He came, he saw, he left

By HEATHER WALKER

VICTORIA — Education minister Pat McGeer attended only one hour of an all-day meeting held here Monday between his department and 30 student representatives from different B.C. colleges and universities.

McGeer left the meeting, which began at 10 a.m., at 11 a.m. to attend a cabinet meeting. While at the meeting, McGeer presented a brief history of the education department's funding situation and then professed to answer questions put to him by student representatives.

McGeer's answers were repetitions of earlier statements in some cases and refusals to comment in others, but he provided no new information.

Asked by UBC representative Dave Van Blarcom if he was opposed to student representation on university governing bodies, as he was while in the opposition, McGeer said:

"Some think it (student representation) has worked well. Others think it has worked badly. I have no plans to change the Universities Act at the present time." He would not give his own opinion on the question.

Asked if he was considering any changes to the Universities Act, McGeer only said he could not discuss legislation before it is introduced.

McGeer said he was "happy" with the Universities Council and thought it was working within the legislation which had established it.

McGeer was also asked if he was planning to "wind down the pure humanities" at UBC, in light of his interest in increasing vocational and technical training, but only said he had made no statements at that time.

McGeer said his department is considering a new Colleges Act, but added he did not yet know when the act would come before the House.

McGeer was also asked if he planned to renew the $7.5 million grant given to the three public universities last year. He repeated his earlier statement that the grant was a one-time grant and would not be repeated.

McGeer also repeated his frequent statement that any tuition fee increases would be levied by individual institutions, not by the provincial government.

He said universities have "other sources of revenue" than the provincial government and their utilization of these other sources was up to the institutions.

If the universities followed an education department suggestion to change their fiscal year to accord with the government's fiscal year, McGeer said, they would know how much money they would get before they began to spend it and could budget accordingly.

"They set their own budgets, priorities and contracts," McGeer said. "Any interference here by government would take a lot of life out of the institution."

McGeer refused to give his personal opinion of student representation on college councils because, he said, his answer would be interpreted as showing what would be in the new Colleges Act.

Pressed by B.C. Students' Federation co-chairwoman Punam Khosla, who told McGeer his statement would only be seen as a personal opinion, McGeer said: "No, it wouldn't. It would be in-

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RCMP make beer night drunk busts

By TED DAVIS

The arrest of three students for drunken and disorderly public behavior following a recent commerce students' beer night underscores the problems faced by local RCMP members in dealing with campus liquor functions.

The three students spent four hours in the Vancouver city drunk tank after being picked up outside commerce hut M-27 following a first year commerce beer garden last Thursday.

Corp. Dave Patterson, temporarily in charge of the university RCMP detachment, said Monday the students were picked up when a routine patrol noticed a drunken crowd outside the building swearing and shouting obscenities.

He said the two constables arrested the three rowdiest students.

"As far as university is concerned, it wasn't an out-of-control crowd," one of the students arrested said Monday.

The three were driven outside the University Endowment Lands, where they were handed over to Vancouver city police.

Patterson said he discussed the incident with executives of the commerce undergraduate society and accepted a formal apology.

Patterson said co-operation with the police and reasonable self-imposed controls were the main points of the understanding reached with CUS. There has been no previous trouble with CUS, he said.

The RCMP would prefer to not interfere in any campus drinking functions providing the organizers of the functions themselves maintain reasonable controls, he said.

But he said the Canada Liquor Act gives police the power to refuse or cancel special liquor permits, such as that held by the CUS, in the case of infractions of the act.

The constables investigating the Thursday beer bash found at least five major infractions of the act, Patterson said, any of which could have caused it to be shut down.

He said there were minors within a licenced premise, minors in possession of alcohol, intoxication in a public place, people causing a disturbance in a public place, and patrons in a licenced premise while the holder of the licence was absent.

Patterson said organizers of drinking functions should ask the police to handle those who become too drunk or obnoxious, if only to allow other participants to enjoy themselves undisturbed.

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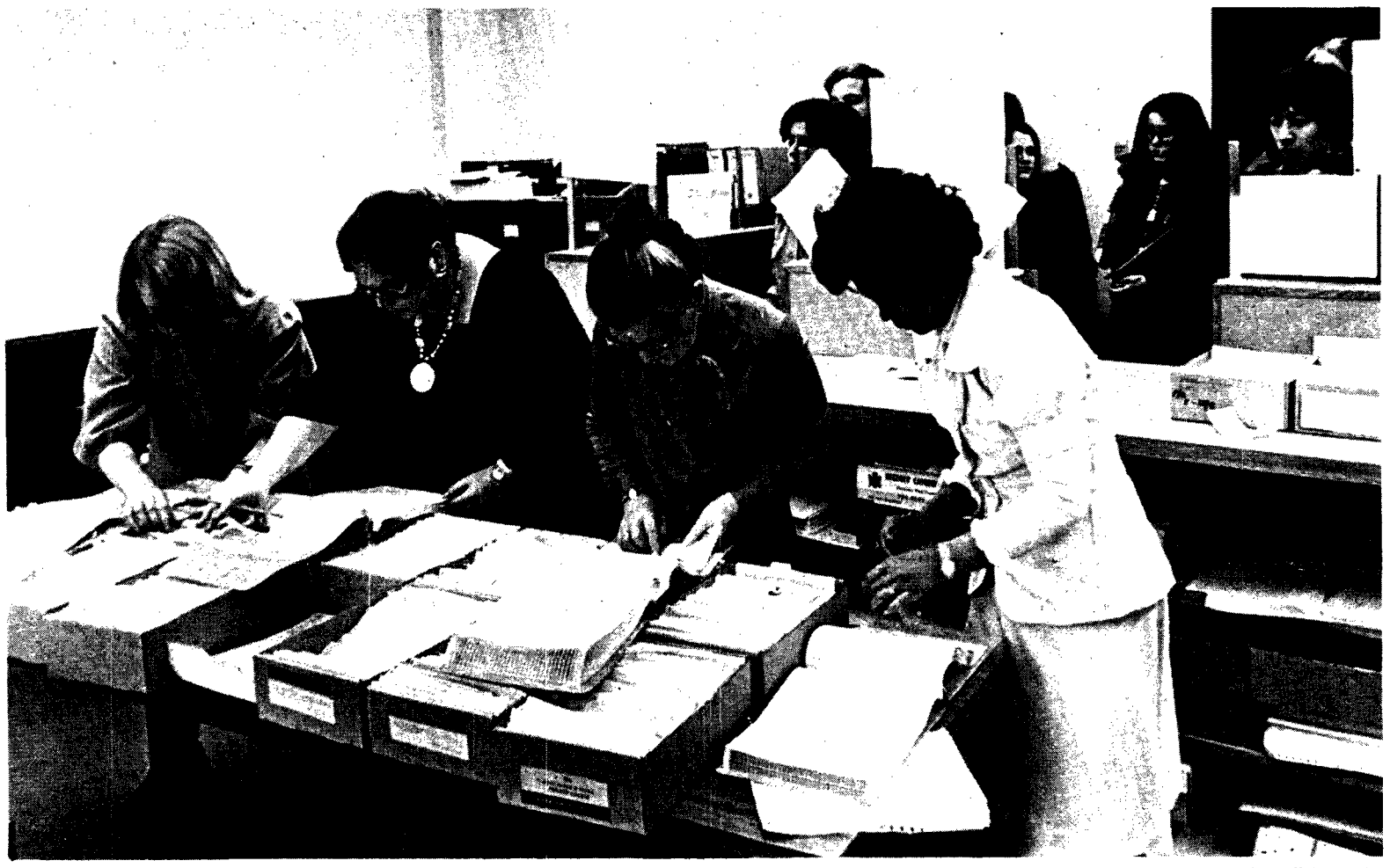

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GETTIN' EM WHILE THEY LAST, students wait in line in administration building basement to pick up student bursaries, loans and grants, then trek three floors up and deposit money into coffers of university as second instalment of tuition fees. Easy come, easy go.

