

SPECIAL ISSUE:

- WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF U.P.E.I.?
- CAN THE PROPOSED \$100.00 RAISE IN TUITION AND FEES BE JUSTIFIED?
- WHEN DO WE GET PROVINCIAL STUDENT AID?

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U.P.E.I.

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— A. B. CAMPBELL
APRIL 2, 1968

THE CADRE

"THIS GOVERNMENT HAS NO WISH TO DEVELOP EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES. NOR DO WE HAVE ANY INTENTION TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF RUNNING OUR UNIVERSITIES. THIS IS NOT THE BUSINESS OR THE RESPONSIBILITY OF GOVERNMENT."

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WHAT THE PROPOSED FEE INCREASES MEAN TO YOU

RESIDENT STUDENTS: — \$215.80 extra

NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS: \$115.80 extra

The following is a breakdown of the extra costs next year:

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| Rental fee to be paid by student union | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Athletic fee, \$10 per student | \$ 17,000.00 |
| Tuition fee increase, \$100 per student | \$170,000.00 |
| Residence fee increase, \$100 per student | |

Further extra costs for some students:

\$10 parking fee

Bus transportation about 25 cents per ride to classes or residence downtown.



— editorial —

The future of the University of Prince Edward Island is shadowed in doubts, rumors and fears.

The possibility that UPEI will be phased out over the next five or ten years is recognized by many officials in the post-secondary education game. In five years Holland College is expected to be larger than the university; possibly UPEI will have become a liberal arts wing of the college. This year the per capita subsidy given to Holland College students is more than double that given UPEI students — \$3,750 to 1,731. We are pleased that the college should prosper, but not at the expense of the university.

If we can't afford a good university on Prince Edward Island, let's not have one at all.

We don't feel that most people on P.E.I. can afford the extra costs that are scheduled to be imposed next year.

And are we getting our money's worth now? The facilities offered by way of residence accommodation (including food), vary considerably. Some students get better food than others. Some get better rooms than others. A figure of \$625 has been quoted as the amount that each student in residence is subsidized. Obviously a person living in Bernadine or Monty is subsidized more than a person living in Dalton or Main. But everyone pays the same.

Some departments like Sociology and Psychology are in dire need of more, and in some cases better qualified staff.

And next year it appears that you will be paying more and getting less. We have heard that no capital expenditures are planned, that departmental budgets are being cut, that the student to faculty ratio is going to rise and that students will have to pay for varsity athletics.

Some comparisons with other universities: Memorial University in Nfld. has a tuition of \$500 and a residence fee of \$700; University of Victoria has tuition of \$429 and a residence fee of \$682; University of Winnipeg has a tuition of \$425 and a residence fee of \$611. Although there are more expensive universities than UPEI students there get more for their money and are more able to pay higher fees because of government aid. Our cost imbalance must be rectified.

Here is the resolution passed by the students Monday night; "Moved that the university of P.E.I. student body wait until Premier Campbell and the university administration give the facts relevant to the fee increases. After receiving these facts, the students will analyze them and decide upon subsequent action if any. We also affirm our belief that education is a right and not a privilege."

Students must be prepared to insist on concrete and realistic answers to these questions. We have had enough of wishy-washiness and evasions.

—The Editors.

"I would suggest, Mr. Speaker, and through you to the members of this House and to the citizens of our Province, that we cannot be content to remain just as we are. Our position is not good enough now, and is not good enough for our children! I firmly believe that our Province is now at the point in its history where the Province must decide to break the chains of the past, and make a bold, imaginative and courageous thrust into the future."

—Premier Campbell

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