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- Board of Governors
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- Arts Rep (2)
- Management Studies Rep (1)
- Dentistry Rep (1)
- Medicine Rep (1)
- Nursing Rep (1)
- Pharmacy Rep (1)
- Engineering Rep (1)
- Graduate Studies Rep (2)
- Law Rep (1)
- Science Reps (3)
- Physical Education Rep (1)

Nomination forms are available from room 222 of the Student Union Building from February 9th-20th. For more information please contact Layton Dorey, Chief Elections Returning Officer, at 423-0638 or come to SUB room 222.



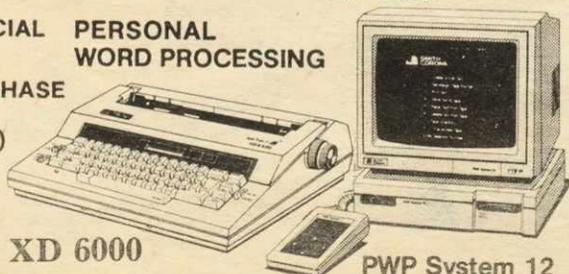
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THE OUTSIDE WORLD

Toban editors recycled

WINNIPEG (CUP) — The publishing board of the University of Manitoba student newspaper, *The Manitoban*, has re-instated the two news editors it fired in January over a controversial caption under a photo of wheelchair athlete Rick Hansen.

The *Manitoban* Operations Committee voted 5-0-1 Feb. 12 to re-hire Michael Malegus and John Ehinger effective Feb. 13.

The Operations Committee, with representation from student council, the newspaper's staff and students-at-large, voted Jan. 23 to fire Ehinger and Malegus, in response to public outcry over a Jan. 22 caption which read, "Hansen, fuck, again on the cover."

Operations Committee chair John Kendle said the committee will not comment on the decision until it reports to student council this week.

A group of 100 students stormed the *Manitoban's* offices shortly after the edition was released. Staff say the caption was critical of media coverage, and that they did not wish to hurt Hansen, now on the final leg of his world tour to raise money for spinal cord research.

Malegus said he was pleased by the decision. "I'm happy because I felt the firing was for extremely vague reasons," he said.

Malegus said the paper's staff must examine the Operation Committee's by-laws. "Even the newspaper's constitution is more explicit regarding ethics," he said.

Student protest in Kanada

BURNABY (CUP) — A group of Simon Fraser University students are denouncing the CTV television network for its plans to air the controversial mini-series *Amerika*.

The SFU Media Group has written an open letter to CTV television officials asking the network to air disclaimers after each commercial break, labelling the mini-series as "political propoganda."

"(Amerika) quite clearly serves as the American extreme Right's agenda," said study group member Jeff Buttle.

Buttle said the group was concerned the network wasn't abiding by Canadian Broadcasting Act requirements for fairness when discussing controversial issues.

The \$35 million, 14 and one-half hour mini-series which began Feb. 15, depicts life in the United States 10 years after a Soviet takeover.

"It's a political propoganda disguised as entertainment," said Robert Hackett of the SFU communications faculty.

Hackett said the Media Group, acting on the assumption that they have the final version of the script, has five main criticisms of the mini-series:

- it presents a paranoid view of the Soviet Union as wanting to control the world;
- it claims liberal political and social values undermine the American will to resist communism;
- a generally negative portrayal of women in stereotype roles;
- a portrayal of the United Nations as "a mere tool of Russia";
- an ignorance of the historical U.S. record of interference in other nations and support of brutal dictatorships.

The group has also asked CTV to either buy or finance a program or series pointing out the dangers of American militarism of the U.N.'s positive contribution to world peace, as well as a film portraying women in a more positive light.

The group, said Buttle, has suggested that individuals consider boycotting the products of companies advertising *Amerika*, if CTV "stonewalls" on their criticisms.

U of A thaws tuition stance

EDMONTON (CUP) — While students across the country protest post-secondary funding cuts with petitions and demonstrations, the university of Alberta students' union has reversed its stance against tuition fee increases.

Council president David Oginski said council now advocates a "small increase", which he defined as in the range of one to five per cent.

At a recent meeting, councillors repealed a four-year policy in favour of tuition fee freezes. The resolution also calls for a referendum on the policy.

But the chair of the U of A Anti-Cutbacks Team argued the no-increase policy is a principle worth keeping. "Anytime any organization abandons its principles, it loses its credibility," said Martin Levenson. "I don't think the (students' union) is in a position to bargain."

One councillor could not understand why the council would overturn the old policy and then put it to a student vote.

"Seven thousand students (the number expected would vote in a referendum) is a hell of a lot more representative and a hell of a lot more credible than the 29 people sitting here," said Ken Bosman.

Council did, however, vote unanimously in support of "the principle of universal accessibility to post-secondary education by students who meet academic requirements."