

Dow interviews result in protests on two campuses

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Employment interviews by the Dow Chemical Company of Canada have resulted in demonstrations at two Canadian university campuses during last week.

More than 80 students and five faculty virtually held the vice-president of the University of Toronto imprisoned in the campus placement office for three and a half hours as they protested the hiring of students by Dow, whose parent company in the United States they claim to be the largest producer of napalm used in the Vietnam war.

The demonstration, organized by the U of T committee to end the war in

Vietnam, took the form of picketing in the morning and a sit-in in the afternoon.

About 300 students at the University of British Columbia participated in a peaceful demonstration last Tuesday and Wednesday while company representatives were holding job interviews.

In Toronto, the demonstrators met with university vice-president Robin Ross and the Dow interviewer to ask that employment recruiting on campus be stopped.

The demand was not met and the demonstrators linked arms, sat down and blocked the entrance to the interview office.

A pamphlet prepared by the demonstration's organizers said that before the demonstration would end the administra-

tion must suspend Dow recruiting until brought under the control of students' council and all further on-campus recruiting be under the direct supervision of students' council.

Towards the end of the demonstration the Dow representative said he would not continue interviews on Tuesday or Wednesday as scheduled.

He was allowed to leave a little later but the vice-president was detained about half an hour until he said he would consult the members of the faculty about meeting the demands in the pamphlet.

In Vancouver, the demonstrators sat down inside the building where the interviews were being held but did not stop students from seeing the company repre-

sentative. Later, when led by student Senator Gabor Mate, they blocked the entrance.

Mate said he was acting as an individual and not representing any group.

Arts representative Stan Persky said, he was disappointed in the actions of Mate and the forty others that joined him.

"A demonstration is not an individual thing, but is meant to show group concern," he said.

Student union president Sean Sullivan visited the demonstration and said he was disappointed that two-thirds of those blocking the entrance were from Simon Fraser University, only a few miles away.

"If there is an incident it will give UBC a black eye," he said.

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Report backs new fee plan

Committee proposes revisions in students' union fee structure

By ALEX INGRAM

A proposal to revise students' union fees completely was presented to students' council in a report by the Re-organizational Committee Monday.

Committee chairman Marilyn Pilkington said the proposal was necessary because of "inequalities and inconsistencies in the fee structure of the students' union."

This, the committee felt, is particularly true of medicine, dentistry, and law students who pay full fees for a longer period than most students and do not get full benefit of the students' union in their last years; grad students who, Pilkington said, "pay a rate not in line with the benefits they receive"; and nursing students of the U of A hospital (affiliated with the university, who live sufficiently far away from campus to merit a reduced rate.)

The committee's report is supported by a petition this fall from medicine and dentistry students, and the February Students' Fee Commission Report by John Maher and Bob Roddick.

The latter report concluded that although a reduction in fees was necessary, it was impractical. Pilkington did not think so.

Her committee recommends:

- "that students in all faculties and



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... committee chairman

schools be required to pay full students' union fees up to the completion of their fourth credited year of study;

