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regular Gateway. "I think the Arts and Sports sections have a particular audience; people who read the paper only for those sections. I think they are of equal importance in the paper."

A former history student, little "see(s) a value in historical prospect" and is planning a series of features on the 1970's, including pieces dealing with the arts, politics, science and sports. Because he sees a need to keep students informed about campus politics and related issues, "solid news reports" will be stressed and though he is "not totally in favor of vicious or outrageous editorials, (he would) like to see them have a little punch."

The new editor wants to see representation from as many areas of study and faculties as possible. He will soon be actively recruiting staff for the 1979-80 Gateway.

Liberals coming

Four provincial Liberals will visit the U of A campus Wednesday afternoon.

The Liberal candidates for Edmonton Centre, Whitemud, Athabasca and Calder will be in Friday's in HUB Mall from 11:30 to 1:00 pm.

The candidates view the event as an opportunity to meet students informally, said Joe Gorman, Liberal party representative.

GW dance marathon

Ever wondered what they meant when they sang "boogie-woogie till you just can't stop no more"? During Varsity Weekend you'll have the chance to find out.

The Women's Fraternities are sponsoring their second Hellenic Dance Marathon in Woodie Lounge March 10, from noon to midnight. The event will be sponsored similar to the familiar Miles for Millions walk) for each hour that dance.

"Twelve hours is a long time," admitted organizer Kim Stagg. "But there will be ten-minute-per-hour breaks for refreshments - and shoe adjustments," she added.

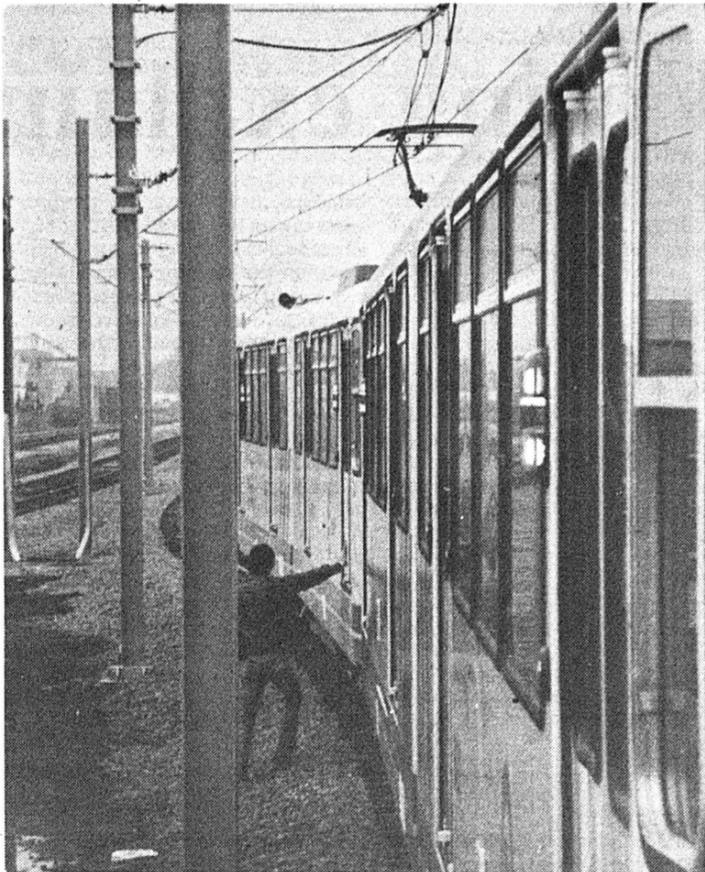
Last year's event was very successful, raising over \$2800 for Muscular Dystrophy Foundation. This year Stagg says proceeds will be donated to the house, the temporary house for battered wives, run by the Edmonton Women's Shelter.

As a further incentive, many individual prizes and group prizes are offered in several categories. A number of local fraternities will be dropping by during the day to add their support.

The non-stop music will be available for participants until 8 p.m. Then the Dinwoodie doors will be thrown open to the public for the regular Saturday social. Stagg anticipates a large turnout.

Registration forms, more information and the rules are available from intramural reps, floor reps, fraternity reps or at 433-3977 and Joan at 433-3633.

"Nothing else, Stagg says, the Marathon will be fun; the chance to "get down till you can't get up", as it were.



Do you want one of these in your backyard? If you're a South Side resident, you have a chance to decide at public meetings tonight and Thursday.

Don't miss the bus

A series of public "Information Exchange Centers" will be held this week to discuss the community impact of the proposed South Side Light Rail Transit system.

The Centers, which are organized by the city's Transportation Planning Branch, will present results of the study which the city is carrying out on the project, as well as receiving ideas and concerns from the community.

There will be maps and displays showing the different routes and station locations which have been suggested, as well as displays on how the communities may be affected.

One of the major areas of the study is to identify possible changes in environmental, social and economic characteristics of affected communities. Some of the things the study looks at are effects on property values, community facilities, parking, noise levels, local traffic patterns, historical sites and pressures for development.

The sessions will be held on three evenings: tonight, Feb 20 at Garneau Elementary School, 10927-87 Ave., and Thursday, Feb 22 at Mount Pleasant Elementary and Junior High School, 10540-60A Ave.

Drop in any time from 6 pm to 10 pm.

CUP chooses new staffers

The Western Region of Canadian University Press (WR-CUP) held their spring conference in Vancouver last weekend.

