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UBC approves daycare project

By Franka Cordua-von Specht

The University has made a $4.4 million commitment to daycare, straddling the last hurdle in the run for a new campus daycare facility.

But the plans will only become reality if the Board of Governors okays the proposal, according to K.D. Srivastava, vice president of student services.

Srivastava said he hopes the Board of Governors will accept the university's proposal for partial funding of a daycare facility accommodating 275 full-time spaces.

Once the proposal is sanctioned, "the new facilities, if all goes according to schedule, will be ready next September," he said.

"UBC has made an offer more generous than expected a few weeks ago," said Glen Drover, President of the Child Care Society, an umbrella organization for the 12 autonomous daycares on campus.

"Ideally we would have liked to have the full funding but we've come a long distance—a few months ago we didn't even know whether we would have the project," he said.

Drover is hopeful that the Child Care Society's Board will approve the offer at a November 22nd meeting, so that the board of governors can deal with the project at their December 1st meeting.

The $4.4 million subsidy consists of the university land on Acadia Road valued at $2.5 million which University of British Columbia will lease out to the Child Care Society, and an additional $1.8 million in construction costs.

Other donations have come from the Alma Mater Society $350,000, the Vancouver Foundation $75,000, the Faculty Association over $40,000, and the Teaching Assistant's Union $5,000.

Also, the university will arrange for the continued use of the Prince Rupert Building currently on loan to UBC daycare by Student Housing.

Srivastava said that the university's cash commitment will come from interest earnings of the university's endowment fund—"a certain amount of money from bequests, donations, gifts, that over the years has been invested by the university."

As for the remaining $336,000, the University plans to take out a loan on behalf of the Child Care Society.

Drover said the Child Care Society will raise the additional funds to avoid an increase in user fees. If unsuccessful, he said "the worst scenario would be an increase of the fees by $11 per child per month."

One likely source of funding is the AMS.

Tim Bird, president of the AMS, said he put a motion on Wednesday's agenda that $194,000 out of the Capital Projects Acquisition Committee be committed to the daycare project.

Bird said that this amount would erase any fee increase ($11) for student parents but would not affect faculty and staff parents.

"I'm optimistic that $194,000 will be approved with 99 percent certainty," he said. "If not, $150,000 will be passed (which would account for a $2.50 increase of student parent fees)."

"Personally I think we'd be hypocritical not to (donate) because we have an opportunity now, which we've been awaiting for five years, to end up with a quality daycare," he said.

He added that in his discussion with students about the recreation facility, many of those opposed to the rec-fac argued for the urgency of the daycare.

UBC's proposal comes after a year-and-a-half that the daycare has canvassed for funds. It comes one-and-a-half months before the January 1, 1989 deadline that the Endowment Lands Fire Marshal had set for the daycare facilities to be vacated, which was already an extension from April 1st, 1988.

Srivastava said the University will seek to extend the Fire Marshal's provisional permit until the new facilities are built.

The new facilities will include the 60 children presently in the daycare at University Hill High.

Established 20 years ago by parents as a non-profit cooperative, UBC daycare was set up in army huts which were built as temporary structures in 1939.

Now, fifty years later, the huts are not only fire hazards, their foundations are rotting, water and steam pipes are corroded, roofs leak, boilers break down regularly, water pressure is extremely low and there is a problem with insects.

BoG reps rap with finance minister

By Joe Altwasser

Two Board of Governors student representatives are off to Victoria to press the government for increased funding of post-secondary education.

Bob Seeman and Geoff Lister, BoG student representatives, are meeting with minister of Finance Mel Couvelier Monday, and hope to meet Stan Hagan, Minister of Advanced Education and Job Training, later this week in Vancouver.

Under their own initiative, the student politicians are presenting a report outlining the importance of government funding and to "express concerns of students, enough to insure that tuition does not increase above the rate of inflation," according to Seeman.

Seeman says he is concerned that if the government does not provide extra money, students could end up paying considerably more than the inflation rate.

While Alma Mater Society president Tim Bird says the rise in tuition is "purely speculation" at this point, the pressure on the university administration is real.

Bird said "the university has exhausted most areas of the budget and must go to tuition" to provide extra revenue.

The pressure has increased with the faculty asking for an increase in salary—one they deserve, said Bird. Dr. Strangway will be presenting his proposal to the board on December 1st.

Seeman said he anticipates little difficulty in securing the extra funding from the government in light of their recent initiative, in which Couvelier labelled post-secondary funding a "top priority."

Tuition fees have skyrocketed in the past decade at UBC. Seeman notes that while the Consumer Price Index has risen 93 per cent, tuition costs have soared between 172 and 226 per cent.

In addition, university funding is now 20 per cent lower than in 1980 while grants per student have decreased 20 per cent overall in 1980 dollars according to Seeman.

Seeman acknowledges that the government funding has improved but "the university is still playing catch-up to the drastic cutbacks necessitated by the recession of the early 1980's."

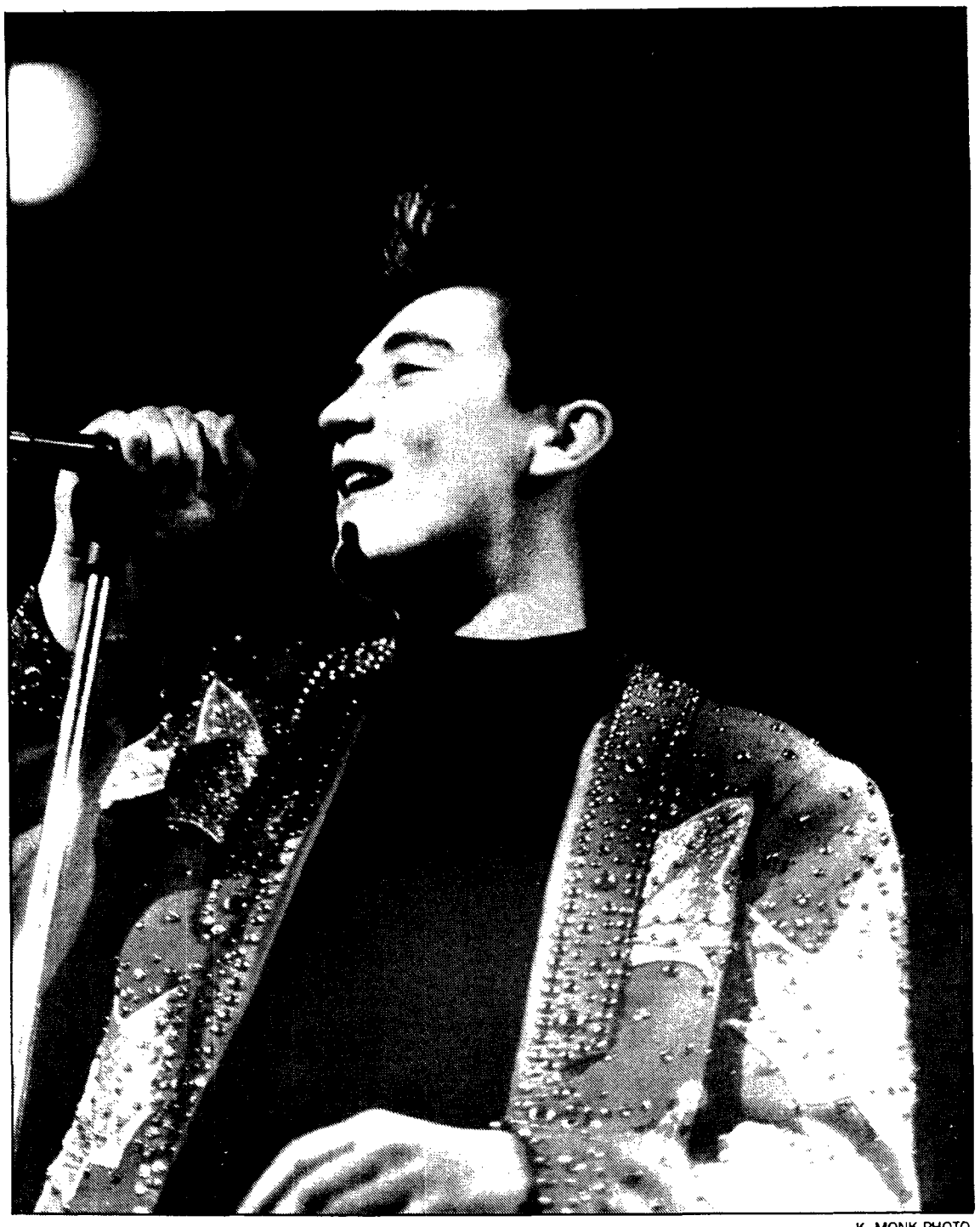
The increase in tuition does have an impact on students, particularly those from the interior who have the fixed costs of moving and accommodation to contend with, said Seeman.

"We have done research, and it does affect the areas outside the lower mainland and southern Vancouver Island," he said. This fact was proven during a 1986 AMS survey which interviewed students who registered for class but did not actually attend UBC.

Bird supports Seeman's argument, and the impact a tuition increase will have on students, and added the Rec-Fac debate opened his eyes to the anxiety many students displayed towards any sort of increase in student fees.

"I realized during the last three weeks of the campaign that many students couldn't afford the $30 increase. The fact that over 3000 people voted against Rec-Fac's increase suggests that many students are concerned about further increases."

Both Seeman and Bird said they are very optimistic at present. The combination of a change in the government's attitude towards education, plus the present tax windfall due to high resource income have created an environment which lends itself to government's opening the purse strings. "If this (the report) doesn't work, then what will?" Bird asked.



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PRE-MED SOCIETY

Next week's lecture on Tuesday, November 22 at 12:30 will be the semester's last. It will feature Rick Ornar of the Priority Management Organization, speaking of study skills. This subject is important, if not essential, at this time as Christmas exams are approaching. Also, there will be a gym night on Friday, November 18, at 7 p.m. at University Hill Elementary.

THE GREEKS

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NEWSCRAPS

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TUESDAY

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UBC Personal Computer Club
Apple Meeting. Noon, SUB 211. AMIGA Meeting, 11:30-1:30, SUB 111.

UBC Film Society
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WEDNESDAY

UBC Personal Computer Club
ATARI Meeting. Noon, SUB 211.

Department of Creative Writing
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Health Sciences Students Association
"How Much is Too Much?" The Effects of Social Drinking. Vancouver Health Dept.'s Gale Dalsanto speaks on Minimum Risks Program. Noon, IRC #4.

