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Canada's governor-general, His Excellency Jules Leger, visited UBC May 30 to cut the ribbon officially opening the new Museum of Anthropology, above left, while UBC's chancellor, Donovan Miller, looked on. Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, gesticulating with newspaper in picture at right above, had a private one-hour tour of the museum with, left to right, museum director Michael Ames; Arthur Erickson, the Vancouver architect who designed the museum; and UBC's president, Dr. Douglas Kenny. Pictures by Jim Banham.

UBC stages remarkable week

UBC went through a remarkable seven-day period from Wednesday, May 26, to Tuesday, June 1.

During that period, the University:

- Staged its annual three-day Congregation ceremony May 26 to 28 to confer 3,400 academic degrees on graduating students and six honorary degrees;
- Announced on May 27 the creation of a Centre for Human Settlements to further the objectives of Habitat, the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements, which opened in Vancouver on May 31;
- Held a ceremony on May 29 to inaugurate the new centre, which was attended by some 100 politicians, academic and Habitat officials and delegates;
- Held yet another ceremony on May 30 at which Canada's governor-general, His Excellency Jules Leger, officially opened the new $4.3 million Museum of Anthropology in the presence of 2,000 spectators and representatives from the provincial and federal governments; and
- Hosted Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, who paid a one-hour private visit to campus on June 1 to see the Museum of Anthropology just before it opened its doors to the public.

For top University officials, and especially Chancellor Donovan Miller and President Douglas Kenny, the period meant an almost constant round of public appearances, speech-making and hand-shaking.

The week of events also meant virtual non-stop work for a number of other UBC departments — Physical Plant, which makes all physical arrangements for UBC ceremonies; Food Services, which provides refreshments following campus ceremonies; Traffic and Security, which handles traffic and parking and directs visitors to campus events; and finally the Ceremonies Office, which is responsible for planning UBC ceremonies and instructing other support departments on the arrangements that must be made for a smooth-running event.

The thousands of spectators who attended UBC's three-day Congregation ceremony in the War Memorial Gymnasium saw honorary degrees conferred on Prof. Harry Hawthorn, of UBC's Department of Anthropology and Sociology, and artist Bill Reid, two pre-eminent figures in the revival of interest in west coast Indian art; Barbara Ward Jackson, the internationally known economist whose writings have highlighted the problems of developing nations and who has been a key figure

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Director named for new office

Dr. Norman Watt, currently director of UBC's Summer Session, has been appointed director of a new Office of Extra-Sessional Studies which will come into existence on July 1.

The new office will co-ordinate the administration of all part-time degree programs offered by the University during the late afternoon and evening and on weekends, as well as credit programs offered during the May-July Intersession and Summer Session.

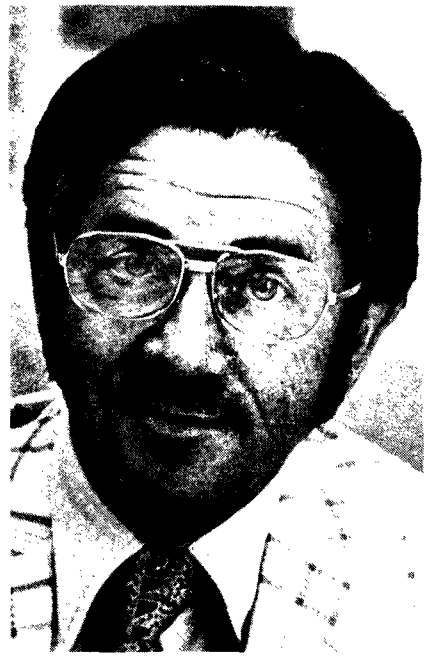
Dr. Watt's new appointment was approved at the Board of Governors' regular meeting on June 1. Dr. Kenneth Slade, now associate director of the Summer Session, was named associate director of the new office.

Prof. Michael Shaw, vice-president for University development and chairman of the President's Permanent Committee on University Extension and Continuing Studies, said establishment of the new office reflected the growth in the number of people who wish to take credit courses outside the regular daytime Winter Session.

"For some time there has been a need for unification of administration for extra-sessional offerings," Prof. Shaw said.

He said the new administrative structure had been agreed on in discussions between the deans of Arts, Education and Science, the director of Summer Session, and the Centre for Continuing Education.

Prof. Shaw said the prerogatives of each faculty of the University with respect to academic requirements for degrees, content and format of courses, and appointment of lecturers, would be maintained and strengthened.



