

# the rich pay!

professors increased. The number of degree graduates during the period 1960-61 to 1969-70 increased 206.8% for bachelors degrees, 282.5% for masters degrees and 349.3% for doctorate degrees. This was during the late 60's and early 70's that St. John's University and the University of Wales College Cardiff consolidated into UPEI, along with the University of Prince Edward Island College. The current economic recession has resulted in a reduced requirement for trained personnel. The market is glutted with university graduates. At the same time the period between 1970 through to the first quarter of 1974 was marked by a sharp shift in investment capital away from education and into highly profitable sectors, especially the resource sectors. As a result the rich and governments are on a

campaign to reduce the numbers of students and reduce the amount of money spent in education, not because the Canadian people are now well educated and their needs are met, but because it is in the interests of the rich to do so.

The effects of this campaign are being felt by students right across the country:

- In Nova Scotia a 5.5% increase in the operating grant will make substantial tuition fee increases inevitable according to Henry Hicks, president of Dalhousie.
- In Quebec, 100,000 CEGEP students are persistently

and courageously waging a militant struggle against the loans and bursaries system. This struggle has included demonstrations, walkouts, occupations and other actions against the government and CEGEP administrators.

- In Ontario, the government has announced tuition fees for university and college students would rise by \$35 and \$20 respectively. In 1977 university fees rose \$100.
- Students at three community colleges in Manitoba will be hit by tuition fee increases of 28% next year.
- The Alberta government has announced that it plans to implement a

policy of fee increases every two years and that students can expect a sharp increase in 1980. An Alberta government task force recently recommended fee increases ranging from 40% to 119% for students at colleges and technical and vocational schools.

