

## Deaf students now on line

by Sherri Ritchie

The deaf on campus may soon have access to a telephone they can use.

Last year, the Students' Union purchased a Telephone Device for the Deaf (TDD) to be installed in the HUB information booth. This year council is considering the purchase of another of the \$620 units for SUB.

A TDD has a small LED screen and a keyboard. It hooks up to any phone, and the message typed in at one end is displayed on the screen of the TDD at the other end of the connection.

If only one of the parties needing to communicate has a TDD, there is

a Message Relay Centre in Edmonton with units they can use.

Marion Nicely, Coordinator of Disabled Student Services, pointed out "the need to use a phone to get in touch with someone is just as great for a disabled person as for anyone else."

Rick Stedman, VP Internal of the Students' Union, concurred, "We know there is a need. There are some 400 students on campus who would use the service . . . Not just deaf students but people who need to contact deaf family and friends."

When the TDD's are installed, keys to access the units will be available in the Disabled Student Services office.



A Telephone Device for the Deaf in use

Photo Bruce Gardave

## Coors beer canned at Concordia

by Gateway Staff and CUP

Concordia University Students' Council has banned the sale of Coors beer on its campus.

The resolution to prohibit the sale and promotion of all Coors products was adopted without opposition by Council at an August 24 meeting, after concluding that the Coors family funded organizations with poor human rights records.

A presentation made at the meeting by journalism student Jennifer Feinberg and council member Thomas Burnside doc-

umented the support by the Coors' family of various right-wing organizations in the United States.

The Coors family funds groups such as the Eagle Forum, which, according to Feinberg, oppose equal rights for women and access to birth control information. Also backed by the Coors' are the John Birch Society, presented as an extreme right-wing organization, and the Heritage Foundation, which Feinberg describes as a conservative think-tank lobbying the Reagan administration to cut

social services and affirmative action programmes.

Also mentioned was a 1984 meeting where William Coors told black business people that "one of the best things (slave traders) did for you is to bring your ancestors over here in chains", as well as revelations that the Coors family contributed to Oliver North's contra operations, and to an institute that trained South African security forces.

"Every Coors beer you buy will help finance groups that deny the rights of students, the poor, and the minorities," said Burnside.

However, an official for Molson Breweries, which holds the license to brew Coors beer in Canada, disagreed.

Boycotting Coors products on the basis of the Coors family's conduct was similar to "the kind of fascism Concordia students are trying to fight," said Barry Joslin, adding, "what the family does is not relevant to the business of the Coors company."

However, Burnside argued, "this is first and foremost a business-related decision. The Coors family activities are relevant because they derive their wealth and power from the sales of Coors beer."

According to Feinberg and Burnside, the Coors family owns most of the shares of the company.

No move is underway to take similar action at the University of Alberta.

Rick Stedman, VP Internal, said "Our position as far as bars go is to complete our services as far as possible," adding, "Coors is a very popular beer."

"If we get enough of an outcry we will consider stopping selling it."

Don Moore, manager of the Students' Union-run bar RATT, noted that Coors and Coors Light make up 30 to 35 per cent of beer sales, but is declining in popularity. He attributed this to the fact that the brand has been on the market for two years and the novelty has worn off.

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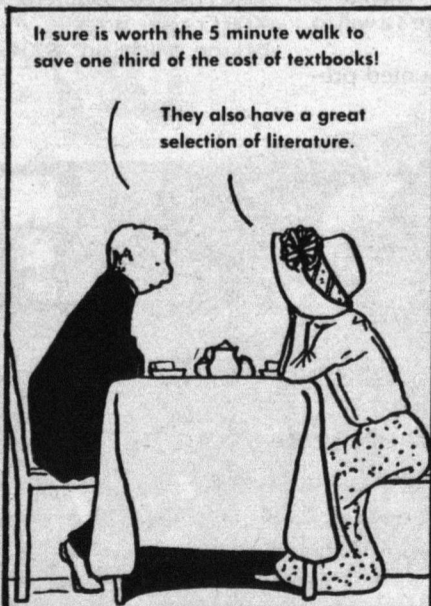
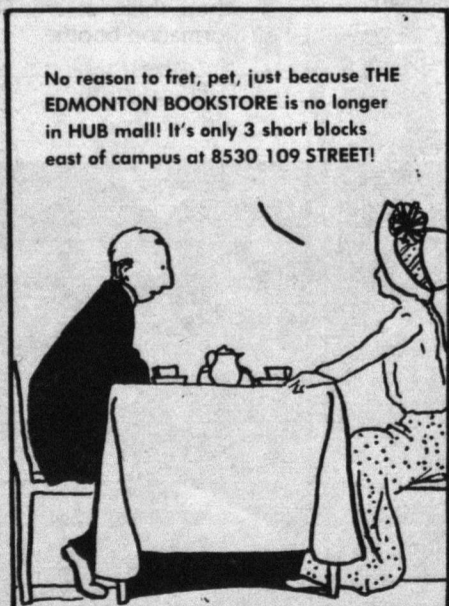
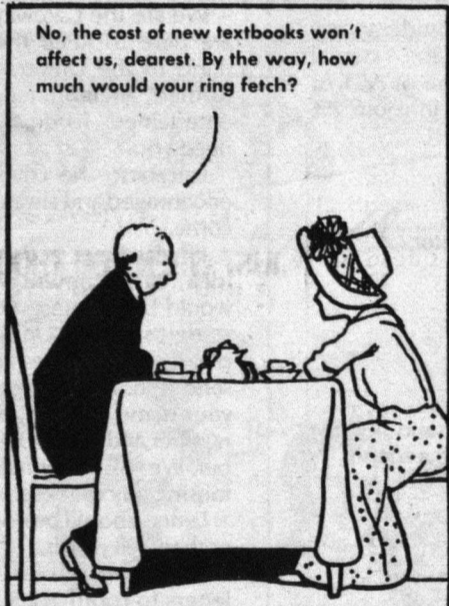
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