



Our reviewer was less than completely enthused by the Toronto Dance Theatre's performance in SUB Theatre, but our photographer was in ecstasy...

NOVEMBER, DECEMBER

by Jim McElgunn

November and December - it seems so long ago. That was the *first* time this year you seriously contemplated suicide - now do you remember?

It was also when the university surprised 30 North Garneau residents with eviction notices. The tenants were told the basement rooms they were living in were firetraps.

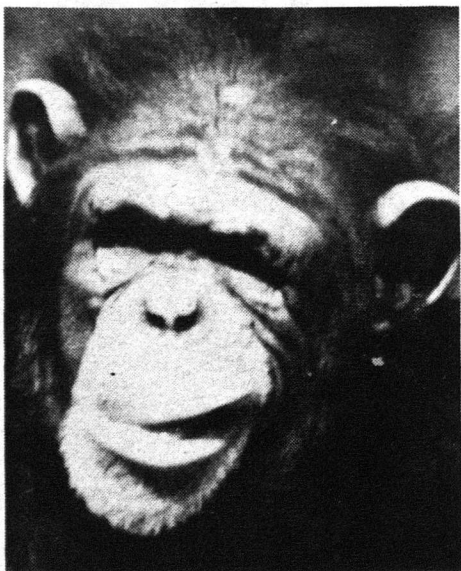
Meanwhile, the North Garneau issue began to heat up again after a lull for a few years. The cause: the 1983 World University Games.

The university searched frantically for a site for the fieldhouse, and for a while it looked like it might be built in North Garneau. Then it looked like it, might be built south of Corbett Hall. Finally, the university decided on a much scaled-down version in the soccer field south of the Phys. Ed. Building. Fortunately for the university, the soccer lobby wasn't strong enough to prevent it being built there.

To host the Games, the university must build a 650-bed athletes' residence. Once again, North Garneau seemed to be the favored site. A decision on the new housing, which would be used by students after the Games, will be made this week.

Meanwhile, the Students' Union executives sweated over the horrendous deficit. "The Students' Union is teetering on the brink of bankruptcy," exclaimed the November 20 *Gateway*, and for a while things looked very tense. The university said they wanted the SU to repay the \$400,000 overdraft owed them within eighteen months. Later the two agreed the SU would repay when it could. At last count, the overdraft was down to \$100 to \$200 thousand.

Meanwhile, the *Gateway* took a lot of



Only in America could a minkey become president...oops, sorry, we wouldn't want to offend any neo-fascists out there.

flack when it printed a photo caption referring to advanced education minister Jim Horsman, Board of Governors member Steve Hunka and education minister Dave King as "three middle-aged farts." Ah well, better read than dead!

The large number of students who rent were in for a shock with the removal of rent controls during the summer. By November, average off-campus rents had risen 25 percent since the beginning of the year.

Brighter news, at least for football fans, came at the end of November when the Golden Bears did a convincing imitation of Edmonton's *other* Green-and-Gold. They romped to a 40-21 victory over the



This bull has never done anything at all newsworthy but we think he's kind of cute.

Ottawa Gee Gees to win the College Bowl for the first time since 1972.

