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SUNDAY, JANUARY 10 ●

The Gateway

Ontario schools get more money

by lan Jack from The Varsity Operating grants to Ontario uni-versities will increase again next year, but not as much as some groups would have liked.

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Ontario Treasurer Robert Nixon announced Nov. 18 that university grants totalling "more than \$1.5 billion," representing a 6.7 per cent increase over this year.

But the increase in the grants —

used to pay for everything univer-sities do except capital projects — is smaller than last year's 7.3 per cent, a fact that has many upset.

"They had to receive a 10 per cent increase," said Richard Johnston, NDP post-secondary education critic.

"Anything under eight per cent I think would disappoint most people," he said.

William Sayers, Director of Com-munications for the Council of On-tario Universities, said the increase will not be enough for universities to maintain even their existing levels of service next year if they are faced with what he predicts could be a 10 with what he predicts could be a high to 25 per cent increase in appli-cations. The increase is expected since—for the first time—students in both grade 12 and 13 will graduate from Ontario universities at the

"Until the government gives a signal, universities are unwilling to increase intake by large numbers if they think they have to educate a large number of students with the same amount of money," he said. Sayers said that, contrary to gov-

ernment rhetoric, post-secondary education has dropped as a gov-ernment priority.

"If you look at the percentage of If you look at the percentage of the provincial budget devoted to universities now and compare it to the figures earlier you'll see that we've slipped in relation to other public sectors," Sayers said.

"The government has demonstrated its committment to colleges and universities by putting the Minited in the fourth part" of continuous ister in the fourth row



the Legislature, said Cam Jackson Progressive Conservative post-sec-ondary education critic. "It's similar to where the Treasurer puts his priorities for colleges and univer-sities spending."

tant to Minister of Colleges and Universities Lyn McLeod, insisted the announcement is good news He said the increase is above the rate of inflation, and that it is "very fair."

He dismissed concerns that the announced funding is inadequate compensation for next year's expected enrollment increase.

"The government is committed to funding enrollment," he said.
Students' Administrative Council

External Commissioner Chris Jones had mixed feelings about the announcement.

"I think it's good (U of T) is keeping ahead of inflation," said Chris Jones, Students' Administra-tive Council External Commissioner. "(But) it is disturbing because of the bulge in enrollment that is expec-ted," he said.

No money for tech

HALIFAX (CUP) — Third year public relations student Barry Deturbide totes his own typewriter to class because he says the machines at Mount Saint Vincent University are

The Mount's P.R. Department is behind all other universities across Canada in communications technology, according to assistant pro-fessor Judith Scrimger.

And the problem is money.

"You can't spend what you don't have," says Paul Reyno, director of university services. He says the

ford to buy the equipment it needs

The university's P.R. students rely on the generosity of other depart-ments for access to computers, professor Scrimger said. And the 96 students must share five portable video recorders and one editing

A \$7.7 million communications building designed to alleviate some of the department's problems is scheduled for completion a year

Says Reyno, "The problem is not being ignored."

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