks of continual campaigning by the whole Council only 54% of the Union turned out to vote. Without strong public opinion to back them they lost their strongest weapon in negotiations. In fact, Mary Martin (Arts rep) says:

"There was no negotiation. The committee appointed by Council never even requested nine seats, because the Senate Committee felt it was 'not feasible at the present time.' The committee returned to Council with a suggestion of three seats after only three meetings."

When the proposal reached Student's Council, President Gaskin twice broke a tie vote in an attempt to force the Committee to uphold the referendum. However, it was obvious that the Committee was unanimous in rejecting nine seats, and felt that the only reason for upholding the demand was obstructionism on the part of Gaskin and her supporters. The last tie-vote has demanded only that the referendum at least be presented to Senate.

The referendum was finally taken on October 16, 1969. President Gaskin then reversed her former stand completely, as well as the referendum. Instead of making a plea for nine seats, her short speech to Senate merely requested an offer from Senate as to the number of seats they would be willing to grant. The S.A.C. President was requested by the Picaro to give a summation of her reaction to the whole question of student representation, and specifically, why she did not uphold the referendum.

As she said, "By the time the referendum reached Senate I no longer had a choice of action; it was forced upon me. The Council had directed, by only a one vote margin - mine - that the referendum be taken to Senate. What was not recognized by those of us who voted in favor of the motion was that the Council Committee had no intention of supporting the referendum at the Senate meeting, or even at the very least remaining silent about their own views. The purpose of the motion had been to present the student opinion, - not mine, or the council's or the committee's - but the students."

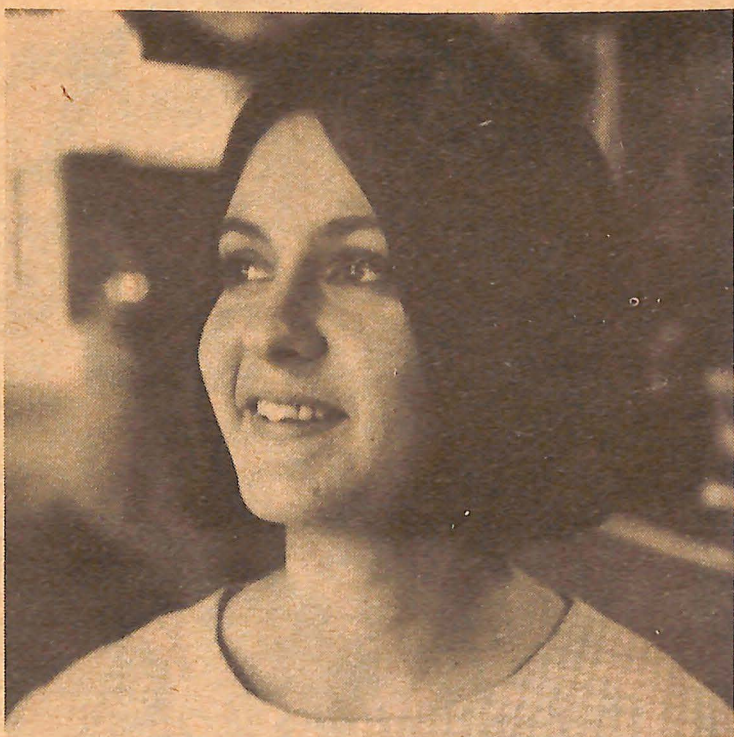
"There was going to be an argument between students at a Senate meeting, and the Senate would then decide the issue. I

am the President of this Union, I had to decide then what was more important: The integrity of the Union, or what I happened to think the correct course of action was, I chose the Union."

She continued, "It's like a husband and wife, in a way. You don't take your arguments out in company, they remain private to be settled between yourselves. Once the in-laws get a foot in the argument, you've got on foot in the divorce courts. Constitutionally, as a Union, we are practically powerless now. A 'common law' precedent set by allowing Senate to settle a Union dispute would have been disastrous."

"Further, those of us who supported the referendum were barely able to maintain our position in Council, and the next meeting would have inevitably reversed the referendum. And we had NO support from the Union. Those who voted for nine seats did not even constitute 25% of the students. Three seats became inevitable, and therefore the issue became unimportant, and not worth losing Union prestige over."

"If we could not achieve the minimum useful number of seats (in my mind, one-third) then the question of student participation on Senate became irrelevant, and we had therefore to look elsewhere for a means to have some



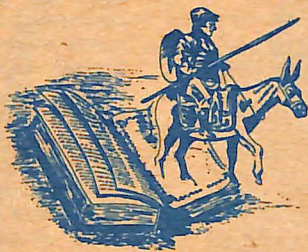
influence on our education. If we had continued to hold to the nine seats, which we couldn't since we didn't have council support, the result would have been the same, only it would have taken longer. Therefore, in light of the results to be achieved the Senate issue became unimportant

in that the only result would be student NON-representation on Senate.