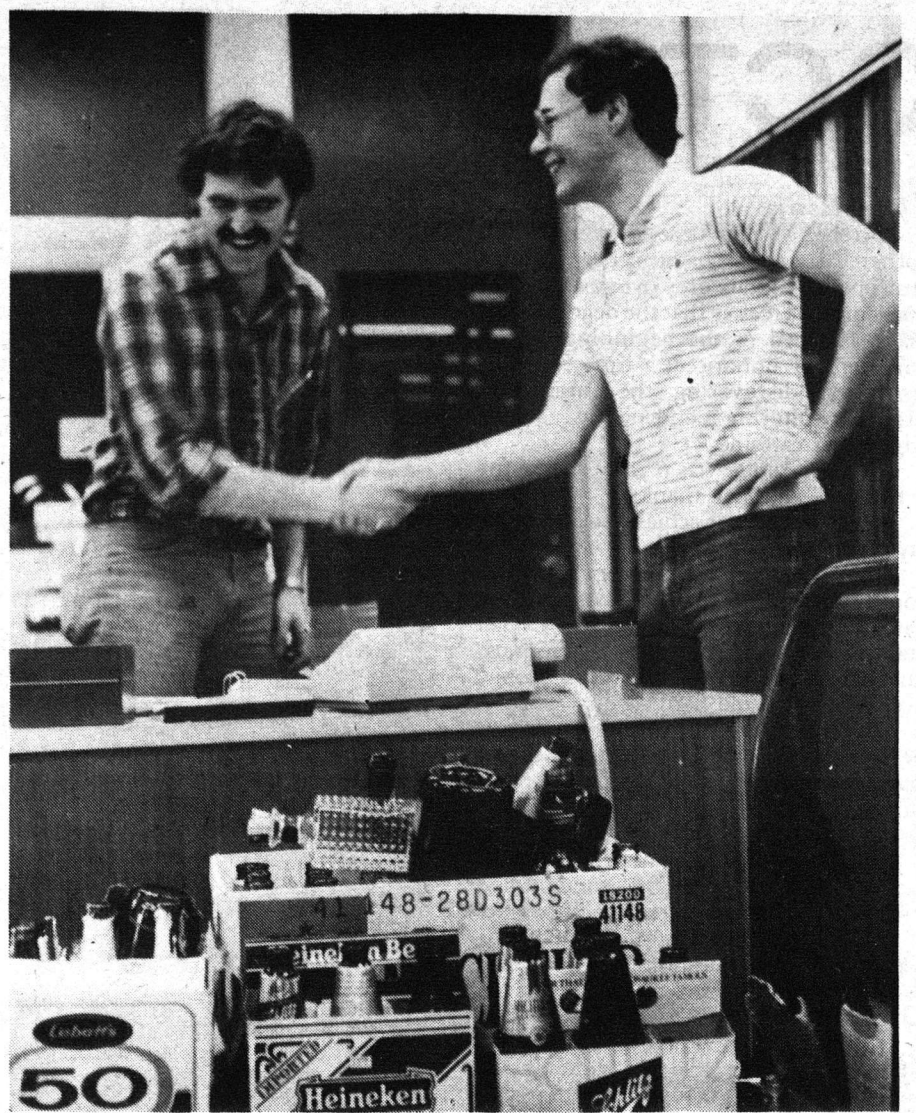
Back on campus, in a stunning display of non-apathy, the university Young Liberals, NDPs and PCs reported spectacular increases in membership because of a revival of student interest in Canadian politics. Of course, the fact that joining a party isn't a bad way to make a few useful contacts might have had something to do with it.

Despite all the increase in political activity, the Western separatist fad was largely ignored on campus. Somehow most students failed to see the threat the metric system and French on cereal boxes posed to their way of life.

In November the Senate Commission on University Purpose set out to discover why we're all here. They're still looking.

Most students were more interested in finding out why they couldn't go drinking in RATT after the SU's liquor license for SUB was suspended for two weeks, on December 1. The university asked for the suspension after a bloody fight in a Dinwoodie cabaret and an assault on a Campus Security officer. On the bright side, the SU actually made money on Fridays during those two weeks.

Other highlights during November and December:



The *Gateway* did its bit to help the SU reduce its deficit. Here a blushing Jan Byer (Left) accepts a token sample of our collection of empties from editor Keith Krause. The rest of the collection will be used to finance the purchase of a *Gateway* Mercedes Benz staff car.

