AMS BoGged on tuition hike

'Fee increase likely'

By BILL TIELEMAN

UBC's board of governors gave a lukewarm response Tuesday to a request by the Alma Mater Society that tuition fees not be raised for next year.

And although board members said no decision has been made on a possible tuition hike, there were hints that students could be in for an increase in the 1979/80 academic year.

AMS external affairs officer Kate Andrew said Wednesday she was disappointed with the board's response to a brief prepared for them by the AMS on tuition fees.

"I think that in the minds of most of the board of governors members it's a foregone conclusion. They feel a tuition increase is necessary," she said.

"I don't think the board was overly responsive to the dilemma that students are facing. It's not just the facts and figures. We're saying there is a need in society to have an educated population and that the education should be as good as possible.

"To achieve that in the present economic situation it's essential to have the cost of an education as inexpensive as possible."

Board chairman Ian Greenwood said that while no decision on a tuition fee increase has yet been made, the board will attempt to make one while students are still on campus, presumably so they could voice their opinions on a fee hike.

But Greenwood said a late introduction of the provincial government's budget could mean a decision will be taken by the board after the school year ends in April.

Greenwood said he personally is opposed to a large tuition increase like the 25 per cent hike implemented in the 1977/78 academic year.

"I think many of us want to avoid the events of the past when tuition did not increase for several years and then students were hit by a 25 per cent increase, which was unfair," he said.

But Andrew said the statement indicates Greenwood's willingness to implement a smaller tuition increase and termed it a "cop out." She said a number of smaller tuition increases will have the same long-term effect as a single large fee hike — decreasing student accessibility to a post-secondary education.

Andrew told the board Tuesday that increasing tuition fees will lessen the chances of students from lower income brackets going on to UBC and that the university has an obligation to further the cause of social equality.

"As an institution of higher learning, we cannot afford to be shortsighted in a period of economic austerity. The university must reaffirm its commitment — now more than ever — to education as an essential element of Canadian society," the AMS brief states. "The future of our economy and our culture depends on the maintenance of high educational standards.

"The AMS believes there should be equal opportunity for all in

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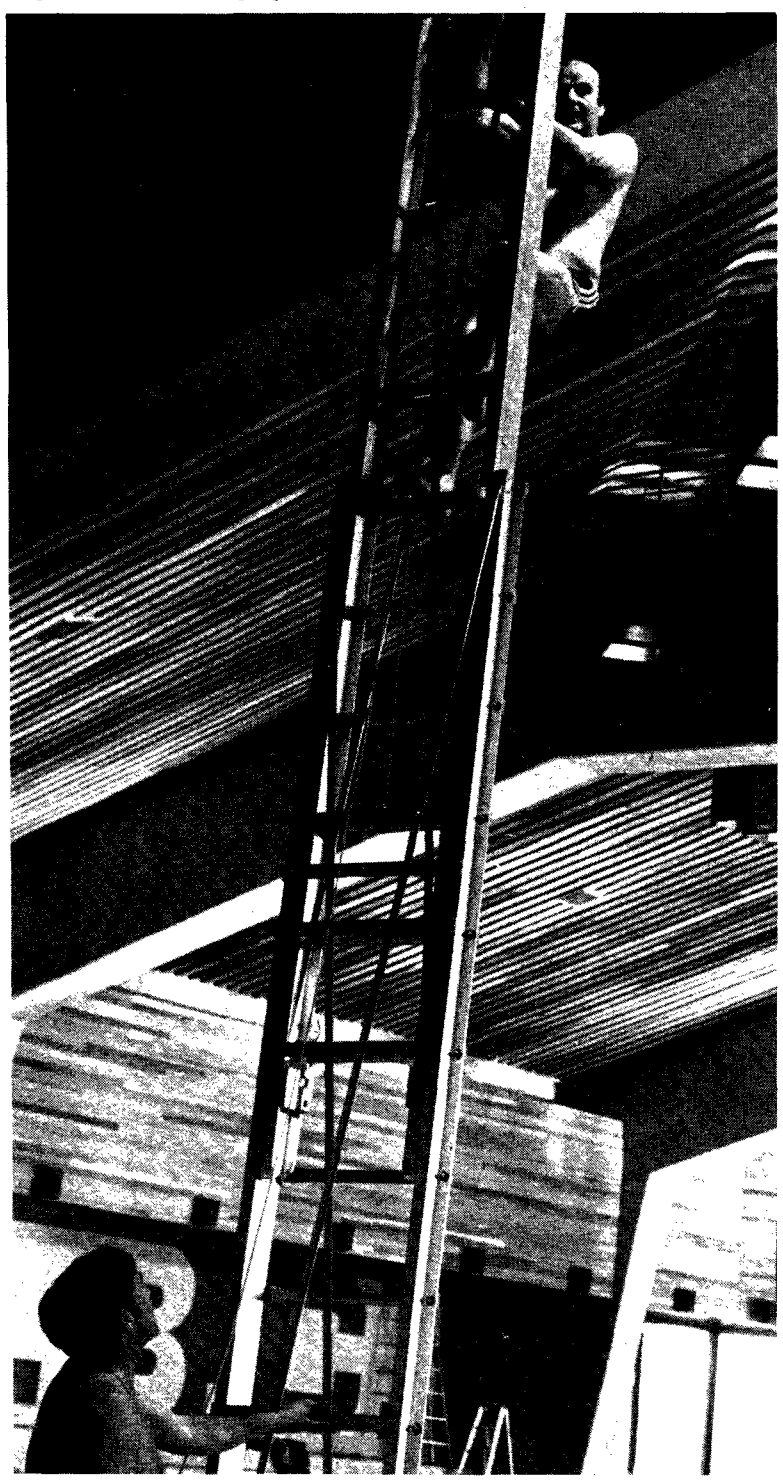

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IN TIMES OF restraint fabled stairway to heaven is replaced with ladder to roof. Although economic depression has hit everywhere, including UBC's aquatic centre, replacing broken lightbulbs is still included in cost multi-million dollar swimming hole.

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C'tee ok's Yankee

By TOM HAWTHORN

The English department's executive committee decided Tuesday to support the appointments committee and will hire a non-Canadian to fill a senior Shakespearean post.

The executive committee agreed with a letter presented by the appointments committee outlining its attempts at finding suitable applicants.

The letter, written by department head and committee member Robert Jordan, states that the appointments committee followed all university and departmental requirements in finding the final three American applicants.

Associate professor Ronald Hatch last week began a departmental protest against the imminent hiring of an American for the position, and Jordan's letter was addressed to Hatch. It informed him that the appointments committee regarded his action "as a personal one which we respect but cannot accept."