"Although people like to think power is a dirty word, the fact remains that without power you cannot put your ideas into prac-

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Council reappraises constitution

At a student council meeting on January 11 it was decided that the present constitution was clumsy and unworkable in view of the needs and definition of today's student governments. This conclusion was reached after careful consideration of the constitutions both at Mount Saint Vincent and at other Student Unions.

A constitution committee is now at work changing the constitution to adjust to our present needs. Ultimately this would help the students achieve a greater degree of control over their lives both personally and at the academic level. They are working on a list of present circumstances and needs.

At present student council is tied to a higher authority structure. All changes in constitution and by-laws and the approval of the budget must have prior consent of Senate. The legislative and taxation functions are tied to the hierarchical system of the university.

The primary consideration of the constitution committee is to establish a student government which is flexible and reflects the functions, needs, and purposes of the students at MSVU. The new constitution will also keep in mind the situation at the Mount as it appears for the future regarding the probability of expansion and the Mount's recent affiliation with Dalhousie.

Two approaches are being examined. The first possibility is that of a parallel student union structure which would partner that of the university structure. The second possibility is that of a more workable parliamentary system in which the legislative and executive functions are more clearly defined.

This it is hoped will make the legislative council a true

assembly and the executive more clearly responsible for initiation and administration.

Geri Gaskin President of the Union said in a brief prepared for the committee, "As for the governing aspect, we ought to try to establish that it is a government by, of and for the STUDENTS, the essential cliché of democracy. Once this is established, in all minds then students here will be able to function as a community, forced to stand on what they are. If they are unable to govern themselves, which is the implication of the present structure, then they will be forced to face this as well."

The present state of indecisiveness in all student governments here and elsewhere results from the basic knowledge that the students are really not in control of themselves. If they make what is seen in other sectors of the university as a mistake, then these sectors are prepared to make the corrections.

The present situation in which neither the duties nor the responsibilities of the administration and council are clearly defined and separated, the administration has every right to take over when council falls down. By the new definition of student government, council will no longer be able to hide behind the skirts of alma mater when they make a mistake. Council will be a representative and responsible body of students who are to govern the university at the will of the student body in compliance with the needs of those students.

There are several primary areas of change taken into consideration in the reappraisal. The definitions of the purpose and function of a student government is the first step being taken by the committee.

Geri Gaskin said in the brief,

"Our primary consideration is that a student is one who studies; this is his first and foremost activity. We therefore must adapt ourselves to this prime function. If we do not, then we need style ourselves the social organizer, or whatever, since student means study. This is not to say that a student only studies for we know that our lives include much more than this, and therefore we must also make provisions for the best possible situations in which a student here at this university may pursue his or her interests in all things."

Since the student council is the student government, the constitution committee must recognize that council's primary concern is not with the administration of bureaucracy, but with the studies of those involved in the union.

The committee must also make an amendment to initiate a definite law-making process. This would eliminate the faculty electoral system which has already proved itself inefficient because of the time necessarily consumed on constituency matters.

The committee is also attempting to define in the new constitution, the functions, duties or powers of the three fundamental divisions of the government; the executive, legislative and judicial bodies.

The major point the committee feels is that the executive must be made strong, though responsible to the legislature and the whole union. To be effective, the executive must have a certain amount of constitutional orders in order to administer strongly, and further, to know where his or her limitations lie. The executive will be made the focus of initiation, administration and internal authority within their separate sphere of influence, and

the president will be made the focus of the executive.

The constitution changes will make the president responsible to the legislative body for the actions of the executive and the executive responsible to the president. This provides the president with a workable administrative machinery which is absolutely vital and without which the executive cannot function successfully.

The constitution committee also hopes to restructure the size of council and to initiate permanent standing committees.

It was originally hoped that

the new constitution would be completed and passed by the necessary channels by the end of March. Thus it would be effective for spring elections of the new student council.

However, there have been some indications of administrative opposition. The arguments from administration have so far been of a technical nature regarding time. Some feel that the constitution committee cannot do an adequate job in two months.

Opposition of this nature could possibly hold up work on the constitution so that it would not be finalized this year.

Columbia charged with anti-women bias

New York (CUPI) -- A group of women faculty members at Columbia University has issued a report charging discrimination against women in the University's hiring policies and asking for a full study of employment opportunities for women at Columbia.

The report, issued last month by a faculty sub-committee of Columbia Women's Liberation movement, notes that Columbia grants about one-quarter of its doctoral degrees to women, but that only two per cent of tenured faculty members in graduate schools are women.

"We are puzzled by the Graduate Faculty's commitment to train women, but not to hire them," the report said.

According to the report, the over-all percentage of women full professors at Columbia is 5.2 per cent, increasing among lower, non-tenured positions.

The report makes no specific recommendations about the number of women who should be hired, but states that, "since a woman does not invest time, energy, and money in obtaining a doctorate in order to be a better wife and mother, a more entertaining companion, etc., women should be represented in a proportion that reflects their degrees earned."

