

# UBC walks out of conference



JOHN MADDEN, UBC's 1961 Rhodes Scholar, combined rowing, AMS service and honors Physics marks to cop this scholarship.

## NFCUS chairman wins Rhodes award

Despite the fact that he was thrown to the UBC wolves at the tender age of 15, John Madden, this year's Rhodes Scholarship winner at UBC, managed to survive to claim one of the highest honors to be awarded to a university student in the British Commonwealth or the U.S.

Madden, a youthful graduate of Shawnigan Lake high school on Vancouver Island, came to UBC when he was just 15 to begin his honors course in Math and Physics. He graduated in 1959.

The 21-year-old scholar is now in his second year of post-graduate study in physics.

For his thesis he is working

on a Gas Scintillation Chamber for tracing certain nuclear particles so people can see them.

The scholarship, which requires applicants to be active in athletics and other student activities, in addition to having a high scholastic record, is awarded to eleven Canadian University students annually.

### JOHN ROWED

In 1958 Madden was a member of UBC's four oar rowing crew which won a Silver Medal at the British Empire Games.

The following year he participated in the Pan American games, with UBC's eight oar crew which brought in another Silver Medal.

While at Oxford he plans to continue rowing. His other athletic interests are Rugby, Squash, and Skiing.

### SERVICE TOPS

This year Madden is chairman of UBC's local NFCUS committee and is co-chairman of Academic Symposium. Last year he was executive member on the Students Council.

Before going to Oxford, where he will be working for his PhD. in Physics, Madden plans to vacation for a month in Spain. While in Europe he also plans to do some skinning in Austria.

## Strachan views Chant Commission

CCF leader Robert Strachan today urged future increases in provincial revenues be channeled into education to implement Chant report recommendations.

In the time available to me to examine it, it is my opinion that to implement the Commission's recommendations we must finance education from general revenue while retaining local autonomy.

### EXPENSES RISING

In an expanding province we have found that our provincial revenues are rising year by year. If in the next few years most of this annual increase is allocated for educational operating costs, then the province would find itself in a position of accepting responsibility for all school operational costs."

Strachan said, "The CCF constantly stressed the need for kindergartens, and that the Department of Education has been refusing school boards the authority to open kindergartens.

"Generally speaking the report reflects a middle ground in the kind of educational system our people desire. The recommendations, if carried out, will give us a better educational return on each dollar spent, but this will not mean a reduction in overall costs.

"In order to reach the standards asked for by the Commission it will require even more money than in the past, but I feel sure that nothing less than the best in education will satisfy the people of British Columbia."

## Ubysey disagrees with CUP policy

The Ubysey, with two other university newspapers, walked out of the annual Canadian University Press conference last week over what they called "an alteration of the original purposes of CUP."

The Ubysey was joined by the University of Toronto Varsity and the Queen's Journal in withdrawing from the conference to reconsider their membership in CUP.

The withdrawal was the result of a dispute arising from a policy matter which developed during debate on a motion censuring the Laval administration and Student Council regarding the expulsion of three student editors several weeks ago.

The Varsity proposed a motion stating that the conference should agree unanimously before making statements of opinion on editorial matters. The motion was seconded by The Ubysey.

It was originally passed then reconsidered and amended to read that a two-thirds majority be required to approve editorial pronouncements before they could be made in the name of CUP.

### RECONSIDER MEMBERSHIP

It was at this point that the three delegations withdrew from the conference to reconsider their membership in CUP.

Varsity editor Ed Roberts, who spoke for the group, stated that CUP should make editorial statements with unanimous approval or not at all.

The Ubysey and The Queen's Journal issued a joint statement asserting that the amended motion is in contradiction with the original conception of the purposes of CUP. The editors of the two papers expressed the opinion that CUP is primarily an organization to foster co-operation in newsgathering among the members, and not an organization for expressing opinions.

"The basic issue is the right of each and every member paper

to decide individually what opinions it wants its name associated with," said Ubysey Editor-in-chief Fred Fletcher.

### REMAIN MEMBERS

After being assured by the national president of CUP that the resolution passed applied only to conferences, The Ubysey and The Queen's Journal stated their decision to remain members of CUP, and to attempt to have the unanimity rule written into the constitution at or before the next conference. The Varsity has not yet announced its final decision.

Ted Johnson, of McMaster University was elected national president of CUP on the last day of the three day conference held at the University of Western Ontario in London.

The Ubysey was mandated to investigate means of improving communication among member papers.

