

Consistency...

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...is the last refuge of the unimaginative.

Oscar Wilde

Together again

by Neal Watson

With business-like efficiency, the new Faculty of Business building was officially opened yesterday.

Premier Peter Lougheed, University President Myer Horowitz and other government and university leaders attended the function.

"It is a special moment for the faculty," said Business Faculty Dean Roger Smith. "I would like to express thanks to all those involved in the project."

Smith paid tribute to the many people who had worked for the business building.

"The faculty has worked for this moment for over twenty years," he said.

Although planning for the building was carried on throughout the 1970's and early 1980's the actual construction did not begin until the fall of 1982. The building was completed this past summer.

The completion of the business building marks virtually the first time in the history of the U of A the business faculty has been together in one location. The new facility houses 2,000 students and faculty members.

Yesterday also marked the official opening of the Stollery Executive Development Centre located on the building's fifth floor.

"The Stollery Executive Centre will encourage interaction between the university and the greater business community," said Smith. "It will help make the faculty the best business education faculty in the country."

U of A President Myer Horowitz thanked the provincial government for its support. "We have this build-

ing because of the very generous government and private support. There is no question about that."

"We have this building because this university made a priority decision. We made the right decision," said Horowitz.

The chairman of the Board of Governors John Schlosser, told Premier Lougheed that "as usual (for the university), the building was built within the price and was on time."

"Any money you want to send over, you know it will be well looked after," said Schlosser.

Schlosser said, "Knowledge is the business of the university. We must produce men and women capable of generating new ideas in all areas."

PCL Construction Chairman Peter Stollery said the new centre was a strong statement of what can be accomplished between business and government.



Photo Tim Kubash

Premier Lougheed says international business is the way of the future.

Competing with the world

by Bill Doskoch

The new Business building will have a positive effect on the faculty's ability to help meet the future challenges facing Albertans, says Premier Peter Lougheed.

"We are extremely proud of the U of A as Albertans," said Lougheed at the official opening of the business building.

Lougheed, an alumni of the U of A business program himself, praised the many contributors the business school has made to the province.

Lougheed cited the Business

Advisory Council as one example and said the new Stollery Executive Development Centre would play an important role by "providing a meeting place to allow an interchange of ideas between the business and academic communities."

"We live in a tough, competitive world and we must be aware of that fact" said Lougheed, adding "International marketing and business will be the way of the future."

He also said "The best jobs will be in those areas."

He praised the innovativeness of

the Business faculty in their creation of courses such as BUS 552, which brings inventors, MBA students and venture capitalists together to co-operate in developing new products.

He closed by saying the leadership role of the school in developing new approaches would remain important and that "we have the drive, the resources and most importantly, the talent to compete in this world."

Quebec students may face tuition increase

MONTREAL (CUP) — An increase in tuition fees for university students next fall may be the only way to help Quebec's penniless post-secondary institutions, McGill and Concordia University officials say.

"Students would get a lot more if they paid a little more," said Edward Stansbury, McGill vice-president planning.

Tuition fees for Quebec students have not increased since 1969. Stu-

dents now pay only \$570 yearly, the lowest fees in the country.

The universities will not say how high the increase should be. But "to make a contribution to university budgets, the increase would

have to be reasonably substantial," McGill Vice-Principal Finance John Armour said.

Ken Whittingham, a Concordia public relations officer, agrees.

"It (tuition) is the only area in

society which has remained virtually unchanged - it's pretty hard to justify," he said. "(A fee hike) is inevitable. It's happened everywhere else in Canada."

A provincial commission in Quebec City is currently accepting university briefs on ways to change university funding. In a Nov. 1 press release summarizing its brief, McGill recommended "no change in tuition fees for all Canadian students," which Armour said means McGill opposes higher fees for non-Quebec students, but does not oppose higher fees overall.

"If the only way to improve funding to universities would be to increase tuition fees, then we would support an increase," he said.

In 1969, Stansbury said, students paid 25 per cent of the cost of their education. Now the fees account for only nine per cent of the cost.

The officials said an increase in tuition fees should definitely be tied to an increase in student aid. Armour speculated that 60 per cent of the additional money made would go to the universities and 40 per cent to the provincial loans and bursaries programme.

"We would definitely not support the increase if there were not increases in aid," Stansbury said.

Seven university student councils ratified a statement recently in "firm opposition to tuition fee increases at the university level."

Councillors demanded that education minister Yves Berube "immediately and publicly denounce this policy as a means of financing for universities," and planned a massive demonstration Dec. 5 to back up their call.

Charter free speech limits debated

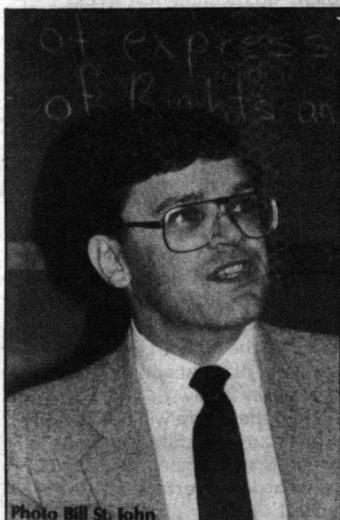


Photo Bill St. John

Hume: Sexism must be fought with more speech not less.

by Ann Grever

The recent controversy surrounding the banning of *Penthouse* magazines provided for lively debate last Thursday on the issue of limiting freedom of expression.

The debate, sponsored by the

Constitutional Law Association, asked if there "should be limitations on freedom of expressions under the Charter of Rights."

The debaters, *Edmonton Journal* Editor Stephen Hume, and Education student Anne McGrath agreed there are limitations, although they disagreed on the extent of the limitations that should be imposed.

Hume spoke for free speech.

He emphasized that an attack on freedom of thought and expression, such as censorship, would represent a degeneration of our democratic society.

Even views which are offensive to the majority of society, such as pornography, should not be censored, according to Hume.

"The social consequences of limiting free speech, freedom of expression and freedom of the press are far graver than the social consequences of pornography itself," he said.

Society, especially "certain women" and "feminists," should not be "seduced and deluded by the appearance of effective action."

Hume warned against politicians who use such issues to get ahead

politically.

Dick Johnston, the minister responsible for the status of women, and a representative of one of the "least progressive" governments in Canada, according to Hume, recently supported a ban against *Penthouse* magazine and has formed a women's committee to review the magazine.

Anne McGrath discussed, for the most part, the issue of pornography.

She stressed the need for pornography to be banned because its "anti-woman images" incite violence toward women "in the name of sexual arousal and entertainment."

McGrath denied that pornography can be dealt with as a "moral question, because the sexuality involved is an instrument of social control."

McGrath gave specific examples of material which has been ruled in Canadian courts as acceptable: articles and photographs portraying women engaged in bestiality and another which illustrated how to perform sex with a four year old girl.

All examples, McGrath maintain-

ed, violate women's rights and freedoms and go "far beyond shock and...embarrassment."

In rebuttal, Hume emphasized that censorship is a placebo and in

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