

# Extension department reviewed

The University launched a review of the 62-year-old department of extension, at an executive committee meeting of general faculties council Monday.

Dr. Willard Allen, associate academic vice-president, was asked by the executive to conduct the review.

Dr. Allen, 49, has been closely involved with the department for three years in his administrative capacity, and also as chairman of a committee established to select a new director for the department.

In a letter, Allen urged the study be undertaken before selection of a replacement for Dr. Duncan Campbell is made. Dr. Campbell completes his term on June 30.

The study will review the functions, structure and future of the department, which offers

a wide range of non-credit courses to about 12,000 students in the province.

Among areas to be examined are operating costs; development of collection services; the fee structure; to co-ordinate activities of the department with those of other institutions; and to decide whether it should remain under the university's administrative umbrella.

Dr. Allen noted, several investigations have been carried out in recent years, but none have resulted in a clear and workable set of principles or objectives for the department.

Fear of duplicating services offered by the department and its counterparts in the province was a major contributing factor to starting the review.

Ten years ago, the U of A's

extension department was alone in the province. Now such institutions as Universities of Calgary and Lethbridge, NAIT, SAIT, and even the department of culture, youth and recreation, are offering courses in continuing education.

"The whole environment has changed," said Dr. Allen, although some duplication in continuing education isn't that bad "because no one institution can meet all needs."

"We don't have enough resources to do everything that people would like us to do. We'll have to establish our own priorities and negotiate with other institutions to get maximum benefit from those resources."

He admits the task will be difficult - "How do you compare needs in different areas, such as

economic and cultural benefit. And you're dealing with different communities."

Government grants take care of direct costs - salaries, telephones and other expenditures. But other areas such as light, power and administration are not.

Also to be determined is the future of the extension library, which serves areas in the province outside the public library system.

Operation of the library have been hampered by a lack of funds and facilities, which have helped to shelve any expansion plans.

"There is a strong feeling that if we continue to operate the library, it has to have more support because book holdings haven't grown in the last five years," said Allen.

The library is not a normal university function, said Allen, and the university doesn't feel justified in putting grant money into it.

University president Max Wyman told the executive he has received many complimentary letters from adults about the department.

Harry Gunning, president-elect and dean of chemistry, said he would like to see the functions of the department strengthened.

"It's good for the public image," Gunning said, "as it provides the only link some people have with the university."

The department "is a very important part of the university, especially in a day when we must look to the public for support."

## CANDIDATES

The election of a student to represent the Faculty of Arts on General Faculties Council will be held Friday.

Polls in the Tory, Student Union and Central Academic buildings will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The candidates running for

the position are Kimball Cariou and Kevan Warner.

Donald Bell was earlier awarded a GFC seat from the faculty of Arts by acclamation, as his was the nomination filed by the first deadline.

Following are statements issued by Warner and Cariou.



Kimball Cariou

The central problem student CFC reps face is a lack of co-ordinated action.

Our reps have failed to work together for student interests, and have not presented a united voice in GFC. This situation must be changed.

GFC should undertake progressive action on several major issues:

-a better transferability system for students is necessary.

-quotas for the faculties of Medicine and Dentistry should be raised.

-the trend towards Americanization of universities should be reversed. Canadian academic independence must be developed.

-The struggle for native educational rights must be strengthened by GFC.

-Non-academic staff representation on GFC must be given continued support.

-Undergraduates should be represented on tenure committees

-The fight against education cutbacks is crucial. This issue affects every aspect of student life, from staff-student ratios to the quality of libraries.

-Discrimination against female staff members must be ended.

Students must have a united group of representatives on GFC to work progressively and constructively for their interests, on the above issues and others. I intend to do all I can to further this unity if elected.



Kevan Warner

I have had experience in that I was co-chairman of EYCCIC for a year and on the executive for another two and I am at present President-elect of G.A.P.E. as opposed to G.A.T.E. but unlike other candidates, I am not tied to a political philosophy that will stop me from representing the wishes of my constituents.

