

Poll-by-poll breakdown

	Gallinger	Gruber	Spoiled
Advance Poll	9	27	0
CAB northeast	24	111	6
CAB south	12	62	1
Education	39	77	4
Faculte Saint-Jean	5	6	0
Fine Arts	20	32	1
H.M. Tory	22	76	3
HUB	21	47	2
Humanities	13	40	3
Law	21	30	1
Lister Hall	37	65	0
Phys. Ed	10	25	0
Rutherford	20	63	1
SUB	27	71	1
V-Wing	35	79	0
TOTAL	315	811	23
Total Votes 1149			

No teachers for schools?

CALGARY (CUP) — The current drop in the number of education graduates in Alberta indicates that the province may face a shortage of teachers in the near future.

The drop in Alberta graduates comes in the wake of reports from the University of British Columbia suggesting that province may soon face similar shortages.

The University of Calgary graduated 540 qualified teachers last year but expects to turn out up to 100 fewer in the next 12 months, according to associate dean of education (student affairs) Roy Conklin.

The current decline in graduations, which Conklin believes will reverse and level off in a year or two, is due to the drop in enrolment which occurred 4 to 5 years ago. At that time the Alberta teaching market was flooded with both Alberta university grads and with out-of-province teachers.

"At that time," said Con-

klin, "the press unduly influenced kids to stay out of teaching, and some of the things they said were false."

Alberta universities do not graduate enough teachers to fill all of the vacancies in the province, and consequently it depends on out-of-province teachers to pick up the slack.

Nine hundred out of province teachers were hired three years ago, and Conklin estimates a similar number will be required this year and in the near future.

An Alberta teacher shortage could occur at any time if out-of-province applications were to fall off. Even now rural areas and smaller school districts have difficulty attracting quality teachers.

"Rural areas actually enjoyed the last few years, where there was a degree of competition for their teaching positions, because they were able to be discerning in their selection," remarked Conklin.

Protecting the students' rights

by Julie Green

Your rights as a student at the U of A are probably unknown to you. That's not surprising because there is no document which comprehensively outlines students' rights.

"What we consider to be our rights, things which we have always taken for granted, may have never existed and may still not exist," reported Colin Wong, the former Academic Commissioner of the U of A, who prepared a working document on the Bill of Rights. At present, for example, there is no absolute student right to protest on campus, he said.

"The aim of the bill is to provide students with an idea of their rights and responsibilities," said Chanchal Bhattacharya, SU vp academic. "It will also outline what students can do about their grievances with academic life," he said.

The actual component of the bill has not yet been decided upon. Currently it is a compila-

tion of GFC regulations, relevant sections of the Universities Act, the Board of Governors staff agreement, and the Alberta Human Rights Act. Wong states in his report that a "student bill of rights should be based on the characteristics of the campus and the society in which it is located."

The working document on the proposed Bill of Rights is presently under the consideration of a special sub-committee of the Council of Student Services (COSS). Committee members include the Dean of Students, the director of food and housing as well as the student advocate and members of GSA.

The idea of having a student Bill of Rights is not a new one. It originated a decade ago when an American organization, the Committee for a Democratic University (CDU) initiated its drive for the recognition of students' rights on campus. The CDU lobbied for increased student participation in the governance of the university and

is responsible, for example, for attaining seats for students on GFC.

A subsidiary body of the CDU, the Commission on Students' Rights produced a proposal for a Bill of Rights. The proposal was tabled at Student Council and it died there. At that time, however, Students' Council approved the principle of recognizing students' rights, embodied in some realistic proposal.

The Student Bill of Rights was often used as a campaign issue in the early seventies for candidates running for the Students' Union executive. However, as often happens, the campaign promises didn't amount to concrete proposals.

At the insistence of last year's SU president, Cheryl Hume, Mike Ekelund, vp academic, worked with Bhattacharya and Wong to prepare a lucid analysis of the concept of a Student Bill of Rights. The report was released in July this year.

Bhattacharya subsequently took the new report to the executive of the General Faculties Council (GFC), and Students' Council for approval. If the proposed bill is passed by these bodies, it will become a standing regulation.