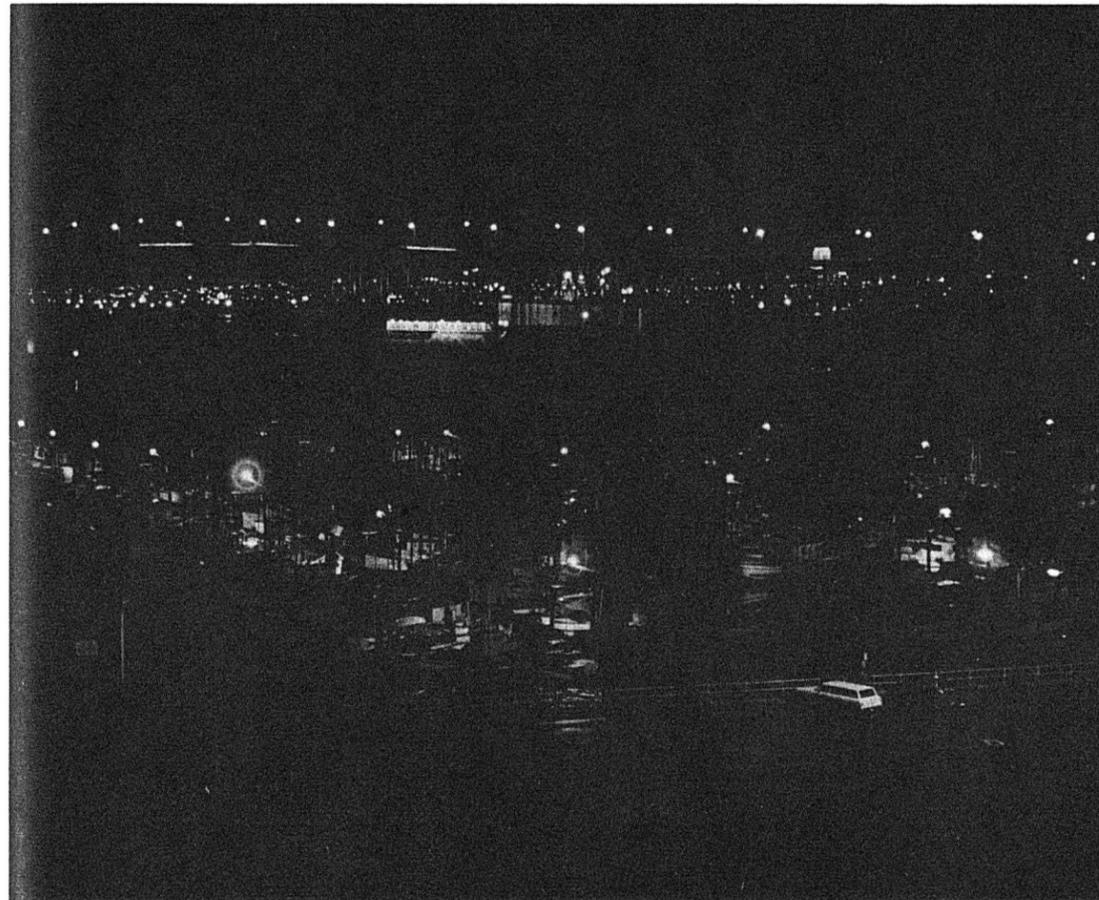
- that students in their fifth or more year of study at the university and students attending affiliated schools or colleges be allowed to pay a reduced students' union membership."

Pilkington said this would eliminate associate membership status, and consequently all students would be eligible to vote, hold office, and receive a yearbook.

The committee's report estimated approximately 2,340 students will be affected by the proposed reduced rate. Therefore, students' council treasurer Phil Ponting suggested "it would be necessary to levy a fee of \$15 for all students eligible for the reduced rate in order to maintain the present revenue of the students' union."

But, Pilkington said the responsibility of her committee was not to establish the figures for a fee change, only to evaluate the necessity of such a change. She suggested students' council mandate the Finance Committee to study the proposal.

Co-ordinator of student activities Glenn Sinclair said council members should study the report and discuss it among their faculties before passing any motions on it. Council will debate the report at the next meeting.



—Hiroto Saka photo

THE FLEET IS IN—If you're wondering what all the boats are doing under the High Level Bridge, look again. It's a Vancouver scene, looking at the Burrard Bridge from the Granville Street Bridge. The significance of the picture shall remain a deep, dark secret, but special thanks go to photog Hiroto Saka for this excellent front-page pic, where once we had none.

Board of Governors considers building parkade

Construction could start within twelve months says Worth

Construction of a parkade is being considered by the Board of Governors.

"If permission is granted by the Universities Commission and the provincial government the project could go ahead in 12 months," said Dr. Worth, vice-president in charge of campus planning and development.

An authority independent of the Board but under university control would be established to borrow money for the parkade with the land as equity. The parkade would be self-supporting.

The first parkade would be immediately north of SUB and house 600 cars.

The Board authorized four other points:

- An original study done 18 months ago is to

be updated to include new building plans and increased enrolment.

- The administration is to work with the city to study the campus area in relation to the total city area over a long range period.
- A parking committee for the U of A hospital is to be established to study the hospital in connection with the whole university area.
- The Board hopes to have a comprehensive statement of parking policy for everyone on campus: students, faculty, and non-academic staff.

Dr. Worth predicted "by 1968-69 there will be no more free parking on campus; it would be impossible for any business to be selling a service while it is being given away next door."

"An equitable rate taking into account the

ability of a student to pay versus that of a professor would have to be established," he said.

Students' union president Al Anderson said "I'm glad to see something finally underway."

He anticipates trouble in getting government approval for the money involved "because of the tight money situation and because the government would have to float a loan anyway."

He doubted very much any student would get the use of the parkade, but "it would make available space formerly not open to the student."

"It would be very hard for different rates governing faculty and students to be put into effect," he said.