I would endeavor to use my position to protect and increase what rights as students we do have, to bring about what changes would best benefit the university. I would also like to uncover, if possible, the plottings of mischievous elves that threaten our status and roles.

I would like to see the university reformed so that education becomes meaningful rather than delaying our entry to the job market, those of us with Arts degrees should be much more highly qualified and there should be more places to go with them (idealism, sigh). The university should be the centre, the hut of the city not just education. There is change that must be wrought in the world and we could help do this if we can only show "them" that education/knowledge is and will be a vital factor for the survival of homo sapiens.

The university could be amongst the finest places in the world. I would simply like to aid in making the U of A just that.

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### Red Deer

#### affiliation

An affiliation agreement has been signed between the university's faculty of medicine and the Red Deer General Hospital.

Approved by the Board of governors Friday, it will provide medical students the opportunity to learn in a community hospital.

The agreement, to be renewed annually, is the first made with a hospital outside of the city. Similar ones already exist with a number of the larger city hospitals.

"Students will have a greater learning experience in more common cases than in major hospitals," said Dr. Walter MacKenzie, dean of medicine.

"In large teaching hospitals, you do a large number of major, complex procedures," MacKenzie added.

He described the pact as a "two way street."

"It's good for patient care at the hospital and that type of learning experience is also good for the students."

Initially the affiliation program will be elective, MacKenzie revealed in a Gateway interview, but if successful, it could become a requirement of the student intern program.

The agreement provides for such activities as undergraduate and graduate medical education; the assignment of resident doctors for training in departmental programs; and clinical research by faculty and students.

This research may encompass laboratory studies, clinical investigation, therapeutic trials and studies and the organization and administration of hospital and medical services.

Arrangements for each specific program will be made through the departments of the faculty and the corresponding department at the Red Deer hospital.

As well, members of the hospital staff to participate in the program will be chosen on a mutual agreement by the university and the hospital.

The number of students in the program, likely to begin later this year, will be determined by the Red Deer hospital.

## PEMBINA

### WHAT IS ITS FATE, AND WHY?

A Students' Union Forum with speakers  
Isabel Munroe - Dean of Women  
Dr. Walter Neal - V.P. (Planning & Development)  
John Schlosser - Chairman, B. of G. Building Committee  
Linda Spencer - President, Pembina Hall  
George Mantor - President, Students' Union

January 12, 12 noon, SUB Theatre

January 15, 1974.

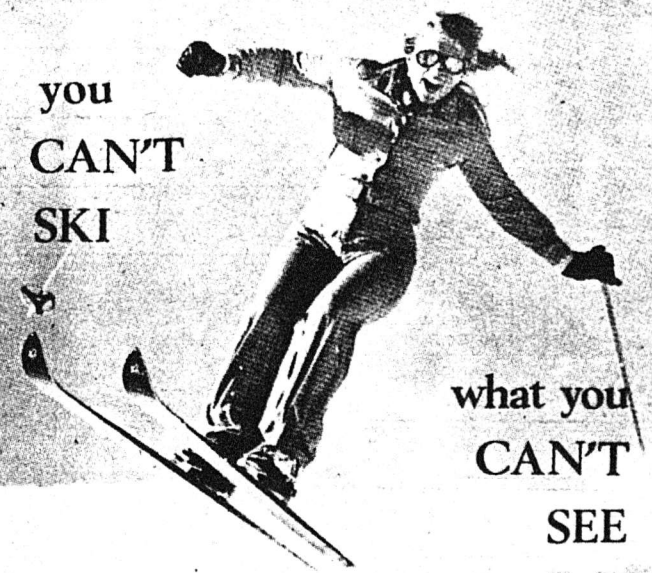
## FEE PAYMENT DEADLINE

University regulations governing the payment of fees require that the second instalment be made by January 15, 1974. A penalty of \$15.00 will be charged on any payment made or postmarked after that date.

The regulations further state that should payment not be made by January 31st, registration will be subject to cancellation.

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