The members of the appointments committee, who are Jordan, Fred Bowers, Tony Dawson, Ian Ross and Don Stephens, also all sit on the executive committee.

"We believe that neither our committee nor the department has the authority to displace quality by nationality as the primary criterion for appointment," Jordan states in his letter.

Jordan said Wednesday the department was not primarily concerned with the hiring of Canadian graduate students.

"The English department is 65 per cent Canadian, which is double the percentage it was 10 years ago. It is not as critical as it was 10 years ago," he said.

Hatch said that while the appointments committee might have followed all of UBC's hiring requirements, those standards are now out of date.

"We must reassess our hiring procedures," he said Wednesday. "They were made when Canada was still a colony, when we weren't producing Ph.D.s."

Canada has undergone a cultural change and it is now more important that its graduate schools are strengthened by hiring more Canadians, he said.

Hatch said federal manpower and immigration officials have been contacted to check if the appointments committee met all requirements under law to find suitable Canadian applicants.

Jordan states in his letter that advertisements were placed in University Affairs, a national journal published in Ottawa, and the American Modern Languages Association's Job Information Lists.

Canadians who are offered appointments in the department often decline to accept them, making it more difficult to hire Canadians, he said.

Jordan also states in the letter that Shakespearean and Renaissance specialists at UBC were consulted for names of possible candidates.

Hatch has said the majority of the department members do not feel a senior Shakespearean studies professor is currently needed in the department.

"I should also like to add that I have been somewhat surprised by the candidates brought to UBC for our 'senior' post," Hatch states in a letter sent to executive committee members Monday.

"One candidate is not as well qualified as our own junior Shakespearean. Another is seeking a position because her own university

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Rumors scaring park supporters

The provincial education ministry denied Wednesday rumors that it will be unveiling plans later this month for the development of an industrial research park on the UBC campus.

Jim Bennett, education minister Pat McGeer's executive assistant, termed the report "premature" and said the ministry would make no other comment about the park at this time.

UBC administrative services vice-president Chuck Connaghan said Wesnesday the university is still in the process of negotiating with the B.C. Development Corporation for the park's development.

"We've been talking for some time to the BCDC but an agreement has yet to be reached," he said. "Discussions are proceeding, as they have been for some time."

But the rumors of an industrial park announcement by McGeer have the UEL regional park committee, a group dedicated to preservation of the UEL as park, angry and worried.

When the research park proposal first surfaced a few years ago, BCDC requested that in addition to campus land it be allocated 100 or more acres of the UEL for future expansion of the park. And last summer the provincial government took 100 acres of the UEL, adjacent to UBC, out of the park.

Parks committee member Bowie Keefer said Wednesday the provincial government does not understand the concept of parkland in the UEL.

And Keefer says UBC is the wrong place for a research park, because there are few industries whose research objectives are compatible with those of a university.

"Most industrial research doesn't belong on a campus," he said. But Keefer added that the idea of an industrial research facility is a good one, so long as it does not infringe on the UEL.

Last September Keefer charged that McGeer was trying to bulldoze his industrial research park scheme into existence through the BCDC. He said then that the park has long been a "pet project" of McGeer's, involving the use of 16 acres of UBC campus land.

He said since the outcry against the removal of the UEL parkland the government has somewhat modified its stance on the park.

Dean engineers hit on U of M

WINNIPEG (CUP) — UBC's new dean of engineering launched a bitter attack on the University of Manitoba administration last week, charging that it has left the U of M engineering faculty "shaking on its knees" because of underfunding.

Martin Weedapohl, who becomes UBC engineering dean in July, said in a speech to government, university and industry representatives he had "failed in what I came here to do" in his five years as U of M dean.

Weedapohl also lambasted the Progressive Conservative provincial government of premier Sterling Lyon, saying it will fail in its bid to convince industry to locate in Manitoba if it doesn't provide support to the universities.

"You don't try to bring high technology into Manitoba unless you have a high technologically intellectual faculty," he said. "What we need is a strong polytechnical institute. Instead we have a faculty which is shaking on its knees."

Weedapohl said he had failed to convince the university of the importance of the engineering faculty.

The dean has been a consistent and vocal critic of the administration's budgetary policy and has been frustrated because the faculty may lose its accreditation rating due to underfunding. The faculty is already on a three-year probation period to see if its budgeting situation improves.

At U of M Weedapohl's requests for better funding support were met with 'don't rock the boat' responses. He rejects this attitude and has said: "a university which fails to accept constructive criticism fails to be a university."

Weedapohl said he accepted the position at UBC on the condition that the administration would listen to his criticisms. The lack of action by the U of M administration was a contributing factor in his decision, he had said earlier.

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Canadian society. We members of the university community cannot passively accept and therefore perpetuate the inequities that exist in our society."

Andrew told the board that it should take a strong stand in dealing with the provincial government on the need for a healthy education budget to make tuition increases unnecessary.

"At a point where B.C. can hardly afford to limit accessibility to post-secondary education the ministry of education is suggesting that tuition fees be raised," she said.

In an interview Wednesday Andrew charged that UBC administration president Doug Kenny has not been forceful enough in putting the case for post-secondary education forward to the provincial government.

"I think Kenny has been negligent in his defence of the university to the government at a time when the university community needs an articulate spokesman," she said. Andrew said Kenny was making headway last year when he launched a series of speeches before community and business groups calling for a reasonable education budget but has since let down on his efforts.

Andrew also told the board Tuesday that in addition to tuition costs, students have been faced with increased expenses for housing, food, transportation and school supplies.

And she said student aid is not the answer to overcoming obstacles faced by students in attending post-secondary institutes. Andrew said promises made to improve student aid the last time tuition was raised in B.C. were never kept and that the student aid system needs reform.

"Somehow the discussion (on student aid improvements) always ends a month after tuition fee increases are implemented."

Ken Andrews, UBC staff representative on the board, agreed that students have to cope with a large number of higher costs in attending university each year.

"Actually the cost of being a student is greater than tuition fees alone," he said. "It seems what you're saying is 'hold off an increase because the situation is such a mess.' "

"Your brief contains a lot of thought-provoking information," faculty board representative Don Russell said.

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AMS 'gas' shortage forces vote

By GEOF WHEELWRIGHT

The Alma Mater Society is still running on empty and Wednesday night decided it will make another attempt to "fill up" with a fee referendum this spring.

The student representative assembly approved a motion Wednesday night calling for a $3 fee referendum in March.

