Anderson's presidential push gaining steam

By TOM HAWTHORN

SEATTLE — Illinois representative John Anderson arrived here Saturday for a seven hour blitz of campaigning before Tuesday's presidential caucus meetings. He came unaccompanied. Only a handful of supporters greeted him at the airport. And in this era of megabuck campaign funds, Anderson admitted he only had $15,000 for the entire Washington state campaign.

But when Anderson spoke at the University of Washington that sunny Saturday afternoon more than 3,000 people, mostly students, flooded an open field to hear the man the media says can't possibly win.

The turnout stunned Anderson organizers. It was the largest gathering of Anderson's burgeoning campaign — and it was by far the largest assembly for a political event at the campus since the anti-war demonstrations of the early '70s.

It's all part of what the UW student newspaper The Daily calls "Andersonmania" — an engulfing phenomenon as Anderson stakes his bid for the presidency on the college vote's new-found love for him as the latest messiah of American politics.

A phenomenon it is. As late as two weeks ago, Anderson was a virtual nonentity, in Washington state as well as most of the U.S. But support has been gushing forth since his stunning near-victories in the Vermont caucus and Massachusetts primary, where he snatched about a third of the Republican vote.

Anderson's string of successes lengthened Tuesday night when he made a strong showing at the state-wide Republican caucus meetings, virtually sweeping the Seattle precincts and enraging old-line conservative Republicans who felt cheated by the unprecedented appearance of Democrats and independents backing Anderson.

The sudden support has been astounding. When campus backers called an organizational meeting for the Anderson campaign, they expected no more than 25 volunteers. Almost 300 showed up, baffling organizers unprepared to deal with the influx.

While Anderson's strong showing in New England gave his campaign an immense boost, it has been his ability to successfully juggle his stance as a social liberal and fiscal conservative that is attracting the attention of the university and college crowd.

The Anderson leaflet distributed on campus lists four issues: his national energy program (which the New York Times has described as the most comprehensive of any candidate); women's rights (he favors the Equal Rights Amendment and freedom of choice on abortion); government spending (calling for massive cuts in spending and a balanced budget by 1982); and civil rights.

Anderson has also been quick to realize the importance of wooing the student vote. He received his loudest applause at the Saturday university rally when he spoke against the draft.

"I am opposed to registration and the draft, not because I think this generation of Americans is any less patriotic than the one I belong to," he said. "But I would say to president Carter that we ought to look at the cause and not the effect."

An obviously jubilant Anderson, buoyed by the thunderous ovations and spontaneous applause, ended his speech by calling on UW students to make "another blin-

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Council calls for hearing

By VERNE McDONALD

Student council voted overwhelmingly Wednesday to demand the Canadian Radio and Television Commission hold a hearing to investigate charges of racism levelled against the W5 television program.

But council defeated a motion to condemn undergraduate societies at UBC which engage in racist or discriminatory activities.

The W5 program "The Campus Giveaway", aired on CTV last September, claimed one student in 10 in B.C. was a foreign student and persistently portrayed Chinese-Canadians as foreign students.

But statistics compiled for the show say only 4.4 per cent of B.C. students are foreign, a member of a UBC group protesting the show told council.

Phil Calvert of the UBC subcommittee of the ad hoc Chinese Benevolent Association committee against W5 also showed council a videotape of the program, stopping the tape several times to identify Canadians who were portrayed as foreign students. In every case the students were Chinese-Canadians.

"There are 85 medical students studying on visa in Canada, not 400 as W5 claimed. Sixty-six of those are American," Calvert told council.

W5 also said 10 to 30 per cent of a University of Toronto pharmacology class consisted of foreign students, yet U of T has no visa students whatsoever, Calvert said.

He added W5 had claimed there are 100,000 foreign students in Canada, but a letter to CTV from the president of the Association of Univesities and Colleges stated there were only 50,000 foreign students in 1979. Only 18,000 were at the post-secondary level, the letter stated.

Council moved to send a letter to the CRTC supporting the CBA committee's call for a hearing and also moved to ask the Alma Mater Society donations committee to investigate contributing funds to the CBA effort.

But later in the meeting council defeated a motion calling for official condemnation of any AMS subsiduary organization involved in racist, sexist, discriminatory or illegal practices.

In other action, council received Tuesday's student court judgement declaring the arts undergraduate society's student council representative election invalid. Last year's representatives will remain on council until new elections are held.

Council passed a motion to have the AMS elections committee oversee the AUS election, to be held by the end of March.

Arts representative Brian Roach charged the motion interfered in the undergraduate society's affairs and did not give the AUS time to correct its election procedures in a new constitution.

"We must have a new constitution before an election can be held. The previous one, dated 1966, is well out of date," Roach said.

Dean doubts Godiva will be halted

The Lady Godiva ride and the Red Rag might appear again next year, according to applied science dean Martin Wedepohl.

The engineering undergraduate society's recent statement on the two controversial events was weak enough to arouse doubts of its sincerity, he said Wednesday.

"I would have been more optimistic if the statement had read that the last Godiva ride had taken place. I was somewhat concerned by the fact that the statement said that neither Godiva or the Red Rag would be continued in its present form," he said.

The statement also said the EUS will aim to produce more professional publications and will try to improve relations with the university community.

But Wedepohl said he is not sure how the EUS will accomplish their goals and answering that question "would be like asking me to look into a crystal ball."

He added the fact that the announcement came after this year's Godiva ride was "unfortunate."

"I would have viewed it (the EUS statement) as much more positive if it had occurred before the Godiva ride and the appearance of the Red Rag," he said.

The statement was an attempt to convince Wedepohl to attend the EUS annual ball he said he would boycott because of the Red Rag and the ride, he added.

Attending the ball would be condoning the EUS activities including the two events of which he strongly disapproves, he said.

"The time sequence was the wrong one for me to change my opinion (about going to the ball). As far as I was concerned, I saw nothing in the statement to change my mind."

Marlea Haugen, Alma Mater Society vice-president and EUS member, said she agreed the statement concerning the controversial event is ambiguous.

"Basically I don't think that there is anything really earth-shattering in it, but I think that the intentions in it are really positive and it's a good move," she said.

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WRATH OF GOD collects behind unwary student who had spent unrighteous day thinking evil thoughts of diabolical practices after reading subversive campus rag. Avenging angel soon appeared to punish sinner by reading her collected thoughts of George Hermanson, transcending her sexuality beyond genitals.

Sexism bared at Dalhousie

HALIFAX — Students at a Dalhousie University men's residence raffled off a female stripper at a recent party.

And that was after an engineers' "stag and stein" night was deemed "a slap in the face" to women and was cancelled.

The engineers had originally scheduled a strip show but protest by human rights and women's groups on campus forced its cancellation, said organizers. And now campus activists are up in arms over the presence of a stripper at the party.

Education professor Toni Laidlaw said she is dismayed at the residents' behaviour in view of the protest over the engineers' proposed bash.

"I'm just wondering why they did it," she said. "Weren't they aware of the whole question with the engineers?"

Laidlaw was one of the people behind the protest against the engineers' event. "It exploits the women doing it and is a slap in the face of all women," she said.

Christine Ball-MacKean, president of the Dalhousie women's faculty organization, said the engineering society's desire to bring in strippers reflects a more widespread problem of sexism at Dalhousie.

Laidlaw said she is annoyed at the lack of student response to the two incidents.

"The thing that bothers me the most is why aren't students getting upset? We just can't keep speaking out alone. The students have to start speaking out themselves."

A mens' residence council spokesman said the council did not know a stripper would be at the March 8 party.

"This is the first time that a stripper has ever been brought in," he said. The party was private and not sanctioned by the council, he added.

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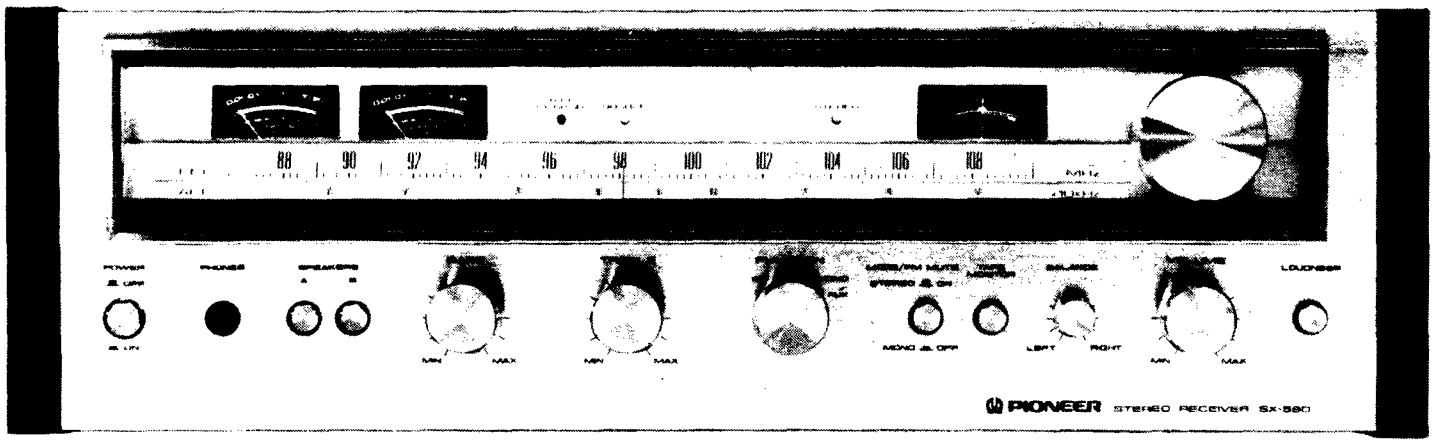

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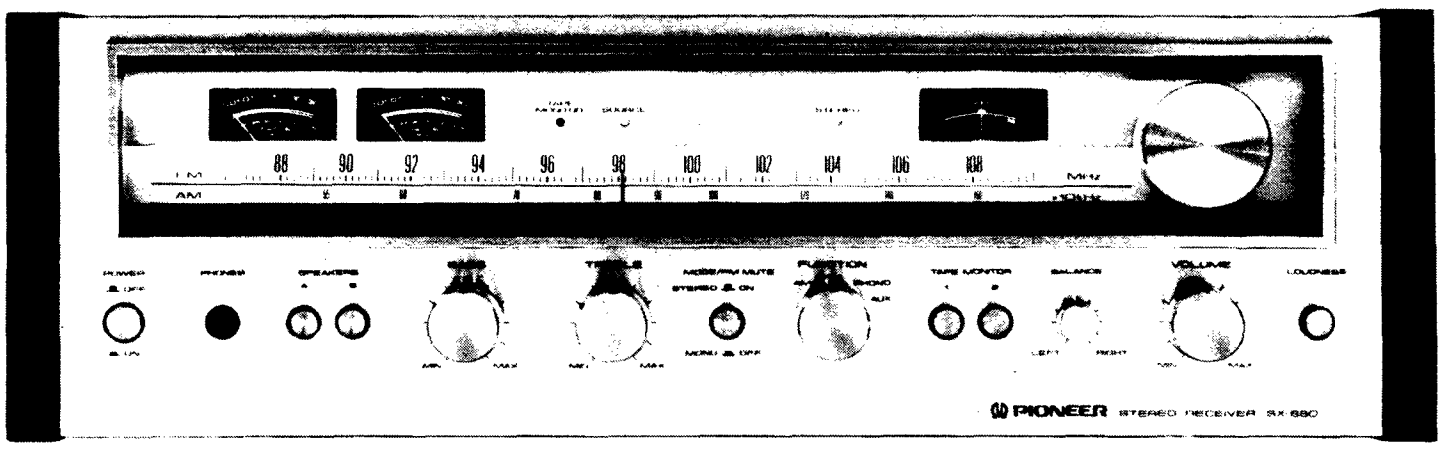