Graduate Faculty dean George Fraenkel said there is no "overt, conscious anti-woman attitude" in the university's hiring policies.

"Everyone recognized this as a serious problem," he said, and promised the situation would "change more in the future."

A tenured university position, he said, "requires a tremendous amount of dedication and time that interferes with our normal idea of a woman's role in the family."

feed back

Up with mediocrity!

Dear Editor,

Mrs. Peaslee's most inspiring letter has aroused many thoughts in my mind. Why, for instance, unite at all with Dalhousie? Why imperil that wonderful, broad and independent mode of thinking, that capacity for forceful and articulate expression by merging with a dazzling array of scholars who are never there? Let us hold forth the banner of womanhood, the woman's way of thought even if it only extends to the survey course. Let us champion the right to be a school and have done with the nasty universities who don't even know how to teach. Up with mediocrity, down with the scholar. I am sure the staff of the Mount will march with me in such an inspiring movement and put an end once and for all to that hateful dominance of mind over matter.

Sincerely yours,
Shirly Gruner

The Space Idiocy

Letter to the Editor:

Re: The space idiocy devoted to 2001 - A Space Odyssey

How dare your so-called cultural editor misrepresent her juvenile confusion as a lack on the part of a brilliant movie. It is indeed a misfortune that one of so little patience was fated to view said movie. Just as primeval apes, encountering an unknown, resort to "the advantages of mehem," so does the reviewer, casting an embarrassed glance down her family tree, assault that which has not conformed to her limited viewpoint. How dare she compare Apollo II to the 2001 space station. The former was just a doodle on the drawing boards when the latter had become a reality. (2001 had been showing in Vancouver over ten months before the Apollo II performance). Technical advisors to 2001 were as highly scientifically rated as the equivalent Apollo Control, and in this case we were spared washed-out colour, disorientation and the anguished faces of astronauts in close confinement with two other guys and ten days accumulation of body wastes. Contrary to another misrepresentation, the music was tasteful, dramatic, and matched to the action tempo. Also, her attack on the Hal 9000 representation should be considered in the light of her previous denial of the reality of man on the moon, which in the movie is brilliantly prophetic of Apollo's 11, 12 etc.

Apparently, Miss Clancy had expected entertainment on the level of a Flash Gordon Space Opera, with glossy characters mouthing anglo-techno obscurities. Instead, she got a: 1. father-little girl long distance phone call 2. a typically vague and irritating Board Conference, and 3. two astronauts seriously concerned with their deteriorating status on a computer-run ship.

A final complaint was that for \$1.75 (\$1.50 with student card) the symbolism should have been spoonfed to her. I saw the movie again, on the basis of the initial challenge to my world, found some answers and even more questions. There is a novel by Arthur D. Clarke, based on the screenplay of the movie. Regardless of whether you see the movie or not try to beg, borrow, or steal the book for an evening. Admittedly, it won't make you as wise as your cultural Editor - but that's her problem.

Walter Scott
Arts II, Dalhousie.

Gail Giles in Nigeria

Dear Editor,

Got the October 3rd edition of the Picaro and I must congratulate you for a job well done. Maybe it's because I'm out in the savannah land of Nigeria so far away, but I enjoyed reading every article.

The Teacher's Training College where I am working is a fairly modern boys' boarding school. The student population of 550 goes through five years of training which qualifies them to teach in primary schools where African students do their first seven years of education.

I am teaching all of the Form 5 English Grammar and Literature classes and have been assigned the duties of Head of the English Department. It is quite a load to carry especially when one must work under the difficulties of poor administration and shortage of staff. But in general, the work is rewarding and satisfying although at times very frustrating.

Sometimes I miss Canada and especially my family but I can honestly say I have no regrets in coming. If anyone around the Mount is interested in CUSO tell them to join. The need for educated people willing to work is so great here and I'm sure it will be the best two years in their life.

As ever,
Gail Giles



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In the last 5,000 years

IN THE LAST 5,500 YEARS, THERE HAVE BEEN 14,531 WARS, FOR AN AVERAGE OF 3.18 WARS A YEAR. IN THE LAST 20 YEARS, THE FREQUENCY HAS INCREASED TO 5.2 A YEAR.

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IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR, 95 PERCENT OF THE FATAL CASUALTIES WERE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES. IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR, 56 PERCENT WERE FROM THE ARMED FORCES. IN THE KOREAN WAR, 88 PERCENT OF THE FATAL CASUALTIES WERE CIVILIAN. TO DATE IN VIETNAM, 91 PERCENT OF THE DEAD HAVE BEEN CIVILIAN.