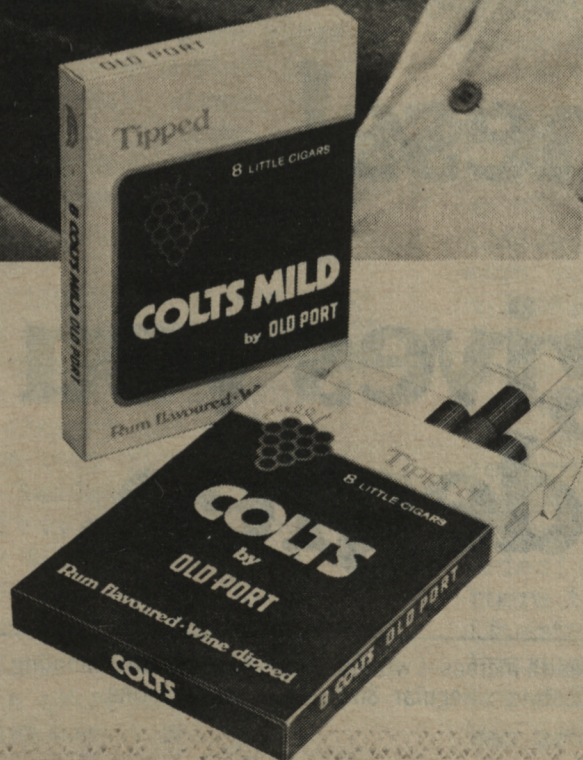
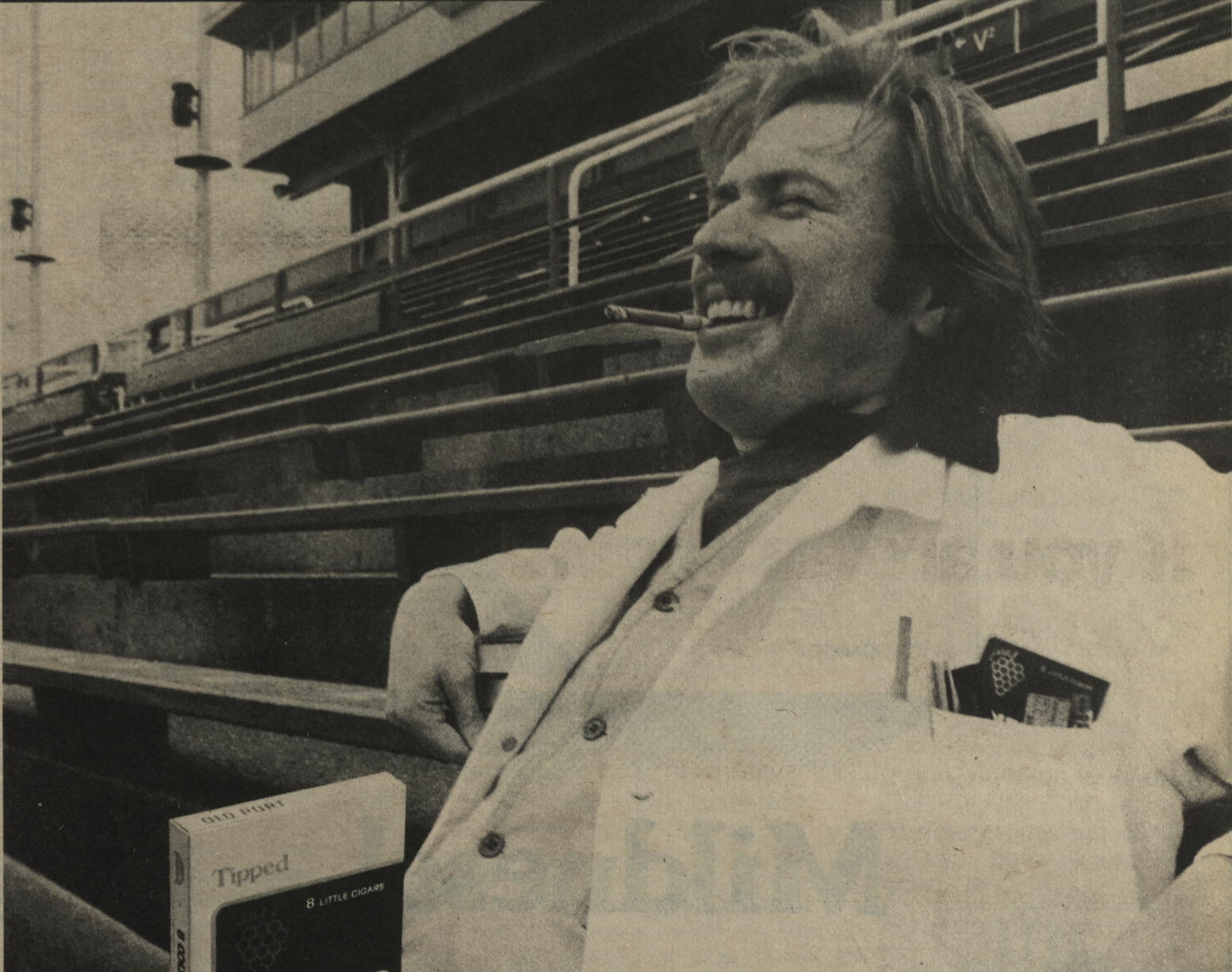
The students should not pay for the economic crisis, either through increased tuition fees or through a decrease in the quality of education.

It is the rich whose interests are served by the educational system. It is the rich who are reaping huge benefits from the economic crisis. It is the rich who should pay!

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population modified by varying participation rates. The MPHEC has allocated assistance approved by the Governments of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island to their respective institutions. The Governments of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island institutions will, in their fiscal year, receive grant increases averaging 8.6% and 8.8% respectively. The Commission has not allocated the approved operating assistance among Nova Scotia institutions pending further discussions with the Government of Nova Scotia. Since the Commission's recommendations provided only for an increase in the government assistance portion of institutional budgets for existing levels of activity, the Governments' responses to the Commission have been with the expectation that institutions will find it necessary to increase tuition fees by a percentage approximate to the increase in the cost of living. The Commission is pleased with the responses of the Governments of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. The Commission is concerned with the implications of the approved increase for Nova Scotia institutions and will be discussing these concerns with the Government of Nova Scotia.

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