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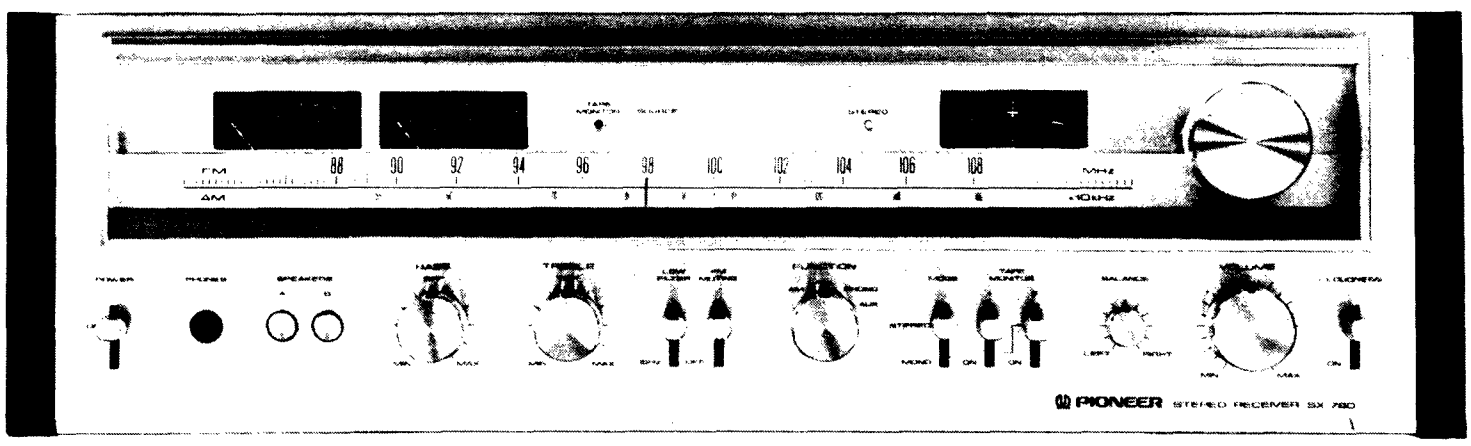

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Board 'misleads' public over park

UBC's board of governors is misleading the public with incomplete and biased facts on the research park, student politician Marty Lund charged Wednesday.

In a statement published in the administration's newsletter, the board avoided certain key issues that have been subjects of dispute in the research park controversy, said Lund, student research park committee chair.

The statement does not specify the types of research the university will allow in the park, the park board of management's composition or the amount the university plans to charge for research park land, he said.

And Lund said the statement misses key points included in an official board document he obtained that outlined the university's detailed guidelines for the research park's development. They include:

- a university decision agreeing to limit UBC's participation to only half the members of the park's management committee;
- a proposed land rental rate of only $1,000 per year; and;
- a guarantee the university will consider expanding the park onto UBC lands between TRIUMF and Marine Drive.

Administration vice-president Erich Vogt denied any knowledge of the detailed guidelines but said the university might consider expanding the park. "That wouldn't surprise me," he said.

Lund said the board's statement is a flack piece and a sales job. "They're not being honest and up front about it," he said. "They've been acting as salespeople and promoters for it instead of informing the public.

"The board has admitted to their responsibility to inform the public, but they are being selective in the information they are releasing. It is an insignificant step."

Vogt said he has not read the board statement but added he welcomes it as an invitation for public input. "I think the university has always welcomed public input. The present effort may very well have some effect."

And Vogt said massive public reaction might change the university's position on the research park. "The university always listens very well," he said. "The university has always paid attention to the public."

But Lund said he doubts the university will act on public input, and added he doubts the board's published statement will encourage many people to express their opinions on the research park.

"I don't think there will be much interest from people to write letters when there won't be much attention paid to them," he said.

Resident's committee 'arrogant'

Charges that the Walter Gage residence standard's committee is prejudiced, unfair and unjust were denied by the committee chair Wednesday.

Murray Blok said the committee acted with justification when dealing with two residents accused of disturbing peace in the residence by throwing beer bottles down a stairwell.

"We busted our asses off working on it is all I can say. We worked hard and it was not an easy decision," said Blok.

But the committee falsely accused Rob MacDonald and Rob Edwards of the act and later evicted a student who confessed to the crime but only after the two appeared before the standards committee.

And one resident called the committee, "the worst . . . I've ever seen." Sandy Correia charged the committee worked entirely with circumstantial evidence that lead to the incorrect decision.

"They won't even admit that they're wrong. This is the worst handling of a case I've seen because they evicted those two without any evidence whatsoever," she said.

The committee found MacDonald and Edwards guilty and set an eviction date for Feb. 26, she said. The day before they were to leave the decision was reversed when one of their quad mates admitted to the crime.

Another Gage resident, Joanna Chadwick, said the committee was "arrogant" and criticized its members for "making up its mind before hearing the evidence."

Chadwick, a quad mate of committee member Jane Woltersdorff said after Edwards and MacDonald were cleared of the charges Woltersdorff said they were "lucky to get away."

"Jane said they were lucky they didn't get kicked out, so I asked her why. She said 'because they wasted our time.' "

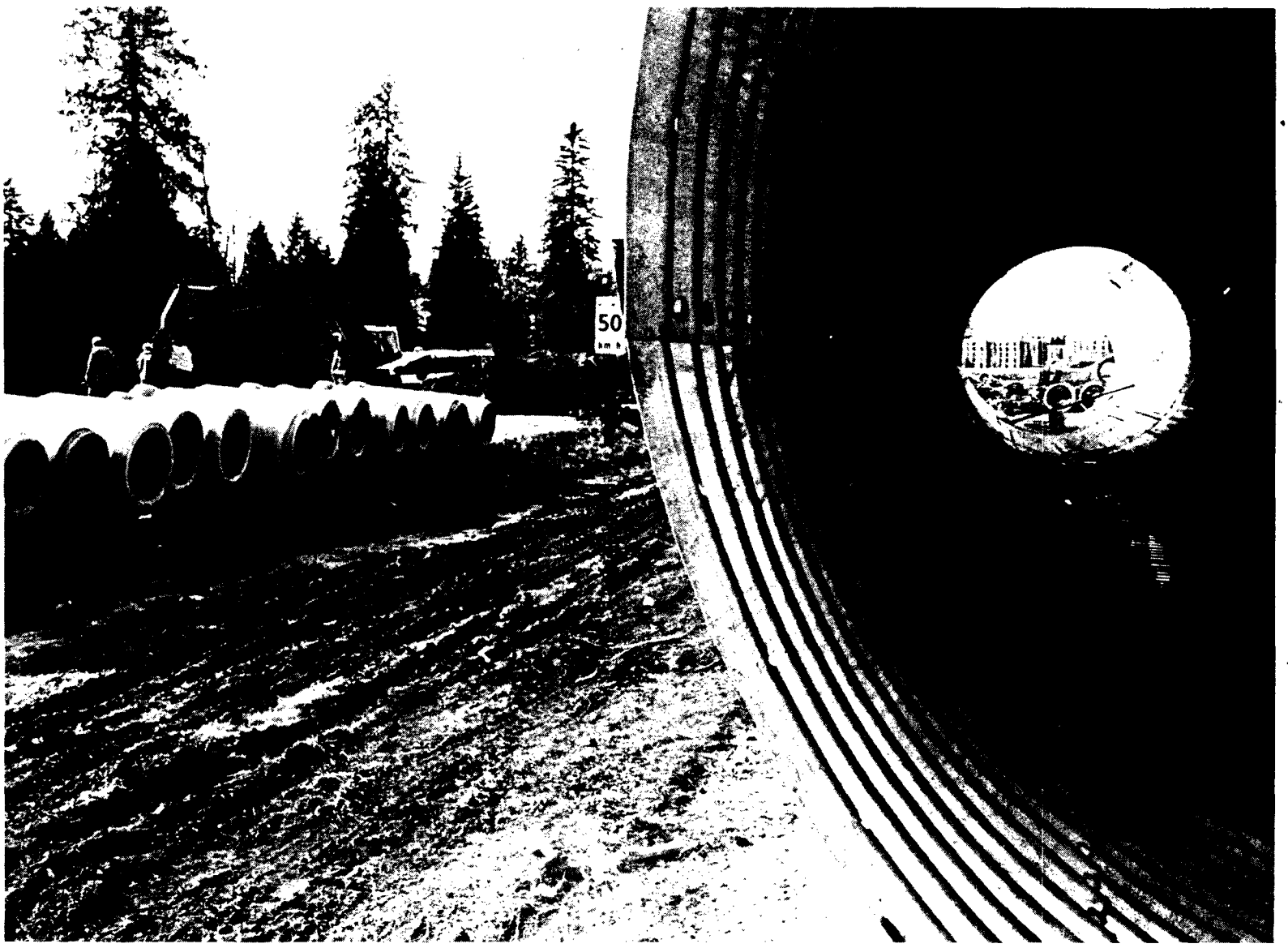
Chadwick said the original committee's decision was based entirely on circumstantial evidence and had no real proof MacDonald and Edwards were guilty.

But Blok said there was physical evidence indicating the two were guilty.

"I don't see any gross injustice when you have physical evidence which points to a particular quad and the only two people found in that quad were evasive and abusive. That is certainly a cause for suspicion," he said.

Edwards termed the standard's decision and investigation "a farce".

"I think it was a farce to start with. They assumed we did it and acted on that basis. They were looking for somebody to put the blame on and we were the scape goats."



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UNDERGROUND WALKWAY which will eventually allow students to cross under freeway being built where 16th Ave. now plies its weary way through newly created mudflats shows light at end of tunnel of future, revealing how endowment lands will look when development plans of administration are implemented, turning UBC into concrete jungle where walking on grass will be replaced by sauntering along iron artificial caves. Such is progress, advancing inexorably back to days of troglydites.

U.S. cracks down on student loan defaulters

By PETER MENYASZ

SEATTLE — U.S. government agencies are exchanging information in an effort to catch up with student loan defaulters.

"The (U.S.) office of education has a link with the social security administration," J. Adam Maestas, University of Washington financial aid director, said Tuesday. "And with the aid of social security numbers they'll be able to find the defaulters.

"They'll be able to tell us where his (a loan defaulter's) last paycheck was from."

Maestas said he is unsure how the legal complications were handled by the education office and social security administration. (A privacy bill prevents government agencies from releasing personal information, even to other government agencies. But a social security administration representative told The Ubyssey in February that the agency would release personal information to help the U.S. government track down draft evaders living in Canada.)

But an education office spokesman said Tuesday his agency has no arrangement with the social security administration to get information on loan defaulters. "I don't believe it's through the social security administration," said Phillips Rockefeller, director of the education office's Seattle student loan office. "But he (Maestas) may know something that I don't know."

And universities have agreed to provide each other with loan records of defaulting students, Maestas said. He added that the University of Washington will be able to find out a transfering student's loan payment record. "We check the student out a lot more carefully than before," he said, "and we share information with the other institutions."

Students who have defaulted on loans or been excessively late making payments, either at the University of Washington or other institutions, will no longer be eligible for further aid, Maestas said.

"We consider him (a loan defaulter) a bad risk and we don't give him any loan money."

Maestas also said the university will no longer be reluctant to track down student loan defaulters and recover the money owed. "There was a hesitancy to go after defaulters in the past," he said, "but now that the federal government put teeth into the legislation we can go after them."

And loan defaulters who escape the university's collection system will be turned over to the education office for further action, he said. "But we would only refer the cases after we have exhausted our collection efforts."

Rockefeller said his agency's machinery to carry out the U.S. government's announced crackdown on student loan defaulters is not yet in operation. "It is in the process of becoming available," he said. "We have received some accounts from various schools. I think the University of Washington was among them."

Rockefeller said the institutions will have a choice of two ways of turning their bad accounts over to the education office. They will be able to either refer cases for further collection or turn them over completely to the federal agency.

If the education office is able to recover all or part of the defaulted loan, the money will be returned to the institution, Rockefeller said. But if a university turns a case over to the agency for final disposition any money recovered will be returned to the U.S. Treasury. "That debt is then owed to the U.S. government," he said.

Rockefeller said his agency has an arrangement with federal enforcement agencies to handle extreme cases. "We talked to the justice department and federal attorneys said that they would cooperate in bringing these people on civil charges."

But he said charges would only be brought if the university decides to give up on the loan defaulter. He said the education office will handle the cases as routine collections "up to the point where it might be appropriate to turn the account over for litigation."