Gays & Lesbians of UBC
Regular weekly meeting. Noon, SUB 215.
ALSO: A sexuality discussion and support group for men and women. 5:30-7:30, SUB 213.

THURSDAY

Pre-Dental Club. Dr. I. Johnston - prosthodontist and club founder. Noon, Woodward IRC #5.

UBC Personal Computer Club
IBM Meeting. Noon, SUB 211. MAC Meeting, Noon, SUB 215.

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Meeting. Noon at UBC. Angus 221.

UBC Environmental Law Group
Public forum featuring six federal candidates discussing environmental issues: Dioxins, Regulation and the Law. Noon, Curtis Building (Faculty of Law), Rm. 101-102.

Alma Mater Society, RCMP, Student Housing
Acquaintance Sexual Assault: A Prevention Seminar. 12:30-2:30 p.m., SUB Auditorium.

Gays & Lesbians of UBCLesbian discussion group. Noon, Brock Hall Rm. 233 (Women Students Lounge).

Film Society
Film: "A Fish Called Wanda." Matinee 2:30 p.m.; 9:30 p.m., SUB Theatre.
ALSO: "Big" at 7 p.m.

OOOOPS
The Ubyssey printed an error in last Friday's paper concerning an unidentified Engineering Undergraduate Society executive member who did not say it was standard policy to check the pond for broken glass. She did not say anything of the sort, and the quote was mistakenly attributed to her. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Strangway stresses need for action

UBC President David Strangway confuses nuclear arms with nuclear hands. HEATHER JENKINS PHOTO

By Cathy Lu

UBC President David Strangway raised a lot of questions concerning the present human condition, but admitted he didn't have "nice answers" to any of them in a speech to students Thursday.

Strangway stressed the need for universities to play a more active role in discussing the complex issues facing our world. "We must begin to speak out," he said to a sparse group attending a lecture sponsored by the International Relations Students' Association.

"Surely, this is where we ought to be leading the discussion and letting the discussion take place freely," he said. "We have the freedom from interference from all kinds of sources, and we can speak out on issues," said Strangway, who said last month that the university was not the place for political statements.

Having recently met about 45 other university presidents from western, eastern bloc and Third World countries in France, Strangway emphasized how the experience sensitized him immensely to the number and complexity of problems confronting the world.

The meeting was intended to discuss the role of universities in the nuclear age and conflict management, but quickly digressed to discuss the needs of the Third World.

"The Third World countries managed within the first day to change the agenda quite dramatically," Strangway said.

The nuclear issue and conflict negotiation are distant to developing countries, which are still fundamentally concerned with survival, he added.

In the eyes of the Third World, "it's a question of whether you're going to survive not ten years, or fifty years from now if there is a catastrophe of some kind, but are you going to survive next year or next week?".

Besides the threat of nuclear annihilation, the growing economic disparity between the developing and industrial worlds is a more immediate concern requiring more attention.

Strangway predicted the gap will widen further due to the rapid population growth in Third World countries.

The danger of overpopulation "hit me like a ton of bricks," he said.

Strangway cited the Brundtland report which stated population growth in the Third World countries is going to continue essentially unabated for the next twenty to thirty years, due to improved sanitation and health.

The problem is that the rate of economic growth will not near the expected 5 to 6 percent growth rate of the population in developing nations.

"It's almost certain that the standards of living in those countries will decrease, not increase in the next few years," said Strangway. "When you think about the tensions that this is going to create in our world, it is absolutely unbelievable," he added.

Strangway said universities must equip the future movers of the world with knowledge of such problems, and also do more to shape the values and ethics with which to approach them.

"There's lots of times today when the issues don't have right answers," said Strangway.

He is optimistic that universities will play an increasing role with respect to finding viable solutions to these issues. He observed that universities "stay around" while governments "come and go."

"Institutions like ours in fact are much more fundamental to this society" than governments, which are constantly in a state of flux, he said.

Study slams Globe and Sun's labour reporting

By Gordon Clark
Canadian University Press

Vancouver—Some Canadian newspapers are doing a rotten job covering labor relations, according to a study by a University of British Columbia commerce professor.

Anil Verma, who charted labor coverage in the Vancouver Sun and the Toronto Globe and Mail during select months from 1985 to 1987, said the newspapers covered events without providing more in-depth articles to explain the complexities of labor relations.

"The lack of informed and investigative reporting is a major weakness in the media's handling of this important sector," he said, "especially in B.C. where industrial relations are central to the economic, social and political life of the province."

Verma's 14-page report, titled Good News and Bad News: Print Media's Coverage of Industrial Relations Events in Canada, says 95 percent of labor reporting in both newspapers covered events. But only five per cent of articles offered analysis or commentary of those events, it says.

Verma also said labor reporting is not seen as a valued beat in newspapers. He said young, bright, journalists are not encouraged to become labor reporters. Newspapers don't support senior reporters becoming labor specialists, he added.

"My study is not to point fingers at individuals, but more to focus attention on the general outcome that we don't have any senior journalists who have taken to labor."

"Is there a Marjorie Nichols in labor?" he said in reference to the famed pundit.

Gordon Fisher, managing editor of the Vancouver Sun, dismissed Verma's report as a shoddy piece of work.

"My own feeling about his study is probably unprintable," he said. "If it had been turned in by a reporter at this newspaper it wouldn't have run."

Fisher said Verma's method of counting news stories versus analysis pieces is flawed. "The main problem with his study is he's taken some numbers and tried to make it mean something," he said. "I'm disturbed by his comments because I think he's dead wrong."

Fisher said he wasn't surprised 95 per cent of labor articles were about events because the main role of a newspaper is to report the news of the day. He said the newspaper always tries to provide analysis and feature pieces to explain on-going labor disputes and issues.

"We always try to get underneath what's driving a strike," he said. "I'm very proud of our work in that area."

Verma couldn't say how much labor reporting should be analytical, only that it should be more than five per cent of all stories printed.

Fisher said several senior Sun reporters cover labor, including Valerie Casselton and Doug Ward, and dismissed Verma's suggestion that labor reporting wasn't as valued as other beats. He said Sun reporters are interested in a variety of topics including native affairs, the environment and multiculturalism.

"I think of Victoria—we usually have trouble getting people to go over there to cover provincial politics," he said.

On a more positive note, Verma said the two newspapers covered labor events very well and got both sides of stories. "They have reasonably balanced coverage," he said. "That's a big plus."

Verma said newspapers should provide more in-depth articles on labor because the media influences public opinion. Politicians often take their lead from public opinion, he said.

"There is a whole body of literature that applies to the media's influence on our thinking," he said. "In the case of major strikes, governments frequently look to public opinion to a get a sense about how to protect the public interest."

King Condom says play safe

By Melissa Melnitzer

A giant gorilla will be roaming the SUB concourse this week in an effort to promote safe sex among students.

King Condom, AIDS Vancouver's safe sex campaign mascot, is a part of AIDS awareness week, happening Tuesday through Thursday.

The purpose of the week "is to inform the students of how to minimize their risks by practising universal blood and body precautions," said Outreach Health Director Margaret Johnston.

"Students know about AIDS, but through this week we're trying to appeal to students to minimize their risk of contracting the disease," said Johnston.

"Practising safe sex includes knowing one's partner, not having casual sex, and wearing condoms," said Johnston.

Johnston wants people to be fully aware of both the social risks and the occupational risks of contracting the disease.

Students should also know that they can speak to the staff at Student Health Services, where the HIV test for AIDS and STD tests are conducted, and "all records are confidential," she added.

There will be several displays including a video "Living with AIDS", from AIDS Vancouver, and a book display from Woodward library. There will also be models of the AIDS virus itself, and condoms will be available.

In addition, a representative of AIDS Vancouver will be giving a talk in the Totem Park Resident ballroom on Thursday, November 17th at 7 p.m. They are trying to "go out into the community and educate," said Johnston.

Although the program will be lower key than the alcohol and drug awareness week last month, its ideas are just as strong, said Johnston.

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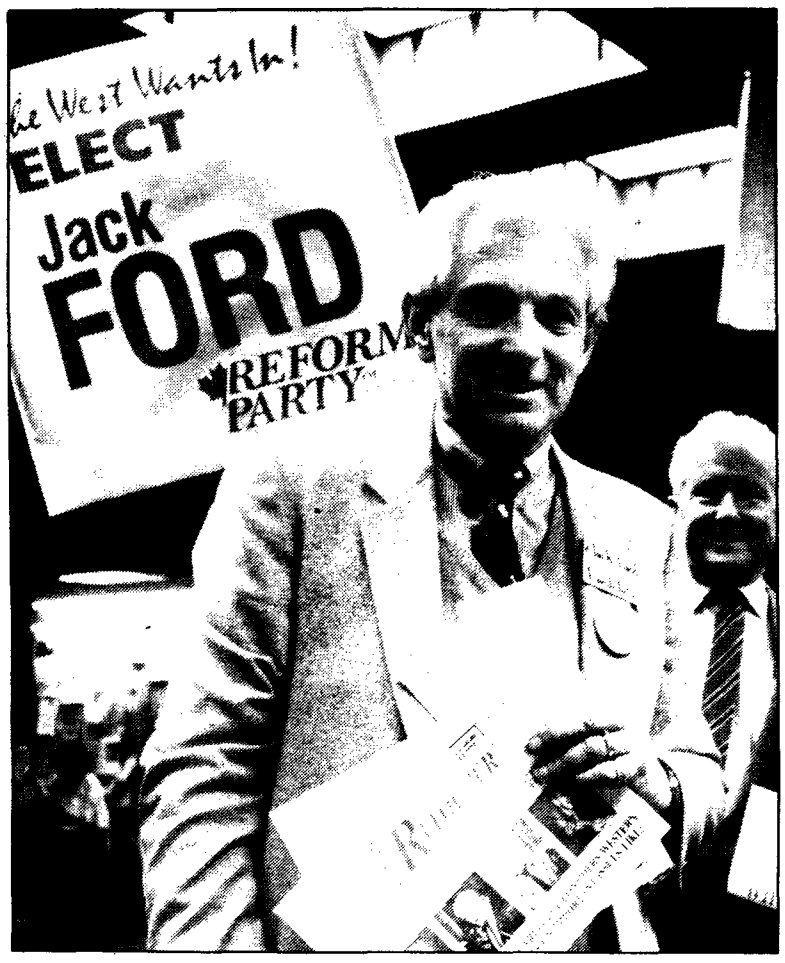

Jack Ford, Reform Party candidate for Vancouver-Quadra solicits students in SUB. MANDEL NGAN PHOTO

Ford reforms

by Greg Davis

Reform Party candidate J.R. Jack Ford was soliciting support with his entourage of placard waving Reformers in SUB on Monday.

