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. . . grin and Bear it.



A police escort? The Golden Bears didn't actually need help from the RCMP to get out of town after defeating the hometown Regina Cougars 7-3 in Sunday's CIAU hockey final to capture the University Cup. See stories and photos on Page 10.

photo Shaune Impey

CTV apologizes for W5 statistics

OTTAWA (CUP) — The CTV television network apologized publicly Sunday for airing a report on international students on the W5 program that has been called racist and inaccurate.

The apology comes five months after CTV broadcast the W5 report *The Campus Giveaway*, which alleged that foreign students were taking the places of Canadian students in university programs.

The report also showed film of students of Chinese descent on campus while a voice-over talked about Canadian students being denied access to certain professional faculties. But a viewing of the film footage by members of the Ad Hoc Committee Against W5 found that of all those shown, only two people were actually foreign students and that the rest were Chinese-

Canadians.

The apology, read at the beginning of W5's program on Sunday, also said that another program will be aired at a later date that will "let all sides have their say" on the international student situation.

"We regretted that the Chinese-Canadian community took offense — it wasn't intended," W5 producer Lionel Lumb said later.

"It's no problem for us to apologize."

John Helliwell, director of the Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE), said Monday that if CTV continues to move in the conciliatory tone of the apology, those fighting the program will be satisfied.

"I consider it a major victory," said Helliwell. "I'm delighted with it."

W5's apology admitted that

figures it used which said there were 100,000 foreign students in Canadian schools were inaccurate. It said the program used a process that lumped together international student numbers with those of landed immigrants and students in Canada on special permits.

According to the department of immigration, there are 58,000 international students at all levels, including high schools, community colleges and univer-

sities.

W5 also apologized for what members of Canada's Chinese community have called its racist overtones.

"It was never our intention in doing the program to give offence to any Canadian community: W5 sincerely regrets any offence that may have been unintentionally given to the Chinese-Canadian community."

Liz Paterson, direction of the International Students Cen-

tre at the University of Toronto, said she believes W5 seriously underestimated the reaction the report would get from campuses and the Chinese-Canadian community.

In addition to a protest by 2,000 people outside CTV headquarters in Toronto last month and other actions in various Canadian cities, several libel suits were filed against the network. It is not yet known if the suits will continue.

Administration explains rent hikes, but protest continues

by Lucinda Chodan

Campus officials have defended proposed rental increases of up to 30 per cent in university housing units, but student leaders remain opposed to the rent hikes.

Gail Brown, director of the university's Housing and Food Services (HFS) says the rent increases are necessary to reduce a projected deficit in HFS and to balance inequities in the cost of housing at the university.

With the lifting of rent controls, the university was able to make adjustments for these inequities, Brown says.

"Our units will be more equitable within our own stock."

Brown says the effects of the proposed increases have also been exaggerated. For instance, the \$124 rent jump for a house in North Garneau will still mean each student will pay only \$101 for a completely renovated six-bedroom house with two complete bathrooms, she says.

As for accusations that comparison rates of \$290 per month for a one-bedroom apartment are unrepresentative, Brown says, "I think the point to

emphasize is that this is an average.

"We don't have a firm policy about how much we try to be below market — we just try to be below market. It helps us to know what the market is."

While Brown agrees that students in HUB, North Garneau and Michener Park are subsidizing other students' rent, she says, "As a department providing a service, we're trying

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SU fee increase vote to be held on Friday

Students' Union members will be voting Friday on a referendum to raise SU fees by \$7.50.

This money would be used for the SUB Development Fund, intended for such projects as enclosing the SUB courtyard, improving RATT and Fridays and expanding CJSR.

But the most notable feature of the SU information campaign to date has been the total lack of interest shown by students.

As well, confusion exists as to the potential uses of the fund.

"The fund can only be used for development of existing services and facilities," said SU vp internal Sharon Bell. "The money can also only be

transferred to other projects by a campus referendum."

Bell pointed out many of the proposed projects for the fund have been in the planning stages for years, held up primarily by a lack of money.

"The first projects can be started in less than a year," said Bell. "Drawings and cost estimates are already available."

Opposition to the fund has come from students who object to the \$7.50 increase in SU fees.

But Bell said, "We have no way to gauge the opposition to the hike.

"Most students would like to see the improvements to Students' Union services, though," she said.



Coffee-slurpers enjoyed some folk music last Thursday, compliments of Edmonton's Comely Cog. SUB's L'Express played host to the folk trio.