The motion asked "that SRA approved holding a fee referendum in March of 1979 and that SRA commit itself to asking for a $3 increase in the AMS fees. Further that SRA agree to note in the ballot requesting the increase that $1.50 of this increase will be applied to the intramurals program."

The motion, sponsored by board of governors member Bruce Armstrong and seconded by student senator Brian Short, passed after intramural representatives led a heated debate advocating that their own referendum be placed on a separate ballot.

Student senator Chris Niwinski said the motion was an attempt by the intramurals people to dissociate themselves from the AMS in the referendum because they did not feel it would pass as an AMS referendum.

Men's intramural director Kelly McCloskey said intramurals wanted a guarantee of financial security without having to justify a general increase in AMS fees.

The motion passed does not give intramurals their own ballot but merely earmarks a certain portion of the proposed increase in AMS fees for them.

At the same meeting, the SRA defeated a motion that would give the varsity outdoors club financial compensation for their time, labor or rights to the UBC ski cabin which they built at Whistler mountain.

The cabin, currently operated by the UBC ski club was built by the varsity outdoors club in 1965, at a cost of $30,000 in materials alone, VOC member Ross Beaty said Wednesday.

Beaty said because of Wednesday's decision the VOC will probably take the AMS to court.

"We are definitely contemplating formal legal action."

The VOC has approached the AMS for compensation in the past and in 1977 a case in UBC's student court resulted.

At that time the student court decided that the AMS should award VOC $30,000 for the club's share in the cabin.

Beaty said since that time the VOC has received no compensation for the cabin, although they negotiated "successfully" with the AMS last year for an award of $25,000, which they again never received.

—alice thompson photo

GETTING AHEAD IN art gallery sometimes means going to extremes but Anne Sumpton, left, and Lynda Gruden can keep it under their hats. They're preparing for new show, entitled "Headspace: an exhibition in celebration of hats and headgear", for fine arts agallery in basement of main library. The show runs until March 3 and is assembly of period hats with re-creation of millinery workshop.

'200-mile limit smells like fishy logic'

By MICHAEL HELFINGER

A 200-mile limit on territorial waters for fishing and mineral resources is a step in the right direction but should not be seen as a solution to all marine resource allocation problems, UBC zoologist and graduate studies dean Peter Larkin said Wednesday.

In his presentation entitled The Two-Hundred Mile Limit: Did Anybody Ever Ask the Fish?, Larkin told about 100 people at Robson Square theatre the choice of 200 miles was purely arbitrary.

"There is no logic to it."

He said the territorial limit makes no provision for natural features such as continental shelf boundaries, depth contours or concentration of marine life.

Larkin said that for Canada, the extended limit is a mixed blessing.

"On the West Coast, we'd get as much protection out of a 20-mile limit as out of a 200-mile limit."

He said the extended boundaries do little to protect Canada's share of Pacific salmon which spend much of their life in mid-ocean south of the Aleutian Islands. On the east coast the boundary falls short since much of the Grand Banks is left open to foreign fleets, he said.

"It can be conservatively estimated that the fishing industry on the East Coast can double its output in the next 10 years."

Larkin said the current fishing dispute between Canada and the United States is an example of the difficulties which can arise in defining territorial boundaries under the 200-mile limit. Two criteria can be used to solve the problem he said: lines of equidistance between coasts, or undersea features such as submarine canyons dividing the continental shelf.

If lines of equidistance were used to solve the dispute, he said, Canadians would be denied access to Roberts Bank south of Vancouver Island, but would control the entire George's Bank off the New England coast.

If the undersea features are the territorial criteria the situation would be reversed with Canada in a more advantageous position than the U.S. on the pacific coast and more disadvantaged on the Atlantic.

"Each side wants to have its cake and eat it too, on opposite coasts."

Larkin said Japan and the Soviet Union are the big losers in the recent revisions in Maritime law.

"In the past 20 years both have made a business out of fishing off other people's waters."

Japan, where seafood constitutes a large part of the people's diet, has been particularly hit economically by a restriction of supply and soaring fish prices have resulted, said Larkin.

He said the Japanese industry has reacted by investing heavily in fisheries abroad. This has included large-scale investment in the British Columbia fishing industry, a matter which is rapidly becoming a political issue, he said.

YEP wages war on student jobs

The provincial government's Youth Employment Program is inadequate in giving students an opportunity to earn a decent summer wage, the 1978 campus program coordinator said Wednesday.

One major problem is that the labor ministry wants to ensure the program's salaries are not competitive with those of off-campus jobs, UBC research administrator Richard Spratley said.

"They don't want program salaries to be competitive with those off-campus," he said.

Spratley said the ministry feels its responsibility is in creating jobs and is not concerned with the welfare of students.

He also said he expected that the program would eventually be eliminated by the province because the government feels it costs too much.

"After a while people will run out of ideas. It would be nice if there was more money, but I don't know if we can go on using it this way."

Spratley said representatives from UBC, Simon Fraser University, the University of Victoria and the B.C. Students' Federation have been placing pressure on the provincial government to improve the program.

The representatives have met with the education and labor ministries in an effort to enlarge the program, he added.

"The people that went to Victoria were faced with arguing for a satisfactory minimum wage."

The ministry has announced wage increases for the 1979 program, but if the funding is maintained at the same level as it was last year then the number of jobs available would decrease. Such a move would eliminate at least 30 student jobs at UBC.

The pay rates for students in first and second year have been increased to $650 per month from $550 while for third, fourth and fifth year students will get $775 per month compared to $750 last year.

The exact number of jobs available will not be known until the government presents its annual budget.

Support strike succeeds

TORONTO (CUP) — The two-week strike by support staff at Ontario's 22 community colleges has ended.

Workers voted 70.4 per cent in favor of ending the eighth support staff strike this year in a ratification vote Monday.

The vote was 2,489 to 1,046 in favor of ratification with an 82 per cent turnout.

According to union public relations officer Peter Slee, the package value of the settlement was about 8 per cent. The union had demanded an 8.5 per cent increase, while the Council of Regents, the governing body of the colleges, had offered a 7.75 per cent increase.

The union accepted the new contract after the council conceded a $6,000 increase in life insurance coverage, two extra sick leave days a year, and a 15 cents per hour increase for the lower categories of support staff workers.

"It ain't bad," Slee said. "It's better than the going rate of public service sector settlements right now."

Hire Canadians department told

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wishes to hire a senior Shakespearean. The third was incapable of giving an appropriate lecture to either students or staff."

The committee should have been able to find a Canadian with at least similar qualifications, Hatch said Wednesday.