The Reform Party grew out of the need for Western representation, according to Ford.

"There is no regional type of representation in the country. We need a regionally proportioned elected Senate to balance that off. We also need parliamentary reform so that the government does not fall if it loses the vote on a bill."

This would mean that no matter what party forms a minority government, they could continue to govern unless ousted by a vote of non-confidence, which would not necessarily follow a defeated bill.

Ford also says members of the House should "speak out on their own without fear of reprisal." He believes this would not weaken the party system, but strengthen representation of the constituencies.

The Reform Party is pro Free Trade, but Ford says there are parts where the Conservatives have been too vague.

"We want some of the Free Trade questions clarified and make sure that our social, cultural programs and resources are absolutely protected," Ford said.

Ford answered reports about Joe Clark disliking the Reform Party for taking away Tory votes by saying "it's possible—but I really think people are going to examine this fear campaign and vote with some sensibility."

Ford feels voters will look at the party's overall ideology rather than just vote on Free Trade. "There are so many other issues. (The Free Trade controversy) was the last hope of Turner to win the election," he said.

On abortion Ford says M.P.'s should try to reflect their ridings as well as their personal consciences, although he admits this would be difficult.

"My wife and daughter are pro-choice and I lean towards pro-life, so even my own house is divided," he said.

The party also stands strongly on immigration system reform, declaring in its brochure that it will "close the door on illegal immigration" and establish a policy "sensitive to Canada's needs."

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Document distorts

Natives face heavy bias

By Chung Wong

An official provincial document on education released last month treats Natives with severe racial bias and has a distorted focus on native education said an official last Tuesday.

The Report of the Royal Commission on Education encourages the government to stop the growth of independent native schools, said director of Native Education Verna Kirkness during a lunch-hour seminar at UBC.

Kirkness said the report tries to force native education to conform to the ideals of the Commission which do not coincide with Native realities.

The curriculum for native education should "touch base with a child's culture," said Kirkness.

"Exactly who's realities are being legitimized?" she asked.

Kirkness criticized the Royal Commission for approaching problems in Native Education from the wrong direction.

"They are saying," said Kirkness, "that they want to pass (a law) prohibiting racial bias on school buses."

"Well I just have to laugh at that. If they allow all these textbooks and materials with racial bias in the classrooms, how are they going to stop it on the buses? Have policing?"

Kirkness also heavily criticized the Commission's attitude toward Natives.

In section eight of the report (Natives) are called a "social problem," said Kirkness. "That to me," she said, "sounds like racial bias."

Kirkness also said UBC's Faculty of Arts denied recognition of First Nation's languages as legitimate second languages. A second language credit is needed to attain a Bachelor of Arts.

"If French is legitimate, I see no reason why First Nations' languages cannot be legitimate," said Kirkness.

University of British Columbia is the only university in the province with the language requirement. But, she added, approaches to the administration on behalf of legitimizing First Nations' Languages continue to be left unjustified.

"They just shake their heads and say, no, that's not how it's done here."

Prodigy runs for School Board

By Rick Hiebert

There are too many paid lobbyists on the Vancouver School Board who ignore real problems in order to push "pet issues", according to school board candidate and UBC student Steven Preece.

The 20 year old Political Science student said "we can't scrimp on education—education is a right—it's crucial in our society." Preece is running as an independent in the November 19 civic election.

"We need to make the VSB more non-partisan, because that's the only way the system can run well," He said. "I'm not dedicated to partisan issues. Groups like the Committee of Progressive Electors and the Non-Partisan Association have their own issues and tend to ignore others. I'd listen to parents, the community and teachers as well as local concerns."

One example of this partisanship, Preece said, is how the VSB dealt with the school meals program this year. "How is anyone supposed to learn when they are hungry? The provincial government is saying that the parents should take responsibility, but if the parent is strung out on crack or drunk, the school board has to step in. School meal programs are done in the U.S. and all over the world, so it's not like it's a radical idea."

Preece also supports increased funding for English as a Second Language courses as students needing to learn English comprise 75 percent of some East End schools. "If people don't know English, they will be discriminated against in the domestic job market." He also would increase funding for special needs classes.

"We need more job training. We need technical training so that students can compete in the job market—training in computers, math, skills for the future," Preece said.

Political Science student Steven Preece, age 20, of UBC

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"The school system is not challenging enough. We have to provide assistance to students but make it an intellectual challenge at the same time."

"There are not enough teachers. We need more teachers because class sizes are too big," he said. "There are estimates that each Vancouver teacher can only give 5 seconds of personalized individual attention per day under the present system. How anyone can learn under these circumstances is beyond me."

Preece said he originally got involved in the election to learn about the political system from the inside, but he "found there were very serious issues that were being ignored by the other parties with their partisan concerns. I hope to change that."

"I'm running to prove that all citizens, no matter how old or how young they are, can get involved, have some input into the school system they pay for with their taxes."

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Faculty Association warns: we cannot compete with American universities

By Laura Busheikin

As the cloud of free trade looms closer and closer, Canadians are spending a lot of time comparing themselves to Americans, asking if they can compete. When it comes to the university system, it looks like they may come out the losers.

Inadequate funding, especially for research, means Canadian universities don't measure up against their American counterparts, says Peter King, president of the Canadian Association of University Teachers. And he thinks that could spell trouble if the free trade agreement goes through.

"If we are to have freer trade, then we have to be in a position to compete and that means our post-secondary education must be competitive. We've got to have universities that are funded at the same levels as those in the U.S., Japan and Europe, we've got to have students who get the same opportunities to attend universities as in those countries, and we've got to be doing the research that is the equal of the research done in those countries. And if we don't we'll be the losers in the free trade deal. It's as simple as that," King says.

"If we aren't able to do the research ourselves that our industry needs in order to be competitive then our industries will look to the South and elsewhere to buy the research and expertise," King says.

Dennis Capozza, president of the UBC Faculty Association, agrees that the Canadian government will have to increase research funding if the deal goes through.

"Free trade will force the federal government to put more emphasis on research because of the type of world economy we'd be getting into," Capozza says. If the government doesn't respond with more support for post-secondary education, Canada would be put at a disadvantage, he says.

"We're way behind (the U.S.) on things like research and development spending, and the percentage of population that receives higher education. In the U.S., the percentage of high school graduates who go on to University is two or three times higher than it is here.

"The percentage of the GNP spent on research and development here is half of what it is in the U.S., and in Japan it's even higher," Capozza says.

Certain sectors of the economy rely heavily on universities to provide not only research but trained people. In particular, anything to do with electronics and computers relies on university-trained experts, he says. As well, finance-related areas depend on people with business degrees.

Robert Miller, UBC vice president of research, defends the level of research at Canadian universities.

"UBC has some excellent people and no one should ever hesitate to say that. All you have to do is look at the international awards our people have won, the number of people called to Washington to review grants," Miller says.

"There's a different scale of research between the most heavily funded Canadian universities and the most heavily funded U.S. universities," Miller says.

"That means they have more people and spend more on research. But that doesn't mean we can't compete internationally in research—that we don't have equally high-calibre people," he says.

Canada's top research universities, The University of Toronto, McGill and UBC, spend $110 million, $75 million and $75 million respectively on research. In the U.S., a handful of universities have research spending in the hundreds of millions, Miller says.

Because of these low funding levels, our high-quality people can't get the funding they need to carry out important research projects, King says.

"What that means is good research projects (are not) funded. We're frequently hearing stories of good research projects where committees that review the proposals say, yup, this is good stuff, neat work, important work, but we don't have money to fund it. Sorry, end of project."

Most research funding in Canadian universities comes from three federal agencies: NSERC, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council and the Medical Research Council.

"The budgets of those three granting councils over the last ten years have either been frozen or the increases have been way below the increases in inflation, so in real dollar terms the amount of money available for people to do research in this country has fallen," King says.

Last year, the Lortie Commission, created by the Prime Minister to look at the funding problems of these three granting councils, concluded that the budgets of those three granting councils are "woefully inadequate," and recommended they be doubled over the next three years and then maintained at 1.5 times the growth in GNP, King says.

"What the federal government has done in response to that is extremely disappointing and very worrying. For this year, the amount promised for two of the granting councils is not even equal to the inflation rate.

"One of the people on that Lortie commission was a Nobel prize winner from Queens University and when he was asked, what you suggest that a Canadian researcher should do if they want to keep their research program going, he said as far as he was concerned the best thing to do was to go South. Are we going to trade with these people?" King says.

Aside from research, Canadian universities are badly underfunded, King says.

"In 1975 in the Conservative government budget, they moved to cut $1.6 billion out of the funds they transfer from the federal government to the provinces. It's difficult to see how the universities of this country, especially when student numbers are growing, can absorb a cut of $1.6 billion. And that wasn't the first cut. In 1983 the Liberal administration subjected the universities to a restraint program that cut out $391 million from the university sector. What this means is that Canadian universities are experiencing crowded classrooms, library facilities that are inaccurate, computer facilities that don't match up to those that we have in the universities to the South of us and so on."

"The N.D.P. of course have never been in power in Ottawa and one doesn't know what its track record would be. But there have been recent New Democratic Party governments in Manitoba and in the less recent past in Saskatchewan, and in those provinces the record is not exciting. They expressed interest in the universities but one can't say that their performance was anything to marvel at. All three political parties have got to come to grips with this," King says.

"So that's University funding, a dismal picture."

Financial aid and accessibility for students makes an equally dismal picture, according to King.

"Tuition fees are going up alarmingly quickly—at (most major Canadian universities) they have doubled, at least, in the last ten years. At the University of British Columbia they've almost tripled over a ten-year period.

"Student loans work against students. Our figures show that 37 percent of full time students when they finish university have a debt load between $5000 and $10,000 which is no great way to start your working life. It doesn't really encourage people. Nine percent of students have a debt load of over $10,000. And of course in addition to that, students that go to university aren't earning money while they're at university. Not only are students four years older when they enter the work force, but they have this huge debt load."

The federal government promised, at the end of the National Forum on Post-secondary Education held last October, to make some announcements about student aid and accessibility and they haven't done so yet, King says.

"We're still holding our breath," he adds.