Vander Zalm, a family man

By RALPH MAURER

Human resources minister Bill Vander Zalm has criticized a Vancouver legal aid society for offering couples advice on how to obtain a divorce.

In a Nov. 16 letter to attorney-general Garde Gardom, concerning the government-funded Vancouver Community Legal Assistance Society, Vander Zalm writes: "Why should we be aiding divorce through this particular society when the ministry of human resources is doing all it can to try and keep families together because maintenance of these split families is our greatest concern."

Vander Zalm, whose past targets include bilingual cereal packages and divorcees, also criticized the society on three other points. In the letter, he also:

- questions whether the society should act as lawyers for a group of Burnaby citizens opposed to widening Boundary Road on the west side of Central Park;
- questions the involvement of a society lawyer in "a consideration" of the application form used by human resources ministry, and
- criticizes the society for representing an individual trying to get more money out of the Unemployment Insurance Commission.

The letter asks Gardom to look into the four items "and let me have your comments." Neither Gardom's office staff nor Vander Zalm's office staff were able to determine Monday if the letter has been answered.

David Mossop, one of two lawyers mentioned in Vander Zalm's letter, said the provincial government provides $40,000 of the Vancouver Community Legal Assistance Society's $170,000 annual budget.

He said it is a non-profit society funded by various levels of governments which offers free legal assistance to various community organizations not able to afford lawyers.

He said the provincial government was familiar with the society when the $40,000 grant was made.

He is the lawyer representing the Boundary Road Citizens' Committee, about whom Vander Zalm writes: "How is it that a Burnaby citizen's group suddenly needs legal representation over a political matter and decision."

Mossop said the society has "just advised the group what the legal requirements are for widening the road," and had not offered any political advice.

He said the society is also investigating, on behalf of a client, if questions involving racial or cultural background, appearing in a job application form used by Vander Zalm's department, conflict with the B.C. Human Rights Code.

He said he does not understand Vander Zalm's comment to Gardom: "I am sure you will agree that the action of the society is strictly a political 'push'." Mossop said society directors are meeting this week "to decide what the letter

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LAW STUDENT AL VISRAM . . . reads Vander Zalm letter

Students arrested

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He said the police would rather intervene only where excessive rowdyism is permitted or condoned.

One of the three students arrested alleged unfair and brutal treatment by the RCMP constables and said he thought they kneed another of the students in the groin.

Patterson however could not confirm this and said no official complaint had been made to him. He said he told the three at a later meeting how to proceed with an official complaint.

He said the three arrests were made after the students were ascertained as being in violation of the law, and the constables were permitted by law to use any necessary force in order to protect themselves or police property.

He said the student concerned had continued to be abusive and destructive while in the police car, even after the constables and the other students told him to control himself, and the constables probably feared he might smash one of the windows of the car.

Patterson led a raid on Totem Park residence in November that was called improper by housing officials because police entered private rooms.

An unofficial inquiry by detachment head Sgt. Al Hutchinson was launched but the results have not yet been released. Patterson described the raid as "a question of misunderstanding of local policy."

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means" and to draft a reply to Vander Zalm.

Mossop said Vander Zalm's fourth point referred to a case in which a woman, with the help of a society lawyer, is appealing the Unemployment Insurance Act which states that a woman may not receive UIC benefits during the last eight weeks of pregnancy and the six weeks following pregnancy.

He said the woman, and society lawyers, are contending that although pregnant the woman was able and willing to work and thus qualified for UIC.

Mossop said the case was heard Monday and the judge reserved decision.

Of that case, Vander Zalm wrote: "If there is an overpayment of benefits, how in the world can we directly or indirectly be paying a lawyer to fight for someone who has been overpaid?"

Mossop said the society obtained a copy of the letter from an unidentified source a few weeks ago.

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John Swainson,
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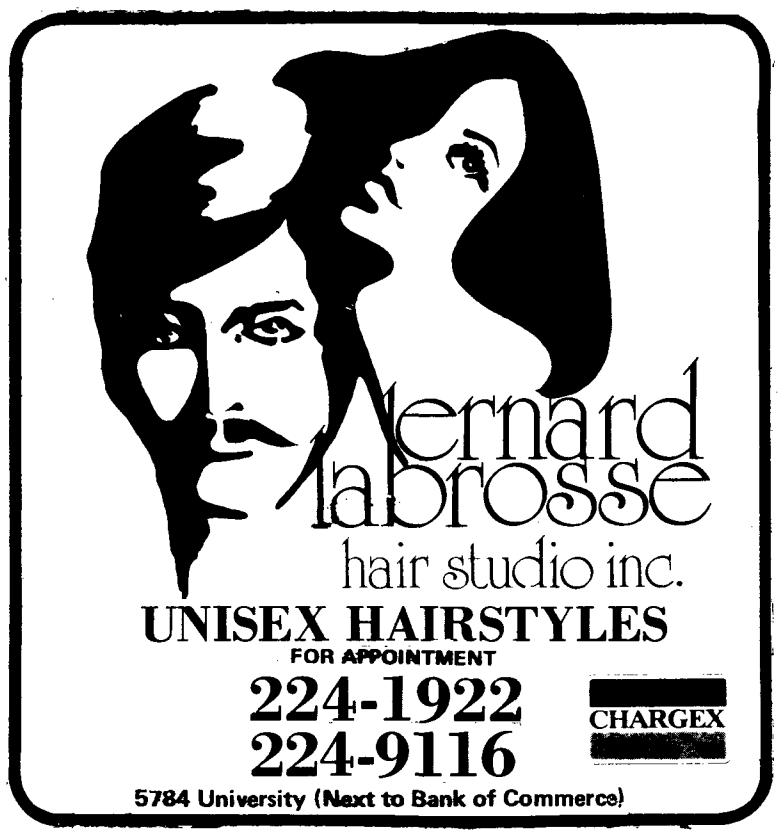

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Women's Intramural Program

Schedule of Events 1977

EVENT	DEADLINE DATE	ACTIVITY DATE	COMPETITION DATE	TIME	FACILITY
Basketball (for second term)	Friday Dec. 3	Monday Jan.10-Jan.24	Double Elimination	7:30 - 9:30	Memorial Gym
Ice Hockey League (for second term)	Friday Dec. 3	Thursday Jan.13-Feb.24	Leagues	7:30 - 9:30	Winter Sports Centre
Fun Hockey League (for second term)	Friday Dec. 3	Thursday Jan.13-Jan.27	Recreational	7:30 - 9:30	Winter Sports Centre
* Badminton	Friday Jan. 14	Wednesday Jan.19-Feb.9	Double Elimination	5:00 - 7:00	Gym A
Bowling League	Friday Jan. 21	Tuesday Feb. 1-15	Leagues	7:30 - 9:00	SUB Bowling Lanes
Volleyball	Friday Feb. 14	Monday Feb. 7-14	Leagues	7:30 - 9:30	Memorial Gym
Curling	Friday Feb. 18	Saturday Feb. 26	Double Elimination	All Day	Winter Sports Centre
Soccer	Friday Feb. 18	Thursday Feb.24,Mar. 3	Double Elimination	12:35 Noon	Memorial Field
* Racquetball Tournament	Monday Feb. 28	Tues.-Thurs. March 1-3	Double Elimination	5:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Winter Sports Centre

* Sign up on posted schedules outside the Intramural Office.