The department will hire an American and will ignore those who feel that the position should be made available to a Canadian graduate student, he said.

Hatch added that arts dean Robert Will has informed department members that he does not want to hear about the matter any more.

"There is almost universal concurrence. The graduate students in the department are angry. This is not really a nationalist issue, it's a graduate schools issue."

If universities fail to hire Canadian graduate students then those schools will not improve and students will not be encouraged to enter graduate studies, Hatch says.

B.A. (~~Eng.~~ Amer.)

We are not a colony any more yet members of the Canadian academic hierarchy continue to follow practices which can only leave us subject to American cultural colonialism.

The debate in the English department over the hiring of a non-Canadian professor is escalating as senior department officials refuse to budge from their plan to hire an American to fill a senior Shakespearean post.

English undergraduate and graduate students as well as many professors are angry that their department is following a policy which underrates a Canadian degree and favors those from our southern nieghbor.

English department head Robert Jordan says the department has fulfilled all the requirements necessary for hiring a new professor, but the furor in the English department over this issue indicates that action above and beyond merely complying with the regulations should be pursued in an effort to find a suitable Canadian candidate and bring peace to his department.

In fairness, Jordan says the English department is 65 per cent Canadian which is double the percentage of 10 years ago. Jordan is to be commended for raising the number of Canadians in the department during his period of office, but the numbers also indicate we have a long way to go.

This is an important issue and so it was disappointing to hear that arts dean Robert Will has informed department members to clam up on the issue. A university is a place where ideas should be debated and circulated freely. This is all the more imperative when the issue is as important as this one. Dean Will's conduct is unbecoming of a guardian of the university's values.

Boggled

The letter to the editor from board chairman Ian Greenwood today indicates why board dealings should be open and above board.

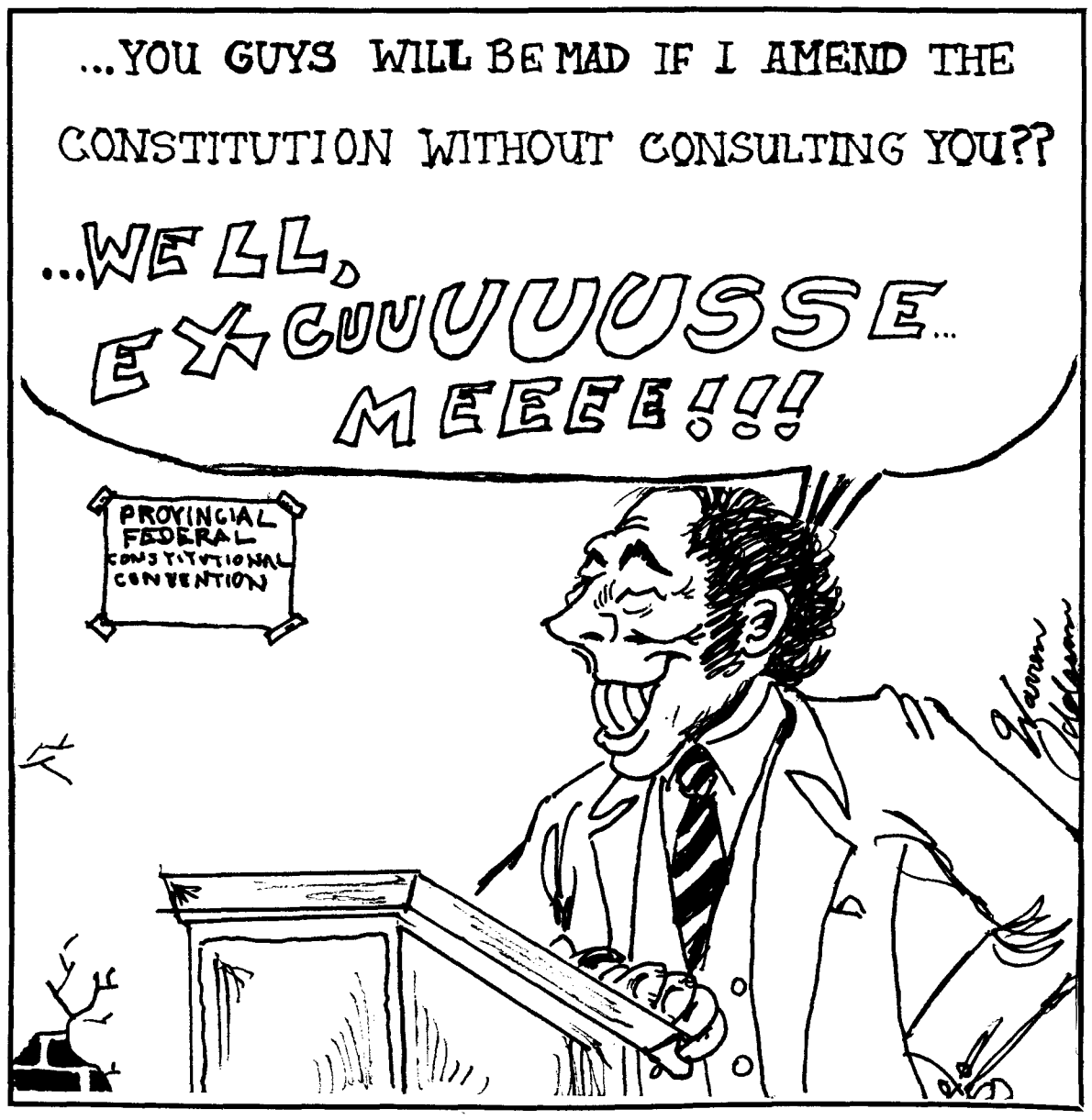
Greenwood aptly describes how the board's secrecy led to the leaking of information, incomplete information, which confused a delicate negotiation.

It is unlikely the information about the Devonian Institute's offer would have appeared in The Ubyssey if it was not confidential. But the incomplete information we received on the issue and the secretive manner in which the administration hid the issue from The Ubyssey indicated a more important issue than was actually there.

In cases such as the Asian Centre issue, a word to The Ubyssey indicating the need for discretion accompanied with the details of the project would have sufficed to keep the matter confidential.

It was the secretive and paranoid actions of the board, accompanied with our instinct to find the reason for the board's paranoia, which led to the misinformation.

A more open and level headed attitude with the university's press by the board will hopefully lead it to avoid making a similar mistake in the future. After all, we are trying to work in the best interests of the university too.



