



FIVE WINNING SMILES—Four girls who tried, but failed to become Miss Freshette Saturday night still managed wide smiles when they found themselves standing around winner Colleen Couves. Left to right, they are: Millie Shandro, Teddy Davis, Miss Couves, Patsy Brix and Lynn Barclay. (See story page 3).

Requirements For University May Change

By David Estrin

Standardized university entrance programs may be in the offing for Canadian students, says University President Dr. Walter H. Johns.

Dr. Johns was commenting on the prediction made last week by U of A Registrar A. D. Cairns that this university has no immediate plans for admission requirements.

Studies at the University of Saskatchewan show 80 per cent of Saskatchewan students with high school averages between 60 and 65 per cent failed their first university year.

INCREASED REQUIREMENTS

Saskatchewan has indicated it will increase entrance requirements next year to 65 per cent from 60 per cent.

"Our high school graduates with a 60 to 65 per cent average seem to have made satisfactory progress during their first year here," Dr. Johns said.

A 60 to 65 per cent average, especially for students from small, rural schools in Alberta, seems to indicate a better university potential than for students from Saskatchewan, the president said.

"But it is possible," Dr. Johns said, "that our policy will be reviewed later."

COMMON TESTING

Dr. Johns indicated an effort is being made to establish a common testing program to assess on a standardized basis across Canada a student's ability.

Entrance requirements to universities are now based almost exclusively on the results of the student's last school year, he noted. This led to ten different scales for judging a student's capabilities, Dr. Johns said.

"We would hope," the president said, "that we would use three criteria for judging student admis-

sion, when the common national standard is effected."

These criteria would be:

- common entrance exam
- provincial results in grade twelve or thirteen
- the principal's report

Dr. Johns said while a national entrance exam would be similar to the American College Entrance Examinations, the one given in Canada would be set up in Canada for Canadian students.

He said such a scheme would permit greater flexibility in admitting students based on their averages.



DR. WILDER PENFIELD
... Tory Lecturer

Canada and the Brains Race will be the topic of the Tory lectures tonight.

Dr. Wilder Penfield, famed neurologist, is speaking in the second of the lectures sponsored by the Friends of the University.

Monday he spoke on Unity and Disunity.

Dr. Penfield is consultant to the Montreal Neurological Institute and a Guggenheim fellow.

He studied at Princeton, John Hopkins, and Oxford Universities, and did post-graduate studies in Europe, and is the holder of 27 honorary degrees from across the world.

He has taught at Columbia and McGill and held top positions at several neurological institutes.

Dr. Penfield is a native of Spokane, Washington, but is now a naturalized Canadian citizen.

CUS Survey Reveals Rising Costs, Higher Tuition Fees No Surprise

U of A president Dr. Walter H. Johns is "not surprised" that 20 of Canada's degree-granting universities have higher tuition fees this year than they did last.

A survey conducted recently by the Canadian Union of Students indicates that the average increase per student at these universities is more than \$60.

Dr. Johns noted Sunday the costs of university education are rising everywhere and therefore the figures revealed by CUS were not surprising.

U OF A FEES

Dr. Johns would not comment on the prospects of a fee increase for U of A students in the coming year, although university estimates for the coming year will soon be considered by the Board of Governors.

The figures revealed by the CUS survey were provided by council presidents and were compared to last year's tuition fees determined by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

While the CUS comparison pertains only to tuition fees in the faculty of arts, and some of the data is approximate, the comparison clearly indicates a trend to higher and higher tuition fees.

NO CONSULTATION

Several students replying to the questionnaire charged the fee increase had been announced after the end of the academic term without

prior consultation of the students, and without explanation.

Commenting on the survey, CUS president, Jean Bazin said, "The time has come for students in general and student governments in particular to start discussing these matters with their administrations and with their provincial governments."

Mr. Bazin added: "Are tuition fees going to rise year after year, when jobs available for students are declining, when efforts are being made to 'democratize' the university

when financial aid to students is not keeping up with the normal growth of the universities?"

FREEZE THE FEES

The 28th Congress of the Canadian Union of Students held at York University in Toronto, Sept. 10-16, approved in principle a "freeze of fees" temporary measure pending the outcome of the proposed student means survey and the final report of the Bladen Commission which is currently investigating the financing of higher education.

Cows Will Invade Ice Arena Oct. 30

Let 'er rip, boys!

Late Friday, University President Dr. Walter H. Johns and the Board of Governors gave approval to an indoor, intercollegiate rodeo in the Ice Arena Oct. 30.

The event, believed the first of its kind in Canada, is sponsored by the Commerce Undergraduate Society.

Dr. Johns said Sunday he was a little hesitant because of injuries which a rodeo might bring, but gave his permission anyway.

Eric Nielsen, promotions manager for the event says the rodeo is not expected to bring in huge profits.

"This is a big event. But we don't expect to make much money on it. We're getting good animals and arena equipment like chutes from

Harry Vold, all of which are expensive," he said.

"A good announcer is expensive too. If we make a profit, we'll put it into something like a scholarship fund."

He also intimated there will be a party for contestants, after the show.

The Aggies, who are solidly behind the rodeo and who include some of Western Canada's champion riders, have requested a Brahma bull riding event, now part of the show. A greased pig scramble has been added as a comic event.

Cowboys will trip up and sit upon a 200 lb. porker, while cowgirls will tackle a smaller, but just as greasy animal.

Barrel racing for women will also be featured in the one-night show,

which includes all the major rodeo events.

Invitations have been sent to UAC, UBC, U of M, U of S and Montana State College.

"We expect too many contestants to put them all in the show," says Nielsen, "so each university will send a team."

The U of A team will be chosen after Oct. 18 preliminaries. Entry deadline is Oct. 16, with entry forms available at the Commerce Faculty office.

Top contestant in the rodeo will be presented with a \$300 hand-tooled roping saddle upon which to rest his aching bones. Other winners will receive belts with trophy buckles.

And for those who don't care to participate, tickets costing \$1 each will be on sale Oct. 15.

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