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THE BEST HEAD IN THE BUNCH—This "garbage" was uncorked (tapped?) last Friday to celebrate the end of the students' union elections. The victory celebration was held at the DU house. The winners drank the spoils of victory and the losers drowned their sorrows. A good time was had by all?

Sinc's privileges cut for one week

DIE suspends coordinator's students' union privileges

By DENNIS FITZGERALD

Students' union coordinator Glenn Sinclair has lost his union privileges for a week.

The Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board found him guilty of "slandering or otherwise attempting to prejudice the campaign of any candidate by uttering an untruth against the candidate or by any act of uncalled for and offensive nature."

The charge was laid after an unscheduled speech was delivered by Sinclair at the rally held Tuesday afternoon of election week.

Law rep Darryl Carter originally charged Sinclair with conduct unbecoming a students' council member during campaign time.

The Board found Sinclair not guilty of the original charge and then decided to charge him with slandering.

Sinclair said "it is a crock of . . . "One person on the Board is out to get me.

"I'm definitely going to appeal the decision. If I lose my appeal I will consider resigning my position.

"It is like going to court on a speeding ticket and getting punished for car theft."

Students' union president Al Anderson, charged with the same infraction as Sinclair following a speech he delivered at the rally, was found not guilty. In the speech Anderson appealed to the students to write their MLA's concerning tuition fees.

After the DIE decision Anderson said "I think the whole thing was rather ridiculous, particularly in my case.

"I wonder if our law rep has anything better to do with his time."

The Board also decided there is nothing in the by-laws at present to prevent a person who wins a position by acclamation from run-

ning a campaign to familiarize the electorate with his policies.

This charge questioned the validity of Marilyn Pilkington carrying on her campaign when she is now the president-elect.

Bastille Day comes early for protesters

By ELAINE VERBICKY

All U of A students should join a mass march next Tuesday to protest rising tuition fees, says students' union president Al Anderson.

The march will leave SUB for the legislature about 1 p.m. Tuesday. It is being organized by the students' union in co-operation with Students for a Democratic University. A parade permit has been issued by the city for the march.

"I would hope as many students as possible will march with us," said Anderson. "If this increase isn't fought now, we will face the same battle next year and the year after.

The Graduate Student Association council has voted to oppose a fee hike and has urged graduate students to join the march.

SIGN PETITION

Anderson has urged all students to sign petition forms now being circulated on campus which ask the provincial government to reconsider its grant for university operating costs.

Education minister Ray Reiersen has said he would welcome a delegation of students at the legislature and would regard a student demonstration as the most legitimate form of group protest, said Anderson.

The march will present the student petition to Mr. Reiersen between 1 and 2 p.m. Tuesday. A students' union brief opposing tuition fees with an addendum expanding the brief's arguments will also be presented.

DONE IN CONSULTATION

The addendum is being prepared by Gordon Drever, arts 4, and Teri Turner, arts 2, both of SDU, in consultation with Al Anderson and students' union president-elect Marilyn Pilkington.

General Faculty Council has opposed the rise in tuition fees. A number of professors have said they will march with the students, and will try to bring in more faculty to the demonstration.

The SDU has agreed to conduct an orderly march and have all slogans and banners approved by the students' union.

Classes will not be cancelled Tuesday afternoon, said University President Dr. Walter H. Johns. "It would be nearly impossible to cancel classes," he said. "To do it would take action of GFC and we do not meet before Tuesday."

Vietnam referendum killed by council

Students' unions should not take political stands says Anderson

Students' council Monday soundly defeated a motion calling for a students' union-financed referendum on the war in Vietnam.

The motion, introduced by arts rep David Leadbeater, asked that \$60 be given to the political science club to undertake a campus-wide referendum in which students would indicate their attitudes towards the war.

"This would not only determine student sentiment," said Leadbeater; "it would be an invaluable educative service because it would force students to find out what the issues are and then make an intelligent decision."

Co-ordinator of student activities Glenn Sinclair disagreed about the educative value of such a referendum. He said the only way a project of this nature could serve to educate students would be if the referendum were preceded by a series of panel discussions and guest

speakers representing all points of view towards the war.

"People have to have facts before they can be expected to make an intelligent decision," he said, "and right now the facts just aren't available."

Students' union president Al Anderson disagreed with the proposal for another reason. He said the reason U of A students' union withdrew from the Canadian Union of Students was because we were opposed to the idea of a union taking political stands on behalf of all its member students.

"If we sponsor a referendum on Vietnam, we'll be doing exactly what we criticized CUS for," he said.

Treasurer Phil Ponting said he feels there are other more important areas of concern which students could get involved in such as

housing and tuition fees. He said he doubted whether a referendum on Vietnam would be any more effective than an organized protest against tuition fee increases in bringing about student involvement.

Leadbeater said he personally knows people who are "much more worried about the threat of all-out war than they are about where they're going to live next year."

"Yes, but they are a minority," said Sinclair, "and I think the majority is more interested in some of the more important things which are of direct student concern.

"There are hundreds of other minority groups with valid and important interests," he said, "but if we support this, we'll soon be calling referendums on everything from universal birth control to the abolition of the monarchy."