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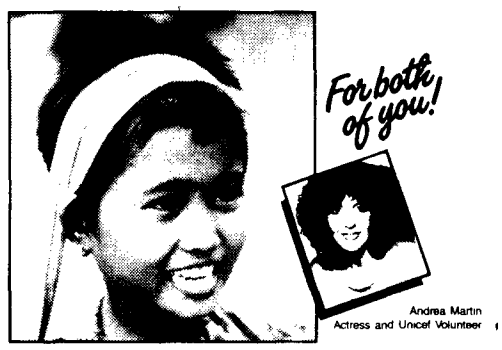

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NEWS

Free trade kills the arts

By Katherine Monk

There was an open coffin at the Orpheum theatre Saturday night—it was there to prophesize the death of Canadian culture at the hands of free trade.

But Canadiana seemed anything but belly up with a packed house of nearly one thousand hooting and hollering fans eating up the feast of music and words which made up the benefit concert "Stop the Deal, I Want to Get Off."

The concert looked like a cross between Woodstock and the Academy Awards with such throwbacks as Valdy on stage, and Martin Sheen in the audience. And the middle-aged crowd waffled between the two extremes, alternately jeering Bruce Cockburn's telegram message which described the free deal as a teenage girl who sleeps with all the boys to be popular, and cheering a puppet caricature of Brian Mulroney.

In three weeks, Concerned Citizen's About Free Trade and The Coalition Against Free Trade organized the benefit. Together they managed to pool some of Canada's biggest names in the entertainment industry such as k.d. lang, Paul Hyde, and Spirit of the West. The profits from the concert, approximately $10 thousand, will finance an advertising campaign to rival the $52 thousand four-page spread in the Globe and Mail sponsored by the Alliance for Free Trade.

The show started with Finance Minister John Crosbie's speech defending free trade, when he called those who oppose free trade "snivelling CBC types waiting for their cheques." And if Canadian culture was so weak that it would disappear under the agreement, then "it couldn't be a vibrant culture, and if it goes that easily, let it go."

The audience answered the suspended video screen with a chorus of angry boos and hisses, and the show began with one man yelling "kill John!"

What followed did not change in tone from these first moments, and the clear NDP majority in the hall showed its colours when the federal opposition candidates, both Liberal and PC, were asked to appear on stage. Svend Robinson, Jean Swanson, and Johanna den Hertog garnered as much adoration as the performers, without saying or singing a word.

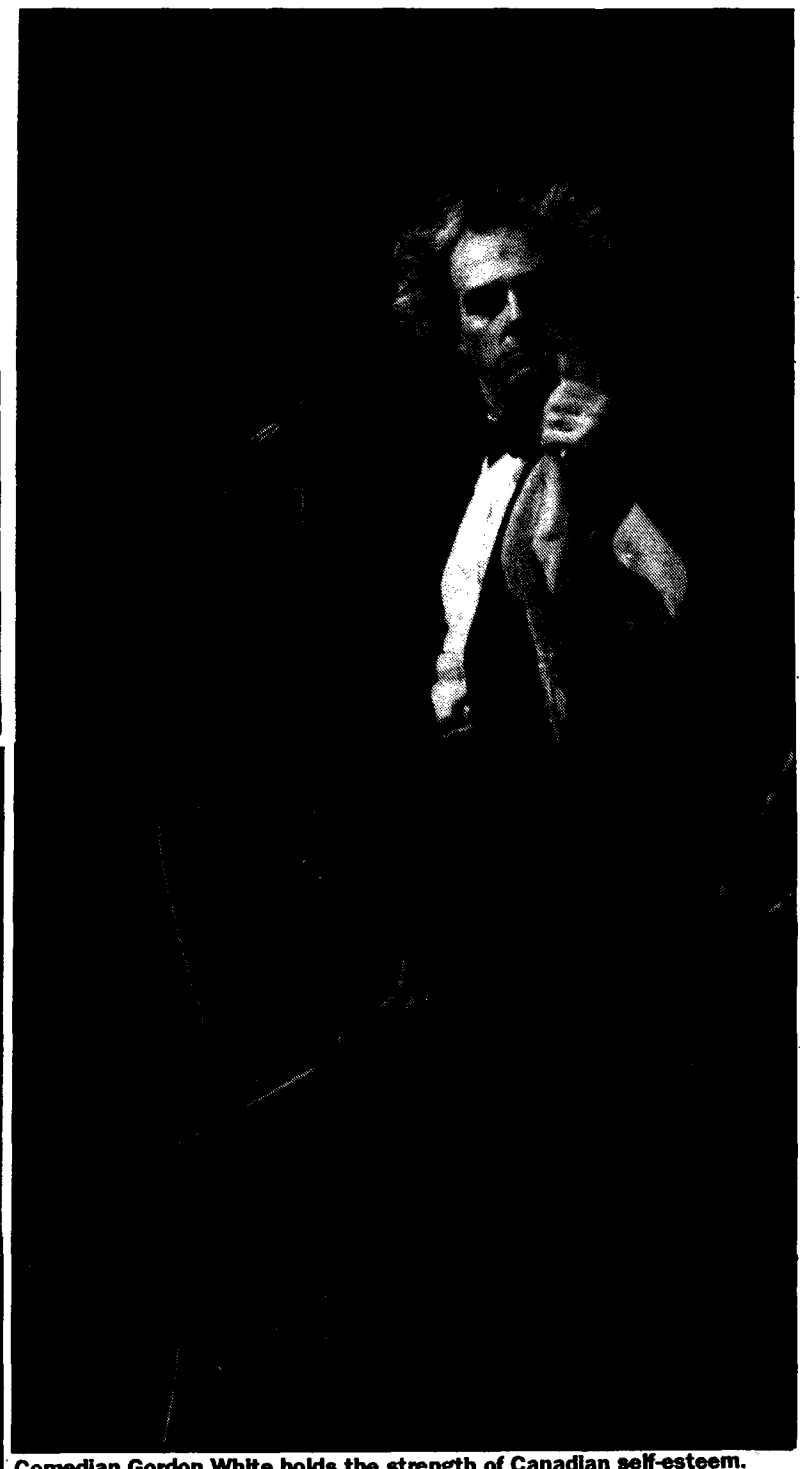
The audience erupted in applause when master of ceremonies John Julian, of the National Theatre School, asked the Liberal candidates to move a little to the left, so that the NDP candidates would have room. The Liberals did not seem to know they were asked to simply shuffle, and left the stage completely.

NDP mayoralty candidate Jean Swanson, one of the few politicians who was allowed to speak, said the populace is behind the movement. She added that corporate forces cannot be counted on to create a just and democratic society.

Politics aside, the show was Vancouver's entertainment value of the week at five dollars a ticket, according to some fans. "I just wanted to see k.d lang and Spirit of the West—I didn't really care about the politics, although it was a little hard to avoid," said one spectator. Another said the spectacle was just "hokey."

The performers ranged in political conviction. From Doc Finger's "If we fall asleep now we'll wake up in the U.S.A," and Jay Brazeau's "Yankee go home," to k.d lang's tear jerking, foot stomping finale of Roy Orbison's "Crying."

Unlike the performers before her, lang reminded the audience that "we aren't out to fight the Americans, it's about being able to make our own decisions."



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NO PLACE TO GO

Housing crisis steamrolls downtown Natives - with no hope for improvement

By Doug Konrad

Native people are being pushed out of their traditional communities in the downtown core and they have nowhere to go, say native residents and community organizations in the Downtown Eastside.

Little is being done, they say, to supply decent, affordable housing units and support services for native people in the area—they want social housing targeted specifically for urban natives on the former Expo lands or in the Hastings and Main Street area.

Fred Arrance, a Cree Indian who has lived in the Downtown Eastside for over 20 years, says that from "35 to 50 native people in the neighbourhood have nowhere at all to sleep. Many others share hotel rooms in order to find affordable housing. A lot of people go to jail in the wintertime because there is no housing."

According to Sue McDonald of the North Area Health Unit, there are anywhere between 15,000 and 40,000 native people living in the Eastside, most in the northeast sector of the city.

Although statistical difficulties prevent a more accurate figure, John Jessup, a planner with the City Social Planning Department, suggested that 25,000 is a reasonably reliable estimate of the number of native people in the city.

Many native people have lived in the residential hotels and rooming houses in the downtown core for many years. They live in hotels such as the Brandiz, the Sunrise, the Columbia and the Balmoral in the Main and Hastings area.

Their homes are threatened by economic pressure exerted on land rents by the new 'upscale' development proposals for the area—proposals such as Li Ka-Shing's redevelopment of the former Expo lands or the new design centre by Mr. Jax on Alexander Street.

Arrance said, "Native people need to be accepted in the housing here. Relocation isn't the answer. We live here too. We want to be included here."

New social housing units in the Main and Hastings area have not targeted the needs of urban native people and so few live in them.

Don Hazleden, of Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC), said that an urban native social housing program has been operating since 1981. There are now about 26 native social housing projects in the city providing 500 residential units.

> No active housing is targeted for the native people in the downtown core and the existing social housing in the area does not target their needs.

However, most of these projects are located east of Clark Drive. Only one native social housing project exists in the downtown core area and this has recently been sold.

Fred Arrance asks, "Why should we move? I like this area. I've lived here for 25 years. I'd like to stay here. Its always the same people who get neglected, the marginalized, the street people, and poor native people."

John Turvey, an organizer with the Downtown Eastside Youth Society, noted that 30 to 40 percent of the people on the streets in the Hastings and Main area are native people. Turvey said that currently "no active housing is targeted for the native people in the downtown core and the existing social housing in the area does not target their needs."

"Native people are losing out in the inner city in terms of housing and services" he said.

Matthew Stewart, administrator for Vancouver Native Housing Society, said the supply of social housing units is being restricted by rising land costs and CMHC's funding formula.

"Its getting to the point where we can't develop on the eastside" said Stewart. "We'd like to be part of the mainstream, but we end up having to buy land that nobody else wants. The only land that is available to us in terms of cost of land is along the ALRT corridor."

Marcel Swain, of Lu'Ma Native Housing Society agreed. "We're caught. We build wherever our dollar amount allows us to build."

Lu'Ma Native Housing Society has a waiting list of people needing affordable housing of over a year long. Vancouver Native Housing Society has a waiting list of 700-800 people seeking help with their housing needs. Both groups said they would welcome the opportunity to develop native housing units on the former Expo lands.

Don Larsen, a CRAB organizer and a former area resident, said two of Mayor Gordon Campbell's expressed concerns for social housing in the city are at issue. First, that composition in the social housing units in Vancouver reflect the city's diverse population and second, that choice be provided for traditional residents of the inner city who are faced with possible displacement.

> Why shoud I move? ... Its always the same people who get neglected, the marginalized, the street people, and poor native people.