But Maestas said the university is unlikely to turn their loan default cases completely over to the federal agency. He said if the education office prosecutes the defaulter and turns the money over to the U.S. Treasury the university will lose some of its allotment of loan money.

"I don't ever foresee us doing that," he said. "We need the money to be able to assist other people." He added the $1,469,918 currently in default on loans issued by the university would provide loan money for an additional 1,450 students if the money is recovered.

Park stance no surprise

When we first expressed doubts about the grandiose sell-out to private interests that is called Discovery Park, we were told we were making a lot out of nothing. There's no way, we were told, the government and the university administration would go ahead and push the park through without adequate public consultation. No way they would sell out the interests of the university. No way would they allow an open end on park expansion.

Now our doubts have become reality. The board of governors decision to exclude the public from the research park committee and allow only letters from concerned citizens instead of public hearings proves that it's impossible to be optimistic about the responsibility of the board when it comes to accepting views from outside its own sterile sanctum.

Nor has the board been acting responsibly concerning the interests of the university. The 52 acres of prime university land will be leased for $1,000 annually, a small fraction of what even one acre is worth. And faculty and student affairs vice-president Erich Vogt happily tells us he's not surprised that allowance is already being made for expansion of the park onto more land. Maybe he's happy because the expansion could bring in, say, another $200 or $300 a year, though we doubt the university will get so much in compensation.

Saddest of all is the performance of our student representatives on the board. At Wednesday's meeting of student council, student board representative Anthony Dickinson gave this explanation of the board's decision to exclude the public from decision making about the park: "They don't want to have a hearing, for whatever reason that may be, but they are going to better publicize their stand."

'It's time to call the repairman honey, air conditioner's on the fritz again'

Dickinson again: "They've asked concerned citizens to send letters, not just, you know, telling them they're wrong and all that, they want constructive criticism and ideas." Fine. As long as the public wants to give the board a hand with their hatchet job on the endowment lands, they'll be listened to. If they disagree, their letters will be ignored if not actually thrown away.

Perhaps those who represent us should take a walk through Acadia to 16th Ave. and cross into the forest that will soon be ripped out to make room for the playthings of captains of industry. Cathedral-like rainforest, criss-crossed with brooks and resplendent with silence, will surround them in gentle green.

That's where Discovery Park will be. (Why do they call it that when what they're going to do is destroy what is already a park and put up an industrial complex?) That's where, very soon, there will be few trees and less silence. If the increasingly crowded Vancouver area is going to lose its valuable park land, the people should have a say, a strong one, in deciding how and why.

Letters

Mostly whip and little miracles for Chileans

A miracle, a miracle cries Jim Gilchrist, Letters, March 4, Ubyssey the Chilean leper has been made whole again. The Keynesian virus (or was it Marxian) has been cleansed from the body politic of Chile by Friedmanite-Pinochet therapy, or is it an illusion perpetrated by the Chicago quacks. Let's take a look at the evidence as reported by the European press and the Chilean press using official statistics.

Inflation

Under Allende, inflation did not exceed 1,000 per cent as Gilchrist states. Reliable reports put it at about half of that figure. Still high by North American standards but then the Chilean economy was facing pressures to which those economies have not been subjected. That is, international embargoes led by the USA, 'destabilization' as part of a Nixon-Kissinger plan to keep Chile free from Marxism, and economic sabotage by Chilean entrepreneurs for the same purpose.

The demise of the Allende regime however did not see inflation immediately fall, in fact, at first it soared upwards. The subsequent reduction depended heavily upon spending cutbacks on social, health, housing and education programs, massive layoffs among government employees, and changes in the methodology of computing the rate. Inflation however, has not reached the "low teens" and is running at around 30 per cent per annum.

Unemployment

The claim is that unemployment is "all but conquered". During the Allende period unemployment on a national basis declined from less than 10 per cent to less than 5 per cent, but by 1975, under Pinochet, had climbed to 20 per cent. In Santiago, the capital and less affected by unemployment, the figures are 16.5 per cent for 1975, 11 per cent for 1977 and greater than 14 per cent for 1978. Since 1975 unemployment has been understated by omitting those who work under the program of minimum employment. These make work projects pay one-third of the minimum wage. These people can still be considered as unemployed and so figures since 1975 must be increased by 5-6 per cent per year. In 1979 in poorer districts of Santiago unemployment was as high as 95 per cent. Some conquest.

Purchasing power

Gilchrist claims that the Chicago boys have put "money back in the pockets of the citizens" who can now buy food, clothes, cars and even gas. Again this claim is hard to justify. Between 1975 and 1976 it is estimated that real wages slumped by about one-third, and that today Chileans' earning power is about that of 1970. Purchasing power at the end of 1978 was still close to 40 per cent less than what it was in 1972. This is in spite of the indexing of wages to the cost of living.

The result has been a declining standard of nutrition which has led to an increased incidence of disease and other health problems. These in turn have been exacerbated by a decline in the delivery of health care. Among children under 6 years of age 14 per cent are malnourished. Despite wage levels inadequate enough to provide for nutrition the Pinochet regime promotes 'autos para todos' (cars for everybody). The cheapest 'economy' car, however, after the downpayment costs 5,000 pesos per month. That is half the monthly salary of a skilled worker, is close to that of an office worker, and greatly exceeds that of people earning the minimum wage. Whether Chileans can buy gas or clothes is not very relevant given the nutritional standards and the inability to purchase the cars.

International trade

Gilchrist implies that the Allende government placed an embargo on imports. The evidence is that in fact the embargo was imposed from outside Chile. There were, it is true, high tariffs on imported goods but traditionally the Chilean economy was protected to encourage industrialization. That is, tariffs were not only imposed under Allende but existed during the preceding more conservative governments.

The Chicago boys have lowered tariffs and have made it easy for transnational corporations to repatriate profits and capital. The result has been that the country has been flooded with cheap luxury goods such as Scotch, but now the gross foreign debt is above $7 billion. Servicing the debt takes 38 per cent of the countries export earnings. This is the highest at any time in the history of Chile, and causes doubt about planned development goals. Furthermore the policies have not achieved economic diversification, and erratically priced primary products are still the major exports. Since the coup 90 per cent of total foreign investment has gone into 14 mining projects. Other sectors of the economy are still small and the price of copper dominates economic performance. These and related problems cause doubt about the future of the Chilean econom and the welfare of Chileans.

We find it hard, therefore, to accept Gilchrist's view that a new economic dawn has risen over Chile. We also find his lack of concern for the costs resulting from the loss of democratic and human rights difficult to understand. Finally his inaccurate statements, made to score academic points, only reinforces an illusion of well-being when the reality for most Chileans has been mostly whip and very little miracle.

committee for the defence of human rights in Chile

Satire of birth defects is 'degrading'

Has the possibility ever occurred to you that if you were to report on campus issues without using degrading terms to refer to just about everybody and that if you didn't publish things like the sick cartoon on page four of the March 6 Ubyssey (which is degrading to those of us unfortunate enough to be born with birth defects) that people might take your objections to things like the Lady Godiva ride a little more seriously?

Small wonder you have to plead with people to get them to work for you.

T.A. Stevens
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To err is human

Am amazed at the spelling mistakes in the March 6 edition.

Judgement "Kane passes" (page 1), embarrass "Godiva event" (page 4) and there was a third error which escapes me at the moment.

Could you do something about students scattering your paper after reading it? Between papers being left on the floor and trays of used dishes left at the tables at SUB I come home quite depressed. My daughter attends Simon Fraser so I asked her about this situation. She tells me "anyone taking a tray to a conveyance is always over 30 years of age." To me, this is a disgraceful situation! I dine at Shaughnessy hospital on occasion. Many of the diners there can hardly walk yet a tidier and cleaner place could not be found.

I find the students of today very disappointing both on the campus and on the bus. I witnessed a man on crutches left to stand on a bus while students sat despite the fact one bench is reserved for the elderly and the handicapped.

a senior citizen

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The desert. Where you can't remember your name. You can remember useless information like Matt King's brain capacity or Julie Wheelwright's opinion of narwhals. Verne McDonald tripped over a cactus perched atop which he found Steve McClure in another peyote dream. "You don't need drugs in Seattle," said co-scum Tom Hawthorn as Glen Sanford tied stones to his head so he could remember what Erica Leiren had to say about the thing. "The thing?" asked a puzzled and dried out Peter Menyasz. "Yes the thing," answered a mystic Heather Conn. "That's what we called it back east," she continued as Kevin Finnegan stuffed sand down his pants. "Kills the crabs you know," claimed the hirsute hibernian as Gary Brookfield danced in a circle around the corns-stricken body of Geof Wheelwright. "It's all those seconals that he takes in the morning," said Barry Gordon as the whole desert diorama folded back and became the Used-to-be orifice.

Letters

'Housing a flop'

The housing administration's proposal to convert Gage low-rise into a hotel demonstrates once again their preoccupation with profits and numbers instead of student needs. Mr. Davis plans to sacrifice 3 per cent of the student residences for the benefit of the other 97 per cent, however that 3 per cent represents accommodation for 104 students; accommodation which can't be replaced either on or off campus. Gage low-rise is the only residence which readily accepts married students without children and in Vancouver itself the 0.2 per cent vacancy rate makes suitable housing extremely scarce. If married people do manage to find a vacant apartment to rent or lease considerations put it out of their reach.

Many married students are dependent upon the availability of inexpensive housing to be able to continue going to school. Converting Gage low-rise into a hotel doesn't simply mean the elimination of a student residence — it means a diminution of married students' — opportunities to finish their education.

Mr. Davis plans to eliminate this vital residence yet he cannot even be certain that the hotel would make money or that the proposed renovations to Vanier and Totem Park would actually increase their occupancy rates. The major complaints at these residences are food and noise but the money generated by the hotel would not be used to alleviate these problems.

The success of the hotel itself is equally uncertain. Is it really very likely that visiting professors and government researchers on expense accounts will want to stay in low-rise unless there are some major (and expensive) renovations? It seems likely that a hotel would channel more funds away from renovation projects than it would contribute after the expense of new carpets, drapes and the cost of running a hotel are calculated.

If Mr. Davis does manage to convince visiting professors and lecturers that the low-rise would be a nice place to stay, UBC lacks the entertainment and dining facilities to make people want to come back. The food services cafeteria is hardly known for its gourmet cooking and as for entertainment, many visitors may not find the idea of downing a few beer at the Pit a particularly relaxing way to spend an evening (no offence to the good people there). For many people visiting the campus, UBC is simply too far away from the centre of Vancouver with its restaurants and other facilities to make it a desirable place to stay.

The conversion of low-rise into a hotel will disrupt the student community within Gage towers; do the people in Gage really want hockey and football teams staying within earshot or wandering through the towers? Parking, already scarce around the towers, may also become a problem as hotel guests and their cars arrive on campus.

Converting Gage low-rise into a hotel won't solve any of the problems, financial or otherwise, of the housing administration but it will create financial hardship for those married students who will be left without a place to live and it will create problems within the Gage community itself.

Rick and Laurie Wilson
Gage low-rise residents

Davis scheme unacceptable

The purpose of this article is to bring to attention certain misleading statements made by Michael Davis, director of student housing, in his letter of Feb. 5, 1980, to The Ubyssey.

Mr. Davis termed his meeting with low-rise residents a "preliminary discussion". We saw it as being no less than an ultimatum. That is, our choices were either 1) conversion of Gage low-rise into a hotel or 2) an immediate increase in residence fees.

One might question Mr. Davis' sincerity in desiring student input, as we were given only one week's notice of the meeting. No written information was available before the meeting which might have enabled us to offer alternatives or contest his proposal with facts. The meeting itself was unproductive. Although student suggestions and questions were brought forward, Mr. Davis did not acknowledge them or respond in a positive manner.

Two points must be made regarding Mr. Davis' allegation that residence fees would have to be increased by 50 per cent increase in *residence* fees only ($450) and *not* in food service fees as well, which would be an additional $450. Secondly, the statement that residence fees would have to be increased by 50 per cent is misleading. Mr. Davis said he expected low-rise as a hotel to earn $60,000 a year net profit. He estimates renovation costs at $8-10 million. Therefore, assuming renovation costs of $9 million low-rise as a hotel would have to be run for 150 *years* to generate this sum!

