

# Negative vote

WINNIPEG (CUP) - The University of Manitoba Senate has voted to accept a report advising against the imposition of differential fees for foreign students.

The fee hike has been opposed by both the students' union and the International Students Organization.

The report, presented by the Waterman Committee, also made no mention of setting quotas for international students as has been done this year at the two other Manitoba universities.

Committee member Lois Kennedy said the "arguments relevant to the question fall under four headings: economic, academic, political and ethical."

The report said very few economic benefits would result from a differential fee.

Pointing to political ramifications, it says, "The danger with this policy, as with all forms of international discrimination, is that it invites retaliation."

Further it says, "Canada as one of the richest countries in the world, may acknowledge some obligations" to developing nations, adding that "it would appear more consistent with the highest educational ideals to depend solely on academic (rather than financial or racial) criteria."



**Civil Service Fails to Convince**

Ron Gaunce, representative for the provincial government at Friday's seminar didn't mollify Dorothy Keith with new Alberta day care regulations.

## Daycare crisis in Alberta

Ron Gaunce was not the most popular man at a Vanguard Forum entitled "The DayCare Crisis: An Exchange" held in SUB, Friday night.

Gaunce, a day care consultant with the Dept. of Social Services and Community Health shared a panel with Dorothy Keith of Edmonton Day Care Council and two parents who use day care centres, Bev Davidson and Marguerite Hovan.

The government official came under attack from Dorothy Keith who stated "Don't be too impressed by the \$4 million

figure spent on day care. They spend \$25 million on the roads."

Gaunce traced the growth of day care centres in the province from 113 in 1970 to the present 270 centres.

The number of subsidized facilities, claimed Gaunce, has increased from 13 in 1970 to 79 in 1976. Funding increased from \$650,000 to \$4,500,000.

A government's proposal to upgrade standards in day care centres was met with opposition by the privately - run centres in Calgary, said Gaunce, because they feel "it challenges free-enterprise."

Meanwhile, Keith criticized the proposal because "the suggestions (in the proposal) are not how to better care for children. These are to protect the rights of the private operator to

make money."

She suggested that change will come when children resemble precious commodities like oil and gas. Otherwise, she claimed, people will "have to take to the streets" in order to bring the problem of insufficient day care centres to Lougheed's attention.

Bev Davidson, a parent with a child in a day care centre, asserted that "most women are entering the labour force and are doing so because they have to."

Ms. Hovan, who cares for a four year old daughter assured the audience "I wouldn't be able to be a full-time student without the help of the day care centre in HUB."

"It seems to me a shame that it's a privilege instead of a right to get this (daycare) treatment," she said.

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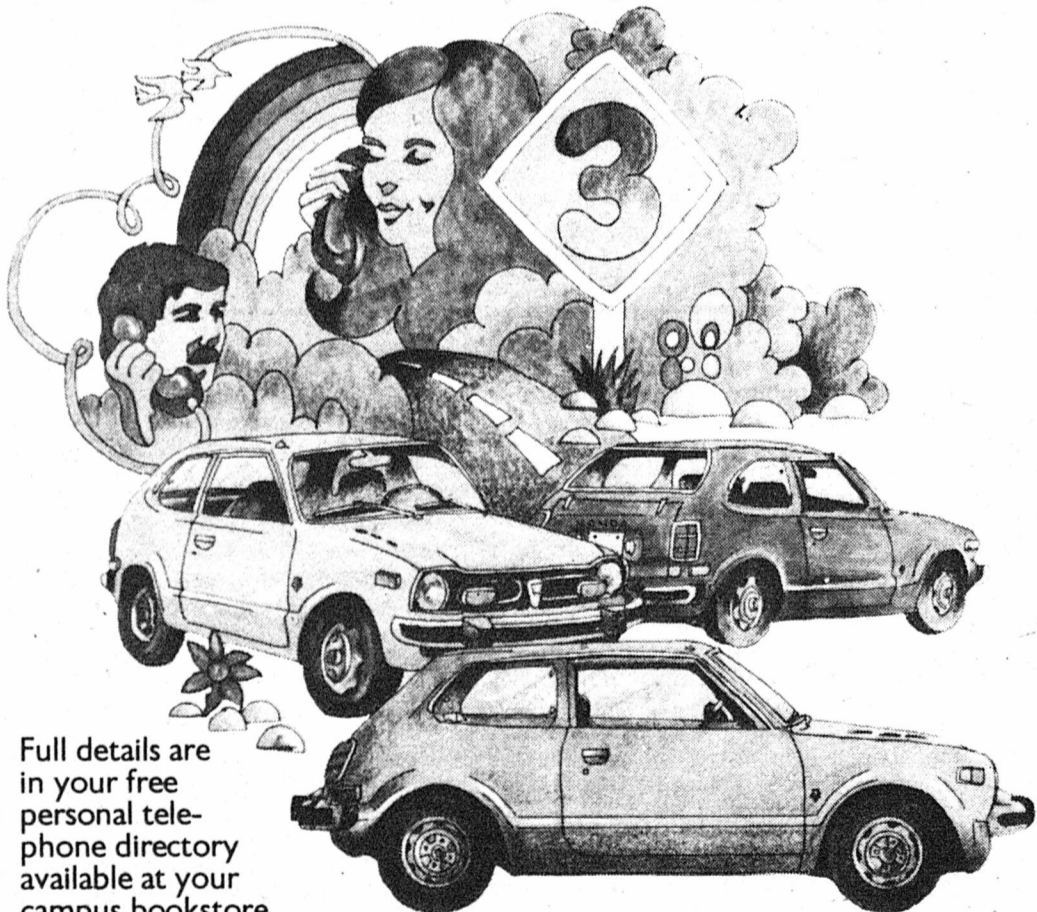
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