Dr. Norman Watt

The deans of Arts, Education and Science will each appoint a co-ordinator of courses who will work closely with the new Office of Extra-Sessional Studies in organizing programs and courses of study.

The existing Summer Session Council will be abolished at the end of the 1976 Summer Session and replaced by a co-ordinating council which will assist the director of the new office and advise on long-range development plans, budget implications, guidelines regarding maximum units taught and taken during Intersession and Summer Session, the financial implications of the enrolment of regular day students in evening classes, and other academic matters.

Prof. Shaw said the new Office of Extra-Sessional Studies would report to the director of the Centre for Continuing Education, which will continue to be responsible for credit courses held abroad and for independent study programs.

Dr. Watt, who is an associate professor in the Faculty of Education as well as director of Summer Session, graduated from UBC with the degree of Bachelor of Physical Education in 1949. He received the degrees of Master of Science and Doctor of Education from the University of Oregon in the early 1960s.

As director of Summer Session, he initiated a series of special courses for senior citizens at UBC in the summer of 1974, for which he won the Creative Programming Award of the Western Association of Summer Session Administrators.

Dr. Watt was a well-known student athlete as a member of the UBC Thunderbird basketball team. In 1966 and 1967 he was coach of UBC's junior men's basketball team, which won the Canadian championship both years.

Hearings planned for June 26

A one-man commission on university education in B.C. outside metropolitan Vancouver and Victoria will hold hearings in Vancouver on Saturday, June 26.

The hearings by Dr. William Winegard, who was appointed as a one-man commission early in May by Education Minister Dr. Patrick McGeer, will take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the auditorium of the new Community Music School in Vanier Park near the Centennial Museum.

Dr. Winegard, a former president of the University of Guelph in Ontario, has been asked "to advise the minister on all matters related to the delivery of academic and professional programs outside of the Vancouver and Victoria metropolitan areas, and academic transfer programs and their articulation."

A position paper, which has formed the basis for a series of meetings the commissioner has been holding in the interior of B.C. in recent weeks, is available from the commission's secretary, John Bottomley, who is working in the offices of the Universities Council of B.C., telephone 872-0245.

Dr. Winegard is being assisted by a nine-member advisory panel made up of representatives from the three public universities, Notre Dame University and the interior regional colleges.

UBC representatives on the panel are Jindra Kulich, acting director of the Centre for Continuing Education, and Prof. Donald MacDougall, chairman of the Senate Committee on Continuing Education and a member of the Faculty of Law.

Individuals who wish to make written or oral submissions to the commission should contact Mr. Bottomley for details.

Dr. Winegard is expected to report to the provincial government by Labor Day.

Three win awards

Three UBC students are among 100 Canadian students of exceptional promise who have been awarded special M.A. Scholarships for 1976-77 by the Canada Council.

The three are Elaine Hoag, a student in the English department, Stephen Rupp in Comparative Literature, and Susan Van der Flier in Anthropology and Sociology.

The scholarships are worth $5,500 each and include a travel allowance.

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at Habitat Forum and in the Vancouver Symposium; Father Gerard Dion, of Laval University in Quebec City, a noted industrial relations expert; Prof. Kathleen Coburn, a renowned English scholar from the University of Toronto; and Stanley Arkley, a 1925 UBC graduate and a benefactor of the University Library and School of Librarianship.

In his Congregation address, President Kenny told graduating students that the degrees they had received were "certification that in the judgment of this University you are ready to start learning on your own. That piece of paper is also an affirmation of this University's faith that you will *continue* to learn – on your own."

He said that one of the main things that has made it possible for students to continue learning on their own has been the process of discovery by faculty members through research.

"That research," President Kenny said, "also has another purpose beyond its contribution to teaching. That research is an essential part of the learning process of our entire society.

"Any nation that stops learning, exploring, discovering, gives up its right to its own future," the president said. "Just as any human being who stops exploring and learning also gives up the right to his or her future."

The president described as "ominous" the recent decline in national support for scientific research for reasons of "supposed economy."

He added: "I am not being alarmist when I say that these actions represent a dangerous change in public policy – a change that threatens Canada's future, that is, your future."

President Kenny described the reason given for financial restraints being placed on research – "current economic conditions" – as "short-sighted public policy." He said it is precisely at times of difficulty that the need for research is greatest to "tell us how to strengthen the long-term development of our resources and lives."