On behalf of NFCUS, Paul Becker presented a trophy to be awarded for general excellence in features. Another NFCUS proposal that CUP conduct a cartoon contest, was turned down.

The conference approved the CUP Brief to be presented in French and English to the Royal Commission on Publications.

The CUP operating budget of \$6750 for the 1961 fiscal year was approved. A detailed report on fund-raising was prepared and submitted for consideration.

### MONEY NEEDED

Ubysey Editor-in-Chief Fred Fletcher said: "This was the most important issue at the conference. I feel that a definite national plan for raising funds is essential. If the member papers cooperate we should have no trouble."

## Bishop Neill:

# UBC religious clubs failing

By SHARON MacKINNON

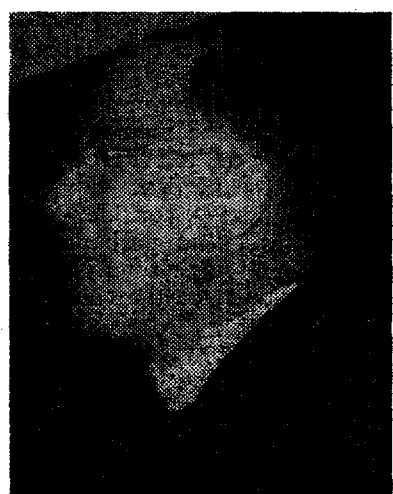
University Christian movements in many instances are not serving the purpose for which they are intended, World Christian Books editor Bishop Stephen Neill said at UBC Wednesday.

He told 300 students in Buchanan 106 that the movements often fail because students gather together for their own satisfaction and do not try to mix with students taking part in other activities.

"These organizations can be dangerous and harmful when this happens," he told the students. They're members

shouldn't just huddle together together.

"They ought to be in all



University societies as Christians making their influence felt, penetrating and infiltrating because they are interested," he said.

He stressed the fact that although Christians should be dynamic, they must not bully people into making a decision for Christ nor treat "sinners" like "speckled birds."

Bishop Neill, active in the World Council of Churches in Geneva, makes lecture tours, and is a leader in the ecumenical movement.

He will deliver a lecture on "Contemporary Christianity" in the Auditorium at noon today.

## Accidents claim two students' lives

Two UBC students, one from Vancouver and one from Ladysmith, were killed in separate accidents during the Christmas holidays.

Rein Ersual, a first year Commerce student and holder of four university scholarships, was killed Monday in a fall from his toboggan on Mt. Seymour.

Earlier Barry Bourque, of Ladysmith, was killed near his home in an automobile accident. Bourque, a Law student, was returning home from a wedding reception.

During the New Year's weekend, three British Columbians were killed in traffic accidents, one was killed in a fire, and one was drowned.

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## CUP vs. Autonomy?

The Ubysssey has traditionally taken a firm stand in favor of the editorial autonomy of the studenty press.

Over the years, The Ubysssey has stood ready to oppose any move by any body that would lessen its editorial freedom or that of any member of the Canadian university student press.

The Ubysssey has consistently held the opinion that a free press is one of the prime necessities of a free society. It has said many times that it believes that student life should be as free as any life in a free society.

Last week, The Ubysssey was faced with an anomaly of the first order. Canadian University Press itself at the annual conference of its 26 members passed a motion which has the effect of allowing the possibility of infringement of the editorial autonomy of its member papers.

Faced with this situation, The Ubysssey, along with the Queen's Journal and the Toronto Varsity, withdrew from the conference in order to consider its position in relation to the CUP.

The situation developed this way. The Varsity proposed a motion stating that CUP should not express opinions on editorial issues without the unanimous agreement of all member papers.

This is an eminently sensible suggestion. Since member papers revere their autonomy so greatly, it is only logical that each member should have veto power over the editorial opinions of the organization as a whole.

At any rate, it is not the business of a press organization to express editorial opinions except in the case of very grave issues. It is assumed, since CUP is a sensible body, that unanimity would easily be achieved if the issue were grave enough.

At this point, a motion was introduced censuring both the administration and the Student Council at Laval University for actions surrounding the expulsion of three student editors from that university several weeks ago. The motion will be reported in full in Friday's Ubysssey.)

The Ubysssey has stated and still holds the opinion that the Laval administration acted arbitrarily and unfairly in expelling these student editors. It has not yet been able to gather enough information to pass judgment on the actions of the Student Council.

The Ubysssey and two other members of CUP abstained from voting on the motion because it was felt that certain statements in the motion were inaccurate and that the clause condemning the Student Council for not giving the editors financial aid, was to put it bluntly, dealing with a subject that is none of CUP's business.