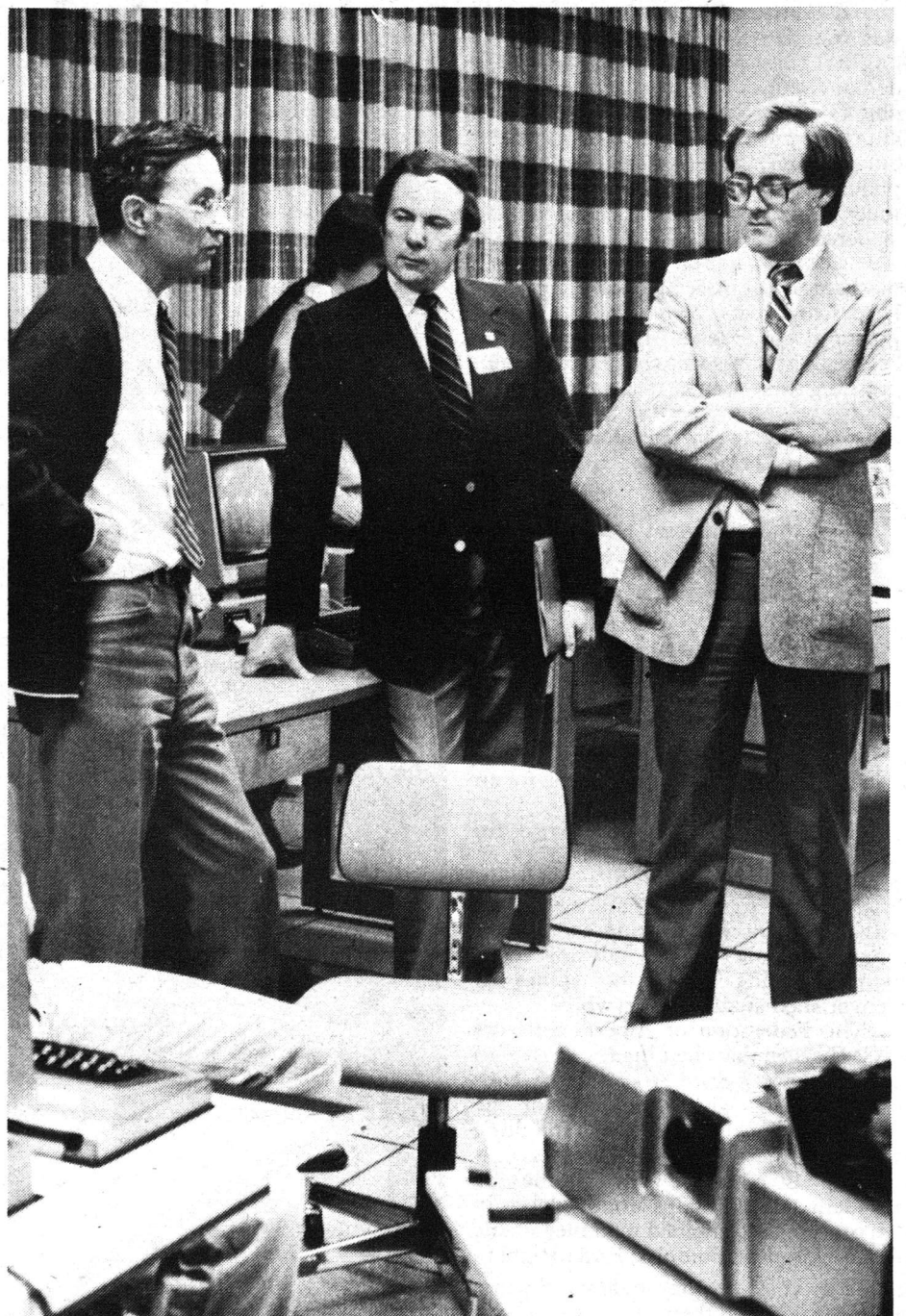
-full-time enrolment went up overall for the first time in four years, but in education it dropped to a ten-year low;

-one hundred marchers showed up on Whyte Avenue for the second annual "Women reclaim the night" march;

-the university was asked to set up an affirmative action program to give equal opportunities to women;

-as expected, our Reader Survey

showed that the most popular sections in the paper are the classifieds, cartoons, ears and letters. Readers of the classifieds were titillated during November-December by an ad inviting them to "indulge your socially unacceptable power lusts" (sounds like the *Gateway*), and by the exploits of the Jones Sextuplets, the Anonymous Blonde Bomber and the Twilight Tuck-in Service. What a sleazy place!



We've been informed by our readers that these are not three middle-aged farts. Will you settle for two out of three?