Whistle Me That Again!?

by Mary Clancy

Student Radicalism is the in thing. If you aren't radical now you'd better jump on the band wagon before it's too late. However there are certain rules to follow for all devotees of the radical line. First, All student radicals must have a good command of the jargon of their particular philosophy; It is not necessary to understand the philosophy, just insert the words into your vocabulary and use at all times. Second: to be a good radical you must constantly crap on the government of your country for small imperfections. It is not safe to criticize the big imperfections because to do this one must have some knowledge of what one is talking about.

Although it is not a definite rule most radicals of this ilk are expected to be unwashed and exude a peculiar odour. It's so colorful and shows that you can't be influenced by the bourgeoisie habits of our corrupt system.

The favoured line of most radicals today is the Marxist brand of socialism. At least that's what they claim. Marx might have difficulty recognizing his words in the mouths of these reformers but after all when one is so concerned with saving the world from the bourgeoisie mentality one hasn't time to read the unexpurgated editions of the Master.

Canada in the eyes of these reformers is in a terrible mess. We are run by the Imperialistic war mongering capitalist pigs. (Capitalist pigs are different from us run of the mill fascist pigs because they already have the money and we are still trying to get it.) Our country is totally dominated by the American I.W.M.C.P. However this situation will be remedied when the revolution comes and all dissenters are liquidated.

You are probably wondering how soon this glorious event is going to take place. Well it hasn't quite been decided yet. Actually it hasn't gone beyond the talk stage yet and at the rate things are going it never will. You see the most important requirement for a radical is tolerance. Not in the sense of

putting up with the beliefs of others but rather in the ability to sit around in smoke filled rooms for months even years and talk, talk, talk, about all the marvelous things you're going to do IF you ever get around to it.

Radicalism can really flourish in this dreadful country of ours because we do still maintain a semblance of free speech. As far as I could see no one has yet been carried off for verbally assaulting the government. No one is arrested for singing Maoist songs or spouting communist propaganda. This is fine for the present but when the reformers take over all this shilly shallying will cease. After you can't keep things in order if people disagree with you. Thus when the glorious revolution comes all petty bourgeoisie will be dealt with severely. I have no doubt that such people as I will be the first to face the firing squad.

I don't think it's necessary to get worried immediately. The rate of progression is so slow that by the time they take over it should be 2020. Those of us in our twenties now will be in our seventies then and probably willing to be shot.

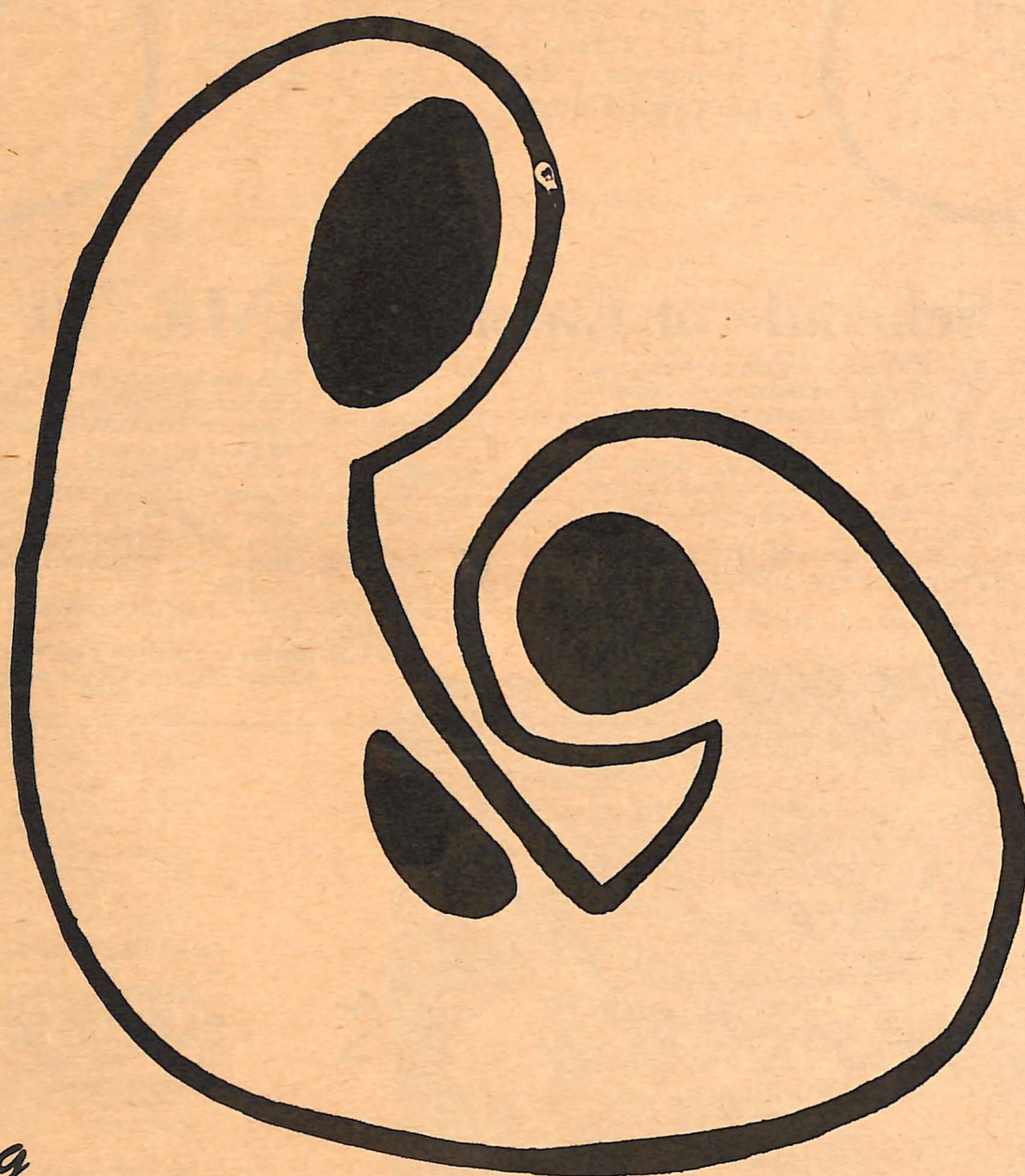
The total picture of the student brand of radicalism includes women's liberation too. This does not as you might have thought include lobbying for better jobs, higher wages and the like. Rather it covers such relevant actions as the right of females to be voluble in words of four letter. It also takes in planning attacks on the editor of McLean's Magazine because of a fashion that was detrimental to the image of the liberated women. Unfortunately the editor was unable to come to meet with these people. No doubt he heard about the plan and ran screaming back to Toronto.