There has been some discussion about the scope of the bill. It is Wong's belief that a Student Bill of Rights "should be drafted within the scope that is sufficiently narrow so as to protect...fundamental rights but at the same time not so strict as to do injustice in exceptional cases."



Chanchal Bhattacharya

Bart Evanski *A column for the old farts*

I was over visiting my brother yesterday and I noticed my nephew sitting rather despondently in a chair.

"Why don't you go out and play?" I said to him.

"Cause there is nothing to do," he answered.

It must be tough for kids growing up today in the city. I remember when I was a kid growing up in Hairy Hill, there were always loads of things to do.

I used to meet my friends at the street corner. The whole gang would always show up. There would be Spike, Crash, Killer, Mongol and Rocky. They used to call me Barty.

I remember one Hallowe'en we all got together and went over to old man Lynkowski's. We were going to push his outhouse over. As my friends had planned earlier, Crash, Killer and Mongol pushed on the top of the biff and I pushed on the bottom. There was little room on the bottom so Rocky pushed me from behind. Spike stayed back as a lookout. We were supposed to push at the count of four. Somehow, however, our directions got confused and the guys on top tipped the outhouse over on three. On four, Rocky behind me, pushed hard and I fell in.

When I picked myself up and wiped the crap from my eyes, I saw old man Lynkowski looking down at me.

"That is my pool of wisdom yer swimming in, son," he said to me. "Trying to git a taste of knowledge, are ya?"

I looked up and laughed. He was such a nice man. But he would not help me out, so possessed was I with the wisdom of the ages.

Another time I remember, Mongol stole half a bottle of beer, the morning after his father had a party. We all had a sip and then another. Mongol was the first to start and the last to finish, so that he got three sips. We all sat down to watch him to see if he would get drunk. I was glad we sat down, I was having trouble standing.

Mongol smiled and we all smiled. We thought he was drunk. I quit smiling because the smiling made me dizzy.

Spike looked at me and laughed. He thought I was drunk, but I was not.

I wanted to tell him I wasn't but I couldn't because I had to puke.

I don't remember much after that because I guess I passed out. I think I was awfully tired.

When I woke up I went home to bed. In the morning my friends came by to see how I was.

I wasn't feeling so good the next morning. I think I had caught the flu. My friends laughed and called me "a hangover". I laughed too, but the noise hurt my head and I puked again.

It was good growing up in the country with friends as considerate as I had. We always had lots of things to do.

Awards for heavyweights

If £ 3,600 sounds appealing to you, now's your chance. Applications for Rhodes Scholarships are now available in the Student Awards Office, 250 Athabasca Hall.

The scholarship was established by Cecil Rhodes, a nineteenth century Briton who once remarked, "I would annex the planets if I could." His aim was to "foster the union of English speaking people

throughout the world" by offering "colonials" and American citizens funding for two years at Oxford University.

Financial need is not a consideration of the awards and there are no written examinations. However, candidates must appear before a local committee of eight trustees. Candidates are judged on scholastic attainment, participation in sports and general indications of moral force and

character.

To qualify, a candidate must be between the ages of 19 and 25, single, have five years residence in the country of representation and have attended a recognized university for two years.

Successful candidates must attend Oxford in 1980. The scholarship is good for two years at £ 3,600 or \$9,000 per year. Application deadline is October 25.

South Africa apartheid forum

A Students' Union forum on the apartheid policy of South Africa will be held this Friday at 12 noon in Room 142 of SUB.

The forum, *Organizing the Resistance to Apartheid*, will feature guest speakers Joe Saloojee of the African National Congress of South Africa and George Poonen of the South African Congress of Trade Unions.

According to recently appointed Forums Director Pat Stewart their speech will be an update of the current situation in South Africa and an explanation

of the role of organization and education outside of South Africa.

A film *Voices from Purgatory* will also be presented.

The forum is co-sponsored

by the Free South Africa Committee which is also holding a benefit social Friday October 26

at 7:30 p.m. at St. Alphonsus Church Hall in 11828-85 St.

GATEWAY GENERAL

STAFF MEETING

Friday, Oct. 26, 3:30 p.m.

All interested people welcome.