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THATCHER ASSUMES FINANCIAL CONTROL OF U of S

REGINA (CUP) - Premier Ross Thatcher, Wednesday, announced government plans to assume "direct financial control" of the University of Saskatchewan, just one week after his government was returned to power.

Thatcher made the statement to the potashville Educational Association Convention here when he announced sweeping changes in the financing of all levels of education in Saskatchewan.

He said in the fiscal year 1963-64 the university was given \$11 million, the largest figure ever.

This year he said, the government must find \$28 million for the U of S.

He said because enrolment is growing at a rate exceeding 1,200 students per year, the cost to taxpayers for education will grow at an alarming rate.

He decried the fact that "the elected representatives of the people have virtually no control over university spending."

"Year after year, with few details, we in fact almost write a blank cheque. This is not too serious when only a few million dollars were involved but today the university is fast becoming one of our largest spending departments."

Thatcher has appointed J. C. McIssac as new Minister of Education to replace former minister George Trapp who was defeated in the October 11 Saskatchewan election.

"It will be his onerous task to spearhead this new approach to educational finance," he said.

He said in future the university will be treated like any other spending department in its requests for funds. For instance they will have to itemize their requests as to salaries, travelling, new buildings, and other items.

He said from now on all educational buildings will have to be utilized for longer hours. Maximum use of existing facilities will have to be effected before new construction requests are answered.

He said because of high interest rates his government will discourage "all but the most urgent of (education) building requests in the next twelve month period."

The University of Saskatchewan, the province's only university, has two campuses. The Saskatoon campus has about 10,000 students, and the Regina campus has 3,000.

The government has allocated \$91 million for education at all levels, representing 30 per cent of the provincial budget. Thatcher said education, "properly directed", is the best

defense against unemployment caused by automation.

While the provincial government will not shirk its responsibilities in the field of education, "our educational priority must be related to the financial capacity of the taxpayer," he



PAUL LITTLE ISCHRISTIANITY CREDIBLE?

The UNB Compus, in the next few days, will be challenged to examine its present state of apathy. Paul Little, who has been on more than 200 college campuses across the United States and Canada as well as in 37 countries in Europe, Latin America and Africa, will be here to discuss Christian Ethics and current issues. He will also be speaking on different subjects relevant to the college student. He has written numerous articles and one of his books is in its third printing. He has also been coordinating Inter-Varsity beach evangelistic activities at Fort Launderdale, Florida.

From Nov. 4th to Nov. 8th., bull sessions, lively discussions and lectures by Paul Little will be held in Residences and the Student Centre. Please watch the Bulletin Boards for the time and place. On Friday, Nov. 3rd, there will be a hootenamy in the evening at the Student's Centre, with Dave Ward as the speaker.

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said. (See Editorial, page 4)

ARTS Queen Candidates Chosen



MARGARET WEIR

Marg, a third year major in Psychology, comes from Burlington, Ontario. She was active in last years Red 'n' Black Revue as a member of the kickline. Marg is interested in Art and skiing. This year she is chairman of the Social Committee at Maggie Jean Chestnut Residence.



HEATHER PALMER

Heather hails from the town of Mount Royal, Quebec. She is a girl with varied interests, among them painting, reading and skiing. Heather is planning to major in English or Sociology.



NORA BARRY

Nora, new to UNB this year, is a transfer student from Mount Saint Vincent College in Halifax. She is musically inclined and is now studying for her piano associateship (A.R.C.T.). "The Toads Moter Cars", a singing group, proudly claims Nora as a member. Nora is in Pre Med, although she eventually plans to go into Law.

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