So the radical movement is alive and well and growing in numbers. We bourgeoisie pigs are safe as long as its growth is numerical and not intellectual.

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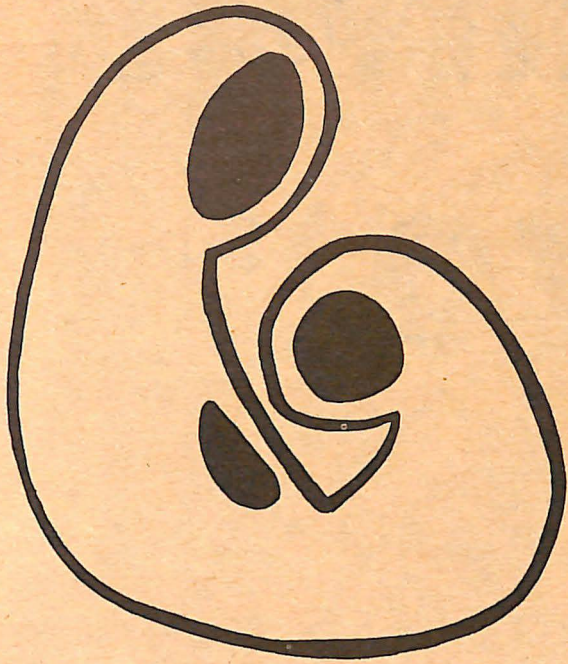
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Winter Carnival Committee left to right: Dennis Guerley (SMU), Kathy Onysko (MSVU), Charlie Decker (SMU), Francis Fraser (SMU), Dace Reimanis (MSVU), Mary Evelyn Ternan (SMU).



Schedule of Events for ANIK '70

WED, FEB. 4 - Rock concert SMU. Performances at 7:00 & 9:30. All queen contestants will be introduced and Winter Carnival queen will be crowned at 9:30. Tickets \$2.50 & \$3.00.

THURS., FEB. 5 - 7:00 to 9:00 P.M., Skating and Tobogganing at M.S.V.U. 8:00 P.M. Spaghetti Dinner will be served. 9:00 P.M. Dance with bar. Tickets \$2.00 per person. 9:00 P.M. - Mardi Gras in the SMU Auditorium. Prize for the best costumes. Couples only. Tickets \$5.00 per couple.

FRI., FEB. 6 - 11:00 A.M. Girls Football Game - MSVU vs. SMU. 5:00 P.M. Judging of Snow Sculptures. 6:00 P.M. Basketball Games -- Dal vs. SMU.

9:00 P.M. Bavarian Beer Garden in the SMU Student Centre. \$2.00 per person.

9:00 P.M. Dinner Dance at MSVU Cafeteria. Tickets \$5.00 per couple.

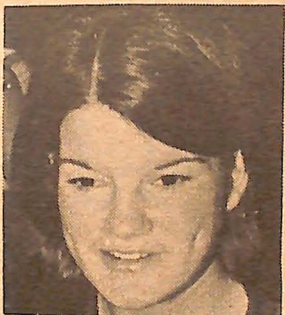
SAT., FEB. 7 - 1:30 P.M. Concert in SMU Auditorium featuring the Privateers. Tickets \$1.00 per person.

9:00 P.M. Fiesta Pizza Party in the SMU Student Centre. Tickets \$2.00 per person.