** Check drawsheet in Office for your starting times

Co-Recreation Intramural Program

Ski Trip to Whistler	Wednesday Jan. 19	Saturday Jan. 22		CANCELLED
Volleyball	Drop in	Thursday Jan. 20	7:30 p.m.	Memorial Gym
Volleyball	Drop in	Thursday Jan. 27	7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Memorial Gym
Ski Trip to Cypress Bowl & Hollyburn (Downhill or Cross Country)	Wednesday Jan. 26	Saturday Jan. 29		CANCELLED
Ski Trip to Cypress Bowl & Hollyburn (Downhill or Cross Country)	Wednesday Feb. 2	Saturday Feb. 5		CANCELLED
Badminton (Doubles)	Drop in	Thursday Feb. 3	7:30 p.m.	Memorial Gym
Curling	Friday Feb. 4	Saturday Feb. 12	10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	TWSC
Ski Trip to Cypress Bowl & Hollyburn (Downhill or Cross Country)	Wednesday Feb. 9	Saturday Feb. 12		CANCELLED
Volleyball	Drop in	Thurs. Feb. 10	7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Memorial Gym
Ski Trip to Cypress Bowl & Hollyburn (Downhill or Cross Country)	Wednesday Feb. 16	Saturday Feb. 19		CANCELLED
Volleyball	Drop in	Thursday Feb. 17	7:30 p.m.	Memorial Gym
Spring Football	Friday Feb. 18	Tues. Mar. 1 Fri. Mar. 11	12:35 Noon	McInnes Field
Ski Trip to Whistler	Wednesday Feb. 23	Saturday Feb. 26		CANCELLED
Badminton	Drop in	Thursday March 3	7:30 p.m.	Memorial Gym
Spring Golf Tournament		Sunday March 6	1:00 p.m.	University Golf Course

1. SPRING FOOTBALL - FLAG FOOTBALL: 4 men and 4 women make a team, QB must be a woman.
2. GOLF TOURNAMENT: Men and women as a team - play the same ball alternating shots.
3. SIGN UP ON POSTED SCHEDULES OUTSIDE THE INTRAMURAL OFFICE - Rm. 202 - War Mem. Gym

Men's Intramural Program

Pre Registration for Second Term Hockey	Friday Nov. 26	Thursday Jan. 6	Evenings	TWSC
Volleyball	Friday Jan. 7	Monday Jan. 17	Evenings	Gym A & B
Bowling	Friday Jan. 7	Tuesday Jan. 18	7:30- 10:30 p.m.	S.U.B. Lanes
Basketball	Friday Jan. 7	Wednesday Jan. 19	Evenings & Noons	Memorial Gym
* Badminton Tournament	Friday Jan. 28	Sat. & Sun. Jan. 29, 30	10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Memorial Gym
Wrestling		Thursday Jan. 27	Weigh-In 7:30 p.m. Bout Start 8:00 p.m.	Memorial Gym
Curling Bonspiel	Friday Jan. 28	Sat. & Sun. Feb. 5 & 6	All Day	TWSC
* Snooker Tournament	Friday Feb. 11	Sat. & Sun. Feb. 12 & 13	All Day	S.U.B. Games Area
Rugby Tournament	Friday Feb. 25	Sat. & Sun. March 5 & 6	Daytime	Thunderbird Park
Track & Field Championships		Thursday March 3	12:35 Noon	Harry Logan Track
Hockey Finals		Thursday March 3	As Scheduled	TWSC
Nitobe Basketball Tournament		Mon. - Thurs. March 7 - 10	As Scheduled	Memorial Gym

* Sign up on posted schedule outside the Intramural Office — Room 308 War Memorial Gym

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1. Please note all Ski Trips are CANCELLED.
2. Registration for Men's Volleyball, Bowling and Basketball may still be possible after registration deadline date. Please contact Men's Intramurals office.

Bitter strike at Laval U. ends

QUEBEC CITY (CUP) — A strike by professors at Laval University here, which cancelled four months of classes for 25,000 students, has been settled.

After 18 months of bargaining and a 16-week strike, the faculty union voted 85 per cent Dec. 23 to approve a university contract offer which provides a 34 per cent salary increase.

The university, which closed during the strike, reopened last week. Students were back for registration Monday, and classes begin today.

To make up class time lost because of the strike, students will attend two 13-week terms ending in early July, instead of finishing classes as usual in mid-April.

The strike, one of the longest and most bitter at any Canadian university, was filled with charges and counter charges by the union and the administration.

Union representatives charged the Laval administration with attempting to remove academic freedom and faculty involvement with university decision-making, and the administration responded by charging the union with illegal picketing and strong-arm tactics.

In a recent interview, union president Joel de la Noue said the union gained a grievance procedure, job security, a sabbatical leave system, a salary structure and greater input into departmental assembly decisions.

He said that under the new contract, grievances about tenure, promotions and non-renewal of contracts will be arbitrated by an internal committee chosen from nominees of the union and the university.

The union had complained that the former committee, chaired by the university vice-rector, hadn't fairly considered a grievance from several professors whose contracts were not renewed.

The new contract also provides for full job security, de la Noue said. Tenured professors cannot be fired under any circumstances and must agree to changes in job descriptions.

It also ensures that positions cannot be removed without department approval, he said.

During the dispute, the union complained that Laval's lack of a salary structure led to considerable variation in salaries between professors of similar rank and experience.

The university lacked minimum and maximum salaries and had no rules governing salaries.

The new contract, said de la Noue, established a salary structure which will integrate professors according to rank and experience.

A 34 per cent salary increase was also negotiated, he said.

He said the contract establishes departmental committees to discuss working conditions, hiring and assigning of departmental tasks, in response to union complaints that professors didn't have enough input into university decisions.

Yet, despite wage increases in the contract, the union has an $800,000 debt for strike pay during the four-month strike.

Donations from faculty associations at other Canadian universities are expected to contribute about $70,000 to the debt, said de la Noue, but the remainder of the debt will be paid by the union.

He said the union will increase dues for the next 18 months so each

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WALLACE . . . attacks UBC teaching hospital . . .

Kenny 'should explore' tuition hike possibilities

Senate's budget committee has advised the university administration to consider increasing tuition fees if the provincial government cuts back education spending.

