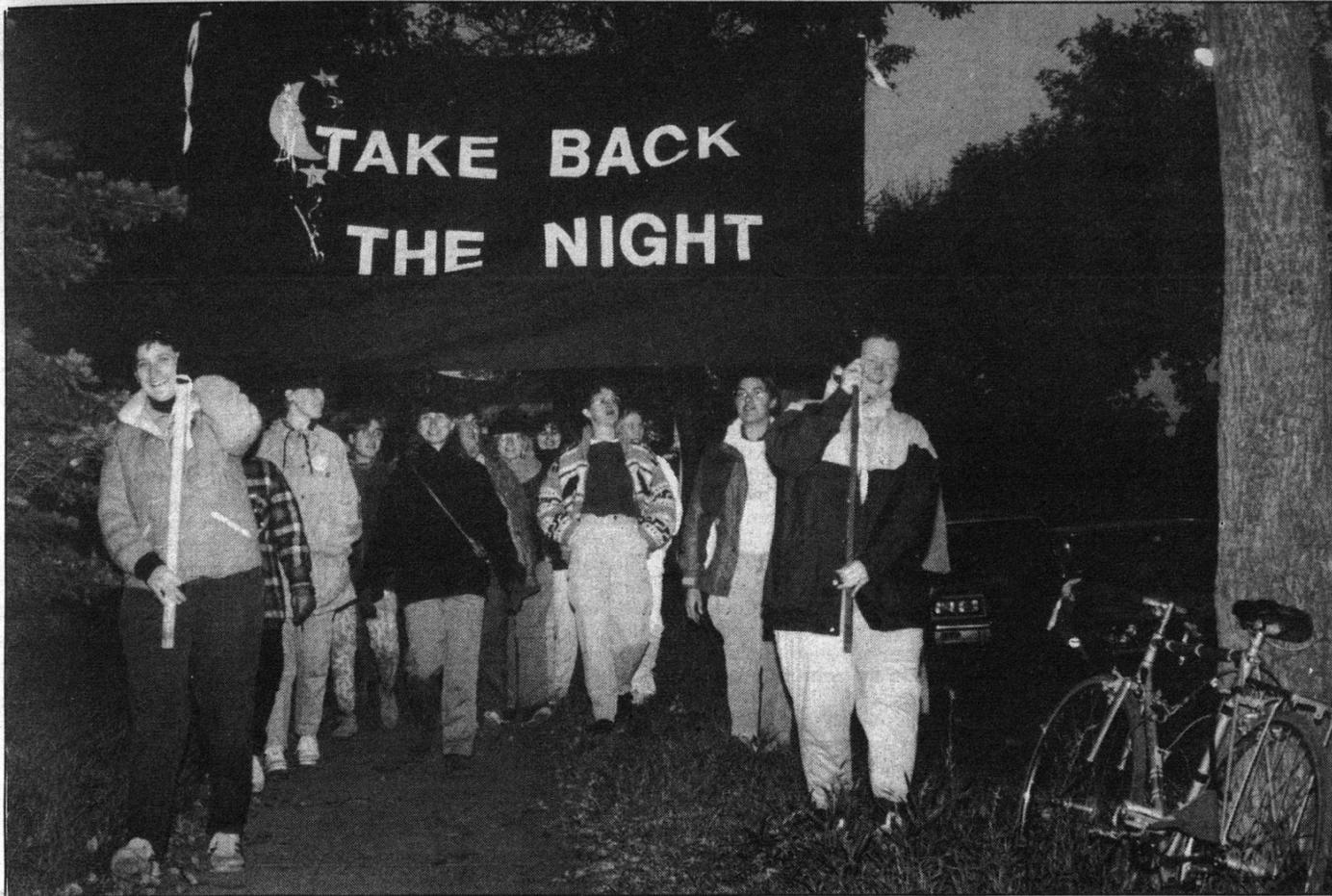


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Over 250 local women participated in an international demonstration Friday to bring attention to violence against women.

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Women fight to walk the night

by John Watson

About 250 women strode through downtown Edmonton last Friday night. They were participating in the "Take Back the Night" walk sponsored by the Canadian Association of Sexual Assault Centres.

