

Lou Reed on politics —
"Give me an issue..."

...I'll give you a tissue
and you can wipe my ass
with it."

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Cockburn commentary

by Shelby Cook

"They are just destabilizing and terrorizing to bring down the government to negotiate with anyone for anything," said 43 year old Canadian songwriter Bruce Cockburn about the Renamo rebels fighting in Mozambique.

Cockburn is touring the country to talk about his recent three week trip to Mozambique, an African nation which has been at war for 25 years.

Over 700 people attended a

Early Christmas larceny

by Jeff Cowley

Attention shoppers. Students and staff should be aware that people are out doing their Christmas shoplifting early this year, according to Campus Security officials.

"Theft is a problem throughout the year, but we usually find that it picks up this time of year," said Ralph Oliver, Chief Security Officer for Campus Security.

"We usually find that if people have larceny in their souls, it comes out during the holiday rush," he said.

With a recent surge of break-ins, Oliver warns that students and staff should take extra care of their bags, backpacks and lockers.

Campus Security is looking for information regarding several break-ins in the Fine Arts Building last week.

Oliver also warns that students are mostly on their own to prevent thefts. "Valuables should not be stored in lockers. And students should buy good locks. A cheap lock is an invitation to thieves."

In another break-in, approximately \$600 was taken from the Faculty of Nursing Offices in the Garneau Professional Building.

disturbing presentation last Wednesday evening in SUB Theatre.

The evening began and ended with songs for peace and justice by a six-member a capella group called Juba.

Cockburn read a commentary on his journey and afterward sang "Waiting For a Miracle," a song for Nicaragua, not Mozambique. He said that "it's the same kind of war, not a civil war."

After a question period, an educational film on the battered African nation was shown. Pictures of the drought-ridden, wartorn country were featured with comments from terrorized citizens.

Thousands of people from the total population of 14 million are starving to death, said Cockburn, and millions more are homeless refugees.

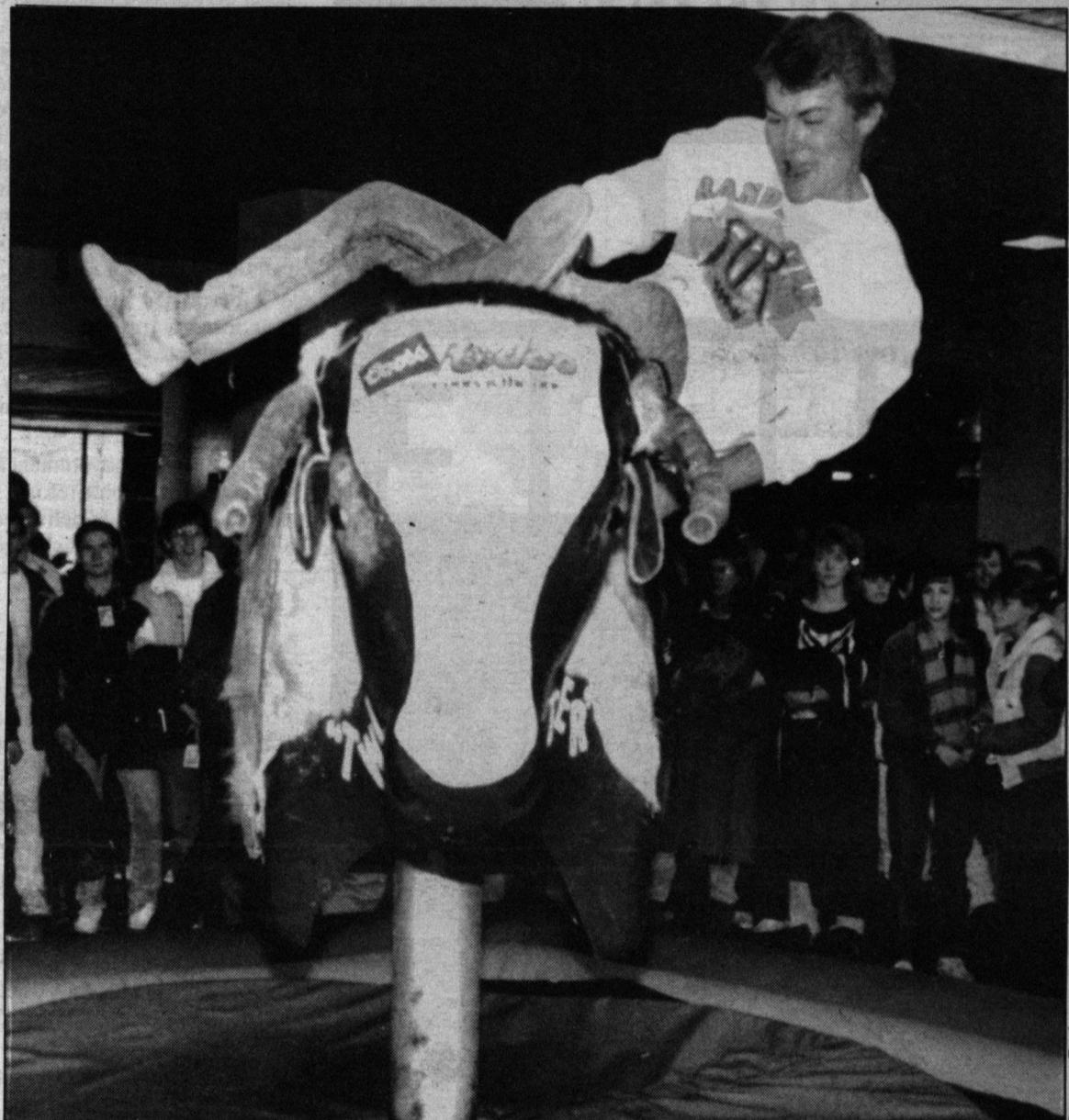
The three week trip and Wednesday's performance were sponsored by Cooperation Canada Mozambique (COCAMO). Formed in December, 1987, COCAMO was designed to answer Mozambique's cry to the world for help. COCAMO is a coalition of 19 non-governmental agencies who invited Cockburn to participate in the fact-finding tour.

