



Denis Clough— The man behind the scenes

Most people at the University (students and faculty) have very little knowledge of who our comptroller is and what his position is at the university. As one can see from the above structure, Denis Clough, our comptroller is a very powerful man at this university. The comptroller is directly responsible for our (1)Residence, (2)Business Office, (3)Bookstore, (4)Purchasing, (5)General Steno Service, (6)Personnel, (7)Development and Alumni Affairs, (8)Physical Plant and(9) Security.

As is stated in the comptroller's Job Content brochure "The Comptroller would get involved directly in the above departments if legitimate complaints about the operations were not being resolved by the Managers." Besides these nine areas, the Comptroller works on his own or with the university personnel on a group of other things, such as (1)Budgets and estimates, (2)Campus Physical Development and expansion, (3)University borrowing, (4)Union negotiations (chairman of all negotiating meetings), (5)Faculty salary negotiations, (6)Space Allocations, (7)Athletics, (8)General University administration (ie. member of the President's Administration Advisory Committee), and other duties as the President may indicate from time to time.

That's a pretty heavy load for one person. Besides being in charge of all money at the university, Denis Clough, is in some way or another connected to just about everything that happens here. In effect if anything is going to happen at the University, Denis Clough will have to have some say in the matter.

Denis Clough was the main person responsible for the price that students would have to pay in order to live in the New Residence (recently dubbed Blanchard Hall). The original price planned for the New Residence was to be \$280 a

month. Some interested students running in the Student Union elections two years ago, threatened to organize students into a boycott of the New Residence unless the price was lowered. Denis Clough agreed to lower the price.

The students also said that Denis Clough had agreed to lower the price even more, if the occupancy rate went up. (He now states that that would only occur if the occupancy rate was to go above 80%) Last year, there were only 90 students. There are now 168 students living down there. That is almost double last year's occupancy rate.

Why should students be expected to pay so much in order to live in the New Residence (\$250 a month is a lot of money to pay in Charlottetown for a 3 1/2 room apartment

with cement walls). The justification the university uses is that they have to pay for twelve months with only eight months rent. The New Residence doesn't lie dormant for four months though. Some students do live in the New Residence 12 months a year not to mention that it was used for tourist overflow and conventions all summer. At the present time, the first floor apartments which aren't being rented, are being used for conventions, such as CUSO convention which was in there last weekend.

Since the New Residence is being rented during the summer and has almost doubled its occupancy, I can see no reason for them justifying charging students so much for an apartment. That residence which is supposed to be there as a ser-

vice to students requiring a place to live, ends up being one of the most expensive places in Charlottetown to stay. If students were to go to Denis Clough and demand a partial refund on the money they had to pay, they would find out that the agreement with Denis Clough had nothing in writing. Not having an agreement in writing with Denis Clough, usually means that you won't get anywhere, as you can find out from any person who works on maintenance at this university. Denis Clough's own feelings on the matter are that we are presently losing money on the New Residence, and as a result, the price that students pay to stay there is going to be raised next year.

The Senate can pass anything they want for the University, but the final say on the matter rests with the Board of Governors, because they control the finances. Denis Clough functions as a resource person for the Board of Governors. He is the one who presents the financial implications of every move the University makes. Who really controls the power at the University?

COMPTROLLER

Frankly, this has been my **FINEST** year

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

I've got the teachers **DIVIDED** and **STALEMATED** on the question of **\$ALARY DEMANDS!**

My speeches are quoted **VERBATIM** in the local **PRESS!** **COMMUNITY LEADERS** back me **RIGHT** down the **LINE!**

I've got the **LABS, TEACHING MACHINES, GYMS, POOLS** and **TV HOOK UPS** clicking over like one perfectly tuned machine.

If I could just figure a way to get these damn **STUDENTS** the hell out of here, the place would tun like a **DREAM!**

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