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'Give McGeer Ec 100 lesson'

Changing UBC's budgeting methods will not keep tuition fees down, three board of governors members agreed Monday.

Education minister Pat McGeer said in a letter to administration president Doug Kenny last week that the university could keep tuition fees at their current level by beginning the faculty contract year at the same time the fiscal year begins, April 1.

Student board member Basil Peters called McGeer's suggestion "sort of silly."

"Students should take up a collection and give McGeer a lesson in Economics 100. The economic thinking in the letter is naive, he misses the point."

McGeer's letter came in response to a letter from Kenny requesting an adequate university budget next year so UBC can avoid increasing tuition fees.

The McGeer letter said: ". . .it is the expectation of the government and the department that each university will adjust its budget to coincide with the government's fiscal year.

". . . the purpose is to avoid any contractual arrangements being made which assume an increase in the flow of operating grants."

But Peters said McGeer's proposal is an attempt by the education department to exert more control over the university through the government's education grant.

"What he is getting at is paying the faculty and staff according to government — it's a ludicrous thing."

Peters said it is unfortunate UBC is not getting a special grant this year to cover the budget shortfall resulting from the difference between the starting dates of the fiscal year and the faculty contract year. UBC received $4.5 million last year to cover the shortfall.

Gideon Rosenbluth, board member and economics professor, said McGeer's proposal would improve accounting procedures but would not solve the budget shortfall faced by the university.

UBC needs the special grant this year, he said.

Board member Ben Trevino said McGeer's proposal is "not a bad idea" but he is not sure changing the faculty contract year would enable UBC to hold down tuition fees.

He said the proposal would have to be negotiated with the faculty association before it is implemented.

Board member George Hermanson said the university needs the special grant to make the proposal workable. "It doesn't solve the problem," he said.

McGeer's letter also indicated he disapproves of the $2,400 raise the board gave Kenny and his vice-presidents this year.

But board members interviewed Monday defended their decision to give the university's top administrators an unwanted raise.

"Attacking the public is a red herring," Hermanson said. "The government should address itself to the private sphere."

Trevino said: "Some get their awards through politics. I'm sure the premier hasn't an easy job but neither has Doug Kenny."

—doug field photo

WORN OUT after weeks of all-nighters, woman flakes out in Sedgewick over edifying tome of dreary import and little social relevance. Unidentified student is among thousands of UBC scholars frantically trying to finish assignments in time to study for upcoming exams.

Scuffle, punches highlight ongoing Waterloo battle

WATERLOO (CUP) — Punches were thrown during a scuffle Monday outside the offices of the University of Waterloo student newspaper The Chevron, suspended by the student federation two months ago.

The scuffle occurred during an attempt by the federation to have locks on The Chevron offices changed. An administration locksmith was prevented from changing the locks when the paper's staff members put their hands over the door knobs.

The move came after more than 100 students Monday defied a no trespassing sign posted in the Chevron offices Friday.

The notice said the Chevron office "is not open to anyone but those persons with direct authorization from the president or chairperson of the board of publication. All other individuals are hereby directed to vacate the premises within 24 hours."

During the rally in the hallway outside the Chevron offices, Heather Robertson, federation councillor and Chevron staffer, asked federation president Shane Roberts to explain his notice to the assembled students, but Roberts did not appear.

Meanwhile, leaders of the National Union of Students have offered to mediate the dispute between the federation and Chevron staffers, who have been publishing the Free Chevron since the federation cut off funds to the newspaper Sept. 30.

However, neither party has responded to the NUS offer.

Free Chevron editor Larry Hannant told NUS executive secretary Dan O'Connor the staff has not made a decision.

O'Connor said Monday he has not yet heard from the federation, although it held its regular meeting Sunday, three days after receiving the NUS offer of mediation.

The federation closed down The Chevron after former editor-in-chief Adrian Rodway resigned, and cited political pressure from other staff members as his reason for resigning.

Federation councillors have charged that a campus political group, the Anti-Imperialist Alliance, are taking over the paper, but staffers deny the allegation and say the federation has never proved that a takeover was occurring.

In its mediation offer, NUS said it wants to restore "an independent, student-controlled newspaper to the students of Waterloo," and added, "students need . . . an active, democratic student government."

The conditions of the NUS offer are that both parties "negotiate seriously," that the mediator chosen be acceptable to both the federation and Chevron staff and the mediator would take "no more than seven days to try and find a mutually acceptable solution to the dispute."

Pranksters face possible expulsion

By MARCUS GEE

Engineering students staging water attacks on classes face possible expulsion from the faculty, Fritz Bowers, associate applied sciences dean, said Monday.

Bowers said he has drafted an open letter condemning the students responsible for the attacks and has given it to applied sciences dean Liam Finn.

"The engineers should obey the rule of law on this campus and we have to persuade them of this," Bowers said.

Groups of gears have attacked classes with water bombs and fire extinguishers at least six times this term, he said. The attacks are more frequent than they were last year, he added.

"Six mindless incidents this term so far is enough."

Bowers said he was prompted to write the letter when he learned a pregnant woman was hit by a water bomb during one attack.

"It burns me no end when innocent people get hurt. The dean's office gets calls about the attacks and we have had several talks with engineering students, trying to persuade them this is not funny and that people are getting hurt."

Bowers said he has asked Finn to consider releasing the letter to The Ubyssey to make people aware the faculty disapproves of the attacks and will take action to stop them.

He said victims of the attacks or others who know about them should tell the faculty so some action can be taken.

"There must be hundreds of people who know about it and condone it. We would like to appeal to people in the university to identify the culprits."

Bowers said the faculty has approached the engineering undergraduate society about the attacks but the EUS has been uncooperative.

"The first EUS reaction is that 'we know nothing about it and it's an old tradition.' "

But EUS president Keith Gagne denied the society has been uncooperative.

"We have been more than cooperative. But none of these attacks have been reported to me except one."

Gagne said the EUS was asked to provide the faculty with photographs of all first-year engineering students but could not because its darkroom was out of order. The faculty wanted the photos so they could identify students involved in an attack on a history class, he said.

"The EUS doesn't condone water bombing incidents. But when five students go out and water bomb what am I supposed to do? Go out and find the people and beat them on the head and drag them over to the faculty office?"

The water attacks have probably become more frequent this year because the EUS has been moved out of its old office, the erstwhile civils building, and senior gears, who he claimed exert a moderating

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Fritz Bowers upset

Pranksters may face boot

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influence on frosh, are separated from first-year students.