The chairman ruled that abstentions defeated the motion under the previously passed resolution calling for unanimity. This pronouncement led to a flurry of passionate speeches from the French-Canadian delegations, which resulted in the unanimity motion being reconsidered and amended to read that CUP may express editorial opinion if it is approved by a two-thirds majority at a national conference.

This means in effect that two-thirds of CUP may make editorial pronouncements in the name of all the members of the group. This is an infringement of the editorial freedom of each member not agreeing with the motion.

When this motion was passed The Ubysssey, considering a strong protest necessary, and feeling that perhaps membership in CUP might be a detriment rather than an advantage under these conditions, withdrew from the conference.

The Ubysssey, along with the Queen's Journal, later decided to remain in CUP for the time being and to attempt to have the principle of unanimous approval written into the constitution at or before the next conference.

The Ubysssey is unwilling to give up any of its editorial autonomy, even to CUP.

## Letters To The Editor

### Student Gov't.

Editor,  
The Ubysssey,  
Dear Sir:

I am pleased to see than a number of students are becoming increasingly conscious of certain inadequacies of our student government system. It has become a very controversial topic, and the newly established University Student Activities Committee seems to have been blown to pieces as a result of it.

I would like to point out some of the questions that we have to ask ourselves to be able to recognise the issues involved in this controversy:—

What are the functions of student government? Is its role merely administrative? Or is it also responsible for interpreting student opinion (if there is any) in matters of higher policy, e.g. budget, rendering advice to the university administration, the case of the South African Scholarship?

Is the present system adequate? If not, what are the weaknesses? Is the system too autocratic? Does it fail to communicate the plans and activities of the student government to the student body? Does it fail to provide opportunities to participate in student government to all the students, and no just the Brock types.

What remedies can be offered? Should more power be given to the more representative parts of student government, such as the Undergraduate Societies Committee? Should a bicameral system be adopted? Should we have a more representative Students' Council, maintaining its present size? Or should we have a large student legislature?

These are some of the issues involved in reviewing our present system of student government. We should remember that when we received our cherished student autonomy, we took upon ourselves the responsibility of managing student affairs. If we leave it to a few student leaders to carry these responsibilities and to work out the problems involved in it, we are not accepting the obligations accompanying student autonomy. I think, therefore, that all of us should give a little thought to this matter.

Peter Penz,  
U.S.C. Rep for Arts

### Puddle Mars?

Editor,  
The Ubysssey,  
Dear Sir:

Some of the puddles on the sidewalks and roadways of the campus are so large and permanent I feel they should be named and mapped for the guidance of the upcoming generations.

Yours sloshingly,  
R. D. Irving,  
Ed. III

## LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



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## Vox Populi at UBC?

Apathy, apathy. All we hear is apathy. From all sides come complaints about the apparent lack of interest in student government and campus elections.

Every year candidates for student offices marshal their forces for the campaign. If they are fortunate enough to live on Greek Row, there are always willing fraternity brothers to help promote the cause. Other candidates have a little harder time rounding up manpower, but eventually all have their individual campaigns organized. Then there is a stating of platforms which generally center around promises for better unity, bigger and better activities and better representation for the student body.

The few earnest candidates who do have definite objectives, once elected, face the prospect of single-handedly convincing the rest of the Board of Control that their idea is a good one.

With no real issues to vote on, the election degenerates into a popularity vote that doesn't generate quite as much interest as the Ugly Man contest.

What is the solution to the problem? We could include student initiatives on the ballot. At least this would insure that student opinion would be voiced. But we still have the problem of securing backers for the projects.

At several universities political parties have drawn students into campus politics. At the University of Kansas, the Vox Populi and the University Party have organized student coalitions, and win support by stating definite platforms on issues.

A party which succeeds in getting a slate of officers elected would stand some chance of getting their objectives accomplished. Instead of rubber-stamping the few ideas which are proposed, the governing bodies could indicate strong action. And if the proposition wasn't feasible that year, a continuing party organ could try again.

The time to begin organizing a campus party is now. By the time Spring elections rolled around the party machinery could be a going concern.

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Patrons included university president, Dr. N. A. M. MacKenzie, Dean S. N. F. Chant, Dean F. H. Soward, Dr Vladimir Krapina, Japanese consul general Mr. Munee Tanabe, and consul general for the Republic of China, Mr. Yin-shou Che.

### NOON HOUR BUSY

Noon hour talks in 102 will be given by Dr. William Holland, head of the new Asian Studies department; Dr. Ping-ti Ho of Asian Studies, Mr. B. C. Binning, head of the fine arts department, and the Chinese consul general. The Japanese award winning film "Ugitsu Monogatari" will be shown.