In contrast, let us look at the revenue that would be generated by a 50 per cent increase: placing the number of residents in the four residences at 3,808-4,000, an increase of $450 for students in Totem and Vanier, plus and increase of $500 for Gage high-rise and $550 for Gage low-rise residents, would result in a total of $1,544,400. With a 50 per cent increase, the $9 million for renovations would be raised in *50 years*. To compare a system designed to generate $9 million over 150 years with one designed to generate $9 million over six years is ridiculous. Mr. Davis was simply making sensationalistic statements on the assumption that people would unquestioningly accept what he said.

Concerned low-rise residents challenge Mr. Davis' proposal as unacceptable 1) both as a feasible economic scheme for developing revenue and 2) in the removal of affordable, on-campus housing for 23 couples as well as 60 senior and graduate students who require a quiet, private work environment.

Laura Halleran and
concerned low-rise residents

UBC hard to open

I would like to wish Dr. Charles Culling and his organizers a very successful health sciences open house this coming Friday and Saturday.

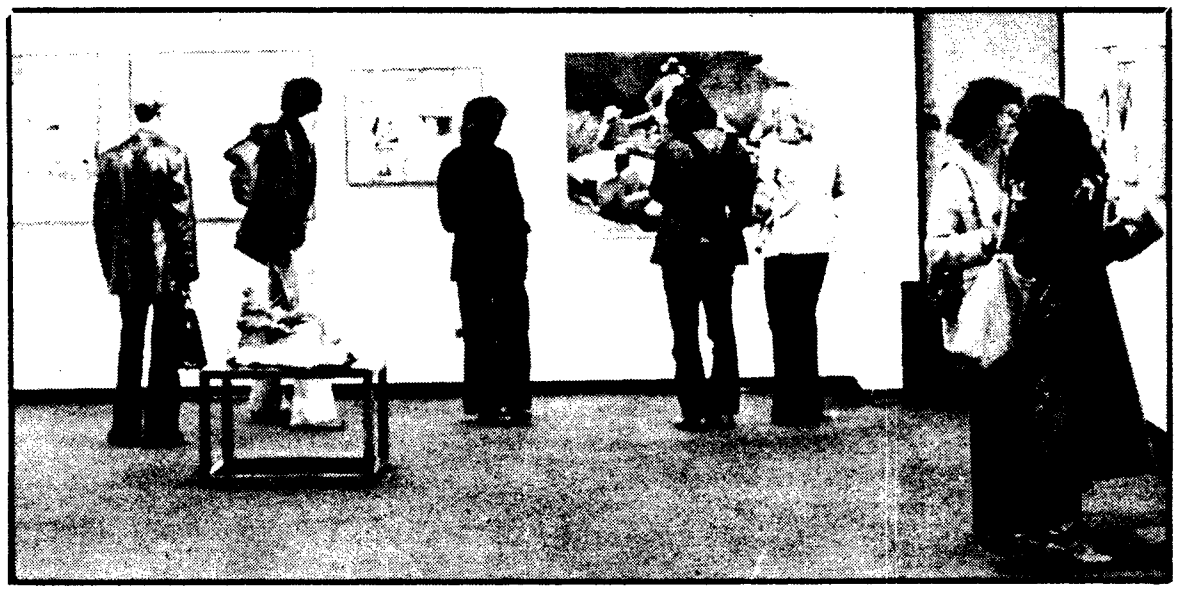
I know from personal experience that organizing an open house is quite a job. It is however rewarding and I hope many people take advantage of this opportunity to see a part of UBC.

Geoff Smith

Week redundant

Isn't arts week rather redundant this year? After all, we have already had women's week and gay week.

Rod Pearce
applied science 2
and 93 others



SUB ART GALLERY . . . spacious ideal location for artsy lounge

Dump art gallery for funtime lounge

artist n. One who practises one of the fine arts, esp. painting; one who makes his craft a fine art (artist in words, etc.); artiste; (Austral., N.Z.) devotee (usu. w. definging wd; booze artist)-'s proof, copy of engraving taken for the artist and valued as fresher than ordinary copies; - hence -ry (5) n. (f.F. artiste f. It. artista (art ART2; see -ist))

The student gallery is being used by a minority of students. The space should be a lounge. We need a lounge. It's a good location, it's spacious, and it's a facility which all students could enjoy. I don't see what the problem is. I mean, you people can still put art up on the walls. The room will be decorated with art. You people should be happy about that.

Don't you think that a university should be a place which allows students who are serious about art to carry on their exploration with as little restriction as possible? Don't you think that a university is a place where an art student may experiment freely with his artistic concepts? You don't seem to realize that not every artist makes art which goes on the wall. Converting the art gallery into a lounge would be a great restriction on this freedom. The students on campus would see only a fraction of what is possible in art.

artless a. Not resulting from or displaying art; clumsy; guileless, ingenuous; hence -ly2 adv., -ness n. (f. ART2 2-less)

We understand that the cost of plumbing, ventilation and electrical work would cost about $10,000. We have also been told that once the new lounge is fully furnished and supplied with bar equipment the cost would be an additional $35-60,000. This is a total of $45-75,000. The money you are using is student money, and we understand that it is possible to act upon the conversion of the gallery to a lounge without a referendum. We must act responsibly on this issue. We must pause for a moment and think about how this decision will affect the students in the future. Will this be a compromise which will further damage the existing hostilities and misconceptions about art? Are we truly considering the priorities? What will happen to art in the future.

As I see it, the students want a lounge. The students need a lounge. It's a good location, it's spacious, and it's a facility which all students could enjoy. The students who come in here to drink will be happy and we'll be making money. Let's face it, with all this wall space the place will be full of art.

Merike Talve
arts 2 (art history)

The dot on the map that's worth billions to B.C.

On a map of B.C., you'd have a hard time making out the area taken up by our various mining operations . . . because all of B.C.'s mines together account for only .013% of our provincial land surface.

By way of comparison, provincial roads and highways take up roughly ten times that amount of land, and saleable forest reserves occupy 20% of the land.

While mining is a relatively small speck on the map, it looms large in economic terms. It is B.C.'s second largest industry . . . and contributes about a billion dollars each year to the provincial economy. That total is made up of mining payrolls, the purchase of materials and services, plus taxes and dividends. Each year the mines of the Placer group . . . Craigmont, Gibraltar and Endako . . . contribute more than $100 million by themselves.

They are part of an industry that may be the biggest little enterprise B.C. ever had!

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Ride needs brain not brawn

The solution to the Lady Godiva problem is simple. Without the support of one key person, the ride cannot possibly take place! That person is the "Lady" herself. The women's groups and other protestors of the ride should not only be questioning the morality of the engineers involved, but also of the female who makes it all possible. What does she think of the situation? Does she realize what she's doing to her sisters when she accepts the ride? Does she care? Are those against the ride infringing on the rights of women who freely choose to be subjects of sexuality, ridicule and public display?

I'm against the ride, but I'm also against some of the current politics for getting rid of it, which seem to involve more brawn than brain. It will take a heavy hand indeed to squash the antics of a group of high-energy engineers, although I don't doubt that it's possible.

Gears 'exhibit spirit'

The anti-EUS stand presently taken by the "student" newspaper under the guise of women's rights would remove much diversion and levity from an increasingly mundane campus. As to women being somehow coerced not to enter the faculty of applied science, I can assure you that the reverse is true. One of the worst parts of being a male engineer is the lack of fellow female students. For this reason, many engineers are deeply envious of male nursing students. Engineers welcome women students and many have been elected to various positions within the faculty.

A successful fight against engineering antics will throw a wet blanket on activities by all faculties and leave us with a university totally devoid of campus spirit and seriously lacking in student freedom. But alas, it seems that certain people just can't stand to see groups exhibiting solidarity and enthusiasm, since they pale in comparison.

O. Berry
civil engineering 3

P.S. I feel your (our?) paper prints the opinions of the staff and does not reflect accurately the feelings of the bulk of the students.

Godiva ride supporters must count their blessings

Try to imagine in your mind what it feels like to be unfairly discriminated against. Imagine what it feels like to be humiliated by groups of people, or to see another humiliated for something which you share with them. Now imagine your attitude towards a ritual which, to you, symbolizes that discrimination and humiliation.

Those who are unable to understand the opposition to the Lady Godiva ride must be fortunate enough to have never experienced discrimination themselves. They should count their blessings and refrain from acts which others, as a result of their own experiences, are more sensitive to.

Jane Friesen
arts 3

What concerns me is the bitter taste this defeat is going to leave in their mouths, especially when it isn't necessary. Wouldn't it allow a lot more graceful bowing out if they simply couldn't find anyone to ride next year?

I'm being simplistic, of course. Men will always be able to find women who are eager to become the butt of their jokes and their playthings. It's a sad cliche, but women very often are their own worst enemies. What are we to do?

Let's start by making it clear that the woman on the horse has nothing to do with the women at this university. She's a prostitute and likely has less than a high school education. She's in her profession through choices and circumstances that perhaps are regrettable but must be recognized as inevitable and unchangeable — as the long history of this profession shows. The engineers may disgrace women with the ride, but the "Lady" herself must also bear an equal weight for the disgrace of her sex, if that's what it is.

I'm not so sure engineers can be a pretty thick lot but I'll bet that most of them know the difference between a whore and their mothers, sisters, female friends, lovers and wives. What women's groups need to do is try to convince the "Lady" not to ride, and, failing that, emphasize the differences between her and all the women not on the horse.

She's a large part of the problem and fortunately a large part of the solution.

Brenda Gined
science graduate

'Women's associations encourage the engineers by protesting too much'

I have been reading The Ubyssey since I started attending university at the beginning of this term.

I have not as yet come across one copy in which there is no mention of the "sexist activities" of the EUS.

In every edition of The Ubyssey there is at least one letter by a member of the AMS women's committee or some other women's association condemning the EUS.

Frankly, I do not see what the fuss is about. If UBC's women engineers do not see the EUS's activities as sex discriminatory and can take the Lady Godiva ride as a joke, why can't the other women's associations?

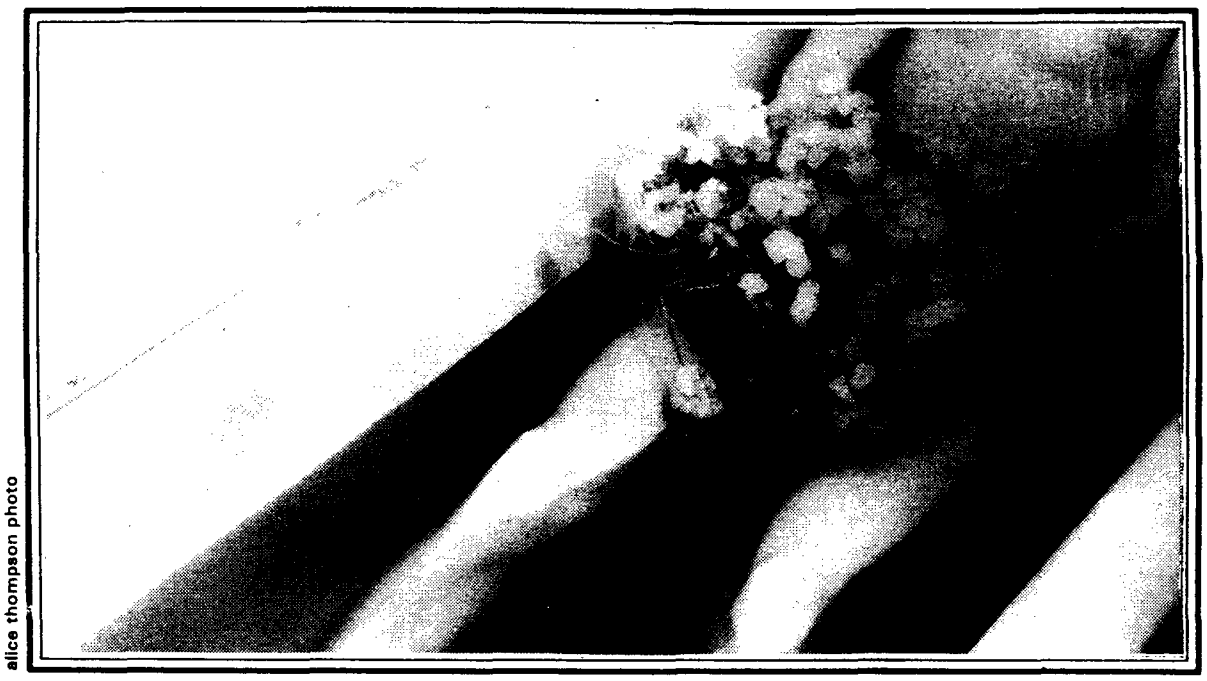
If anything, the women's associations are encouraging the EUS in its activities by having all these protests.