He said the lack of good counselling facilities for gears might have contributed to the frequency of the attacks.

Bowers said most attacks have taken place in the computer sciences building, formerly the civil engineering building. No charges have ever been laid against the gears involved because no one has been willing to identify them.

"It is out of the power of the police to do anything. But if a person is assaulted and another person lays assault charges, then that's another thing. A person who gets his suede jacket ruined and his notes soaked could decide to place charges."

Bowers said he is also concerned about vandalism by the gears, but that this is less of a problem than it was last year. "Vandalism which damages property in a time of restraint really bothers me," he said.

Rotundo, SPAM crush opponents in Scurvey

PANGO PANGO (UNS) — "I love SPAM. Me, I'm voting SPAM, SPAM, SPAM, SPAM. . . ."

That seems to be the consensus of voters of Scurvey, this tiny island kingdom's famous bathroom suburb. In Monday's general elections, candidates of Al Rotundo's Scurvey Political Action Movement swept to power, ending the 22-year reign of Ed McGumby's iron-handed regime.

Rotundo, former distorter for the Vancouver Scum, entered politics three years ago after reading a magazine advertisement.

"I just got too big for the gnuspaper business," Rotundo explained recently. "I just decided to spread out a bit."

SPAM's motto is Sensibility, Pride, Ability and Maturity, the initials of which, clever voters are sure to have noticed, spell SPAM.

"What really helped us in this campaign was a $10,000 contribution we got from a donor whose name we will never reveal," said the grinning Rotundo. "You might call our election the result of a little political poker game."

Just a note to tell you we stop publishing soon

The Ubyssey will publish only once more this term, and that will be Friday, the last day of lectures of the first term. There will be no paper Thursday.

Remember, deadline for 'Tween Classes and Hot Flashes for Friday's paper is noon, Thursday, while the advertising deadline for the same issue is 11:30 a.m. Thursday.

Don't say we didn't warn you.

Coming up this week is a feature looking at 25 common miconceptions about Canadian law, with drawings by Dave Wilkinson, our budding architectural draftsman.

During the holidays, The Ubyssey will host the 39th annual meeting of Canadian University Press, the collective of 70 university newspapers, including this one. The conference is Dec. 26 to Jan. 2 and UBC students are welcome. We'll have more details on that in Friday's paper.

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OTEU—no contract in 8 months

By STEVE HOWARD

Forty of UBC's technical employees working without a contract since March 31, will ask the administration Wednesday to begin talks about next year's contract.

Provincial mediator Jock Waterston has been mediating for three months between the Office and Technical Employees Union, local 15, and the administration, union negotiator Bert Mitchell said Monday. The union requested a mediator at the end of the summer.

Mitchell said the main unresolved issues are job security and severance pay.

The most recent mediation meeting was Nov. 22 and the union met Nov. 23 to discuss the proposed contract, Mitchell said.

"We were still not satisfied," he said. "While it's possible the wage proposals may be accepted, we're looking for better wording for seniority, contracting out and security.

Mitchell said the administration's total wage offer is a little greater than the amount allowed within the Anti-Inflation Board guidelines, but he would not say how much greater.

Wes Clark, assistant director of employee relations, also refused to reveal the administration's wage offer. In the first year of a contract a wage increase is limited to eight per cent plus two per cent for increased productivity, according to AIB guidelines.

"We are prepared to face up to that issue (the AIB guidelines) on wages," Mitchell said. "But if we haven't got job security, what have we got?

"The university wants to make it worse than it was before," he said. "We want to stick with it the way it was. They're laying off our men with six to eight years of experience and getting supervisory personnel to do our work."

Mitchell said the administration claims a lack of experienced personnel on campus forces it to give jobs to outside contractors.

But Mitchell said that if a physical plant employee does the job it costs UBC less. "The average architect's rate is about $50 per hour. I wish we could sign a contract for half that amount."

He said there are plenty of experienced personnel in the OTEU.

"If we were to agree with the wording (in the proposed contract) we might as well pack up the shop," Mitchell said. "We'd be cutting our own throats."

He said the administration is allowing the number of OTEU workers to decrease through attrition. "It's been slashed from 55 to 40. They're not replacing people, but they expect the work to be done.

"The university has taken a very poor attitude towards its employees. They're just pawns in the general game.

"Another issue is severance pay for technical change," Mitchell said. "There's no way the university will discuss severance pay." He said in all the OTEU's other contracts severance pay is guaranteed. He said the union can appeal to the minister of labor if severance pay is not included in the contract.

"Are we just going to say goodbye to someone with 15 years of service? Two weeks notice and they're down the road," Mitchell said. The union is asking for one month of severance pay for each year of service on campus, he said.

Mitchell said he is waiting for a phone call from mediator Waterston to arrange the next meeting.

Theessen raps Blandford plan

By KATHY FORD

Student senator Joan Blandford said Thursday she is going ahead with her senate motion proposing higher fees for foreign and out-of-province students.

But Dave Theessen, president of the student representative assembly, which voted Wednesday to reject the principle of differential fees, isn't worried.

"I don't really think it's necessary to seriously consider the effect Joan Blandford's putting this motion before senate will have. I have more faith in senate than that," he said Monday.

Theessen said student senators are not bound to decisions made by the SRA, even though student senators are also SRA members.

"She's only attended one SRA meeting, and that was at the beginninf of the term," he said. "If she chooses not to take directives from the SRA that's fine.

"We're here as a forum for student senators, but they are in no way bound to what we say.

"Usually more senators show up for council meetings, but at this last one, when we had this issue on the agenda, only four showed up.

"I was quite disappointed. This is the first issue we've had that directly concerned senate members, and they were scared off."

Blandford's motion, which will be put before senate January, proposes a differential fee system which means out-of-province students would pay higher tuition fees than students from B.C., and foreign students would pay even higher ones.

"This type of system is intuitively appealing to a lot of people on campus," Theessen said.

"For example the system appeals to conservative types. Some people in medicine and commerce think it's a good idea, on face value. But when you give them the facts, they change their minds."

Moe Sihota, the Alma Mater Society's external affairs officer, said Wednesday that differential fees would increase UBC's income by three tenths of one per cent.

"There's that resentment among some people against so-called foreign students," Theessen said. "But once you give them some concrete facts, people who initially have positive reactions to the proposal switch to negative or hohum attitudes."

BCSF broke — six grand in the red

The B.C. Students' Federation is in the red.

Outgoing treasurer Moe Sihota said Monday the organization will have a deficit of about $6,300 this year.

