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## Canadian University Press

# NOTES

## Faculty unionizes

WINNIPEG (CUP) — Faculty at the University of Winnipeg will be officially unionized by February 6th and support staff are looking to be certified as a bargaining unit by April.

Almost 80 percent of the 200 faculty members at the University of Winnipeg voted in favor of unionization, said John Ryan of the university's faculty association.

"Unionization has been discussed a long time here," Ryan said. "What with insecure government funding we just thought it was time we established some collective protection."

This is also the last year for the university president Harry Duckworth, Ryan said, and faculty wanted to become certified before a new president came to the university.

Ryan believes a unionized faculty and support staff "should strengthen our hand in getting funds from the provincial government."

Wage settlements will not be legally binding on the university, Ryan said, and thus the university cannot be pressured by the government to roll back a settlement.

However, Dr. W.C. Lorimer, chairperson of the University Grants Commission, said if a university makes a settlement "higher than the going rate of wage settlements", the university will have to look at other areas they can make a cut.

Lorimer said although he would rather not have a unionized faculty because of the extra time negotiations will now take, unionization was the faculty's choice and it is their right to choose.

## Chocolate sale fails

HALIFAX (CUP) — You could say the council's hopes for financial stability have melted away.

Susan Brennan, the treasurer of the Mount Sain Vincent University Student Union, admits sadly that the fund-raising chocolate bar campaign to aid the faltering council "wasn't a success."

Only about one sixth of the chocolate has been sold and profits are not likely to exceed \$1,000 which doesn't take a very big bite out of the union's \$8,000 deficit.

Brennan says the council would continue in its efforts to reduce the deficit but says she's had her fill of large projects.

## KKK alive and active

SEATTLE (CUP) — Photocopies of two pages from a Ku Klux Klan leaflet have appeared at the University of Washington, but authorities are unsure who distributed them or whether there is any klan activity on campus.

The leaflets, which were tacked to bulletin boards in the student union building and in some residences, bear the name of the "Klan Youth Corps" and "affiliate of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan."

Small stickers with racist messages have appeared pasted to walls and light poles in the university district, as has racist graffiti, reports the campus newspaper, *The Daily*.

The first of two pages reproduced begins "uptight about schools... or just about niggers?" It then gives short sentences containing images of black students as gangs of "thugs" and "cannibals".

The leaflet concludes with a call for segregation of schools; leading to the ultimate "solution to America's racial problem: total racial separation, preferably through black repatriation to Africa."

Five cross burnings have been reported in western Washington in past months. In December two cars and the front of a minority-owned store were spray-painted with the initials KKK.

Klan literature similar to the handbills on campus has appeared in high schools. There, the material promotes "guerilla training" so white students can learn to "protect their rights."

## STUDENT VACANCIES ON G.F.C. COMMITTEES



The following Committees will have vacancies for terms of office which will commence on April 1, 1981 and be completed on March 31, 1982. Would those who have suggestions for nominations, or who would be interested in serving on any of the following Committees please contact Mrs. P. Plaskitt, Secretary G.F.C. Nominating Committee, 2-1 Univ. Hall. Telephone -4715.

	Undergrad	Grad.
Academic Appeals Committee (Alternates)	2	1
Academic Development Cte.	2	1
Admissions & Transfer Cte	1	-
(Note: 1 student required to be a transferee from a college in Alberta)	2	1
Facilities Development Cte	1	-
Computer Facilities & Policy Cte	two students	-
Conference Funds Cte	1	1
Equal Opportunities Cte	1	1
Housing & Food Services Adv. Cte	4	2
Library Cte	2	1
Native Studies Cte	2	2
Parking Appeals Cte (Regular)	one student	-
(Alternate)	one student	-
Planning & Priorities Cte	1	-
Radio & T.V. Cte	2	1
Improvement of Teaching and Learning Cte	3	1
Undergraduate Scholarship Committee	2	-
Writing Competence Cte	1	1
Univ. Disciplinary Impanelling Boards	Ten students	-

## Gold Medal Award



Each Spring, the Students' Union awards a student with a Gold Medal for excellence in curricular and non-curricular activities at the University of Alberta during the previous academic year.

### Criteria:

- candidates must be in the graduating year of their most recent degree program
- candidates must have a Grade Point Average of at least 7.5 in courses taken two years previous to the graduating year and in the first term of the graduating year
- extra-curricular involvement in University and/or community activities.

**Deadline for Applications:** 20 February, 1981

Contact the Students' Union Executive Offices for application or nomination forms, and/or for more information (259 Students' union Building, 432-4236).