The Front For the Liberation of Mozambique is the only political organization in the country, said Cockburn. The rebel Renamo force is funded by neighbouring South African nations and has the only military force.

The audience donated over one thousand dollars toward COCAMO when organizers passed paper bags throughout the theatre. Funds went to help pay for the event and for future activities.

Damage to doors, files and office equipment is also estimated at \$2000, said security officials.

Campus Security is looking for information regarding the Fine Arts and Garneau break ins — or any other crimes. Persons with information should report to Campus Security, or phone 432-5252.



Dragos Ruiu

Ross Vincent, 2nd yr. Aggie, is on his way to biting the dust in CAB as the mechanical bull he's riding kicks up its heels. The Agriculture students are setting the mood during agriculture week that culminates in a big bash called Bar None.

Students win in Subway allocation

by Kevin Law

A long term allocation has been decided for the vacant Subway space on the second floor of the Students' Union building.

The space will be shared by student counselling and health services.

Aruna D'Souza, SU housing and transport commissioner, said there were two options before the facilities development committee. The other option that was considered was the Registrar's office.

The decision now goes before a couple of committees before reaching the Board of Governors who will make the final ratification. Theoretically, the decision could be stopped at another level, but D'Souza does not foresee any problems. "It's not going to be that controversial a decision," she said.

Paul LaGrange, SU president, expressed pleasure at the decision. "They're definitely student oriented services and I'm pleased with that," he said, adding, "The decision moves student counselling and health services together which is good because they have a lot of

cross referrals."

While LaGrange was happy with the decision, he voiced other concerns, noting he was specifically hopeful allowances would be made in the final development for student lounge space.

LaGrange also felt SUB needed

another food service. "Somewhere in this building we need space for another food service," he said. LaGrange said the Students' Union is working towards that end and hoped to have another food service in place, if not this spring, at least by next fall.

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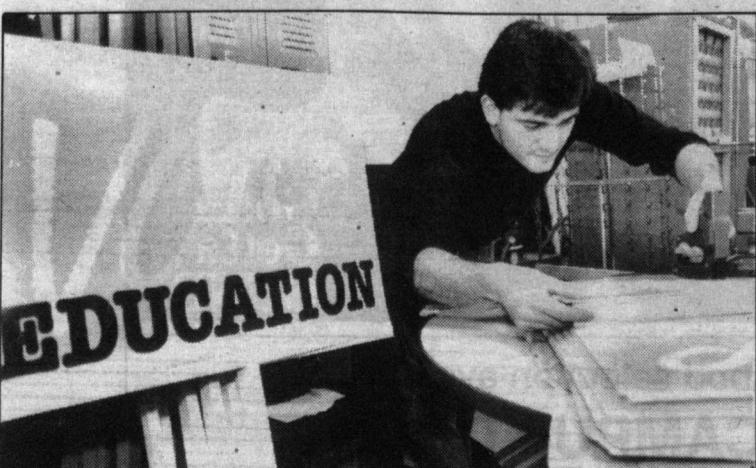
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