

Junior Ortiz, Pirates catcher, when asked if an injury would sideline him for six weeks: "No, longer than that..."

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"...Maybe a month and a half."

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Publicity galore for cheesy calendar

by Kevin Law

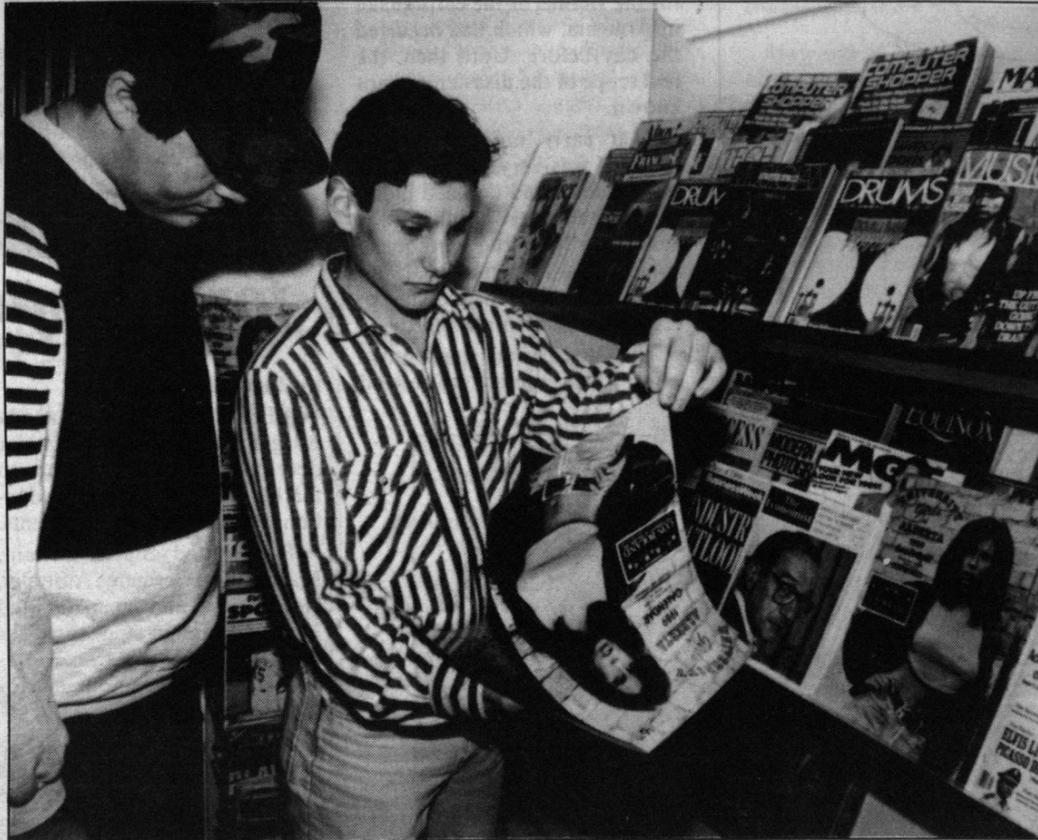
A controversy has been brewing on campus over the banning of a calendar featuring girls from Alberta's campuses.

The U of A bookstore has refused to stock copies of a 12-page calendar called University Girls of Alberta. "Our basic statement to all media is we don't stock it and we don't support it," said bookstore manager Jim Malone, adding, "It is primarily not a University product, therefore, it was a marketing decision."

The calendar is marketed by two Edmonton entrepreneurs, Todd Ross and Wes Bellmore, who created Pantheon Publishing last fall to publish the calendar.

The product displays pictures of 11 different women said to be from the three university campuses in Alberta. Many of the women pictured are sparsely clad.

Ross reacted angrily to the



University Girls of Alberta may have been banned from several campus outlets, but negative publicity has not rebuffed buyers. Arts student Dean Jappson and store employee Wesley Feaver examine the controversial calendar.

banning saying he was "not too impressed" with bookstore manager Malone. "He (Malone) told us to get permission to use the word 'university' on the product. We sought that approval and got it from (Advanced Education

Minister) Dave Russell," said Ross.

Part of the controversy stems from the fact the type, size and style of the logo used on the calendar is very similar to some used by U of A athletic teams.

Ross told *The Gateway* that Malone recommended the University should sue Pantheon Publishing on grounds of trademark infringement. "It was not our intention to copy logos," Ross

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Decore delivers kidney shots to Tories

by Martin Levenson and Will Gibson

"Tories aren't stupid... all of the time" said Laurence Decore.

The Alberta Liberal Party leader addressed about 100 people last Thursday at an event organized by the University of Alberta Student Liberal Association.

Decore predicted that the Tory government will call a spring election, claiming "the Conservatives... want to nip me and the Liberal Party in the bud, before we get organized."

Decore claimed that the Liberal Party was united and ready to go, despite divisions apparent at the October leadership convention in Calgary.

Regarding Calgary mayor Ralph Klein's defection to the Conservatives, Decore said, "Mayor Klein is lousy in a luge run... he admits publicly that he received an offer he could not refuse. I'm sad that Mayor Klein has forsaken his convictions and the Liberal Party. We would've made a great team."

Decore emphasized that money and volunteer involvement are needed by the party if it is to take advantage of the support indicated by an Angus Reid poll released last September.

The proposed federal value-added tax would be "fabricated and faked and concocted and used as the big issue for the election," Decore predicted, noting that there was really no reason to call an election now,

only two and a half years after the last one.

Campaigning against Ottawa has worked in the past but Albertans strongly oppose a sales tax, he said, adding, "I don't know of any (provincial) ND or any Liber-

al or any Conservative that would want to impose a sales tax."

Instead, Decore said that "the management of financial resources is going to be a very big issue... this is the government that rolled back grants to universities and municipalities and hospital boards when they needed them desperately." Decore described the Liberal education policy simply as not repeating the mistakes of the Tories.

Another issue, said Decore, is "the secretiveness that exists with our government", citing Jim Horseman's refusal to divulge to Albertans the nature of his agreement with the Canadian Security and Intelligence Service. "I want to know what (information) he's giving about me", thundered Decore, "and I think YOU want to know what he's giving about you."

The bailout of Kananaskis resort operators and the lack of information about the selection process that allows the appointment of "political hacks to positions of authority" were given as other examples of government secrecy.

Decore also called for "real diversification", asking "How do

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A fish story

Laurence Decore seems to be predicting the lifespan of his Liberal leadership as he spoke to the Alberta Student Liberal Association on campus last Thursday.

Native ways focus of new degree

by Kevin Law

After years of discussion, preparation, and planning, a new Bachelor of Arts degree in native studies will finally be offered at the U of A.

The four year degree program will be offered next September and will be administered through the School of Native Studies, an independent school at the University.

The school is not separate from the University; it is comparable to a faculty, but it is more independent than if it were a part of a faculty, according to school director Richard Price.

The new program in native studies has a long history. The impetus began in 1972 when the Indian Association of Alberta first proposed a college of native studies. The school was established in 1986 and since then the school's main concern has been the establishment of the degree program.

"The request came from the native community," Price said, adding, "There is a great need for such a program to service the high percentage of native people in central and northern Alberta."

Price stressed the program will

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