As graduates of UBC, the president said, "you carry with you a responsibility to recognize the importance of knowledge, of learning, in the long-term life and well-being of this country. You carry a special responsibility ... to contribute intelligently to public policy decisions, to urge upon your government and your fellow citizens the need for learning and discovery to be sustained if this country is to retain its right to its own future."

At the inauguration ceremony for the Centre for Human Settlements in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre on May 29, spectators heard addresses by Enrique Penalosa, secretary-general of Habitat; Hon. Hugh Curtis, minister of municipal affairs and housing in the provincial government and a member of the Canadian delegation to Habitat; Hon. Barney Danson, federal minister of state for urban affairs; Chancellor Miller and President Kenny.

Mr. Curtis said he would introduce a motion at the UN conference inviting the UN to turn over all audio-visual material prepared for Habitat to the new centre. Such a motion was introduced on June 4 and was to be voted on later this week.

Mr. Penalosa spoke warmly of the move by UBC to create the centre and presented a bound volume of Habitat documents to Chancellor Miller, who traced the long involvement the University has had with the United Nations and with questions related to human settlements.

President Kenny said the centre will not lead to new academic courses in human settlements, but will support existing disciplines and professional education in a variety of ways.

The next day, Sunday, May 30, brought the long-awaited opening of UBC's Museum of Anthropology by His Excellency Jules Leger, governor-general of Canada.

The museum houses UBC's collection of northwest coast Indian artifacts as well as extensive collections from other parts of the world and the priceless Koerner collection.

The opening was attended by Secretary of State Hugh Faulkner, deputy premier Grace McCarthy, museum director Michael Ames as well as President Kenny and Chancellor Miller.

Mr. Faulkner told the crowd that the museum has the potential to "become a centre for Canadians of all walks of life to come to an understanding of what our history has been, at least part of it, how distinguished the contributions made by the native people of Canada.

"Maybe some day it will become effective in our own thinking of our own past," he said.

President Kenny said this museum was "a place we can enter to regain a sense of our past....

"The bulk of the materials on display here are, as you know, the creations of the Indian peoples of this part of the world. In view of that fact, and in view of the history of those peoples since the European arrival more than a century ago, it may at first sound strange to say that this museum preserves *our* past.

"That past does not yet belong to us.... Part of the price of sharing that past is a willingness to share our own present and future. With these beautiful artifacts, the people who made them are permitting us to share their culture, their history, to make it ours as well. We will not be worthy of this gift, however, unless we are willing to invite them and their children truly to join us in our present and future.

"This is only possible if we are aware of more than objects. This is only possible if we are aware of the people who made them."

The Museum of Anthropology is open Tuesdays from noon to 9 p.m. and Wednesdays to Sundays from noon to 7 p.m. until the end of August. During the winter months the museum will be open Wednesdays to Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. Admission is free Tuesdays and other days is $1 for adults.

'Freddy' Wood dies

UBC lost part of its living history last week with the death of Dr. Frederic G.C. Wood, better known as Freddy Wood. He was 89.

Dr. Frederic Wood was one of UBC's first faculty members, and the first British Columbian to join the UBC staff. He was appointed to the English department when UBC opened its doors in September of 1915 and remained with that department until he retired from teaching in 1950.

During his years at the University, Freddy Wood founded and directed the UBC Players' Club, a major UBC institution in the early years, before there was a theatre department or academic credits to be gained by the student actors. The Players' Club travelled throughout the province, performing their successful presentations in a time when talking movies were rare and television unheard of.

The Frederic Wood Theatre on campus honors Dr. Wood's long-time support of drama in the province.

Dr. Wood was awarded an honorary Doctor of Literature degree by UBC in 1971. Since his retirement, he had divided his time between homes in Vancouver and Laguna Beach, Calif.

He is survived by his wife, Beatrice, two daughters, and a son, Dr. William F.J. Wood, an assistant professor in Commerce and Business Administration at UBC.

THIS WEEK AND NEXT

Notices must reach Information Services, Main Mall North Admin. Bldg., by mail, by 5 p.m. Thursday of week preceding publication of notice.

Throughout the winter and spring of this year, "This Week and Next" covered the period from the Thursday following publication to the following Thursday morning. Although this period was convenient for those readers picking up *UBC Reports* from various campus drops, those receiving *UBC Reports* through the mail often did not receive their copies in time to take advantage of some events listed.