In a recent referendum UBC students voted 58 per cent in favor of belonging to BCSF and paying $1 per year membership fees. But the referendum failed because the Alma Mater Society constitution requires that referenda on money matters receive a two-thirds majority in favor to pass.

Sihota said estimated income for the year ending Oct. 31, 1977 is $27,000, and expenditures for the same period are estimated at $34,000.

If the UBC referendum had passed, BCSF would have received another $21,000 this year.

The estimated expenditure is based on salaries for two field workers at $725 a month, field expenses of $250 a month, a telephone budget of $200 per month and advertising and publication expenses.

The financial situation for the organization has resulted in field workers finding an empty BCSF bank account when they tried to cash cheques recently.

Sihota said there is no way the staff can be cut back. Two staff people are essential, he said, and the BCSF needs more money to be an effective organization.

Pam Willis, elected BCSF treasurer Nov. 20, said the BCSF will try to get money from organizations such as the UBC Alumni Association, unions, businesses and government.

"YOUR HEEL IS DIGGING INTO MY SHOULDER," said whale. "How can I help it?" exclaimed bear. "This damn beaver's got his paws over my eyes." "Whine, whine, whine," mimicked beaver. "Will you stop hunching your shoulders?" exclaimed frog. "Can't you guys stop wobbling and shut up so Mike Miller can take this photograph?" commanded raven from atop totem pole outside north entrance of SUB.

SUS fee referendum swells coffers

By MIKE BOCKING

The purpose of the Alma Mater Society's new constitution, introduced this year, was to decentralize student government by giving undergraduate societies more power.

Power means financial independence, and so far two undergrad societies have taken steps toward that goal. The science undergraduate society took a giant leap; the arts undergraduate society stumbled.

SUS president Bob Salkeld says an important change in the constitution has made it no longer necessary for undergrad societies to reach a quorum of 15 per cent to pass a referendum involving money matters. But it is still necessary for a fee referendum to obtain two-thirds of the votes to pass.

If a referendum passes by two-thirds but fails to get a quorum, the measure is still applicable, but for only one year. If a quorum is obtained a fee raise would become permanent.

The science and arts undergraduate societies have held referenda this term to finance their operations. Salkeld says the science referendum passed with 80 per cent of the ballots in favor of a $1 SUS fee. The referendum failed to achieve a quorum — only 12 per cent of science students voted.

The AUS referendum failed, receiving approval from only 58 per cent of the voters.

The fact that the referendum was held the same time as five other referenda probably contributed to its defeat.

One of the ways by which the new constitution is to pressure undergrad societies into becoming self-supporting is the abolition of Palmer grants, says Salkeld. These grants were regular annual payments to undergrad societies — based on the number of students in each — by the AMS.

The AMS now gives "contingency grants" to the societies, which is the same amount of money they were getting from the original Palmer grants. Salkeld says the purpose of these grants is to tide the societies over until they can become self-sufficient. "The grants are by no means permanent," he said.

Another source of revenue for the undergrad societies is vending machines. Crowe says the income the AUS receives from these machines is $3,000 per year.

This source of income was jeopardized earlier this year when food services director Robert Bailey tried to take control of vending machines.

Crowe said the dispute between the AUS and Bailey has been resolved, and the AUS is again receiving revenue from their vending machines.

Crowe estimates the annual AUS budget at $4,000.

The SUS budget is about $1,700, Salkeld says. The fee levy will put it up to $3,600 next year, he said.

Crowe said the new constitution has not yet had much effect in making the societies more independent of the AMS, and she doubts the AMS would stop giving undergrad societies constituency grants if they could not raise enough money from their members.

Salkeld agrees the new constitution has not yet gone far in decentralizing the AMS, but he expects the undergrad societies will eventually become more independent.

Crowe said the AUS uses its money for the publication of newsletters, advertising and running elections and referenda, and sponsoring clubs and associations within their faculty, such as the political science club and the anthropology-sociology association. Crowe said they were also involved in organizing a few intramural teams such as hockey and basketball.

Too much!

Ah yes. The Insurance Corporation of B.C. has reared its monstrous head again.

We're referring, of course, to the recent announcement that ICBC is reducing next year's premiums for drivers who have not filed accident claims for which they were at fault.

All it goes to show is how stupidly the Socreds handled the whole ICBC fiasco this spring when they doubled and in some cases tripled the amount of insurance people had to pay for their cars. And it shows how little they really knew about ICBC.

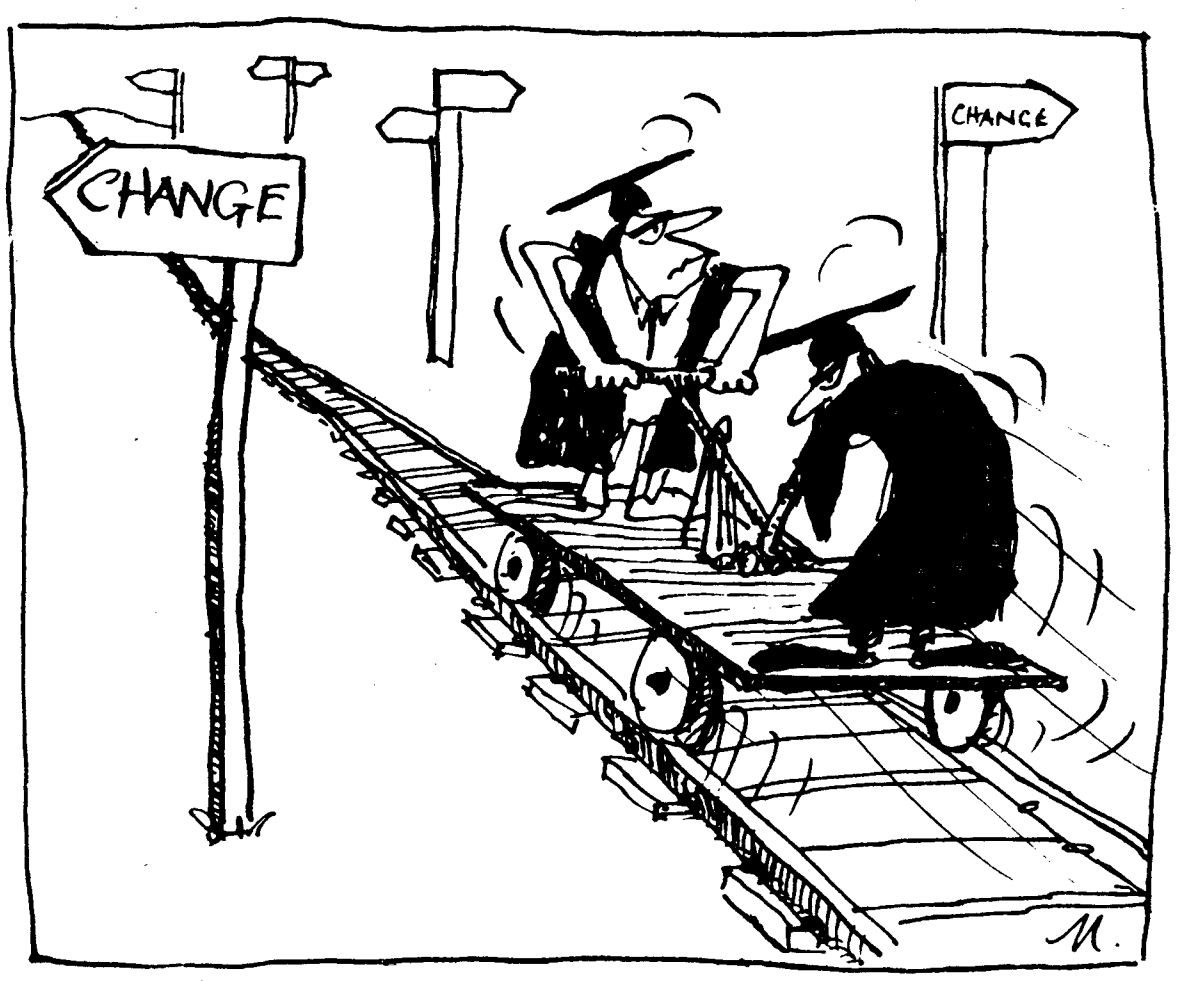
The recent announcement said ICBC has some $52 million which it hasn't needed. And it's now going to be rewarded to drivers who haven't earned black marks during the past year.