A committee report to senate in December noted that the education department has told universities they should not expect any increase in operating funds this year.

The report says tuition fees have not increased in 10 years and "the percentage contribution to the budget from tuition fees has fallen from approximately 30 per cent in 1965-66 to about 10 per cent in 1975-76.

"Committee members present at the meeting unanimously recommended that the president should explore the possibility of increasing student fees," it says.

The report says a decision by education minister Pat McGeer not to renew a special $4.5 million grant to UBC this year will cause severe budget constraints in 1977-78.

McGeer says the grant, received by the university in the spring of 1976 to make up for a discrepancy between the province's fiscal year and UBC's salary contract year, was a one-time affair and will not be repeated this year.

Because of McGeer's decision, the university will have to consider other sources of funding or consider budget cuts in all departments and faculties, the report says.

"Even if both actions are taken it is difficult to see how to prevent further erosion of the academic quality of the education we offer students at UBC."

Student law senator Gordon Funt, a member of the budget committee, said a consensus is forming on the committee, on the senate and in the university administration that tuition fees will have to be raised if the provincial government does not grant an increase in UBC's operating budget this year.

He said the university has no choice but to raise tuition fees, so the Social Credit government in Victoria must take the blame if they go up.

The report says that, because of increased costs and an inflexible budget the university is faced with the problem of "how to provide sufficient funds to continue to maintain the library collection, the equipment and supplies budgets, and the level of operation of the computing centre."

The report says administration president Doug Kenny has asked all faculty and department heads to prepare contingency plans in the event there is no increase in funds from the provincial government.

New hospital a luxury—PC

B.C. Conservative leader Scott Wallace said Monday that if the provincial government builds a 240-bed teaching hospital at UBC, there will likely be cutbacks in existing university programs.

Wallace told about 100 people in SUB that the $50 million hospital, recently approved by UBC senate and board of governors, will absorb operating funds that could be used in other areas of the university.

He said the government is being inconsistent by offering to build an expensive hospital and double the size of the medical school, and at the same time cutting back on other areas of university education.

The construction of the medical school will improve the quality of medical education at UBC but the money could be spent better elsewhere, Wallace said. "A new hospital here is a luxury."

The government should use the money allocated to the UBC hospital to build facilities for senior citizens who need special medical attention, Wallace said.

He said medical students would get better training if they were taught in hospitals where they would be exposed to a wider cross-section of the general population.

Wallace said there should be a radical review of the education system in B.C. at all levels. He said useless courses like high school guidance courses where "kids sit around and self-analyze themselves and all this kind of crap" should be eliminated.

Wallace said the provincial and federal governments should get together to deal with the issue of Indian land claims. He said more discussion is needed about land claims and some of the claims are legitimate.

Wallace said his role as the only Conservative MLA in the B.C. legislature is to "present a rather more reasonable and positive approach than the government or the opposition."

He said B.C. politics are too polarized. People vote "with their eyes closed and tongues bitten."

Wallace said the main issues at the next sitting of the legislature, which begins Thursday, will be unemployment, the economy and labor-management problems in the province.

. . . and urges review of education system —matt king photos

Competition stiff for would-be volunteers

More than 40 men have volunteered to test a new male contraceptive at UBC's student health centre, program director Morton Warner said Monday.

The contraceptive program involves monthly injections of two hormones designed to reduce the sperm count enough to create temporary sterility in the male.

The tests are part of a worldwide series administered by the World Health Organization. It is the first series of tests of the contraceptive on humans.

Warner, an assistant professor of health care and epidemiology, said that of the 40 men who volunteered for the program, about 10 have already been declared unsuitable because they live out of town or were considered medically unsuitable.

He said 80 or 85 applicants will be needed to ensure that the 24 men needed for the testing program are appropriate for the tests.

He said applicants must be between 30 and 40 years old and take a test ensuring they are fertile. The screening process for volunteers also includes the signing of a consent form and an interview.

In Toronto, the other Canadian city in which testing of the contraceptive is taking place, participants are mainly graduate students and professors at the university. Warner said he expects volunteers for the UBC program to be graduate students and professors also.

The program is slated to begin in mid-February. Volunteers will attend a preparatory clinic every two weeks for three months before testing begins. After testing begins, volunteers will go to the clinic once a month for injections and once every two weeks to have their sperm counts checked.

It has been estimated that it will be about 10 years before the hormones are marketed, perhaps in pill form.

What did they expect?

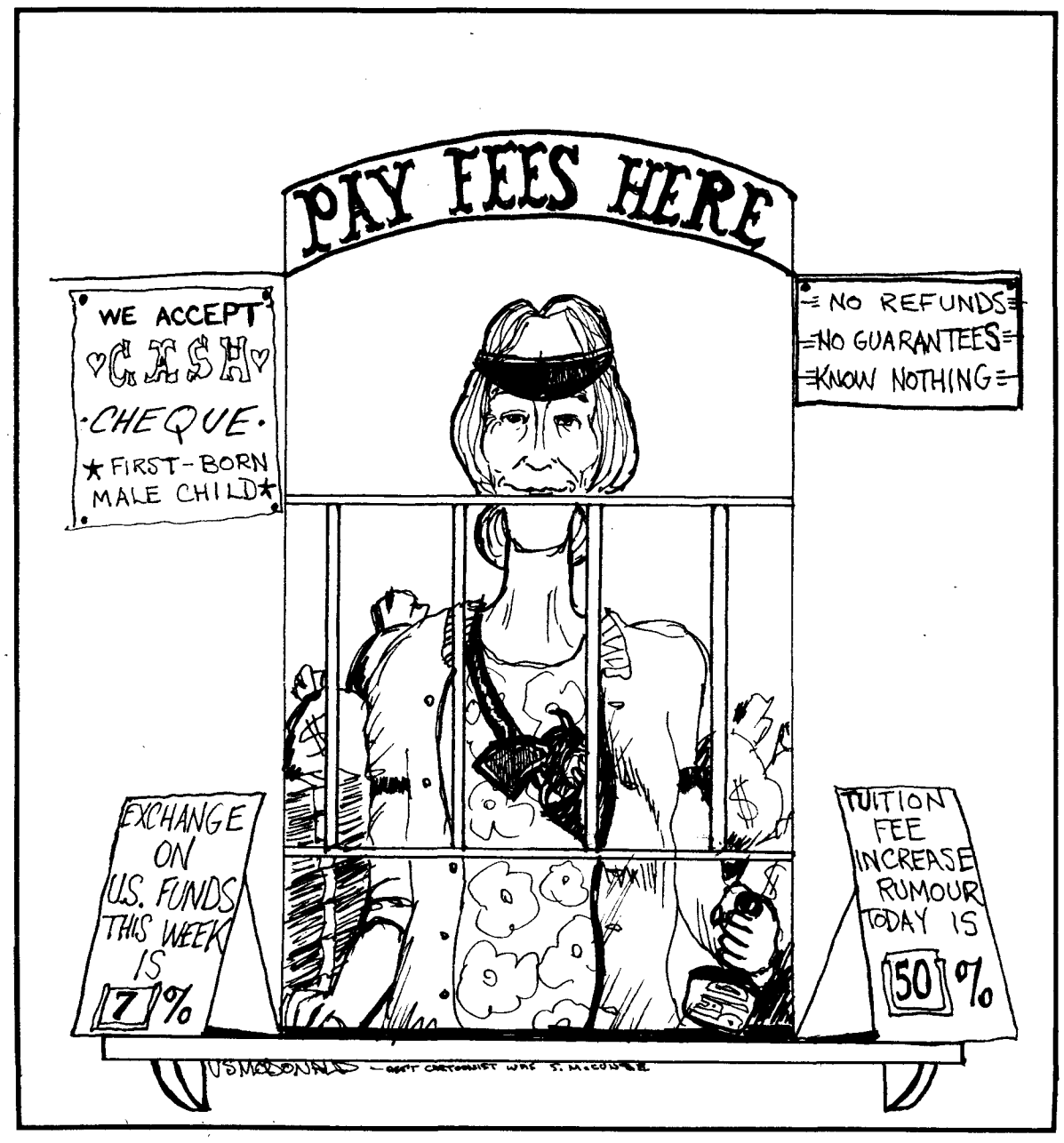
So Pat McGeer made only a cameo appearance Monday at a day-long meeting between education department officials and B.C. student representatives. As Gomer Pyle used to say, "Surprise, surprise, surprise."