Larsen said that he would like to see some native social housing projects on the Expo site. "If the population on that site is supposed to be representative of the city-wide population, why not provide units for native people?"

"That obviously is where some core needy housing units should be because there will be displacement from the Downtown Eastside and the downtown core and those people should be looked after too."

Eddy Eaglebase, a Chippewa Indian, has lived in the Downtown Eastside for "15 years, in and out." He lives in an apartment at the edge of Gastown that has recently undergone renovations. So far his rent remains affordable.

Speaking on his home and neighbourhood, Eaglebase said, "I feel good about it. There's a diversity of people. Its home."

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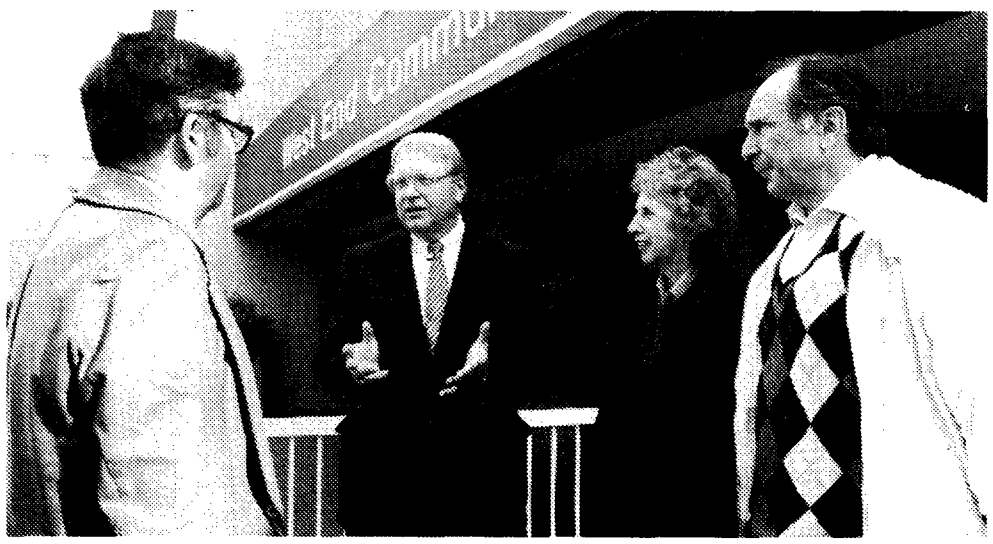

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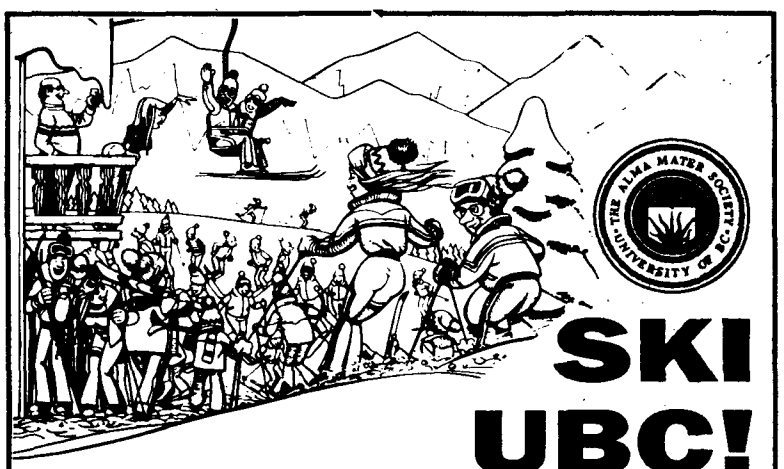

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FEATURE

Rape and Victims

Program lessens fear of medical exam

By Tracy Monk

Rape is an inhuman crime. And until a recent change brought about by two B.C. women physicians, the medical treatment afterwards was considered another blow to the victim's sense of self respect and dignity.

In 1982, doctors Carol Herbert and Liz Whynot developed what they call the Sexual Assault Assessment project at Shaughnessy Hospital "in an attempt to humanize the provision of medical care to victims of sexual assault."

> Pelvic examination may seem to the patient a continuation of the sexual assault.

The program "incorporates a roster of female family physicians who have been trained in the sexual assault examination at workshops and by apprenticeship," states Herbert in a 1985 article on the project.

Whynot says the program, thought to be the first of its kind in Canada, "grew out of a number of things." She says that before the program began, all Vancouver rape victims wishing to press charges were examined by a pathologist from Lion's Gate Hospital.

Pathologists are not noted for their strength in dealing with patients, and often go into the field expressly to avoid dealing with people. The pathologist at Lion's Gate "although a very nice man" according to Whynot, through no fault of his own happened to be a "very tall, forbidding-looking man." Over time, the job simply became too much for one person to handle, and he chose to resign from this work.

Because of her involvement with several groups lobbying for better services for victims of sexual assault, the police contacted Dr. Whynot when the pathologist chose to step down. Feminist groups involved in the struggle for better rape-victim services in the 1970's included Vancouver Women's Health and Vancouver Rape Relief, of which Vancouver Center NDP candidate, Johanna den Hertog was a key member.

With funding from the Ministry of Human Resources, Herbert and Whynot were able to do some training at the sexual assault center set up in Seattle. They came to realize that a better format for sexual assault in Vancouver would be to organize a whole group of young women physicians willing to partake in the program. Currently, approximately 20 young female physicians alternate on the sexual assault roster.

Whynot notes theat before the advent of this team, "hospital personnel were afraid of getting involved in rape cases."

Partially because of the emotional weightiness of the situation and partially because of a fear of having to go to court, physicians have avoided the situation. Additionally, the RCMP provides an elaborate rape kit to emergency rooms which can take hours to complete and most physicians find "baffling."

According to Whynot, she and Herbert "set out to demystify the whole process." In Seattle, they learned "an informal approach which made it easier to collect samples and was easier to teach." Whynot feels that the service has been of great benefit to both victims and the police.

Whynot and Herbert have now trained many women physicians in how to approach the sexually assaulted patient and the collection of legal evidence. In her 1985 article Herbert states that "sexually assaulted persons may be fearful and/or reluctant to be examined. Pelvic examination may seem to the patient a continuation of the sexual assault."

With new legal definitions of rape focussing on the issues of violence and control rather than sexual intercourse, the medical approach has also changed. In large part, historical tradition has made the physical exam situation in which the physician exerts control over the patient. A patient who has been raped has had a sense of her body being taken from her. In this situation, it is more important that the physical exam not contribute more to the patient's sense of powerlessness.

> Pathologists are not noted for their strength in dealing with patients

Herbert and Whynot have tried to fulfill this need. "The physician should give complete explanation of the necessary examination and allow the patient to undress until just before the examination. In some cases, the female patient may insert the speculum herself to minimize fear and discomfort (speculum is the duck-billed shaped instrument which physicians insert into the vagina to examine the cervix which is high up in the vagina)," Herbert's report states.

Herbert explains that the consent forms at Shaughnessy have been designed so that the victim can choose exactly what she consents to. "This form has separate consents—for examination and treatment, for taking of medicolegal evidence, and for transferring the recommended interventions. No patient is forced to make a police report."

"In two years, about 15 percent of patients have chosen not to report at the time of assault—of these, about one third chose to report at a later time," according to Herbert 1985 article. Whynot notes that of all cases seen at Shaughnessy, only 20 percent or so end up in court.

The Shaughnessy program has also been set up so that when a victim arrives she can have a rape crisis worker from Women Against Violence Against Women called to help her through the crises.

> Hospital personnel were afraid of getting involved in rape cases.

Whynot states that follow-up studies on victims indicate that they appreciated Shaugnessy's program. "She also notes that the police have found the service a big help. Whether or not the program has made a difference in terms of prosecution of assailants has not been studied yet according to Whynot.

Anybody who has been sexually assaulted in the Greater Vancouver area can be seen at Shaughnessy. Patients who present themselves at any of the downtown area Emergency rooms will usually be sent automatically to Shaughnessy. But those who present themselves to the UBC Emergency may be seen there or sent to Shaughnessy if they so request. RCMP Sgt. Muir of the UBC detachment states that all victims who are presented to them are "taken automatically to Shaughnessy."

Dr. Liz Whynot will be part of a panel discussion on acquaintance rape Thursday November 17 at UBC.

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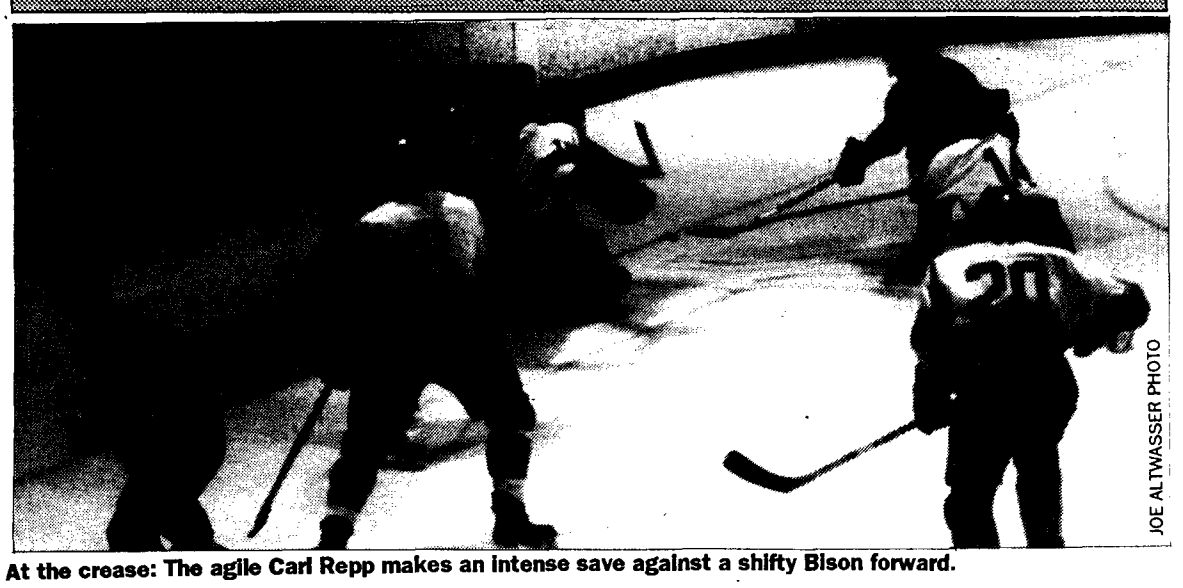

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At the crease: The agile Carl Repp makes an intense save against a shifty Bison forward.