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There was a full card at Ubyssey Square Gardens. The first bout was between a pair of super-gnatweights, Ruth Leckie and Tom Hawthorn. Hawthorn's superiority in reach was amply overcome by Leckie's incredible stamina, and the spunky city desk editor crumpled to the canvas in the third round. In their debut matches, Judy Michaels and Alice Thompson displayed impressive form but little else. In the size 8 (don't they wish) not-quite-lightweight category, Heather Conn and Julie Wheelwright put on a tremendous show, going the distance and staying after for cocktails. Almost heavyweights Mike Helfinger and Warren Oddsson put the crowd to sleep by refusing to remove their glasses and hit each other. A short burst of submachine gun fire from referee Kevin McGee soon put an end to that nonsense. "You expect me to get into the ring with that?" an incredulous Peter Menyasz said when confronted by a hulking Geof Wheelwright for the super-tanker crown. It was no contest. The feature event, paring off veteran pros Mike Bocking and Bill Tieleman, was a draw. The referee was no dummy.

Letters

Hush little Paul, don't say a word

On behalf of the board of governors, I would like to clarify the circumstances which led to the board requesting a student member, Paul Sandhu, to withdraw from its December meeting during a discussion of a proposed gift from the Devonian Foundation of Calgary.

The proposal from the Devonian Foundation was not in any way connected with the financial arrangements for completion of the Asian Centre on the UBC campus, as reported in The Ubyssey. The University had previously been authorized by the provincial government to borrow the $3,591,952 for the completion of the interior of the building.

The proposal from the Devonian Foundation involved the gift to UBC of an art and natural history collection valued in excess of $13.8 million.

When the matter was first discussed at the November board meeting, members were told that success of the negotiations would require complete confidentiality until they had been completed because other organizations were also interested in the collection.

Our experts viewed the collection and felt that part of it could be displayed on a temporary basis in the Asian Centre, when it was completed. The Devonian Foundation was considering providing the sum of $1.5 million to properly display the collection.

However, coincident with the publishing of an incorrect version of the story in the Ubyssey on Nov. 28, quoting Mr. Sandhu, negotiations for aquisition of the collection stalled.

We have since learned that the entire collection has been given to the Glenbow Museum of Alberta — it will not be coming to British Columbia.

It would be unfair of me to suggest that Mr. Sandhu's breach of confidentiality is the reason why UBC did not get the Devonian collection. However, until the story became public, negotiations had been doing well and we had every hope that we would get it.

While this is a great loss for the university and the people of this province, there is another aspect to the issue which concerns me equally.

This breach of confidentiality — a confidentiality which members undertake when they come to the board, has serious long-term implications for university fund raising. It could affect our relations with foundations and other donors who approach UBC with offers of financial assistance and other gifts.

It is a generally accepted principle that discussions with donors are carried on in confidence until such time as the conditions under which a gift is to be made are completed. Donors who knew that their proposals would be discussed publicly before completion of arrangements would hesitate to approach the university with offers of assistance.

Reports in the Ubyssey have also given the false impression that Mr. Sandhu was "thrown off" the board when it met December 5. This is incorrect. When the Devonian gift came up on the Dec. 5 agenda for discussion, a week after Mr. Sandhu had spoken to the Ubyssey, a motion was passed asking him to leave the meeting while the item was discussed again.

Mr. Sandhu was not asked to leave for the remainder of the Board meeting but only during discussion of the Devonian gift. When discussion of the subject was complete and Mr. Sandhu was free to return, it was found that he had left the building where the Board meeting was being held. Later that evening, he attended, with other members of the student representative assembly, a dinner meeting of the board in the Faculty Club.

Now that we are in a position to reveal these details, having lost an opportunity to get this invaluable collection, I would like to appeal to all students to use their good sense when it comes to assessing the duties and responsibilities of the board of governors. There are times, and this was certainly one of them, when confidentiality must be part of board deliberation.

I dispute claims made in the Ubyssey that student members of the board have an obligation to report to students, matters discussed in the closed session of the Board.

While student members are encouraged to make student concerns known to the board, they are elected to serve as trustees to benefit the wider common interest, and to make decisions that are in the best interest of the entire university.

I cannot agree with the concept that all board business should be carried on in public. Much of it concerns personal matters and progress reports on negotiations with governments and donors which must be discussed confidentially.

When decisions are reached on matters that affect the university community and the public, every effort is made to provide full information. I want to assure the university community and students in particular, that the board is very aware of its responsibility to report decisions that affect the lives of all those who study, teach and work at the university.

Ian Greenwood, chairman
board of governors

Horse's asses

The Canadian High Commission in Hong Kong are prime candidates for assholes of the year. Its requirement that visa students pay their entire tuition fee in advance and have a bank account of at least $4,000 is racist and discriminatory in the worst way.

Imagine, if you will, similar demands being placed upon local students. All hell would break loose. And the statement by immigration officer Emmanuelle Gattuso that the commission was reasonable in specifying the amount is monumentally ignorant.

Can the whole lot of them.

Kevin McGee
arts 4

Letters

Frat rats deny cat-aclysmic charges

Re Jeremy Thornburg's letter headed "Cats have Rat's Tongues (Ubyssey 30/1/79)" and highlighted by you in gray ink. We feel several points raised by Mr. Thornburg require clarification and rebuttal. As members of the Greek system (the Cats) we are perhaps more qualified than Mr. Thornburg to make a full and clear statement about UBC fraternities.

If Mr. Thornburg had bothered to be objective and attempt to balance his obviously biased point of view, he would have discovered that not all fraternities "have been and always will be glorified drinking clubs. . ." Even a casual inquiry would have informed him of Mardi Gras Week activities (proceeds to Multiple Sclerosis) and Songfest (proceeds also to charity).Involvement with philanthropies is widespread and traditional throughout fraternities — both group and individual volunteer work for such organizations as Big Brothers, Mothers' March, Heart Fund and the UBC psychiatric and extended care units. The purpose of this letter is not, however, to establish all Greeks as goody goodies. Everybody does enjoy letting off steam from time to time and this tends to be the most visible aspect of any group's social activities.

We would like to stress that the primary driving forces of fraternities have little to do with rowdyism. Literal brotherhood and personal growth are the vital and dynamic foci that make fraternities worthwhile for many as a personal experience and valuable as an institution. Jeremy would have to spend a small amount of time and energy in down to earth research to discover this. Twice a year the fraternities on campus provide well publicized opportunities for anyone to do exactly that — Spring and Fall rush weeks.

Jeremy has not taken adequate advantage of the opportunities afforded him to make a valid appraisal. How can he base a judgement on one television program and blind acceptance of popular myth?