What did they expect? After all, the meeting was held Jan. 10 because McGeer was too busy to meet with the student representatives (we hesitate to call them leaders) on Nov. 9, National Student Day, and postponed a Dec. 13 meeting because, suposedly, the date conflicted with exams.

If that didn't tip the student reps off to the fact that student issues are low, low priority for McGeer, nothing would.

The student representatives — at least those representing the National Union of Students and the B.C. Students' Federation — went into that meeting with high hopes, actually expecting a day-long discussion of education policies with McGeer. They were disappointed.

We hope they learn the obvious lesson. Sitting down and talking with McGeer isn't going to accomplish anything. Mass student action — rallies, letter campaigns, strikes — are the only things that will. The student reps should become student leaders and start applying their energy where it will be effective, instead of trying to set up meetings with bureaucrats, meetings at which nothing is accomplished.



About that letter

Bill Vander Zalm's recently-disclosed letter makes it embarrassingly clear that the man simply doesn't have the brains for the job of human resources minister.

If Vander Zalm objected to divorces because of the unhappiness they indicate, his objection to divorce counselling would be merely illogical, because making divorces harder to get would not actually produce happier marriages. But Vander Zalm is concerned with money.

"Why should we be aiding divorce . . . when the ministry of human resources is doing all it can to try and keep families together because maintenance of these split families is our greatest concern," he states in the letter.

Anybody who would increase unhappiness to save money is a dangerous fool. Vander Zalm doesn't understand life; he's out of his depth and should resign.

Letters

Aldridge alleges inaccuracies in pool story

Re your article on the indoor pool in Thursday's Ubyssey, a number of factual errors should be corrected:

1. The pool was first proposed in 1912 (at the time of the Sharp-Thompson plan for the university campus at Point Grey), not 1972. The current effort was proposed in November, 1971.

2. The original proposal (June, 1972) called for $925,000 from the students, $925,000 from the administration and the remaining $925,000 from private sources, not, as you say, from government grants.

3. At the time of the November, 1974 referendum which saw the students confirm their $5 per year commitment by a 71 per cent majority, the estimated cost of the pool was $4.5 million, not $4.7 million as you state.

The difference may seem trivial but the first figure refers to a completely finished pool while the second (and current) estimate does not provide for about $520,000 worth of facilities which had originally been included in the design. The cost increase over the 1972-4 period you refer to is consistent with the prevailing level of inflation in the construction industry.

4. The $768,333 received from the federal and provincial governments is not, as your article states, "considerably less than the $925,000 pool organizers had hoped to raise from the two governments." As stated above, the latter target was originally set to include all private sources along with government grants.

If one adds the $131,000 figure mentioned in your article to the government grants, the total of $899,333 is already very close to the original estimate. As you correctly point out, several key fund raising efforts have not yet been launched.

5. The $925,000 student contribution will have been entirely spent when stage one of the pool is complete. The $5 fee will be used to pay back both the principle and interest on a $650,000 loan obtained by the AMS to make this contribution. The fee will continue to be collected until this loan is repaid, not as you state, until the $925,000 is collected. With an average enrolment of 20,000 students and an interest rate of 10.25 per cent, the loan will be repaid in about 10 years.

6. Students will have access to the pool at all times when it is operating, not as the article claims, only 14 per cent of the time it is available. Students will have free access to a one-third section of the pool for nine hours every class day. During other times they will pay the current public swimming admission charges.

7. Your article claims that students have "no control over pool policies." In fact, the management committee for the pool will have six members, three appointed by the administration and three appointed by the AMS.

This is the same structure that is used at the winter sports centre which you falsely claim is "controlled by the administration." It's true that UBC pays for maintenance costs in both the winter sports centre and the new pool, but the AMS retains 50 per cent control of the operational policies of both facilities.

8. My salary is not $17,000 a year.

Doug Aldridge
campaign director,
UBC Aquatic Centre Fund.

Some of your points are well taken. Others aren't. To wit:

1. A pool was first proposed in 1912. Not the pool. In fact, you admit in point 2 that the original proposal was completed in June, 1972.

5. To most people, there isn't much difference between saving up $925,000 and paying off a $925,000 loan — except that the latter costs more. If you are correct, students will be paying $5 a year until the late 1980s, several years longer than we predicted in the story.

7. You neglect to point out that of the three AMS delegates to the pool management committee, only two may be students. The third must be a member of the off-campus community.

8. True, your salary is not $17,000. That was last year. It's even more this year.—Staff.

WhambamthankyouZalm

The Social Credit government in Victoria has shown us consistently good government since taking office in December, 1975. I was particularly impressed with Bill Vander Zalm's proposal to enforce a three month "cooling off" period for couples thinking of marriage. The effect on the province's divorce rate would be unquestionable.

In his conservatism, however, I think Mr. Vander Zalm may have overlooked another, more obvious program.

What he should have proposed, was a 24-hour waiting period for any couple, homo- or heterosexual, wishing to make love. This would not only stop the need for expensive research on birth control, but would have profound effects on the ever-worsening VD problem in B.C.

Hotlines could be set up in major centres across the province, with toll-free numbers for our northern citizens, for couples to phone when they feel the urge. They would then have their names and addresses taken (along with the time of the call to ensure that the full 24-hour moratorium was observed) and a special permit would be delivered to their front door the next day.

I think this program more closely reflects the spirit of the human resources minister's concern. Since most of the anguish of marriage originates in the bedroom, causing people to reflect on what they are doing will get this province's economy back on its feet.

Not until then can we pursue The Good Life.

Stuart Lyster
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"Heather Walker is missing!" shrieked Ted Davis and Sue Vohanka at deadline time. Paul Wilson, Steve Howard and Ralph Maurer rushed around the office looking under typewriters for the absent reporter. Kathy Ford, Sheila Barnes, Marcus Gee and Doug Rushton tried to lift a lollipop-wielding Chris Gainor in a hernia-inducing attempt to see whether he had accidentally sat on her. Verne McDonald offered a pipe containing a noxious-smelling substance to Matt King, assuring him that smoking it would relieve cramps, if he ever got them. Geof Wheelwright and Doug Field chased Scoop the Fearless Newshound under Mike Bocking's desk, but the mischievous pup wouldn't drop Tom Barnes, who was the only person who knew where Heather was.

