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# Newfie Squid First at Varsity

ST. JOHN'S-Memorial University this month qualified for Canada's catch of the year award.

For days, university biologists hovered over the decomposing carcass of a giant squid, or Architeutis Dusk, flown to the campus from White Bay, Newfoundland, by biology professor Dr. A. A.

The squid, reportedly a small specimen, weighs 331 pounds with a body five feet ten inches across. It longest tentacle measures 21 feet two inches.

Discovered floating in a bay near Conche, Newfoundland, dead of natural causes, the squid was brought to shore and put into cold storage by the Department of Fisheries.

Dr. Aldrich reported last week that after a day of work the team had made several discoveries.

## Computer Could Fix Parliament

TORONTO-The registrar at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute has suggested that a computer system allowing every Canadian to vote on important legislative issues could put parliament out of business!

Speaking on a radic panel discussion James Peters said questions now decided by parliament could be aired a few days before each vote by an appointed educative body. On the day of decision, Canadians could simply slip a key into a computer slot at a given time, allowing results to be channelled and computed in a few minutes.

"This would elevate the Canadian populace to an Athenian democracy where everybody would vote on every important issue," said Mr. Peters. "We could educate the people to read about the issues, and they could be dramatized on television."

"We think we could fix up parliament by seating 19 million people in it," agreed Ryerson faculty member Hugh Innis. "We're afraid an elite is running the people."

Louis Greenspan of the social science department said however, the proposed computer system would be hard put to solve complex problems such as automation.

### Political Ban Sparks Protests

BERKELEY-New demonstrations have flared on the University of California campus as student groups opposed to the university's decision to ban political activity from the campus ended what they termed a "self-imposed moratorium on political activity."

University officials retaliated by dissolving the student-faculty administration Committee on Campus Political Acivity. The university administration also threatened to take disciplinary action against the students and organizations violating the ban.

The present dispute over campus political activity started last September when the university told student political organizations that they could no longer distribute literature, recruit membership or solicit funds at the Bancroft-Telegraph entrance to the campus, a place where such activity had taken place for some time.

It was felt that the ban grew out of the unusually heavy amount of political activity that took place on campus this summer. During the Republican National Convention, students were recruited to demonstrate for Scranton and picket against Goldwater.

# Marijuana at Illinois

CHAMPAIGN—Three University of Illinois students face possible sentences of from two to ten years in the penitentiary for illegal possession of marijuana.

The trio was arrested by state narcotics agents, university police and Champaign police officials, who found 15 to 25 grams of marijuana and a marijuana cigarette.

In an interview with the Daily Illini, student newspaper at the university. Joseph Healy, superintendent of the state division of narcotics, said he felt the arrests were individual incidents and "not

Healy said the "\$64 question" was where the trio obtained the narcotics. He said it might have been purchased in Chicago.

The incident came less than a year after a "dope scare" which led campus police to investigate the possibility of marijuana smoking at jazz sessions in the University of Illinois student union. That investigation turned up nothing.

etudent were arrested on charges of using marijuana.

# **Guelph Considers Trimesters**

GUELPH-The University of Guelph has joined the University of British Columbia in considering a year-round trimester system for

The plan enables students to complete a four-year undergraduate degree in two years through year-round operation of universities. Ryerson Polytechnical Institute and Simon Fraser University in British Columbia begin trimester systems next year.

Guelph University President J. D. MacLaughlin announced here that a final decision will be made next month regarding a trimester system at the university's new Wellington College.

Since there would be no transitional difficulties in installing the plan at Wellington, he said, its use there would aid in fully determining the plan's practicality.



**PART WITH A PINT**—This unidentified U of A co-ed clenches her fists and prepares to help Ralphie the Bat. She was among the hundreds of students who turned up to support Blood Drive. Next chance after today to give blood is the third week in December.

#### Council Shorts

# Student Anti-Calendar Committee Given \$25 For Preliminary Work

# Group Organizes Merry Christmas For Needy People Committee chairman Rick Treleaven told Council the pur-

A brighter Christmas is planned for 2,000 Edmonton

The Edmonton Christmas
Bureau is again acting as a confidental clearing house bringing
needy families and interested reject it "he middle and we will not pressure those who needy families and interested reject it," he said. donors together.

The Bureau, an agency of the Edmonton Welfare Council, receives names of organizations and individuals wishing to help and supplies to these organizations the names of families needing assistance.

The Christmas Bureau, by providing this service, prevents duplication of giving and advises groups and individuals as to the best method of donating at Christmas time.

All cash donations are redistributed in the form of food vouchers or hampers.

The Catholic Charities, Salvation Army, and All People's Mission rethe names of needy families while the Christmas Bureau handles the distribution of assistance.

By Al Bromling

Council Monday granted the Academic Relations Committee have also prepared reports. \$25 for preliminary work on a student anti-calendar.

pose of the anti-calendar will be to evaluate university courses and the lecturers who teach them.

Council appointed J. Fraser Smith to the position of Photo Director, succeeding Hiroto Saka who resigned because of academic pressure.

Council asked Bob Game, Ever-green and Gold director, to prepare a report on the yearbook's make-up for presentation at next Council meeting.

Council discussed the possibility of extending the responsibility of Student Health Service to cover students during the summer months.

The local CUS committee will investigate the whole matter of student health insurance.

Kirk Miller's report on the Association of College Unions Conference was tabled until the other delegates

Council granted the campus Flying Club \$100.

The Students' Union will send four delegates to the Administrator's Conference in Banff.

John Gishler and Donald Strong, representing CUCND-Students for eace, explained the groups' new orientation toward peace study, economics and disarmament, and the problem of poverty and social issues.

Council referred the Committee's application for \$100 for a conference in Regina to the Committee on Conferences for a ruling.

Dave Estrin presented a progress report on arrangements for the French Canada Week and named some of the speakers who would address students during the week:

Madame Solange Chaput-Rolland, noted lecturer and French-Cana-dian author of "Dear Enemies"

Jean Bazin, President of Canadian Union of Students Hon. Maurice Sauve, Federal Min-

Matrice Sauve, Federal Marister of Forestry
 Michel Brunet, Head of History, University of Montreal
 Hon. Pierre Laporte, Quebec Min-

ister of Culture

Five students from Quebec uni-

versities. "Will the separatist view be represented during this week?" asked

Richard Price. "Some of these speakers have very

controversial ideas but they are not separatists. They are more representative of the people of Quebec than men like Dr. Chaput," says

# Ice Cream Theft Brings In Police

Ottawa (CUP)-Ottawa police are investigating a pie-and-ice cream theft which took place at breakfast-time in the student union building at Carleton University.

Seventeen pies and a quantity of ice cream were pinched from the union cafeteria. An unknown number of thieves who entered the building between 5 and 8 a.m. also walked off with a cashbox containing \$123 from the union manager's office.

# Les McLeod ∞ Under the Gavel

Any way you look at it, the new students' union building has gone up. Sometime today it's up before the Board of Governors for final approval. The exciting new design shows a tower going up about eight stories, and aesthetically or practically this design is high above last year's.

It's about time. I think back to a council meeting two years ago and Iain MacDonald's committee reporting on their stateside trip to view other unions.

There was an excitement and vision that day which has seldom been around since. It was a lifting of the future-curtain.

As it parted we glimpsed a concept—the true society of students centered and unified in and by a building that not only would be representative of students and their activities, thinking, hoping and dreaming, but would be those activities and thoughts, hopes and

The building that hopefully will be approved by the board today is as close as any could be to the realization of the above concept.

To those who would like to delay and consider longer I say: this

will not mean a better building but no building.