Birds stomps prairie pucksters

by Laurie McGuiness

The UBC varsity hockey team took three out of a possible four points from the visiting U of Manitoba Bisons over the weekend.

The Birds tied the Bisons 3-3 in a physical game Friday night before defeating the prairie pucksters 5-4 Saturday in a game that was not as close as the score indicated.

The T-Birds moved into a tie with Manitoba for third in the Canada West standings with Saturdays win.

Friday, UBC came within a whisker of a victory. The teams were tied at two at the end of regulation time, which meant a ten-minute overtime period—Canadian university teams do not play sudden death overtime. Rich Dusevic scored with two minutes scored with two minutes left in OT, but Manitoba tied it up again with 39 seconds left.

Saturday the T-Birds led 5-2 late into the third period. But due to a couple of penalties Manitoba found themselves with a two man advantage. The Bisons then pulled their goalie, giving them six skaters to UBC's three.

Only then did the Bisons make it close. Manitoba scored twice in the final three minutes capitalizing on UBC concentration lapses. The final goal game came with three seconds left to play.

The story of the series for the 'Birds was goalie Carl Repp who played in his one-hundredth career game as a T-Bird.

Both games were physical, but again the smaller UBC forwards stuck to their disciplined game plan and it paid off in points.

UBC Takes their 4-3-1 record to Lethbridge next weekend to play the 2-6 Pronghorns.

SPORTS BRIEFS

SWIMMING

The men's and women's varsity swim teams did not fare well in the Colleges Cup in Alberta over the weekend—the men placing fourth out of five, while the women finished fifth out of six.

However there were some good individual performances for UBC. National B-Team member Kevin Draxinger won the men's 100 and 200 metre backstroke. By beating the time standards Pinon-Holt qualified for the national collegiate championships. The T-Bird women also took first in the 4x50 freestyle relay.

CREW

The UBC rowing team travelled to Seattle this past weekend to compete in the Head of the Lake Regatta.

The UBC lightweight crew took top honours at the event finishing ahead of second place Oregon and third place Pacific Lutheran.

The heavyweight men were not as successful managing only a silver behind the host University of Washington. The Vikings from Victoria finished third.

VOLLEYBALL

The UBC women's volleyball team had little trouble in disposing of their Alberta opponents, the Panda Bears from Edmonton. The 'Birds won Friday's match 3-0 by scores of 15-4, 15-1, 15-7.

Saturday the match was closer with UBC winning 3-2. The scores were 15-10, 9-15, 15-3, 14-16, 15-8.

SOCCER

The Canadian University Soccer Championships were hosted at UBC and according to Thunderbirds Athletic Coordinator Don Wells they were a "big success". Wells claimed UBC was "showered with accolades" for hosting one of the best nationals ever. Wells also felt that having the men and women together provided for "more of a spectacle."

The Queens Golden Gayles won the womens nationals with a 2-0 victory over the Acadia Axettes. The University of Alberta Panda Bears finished third.

The University of Toronto won the men's title with a 1-0 victory over the McGill Redmen in another all-eastern final. The western representative from Alberta finished fifth.

Queens Golden Gayles with CIAU soccer championship

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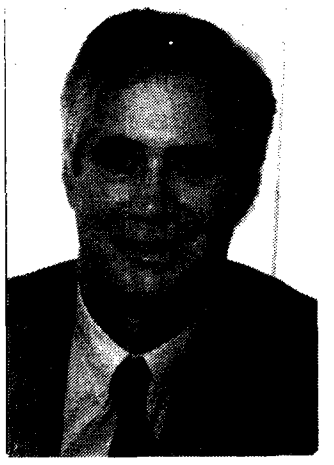

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SPORTS

T-Birds burn U of A court

By Chung Wong

Bodies flew but to no avail. Balls were out of reach for Goldenbear paws last Friday. The Thunderbird volleyball team exhibited their elusive offense and deceptive defense traps as they swept the University of Alberta 15-5, 15-3, and 15-8.

When the Thunderbirds flew in motion up in the air, the 'Bears could not anticipate where the balls would be spiked from. Even their Zenith Data Systems Stat machine coordinated by Pierre Baudin, who has a Phd in Computer Science, could not help them.

As individuals or pairs the Goldenbears were formidable, but as a team, they were not. Their offense was never to be launched.

The versatile formation of the UBC offence left the U of A spellbound. UBC spikes at best were reflected out of bounds by the U of A. The leadership of Greg Willis-croft, Power of the Thunderbird squadron, maintained UBC's unbroken momentum in game one. His deadly spikes found nothing but open space on the court. UBC players were constantly in motion. The intense play of Kelly Bukoski, just off the injury list, and the slick inconspicuous quiet touch of the dark horse, Rob Hill, confused the Goldenbears all throughout game one.

When the 'Birds flew up the Bears didn't know what to expect.

An embarassing moment was logged in sports history when six bears on the floor were caught standing still watching a floating ball touch the ground.

In their defence, the 'Birds set complex open floor space lures for the Goldenbear servers. The space was immediately filled by a blue shirt the moment a Goldenbear server blinked as he made contact with the ball. The U of A discovered the Thunderbird defence to be an impregnable rampart.

John Keleris came on in Game 2 with a wind of enthusiasm showing his knowledge of physics as he used both mass and velocity in his momentous serves. The young stalwart, however, let a miscue in Game 3 break his confidence. His posture and facial expression showed dejection which gave the U of A a third wind. Disappointment defeated the Birds' momentum as the score closed to 12-8. But the Birds eventually won because of fundamental Goldenbear mistakes on the other side of the court.

After the game Dale Ohman, coach of the T-Birds for the past 11 years, attributed the shattered play in game 3 to the fact that he used everyone off the bench.

"Those guys haven't played together often so their going to be a bit sloppy."

When asked about the general style of the T-Bird offense Ohman said, "It's unpredictable because we haven't had our starting line up out there together yet because of injuries. We're trying to have more sets from the back so that the other team has trouble deciding who to block."

In reference to the success of the team's complicated offense Ohman said, "We can compete with any national team. These guys have been together for five years so they know each other."

UBC continued their success on Saturday when they again drubbed the hapless Golden Bears three games to one. The Volleybirds travel to Victoria next weekend to play a pair of games against the Vikings.

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SPORTS

Ski 'Birds fly too fast, face the boot

By Doug Eastwood

The UBC Ski 'Birds who have consistently been ranked in the top 10 of the American circuit National Collegiate Ski Association, may no longer be eligible to compete in that association's regional or national championships.

The disturbing news was originally relayed to Ski 'Bird head coach Arne Lund at the end of May, however, he chose not to inform members of the team until he had full details on the ruling, so as not to affect team morale.

Receiving further clarification of the NCSA decision proved to be extremely difficult. Coach Lund first heard of the new regulations second-hand from a newsletter sent by the ski association's head office in Milwaukee. In the newsletter passing reference was made to "some unfortunate news for our Canadian friends..." wherein the new guidelines disqualifying Canadian teams from competition in all championships higher than conference level were set out. UBC and SFU are the only teams north of the 49th parallel who compete in the NCSA.

UBC has been competing competitively in the US since 1948. In the 1950's it helped found the Northwest Conference which was made up of universities from Oregon, Washington, and BC.

In 1980 the conference became part of the NCSA and the Ski 'Birds became full members in the fledgling association. Naturally the decision to oust them from future championships came as quite a shock.

"I was surprised, especially in that our notice came in an indirect memo, that was just bad business. In fact, the only thing I could think of that would be tackier would have been a ransom note," said Lund.

In response to a letter of complaint sent by both SFU and UBC, the NCSA set out some general reasons for their decision. Included in those reasons is a statement that the association's sponsors do not wish to make corporate donations when some of the money will be used outside of the US.

But Coach Lund does not buy that and notes most of the sponsors who donate are multinationals who do business in Canada as well and thus the exposure will be equally beneficial to them up here. A second reason given was that this move would encourage the formation of an all-Canadian conference. While the idea may be good, the reasoning is not. Most Canadian schools do not have an organized ski program and one of our better ski teams, SFU, as an all-American NAIA member would be unable to compete in a Canadian conference.

After receiving the reasoning for the proposed new regulations the Athletic Directors of both UBC and SFU sent off a jointly signed letter of protest. No response was made to the letter for over four months, even after follow-up phone calls were made. In the mean time at the Northwest Conference meeting in Oregon, a motion of support in favour of future Canadian participation in championship competition was passed 23-0.

None of the Ski 'Birds were surprised by the result. "We're well liked in our conference, we do consistently well in competition on the slopes and we know how to have a good time afterwards" commented team member John Duffy. He remembers at last year's National Championships in Minnesota, the 'Birds crashed the stage and sang the national anthem to the delight of the other skiers who took it a show of good-natured fun.

Immediately following the conference vote, another joint UBC-SFU letter was sent demanding that the NCSA directly inform the two teams of any future decisions.

Ironically, three weeks later both teams discovered through second-hand sources that they had been re-instated as full probationary participants for this season.

At the end of the year both teams will be required to show the NCSA why they should be allowed to continue to compete in that association. Both teams are confident they will be allowed to continue as full members, but by the way the NCSA has handled this issue, many people are wondering if they should not have to show cause why they should continue to regulate collegiate skiing.

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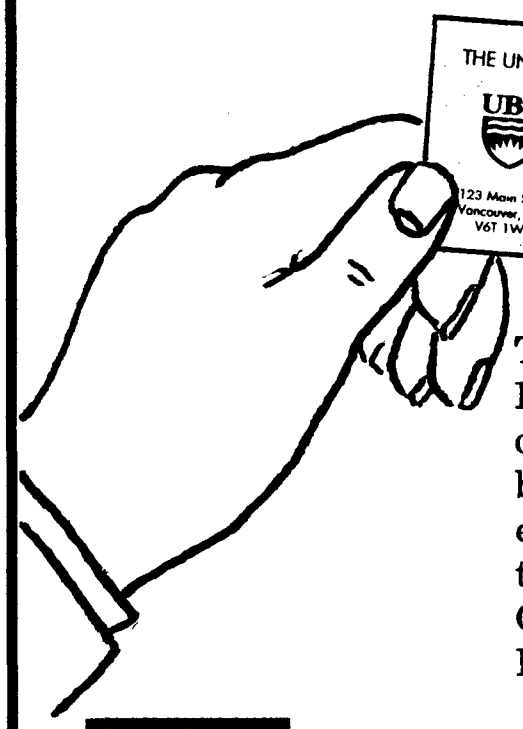

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Editorial

Socreds face student wrath

The provincial government cannot refuse to provide additional money to post-secondary education—not again, and not this year.

