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GFC lowers requirements

The General Faculty Council meeting of Dec. 17 adopted several reports of interest to students.

A proposal to combine the B.Sc.medical doctor program and B.Sc.doctor dental surgeon program beginning next year was passed.

A report to lower admission requirements to the university was also passed. Matriculants wishing to enter certain faculties will be admitted if they lack a prerequisite, provided they take a 100-level course in their first year.

The Academic Development Committee made two recommendations to the Board of Governors concerning the expansion of the university. They were:

• that the Board of Governors ask the Universities Commission to allow U of A to continue to expand its facilities, as necessary, during the 1970's and to delay any plans for the establishment of another university in Edmonton until after 1980.

• that if the above recommendation is rejected, the Board of Governors ask the Universities Commission for a decision on the ultimate full-time enrollment of U of A.

The university finds it cannot plan for the future until the pro-

vincial government makes a decision on the final size of the institution or the establishment of another Edmonton campus.

Much of the business at the meeting was deferred to the next meeting. This included such points of interest as a proposal to abolish all supplemental exams, a report on compulsory phys ed for first year students and a notice of motion to establish a commission to examine teaching at the university.

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rather a consensus of agreement on ideas concerning a national union.

"The idea evolved that pressure could be put on the Canadian Union of Students to come into line with what they should be doing.

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"The next conference should concentrate on three things; philosophical priorities of a national union such as education; how do they get CUS to change, whether it should be dissolved etc.; and that barriers within each province have to be broken down. Everyone has to work through their provincial unions and the next conference should look closely at this."

Carillon 'not in university's best interest' — funds severed

Compulsory collection of students' union fees for the January-April semester on the University of Saskatchewan-Regina campus has been cancelled by that campus' Board of Governors.

A news release from the Regina Campus Student's Representative Council (SRC) quotes the board as saying, "The suspension will remain in effect until the SRC adjusts its activities and programs to be more in accord with the best interests of the university."

A petition circulated on the Regina campus has revealed that many students object to the board move. The SRC said "It is an intolerable attempt to impose censorship on The Carillon (the campus newspaper) and to deny the students their right to a free press."

Norman Bolen, editor of The Carillon, claims "the attack" by the Board of Governors on The Carillon was from "purely political motives".

A letter from the SRC circulated to all the students stated "It is no secret that Ross Thatcher had little love for students, and it is very possible the government has been pressing the administration on this matter, just as they have been

pressing them on budgetary items".

The government denies that it put any pressure on the board.

The faculty members are also concerned with the Board of Governor's decision. President of the Faculty Association Dr. Reid Robinson described the move as "somewhat abhorrent . . . a fiscal sledge-hammer being used for censorship."

Former Dean of Arts and Science Alwyn Berland concurred. "I am distressed by some of the excesses of The Carillon, but I am not in the least convinced that the decision of the Board is right or proper."

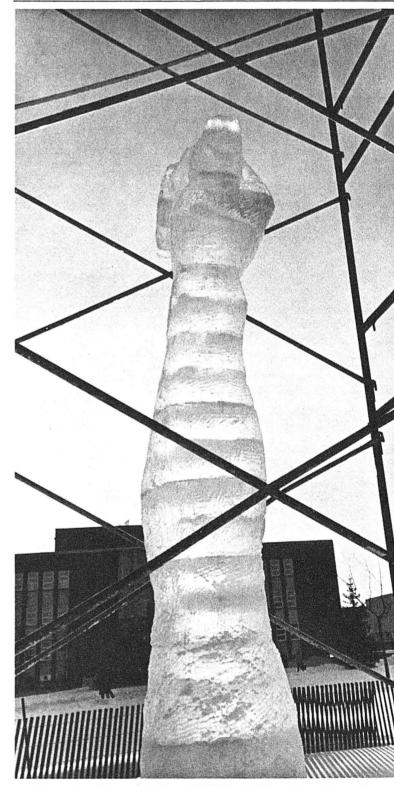
"It opens the door into internal affairs of the university. If the community should decide it doesn't like the Sociology Department, will the board decide to close that up too?"

This was in response to Board of Governors Chairman Allan Tubby.

"The language and illustrations in The Carillon have given offense to an increasing segment of a public that expects better of an institution of higher learning. Considerable damage has been done to the relationship of mutual respect which must exist between a public university and the community which support its," said Mr. Tubby.

Of several courses open to the Regina Campus Student's Union, one is to defy university authorities by continuing to publish the weekly without a change in policy and using surplus money in the union fund while the union arranges to collect fees on a voluntary basis from students. Another is to agree to an editorial policy not offensive to the board as a prelude to restoration of the compulsory checkoff.

The latest action taken on the issue, in which 2,500 of the University of Regina's 4,400 students voted favorably, was a request for a referendum Thursday proposing a written contact between the SRC and the administration that would direct the administration to collect council fees from students at registration.



IS STUDENT POWER BEHIND BAR?—Actually, it's not a symbol for the SDU's power grab but an advertisement for the New Folk, appearing tonight in SUB theatre at 8 p.m. The show is sponsored by the Student Christian Movement.

