



Photo by Greg Neiman

Nanci Li Brandi signed "Best Wishes, Nanci" at a hurried pace yesterday during her one hour stint at Varsity Drug, much to the amusement of the large crowd of guys that gathered outside the drugstore. *Playboy's* Miss December, she was part of a campaign to bolster the magazine's flagging sales. A small, and noticeably silent group of feminist dissenters attended a few minutes to glare angrily at the shapely PR item, but vocal protest was disappointingly quiet. When asked what she felt about being the means to the puffy faced circulation man's profits, she replied, "Everyone's a tool of business. I want to be an actress or a model, and I have to do this to get exposure." She got it.

The father removed

It looks like the dear old provost of the University is being the way of the bronze-taurus, as a result of a restructuring of the office of Student Affairs.

In the old days of university the provost played the part of 'the father removed', the person to whom students could bring their problems and complaints. But now, according to SU president Graeme Headbeater, that role is outdated and unfulfilled.

"The provost represents the old school," he said, "the old way, and the kind of thing it represented. This has been lost. People don't know who the provost is. People don't know what his job is."

Replacing the provost will be an associate vice-president of Student Affairs, who will be responsible to the president of the university. This position was created contrary to recommendations set forth in the investigatory report initiated last spring, which urged greater SU participation without the benefit of highly placed official representation.

Student Council opposed this proposal on the grounds

that a) students need greater voice in the university bureaucracy than it presently does, and b) the students' union has too many other duties to be able to keep up with increased administrative affairs.

Other positions slated for the axe are those of Dean of Men and Dean of Women, positions that had become outmoded and redundant in the present system. Further alterations will be made after the Associate Vice-President-to-be assumes his position.

Noon hour women's studies course proposed

Designed to test the demand on campus for women's courses, the Academic Women's Association has prepared a draft proposal outlining the possibility and aims of a noon hour women's studies program.

Should the demand prove high enough, further proposals

will be considered toward the establishment of credit courses in women's studies.

Between January and March, the Association asks that groups of interested persons would meet for noon hour

discussion and lecture sessions on different aspects of the situation of women in our

Pembina re-opens

"Pembina Hall could be likened to a woman who, although 61 years old, following her restoration and face-lift is now ready for new 'relationships.'" With those words, Hostess Linda Spencer commenced, the official ceremonies which re-opened Pembina Hall last Friday afternoon.

For Ms. Spencer the occasion was surely filled with a special type of nostalgia, for it was the Pembina House Committee of 1973-74, of which she was President, which did more than any other single group to ensure that Pembina Hall was saved from destruction.

Of course, that assurance was also provided by a large number of individual protests. The sum total of these forced the Board of Governors to reverse their previous decision, made in the early 1970's, which called for the destruction of Pembina, Athabasca, and Assiniboia.

As Dr. Bert Hohol, Minister of Advanced Education and Manpower, said in his speech during the ceremony, "The government will sometimes respond to the messages and protests the public directs at it ... but it means a lot of time and effort, a lot of lonely days and lonely nights for those who take on the responsibility of making such an appeal."

Surely all those individuals who did protest the university's decision to destroy the third oldest structure on campus must have felt amply rewarded for their time and effort by the changes which have been wrought in the internal workings of Pembina, and the stately manner which has been preserved.