This Socred administration has been rocked by controversy after controversy. Suprisingly, normally vocal students have been relatively silent and patient in regards to education funding.

To openly reject the present student initiative asking for government funding to offset tuition increases would only risk the wrath of another pressure group clamouring for the government's demise.

UBC sits in a riding which has recently been vacated by the disgruntled Kim Campbell, and no one has forgotten Dr. Pat MacGeer, and his legacy of misrepresentation.

To seriously offend a riding in which the education factor is so important would not just be political folly, for this administration it would be political suicide.

Furthermore, because of buoyant resource prices and a tight fiscal policy, the province has put away a bit of a nest-egg—over $200 million worth. When this money is eventually doled out, education cannot be forgotten again.

The province cannot refuse the request of the students just because it has so often done in the past decade.

The early 1980's saw post-secondary education take a thrashing in the name of economic restraint.

The result was that while tuition tripled in price, student grants decreased—by twenty per cent in actual 1980 dollars.

The responsibility for absorbing increasing education costs cannot always be absorbed by students. Tuition fees as a percentage of the university budget have risen from 10.6 percent in 1982-3 to 15.2 percent in 1988.

This economic cost has not been borne without a social price. As the 1986 AMS report discovered, tuition increases have a direct impact on student enrolment. This is particularly true of those students who have to re-locate from remote areas to attend university.

The provincial government has an opportunity improve its public image, and finally gain some points in the scornful public eye by supporting regional degree granting institutions, and giving post-secondary education the long awaited fiscal rewards it is due. But if Socred precedence counts for anything, it may just mean tightening another notch on the academic belt.

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Weird everybuddy go?" queeried Chung Wong. Ted (totally) Aussem snarled a reply, some bug having crawled deep up his ass. Truly, it was a quiet evenin'. The kind of quiet that makes folk jist a little bit suspicious... Suddenly the floodwaters broke! From out of the darkroom, Greg Davis leaped. "Vote for me! Vote for me!" he screamed. Katherine Monk was heard muttering "Thehz toomahch GAHvahnmint". Then the awful truth came out: Laura Busheikin was tortured by sexual desire and had been for many years. Presently the weight of the sand began to effect the organ of sex of Rick Heibert. Though at first Joe Altwasser did not know what the strange growing sensations was it was only at the orgasm that he knew, remembering somebody's description or the description in his Grandfather's encyclopedia. It was many days before Barb Wilson discovered how to renew that wonderful sensation. Normal sexual intercourse does not affect Steve Chan more than other men, but that, though never frequent, was plain ruin. Doug Konrad filled Mellissa Melnitzer with loathing of himself. Gordon Clark had never since childhood kissed a woman's lips. At Hammersmith, Kevin Harris saw a woman of the town, Olivia Zanger, walking up and down in the empty railway station. Robert Grobberman thought of offering himself to Franka C. Von-Sprecht but the old thought came back. "No, I love the most beautiful woman in the world, Corinne Bjorge." (At this point we would like to thank Yeats for the inspiration) Mandel Ngan will become as fond of Tracy Monk and Heather Jenkins during the time of their pregnancy as Sean Kelly is now of Marilyn Letts. (Thanks Swift).

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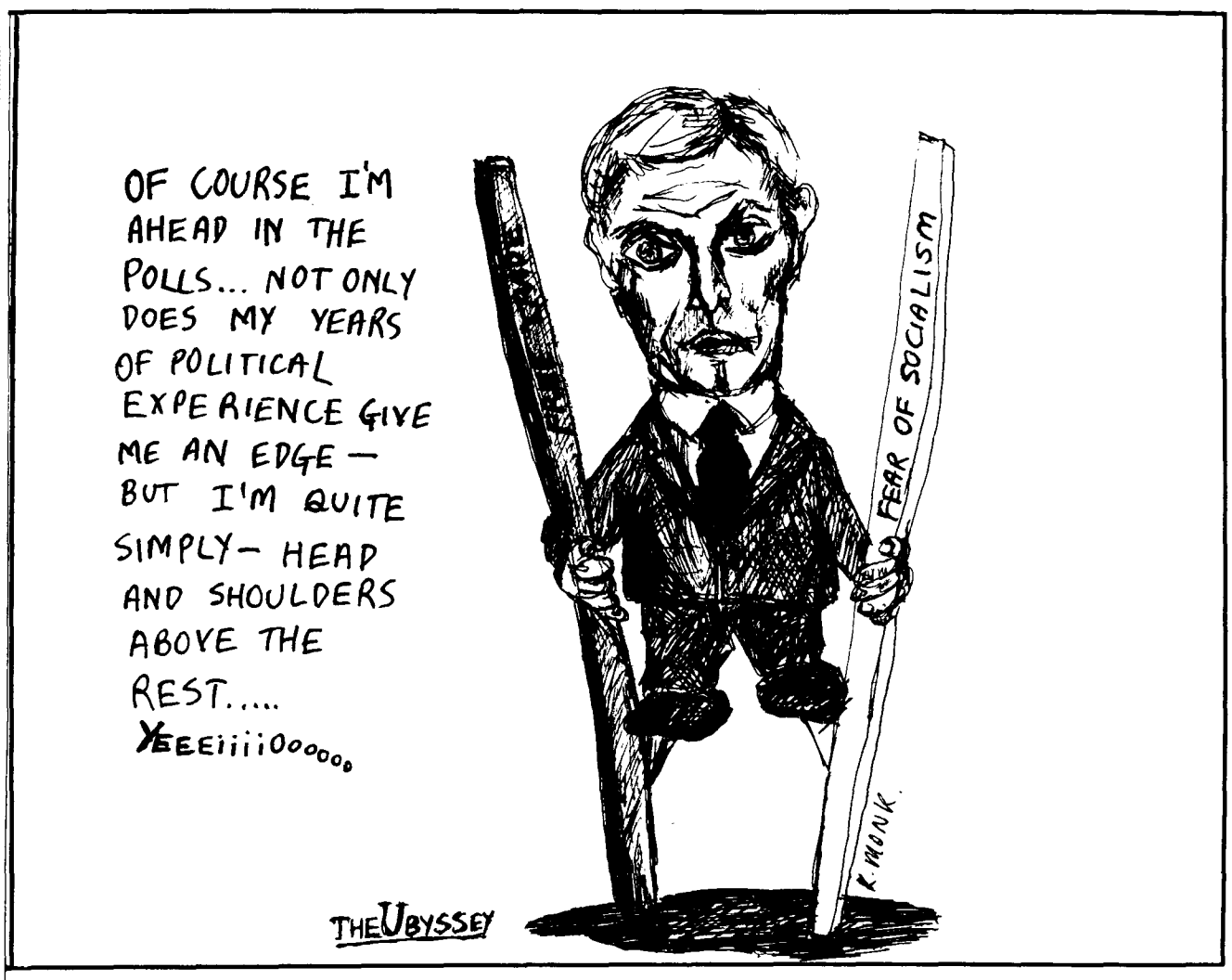

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"Ho Hum!" for Rattle and Hum

I opened my trustworthy copy of the Ubyssey expecting to find a glowing review of Rattle and Hum. And sure enough, it was there. The review, by Chung Wong, can chiefly be criticized for only mentioning the film's positive points. There were negative points; and, furthermore, they outweigh the positive.

For one, there is no theme. Unlike the rock concert film Stop Making Sense there was no progression from song to song. The Talking Heads began their film with an empty stage, and one singer. After the first song, a musician was added. After the second, another band member was added. This process of adding a component after each song continued until the final song where the stage was filled with rolling platforms, backdrops, twenty musicians and singers, a slide show, and extra lighting.

That film had a theme, a progression, a continuity that kept the audience rivetted to the screen. U2's film doesn't appear to have a theme at all. Their film is disjointed. Each song is from a different concert on their North American tour. This random appearance doesn't look like it was done for a purpose, rather it appears to be a lazy job done by the producer and the editors. They picked a song from this concert, pulled one from that concert, added a shallow thirty second interview, and voila, a movie.

Which is another thing. The advertisers let the public believe it's going to see a movie (plot, dialogue, script), rather than call it for what it is, a documentary (live footage, interviews). The word documentary would scare away customers, and dip into profits. In the advertising, the advertisers do not mention what type the movie is: whether it is comedy, drama, rock concert, etc. All they say is, "U2, Rattle and Hum, opening November 4th."

I suspect a lot of people are going to go expecting to see a movie starring a rock band, like Purple Rain or A Hard Days Night were. Instead, they are overcharged to see a home movie. The advertisers have a poor product: they are relying on the band's name rather than making a quality flick to draw the crowds. And the less the public knows about the film, the better the chances are to make a quick buck before the public gets wise.

Sure the movie has it's merits: the black-and-white photograpghy, the special lighting effects and the touching songs with the harlem choir and B.B. King. But when you watch what looks like MTV videos strung one-after-the-other for ninety minutes, it's too long, and at $6.50 a person, it's too much.

Steve Jones
Arts 4

Darwinism: The evolution of homophobia

I must respond to Darwin Dewar's letter of November 4 regarding Dr. Strangway's decision to refuse to allow the Gay Games the use of University facilities.

Besides labelling himself a UBC Alumni (and, one must only suppose, thus posessing a Sybil-like multiple personality), Dewar suggests that the Gay Games are gender-specific and will permit the participation of men only. It is my understanding that the games have events for both sexes.

I am also offended that Mr. Dewar seems to think that the only thing "worse" (my term, not his) than the Gay Games would be "Lesbian Games." In addition to being sexist, this is another example of the homophobic nature of many recent letters to the Ubyssey. I thought this paper had an editorial policy not to print homophobic, sexist (etc.) letters. I am ashamed of you.

Julia Denholm
Arts 3
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Free Trade aids private enterprise

Why are social programs not mentioned in the Canada-US free trade agreement? That is, why did the P.C.'s not protect them exclusively? And, as a reminder, why did the Conservatives recently try to de-index the Canadian pension plan? That is, take away the only protection many seniors have against inflation. I could go on and on.

The reason is clear and simple: deep down in the hearts of Canadian neo-conservatism lies their true political ideology, as it pertains to social programs. They won't admit it publicly, because it would be political suicide. But privately, they yearn for the eventual and total elimination of all social programs, i.e. UIC, welfare, pensions and yes--medicare. It's as simple as that. And unbiased definitions of contemporary conservatism in Canada backs this up.