The extra $52 million is simply money that has been taken out of the hands of the people and used in what has amounted to a game of political football.

Now, it seems, our cue is to appear joyous and cheerful that if we haven't had accidents we get a piddling share of all that money we paid back. We're supposed to overlook the fact that we got hit with the increases in the first place, and also that rates won't be any lower, except for those who didn't have accidents in which they were at fault. Even then, the rates won't come close to what they were one year ago, before the Socreds came to power.

The amusing thing is all of this comes from a government that prides itself on its knowledge and ability to deal with money.

Let us register a protest. We are not impressed.



Letters

Ubyssey perpetrates conspiracy

I feel there must be a conspiracy being perpetrated on the students of UBC by The Ubyssey.

In reaction to student apathy (of which to this point I admit I as well have been guilty) The Ubyssey has concocted some story about a luxury convention centre and apartment development on the University Endowment Lands.

In this it had the implicit co-operation of the university administration and various heads of departments who lent their names to certain quotes.

The drawing of the convention centre might possibly have come from the office of Arthur Erickson, but only, only, surely to God, as part of this trick.

This plan simply cannot be true. It is inconceivable.

Humanity has come to understand itself better than it did at the beginning of the industrial revolution. No longer does interest in pure profit, in personal gain at the expense of any sense whatsoever of the value of the earth's natural system, or of the preservation of individual human worth, motivate people in power.

There are exceptions to this rule, but in general we have learned from our mistakes and are willing to act more in the interests of what future generations will think of us.

There is a progression of human values that is not just a greater and greater set of restrictions on our greed and animal voracity.

We are learning. This trick of The Ubyssey has succeeded only insofar as it has perhaps made some of us realize this.

In the event that such a development were to take place, perhaps through the agency of some impersonal force, some machine — then it would be our only prerogative as human beings to fight that development to the end. But such things do not happen nowadays.

Do not try to fool us with this pretence too long, please.

Some of us may come to believe it and understand its implications — and that will not be a happy day for anyone concerned.

Earle Peach
arts 2

UEL building plan appalling

I am positively appalled at the Socred government's alleged plans to build downtown Manhattan in the heart of the University Endowment Lands (Ubyssey, Nov. 26).

What appalls me more is the incredible, supine acceptance of the whole concept by the "older and wiser heads" on this campus.

If administration president Doug Kenny's only reaction is the one The Ubyssey printed, he must hold the record for pure egotism — it's either him or George Woodcock, whose mercenary attitude boggles my mind.

Malcolm McGregor's detached pedantry on the subject made my eyes bulge. Has the senior faculty at this university gone nuts?

A paltry 3,000 units of housing will not come near to solving Vancouver's housing problems, which have their roots in national and international population movements.

What they will do is create awful traffic jams on West Sixteenth (and of course increase pressure on other entrances) and attract more developers to the UEL.

This is where we students — 25,000 of us — spend the greater portion of our waking hours. It is also, aside from a few small parks, the last chunk of virgin bush in Vancouver proper. Does anybody care?

Jim Fraser
arts 4

Condolences

I wish to extend my condolences to the poor struggling student, Jeremy Ralph, who suffered through the anguish of hurdling those "considerable barriers" to come and study at UBC.

Unfortunately, no one forced him to take on the burdens of "service in the armed forces, hassle(ing) with both governments or just scraping an incredible amount of money together" to study here.

Education is a privilege and he should recognize it as one. To be given the opportunity to be allowed to study in a foreign university may require more money but it is even more of a privilege.

To suggest that the taxpayers of Canada should subsidize him is slightly egotistical to say the least. Don't feel "quite disgusted" Jeremy, feel quite privileged.

It is also interesting to hear of your "combined efforts" to inflict the burden of your educational fees onto the back of the Dutch taxpayer and thereby shutting your eyes to the inflationary world in which you live.

Considering the not inconsiderable effort this action must have required, pray tell, why did you abandon what you fought for to come to Canada to pay so much more?

This Jeremy, suggests that perhaps you are not quite as badly off as you pretend.

Before you get hostile Jeremy, and combine your fearful efforts, let me point out that there are one hell of a lot of people, one hell of a lot smarter who pay one hell of a lot more taxes toward subsidizing this university than you do, and you complain because you can't understand that you're not entitled to all the advantages of a Canadian student while at the same time not suffering the disadvantages. Sorry, I don't agree.

Steve Pocock
education 3

Alan, where are you now?

I was glancing at a Ubyssey the other day that was lining a garbage can here at residence, and couldn't help but notice the caricature on the PF interview logo.

I said to myself, "My God! That's Alan Doree!"