Without satisfactory answers

McGeer leaves meeting early

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terpreted as what would be in the act."

McGeer was then hastened away to the cabinet meeting by his executive assistant Jim Bennett, and did not return until 4:30 p.m. for the wrap-up of the conference.

His most definite answer was a commitment to support in principle an investigation into federal and provincial education finances and goals, proposed by the BCSF and the National Union of Students.

McGeer was then replaced by deputy education minister Walter Hardwick, who said he could only stay for a further 15 minutes before leaving for a Vancouver meeting.

Many delegates at the meeting were concerned with vocational school funding and provision of compulsory student fees at vocational schools.

Vocational school representative Garth Brown read an 18-page brief on the concerns of vocational students to the delegates and associate deputy education minister Andy Soles.

The brief recommended increased training for vocational school counsellors, wages for vocational students taking time out from jobs to improve their skills, and that vocational school administrations should collect compulsory student fees for student unions.

Without these fees, student unions cannot exist at vocational schools, Brown said.

A meeting was later arranged for the end of January or early February between vocational school representatives and the ministers of education and labor.

Requests for information from the Goard report on vocational training were rejected because the report had been given to McGeer only Monday morning and had not yet been made public.

An afternoon workshop on financing led by associate deputy education minister Jack Fleming mainly involved a rehash of material discussed in the morning.

But Fleming did say the education department was not considering instituting differential fees for international students, which have recently been imposed by governments in Alberta and Ontario.

"Our current view is an international, global one," Fleming said. "We are not prepared to put up financial barriers at this time."

But, he said, the department might consider differential fees in the future "if we see a great influx to the extent that it would deny access to our own people."

McGeer presented delegates with two press releases near the end of the conference, one announcing the start of an extension of student aid and the other announcing a seven-member committee to "assist in upgrading services to B.C.'s post-secondary students."

The committee will advise the ministry's student services branch, the news release said. Members will be chosen by the education department and will include two students, two college representatives, one university representative and two representatives of the education department.

The student aid extension, called a work study program, is described as "a program to provide part-time on-campus employment for students in need of financial assistance."

The program is funded with $80,000 not given out in grants and loans by the Canada Student Loan Plan and is expected to provide jobs for 100 students.

Jobs are not to exceed 15 hours per week and are intended to be connected with the student's field of study.

In a press conference following the meeting, BCSF spokesman Ross Powell described the conference as frustrating and accused the education department of "shoddy treatment" of the student representatives.

"It is too bad the minister didn't take time out to talk to us after postponing the meeting," he said. The meeting was originally scheduled for Dec. 13, but was later postponed until Monday.

BCSF spokesman Bill Bell said the meeting was "a start," and "the first time a meeting of this magnitude has taken place."

AMS pays polls

This year, for the first time, the Alma Mater Society will pay student poll workers for the administration-run elections of students to senate and the board of governors positions.

In past years the administration paid the workers to collect ballots at polling booths, but this year they are paying only for the printing of ballots, the major expense of the election.

AMS president Dave Theessen said Monday the cost of paying poll workers is usually less than $100. Poll workers have traditionally been paid two pit tokens an hour, but this year they may have an option of demanding cash, he said.

Registrar Jack Parnall last year refused to allocate money for payment of the poll workers but then backed down and gave the AMS $150.

The AMS said then that because the administration runs the elections it should pay all the costs.

Theessen said the AMS decided to pay the poll workers this year because the registrar had threatened to open only three polls on campus Jan. 19. The AMS wants 10 polls open so more students have a chance to vote, he said.

According to the Universities Act, the registrar is responsible for running senate and board of governors elections.

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Bauer will describe shore resources within the marine, riverine and estuarine coastal environments of the Pacific Northwest. He will also make suggestions about how the area's rich resources can be preserved and protected.

People's law

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'Tween classes

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UBC KARATE CLUB
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Organizational meeting, noon, SUB 211.

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General meeting, noon, Angus 110.

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Prayer and sharing, noon, SUB 205.

UBC CANOE CLUB
General meeting, noon, SUB 211.

AQUA SOC
Tony Farell will speak and show slides, noon, SUB club room.

WEDNESDAY

FREESEE
Free film series, Civilization, noon, SUB auditorium.

SAILING CLUB
General meeting and film, T-shirts available, noon, SUB 205.

COMMITTEE FOR THE DEFENCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE
Film, To the People of the World, music by Chilean singers, discussion, noon, SUB 207.

ECKANKAR
Discussion, noon, SUB 211.

BAHA'I CLUB
Informal discussion and talk, noon, SUB 215.

THURSDAY

CHINESE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
Dr. Chan Gunn on the practice of traditional Chinese medicine in China today, noon, Bu. 106.

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SPORTS

Bears defeat basketball 'Birds

By PAUL WILSON

The UBC Thunderbirds basketball team dropped into third place after losing two weekend games to the University of Alberta Golden Bears.

Doug Baker led the Bear assault on the UBC squad scoring 32 points in Saturday's game. The previous night he set an unofficial Canada West league record when he scored 48 points.

"Baker is amazing," said 'Bird coach Peter Mullins Monday. "He's put a lot of points on the board against us in past years but he was always inconsistent. That's the surprising thing, he just kept right on scoring the whole game long."

At half time the Bears held a slim 42-39 lead, but came out running in the second half and quickly increased it to nine points. They hung on to take the game 84-77.

Ralph Turner led the 'Birds in scoring with 18 points, all on field goals. Turner shot a consistent 56 per cent and picked up two defensive rebounds. Bill Berzins scored 16 points. Jan Bohn potted 14 points and pulled down 10 rebounds.

In addition to Baker's 32 points Alberta got help from Steve Panteluk for 12 points and eight rebounds. Pat Rooney managed 10 points and hauled down nine rebounds.

In Friday's game the Golden Bears defeated the 'Birds 93-86.

During the game UBC's 6' 11" centre Mike McKay was sidelined with a knee injury. Rookie Rob Cholyk took McKay's place but fouled out after 12 minutes had gone by in the second half. Ed Lewin followed him out in the fourth quarter.

Scoring for the 'Birds were Berzins who shot 67 per cent for 19 points. Bohn potted 21 points and grabbed nine rebounds. David Craig added 17 points and four rebounds but turned the ball over to Edmonton six times.

Baker took 37 shots, sinking 21 of them for a consistent 57 per cent shooting average. He led the Bears with 48 points and seven rebounds while turning the ball over twice. Rooney hit for 19 points and added nine rebounds.

Though Baker destroyed the 'Birds' defense they did well offensively during the game shooting 51 per cent and picking up 38 rebounds.

At Victoria the Vikings upset the University of Calgary Dinosaurs in two successive games, 85-55 and 71-70 to move into a second-place tie with the Dinos. Victoria's Lee Edmondson picked up the winning basket in Saturday's game with two seconds left. Edmondson's weekend total was 59 points.

