



AT THE EDGE—Corry Rietveld, sci 2 demonstrates how immorality is spreading all over campus when she picks up a copy of nasty ol' Edge. Corry says there's no telling how much damage Edge could do to Alberta's moral standards. (See Review, Page 8.) —Wilson Photo

Magazine Continues Haunting Campus, Edmonton And . . .

By Janet Orzech

THAT magazine continues to haunt U of A.

The campus abounds in mysteries surrounding Edge.

In fact, the mysteries extend to the city of Edmonton, and even farther.

Edge is a literary publication on campus in which amateur writers are given opportunity to express themselves.

Two weeks ago it was banned from Tuck Shop.

Members of the legislature have denounced it as "trash," including Ethel Wilson and the Hon. A. J. Hooke minister of municipal affairs.

And one week ago a Strathcona county high school teacher was suspended for having atheistic beliefs and for bringing Edge into his classroom.

All these things have happened but no one seems to know why.

LIMITED KNOWLEDGE
Many of Edge's most violent critics admit to only limited knowledge of the magazine. Mrs. Wilson says she has read only one of three publications.

Edgar Gerhart, Social Credit MLA and operator of Tuck Shop says he had "never seen a copy" before it was ordered removed from his racks.

Grant Jensen, principal of Ardrossan High School where the teacher was suspended, would give no opinion of Edge.

"I'm not familiar with it," he told The Gateway.

Asked his opinion of the suspension, Mr. Jensen said:

"The whole thing could have been settled in my office. No one came to see me or Mr. Hertzog (the suspended teacher) before the suspension. If the people in the community who had the complaints would have talked the thing out, it could have been settled quietly and amicably in my office."

Mr. Jensen made no mention of how he would stand in the settlement.

Dr. Walter H. Johns, president of the university, was also asked his opinion on Edge by The Gateway.

NO COMMENT

"I haven't seen this year's Edge. I would rather not give an opinion of it," said Dr. Johns.

And now there is a mystery man on campus. He is Raymond Hertzog, the suspended high school teacher.

Mr. Hertzog left his home after the Strathcona County council made its decision to suspend him and his whereabouts are unknown. Mr. Jensen hinted Mr. Hertzog might be at the U of A.

Noel Parker-Jervis, Edge's business manager, says he saw him on campus. So does Robin D. Mathews of the English department.

But Mr. Hertzog did not reveal his address or telephone number. Mr. Mathews quoted Mr. Hertzog as saying, "I don't want people to know my number."

Mr. Hertzog has yet to defend his stand on Edge.

Reaction Generally Favorable To Aid Stand, Says Lupul

Dr. M. R. Lupul, associate professor of educational foundations, says reaction to his charges opposing provincial aid for church-affiliated junior colleges has been favorable.

"There has been little formal reaction," he says. "Informal reaction, apart from the odd letter to the Edmonton Journal, has been generally favorable in the university and with the public."

The Journal reported Dr. Lupul's views Nov. 12 with an editorial saying "faculty members should remind themselves that academic freedom does not imply licence to make wildly irresponsible statements."

To this Dr. Lupul says, "Maybe they think they have suitably dismissed my presentation, and have had the last word."

ADDRESSED CONVENTION

Dr. Lupul recently addressed the Fourth Edmonton District Convention of the Alberta Teachers' Association on "Church and State in Al-

berta's Educational System."

Religious groups have not reacted strongly to his attack.

However, Dr. Lupul has received what he terms "Protestant fundamentalist literature" referring him to the command of Jesus Christ, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" and asking "Will you respond?"

An editorial in The Western Catholic, Nov. 18 "commends everyone who formally criticized the speech," says Dr. Lupul.

NO COMMENT

He did not wish to comment about Raymond Hertzog, a Strathcona County teacher suspended for his atheistic beliefs and use of the controversial magazine Edge in the classroom.

Dr. Lupul says he is not yet aware of all the facts, but has words of praise for Edge.

"There is no other non-commercial medium in Canada for the expression at some length of personal views critical of our society. One doesn't have to agree with everything it says to appreciate the objective its sponsors have in mind."

Estrin Knocks Bladen Inquiry

Sees Student Reaction Against Tuition Hikes

By Al Bromling

Education is a right—not a privilege—according to the Students' Union submission to the Bladen Commission last week.

And the Bladen Commission investigating the financing of higher education in Canada may not agree.

"The commission seems to be searching for a way to double present tuition fees in one year while assuring that sufficient aid is available so that a greater percentage of qualified students can attend university," says Dave Estrin, campus CUS chairman.

Estrin and Students' Union President Francis Saville appeared last week before the commission.

"The commission apparently wants those students who have money to pay a larger share of education costs," says Estrin.

Estrin feels student reaction to such a fee increase would be swift and violent.

OBJECT TO INCREASE

"Students on campus and throughout Canada would object strongly to an increase in their financial burden," says Estrin.

"Neither am I convinced this move would bring a greater proportion of qualified students to university."

"The Commission will not report to Parliament until Sept., 1965 and the positions are tentative. No final decisions will be made until all the studies are completed."

"The Students' Union submission was the first student viewpoint which mentioned the specific problems of married students," said Estrin.

STUDENT DISCONTENT

The submission also pointed to student discontent with the long delays involved in obtaining financial aid from the present sources—and mentioned the uncertainty of assistance at present.

It termed the Federal Student Loan Plan an interim measure, called for a reversal in the trend to increase fees, as 20 Canadian universities did this year and asked for all present aid to be continued with new aid added to supplement rather than replace present sources.

"The submission supported the CUS recommendation favoring free education for all qualified students," says Estrin.

MET PRIVATELY

Students' Union representatives Tuesday met privately with a member of the Commission.

Dr. G. Maynard, a member of the Board of Governors at Carleton University in Ottawa, is working separately from the main commission, concentrating on the student means problem of educational finance.

"U of A is the first university which had students meet personally with a member of the Commission," she told the four students who conferred with her.

Dr. Maynard is enthusiastic about the proposed student means survey which CUS hopes to complete by Feb., if the grant of \$8,000 is obtained from the federal government.

"We approached the Dominion Bureau of Statistics and were told a survey would take 18 months to complete. If the CUS survey is made available it will greatly aid the work of the Commission which must report next Sept.," she said.

SUB Enters Final Stage Of Planning

The new SUB project entered its final stage of basic planning Tuesday when it was approved without change by the Campus Planning Committee.

The committee, which is responsible for planning all buildings on campus, approved the facilities list and design concept upon presentation.

Committee approval allows the project to go to the Board of Governors Dec. 4 for final approval.

"This completes the second last stage of basic planning. If the project gets approval of the Board, we will proceed with detailed planning and begin construction next summer if all goes as scheduled," says SUB planning chairman Andy Brook.

"The presentation of the project to the Board of Governors, Dec. 4, will be the critical stage in the project," says Brook.

"A long delay, perhaps six months will be necessary if we have to make revisions in the project," he says.

Treasure Van Brings Goodies To Edmonton

Monday is the day.

Treasure Van, an internationally flavoured sale and display of handicrafts, opens Monday in the armed services building.

The weeklong display of goodies from more than 30 nations comes to U of A as part of its annual visit to 36 Canadian campuses.

Last year's Treasure Van visit to Edmonton brought the World University Service \$17,500, a record which no other Canadian university has yet been able to match.

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