



It's a dog's life . . . Gateway editor Gordon Turtle heaves a sigh of relief as the year ends uneventfully and he can get down to serious business. Only six exams to go . . .

# U of A gets gov't money

by Portia Priegert

The provincial budget lottery is over . . . and the winner is . . . the University of Alberta.

Well, not quite a winner, but university President Myer Horowitz says he's pleased with the \$134 million operating grant, the university will receive under the provincial government's 1980-81 budget, even though cutbacks will still have to be made.

The grant, a 9.5 per cent increase over last year, was less than the 10 per cent the university asked for, but more than the 9.3 per cent they budgeted for.

"I'm pleased with the grant in relation to what we could have gotten," says Horowitz.

The grant included a number of special allocations. Project Morning Star will receive \$160,000 and the education practicum program \$955,500. The extra cost of maintaining the new Agriculture Building will be covered by a \$340,000 grant.

Horowitz says he's especial-

ly pleased with a special allocation of \$810,000 to be used to expand quotas and improve the quality of programs in some faculties.

"The principle behind this excites me the most," says Horowitz. "It's the first time we received a special allocation to improve the quality of our program."

Horowitz says some permanent positions will have to be cut in order to balance the university's budget, but he says the exact details of these cutbacks has not yet been decided. The decision should be reached in two to three weeks by the University Planning Committee and the university administration, he says.

The government increased its grants to universities by 8.25 per cent in 1978 and by eight per cent in 1979.

The provincial budget, released by Treasurer Lou Hyndman Wednesday, allocated \$292 million for university and college operating grants.

You have to pay to get out of . . .

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. . . going through all these things twice.  
Bob Dylan

# Rookies approve beer price hike

by Portia Priegert

Rookie student reps took a hard line last night and passed some bad news for students. Beer prices will be increasing 10 cents per bottle in all SU liquor outlets, effective May 1.

A motion proposed by vp academic Darell Rankin asking General Faculties Council (GFC) to undertake a study of student legal rights and responsibilities passed easily. Such a study would have the probable outcome of assisting the establishment of a Student Bill of Rights.

Council also suspended a

SU by-law calling for the appointment of a spring and summer session co-ordinator for one year and approved in principle the establishment of a joint spring and summer session Students' Council.

A committee-of-the-whole discussion of the recent Woods-Gordon consultants' report on student housing revealed that councillors have some serious questions about many of the report's proposals.

President Nolan Astley expressed concern over the possible destruction of houses in North Garneau. However, he said he agreed with some of the

report's recommendations, including the first phases of a housing development which would not include a large degree of house demolition.

Motions concerning future action on the Woods-Gordon report should be forthcoming in subsequent Students' Council meetings.

Council ratified the appointment of Carol Kottish as Information Services Co-ordinator for a two-month period during the summer by a close 12-10 vote. Kottish will be responsible for establishing a more effective system for providing information at the

SUB Information Desk than is presently in operation.

Opposition was voiced by several councillors, in particular, Dave Rand, who questioned the value of such a position.

After lengthy debate over reasons for sending delegates to

the National Union of Students (NUS) May conference, Council voted to send vp-external Kris Farkas and Darrell Rankin.

Councillors Randy Dawson, Lisa Walter, Phil Soper and Paul Cumming were appointed to the External Affairs Board.

# Capital grant 'disappointing'

Provincial funds to complete construction of the Agriculture-Forestry Centre at the U of A were announced by Advanced Education Minister Jim Horsman in the Legislature Thursday.

But U of A President Myer Horowitz expressed "great disappointment" that the \$7.8 million was the only capital project at the U of A funded by the government.

"We have not received the authority to put up any other buildings we desperately need," said Horowitz.

The university had hoped to begin construction of a Business Administration and Commerce Building, a Home Economics Building or renovations on Assiniboia Hall or the Old Arts Building.

Horsman also announced \$104 million expenditures on

other capital projects for Alberta post-secondary institutions including:

- construction of a \$30 million technical school in Edmonton

- a \$3.4 million student residence at Grande Prairie Regional College which will

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# Game negotiations slow

by Keith Krause

Time is becoming a problem for the University of Alberta's bid to host the 1973 World Student Games.

The Moscow meetings of the International University Sports Federation (FISU), held last week set a November deadline for the awarding of the Games to either Edmonton or Rio de Janeiro. A decision, originally to be made at the Moscow meeting, was postponed by the uncertain world situation.

But the November deadline is too late for the Edmonton bid.

"We have to have a decision by mid-September," said Ed Zemrau, president of the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union (CIAU).

Instead, FISU decided to establish a committee to try to convince one of the bidders to host the 1985 Games, thus avoiding a choice. If neither country wants to withdraw their 1983 bid, a meeting will be set up after the Olympics.

Edmonton shows no sign of changing its mind though.

"Our steering committee

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# Coates wins gold

Margaret Coates, a 21-year-old Arts student is the winner of the 1979 Students' Union Gold Medal.

The medal, awarded annually for outstanding academic and extracurricular activities, will be presented to Coates at Spring Convocation.

"It was a pleasant surprise to be nominated," said Coates. "Nothing I did here was directed towards anything like this."

Coates, a fourth-year honors political science student, is the first Arts student to receive the award.

As well as maintaining a high academic average, Coates was president of the Political Science Undergraduate Association (PSUA) and a member of numerous departmental and faculty associations.

"My most satisfying achievement was my work with the PSUA," said Coates.



Margaret Coates

She was awarded the medal by a committee representing all levels of university government after being nominated by the political science department.

Coates plans to enter law school this fall.

## The "Me Generation" exposed!

In one last mad burst of enthusiasm, the Gateway staff has prepared a retrospective of the 1970s. Turn to page 8 for the results.