I remembered the days wandering through the Ubyssey offices having Doree warm up a dreary day.

Who will ever forget the Hallowe'en, 1974, issue — Alan with his baseball cap on backward, doing his dirty on a pumpkin.

I was wondering if you could assist me on my nostalgia trip and tell me where he is and what he's doing.

The Ubyssey, nay, the university hasn't been the same since he disappeared that fateful day in May 1975.

Stu Lyster
arts 4

Band-aid solution for crisis

Part of our humanness is that we often overreact when confronted with a crisis.

Joan Blandford's senate motion (re: differential tuition fees) is a response to a fear that many of us have to a substantial increase in tuition fees. Unfortunately her response is nothing more than a band-aid solution to an issue soon to be faced by all of us.

Since education is getting to be a far more costly operation year after year, how do we respond? How do we insure and maintain a high standard of academic achievement along with easy and open accessibility to all members of society?

My response would be to say that it is time for a new approach to educational funding. If we as a community and society feel that education is a priority (and we must or there wouldn't be 23,000 of us here) then our solutions must take on a broader vision of reality.

The increased revenue realized from the higher tuition fees of a few hundred foreign students would hardly solve our continuing fiscal problems.

Obviously it is time for some serious dialogue and action among all members of the community to ensure that the price of a university education will not restrict a majority of the population from attaining it.

Surely this a step to consider immediately so that each year we won't be running around trying to plug the holes in our ever-increasing budget.

At least that's the way I see it.

Dave Jiles
arts rep
student representative assembly

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Chris Gainor, newly elected reischbureaucrat, and fear . . . oops, loved leader of the Surrey Political Action Party was picking his new cabinet. He had already settled on Jan Nicol. "Ouch," she remarked picking up her portfolio and crawling away. Doug Rushton, new secretary of state, suggested either Matt King, Mike Miller, Deryl Mogg or Doug Field as minister of cheap pornography. Lecherous Tom Barnes and clean-shaven Charlie Micallef were being considered for minister of public morals. Sue Vohanka was to be party whip and leather thong. Former transport minister Marcus Gee was replaced by the fun-loving mayor with Heather Walker (Ho! Ho! Ho!) Steve Howard was a shoo-in for minister of supplies and services, while Kathy Ford was a natural for solicitor-general. Veteran backbencher Ralph Maurer was overlooked as Paul Wilson landed the post of sports and recreation minister. It was a tight race between Mike Bocking and Scoop the fearless newshound to see who would be last in the masthead.

Kenny, McGeer neglect duties in tuition issue

I am Joe's opinion

By MOE SIHOTA

Last week The Ubyssey featured a series of articles on the question of tuition increases.

One story informed students about a letter that administration president Doug Kenny had sent to education minister Pat McGeer. In his letter, Kenny strongly suggested that he was not in favor of tuition increases.

In reply, last Friday, McGeer stated that he too "would consider a fee increase unfortunate."

All of this sounds very confusing. If both of these men are against tuition hikes, then why is the issue being discussed at all?

In fact, since the threat of tuition increases is so real, one would have to wonder whether or not both McGeer and Kenny are simply making these statements for the sake of public relations.

Neither McGeer nor Kenny have done much to convince students that they are indeed opposed to tuition increases.

McGeer has repeatedly failed to recognize and accept his responsibility to acquire adequate operating funds for universities. If McGeer was truly sincere about his statement, he would be actively demanding that the provincial government adopt education as a priority and that the provincial treasury be instructed to provide enough money to insure that universities and colleges can at least maintain their present level of operation.

However, McGeer has not done this. He has neglected this responsibility and has further ignored the tuition issue by claiming it is a university decision.

The only reason it is a university decision is because McGeer has forced institutions to consider tuition hikes by not providing adequate operating money for the campus.

McGeer's actions are totally irresponsible for a minister of education, and it's about time he recognized his obligations and did something constructive.

As for Kenny, he too has done little to back his statement against tuition fees.

Neither McGeer nor Kenny have convinced students that they oppose tuition increases.

Kenny has written a letter to McGeer requesting that tuition not be increased. So what? About 5,000 students at UBC have signed a letter to McGeer expressing similar sentiments.

McGeer is not going to be motivated to reverse his irresponsible stance on the basis of one letter.

Kenny is going to have to do much more than simply write a letter. If Kenny truly wants to prevent increases and maintain a functional campus, he is going to have to consider other actions.

As radical as it may sound, he is going to have to insist that adequate operating funds must be provided or else he will have no choice but to close down the university.

Without adequate funds, courses will have to be eliminated, class sizes increased, and professors fired, all of which will do injustice to the primary function of the university — that being to provide an education.

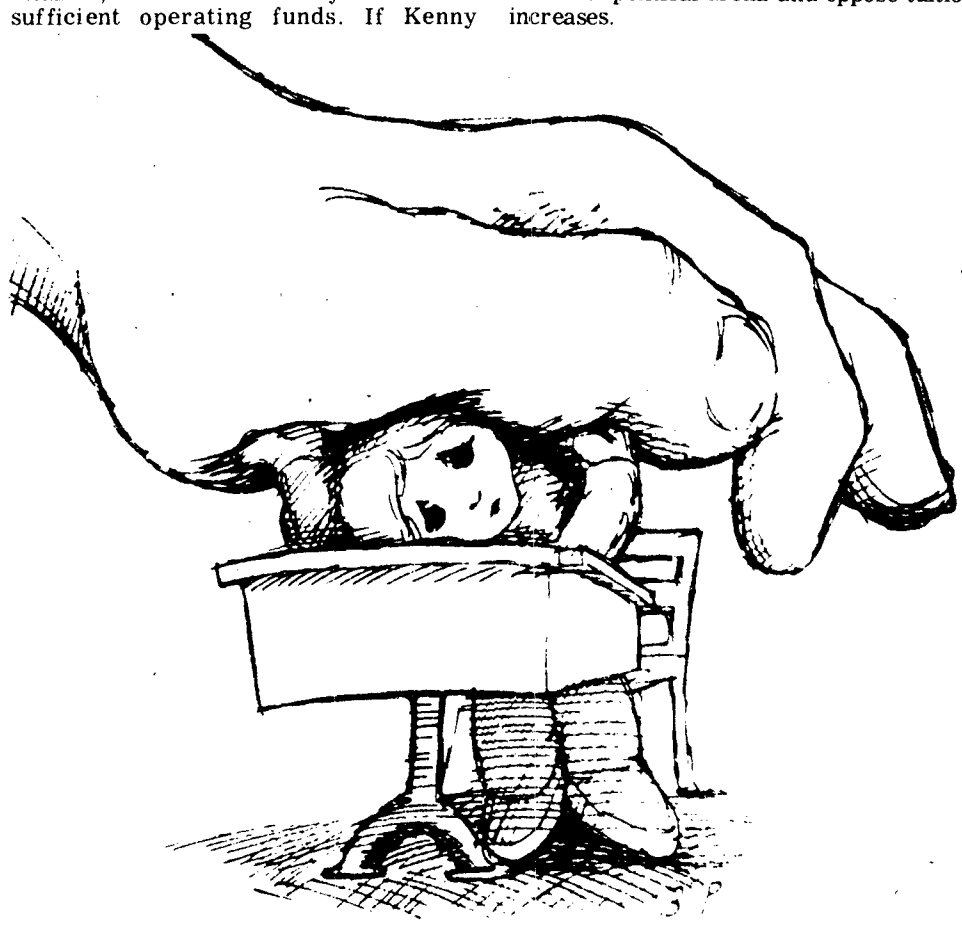
If the quality of eudcation at UBC is to be retained, then the university must have sufficient operating funds. If Kenny honestly believes in the concept of minimal tuition, then he should be willing to adopt this extreme position.