The most important agenda item was the hiring of three regional staffers for next year. Nancy McRitchie of the *Other Press* (New Westminster) was hired as fieldworker. McRitchie will assist and advise smaller western CUP papers throughout the year.

Martina Freitag (*Gauntlet*—Calgary) and Keith Baldry (*Other Press*) were hired as Prairie and B.C. Bureau Chiefs respectively. They will coordinate national and regional story coverage from the Win-

nipeg and Vancouver CUP offices.

Newspaper autonomy was also an important issue at the conference. Discussion centered around recent moves by some western papers to incorporate, establishing themselves as separate bodies from their Students' Unions. Funds for these autonomous papers are raised by a direct student levy, instead of a Students' Union grant.

Autonomy from all external editorial and financial control is a goal established for all CUP papers.

CUP's proposed national magazine also advanced a few more steps. The magazine, if

Real teeth needed

Mannequins and technique teeth are fine — but third and fourth year students in the University of Alberta's Faculty of Dentistry now need the genuine article.

The students have progressed to the clinical treatment part of their professional training and patients are required in order that the training can be fully realized.

Parents of children between the ages of 4 and 12 are invited to

contact the faculty's department of dental clinical sciences, telephone 432-4448, and make arrangements to have their children's teeth examined. Should dental work be necessary, the students, working under supervision, can perform all aspects of treatment and recommend proper methods of care.

He says that children with dental problems can receive treatment in the faculty until April 30.

Defector knocks Soviet Union

by Alison Thomson

This is a dangerous period in our time, says Soviet defector Simas Kudirka.

Kudirka spoke to a small audience Friday about the events which led up to his defection from the Soviet Union, and his conclusions about that state.

Kudirka was a seaman who jumped from a Soviet fishing vessel to a U.S. Coast Guard cutter. He was refused asylum, and returned to the U.S.S.R. where he was charged with treason and sentenced to prison camp.

Following the efforts of a Lithuanian citizens' group in the United States, it was discovered that Kudirka was entitled to American citizenship. He now resides in New York, and spends a great deal of time lecturing and cautioning the west about the Soviet Union.

"Very nice, detente," he scoffs. "You exchange fifty years of technology for *Swan Lake*. It is stupidity to believe Kissinger's peace while Soviet imperialism is growing."

He criticizes the media for emphasizing the war crimes of Hitler and ignoring the actions of Stalin. "It's wrong not to criticize

the holocaust that continues today," he said.

He jumped, he said, because he saw nothing had changed. "From Stalin to Krushchev to Brezhnev, it is the same. I could not live under these conditions."

"Forget Marxism — it is stupidity. Or maybe not, I don't know," said Kudirka. "But remember, it is imperialism. And it is the whole world's problem."

Drop em now

Do you really *have* to get out of that English course?

Haven't handed in your Micro labs for the last three weeks?

Is your Philosophy course driving you to the brink of existential despair?

Well, if you're planning to go away for Reading Week, you'd better drop those courses before you leave. Deadline for withdrawal from second term courses is March 2—the Friday of Reading Week.

So if you haven't got that paper done, and you don't plan to do it...March 2 is D-Day.

Diff fees reconsidered

TORONTO (Imprint-CUP) — The Ontario government is reconsidering its differential fees for international students in light of views expressed in a recently-released consultants' report.

Ontario Colleges and Universities Minister Bette Stephenson said Feb. 2 that the policy was "under review" although she wasn't "about to say it will be changed."

She also admitted that fees for international students had not been affected by the recent

five per cent hikes at Ontario universities and colleges, a fact not mentioned by the ministry in its initial announcement.

The P.S. Ross Report, released last month, said that 82 per cent of those it surveyed who expressed an opinion "strongly advocated change of what they considered to be a discriminatory fee." Fifty per cent of student respondents supported this view.

The Ontario Federation of Students Press Officer Allan Golombek said he hoped Stephenson would be moved by the "overwhelming weight" of opinion against the fees shown in the report. OFS has opposed the fees since their inception, as have the Ontario Liberals and New Democrats.

The fees, instituted in 1977, mean that foreign students attending Canadian universities pay \$900 more than Canadians, while those attending colleges pay \$500 extra.

Differential fees are also charged in Alberta and Quebec, and the Maritime provinces are considering instituting them.

Motion to prevent B of G moving out

The current SU Board of Governors (B of G) representative has suggested a revision of the "open-ended" motion which would allow B of G members to travel to Vancouver Island, all expenses paid, this summer.

Randy Read has objected to the recent decision of the Board to send all members of B of G who wish to attend to the Bamfield Marine Station on Vancouver Island in June.

The university funds the marine research station in co-operation with the University of Calgary, the University of Victoria, the University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University and the National Research Council.

B of G decided at its regular February meeting that future decisions regarding Bamfield would benefit from knowledge gained from a visit to the

research station.

But Read says this motion could cost the B of G "between \$2000 and \$3000, if ten members decide to go." This price includes \$150 return airfare, one or two nights' accommodation, and meals for the duration, says Read.

"There's no doubt valuable information is available from people visiting there," said Read, "but I think we can get as much benefit by sending two people to report back to us."

Read has submitted a new motion to be included on the agenda for the Board meeting March 2. The motion states: "MOVED THAT: the Board delegates two (2) members to visit the Bamfield Marine Station on June 20 or 21 and to prepare a written and a verbal report for presentation at the August 1979 meeting of the Board."