I think it's time the members of the women's associations developed a sense of humor.

If the women's associations really do not like the Lady Godiva ride, why do they not get together and arrange a "Lord Godiva" ride? If the engineers do not make any fuss about that, it would just prove that the engineers regard the Lady Godiva ride as a joke, and nothing more.

K.S.
arts 1

Pope, lesbians and others should not be offended



alice thompson photo

NUDE MALE . . . offends dignity of the human body

Do you not think you are being just a bit hypocritical? First you say in your editorial (March 7, 1980) that the engineers on campus should cease the Lady Godiva ride because it offends so many people. And then you print two other scenes, and one cartoon which is tacky at best.

The frontal view of a nude male with drawings all around his genital area is rather gross, it would seem, to anyone who defends the dignity of the human body. Sex is fine; but there are perversions of this holy act and some of your photographs indicate this.

Another item: that cartoon of the pope. I guess that it is fashionable to avoid offending all sorts of groups such as homosexuals, whale protectors, lesbians, and yes, even certain "in" religions. But the pope — he is fair game. Don't offend people by displaying a naked lady on a horse, you advise, but to offend Catholics on campus — this is O.K. I personally, do not need my intelligence insulted, because I chose a certain religion, amid, incidentally, all sorts of inaccurate statements such as Galvin's article on page 6!

John A. Dumas

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Fucking should repla

As a member of the faculty which has received a not insubstantial amount of notoriety this past week, I feel called upon to comment.

If you were in the streets of this fair campus at lunchtime Thursday you may have witnessed the engineering faculty's annual event: the Lady Godiva ride. There were numerous onlookers to enjoy this festive occasion and feast their eyes on a delectable vision of loveliness specially chosen to grace the event. However there are some members of this campus community who were perhaps slightly offended at this exuberant display of "enthusiastic solidarity". Therefore I propose a modest alternative which would prove to the many people who object to this ride that the engineers are not the irresponsible, sexist, childish faculty that some may call us, proceeding with this event merely to thwart the women's committees and all others concerned, but serious, mature, responsible adults who wish one week a year to relieve the grave amount of academic pressure and exhibit campus spirit. Anyone who could give a pleasing, fair, and acceptable solution to this matter of controversy would deserve so well of the public as to have his statue set up as a preserver of the university.

I will now humbly propose my own thoughts, which I hope will, not be liable to the least objection.

I have been assured by all to whom I have spoken about this matter that two healthy, well-endowed, wholesome Canadian students who could exhibit their talents of copulation, would provide general enjoyment for all, and

Stop Bugs Bunny beastism

That entire episode last Thursday afternoon was disgusting. It was appalling to see the blatant brandishing of one of the most important groups in our society. I strongly feel that the administration and, yes, the justice system should take appropriate measures on those involved. Lady Godiva? No, I'm not talking about her. I'm talking about that crude display of the effigy of a naked rabbit.

Rabbits are, indeed, an integral part of our modern society and their rights cannot, and should not, be raped. This high disregard for bunny rights can only result in social violence against them.

One can expect scenes of rabbit rape, high rabbit unemployment, increases in the number of street hoppers at Georgia and Hornby, and the cancellation of Bugs Bunny on Saturday daytime TV (sob).

Already contemporary expressions demonstrate this social violence. Expressions like, "they breed like rabbits," or, "watch out! that dog is rabbit" illustrates the depth at which the attitude of people towards rabbits has become. After Thursday's episode people will probably buy rabbits' feet thusly increasing the number of one-legged rabbits in our downtown area.

And what about rabbits in engineering? The faculty of engineering has no rabbits (yes, not even a hare) currently enrolled. This statistic doesn't surprise me at all. Bunnies are frightened of the possible scolding they might get from their engineer classmates.

The engineers' newsletter is bordering on beastism (the discrimination of one species by another) and I'm sure that after reading it bunnies decide not to go into engineering and go into arts instead. It's very difficult for a rabbit to get a job today with only a B.A. If rabbits can't get the education they need then how can anyone expect them to bring home the carrots.

Rabbits make a positive contribution to our society in the form of lab rabbits, Bugs Bunny, the Easter Bunny, and the list goes on. In retaliation a group is being formed by rabbits and for rabbits. It's to be called Rabbits Against Violence Against Bunnies Against Violence Against Hares Against. . .

If you wish to join put your name on a self-addressed, stamped envelope and mail it to: Hotel Smith, 482 Slovic Street, Bulgaria; remember that's The Dusty Motor Inn, Suite 422, Las Vegas, New Jersey.

This issue is going to be taken to the highest authority possible, but if Alan Eagleson doesn't accept we will take hostages.

Paul Gaylie
science 3

'Laissez-faire' journalism pathetic

Once again The Ubyssey has managed to misrepresent the ideas embodied in the items they publish.

It seems to me that if the editors cannot accurately portray the content of letters and articles in terms of the headlines and graphics chosen to illustrate its perspective, no such editorial material should be included (Chains Cheapen Sex, March 11/80).

The Ubyssey's laissez-faire attitude toward journalism has detracted from the conscientious effort of many writers to provide concise and accurate portrayal of opinion.

Headlines and graphics should support an argument not deliberately detract from it. It would be much more professional to let the article speak for itself than to lamely make unsuccessful attempts to "sum it all up" with pathetic catch phrases!

UBC students depend on The Ubyssey as a forum for exchange of ideas and the paper has some responsibility to do justice to issues we feel are important.

Dianne Baker
arts 1

McClure 'blatantly behavioristic'

This letter is to point out some problems with Steve McClure's recent article Things Your Mommy Never Told You (Ubyssey, March 7).

Firstly, Leopold von Sacher-Masoch did not give us the 'concept of masochism.' Passive algoliauce, its original label, was well-known to the world long before Leopold bore his first bruise.

Also, McClure's blatantly behavioristic suggestion that Sacher-Masoch acquired his impulse by associating sex with being beaten clearly rests on the dubious assumption that "normal" sexual behavior is somehow ontogenetically prior to any variations thereof, i.e. variations are derivative. As psychoanalytic observations have shown (c.f. Kleine, Erikson), the developmental story is just the opposite, i.e. "normal" sexual behavior is merely a constellation of the "deviations."

James Giles

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...ce Lady Godiva ride

indeed this event has been widely acclaimed at noted European universities.

The engineers could propel a bed through the main, well-populated areas of the campus for the enlightenment and delight of all who might have the opportunity to witness this attraction of engineering week.

It would be wholly acceptable to the women's rights groups as non-sexist and non-injurious to female dignity. The engineers would be sponsoring an event that is socially acceptable and, at the same time, is a realitic exhibition of their attitude.

I must confess, in the sincerity of my heart, that I have no ulterior motives for suggesting this rational, modest alternative. I merely wish for the entire campus to see my faculty in its true light and not let the scandal surrounding the Lady Godiva ride to besmirch our good reputation.

S. Sweeney

Hoppkorv narada chukbar yalelok

I don't see why so many people are upset about my appearance on last week's Page Friday cover. All the employees of the Yale lock company wore similar accoutrements at least year's Shox and Lox Ball. Such devices have saved many marriages here in Ripple City, home of the finest locksmiths this side of Cracow. I actually enjoy the feel of the blunt metal as it penetrates my soft flesh.

F.R. Torment
Ripple City

Wheel your way out this week

I would like to bring to the attention of your readers the upcoming Bicycle Week in mid-March, sponsored by the Bicycle Alliance. The Alliance was formed to lobby for bicycle routes and facilities.

John Forester, a California-based engineer who has been interested in the scientific side of bicycle transportation has been invited to conduct a two-day seminar with city planners and engineers.

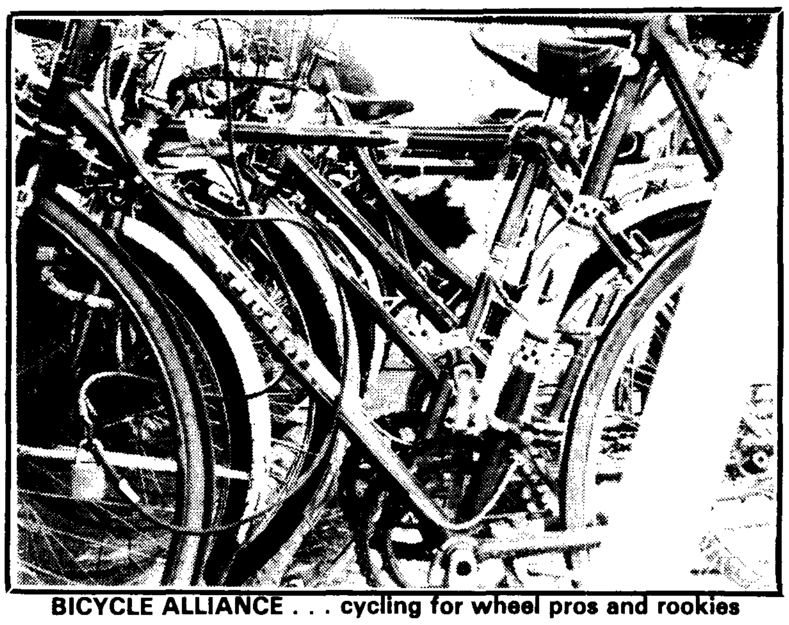
Forester will also be conducting the following public activities:

Today: Bicycle in the city, 7:30 p.m., Robson Square.

Friday: Course instructors' seminar for potential effective cycling, open to cyclists with 20,000 plus miles of road experience. Call 873-8067 to register.

Saturday: Free public workshop: Skilful cycling in traffic 9 a.m.-5 p.m. UBC Buch. 106.

Sunday: Recreational ride — all welcome. Leaves at 9:30 a.m. or Broadway and Granville at 10 a.m. Call 228-1698.



BICYCLE ALLIANCE . . . cycling for wheel pros and rookies

The purpose of these events is to unite cyclists towards a common goal of improving cycling conditions in Vancouver. These events are a chance for cyclists to get together, be informed, and to have some fun! Everyone is welcome.

Bicycle Alliance

The Ubyssey welcomes letters from all readers.

Letters should be signed and typed.

Pen names will be used when the writer's real name is also included for our information in the letter or when valid reasons for anonymity are given.

Issue was 'perversed and cheapened' view of sexuality

Some advice: if The Ubyssey is so desperate for material that it must resort to publishing the sort of garbage contained in Page Friday of March 7, it may as well close down its offices.

Being a somewhat old-fashioned person, this particular edition reminded me again of the saying, "yesterday's vices have become today's virtues," and I would like to ask whether you, as part of the mind-shaping media, do not feel any responsibility with respect to the moral changes you are helping to implement. Restraint, I know, is a strange word today. Nevertheless, one is awed at the confidence and brazenness with which the new age is welcomed.

Despite being awed, however, I say honestly that I am disgusted; several things in particular disgust me:

1. The pseudo-Christian ideas of one George Hermanson, e.g., "What is found in the Bible is a reflection of a particular anthropology. The writers did not believe that some people are gay as a given." This sort of compromising nonsense changes the firm and reliable word of God (as it has always been understood by real Christians) to an interesting sociological source-book without any particular relevance to a modern world, whereas in fact, the very being of God's moral law revolves around its immutability.

Other statements in the article are equally misleading: "God exists as a dipolar becoming, responsive and thus changed." After extracting the meaning of the English, one finds that it is in direct contradiction to Scripture, e.g. Malachi 3:6 "For I the Lord do not change," or James 1:17 "Every good endowment and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change." The list of examples could be multiplied, but I fear I bore you. In short, what I am saying is that people like George Hermanson distort the picture of both the Christian morality and the "liberated" morality and should get off the fence.