Perhaps some questions raised by Mr. Winlaw on that show of Jan. 25 could stand further clarification at this time. The enlightened Mr. J. Thornburg, in his judgement of the audience as a "predominently Caucasian gathering of commerce students" does not admit possibilities of a well rounded group containing individuals of varying backgrounds and fields of inquiry. In this light it should be pointed out that academic criteria for admittance to fraternities are simply that one be a full time student and that, hopefully, academics be one's highest priority.

The impression given on the Vancouver show was the unfortunate result of the preselection of one small group to speak for the whole system. The remainder of us were not aware until airtime that the 'forum' would not deal with a proper cross-section of the fraternities on campus. To our surprise and dismay, the majority of us were relegated to the function of a studio audience, watching while we were misrepresented by a select few—a small and less than generally popular segment.

While on the subject of 'representative cross-sections', we must say that we find it malicious and narrow minded to accuse the fraternity system of racist behaviour. To our knowledge, there are neither explicit or implicit provisions anywhere in our groups for the exclusion of any candidate on the basis of racial orgin. In fact, it was a fraternity chapter (Sigma Chi) on this campus that broke the North American fraternity color bar in 1949. Our proportions are now entirely in keeping with the proportions of the general population.

To conclude, we feel it is important that a judgement of the validity of the fraternity system is not based on an appraisal of one small portion of its population. Our doors are open at any time to anyone who wishes to make an intelligent and objective assessment of fraternities. Obviously no two fraternities are quite alike, and perhaps not everybody is interested in what we can offer. We do believe, however, that a straightforward, in-person look at us cannot fail to explode the lingering mythic image of fraternity life.

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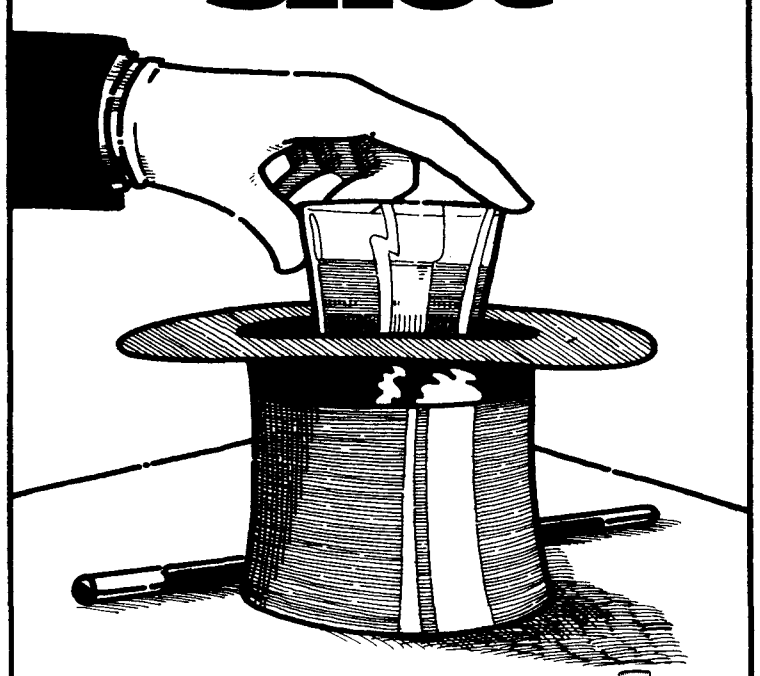

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CCF
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EAST INDIAN STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
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GAY PEOPLE OF UBC
Jaimie Smith speaks on the Kinsey report on homosexualities, noon, SUB 212.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE
Women's drop-in, noon, SUB 130.

UBC NDP CLUB
General meeting, noon, SUB 215.

FRIDAY

CHINESE VARSITY CLUB
Girls' floor hockey practice, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Thunderbird Winter Sports Complex gym E.
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ATA
General meeting, noon, Graduate Centre Committee.

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Meeting and slide show, noon, SUB 111.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE
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UNIVERSITY LECTURES COMMITTEE
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SATURDAY

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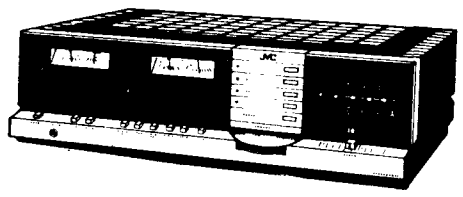

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Brunoro rescued from the jungle

Letters

In response to the education students' association's Feb. 6 tirade against Mary-Ann Brunoro's hilarious article, Thrust alone into the jungle, I present my objections.

Steve Ferguson and Heather Lacelle are completely unjustified in condemning the article as an offensive misrepresentation of high school students.

Nowhere in it is there any evidence that the article pretends to be a serious, in-depth exposition of student behavior. How Lacelle and Ferguson came under this impression is unfathomable. I fear for the students they will claim to have an "understanding" of.

Miss Brunoro's article comes across as a lighthearted, tongue-in-cheek account of a typical practicum. One does not infer that she is complaining about her experiences with "undisciplined" students. The article is simply for the purpose of entertaining former "undisciplined" students and other student teachers undergoing the same experiences.

As for the description of student harassment, I, being only a freshman and still remembering vividly, must admit it fits accurately.

In their pretentious indictment of Miss Brunoro, Lacelle and Ferguson come across as conceited bleeding hearts wrapped up in an intellectual concern for humanity. A high school student would relate to Miss Brunoro's warm, humorous attitude far earlier than to the bleeding hearts' phoney, concerned attitude.

If Lacelle and Ferguson maintain their present attitudes they will eventually become the stern epitomes of the "old codger," and "old bag," as viewed by the students.

I would sure as hell rather have Miss Brunoro teaching my kids than the straitlaced Mr. Ferguson or Miss Lacelle.

John Kaiser
science 1

Don't forget me

In your Friday issue of The Ubyssey, Jan. 12, you featured an article on Vancouver film. I was not mentioned. I don't know who Grey Kyles is and it is clear that he/she doesn't seem to know of me, either. Let me remind: I was the fellow in 1970 — along with Don Wilson — who directed and produced the 90-minute comedy feature film — **The Life And Times of Chester-Angus Ramsgood.**

The film cost $30,000 (ten of which came from the CFDC) and received good reviews. We played it at colleges across Canada; SFU, two runs at UBC and a week at the old Magic Theatre on Granville.

Since that time I have produced two half-hour films (one NFB, another a CFDC award) and an hour drama (to be completed **Let Me Sing**) (Canada Council grant $25,000).

Most people working in the film scene and who have been around any length of time know who I am. I claim to have made no great impact on the local scene, but I am a part of it and as such should be included if Grey Kyles is at all interested in documenting the local scene with any degree of accuracy.