Unfortunately, this new brand of conservatism tends to make people feel good. "Oh yea! Someday I'll be a rich conservative." However, the political elite conservatives of today dearly believe in private enterprise, not free enterprise. Private enterprise creates wealth for the chosen few; free enterprise is equal opportunity for all to create his or her own wealth.

The point is: a political party should ONLY be judged by the way it treats ALL the people.

Scott Bramhill
Arts 2

Holy Butthole, Batman!

I found Mr. Gysel's review of the Butthole Surfers concert interesting, because it seems he completely misinterpreted what the band was all about. His description of "middle American" traits—xenophobia, mediocrity, apathy and pretension—as seen in such performers as the Osmonds, was a cruel and subtle blow to all of us Pat Boone fans, but he made the mistake of seeing the Buttholes as separate from this tradition.

The Surfers were described in terms of their subversiveness to pop-culture with their abusive, offending message. Yet their message is no more offensive than The Osmonds in terms of parading the so-called "white bread," Middle-American ideal. In fact, they represent mediocrity, apathy and pretension reduced to its purest form, the catch phrase being "I don't give a fuck." Does this shock us out of our "complacent, materialist stupor?" About as much as Big Mac, I'm afraid. The fact that Tipper Gore finds them dangerous simply raises the band to the status of latter-day Elvises.

In short, if the band was good entertainment, I'm all for it, but let's not confuse these shareholders in the Music Industry with things subversive to "Middle America," for this mistake only gives the Buttholes a dignity that would tarnish their image, not to mention their marketability to jaded "Middle Americans." As for Mr. Gysel's review in general, there is a point where cynicism becomes empty self-mockery, and this article passed that point with miles to spare.

Peter Shklanka
English 4

Gay Games not a student issue

What are the 1990 Gay Games, why are they political, and who cares anyway? The fast answers are: they are an international sports competition conceived and organized by gay athletic groups, they are political because other people have made them so, and a whole lot of people who have nothing whatever to do with them seem to care.

The games are not a campus event. I fail to see how this has become a student issue at all. In fact the only connection with UBC is an intended business transaction to rent facilities that are ordinarily available to the public.

This transaction has run into problems that originate with social dinosaurs who have strange ways of thinking. Dr. Strangway defended his decision by claiming incorrectly that the games were a political event. In fact, the games are intentionally and emphatically not political. It is ironic that the process of organizing them has been politicized by the same man who wrongly identified them as political in the first place.

Who cares? All kinds of people, according to recent letters to the editor of this paper. Religious belief has been called forth to support this flagrant violation of the Constitution. Frankly, I find it utterly useless to address any argument that begins with the words "I believe."

A would be sociologist pretends to know what is good for gay people: integrate with heterosexual society in order to obtain tolerance. Separate events for gay people should be unnecessary.

In the first place, "should" has no place in a discussion of reality. Furthermore, the idea of tolerating someone as opposed to accepting them is repugnant. Finally, all kinds of socially identifiable groups hold sports competitions and social events. Why would gay people be any different?

Bob Harris
Arts 2

Jesus tolerated, not Christians

Greg Lanning's response to T.D. Ciz concerning the virtue of tolerance was quite incisive with regards to the lack of tolerance demonstrated by leading Christian authors such as St. Paul., Aquinas, Luther, Calvin and Knox.

Where I take issue with Mr. Lanning is in his statement that "to be blunt, there is no such thing as the Christian virtue of tolerance, and there never was." While I agree that the aforementioned Christian writers were no great champions of tolerance, I disagree with Mr. Lanning's statement that "Jesus' grim parable of the withered fig tree blasted into human submission shows no tolerance in the Gospels." It seems a bit harsh to condemn Jesus for intolerance based on one parable.

One may argue that some of Jesus' parables, like that of the withered fig tree, indicate the preaching of intolerance, and that Jesus was actively demonstrating intolerance when he drove the money changers and pigeon sellers out of the Temple for buying and selling there.

However, despite these arguments, one cannot deny that Jesus taught the most basic doctrines of tolerance: "turning the other cheek" (Luke 6.27-31), and "loving thy neighbour" (Mark 12.28-31). While I am not precisely sure what Mr. Lanning means by "our modern idea of tolerance," Webster's Dictionary defines it: (a) the capacity to endure pain or hardship; (b) sympathy or indulgence for beliefs or practices differing from or conflicting with one's own. Jesus' doctrines of enduring hardship and loving your fellow human beings whether their beliefs or practices differ from yours or not seem to fit the above definition of tolerance.

While the virtue of tolerance may not have been demonstrated much by Christians since Jesus' time, one cannot say that tolerance "never was" a Christian virtue, but only that it was too often forgotten.

Joe Devoy
Science 2

Ban class ads

Every time I take my seat in Buch A104, I ask myself, "Why are we constantly bombarded with advertising while sitting in class?"

In particular, I am referring to the recent arrival of the slick, decisive and evasive natured posters of the "RICE - Power to Live" campaign. Furthermore, AESEU's "Europe" poster hides little with its suggestive Eifel Tower and Roman Columns.

Classrooms are to learn in, not advertise in. I say, ban advertising in classrooms, especially commercially produced material.

Nick Kovac
Political Science

Sedge stripper not appreciated

It is time for students and the University as a whole to crack down on inappropriate and totally unconscionable public behaviors. I speak of the disgusting display of selfishness and disregard for the rights of others which disrupted hundreds of students at Sedgewick lounge on November 2.

As my party came out of the library itself, heading to exams, we were drawn to the incident by heavy metal music blaring from the lounge. To our dismay, a man was delivering a strip-o-gram. This indecent spectacle couldn't or at least shouldn't be lawful, since it occurred on Sedgewick premises.

Now, one wonders, what right did the clowns involved have to disturb others? Just who did they think they were? Even more infuriating and revolting were the periodic rounds of applause from some of the long-haired onlookers. This whole affair was a sad reflection on us all, and it seems that some of our students have sunk to new lows of immorality and decadence. A black day indeed for the university. Have these people no shame?

C. Szabo
Arts 4

Cambell flubs

Just one month ago, Kim Campbell announced that her sole reason for entering federal politics was to stop John Turner and the Liberals from scrapping the free trade deal. However on Wednesday, in her speech at UBC she claimed that John Turner has no intention of scrapping the deal. If Kim Campbell believes this to be true, she is acknowledging something I have believed for some time--there is no reason for Kim Campbell to be elected.

M.G. Watson
Law 3

Politicians hot on environmental issues

PERSPECTIVE

Concern for the environment is no longer only for those who still wear love beads and bell-bottoms.

Damage to the environment in the form of acid rain, toxic chemicals, fossil fuels, ozone, pesticides and deforestation has become a hot topic in the Canadian federal election, perhaps given a boost by the PCB fire at Saint-Basile-le-Grand.

NDP leader Ed Broadbent has tried to capitalize on this in order to fuel opposition to the free-trade deal, saying it is "fundamentally at odds with the principles of environmental protection." The NDP targeted the mainstream public's awakening anxiety for the well being of our planet and our children who will inherit it by running a television ad showing a grandfather and grandson discussing the future of our environment while strolling beside a lake.

The NDP's program would include an "environmental clean-up fund," a more powerful federal environmental department and a "crack down" on industrial water polluters.

Liberal leader John Turner has not ignored photo ops with environmental groups in his campaign and promises to get a "clean air treaty" with the United States to reduce air pollution across the border and to clean up the Saint Lawrence, Saint Clair and Niagara rivers.

Prime Minister Mulroney has wisely moved to satisfy voters' desire to get involved by promising to establish a fund for community projects that clean up or prevent environmental destruction. He also pledges to clean up the St. Lawrence and the Great Lakes and pressure the American administration to reduce acid rain. The Conservatives have also committed to the establishment of a national park at South Moresby in the Queen Charlottes.

The American presidential candidates were able to avoid discussing environmental issues, for the most part, because of the public's live-for-today attitude and apathy carefully nurtured by big business.

The Canadian candidates must face environmental issues because the public has become alarmed, and a growing feeling of urgency demands results. A poll conducted last summer by Environics Research Group showed that 90 per cent of Canadians surveyed believe their health has deteriorated because of environmental pollution, and 84 per cent wanted more government action against polluters.

An easy way to confirm this feeling is to look in the letters section of any newspaper where Canadians of all spheres, not just tree-hugging hippies, are voicing their concerns for the future of our planet.

Sean Kelly

Rock and (sex) roles in the Pit

PERSPECTIVE

Dancing to rock music has a comforting way of taking the edge off one's thoughts. The best place at UBC to dance yourself into a frenzy is the Pit. Swaying to the booming rhythms you can soak up the free-floating eroticism of the Pit while sliding into a pleasant stupor, your human complexity safely submerged in a sensuous feast of sounds and sights.

The human drama in the Pit lies with the singles. A drink in one hand, single men stalk the perimeter of the dance floor, weighing each woman's attractiveness against the risks of rejection. Most women wait in clusters to be asked to dance. Their grooming efforts are strikingly disproportionate to those of men, although men also try to look their casual best.

The Pit works best for flamboyantly cocksure hunks who think nothing of strutting up to a woman with the tritest remark in the world. Since women in the Pit are always outnumbered by men, attractive women are in positions of power. Some get their ego strokes primarily from turning down men. It's interesting to observe the path of rejected men as they go to recover their confidence.

How often a woman gets asked to dance depends on approachability as much as on attractiveness. Men get easily intimidated when pretty women sit together engrossed in a seemingly animated conversation. Women still do next to none of the approaching themselves but often dance with other women. Most new mingling happens well before midnight. Single men would be well-advised to team up with another man before approaching two women. To ask only one to dance while leaving the other behind gets you off to a bad start, triggering wallflower feelings in one and guilt feelings in the other.

Many women would also like to talk first, rather than just dance with a stranger. But the Pit, like many mingling places, seems designed for the mutual frustration of the sexes. Earsplitting music sabotages conversations, and even people with subtle minds and a winning way with words find themselves reduced to primal grunts.

At 1:00 a.m., the music stops. When the Pit disgorges its human contents, the single women leave in all-female clusters while most of the single men leave alone.

Both men and women had come in search of human contact, propelled by vague longings for romance, intimacy or just kudos of attention from the opposite sex. Perhaps they got someone's phone number or broke the ice for future encounters, but more likely they only found temporary escape from themselves. Now they trot off into the night, bleary-eyed from the smoke, unsteady from the beer, their eardrums ringing and their sense of desirability affirmed or diminished.

Kurt Preinsperg
Philosophy Grad Student

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