9:00 P.M. Queen's Ball at MSVU. Tickets \$5.00 per couple.

SUN., FEB. 8 - 2:15 P.M. Hockey Game - U. de M. vs. SMU.

8:00 P.M. Movies in Theatres A and B in the SMU Library. Tickets 50¢ per person.



Charmaine Murray, Business 4:

I think carnival with SMU is a great idea. It wouldn't be feasible for the Mount to stage one on its own. However, I'd really like to see the Mount, SMU, and Dal put one on together.

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Pat Coolen, Home Ec. 4:

Carnival would be a good place to begin the break from SMU. How about an MSVU "Spring Thing"?

Question: What do you think of Winter Carnival with St. Mary's?



Geri White, Arts 3: We've amalgated with Dalhousie. I'd like to see us share more than library facilities.

COMMENT



Donna Morse, Nursing 4:

I think it's a great idea -- especially the Bavarian Beer Gardens!!

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tice. We had no power in Council because our constituency did not support us, and so we HAVE no power in Senate. The three students about to be elected will attend one meeting a month for three months. In all, they will waste approximately nine hours reinforcing the senators on their

liberalism in allowing students on Senate. Occasionally they will say something and the other senators will smile benevolently at them. The University, further, will get a little free press out of the deal, since they'll be able to send in a picture of the three students who are now senators

at that progressive little university - all applications shall be directed to the Registrar, etc.

"It has been said, with truth, that the three seats could have been achieved as early as last October by a simple Yes-No referendum, instead of all the "nonsense" we went through in asking people what they thought. However, some of us, in our then political naivete, half-believed

the liberal rhetoric flung at us: "we at this university listen to each other." For some unknown reason we really thought that a referendum result would be given major consideration. We found out it wasn't even given major consideration by the people entrusted with negotiating for its implementation. The three senators will be able to achieve no significant improvements for students. There is no balance-

shift on Senate, only a pseudo-change in constituency representation. And even that is a myth, for there very definitely is to be NO representation.

Finally, I apologize to the Union for having wasted your time, effort, and hopes for a chance to have some control over decisions which affect you. We are back where we started; there are still no student REPRESENTATIVES on Senate," Geri concluded.

John and Mary

John is a swinger but a quiet one. Mary is a kook but a sensitive one. He will not have anything put over on him. She will not be used again. But... he is rather nice and he's not married. And... she's attractive and she may not try to run his existence. So it goes a whole day of soliloquy and hedging.

This is "The Game" every one has played in some form or another and therefore everyone can identify with John and Mary.

The plot is rather flimsy. But it is typical. Boy meets girl a la 1970. It is a slick movie. So slick that it takes a while to realize just how flimsy it is. It is a tribute to the adherents of the swinging uncomplicated life that revolves around chance meetings and single bars. What it shows is that even the most swinging people end up in pairs the same way the rest of the mundane world does.

Dustin Hoffman turns in a tolerable performance but then he really doesn't have that much to work with. Mia Farrow creates her own brand of gamin magic. The problem is that the two principles never seem to really get together out of bed. Hoffman and Farrow are presenting two personalities rather than playing opposite each other.

The Theatre

by Mary Clancy

John and Mary is a harmless movie. Its saving grace is that it really didn't claim to be any thing more than an evening's diversion.

Cactus Flower

Cactus Flower is a very funny movie! Ingrid Bergman is utterly beautiful and Goldie Hawn is a born comedienne. The production is well put together and the shots of New York city don't hurt either.

Walter Matthau is the weakest link in the chain. One feels that he doesn't really believe in himself as playboy - dentist Julian Winston. He seems a bit bored and even Miss Hawn and Miss Bergman don't move him.

Miss Bergman as Stephanie Dickenson the old maid turned swinger presents us with a warmly humorous interpretation. She is believable in both her personalities. The only noteworthy comment to be made is that it is inconceivable that her exceptional beauty could go unnoticed even disguised in her shapeless uniform.

Miss Hawn is a delight. She is a comic talent in the mold of Lucille Ball and Carol Burnett. Her face is a marvel of expression, and her timing is flawless.

Actually the main fault of the movie is that it is a movie. It is better suited to the stage. The rapid fire lines the comic reactions needed are made to seem over done on the wide screen. Lines that are excruciatingly funny on stage are lost in the audience response to those that went before. This comedy depends largely on timing and this is well nigh impossible on the screen.

None the less, Cactus Flower is a treat and a relaxation. Go see it.

Nurses Fight . . .

more than diseases

By PAT LEWIS

It all began back in the Stone Age when Mr. Rock stepped outside one day without his bear skin wrap and came home with the first case of the common cold. Mrs. Rock met him at the door, moved his hay mattress closer to the fire and fed him a skull full (they had no bowls in those days) of dinosaur soup.

Nursing has come a long way since then - - but not so the attitudes of the public. And it is just those attitudes which present the greatest problems to the modern nurse.