In fact, he has no choice but to take an extreme position. One has to be pretty extreme when dealing with a government that is callous enough to double insurance and ferry rates as well as attempting to close down a university (Notre Dame University in Nelson) despite cries from citizens across the province.

Kenny has stated that he will not take any such stance because he does not want to be involved in "political crossfire." Well, Kenny must realize that this is a political matter.

When a government begins to threaten a university with less funds, it becomes a political matter. When the actions of a government force a university to increase tuition, it becomes a political matter.

Therefore, Kenny has no choice but to enter the political arena and oppose tuition increases.



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He must enter the political realm much as his counterparts Pauline Jewett at Simon Fraser University, Howard Petch at the University of Victoria and Roland Grant at NDU have, and must publicly oppose and pressure the government to adopt a more realistic position.

Kenny, as the president of this campus, should do his utmost to enunciate and act upon the concerns of the university community.

Anything short of this represents a gross neglect of his responsibilities to the campus.

More than 5,000 students at UBC have opposed increases in tuition fees. Members of the faculty have expressed concern at the lack of funds from the provincial government.

Hundreds of professors and workers on this campus stand to lose their jobs as a result of education department irresponsibility. Kenny, as the president of UBC must recognize these concerns and his obligation to react to these issues.

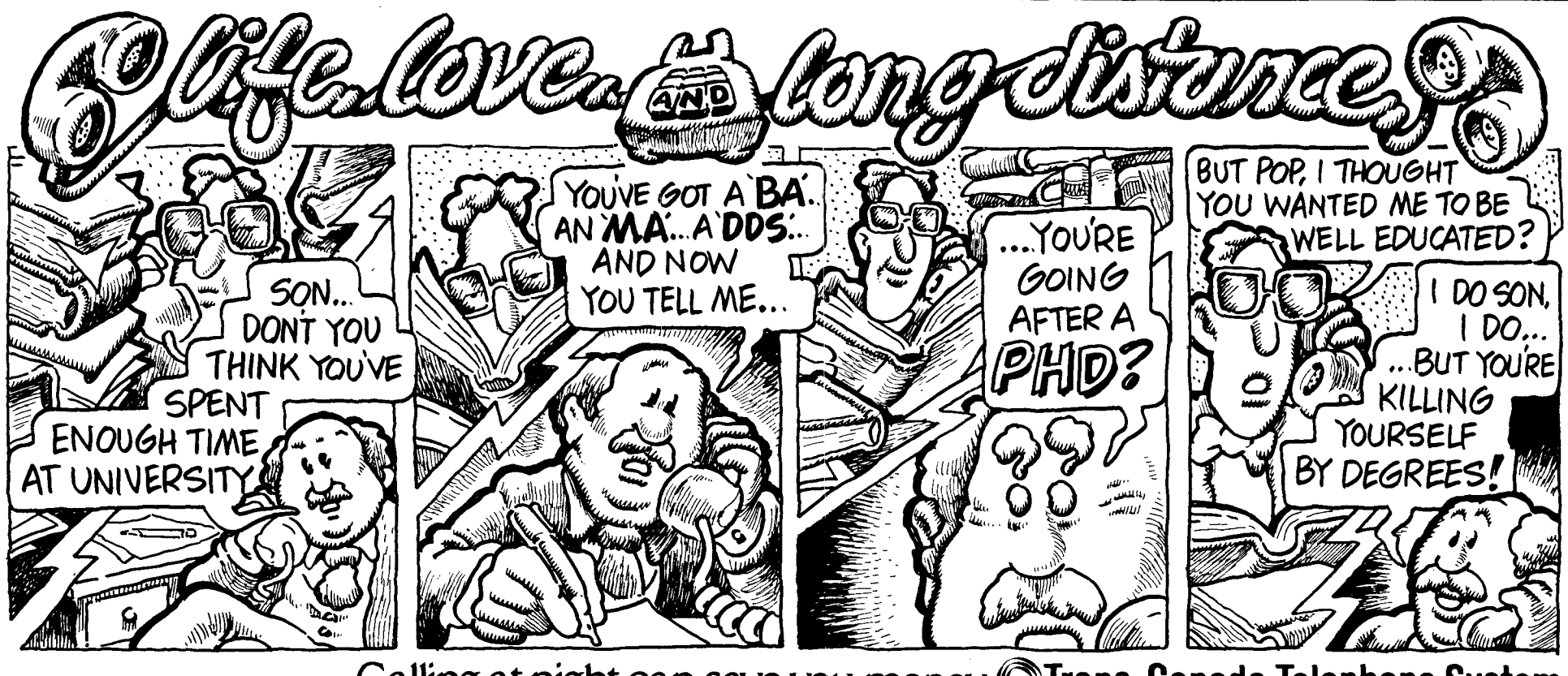
So far, Kenny has not done much, and he must be more responsive before anyone can begin to believe his claim to no tuition increases.

Similarly, McGeer must become aware of his obligation to the education community and insure that sufficient funds be available for the proper functioning of that community.

Until these men take some initiative, one can only assume that their claims to no tuition increases are merely a cheap and dirty public relations gimmick.

Sihota is external affairs officer of the Alma Mater Society.

