

Rhodes away from Gateway

by Dave Cox

Former Gateway editor Keith Krause is this year's only recipient of the Rhodes Scholarship in Alberta.

Krause, described by a former professor of his as "close to brilliant", was chosen above twenty other applicants from Alberta. Three applicants made it to the second interview in Winnipeg. Three Western Canadians in total won the award, the other two are residents of Manitoba.

The qualities laid down by Cecil Rhodes (creator of the awards, after whom Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) was named) for an ideal candidate are:

"Literary and scholastic attainment, qualities of truthfulness and courage, devotion to duty, sympathy for and protection of the weak, kindness, unselfishness and fellowship, exhibition of moral force of character and instincts to lead and to take an interest in one's contemporaries, physical vigour as shown by fondness for or success in outdoor activities."

Krause gave the Gateway an exclusive interview yesterday. Asked how he came to apply for the scholarship, he replied, "It was first suggested to me by a professor who thought I might make a good candidate."

Quizzed on his qualifications, Krause stated, "My experience as Gateway editor served me well in interviews; and I was involved in a number of clubs and activities. I got an Honors Political Science degree in April."

On the question of what the interviewers were looking for, Krause replied, "Solid academic credentials, and the capacity to take a leadership role."

The scholar is considering graduate studies in International Relations or in Politics. His special area of interest is in International Development and Communications.



Former Gateway editor, Keith Krause, received word of his scholarship Saturday.

Defusing a seizure backlash

CALGARY (CUP)—Mount Royal College administrators are still trying to defuse the backlash created by their recent seizure of the journalism students' newspaper.

The administration-funded Journal 3009 printed a story October 29 blaming administration president Donal Baker for the college's \$500,000 deficit. Jane Hayes, faculty association president, denied she had made statements quoted in the story, "Faculty chief places blame on Baker."

Baker said, "Jane Hayes burst into my office and apologized profusely," adding that she didn't make the remarks printed in the story.

She dissociated herself from the article in a written statement to Baker, and has refused to comment further.

Baker said he sought legal advice and "in view of the liabilities" ordered that issues of the Journal be "collected." The issues were removed from a locked office over the October 30-31 weekend.

The official student newspaper at MRC, the Reflector, immediately published the seized story in its November 2 edition.

The local media had picked up on the story by then, Hayes told the

Calgary Herald November 6 that she did do the interview quoted in the story, but for background, not for attribution.

And Baker told the Herald he was "happy to see the story was published" in the Reflector. He said he had no plans to sue the Reflector, which is autonomous from administration and students' council control.

Baker wrote an official release stating that the issue was seized "to protect the interests of all concerned....The Board has no intention of seeing a practice publication become the source of legal contention."

The faculty association objected to the seizure in a November 12

release written by executive Barry Pashak. It stated that "any attempt to curtail or interfere with the journalism program is inappropriate and unacceptable."

The journalism society sent a letter of opposition to the seizure that the Board of Governors debated in a closed session November 15. A Board subcommittee is currently studying the Journal 3009's status.

And the student affairs committee of the academic council will discuss the Journal 3009 at a meeting.

The journalism students are worried that the paper could be seized again. Witnesses claim college officials have secretly scanned articles before publication without the editors' consent.

Free fees policy chopped

by Dave Cox

The Federation of Alberta Students (FAS) dropped its long-term policy advocating eventual elimination of tuition at its Fall Conference in late October.

This was part of an overall reorganization in FAS over the past few months. "We have to look at things in the whole context," says Don Millar, President of FAS. "Funding, accessibility, quality of education, the government's changing attitude toward post-secondary education — these problems remain, they have to be addressed."

"We can't, as students, be deterred in our ability to deal with them simply because one referendum goes the other way (in Calgary)," Millar says. "We have to reach coherent policies that embrace all the factors."

The old policy was felt to be unrepresentative of students. It had caused some division within the Federation.

"If we're serious about looking at the total question of quality and accessibility of education," Millar says, "we have to make sure that's addressed by all of our policies on the issue."



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