2. The article about Birthright gives an extremely biased view and endeavors to sidestep the real issue: life or death. For example, at the end of her article, the writer "tells the story the dedicated volunteer didn't tell." The reader will have noted that none of the "missing" parts of the volunteer's story deal with the fact of abortion, but instead complain about the open and quite legitimate activities of the Pro-Life Society. Furthermore, Miss Conn seems worried that "moral, ethical and religious decisions are blatantly being made before their own (i.e. the counsellor's) eyes.

What she seems to forget is that anyone who goes to Birthright is obviously looking for help in making a decision and, further, that even if one were to go to a more liberated counselor, who perhaps advised abortion, the "moral, ethical and religious decisions" would there as much as at Birthright be shoved down one's throat. The only difference to Miss Conn would be the fact that the advice of the latter would be more in line with her own preconceived ideas about abortion and, therefore, less offensive.

In short, Ubyssey, as usual, has presented a perverse and cheapened view of human life and sexuality.

Rob Schouten
arts 1

Birthright's counselling blossoms from love

Re: Birthright Pro-Counsel article of March 7:

It is disturbing that you are capable of combining such good writing with such wrong facts. Your ability to capture and portray a scene via the printed page deserves a more detailed attention to the facts which underlie your perceptions. I write, not in the spirit of confrontation, but to appeal to your sense of responsibility to maintain accurate reporting.

Firstly, Birthright has no association with the Pro-Life Society of B.C. In the Articles of Incorporation (Feb. 4, 1969), filed with the Province of Ontario it states that every Birthright chapter must "remain strictly and completely seperate from all lobbying groups, and activities affecting abortion legislation" (article III, 3). The intent of Birthright is to "uphold at all times that every pregnant woman has the right to whatever help is needed to bring her child to term" (art. II, 1).

Not withstanding your evaluation of the quality of the counselling you received, Birthright's guiding aim is to protect both the woman's right to have a child, and the child's right to be born. It follows therefore that your ninth paragraph beginning with "What the ads don't mention . . ." is totally false, and that your concluding five point critique is really mis-directed, and should be headlined by a phrase other than Birthright, Pro-Life Counsel.

It is understandable that you would be critical of the tactics and policies of Pro-Life. I personally share many of your views. But to direct your barbs (and very good ones at that) at Birthright is to do the community a diservice. As an organization, it is concerned with providing practical help to those women who freely choose to avail themselves of their services.

Secondly, your detailed description of the office decor requires comment. The Vancouver office is staffed completely by volunteers, all the office contents are donated articles and you do the agency injustice by confusing their (perceived) inadequate techniques with their genuine concern to help in any way they can. The organization is aware of the inherent difficulties of being involved in an issue as controversial as abortion. They are committed therefore to remaining as practically-orientated as is possible.

Our city needs more people with a vision which affirms the sanctity of *all* life, backed by a willingness to avoid political controversy and quietly give help where it is needed. I ask you to look beyond their alleged shortcomings and recognize the love out of which such help comes.

Robert Alloway
Regent college student

Hermanson — 'nonsense and confusion'

George Hermanson's article "Sexuality Transcends Genitals (March 7) contains such a mixture of nonsense, confusion and verbal dribble that I feel compelled to point a few of them out. Referring to his topic, sexuality, Hermanson says, ". . . we struggle with its meaning." We struggle also with the meaning of Hermanson's writing.

A few examples:

1). What is meant by "the evolutionary nature of sexuality"? This hypothesis seems to be one of the cornerstones of his argument. He states, "At one point in history our tribal consciousness did not make distinction between things. At that time we did not have sexuality." When was that? Did humans living in tribes not know the difference between men and women? Did they have sex but not sexuality? What about tribal people today? Hermanson's 'evolutionary' theory of sexuality smacks of the ethocentrism that many nineteenth century evolutionists used to justify their imperialistic practices.

2). In a similar vein Hermanson continues, "Human sexuality is the evolution of consciousness" What? Are we today more 'conscious' (whatever that means!) than we were 3,000 years ago?

3) Now consider this statement: "One can accept that it *appears* that the majority of us are heterosexual . . ." Appears, nothing! The majority of us are. And then "there *might* be some biological reasons . . . for that." Really George. Go take Biology 100.

4). What I find most confusing is Hermanson's use of the word 'anthropology'. To the best of my knowledge 'anthropology' means the study of mankind through physical, ethnological, historical and cross-cultural comparison. How does that fit into Hermanson's two sentences: "What is found in the Bible is a reflection of a particular *anthropology.*" What? "Paul's *anthropology* assumed that everyone is heterosexual." What?

5). I question Hermanson's advice to transcend "pre-scientific understandings". I see little evidence that science has increased our knowledge about human nature. To the contrary. Hermanson confuses wisdom (i.e.) scripture, with knowledge (i.e.) science.

6). And then there's this little jewel of incomprehensivle jargon: "God exists as a dipolar becoming, responsive and thus changed." Oh yeah? Now try and say that in English.

7). Finally, the worst 'til last: "The discovery of sex as pleasure made possible a more egalitarian sexuality." When was that great 'discovery'? Was there a time when sex was not pleasurable? George,

Let me tell you 'bout the birds and the bees, the flowers and the trees . . .

Alicia Priest
anthropology 3

sexuality

Sexuality transcends genitals

By GEORGE HERMANSON

Sexuality is not a seperate compartment of human life; it pervades all aspects of our relationships with the world. Yet we struggle with its meaning. It is clear that our sexuality is vitally important to the dignity of each of us.

When we examine the question of sexuality, with an acceptance that some of our community express their sexuality as gays, we focus the question better. We ask how can we live less fearful lives? What is the nature of a loving humanity? And how can we express our sexuality that communicates our personhood.

For this discussion I am assuming that our sexual orientation is given us. That is, we do not choose who we will be attracted to. Whether it is psychological, or biological, or both we are given our orientation. Some are gay in their orientation, others of us are not, this is a given, not a choice.

Orientation does not define our sexuality. It only determines who will be a potential partner. Sexuality is about sharing and expressing an intimate personal relationship with another. Those who are gay are just as capable of that expression as anyone else.

So, what I am going to argue about, the meaning of sexuality, applies to all people. True, understanding that gayness is a way of expressing sexuality changes our consciousness about sexuality. But that has been true of the evolutionary nature of sexuality.

Now, some will argue that heterosexuality is the norm. One can accept that it appears that the majority of us are heterosexual, and there might be some biological reasons, as well as psychological reasons for that. However this does not mean that gayness is abnormal. It just means that some were given that orientation, and it means that there are more than one sexual orientation. So, even if one accepts the debatable point that heterosexuality is the ideal, gayness is not immoral.

Others will argue that scripture condemns gayness. Funny, in no other field do we interpret scripture so literally. Everyone has some flexibility in intepreting the Bible. For example, we shave, which is forbidden in the Old Testament. We ...

... drogyny) Our human selves are enriched as we empathize with another person. This identification with the experiences comes through friendship as well as through intercourse.

This point of psychological bisexuality has sometimes been raised as an objection to gayness. That objection is based on a mechanistic understanding of sexuality as only genital sexuality. Since it is the friendship element of males and females that helps emphathize with the other, all who have deep friendships receive this intimacy. Because of sexism we lose richness of experience because it prevents intimate friendships. (In some ways gays seem to have this friendship with women more than those of us who are heterosexual.)

When women are put down we don't experience the fullness of our sexuality because we are cut off from the female experience. When we cease to objectify women our enjoyment will increase.

Depersonalized sex inhibits our sexuality and our richness. The fall back into genital sexuality, as the total meaning of sexality, is a loss for all of us.

I have been speaking as if this movement of rational understanding was only positive, an unambiguous move forward. Like all complexification there are negative results. And our understanding is not perfect. We struggle and some of our use of our sexuality is immoral.

One only needs to listen to The Knack or Meatloaf to know that we still struggle with the moral question of sexuality. We still reflect our society's objectification process and use people as objects or as an end for our pleasure.

The discovery of sex as pleasure made possible a more egalitarian sexuality. As well it still makes possible the idea of sex objects. (At least now we have male sex objects as well as female) So we need guidance to optimize our sexuality. Through ethics we can enrich our experience. Ethics give us ways to be self-conscious about our actions. Through value structures we can discover what we "ought" to do. This 'ought' arises not as an absolute but as a specific moral action. ...

INDIAN TEMPLE . . . human intimacy engenders divine intimacy

Letters

Staley sold on 'aural sorcery'

As the AUS has plunged itself deeper into Satan's debt we must once again register our protest against the aural sorcery presented in the form of a "concert" Thursday, Feb. 28, in the SUB auditorium.

As we were prevented by prodigious precipitation from partaking of our periodic promenade through the rose gardens, we were compelled to seek alternate afternoon activities. While contemplating the culinary delights awaiting the work-weary at the SUB restaurant, we noticed a crudely constructed concert call. Anticipating a cultural experience in accord with the ambience of academia — perhaps an undiscovered violin virtuoso — we decided with delight to descend the dark stairway to the auditorium.

Our enthusiasm became more guarded when we were confronted with the jackal-like grin of Bob Staley, erstwhile punk rock concert organizer. Nevertheless, with faith that our prayers for the poor boy's soul had been responded to, we stepped with some confidence forward into the foyer.

As we entered the auditorium proper, and beheld in horror the instruments of dark arts openly arrayed on the stage before us, and, at their controls the monstrous beings, indistinguishable from the previous primeval pantheon, a horrific howl belched forth, paralyzing us and the other unsuspecting lovers of the arts who had strayed unwarily inside. We struggled in vain to fend off the effects of this "nouveau necromancy", but it was not until the pernicious pounding subsided that we made good our escape from the clutches of pop art.

Once again our firm grounding in the higher values has succoured us and enabled us to withstand the devil's assault. Far from being deterred we are resolved even more firmly to fight philistinism.

We have noticed in your tabloid that some doubt has existed in some small minds as to whether or not we were "kidding" in our previous epistle. To the doubters we can only respond rhetorically, "What does one have to do to be taken seriously at this university?".

Arlene Churchill
Dan Foster
4th year grammarians

Get cabin fever

When students vote this week on giving the Varsity Outdoors Club money to repair and construct mountaineering huts, they should consider a few basic points:

- All of the money ($30,000) used to construct the Whistler (ski) cabin was raised by VOC through membership fees, through donations, through sale of other cabins and through loans which were all paid back in full;
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- In 1974, when the AMS assumed control of the Whistler cabin, the architect who designed it estimated its value at $250,000;
- In 1977, students' court, a neutral body, awarded VOC $30,000. However, the AMS refused to pay. Students' court has no means of enforcing its judgments;
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Deadline for project proposals is March 28.
To receive financial assistance to hire students, proposals must be submitted (post-marked) no later than March 28. Of course, it is to your organization's advantage to submit its application as early as possible, but March 28 is the final deadline. Now's the time to get that summer project off the ground.

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TOGETHER WE CAN DO IT THIS SUMMER

Andersonmania sweeping U.S. universities

From page 1

ding flash come out of the sky on the west coast" to match the one he sparked in New England.

Anderson is clearly revelling in the opportunity to snatch the crown as the darling of the college set, a crown not worn since Eugene McCarthy's grassroots college kids narrowly missed stunning the nation by grabbing the Democratic presidential nomination in 1968.

But most former McCarthy supporters would blanch at the comparison. While Anderson is not from the same conservative mold as a Ronald Reagan or John Connally, he rarely approaches McCarthy's New Left stance.

For example, Anderson discovered the evils of the Vietnam war at about the same time public opinion shifted to opposition. Yet his supporters insist that Anderson was one of the first to speak out against the war.

Critics accuse Anderson of becoming a "liberal" only after a large number of middle-class blue collar workers began moving into his district. They doubt the sincerity of his social issues message, pointing to his early voting record in Congress, where he consistently opposed increasing aid for urban development and housing programs.