A cursory examination of some of the members of the liberal arts program resulted in the not surprising image of a nurse as a gentle, devoted lady in white who serves the people out of the kindness of her heart. Part of that attitude is correct - Nurses are generally devoted women - - but, as Anne Marie Murphy (Nursing IV) pointed out, "the nurse is a professional woman and before she can progress any further both she and the public must realize this."

At present we are experiencing a shortage of nurses. The government and hospitals are attempting to combat this by instituting tuition and bursary programs. Most of the third and fourth year student nurses at Mt. St. Vincent are participating in the bursary program. The hospital to which the student nurse applies agrees to subsidize a girl's tuition plus \$175 a month for as many months as the girl is willing to work in their hospital. Similarly under the R.N. program at most hospitals girls are able to study with tuition, room and board paid, plus a small allowance, in agreement to work at that hospital.

Yet, although the demand increases, the supply decreases. Why? Isn't it true that almost every girl at some time in her life dreams of being a nurse? What comes between the dream and the reality? As T.S. Eliot said - - it was the shadow. And the shadow falling across the nursing profession is green - - yes - - green and gold - - the colors of hard cash.

Although she is a professional woman, she will only receive as little as \$425 a month in some hospitals, a little more in others. The most important point is that she has no union - - no authority to strive for higher wages.

At present the Registered Nurse Association is working towards an increase in salary. Negotiations have been going on for quite some time and although the immediate goal is a change in pay rates, ultimately they are striving for a College of Nurses - - a union.

The student nurses in the degree program who take courses in economics and psychology can easily understand the problems they are up against. Public opinion has failed to give them the professional status they deserve.

"There are two kinds of nurses," Diane O'Neill (Nursing III) said, "There is the instinctive nurse who depends on her mother instinct for performance of nursing duties, and there is the educated nurse who has been expertly trained in her field." The latter are the nurses emerging today.

The nurse is a professional in her own right. She is no longer the mere handmaiden of the doctor. Very rarely do we hear of the nurse's diagnosis. As Diane said, "Nurses have to make decisions all the time. If a patient calls for assistance the nurse must choose between re-arranging his position, making him comfortable, and administering the doctor's prescribed medicine. All the patient may need is a back rub - - not a strong dosage of pain killer."

The Nursing faculty at Mt. St. Vincent is a close-knit group of 27. When Karen Breen, a Dean's List student, recently changed programs from nursing to liberal arts, the security of the group was shaken.

A good deal of re-appraisal took place in the minds of many of the student nurses.

Karen said, "Nursing is something which cannot be merely tolerated. It must be something that is really loved." This is clearly understandable by simply studying the program required of the student nurses. In addition to the 18 - 20 hours of classroom time at the Mount, they must spend from 4 - 12 more hours a week in the hospital. They also must spend two months of the summer working in different hospitals for practical experience.

The amalgamation of Mt. St. Vincent with Dalhousie University will have profound effects on the Nursing faculty. The administration headquarters will be moved to the Dalhousie campus and the staff will be decreased to only four members. Donna Morse (Nursing III) thinks the move will be a good one if "the girls can succeed in maintaining their identity."

Anne Marie Murphy also thinks it will be a beneficial change. "It will place the girls in contact with all the medical students and will give them a more diversified education. Also, while all our students train at the Infirmary now, the amalgamation with Dalhousie will enable the girls to train at the Victoria General Hospital as well and thus broadening their experience."

Yet what does all their training and education give them? They receive respect from doctors and other members of the medical team in a hospital, if they are good, and, of course, the love of their patients. But from the narrow minded public they receive poor pay and relegation to the ranks of the slaving public servant.

As time goes by more nurses become aware of their position and lack of professional identity, and the fight goes on. Meanwhile more and more prospective nurses by-pass the field for greener pasture\$.

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Campus Briefs

Maternity Myth

It has come to the attention of the editorial board that certain readers are under the impression that the feature article "The Maternity Myth" was a reprint from some source other than the Picaro staff. This is not so. It is the policy of this paper that features written by staff members not carry a by-line. When a feature is a reprint this is duly noted. "The Maternity Myth" to clear up any misunderstanding was written by Mary Clancy cultural editor of the Picaro.

Library Facilities

All students and faculty have full borrowing and staff privileges at any and all of the Dalhousie University Libraries. Both students and faculty are required to comply with the rules and regulations as set forth by the Dalhousie Libraries. This is a reciprocal agreement between Mount Saint Vincent University and Dalhousie University which has been in effect since September 1. Plans are being formulated at the moment for a delivery service between the libraries of both campuses.

Senate Elections

Elections for student representatives on Senate will be held on Friday January 23. Three people are running for the Senate seats - Mary Clancy, Liz MacKinnon and Joanna Marini. This means, therefore, that they have already been elected by acclamation. Phew! Thank heavens this isn't the year of nine student senators!!