In Saskatoon the Huskies picked up their first two wins in eight starts by defeating the Lethbridge Pronghorns in two straight games, 99-68 and 89-83. The wins ended a 30-game losing streak for the Huskies, whose last win was Feb. 7, 1975.

The 'Birds' next game is 8:30 p.m. Friday when they play the University of Victoria Vikings in War Memorial Gym.

The junior varsity basketball team picked up three wins over the weekend.

Saturday the JVs defeated the Columbia Bible Institute 93-76. Adam Yawrenko scored 17 points and hauled down 15 rebounds. John Doughty scored 14 points and Barry McKay added 12.

Friday the JVs defeated a strong team from Vancouver Community College after two overtime periods, 86-83. Yawrenko was again the top point getter scoring 32. Marc Adilman and Darryl Clark scored 10 points each.

The JVs hosted the College of New Caledonia from Prince George Thursday night. They easily defeated them 74-51. Yawrenko again led UBC with 18 points.

The next JV game is 4:30 p.m. Friday in War Memorial Gym when they play the University of Victoria JVs.

Canada West basketball league standings:

	W	L	F	A	Pts.
Alberta	6	2	695	655	12
Calgary	5	3	592	588	10
Victoria	5	3	580	556	10
UBC	4	4	670	580	8
Lethbridge	2	6	557	666	4
Sask.	2	6	607	666	4

Hockey 'Birds beat Huskies

The UBC Thunderbirds hockey team strengthened its hold on second place in the Canada West hockey league by defeating the Saskatchewan Huskies in two home ice games, Friday 7-4 and 8-0 Saturday.

Saturday night the 'Birds dominated the third period of the game, scoring five unanswered goals.

"It may have looked easy on the scoreboard but it took a lot of hard work," said coach Bert Halliwell. Much of the credit for the win can be placed on a line switch Halliwell made, inserting Bill Ennos between wingers Marty Matthews and Jim Stuart. On the other line he put Peter Moyls at centre between Grant Cumberbirch and Danny Lucas.

Moyls grabbed two goals early in the first period to start the 'Birds' scoring and later added another. Singles were scored by Matthews, Doug Tottenham, Derek Williams, Rob Hesketh and John Dzus.

Ron Lefebvre recorded his second shutout of the season making 34 saves.

The game was marred by a fight between UBC's Tom Blaney and Saskatchewan's Roy Kemp during the presentation of the John Owen Memorial Trophy to the 'Birds following the game.

"After we shook hands he said, 'Just wait until we get you back in Saskatchewan, you won't have a face left,' so I figured, why wait until then," Blaney said Saturday.

Friday night the 'Birds came from behind in the third period to tie the game at four goals each to force an overtime period.

During the 10-minute overtime period the 'Birds outplayed the Huskies and won the game. Williams scored for the 'Birds at 6:21, followed by goals from Matthews and Lucas.

The other 'Bird goals were scored by Cumberbirch, Stuart and Ennos who added two.

The 'Birds' next game is in Edmonton when they play the Golden Bears Friday and Saturday night. In their last meeting the 'Birds dropped both games, 5-4 and 3-2.

Canada West hockey league standings:

	W	L	Pts.
Alberta	8	2	16
UBC	7	3	14
Saskatchewan	3	7	6
Calgary	2	8	4

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Computers — serious business

By CHRIS GAINOR

They aren't playing space war at the computer centre any more.

The game was so popular, UBC computer centre director James Kennedy says that people doing serious work on the computer were left without time to use it.

The popular game, which featured space ships zapping each other on UBC's only graphics terminal, a special picture tube, is one of many games played on the UBC computer.

And computer games are an important part of at least one course, computing science 422, Kennedy said.

The course, by the way, deals with artificial intelligence. But Kennedy said this does not suggest that computers can think, but only that computers can do intelligent things.

Intelligence?

"I don't want to get into whether a computer thinks or not. That connotes different things to different people," said Kennedy.

An important part of artificial intelligence research is programming computers to use the English language and carry on conversations, he said.

Some students use the computers for serious but unauthorized purposes such as typesetting theses.

The university has not specifically banned this practice until this fall, Kennedy said. Next year, students will be charged if they use the computer in production of theses.

Producing a thesis on the computer allows easy correction of mistakes, saves the cost of a typist and results in neat, good-looking copies.

Computer time is budgeted in computer dollars and is allocated to different departments, and to faculty and students through the departments, Kennedy said. About 1,000 faculty and 1,500 students have access to the computer.

"The computer operates widely as an academic service like the library," Kennedy said.

Students who do not have the important computer identification card use the computer with special ticket cards which are fed into the computer. Until recently, he said, students used tickets which were phased out because of the cost of posting a ticket taker at the door of the student computer terminals.

About 2,000 students use the tickets to get into the computer.

UBC's computer, an IBM 370 model 168 computer, was built in 1973 and 1974, and now resides in the newly named computer sciences building, formerly and better known as the civils building.

Renovations

Extensive renovations are going on inside to make it the computer science building in name as well as in fact, but Kennedy admitted one of the hardest jobs is getting people to accept the new name.

Kennedy, who founded the computing science department in the late 1960s, and who still teaches in the department, said the relationship between the department and the computing centre is "approximately the same as the library and the school of librarianship."

It is a simile he employs often. "The computing centre operates widely as an academic service like the library."

The UBC computer serves its clients from terminals around the campus and also from portable terminals which can be connected from the user's location by telephone.

Businesses and individuals can use the computer, but at a price somewhat higher than what commercial firms charge.

Kennedy said this policy allows full access to the computer, paid for by the taxpayers, but gives first use to the university.

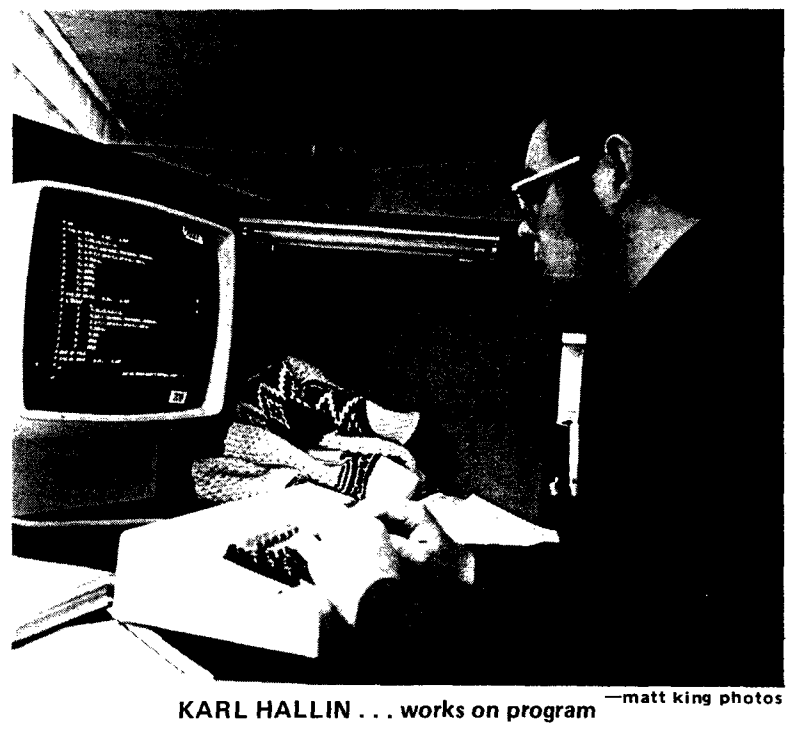
"With the computer dollar valuations (charged to all users), not too much work is put on the computer," said Kennedy.