He initiated the letter campaign asking McGeer to prevent tuition increases, and the drive which resulted in about 5,000 UBC students signing the letter to McGeer.



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LUTHERAN STUDENT MOVEMENT
Supper followed by discussion on justice and prisons in Canada, 6:30 p.m., Lutheran Campus Centre.

CHINESE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Bible study, noon, SUB 213.

AMS ART GALLERY
Exhibition of photographs and modular paintings, daily through Dec. 10, SUB Art Gallery.

CUSO
Guest speakers seminar, noon, SUB 212; development awareness, a look at China and Cuba, 8 p.m., Bu. 202.

ASIAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE
Seminar on South Asia, with prof. Nirad Chadhuri, 2:30 p.m., mechanical engineering annex 209.

WEDNESDAY

SIMS
Introductory lecture on transcendental meditation, noon, Bu. 313.

BAHA'I CLUB
Discussion on perspectives for world unity, noon, SUB 213.

UBC POTTERY CLUB
General meeting, noon, SUB 261.

CHINESE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
Choir practice, 7:30 p.m., SUB 212.

DEVELOPMENTAL DRAMA STUDENTS
Free presentation of the Chile show, concerning 1973 military coup, 8 p.m., Dorothy Somerset The atre.

STUDENT WIVES ASSOCIATION
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NEWMAN CLUB
General meeting, noon, SUB 205.

THURSDAY

YOUNG CONSERVATIVES
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INTER VARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Christmas worship service, noon, Lutheran Campus Centre.

UBC POTTERY CLUB
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CHINESE SCIENCE ASSOCIATION
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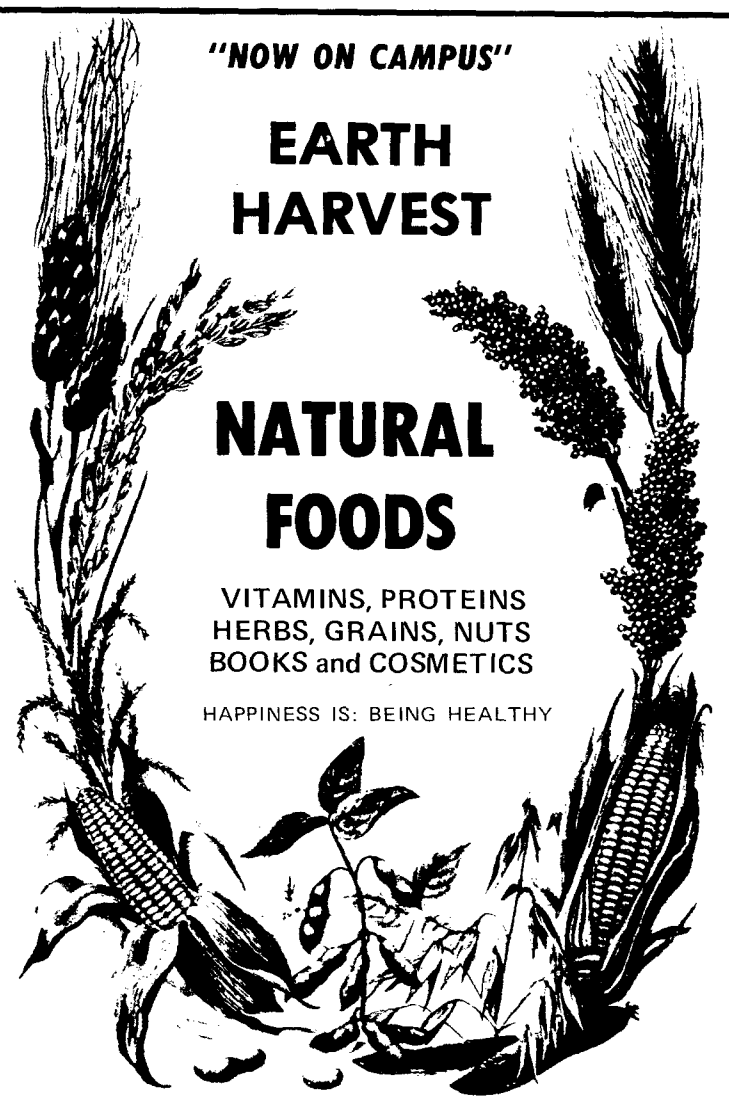

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Basketball team moves into 1st...

SPORTS

By PAUL WILSON

The UBC Thunderbirds basketball team moved into a tie for first place with the Alberta Golden Bears in the Canada West league by defeating the Lethbridge Pronghorns in two straight games on the weekend.

But the Bears have two games in hand over the 'Birds because they played in a tournament in Toronto on the weekend.

The 'Birds were hot Saturday night as they convincingly defeated the Pronghorns 107-71.

The 'Birds dominated the game by virtue of their height and rolled up a half time 52-35 lead.

High point man for the 'Birds was Ralph Turner who sank 10 out of 18 shots and added a free throw for a total of 21 points. Mike McKay scored on six of seven shots from the field and made six free throws to add 18 points.

This brings McKay's shooting record for the season to 27 for 48, making him the fifth most accurate shooter in the conference. Centre Jan Bohn, in fifth place in the league scoring race, added 16 points. Bohn is averaging 17.5 points a game this season.

The Pronghorns were dominated on the boards by the 'Birds 40-34. Mike McKay and 'Bird captain David Craig pulled down 11 and eight rebounds respectively. Mirkovich was the Pronghorns' big man on the boards, hauling down a total of 15.

Mirkovich is the leading rebounder in the league, averaging more than 12 a game.

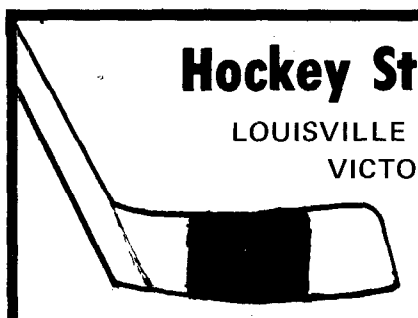
In the Friday night game the 'Birds ran up a total of 98 points to Lethbridge's 60.

Bohn got 15 points for UBC, Chris Trumpy added 14 and McKay potted 13.

For the Pronghorns, Mike Urban scored 15 points, Jim Duxbury added 10 and Mirkovich shot very poorly for just six points.

At 8:30 p.m. Friday in War Memorial Gym, the 'Birds play an exhibition game against the Vancouver As of the Dogwood league.