Sports Events

This year the Mount basketball team is taking part in the City League. On Monday, Jan. 12th the team played their first game against club 37. Club 37 was victorious by a score of 44-41. High scorer for the Mount was Charmain Murray with 15 points.

On Thursday, Jan. 22, the Mount Basketball & Volleyball teams will play host to the Teacher's College teams. The Volleyball game will start at 6:30 followed by the basketball game. Both games will be played at the Motherhouse Gym. Why not come out and support your teams.

The Basketball team is also playing an exhibition game on Jan. 26 against Dalhousie Junior Varsity. This game will be held at Dal, starting time 8:00.

On Feb. 13 & 14th, the Volleyball team will be taking part in the sectional tournament to be held at Dalhousie. If they place first or second they will travel to New Brunswick where they will compete in the regional finals representing Nova Scotia.

On February 27 and 28 the Basketball team will be active in Acadia where they will compete in the sectional tournament. If they finish first they will represent Nova Scotia in the regional finals which is to take place at King's this year.

The Athletic Society has reserved the Centennial Arena for skating on Thursday's from 12:30 to 1:30 (noon). Admission is free. For those who don't know where the Centennial Arena is please contact Nancy Baglole (455-9726) Marywood.

On Mondays Mount students may go swimming at the King's pool. All you need is a bathing suit, cap, and a little swimming ability. There is no charge but you have to find your own transportation.

The Mount Athletic Society makes these facilities available to you so why not take time out and enjoy yourself.

Up and Away!

The Canadian Youth Hostels Association (Maritime Region) will be offering group flights from Halifax to London, England and return.

Dates of the flights are:

Group 1 -
Eastbound, July 2, 8:00 p.m.
Westbound, August 27, 11:30 a.m.

Group 2 -
Eastbound, August 1
Westbound, August 27, 69.

Flights will be made in Air Canada DC-8 jets with "Economy Class" Service. The price will be \$278.00 and children under 12 will be carried at half fare and those under 2 years at 10%.

For further information, contact the Canadian Youth Hostels Association, 6405 Quinpool Road at Oxford, Phone 423-8736.

Open House

Open House will be held at the Mount Sunday, January 25 from 2 until 5. During this time tours of classrooms, laboratories, library and lounges will be conducted. Students, parents or friends will also be able to talk to faculty members, meet other students and also see "typical" residence rooms.

Awards Committee Report

The Awards Committee shall be composed of:

- A. Chairman - Gail MacDonnell
- B. Secretary of Students Council - Abby Chow Quan
- C. Barbara Gillis - Science Rep. Awards Committee
- Karen Kunkel - Nursing Rep. Awards Committee
- Valerie Aylward - Home Ec. Rep. Awards Committee
- Janet Rinaldi - Arts Rep. Awards Committee
- Gail MacPhee - Education Rep. Awards Committee

D. President of the Athletics Club - Nancy Baglole - non-voting member

E. Sister Mary Jean Burns - non-voting member
This Committee will serve to ensure as fair a distribution of awards as possible, and to prevent any deserving individual from being overlooked. The following are the Categories of Awards:

1. (a) Gold V
(b) Silver V
(c) Council Pin
(d) Athletic Awards
2. (a) Gold V's shall be awarded to individuals who have shown outstanding leadership, achievement and service during their entire career on campus.
(b) Silver V's shall be awarded to individuals who have shown superior leadership, achievement and service during their entire career on campus.
(c) Council Pins shall be awarded to individuals who have served in various capacities within the Student Union, who have shown qualities of organization and cooperation in University activities sponsored by the Student Union.
(d) Athletic Awards shall be awarded to individuals who have made outstanding contributions through participation, team spirit and sportsmanship in University athletics. At present

- Athletic Awards may include most-valuable-player Awards, as well as Council Pins at the direction of the Awards Committee.
- (e) Candidates for Gold and Silver V's shall be in their graduating year or final year of diploma course at the time they are considered by the Committee for an Award.
- (f) Council Pins and Athletic Awards may be awarded to any member of the Student Body.
- (g) The above Gold and Silver V's, Council Pins and Athletic Awards shall be accompanied by the Awards Certificate of the Student Union.
- 3. (a) In considering persons nominated for awards, the Awards Committee shall consider the following aspects, but is free to consider any other matter which may come to its attention.
(b) Anything that can be seen as an original contribution by the candidate in the areas of creative thinking, organizing or time consuming effort, shall be given due consideration by the Awards Committee.
(c) The ultimate decision to make an award shall be based on the merit of the case, as decided by the Council, on the recommendations of the Awards Committee.
(d) Academic achievement shall not be taken into consideration for an award.

The nomination forms may be submitted by:

1. Faculties
2. Societies
3. Individuals may nominate themselves or they may nominate another student.

Nomination forms will be available in the tunnel and must be handed in to the Committee before January 30th. These forms may be given to any member of the Awards Committee or they may be left in the Student Council Office.

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