against fee hikes

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nelit from overseas education. number will not change, only backgrounds of students. erta will not be helping the fortunate students."

A Pakistani student in first-Arts said the increase is not nocratic and that it won't erate much income. He ued the government should arge out-of-province students ra as well.

The education opportunities Pakistan do not equal those in nada, this student asserted. certain courses, such as hitecture, hotel management, ance courses, engineering, are not enough schools to omodate all high school ents. The Pakistani governntrefuses to let students come Canada unless you can prove course you wish to take is not alable in Pakistan as well as ng able to afford tuition, room board, etc.'

student noted the This government is also kistani ncerned about the foreign change rate and doesn't want trade its reserve of Canadian lars for rupees when there is a ance that the student may not

According to this student, re is no difference in fees for nadian students and he stated, here are quotas for Canadian American students and in mecases, special scholarships available.

Publicity about differentials had a "positive effect," he "but I don't think it will nge the minds of any officials. elthat the increases are just to the foreign students from ning.'

Ellen, a second-year Educastudent from Hong Kong, if there is an increase, ther one should not occur for eral years. She said the inase won't be hard on her. "My nly or relatives can maybe ome," she stated, "but for the erage student it will be hard." Education opportunities in mg Kong are rare, according to "There is only one universiplus some technical schools. st matriculation students go work or study abroad. It ends upon family expeconsor finances. There is some ted government assistance scholarships, but it is very d to obtain.

Ellen also pointed out that in HongKongare applicable every level of education ining primary and secondary. education is free unless ses are offered at governat schools where education be very poor. Private ools are where students who tto get to university go.' According to Ellen, if foreign tents got out to meet nadians, some of the prejudice disappear. "If you have a sitive approach, you'll want to at other students. Since the ersity is so large, it's hard to asense of belonging and that my people group together."

African student describes situation

Opinion of African Student Concerning Foreign Student Fee Increase:

In my country only five per cent of the students who complete high school have the opportunity to go to university. Admission to the university is such a fantastically competitive affair that it is referred to jokingly as "A gift of God." Under such circumstances, 95 per cent of the students either do not have any chance for university education or seek opportunities in foreign countries to meet their life-long aspirations.

The fee increase for foreign students in Alberta is a slap in the face to an African student for the following immediate reactions. He realizes that the number of the foreign students as a whole will not change; what changes is the composition of the students. Obviously, students coming from the third world countries would be the victims of this decision and therefore would be systematically reduced. Thus the fee hike bears a tone of discimination and racism

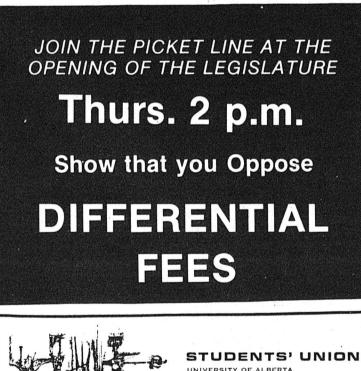
It is not obvious why the fee increase is implemented now when the number of foreign students is less than five per cent of the entire student body. The home as top government ofeconomic gains by the Alberta

government is marginial (a drop in a "barrel" of water!). It should be pointed out that almost all the income might be spent in implementing the program itself. If it is not an economic issue then it must be a political decision with not-so-clear implications!!

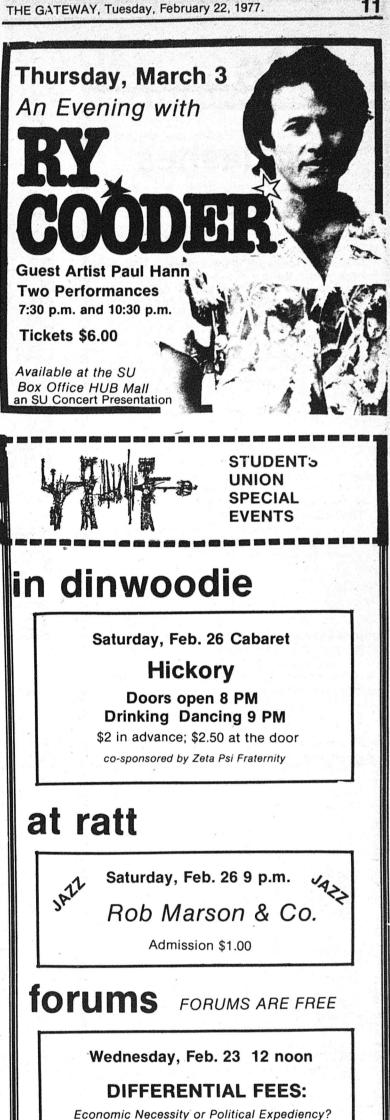
Canada boasts with its contribution to third world development and particularly in education which is in great need by our countries. The fee increase is not in line with the proclaimed foreign policy of Canadian government. We feel Canada (or Alberta) could help us open the doors of educational opportunities as much as possible. rather than putting harsh limitations on.

Foreign students to a certain limit do contribute to enrich the environment and culture of the university life. The more varied they are the better. They do also contribute, however small, financially to the province in terms of foreign exchange. Moreover, as consumers they do contribute to the provincial market.

In the final analysis Canadian educated graduates are of tremendous value to Canada as a whole in terms of bilateral relations and Canadian goods and equipment when they go ficials



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SAN FRANCISCO (ZNS-Abill has been introduced Democrat member in the ion legislature to ban all tric toothbrushes except ^{e prescribed} by dentists, as ext January 1st.

Earl Blumenauer also plans troduce a bill prohibiting the of electric can openers, ause, according to an aide, ectric toothbrushes and eleccan openers represent the Ist of American industry." He such appliances are "totally ess products that merely ^{sume} precious energy."

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