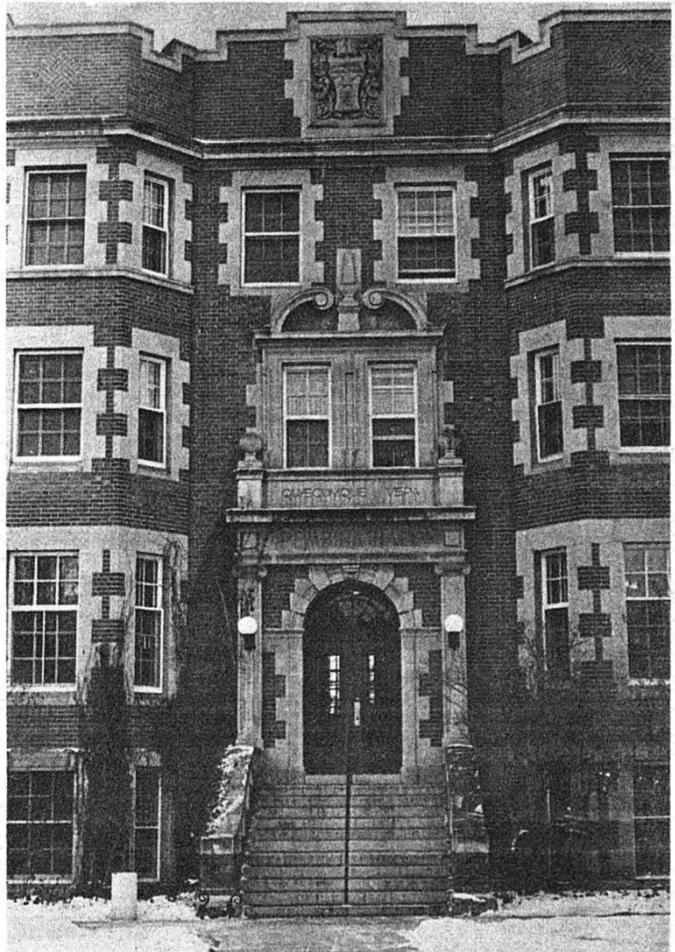
Mrs. J. Grant Sparling, who was Dean of Women during the 1960's and another speaker at Friday's ceremonies, provided a personal recollection of how

Pembina, as a building, had depreciated even as early as 1968: "I went to bed every night wondering whether the wiring would carry the load and, if a fire did start, whether or not the wretched fire escapes would be frozen to their rungs."

This depreciation below fire-safety standards resulted in the closure of Pembina Hall in 1974. With the aid of a \$504,000.00 grant from the provincial government, the university

began to execute renovations in the spring of 74 and finished in time to allow residence accommodation to students for this academic year. The renovations included the addition of concealed wiring and ventilation, plumbing fixtures, new carpeting and drapes - all done, however, with an eye to maintaining the history, as well as the

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Education no road to better job?

WATERLOO (CUP) - The benefits of higher education may have been oversold in the 1960's but there is still need for university and college degrees for certain jobs, University of Waterloo President Burt Matthews said November 27.

Matthews was commenting on a statement made recently by Dr. Harry Parrot the new Minister of Colleges and Universities, who said the belief that degrees can ensure recipients good jobs is "a myth."

Parrot, taking part in an all-day faculty development workshop at Conestoga College said he intends to repeat that view thousands of times, if necessary, to get rid of a false impression that has been promoted by high schools, employers, colleges and universities.

The pieces of paper offered by universities and colleges are of no greater or lesser value than satisfactory work experience, the Woodstock dentist said.

"The myth is there ... it'll get worse if I don't challenge it."

Parrot feels that because he has a doctorate, the first to hold one in his portfolio, he can afford to make the statement about "the myth" with credibility.

Matthews said that while getting a degree doesn't necessarily land the student a good job, for certain occupations a degree is required. "There is no doubt about it ... higher education is required for some occupations."

"If one wants to become an engineer then one should pursue a university degree rather than a community college one."

However, for some people the pursuit of a degree isn't the best "route" to follow since they might find fulfillment in other types of education, he cautioned.

Matthews said that community colleges offer an education which isn't less desirable than a university one. "The

graduates from community colleges are just as important as graduates from universities."

So a person shouldn't come to university with the expectation of later getting a high paying job. In some cases a graduate ends up with no job at all, he explained.

Hearst lawyer punishes guilty

SAN FRANCISCO (ZNS-CUP) - One of the more illuminating quotes of the week comes from Attorney F. Lee Bailey, one of the lawyers who was defending Patty Hearst.

Bailey says: "My clients want freedom, not justice. I get paid for seeing that my clients have every break the law allows. I have knowingly defended a number of guilty men. But the guilty never escape unscathed. My fees are sufficient punishment for anyone."