Yet observers say that it is precisely his ability to cling to the tightrope between conservatism and liberalism the student voters are finding so attractive. Like most politicians, Anderson is trying to be many things to many people. Unlike most underdog politicians, he's actually enjoying some success.

That Anderson can count on the student vote is becoming a foregone conclusion. When the UW Young Republicans held a straw poll of their own, Anderson won 43 votes; Bush got 10; Reagan only 8; and Phillip Crane, 4. His support with student Democrats and independents is also strong, and will get larger if senator Edward Kennedy is unable to wrestle the Democratic nod from Carter, say UW observers.

But Anderson's biggest barrier might well be his own party. It is no secret in Seattle that the party hierarchy resents Anderson's showing among Democrats and independents.

Washington's complicated caucus system is open, allowing voters to select the party primary they wish to participate in. When the staunch Reagan backers, party stalwarts from the Eisenhower days, saw that their caucus meetings were being stolen by Democratic and independent Anderson backers, they bristled.

But the frustrated traditional Republicans have an ace they plan to play to skewer Anderson backers. As the caucus selection progresses, the "regular" Republicans have a greater influence. They make it no secret that they are not prepared to accept the late Republican converts' choice of Anderson.

Now some of Anderson's student supporters, mostly former Democrats, are charging that the Republican party regulars will tamper with the precinct voting results to damage Anderson's campaign. The student backers point to the party decision not to release any results, although the Democrats decided to do so.

That attitude reflects much of the distrust and disenchantment many student voters had before they adopted Anderson as their messiah.

When trying to describe why the Republicans won't release the results for a week, Daily editor Clark Humphrey shrugs his shoulders, saying, "Well, it's to give them a little time to fiddle with the votes." He's only half kidding. He's also only half wrong.

Banking on apartheid 'like a crime'

MONTREAL (CUP) — Universities that invest in the companies involved in South Africa should also consider investing in organized crime, says an anti-apartheid activist.

"The immorality would be the same," said Dennis Brutus. "If they want profitable investments maybe they should be selling drugs, setting up bordellos or getting into pornographic films."

Brutus, an exiled professor at Northwestern University in Illinois and a prominent figure in the fight for the deracialization of sports in South Africa, made the statement in response to the argument, cited by many university trustees, that the sole obligation of a board of governors is to guarantee the best return rate on investments without considering political issues.

Brutus was speaking at McGill University during the student-organized South Africa Solidarity Week.

Brutus said he could not comprehend how universities which pride themselves on being "bastions of morality whose goal is the search for truth and knowledge" could have financial holdings in corporations and lending institutions linked to the racist regime.

"It's a society where blacks are voiceless and voteless, with no right to strike or to even talk of a strike," he said.

Brutus warned McGill students involved in the divestment campaign about administrations which would respond by saying they might form a committee on social responsibility and maybe even a joint committee with student and faculty representation. "At Northwestern we soon found ourselves trapped in a vicious circle, running from one meeting to another.

"You must expect these difficulties, especially if you see who runs universities," said Brutus.

"What I ask of you is to help us remove this enormous octopus that strangles us and of which at least one tentacle comes from your country.

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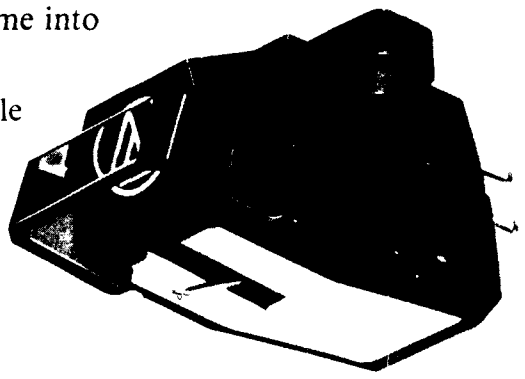

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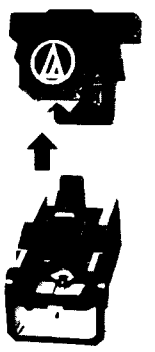

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INTERNATIONAL HOUSE
English language evening, 7:30 p.m., International House coffeeplace.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE
Lesbian drop in, 1:30 p.m., SUB 130.

MUSEUM OF ANTHROPOLOGY
Symbol of new hope, the Ukranian Easter egg display, museum of anthropology.

UNIVERSITY LECTURES COMMITTEE
Harry Gleitman speaking on Twenty questions for congnitive psychology, noon, IRC 3.

LSA FILM COMMITTEE
Paul Jacobs and the Nuclear Gang, a movie, noon, Law 101.

GAY PEOPLE OF UBC
Jamie Smith speaks on bisexuality, noon, SUB 212.

AMNESTY UBC
Election meeting, noon, SUB 224.

UBC NDP CLUB
Election of new executive, noon, SUB 119.

IVCF
Vocation panel with Regent students, noon, Chem 250.

TOASTMASTERS
Meeting cancelled.

WHEELHOUSE
Housemate purge and farewell kitty worship ceremony, midnight, Wheelhouse manor.

AMS ART GALLERY
General meeting, noon, SUB 230.

AQUA-SOC
General meeting, noon, SUB 205

LE CLUB FRANCAIS
General meeting, noon, International house lounge.

FRIDAY

WINDSURFING CLUB
Organizational meeting, noon, SUB 205.

GAY PEOPLE OF UBC
Planning meeting, noon, SUB 115.

GAY PEOPLE OF UBC
Coffee house, 8 p.m., Natey's on Burrard Drive.

AQUA-SOC
Club dinner, tickets available at the cage, 7 p.m., SUB 207.

WINDSURFING CLUB
Organizational meeting, noon, SUB 205.

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE
Dance with La Tropical reggae band, 9 p.m., International house.

GEOLOGICAL SCIENCES COLLOQUIUM
Talk by Mike Orchard on the nature, distribution, and uses of condonts and other microproblematica, 2:30 p.m., Geological sciences building, 330A.

LE CLUB FRANCAIS
General meeting, noon, International house.

SATURDAY

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE
Ethiopian refugee benefit dinner and dance is cancelled, 6:30 p.m., International house.

NEWMAN CATHOLIC CENTRE
Talent night and dance, 7 p.m., St. Mark's college.

SUNDAY

UBC SPORTS CAR CLUB
Auto slalom, registration opens at 8 a.m., B lot.

TUESDAY

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE
General meeting, noon, SUB 130.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE ORG.
Testimony meeting, noon, SUB 211.

EL CIRCULO
Films on Colombia, noon, Buch. 218.

HISPANIC AND ITALIAN STUDIES
Lecture by Professor Gullon on the Spanish literary theory, noon, Buch. 202.

Hot flashes

No nuke flic does the trick

Paul Jacobs and the nuclear gang is a movie about the U.S. government's attempts to supress information about the health hazards of low-level radiation to which it exposed millions of Americans.

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Eurojobs

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Seriously, the American-European student service has been assisting students in finding jobs and accommodation in Europe for the past 21 years. Employment is available in Ireland, England, Italy, Holland and France. All you have to do is write to American-European Student Service, Box 70, FL 9493 Mauren, Liechtenstein.

Seh Jah live

You like to hear the righteous music? You like to hear songs about the pirates and the bandits that rob poor people of their ganja?

If you dig reggae music and your blood runs cold when you hear that sweet Jamaican sound then leave this Friday open. The International House is sponsoring a dance with the band, La Tropical and the festivities begin at 9 p.m. in the International House upper lounge. Tickets are $2 for members and $3 for the unwashed masses.

TV lies and lies

If you never believed in the fallibility of the media you should now. The recent W5 program entitled "The Campus Giveaway" is another great reason to start thinking about what spews out of your television set.

The controversial program will be screened this Thursday in SUB 117 at noon. It is sponsored by the UBC Ad Hoc committee against W5 in conjunction with the Chinese students' association.

Okay. All right. Everyone has been talking to us, saying 'you guys must be desperate the way you're putting in all those off-centre ads screaming for some staff to come in and give you a hand.' It's true, except for one thing. We're not desperste. We know that you don't get expert, intelligent, well-educated and perfectly skilled people by being desperate. We're merely on the edge of suicide.

Don't laugh. Give me a minute. The reason I can say the seemingly entirely untrue shit above is that in reality we're not that much worried about staff. Staff we got. Too many of them. They drink my beer, talk to me about their boring social philosophies and are always asking for unrealistic loans they never pay back.

What we need are people who care, people who think a better world can be created, people who are concerned enough to want an input into whether Page Friday should run pictures of nasty hairy cocks. Maybe then we can get back to the good old aya, the days when no one had a philosophy, the editor bought me beer when I got him good and stoned and staffers lent me money I never paid back.

Actually I don't mind the current bunch of cretins too much. After all, they do continue a 60-year tradition of putting out the best student newspaper west of Blanca St. Some of them even engage in sexual acts that can be considered normal, at least by Page friday staffers. But the real bitch is none of them are going to be back next year. Except the very weird ones. We need someone to counterbalance these deviants who always disrupt the news conference meetings by trying to talk the editor into doing a stereo fix while they lick the underside of his or her nether parts.

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'Bird droppings

The UBC men's rowing team placed first in the freshmen, lightweight and varsity eights competitions at the annual Elk Lake regatta on the island Sunday. The varsity crew won with a time of six minutes, 28 seconds on the 2000 metre course.

The freshmen fours also picked up a second in the regatta.

The next regatta is the annual UBC invitational at Burnaby Lake on Saturday, March 22. The meet, which attracts crews from all over the Pacific Northwest, will be the first event for the women's crew since they were suspended for disciplinary reasons more than a month ago.

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The last slalom of the year for the UBC sports car club happens Sunday in B-lot. Races are open to anyone with a vehicle they suspect might pass a technical inspection, whether they are members or not. Helmets and encouragement are supplied.

In the slalom, cars race against the clock through a course of traffic cones. There are categories for all types of cars, including three cylinder Volkswagens which get seven miles to a quart of oil.

The race takes place in the paved B-lot across from the Osborne centre. In case of severe flooding, the event will be replaced by a bathtub race.

Registration commences at 8 a.m.

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The Thunderette field hockey team wraps up the regular season this weekend with a pair of games to decide if they make the playoffs. Saturday UBC plays the Tigers at 1 p.m. on McGregor field on the south campus and Sunday they meet Mohawks at 10:30 a.m. at Tisdall park at 49th and Cambie. UBC is one point out of a playoff spot before the weekend action.

The junior varsity meets Lomas at 11 a.m. Sunday at Tisdall.

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The UBC swim team posted good times but was swamped by a huge squad from the University of Toronto at the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union championships on the weekend.

Janice Blocka led UBC with two seconds and a third, while every member of the team posted career best times in most events. The 13 member UBC team finished seventh at the meet, held at Universite Laval in Quebec.

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For tennis enthusiasts, two upcoming tournaments on campus should remove the memory of that funny white stuff that fell yesterday afternoon, making outdoor courts unusable for a day or so.

The UBC men's team is hosting its open tourney at the end of March, and entry forms are available at the athletic office.

And the women's team will host schools from Washington and Oregon on the March 21 weekend in its annual invitational tourney.