David Curnick

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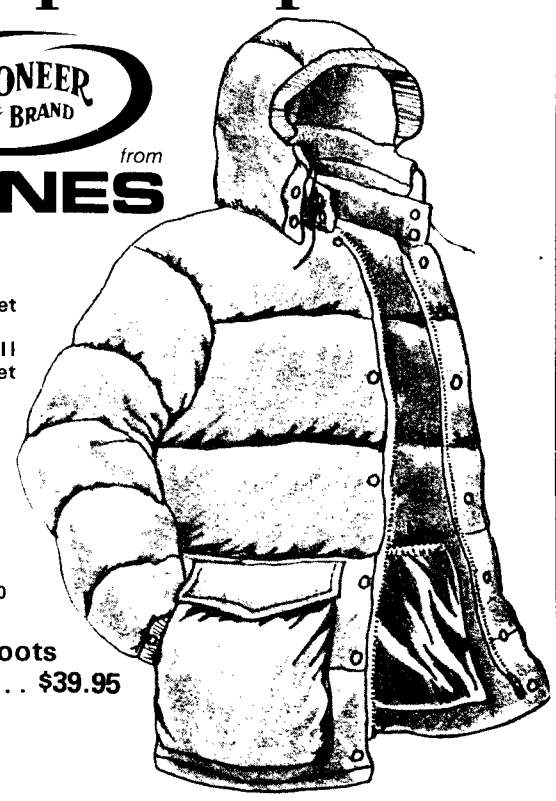
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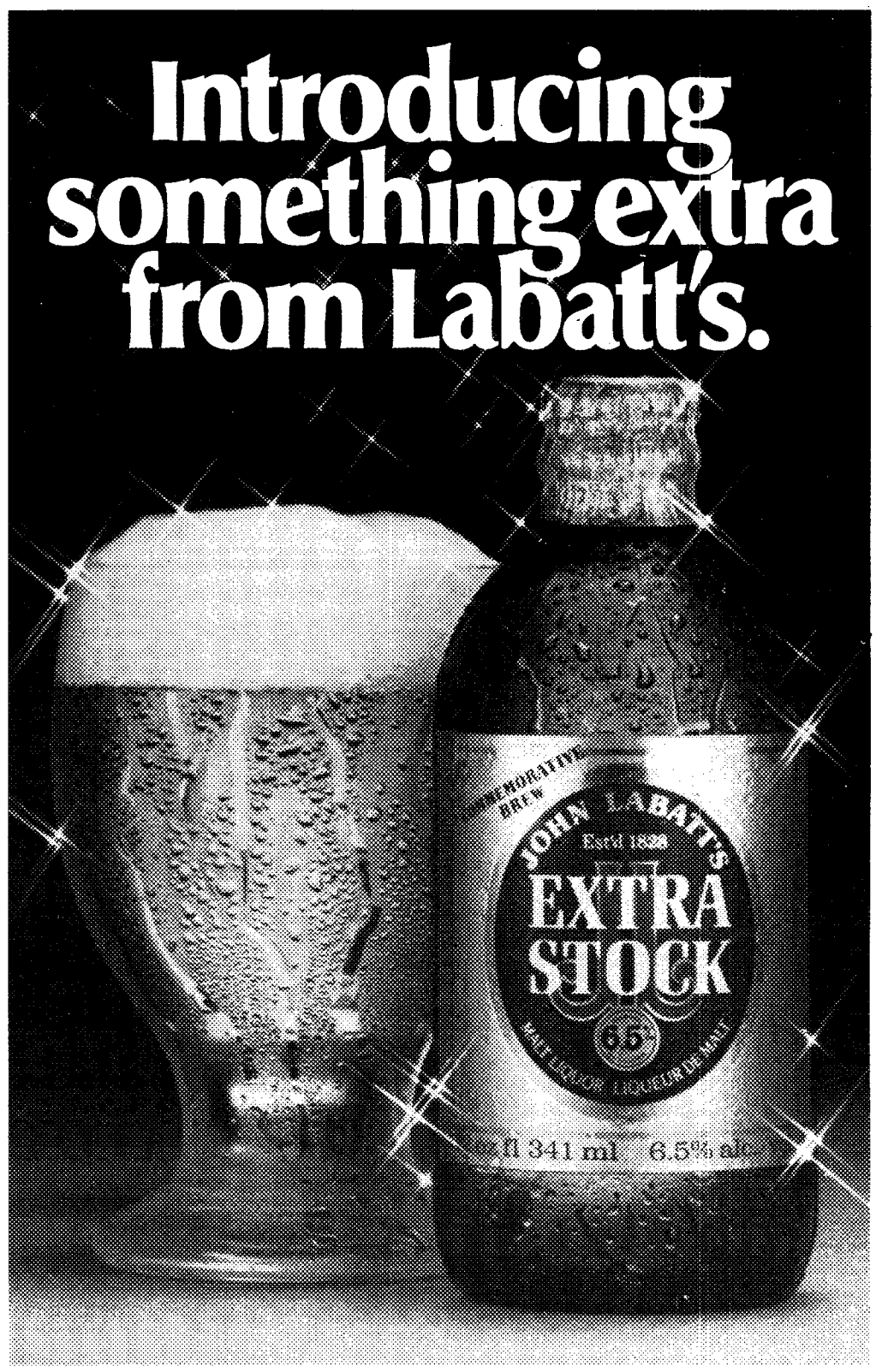

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End of Day for equal opportunities

By TOM HAWTHORN
A civic politics analysis

The equal employment opportunity office is dead at the ripe old age of one.

Vancouver city council decided by a 7-4 vote Tuesday to eliminate the office to save money.

The move was not an unexpected one, but the elimination of one of the few truly successful city programs will leave those who face difficulties in getting employment in an even tougher situation.

The removal of the program and Shelagh Day as officer is a victory for the bigots of this city, those who cannot stand to see anyone who is not white and male in a position of importance.

But the stormy council meeting Tuesday shows to what extent the newly-elected Civic Non-Partisan Association will do to ensure that Vancouver remains in the dark ages of human rights.

It was an 11-ring circus at council, as each alderman and mayor Jack Volrich battled three stormy hours for political supremacy.

Ringmaster Volrich led the way in making an idiot of himself. He insulted and condescendingly mimicked the more than 150 people who came to the meeting to beg for the retention of the program.