In an attempt to make "This Week and Next" of more use to our readers, Information Services is changing the period covered in this column to the Sunday following publication until the next Saturday. The deadline for submission of notices remains the same, the Thursday before publication at 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

4:00 p.m. **ARCHITECTURE COLLOQUIUM.** E. Duek-Cohen, associate professor, School of Town Planning, University of New South Wales, Australia, on **"Slow Ways" in Cities.** Rooms G53-55, Woodward Instructional Resources Centre.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

1:00 p.m. **MEDICAL GENETICS SEMINAR.** Dr. T. Chow, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, UBC, on **Ultrasound Imaging: The Use in Antenatal Diagnosis.** Conference Room, fourth floor, Health Centre for Children, Vancouver General Hospital.

3:00 p.m. **SCIENCE AND RELIGION DISCUSSION GROUP.** Lutheran Campus Centre.

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

4:00 p.m. **BIOCHEMISTRY SEMINAR.** Dr. Elliott Schiffman, Laboratory of Developmental Biology, National Institute of Dental Research, Bethesda, Maryland, on **Some Aspects of Phagocyte Chemotaxis.** Lecture Hall 3, Woodward Instructional Resources Centre.

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

1:00 p.m. **MEDICAL GENETICS SEMINAR.** Dr. D.A. Applegarth, Paediatrics, UBC, on **The Pathogenesis of Cystic Fibrosis.** Conference Room, fourth floor, Health Centre for Children, Vancouver General Hospital.

Three awarded honorary degrees

Three well-known members of the UBC faculty were honored by other Canadian universities this spring when they received honorary degrees at congregation ceremonies.

Professor Emerita Margaret Ormsby, former head of UBC's history department, received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from the University of Victoria on May 29.

Prof. Ormsby, who taught at UBC for 31 years and was department head from 1965 to 1974, was the author of the official history of B.C. issued to mark the province's 1958 centennial.

Prof. William Hoar, former head of the UBC zoology department, was awarded an honorary degree by St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, in April.

A UBC faculty member for 31 years, Prof. Hoar was head of Zoology from 1964 to 1971. He is one of Canada's best known scientists and is noted for his studies and publications in the fields of physiology and endocrinology, particularly as they pertain to fish.

Prof. Ian McT. Cowan, who retired last year as dean of UBC's Faculty of Graduate Studies, received an honorary Doctor of Environmental Studies degree at the University of Waterloo in May.

An internationally known zoologist, Prof. Cowan has received a number of awards for his contributions to the study of wildlife conservation and ecology

Prof. Cowan was also honored recently by the Canadian Society of Zoology. He was the recipient of the Fry Medal, awarded to a scientist who has made an outstanding contribution to knowledge and understanding in his or her field and to the development of zoology in Canada.

This is the second time the award has been given to a UBC zoologist. Prof. Hoar received the medal in 1974.

The first travelling exhibit to visit UBC's new Museum of Anthropology opens tomorrow (Thursday).

"The Legacy," part of the B.C. Provincial Museum's collection, is a unique collection of the work of leading contemporary artists and craftsmen of the northwest coast people and includes both traditional and contemporary carvings, jewellery, paintings and weaving.

It has been lent to the Museum of Anthropology for display until Oct. 1 The public is invited to the opening of the exhibit, to be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday.

The museum has now been open to the public for one week and is proving to be a popular place. Just under 4,000 people have toured the museum since its opening.

Dr. John Hay, associate professor of geography at UBC is featured on Saturday, June 12, in the CBC radio program "Conversations with Scientists."

In an interview with Bert Nelson, Dr. Hay discusses how changes in the atmosphere in other parts of the world affect British Columbia's weather pattern.

He also explains the rather depressing fact that we are currently in the trough of an approximate 15-year weather cycle around Vancouver, which may account for this cold, wet spring.

The UBC geographer also discusses how changing building patterns in the city, and farming techniques in the country, can affect climate.

The program is aired on CBU (690 on the AM dial) from 5:03 to 6:00 p.m.

A NATO Scientific Affairs Division panel on research grants will visit UBC June 28 to conduct an open meeting on NATO's research grant program.

The meeting will be held in the Board and Senate Room of the Main Mall North Administration Building at 2:30 p.m.

Purpose of the NATO research grant program is to stimulate scientific research carried out in collaboration between scientists in the member countries of the alliance. The program funds research projects carried out as joint efforts between university laboratories or non-profit research institutes in different countries.

All fields of science are eligible for support with emphasis on fundamental aspects rather than applications.