Upcoming

TODAY

Men's soccer
UBC vs. Victoria,
12:30 p.m., stadium

Men's rugby
Victoria international tournament
UBC vs. Brigham Young,
11:30 a.m.
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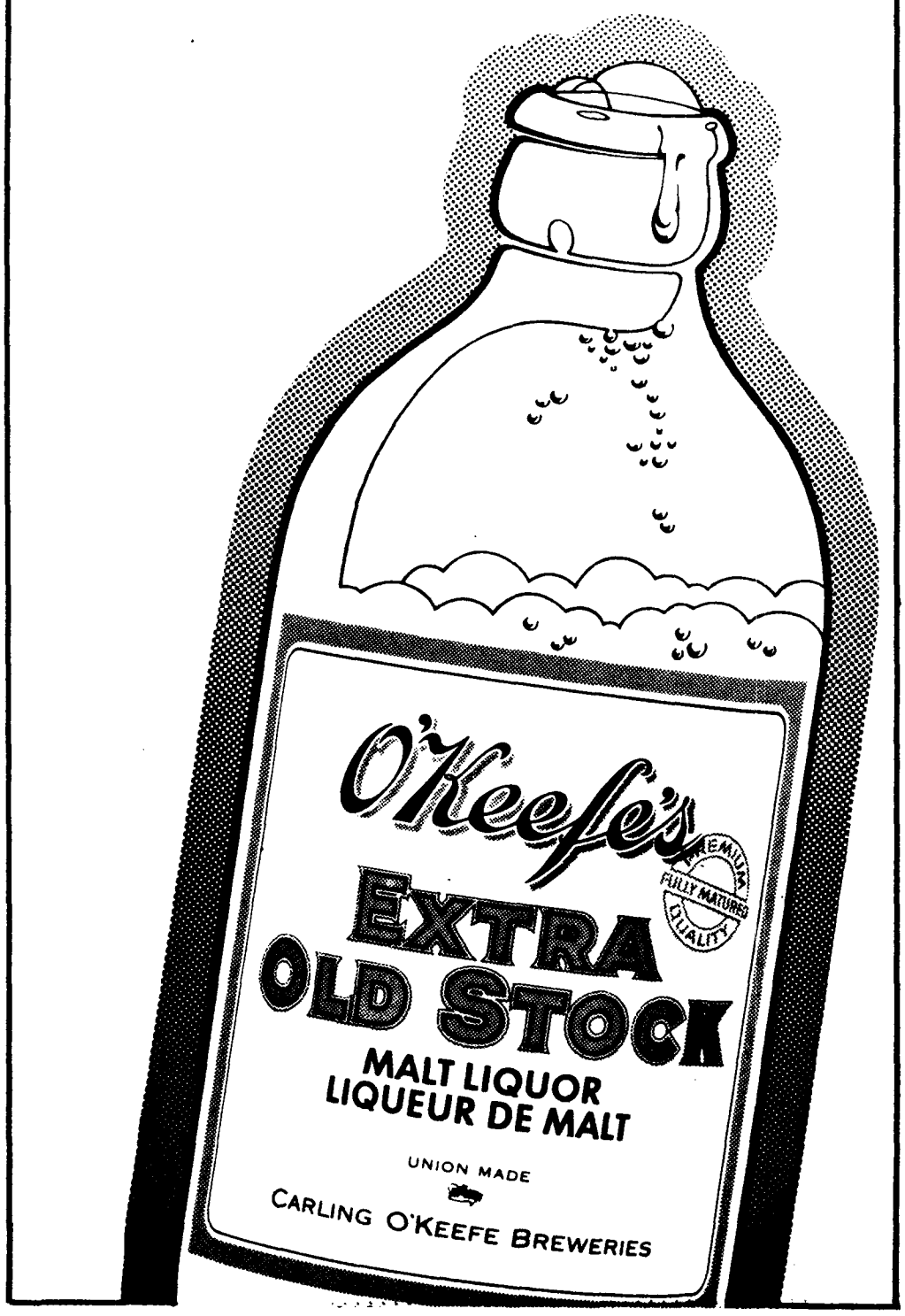

Rock Against Racism

Racists and rockers are fighting the latest Battle of Britain

By MORRIS ILYNIAK
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Somewhere in Southall, England, several thousand demonstrators have gathered for a concert. Southall — a suburb near London's Heathrow airport — is heavily populated by Indians and Pakistanis. It is also where the stink of racism is most nauseating.

The groups on stage begin to unwind. Pounding away at their instruments, they hurl vibes that shake the earth's crust and sail as high as the ozone. They aim at the very viscera of Britain's malaise. Punks with cow-cud haircuts and ears pierced with safety pins chant "Pogo on a Nazi."

Political punk.

"Punk characterizes the emergency of an authentic new and important youth culture among sections of working and lower-middle class youth," writes Paul Thompson in Radical America.

Various economic crises in recent years brought disillusionment for the young British working class who held some hope of escaping the dustbins of society. One section of British youth saw their images of affluence at an impasse, and from their "youth as victim of the British status quo" view of reality grew the punk mentality.

Punk is the outlet for feelings of alienation. Its music is a chaotic jumble of images and hyperactive musical forms which subvert conventional culture.

Pogoing and a deliberate attempt at being outlandishly gauche was a reaction to the estrangement of rock music and its superstars from the audience. Punk promotes oneness of musicians and audience. Participation becomes part of the total artistic expression.

"No Beatles, No Dylan, No Stones in 1977," was one punk slogan.

Paul Thompson calls punk dress "inverted consumerism." He writes that it is "an eclectic parody of consumer culture with odd bits and pieces (safety pins, zips and buckles, bin liners, ripped clothes, fetishistic sexual outfits, etc.)."

Over its brief lifespan punk has undergone certain cosmetic changes, yet underlying the surface of its excess vitality is still a political message. It points a disillusioned finger at the bleak, stagnant lifestyle of the British working class.

Capitalizing on its avant garde appeal, the music industry has turned some punk groups into million-dollar properties. Other groups, not wishing to join the chase for platinum, have found themselves involved in a youth movement called Rock Against Racism.

Rock Against Racism was founded after a spontaneous protest began against some off-the-cuff racist remarks blurted and later denied by Eric Clapton and David Bowie as far back as 1976. Since then, excellent promotional techniques and support from the musical press has made Rock Against Racism much more than an outlet for musicians with a political message. It has become an institution firmly entrenched in youth culture.

Over 56 Rock Against Racism chapters operate in Britain, with new chapters being formed in Ireland, Holland, West Germany, Canada, and the United States. In the past year they organized nearly 400 gigs in Britain, including defence gigs for demonstrators arrested at the anti-racist confrontations.

In conjunction with the left-wing Anti-Nazi League, Rock Against Racism organizes major carnivals. England's reputed biggest anti-fascist rally since the '30s took place in April, 1978 when 5,000 marched and 80,000 came to a carnival featuring the Clash, Tom Robinson Band, X-Ray Specs, and others.

Ostensibly started to mobilize white working class youth to stamp out racism, Rock Against Racism is now out to fight all forms of repression and intolerance. The now defunct Tom Robinson Band, for example, was explicit in its defence of gay rights.

But racism and the class structure still remain the main targets of political punk. Elvis Costello's Less Than Zero is an anti-Nazi song. White Riot by the Clash urges white kids to join their black brothers and sisters in dismantling Britain's institutions brick-by-brick.

Southall Jah Wars is a cut put out by the nefarious Ruts last fall. Calling for a holy war between black militants and white "hothead" racists, the song adopts its title from the Rastafarian word for "god." It Dread Inna Inglan, written in Rastafarian dialect by black poet and singer S. Lynton Kwesi Johnson "was so political," wrote one

Globe and Mail columnist, "that Island Records was reluctant to release the record during the British general election campaign for fear of retribution."

On the "other side" are groups like the Dentists, Souixsie and the Banshees ("Too many Jews for my liking") and formerly Sham 69. Some are affiliated with the Young National Front — youth wing of the British fascist movement.

Not your average narcissistic stuff.

"The basis of my conviction is neither genetic nor eugenic; it is not racial, because I can never discover what "race" means and I have never arranged my fellow men on a scale of merit according to their origins. The basis is political. It is the belief that self-identification of each party with the whole is the essential precondition of being a parliamentary nation, and that the massive shift in the composition of the population of the inner metropolis of major towns and cities of England will produce, not fortuitously or avoidably, ever-increasing and more dangerous alienation," said MP Enoch Powell about his Britain for British Movement.

The truth is that since Britain has become a multiracial society, it had better learn the meaning of coexistence. There are 1.9 million "immigrants" in a population of 56 million, and most of them are in the major urban centres. Nearly one million of these "immigrants" are British born children of non-white immigrants.

Unemployment queues lengthen.

Strikes become a common-day crippling event. Many whites fear that their jobs, homes and even culture are threatened by the coloured skins in their midst. The racial cauldron runneth over.

A white is mugged. A black teenager is pushed under a bus by white hooligans. Three whites beat a middle-aged Asian to death in a subway. Soccer crowds jeer black players. A Leeds factory worker of Asian descent is forced to build a 6 ft. hardboard partition around his lathe because fellow workers continually spat on him.

Then there are the race riots. Notting Hill 1976 was a particularly bad clash. In April last year, Rock Against Racism supporters battled with the National Front and 5,000 police in Southall. More than 750 were arrested, 30 demonstrators injured, and one dead.

As Britain's economic position worsened and immigration rose, many white working class youths drifted towards a violent subculture. They became the skinheads. They were easily identified by their crew cuts, heavy boots, and turned up jeans. These were stereotypic working class symbols.

The skins were tough. They supported their local football team by starting fights with the opposition's fans. The skins hated aliens. "queer-bashing" and "paki-bashing" were their idea of an evening's sport. They became the "shock troops" of emerging facist organizations like the National Front.

The skins formed the mob behind the National Front, seeing the decay of their lifestyle as a result of the influx of non-white immigrants. Founded 12 years ago, the National Front is now Britain's fourth largest political party, winning increasing success in local and national elections. "Its leadership," writes Martin Walker of the Guardian, "in-

cludes men who were once proud to be termed Nazi, who served prison sentences for organizing paramilitary groups, who talked of Jews as 'maggots', of blacks as 'scum', and who dreamt of the coming of the 'chill north wind flaunting the swastika banner in the sky.'

"Its central message remains one of racial hatred. Yet such men, and such a party, have achieved electoral respectability."

The Tories have amazingly labelled it an "immigration problem". They plan to curb immigration from black countries and eventually halt the flow altogether. At least the Labour party has come out and said it is not a problem of immigration but a serious one of race relations.

The government first passed its Race Relations Act in 1965, amending it in 1968 and 1976. A Commission for Racial Equality has been established. Mere posturing? Before the election last, Margaret Thatcher's standing in the polls shot up 11 per cent after she made what was widely interpreted as an "anti-immigration" speech. A Gallup poll taken in February, 1978, found that 49 per cent of whites thought that financial help should be offered to non-whites to return "home". But for most non-whites, home is Britain.

"See they can't stand that, they call it alien, being swamped by an alien culture is a clever phrase, it scares the shit out of your facists, they want to stop the rot, their bodies tremble when they have to stand at the bus stop next to proud black Rasta youth," writes Red Saunders in Temporary Hoarding.

Rock Against Racism is a loosely structured movement with no president or central body. Scores of small anti-racist organizations, such as Nurses Against Nazis fall in behind the banner. A "fanzine" called Temporary Hoarding, put out by Ruth Saked, Red Saunders, Lucy Toothpaste, Syd, and Andy Zerox, comes closest to being a central organ of the movement. Temporary Hoarding gives a clear perspective of what Rock Against Racism is about. Apart from being anti-racist, it is pro-whales, anti-nuke, anti-sexist, pro-Ireland, and anti-capital punishment. It is vehemently anti-Tory. "So put some power in your imagination, get out your dancing shoes, get your glad rags on, turn that volume right up, tell them Rock Against Racism's coming, we're gonna blow this fucking lot right out of town. Rinse out the blue Scum."

But neither is Rock Against Racism formally connected with the left. Tom Robinson says: "I got no illusion about the political left any more than the right; just a shrewd idea which of the two side's gonna stomp on us first . . . "

Temporary Hoarding prints letters like this one from "Tim the Westbury Anarchist:" "Christ, one

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hell of a lot has happened since I wrote last. Maggie getting in, the Southall riots, but most of all I have converted six people from the ways of the NF (National Front) in our school ." And this one from a follower on the Isle of Wight: "Teachers hate Rock Against Racism, the police hate Rock Against Racism my mum hates Rock Against Racism . . . I don't want to live somewhere that's like a dose, huh, multiple dose of South Africa, more like a dose of the clap."

Financially and otherwise, some of the clubs are suffering. According to one Temporary Hoarding article, last summer's carnivals had to be cancelled and a "militant entertainment" tour had to be cut back. Last spring's Southall riotsseem to have put a damper on activities. Local town officials and police don't take kindly to the punk set, expecially when it clashes with the National Front.

"Southall is special," eulogizes Andy Zerox. "There have been police killings before. There will be police riots again. But April 23rd the police behaved like never before . . . The police were off the leash and on the hunt. They were trying to kill our people. They were trying to get even with our culture. Long time, see them a come."

Anti Nazi League