Tracey Pegg, an organizer of this year's walk, said the event was a success. "There was a lot of energy on the walk," she said.

"The walk is held for two reasons," said Pegg. "One is a public statement and protest against the violence against women. And secondly, it is a chance for women to walk at night without being escorted by men."

According to Pegg, the marchers received a lot of support as they passed through downtown. A number of them were stopped and asked what the march was about. "They (the inquisitors) were all very supportive," said Pegg.

Police have no leads on campus attack

U of A woman sexually assaulted

by Dragos Ruiu

A U of A student was sexually assaulted on campus last Thursday night.

The girl was going home after studying. Street lights were lit, but it was not yet dark. She was attacked while on 116 Street, near Stadium Car Park and Printing Services building.

The victim said a man attacked her. He started to grab at her pants. A struggle ensued. "I tried to push this guy away, and I couldn't. I screamed. It's very terrifying that nobody came to see what the screaming was about. I scream very loudly," she said. She pointed to the jeans she was wearing at the time. They were ripped and torn. One seam was ripped entirely.

"I hit this guy in the chest and ran away. I ran straight to residence, up to my room." She was too shocked and terrified to do anything. "Thank God for my friends and fiancé," she said.

Her fiancé and friends phoned Campus Security and the Edmonton Police. The police arrived shortly after Campus Security. With the help of her floor coordinator she told her story to Campus Security, police, and R.C.M.P.

"My floor coordinator stayed with me when I told the police about what had happened. In general, they were very understanding, except for one detective who kept asking me about how much I had had to drink," she said.

Edmonton Police say that they have "no pertinent leads." No arrests have been made yet. Campus Security director Doug Langevin said this is the first violent crime reported on campus in two years.

The victim described the assailant as a man of about five feet ten inches. He has blond curly hair in loose curls, a skinny waist, and broad shoulders. His facial features

are angular, with a square jaw and a pointy nose. He was wearing a dull black jacket made of leather or heavy cloth, and blue jeans and white running shoes, possibly

Nikes. "His jacket was done up, so I couldn't see if he was wearing a shirt," she said.

Persons with any information about this incident are asked to call

Campus Security at 432-5252. Campus Security offers an escort service to persons concerned for their safety while walking alone on campus.

Lougheed leaves legislature for lecture hall

Lougheed looks inside gov t

by Alex Shetsen

Ex-premier Peter Lougheed and two of his former cabinet ministers are back together on the U of A campus.

Lougheed, former energy minister and provincial treasurer Merv Leitch, and ex-solicitor general Roy Farran are instructing Political Science 421, giving about 40 students "A Practical Insight into the Workings of Government."

For the three politicians, this is actually a return to university lecturing. Last spring they gave a similar eight week course as guest instructors. Despite the initial concerns of some professors about their objectivity, the Department of Political Science decided that there were no real biases in their presentations, and Lougheed, Leitch, and Farran were invited back for the fall and winter terms.

The ex-premier himself said that the three quickly agreed to lecture in the course when the department approached them in the fall of 1985. "The three of us feel we have a responsibility to pass on our practical experience to the students," Lougheed said.

Since Lougheed and his two colleagues do only four lectures each, spaced out over three months, their

busy schedules are not affected.

The classes have been a success so far this fall. According to Professor James Lightbody, the course coordinator, the trio's practical experience more than makes up for their lack of degrees in political science.

"They are fascinating, forthright, and if a student does not learn anything from them, he must be really, really dumb," said Lightbody.

The students agree with Lightbody. Although no one would reveal their names, the consensus is that the course is relevant and useful.

"It's not a Mickey Mouse course in any way; we have to do a lot of work, especially background reading," said one student. "But I feel that the information we will get out of this course will be very worthwhile."

Are the lectures objective? So far, basically, yes. "So far, the presentations have been very much so." Although, "it would have been nice if they invited an opposition member to come along."

The obvious celebrity of the lecturers has attracted many more students than is usual for a third year course. There are more than double the expected eighteen or

nineteen students. Half the class are political science majors; the rest are M.B.A. students.

"I was looking forward to this course," said one student. Judging

from the comments received from those attending the closed lectures, Lougheed, Leitch, and Farran are holding a captive audience.

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