A scholarship fund in connection with Asian Studies will be created with proceeds from Far East Night.

It will culminate in a colorful and dramatic program of events and interests from 4:30 to 11 p.m. on Friday, January 9, in International House.

### DISPLAYS OPEN

Demonstrations and exhibitions will include art and curio displays, photographs of student life in Japan, Chinese painting, Japanese flower arranging by Lorraine Miyagishima, calligraphy writing by Dr.

Y. T. Wang, and a book exhibit.

The elegant cheongsam and graceful kimona will be worn by Chinese and Japanese girls who will direct a sale of Chinese pastries and Japanese Sushi, Manzu, and Senbe, and who will serve tea to guests without charge. Equally brilliant will be the Hapi coats of the Japanese Canadian boys who will act as guides.

Floor show attractions will feature Japanese folk dancing, Chinese male choir and classical orchestra, Japanese "Kendo," traditional sword fighting in the manner of the feudal Samurai, and the Chinese lion dance. Admission for students will be 25 cents and others 50 cents.

## Pub invites you to join the staff

The Ubysssey is expanding and needs a vast quantity of new reporters, editorial writers, layout artists, feature and sports writers, critics, and photographers. Past experience is not a necessity.

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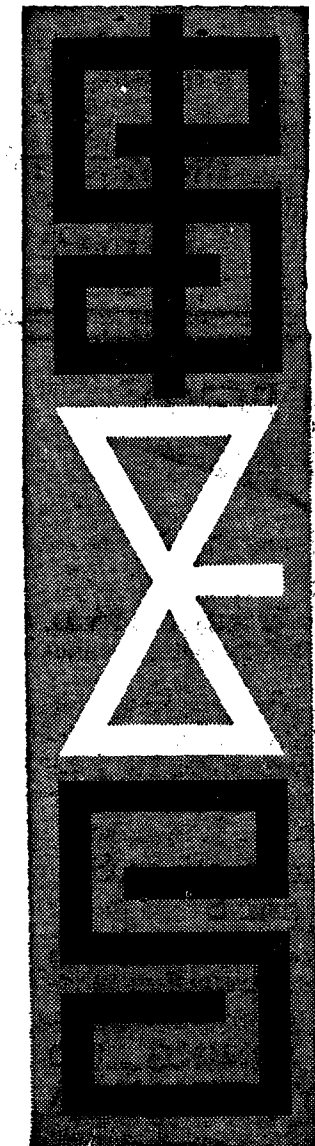
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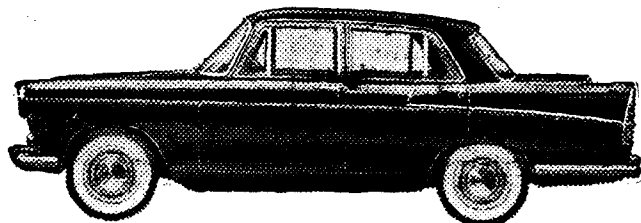
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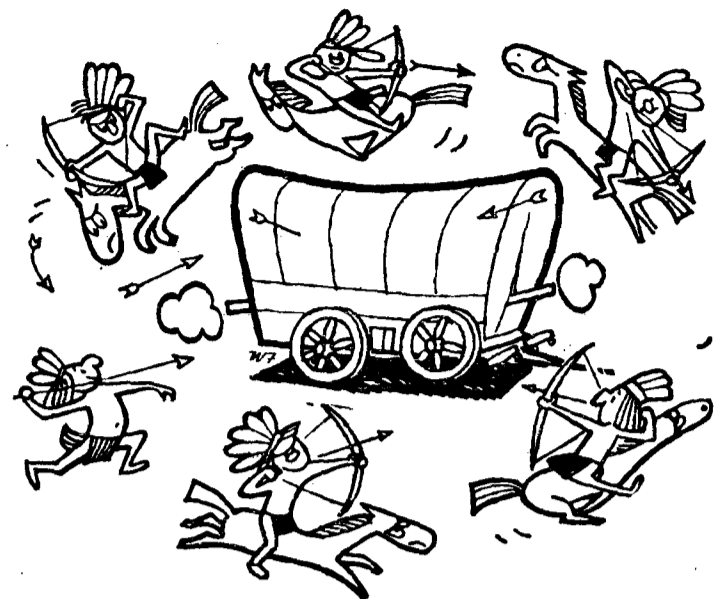
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