	GP	W	L	F	A	Pts.
UBC	6	4	2	517	403	8
Alta.	4	4	0	367	329	8
Victoria	6	3	3	424	431	6
Calgary	4	3	1	304	281	6
Lethbridge	6	2	4	424	431	4
Sask.	6	0	6	419	515	0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By TOM BARNES

The University of Golden Bears, with two one-goal victories over the UBC Thunderbirds on the weekend, vaulted over the 'Birds into first place in the Canada West hockey league.

Playing before capacity crowds in Varsity Arena in Edmonton, the Bears clipped the 'Birds 5-4 Friday and 3-2 Saturday.

In Saturday's penalty filled game in Edmonton, Marty Matthews continued his goal-scoring streak for UBC as he gave the 'Birds a 1-0 lead. Alberta's Kevin Primeau tied it before the first period ended.

After a scoreless second period, the Bears got a power play goal from Jim Ofrim early in the third. Peter Moyles tied the game for UBC after some inspired penalty killing by the 'Birds. With about seven minutes left in the game Darrel Zaperniul slid a shot between the post and Ron Lefebvre's pad to give Alberta the win.

Lefebvre turned in another strong performance for the 'Birds as he came up with 28 saves. Ted Poplaski came up with 30 for the Bears. UBC was assessed 27 minutes in penalties, Alberta 12.

On Friday night the Alberta power play accounted for four goals in a 5-4 game. Dave Hindmarch, son of former UBC coach Bob Hindmarch, led the way for Alberta with three goals.

Trailing 4-2 in the third, the 'Birds rallied around goals by Tom Blaney and Ross Cory to tie the game. But a late goal by Brian Sosowski decided the game for the Bears.

Blaney with an earlier tally and Matthews scored the other UBC goals. Lefebvre stopped 39 Alberta shots.

The weekend games were the last Canada West action until January.

In the meantime the 'Birds will keep in trim with four exhibition games. The first comes this Friday when the Northwest League All-stars come to Thunderbird Arena. Game time is 8 p.m.

League standings:

	GP	W	L	F	A	Pts.
Alta.	8	6	2	36	27	12
UBC	8	5	3	36	22	10
Sask.	8	3	5	33	42	6
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SASKATOON — Two newspapers at the University of Saskatchewan here, both claiming to be student oriented, are in the middle of a cut throat competition for readers and advertisers in the university community.

Staffers from both papers have said the competition is a battle for survival because there is not enough advertising revenue and student funding on campus to support two papers.

The conflict started several months ago, when Sheaf staffers disagreed about what position the Sheaf should take on controversial issues and how much local student news should appear in the paper.

Former Sheaf editor Chris Mushka and three other salaried staffers resigned and began producing Shadowfax, which consists solely of local student news.

Shadowfax has been funded by the university's arts and sciences student society, and in its first issue ran a half-page ad that said, "Students have $$$ to Blow," and asked advertisers to place ads in the paper.

In the same paper, Mushka wrote an editorial denouncing the Sheaf as an "ad-hungry twice weekly monster."

Sheaf ad manager Glenn Craig has accused Mushka and another Shadowfax staffer of approaching Sheaf advertisers, telling them the Sheaf has been taken over by a "communist faction," and asking them to remove ads from the Sheaf because students were no longer reading the paper.

Since the split, the Sheaf staff has reorganized in the form of a collective, which holds twice-weekly news conferences to decide what stories should appear in the paper and where they should be placed and decides longer term policy at weekly staff meetings.

The above story is not a news story. It was written by a member of the Sheaf collective in an attempt to explain what has been happening at the Sheaf. Canadian University Press, of which the Sheaf is a member, is currently compiling a chronicle of events at the Sheaf, and a news story on same will appear Friday.

This protest should cause some grey hairs

NEW YORK (LNS-CUP) — Women at the University of Washington in Seattle are protesting the Clairol Loving Care Hair Color ad for grey hair that appeared in the June, 1976 issue of Good Housekeeping magazine.

The ad pictures a businesswoman with the headline, "On men, grey hair is distinguished. On me, it's just plain old." The copy beneath the headline begins, "Sure, it's unfair. I have only a few greys. If I were a man, I'd be growing them gracefully. Instead, I'm plucking them furiously."

The Seattle women state that the ad is based on a comparison between men and women that capitalizes on inequities that women face in the U.S. today. Men are given automatic prestige for aging; women are made to feel ashamed of the natural process of aging.

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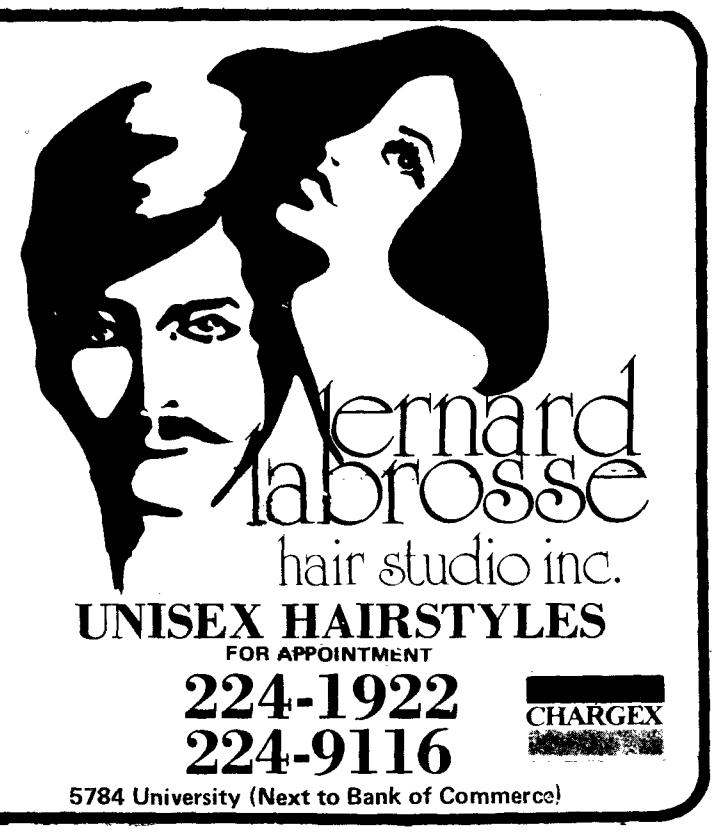

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* entries must be received at the UBC Alumni Association office, 6251 Cecil Green Park Road, Vancouver, B.C. V6T 1X8 (campus mail will reach us) by January 31, 1977. A panel of writers and critics will judge the stories and the winners will be announced in April.
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