"The general scheme is to control services so that enthusiasts don't get carried away."

What about people using the computer on their own time for non-university or non-research purposes?

"My attitude is like that of the librarian, you don't know what they're doing with the book when they've taken it out."

But he warned that people breaking into other peoples' computer files and using other peoples' computer time must overcome a tight security system and face criminal charges if caught.



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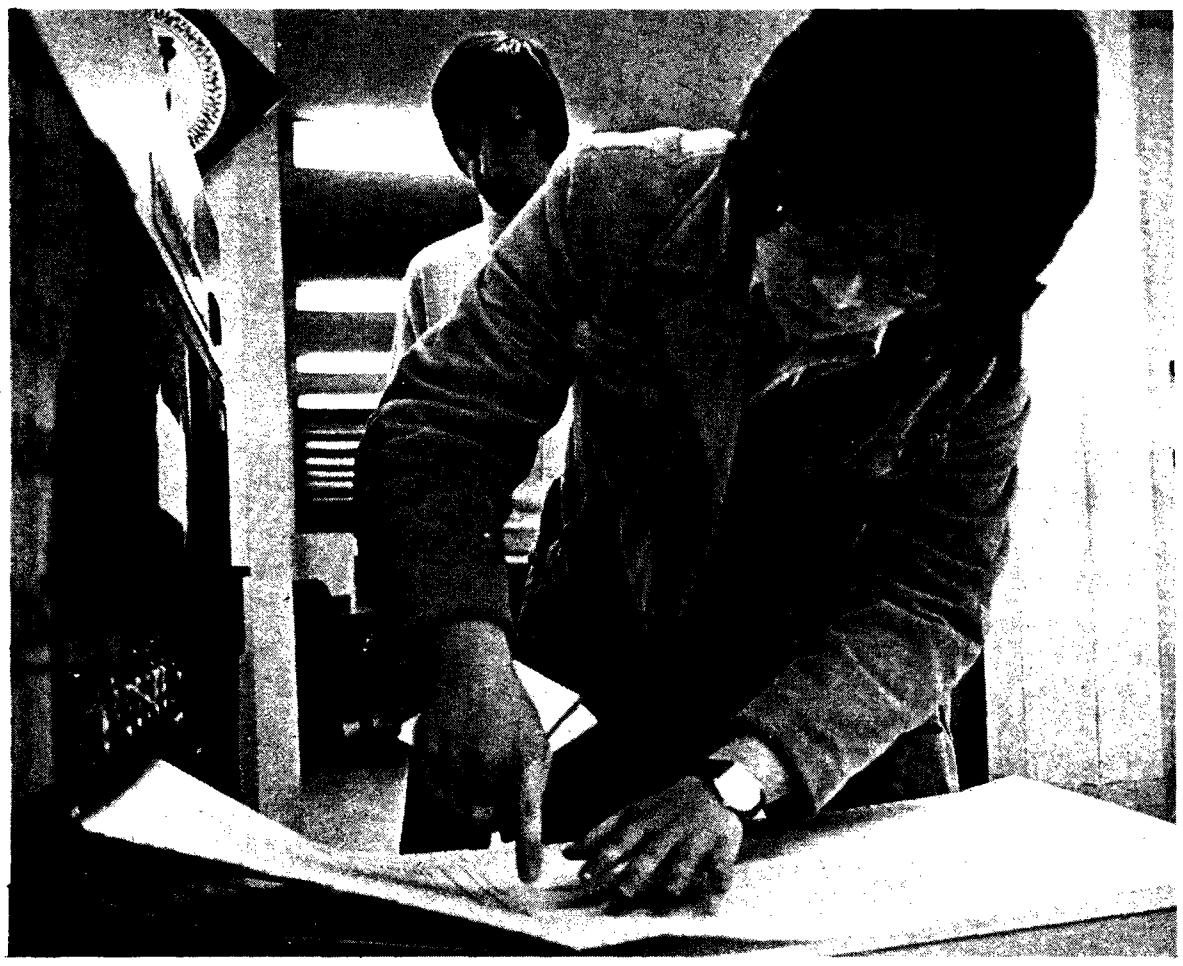

JOHN JUNG . . . takes output from computer terminal

TA pay issue

A move to cut the pay rate to non-graduate student teaching assistants at Simon Fraser University by 32 per cent was deferred one month at SFU's December board of governors meeting after protests by an ad hoc committee of teaching assistants.

Daniel Birch, SFU associate vice president for academics, who made the cutback recommendation, said the motion was withdrawn until February's meeting to allow time for graduate and non-graduate TAs to provide input.

Birch admitted that not enough discussion had taken place before the recommendation was made.

"I am contacting spokespeople for the TAs, informing them of a meeting of the board, faculty and organization committee on Jan. 25 to discuss the recommendation," Birch said.

Birch had earlier said about 10 per cent of TAs would be affected by the recommendation, which would see a TA with an MA or the equivalent teaching an average course load of four tutorial hours, lose $860 per semester — a 32.3 per cent cutback.

A TA with a BA teaching four tutorial hours would lose $685 per semester — a 31 per cent drop.

Graduate student TAs would not be affected by the salary reduction.

Birch gave an explanation for his recommendation in a memo to SFU administration president Pauline Jewett: "Some portion of the graduate TA stipend is an award equivalent to a fellowship and a teaching assistant is not a graduate student and is, therefore, not entitled to that portion of the stipend."

Birch had said earlier the reason TAs have been paid the same as graduate TAs was due to "a lack of clarity in TA policy and the lack of consistency in its application."

Jewett had said in December: "I know it is a cutback, but we looked closely at TA rates around the province . . . the TA hourly rate at UBC was lower still."

TA representatives were not available for comment. The motion to cut salaries will be discussed again at SFU's February board meeting.

Research projects hit hard by Laval university strike

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professor will pay about $600 extra in dues to cover the debt.

Laval rector Larkin Kerwin said the university suffered considerably because of the strike. He said research was hit especially hard, because many projects, notably in agriculture and forestry, had to be cancelled and done again after the strike.

He added the university faces a deficit this year because of extra expenses during the strike. Expenses include paying full wages to support staff during the strike and paying professors extra to teach extra classes to complete the school year.

Kerwin said a study done for the university showed that at least 90 per cent of Laval students will return for the next two terms and another five per cent will return in September. He said the decreased number of students will mean lost revenue for the university.

Andrew Wake, a representative of the Laval student association which supported the professors' strike, said the faculty struggle was the same as that facing students.

The student association supported the strike first in solidarity and later unconditionally. Wake said both students and professors are being attacked by Quebec's education department by budget cutbacks, centralization and deterioration of study and working conditions.

He added that students were not supporting the professors because faculty were asking for benefits themselves or because students would gain direct benefits.

"We're not looking at them as our protectors. They're fighting for themselves — we're fighting for ourselves," he said.

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