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featuring Rev. Glen Johnson
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Teachers caught down

CALGARY (CUP) — Alberta is suffering from a critical and surprising shortage of teachers, according to a recently-released report by a U of C education professor.

For several years the lack of jobs in the teaching profession has been getting a great deal of publicity, says Dr. Gulbrand Loken. This and other factors have caused a drastic drop in the number of graduating teachers in Alberta.

Education enrolments have dropped sharply at both the U of A and U of C in the last five years. So have the number of graduating students applying for teaching certificates each year. Total Alber-

ta teacher output has dropped from 2,611 in 1976-77 to 1,983 in 1979-80.

Loken defines a shortage as the difference between the number of new Alberta teachers each year and the number required by Alberta schools. So far, the shortage has been filled by teachers moving to Alberta from other provinces, he says.

"The fact is that Alberta's three universities have never produced enough teachers to meet the annual demand," says Loken. "In the past five years, Alberta has imported on the average more than 1000 teachers per year from other provinces and countries."

If these sources dry up, he says Alberta could be in real trouble, since his study predicts the Alberta shortfall will reach the 2,000 per year by 1985.

In the 1980's, unless the universities are able to substantially expand enrolment in education, Alberta will be in the precarious position of importing more teachers than are produced and are here," says Loken.

The major reason for the shortage of teachers in Alberta is the rate of immigration into the province.

Forty-five thousand people moved to the province in 1979. Ten thousand of these are of school age, according to Loken's study. Overall, he says, Alberta's population should double within 20 years.

In addition, many graduating teachers choose not to teach and about 13.5 percent of the current teaching force quits each year.

"More and more teachers, attracted by higher paying jobs, are leaving the profession," says Loken.

Fees

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"Last year's was only defeated by 100 votes," he said. "We intend to run a better defined campaign... we're going to be telling them what's going on."

Students may be asked to vote on a \$2 increase in the Federation of Alberta Students' fees on the same ballot. There is no doubt in the SU offices about whether students will approve both fee increases at the same time.

FEE PAYMENT DEADLINE

University regulations provide that the last day for payment of the second instalment of fees and for payment of fees for Second Term only registrants is January 15, 1981. A penalty of \$15.00 will be charged on any payment received after that date.

The regulations further state that should payment not be made by February 2nd, registration will be subject to cancellation.

Fees are payable at the Office of the Comptroller, 3rd floor, Administration Building, or by mail addressed to the Fees Division, Office of the Comptroller, The University of Alberta.

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