Volrich and fellow-NPA cohorts George Puil, Warnett Kennedy, Doug Little, Helen Boyce, Bernice Gerard and Don Bellamy voted in favor of eliminating the $58,000 program. Alderman Harry Rankin, Darlene Marzari, Mike Harcourt and Marguerite Ford were opposed.

Volrich's antics should be a performance reserved for burlesque shows or Richard Nixon revivals. The man can make a fool of himself like no one else can. He is a very small fish in a very big pond and the crowd knew it. They roared with laughter or hooted in anger at his every statement.

Puil decided it was his turn to be lion tamer, as he stuck his own neck in a noose in an attempt to show he was even more ignorant than Volrich.

And Warnett (Bulldog) Kennedy was there as a Joe McCarthy impersonator. Or was it ol' Joe back from the grave? Anyways, Kennedy, being on the very secure side of things as a white male and an alderman to boot, said "we're all on the same side as far as human rights are concerned."

"Race discrimination is a hateful thing. We all know that. Even more hateful is the deliberate cancerous teaching of class warfare in this council." Right Warnett. You're certainly in a class by yourself.

In his infinite wisdom Kennedy then accused Rankin of being "comrade Rasputin, the Marxian." But you can't accuse the old boy of distorting history somewhat. After all, he's getting kind of used to it.

And for comic relief there was a clowning Ald. Bellamy. Yes, he too was in favor of eliminating the program but added that he truly respected Ms. Day for doing an excellent job, especially as she had to "deal with the built-in biases" at City Hall. There was no better argument for retaining the program all night. Too bad he didn't know it.

After the performance was finished and the sacrifice completed to keep the gods of cutbacks happy, the real losers turned out to be the women, the handicapped and the racial minorities who will be unable to get jobs as clerks, or firemen, or policemen because of the built-in covert discrimination which exists at Twelfth and Cambie.

Maybe Ald. Harcourt was right when he said Vancouver was going to become another jerkwater major city. But NPA Ald. Boyce was almost right when she said the personal attacks made it the blackest night of her political career.

It may have been but it was certainly one of the darkest moments in recent Vancouver history when Day fell.

—peter menyasz photo

SHELAGH DAY . . . apprehensive look justified

—peter menyasz photo

MAYOR VOLRICH . . . Days and Sundays not alright with Jack lately.

Protest action gets cut back

OTTAWA (CUP) — Unsure of the amount of militancy on campuses, student leaders across Canada have decided to take a cautious approach in organizing students against rising fees and cutbacks this spring.

At a meeting Feb. 1-5, representatives from all provincial student organizations and the National Union of Students decided to first consolidate anti-cutbacks work on campuses before moving towards any more militant action.

No national mass action is planned, although several provincial organizations said they might conduct individual actions. Representatives said they agreed that a planned NUS brief to the federal government on education cutbacks and related student issues would be the national focus for the campaign.

When the campaign was first planned at the NUS conference last May, students said they envisioned a national mass action this spring. But the representatives agreed the conditions simply weren't right.

"We can't run up the hill without the students behind us," said NUS executive member Bryan Bedford. "We can't just come up with a tactic and expect it to happen."

Several representatives pointed out that students were ill-informed at the extent of cutbacks and how they could fight against them.

"Students have been hammered into the ground. They're frightened," said executive member Bev Crossman, pointing to simultaneous tuition fee increases, cutbacks in professors, support staff, library acquisitions, reductions in unemployment insurance, and lack of proper job creation or student aid programs.

"There's just so much happening at once it's difficult for students to come to grips with it and realize that there are things that can be done — that we don't have to sit back and be attacked."

The organizations have to "facilitate" that realization, she said, by showing students how they can fight cutbacks. "Our goal has to be to have students ask the questions we've been grappling with for the past four months."

Each provincial organization is expected to mount its own campaign against cutbacks this spring, using tactics suited to each region but in each case emphasizing building campus anti-cutbacks committees and alliances with other groups fighting government underfunding.

NUS will present a brief to the government in mid-March outlining student concerns on cutbacks, especially in student aid, unemployment insurance, and job creation programs. The brief will be released simultaneously at the national, provincial and local levels, with each campus asked to publicize and organize around the issues it raises.

UVic buy-a-prof scheme hit

Canadian University Press

The University of Victoria will bring top international professors to the university with the proceeds from the sale of the Lansdowne campus, despite criticisms of the plan by two members of the philosophy department.

The UVic board of governors ratified Tuesday a plan calling for the use of about 62 per cent of the $4.5 million for employing five visiting professors on a continuing basis. The rest of the money will be used to hire professors on a short-term basis.

Professors John Banks and George Monticone wrote a letter to The Ring, the official university newspaper, criticizing the plan because the faculty was already "top-heavy" with aging associate and full professors.

The decline in university enrolment, combined with large numbers of full professors, makes it very difficult for graduate students to find openings in the university, Banks and Monticone say in the letter.

They say the money should be used to create junior research or teaching positions, create research funds, reduce the size of first-year courses, or to increase the number of different courses and programs available.

Banks and Monticone also say the board's move will benefit the university, but questioned the benefits of having high-profile academics on campus as opposed to their suggested improvements.

UVic administration president Howard Petch said Tuesday it will probably take two or three years to establish the program, while he said he hopes as many as three positions will be filled this summer.

No perspective academics have been mentioned, but the candidates will not necessarily be professors as scientists and others who have excelled in their fields will be considered, he said.

The $4.5 million was made available to the University of Victoria Foundation by the education ministry last year, after it purchased the university's former Lansdowne campus for Camosun College.

The foundation was given the funds to promote academic excellence at the university and for no other reason, education minister Pat McGeer announced at the time of the sale.

Banks' and Monticone's complaints about aging faculties were aired in part by top university officials to a senate committee on retirement policy in January.

Taxing problems over for students

By the end of this week, UBC students should begin receiving the new income tax forms required for claiming their education deduction.

Associate registrar Ken Young said Wednesday that the T22-02A forms, the result of bureaucratic bungling by Revenue Canada, arrived at the registrar's office last Friday and should be in the mail by today.

"We'll start putting the forms in the mail Thursday (today) and after that it's really up to the post office. Students should start getting the forms by the end of this week."

The UBC administration is paying over $5,000 for the costs of processing and mailing the forms to about 30,000 students.

Students must return the T22-02A form to be eligible for their income tax education deduction of $50 for every month in which they attended a post-secondary institution. Until this year, students were only required to include that they attended such an institution.

The delay in the forms reaching students was caused by a Revenue Canada oversight. The forms were initially designed to be filled out and individually signed by hand at every institution. After protests by UBC and other institutions, who pointed out the impossibility of such a task, a form that could be computer-processed was designed.