

# Canadian University Press DATELINE

## Bitter Ash . . . Now Sweet Substitute

VANCOUVER—Larry Kent, the University of British Columbia film-maker whose first movie, *Bitter Ash*, last year ruffled censors across the country, has a second film on the way.

Called *Sweet Substitute*, it portrays a boy contemplating a university career and his attempts to reconcile his sexual appetite with moral and social pressures.

Producer-director Kent, who candidly admits he makes movies about sex because sex interests him, says the principal in *Sweet Substitute* could be any adolescent boy—"a virgin acting as if he isn't one, hungry for sex but scared as hell of it."

In other words, "he could be 90 per cent of all first and second year university students," he added.

The film was scheduled to make its debut at UBC Monday. It was to come before the provincial censor first and if approved be open to the public. If not, it will be open only to students.

Last year, Kent's first film, *Bitter Ash*, which included a scene showing a nude couple in the act of sexual intercourse, was temporarily banned at UBC.

Kent spent a summer and \$10,000 producing *Sweet Substitute*. A troupe of forty, 20 of them actors—mostly UBC students—worked on the film during the summer at various locations around Vancouver.

## 'Gavel' Hammers Administration

KINGSTON—The *Gavel*, a monthly journal published by graduate students at Queen's University, has opened the year with an editorial blasting the university's administration as wasteful, and a charge that one faculty has practiced racial discrimination.

Under a headline, "Laxity, Injustice and Waste", the editorial complained that students at the university are taking second place to administration.

"The various administrative departments are now relatively autonomous and appear to have very little, if any, communication among one another . . . the chief cause would seem to be that the administrators have forgotten the purpose of a university . . . to educate students."

On racial matters, the editorial continued, the university can hardly be proud of the fact that one faculty apparently practiced discrimination against coloured students for a number of years.

A *Gavel* spokesman identified the faculty as medicine but said he had no evidence that any racial discrimination existed now.

## Discriminating Frats Suspended

LOS ANGELES (CUP-CPS)—Fourteen fraternities and sororities at the University of California have been suspended for refusing to sign a non-discrimination pledge.

Twelve sororities and two fraternities at three of the university's nine campuses have been forbidden by the university's administration to use the University of California name and facilities. In addition, they have been barred from many student-sponsored activities.

The pledge, which university regulations require chapter presidents to sign annually, read, "I hereby certify that members (of my fraternity) are free to choose and accept new members without discrimination as to race, creed and national origin."

The dean of students at the University of California, Los Angeles campus (UCLA) said recently, he believes that many of the suspended chapter will sign the pledge even though the deadline has passed. Eleven of the 14 suspended chapters are on the UCLA campus.

Involved in the suspension are chapters of Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Gamma Delta, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Zeta, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Delta, Phi Mu, Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Kappa and Beta Tau Alpha.

## Computer Seeks Out Laggards

At Michigan State University, a computer is involved in the student counseling service.

The machine is programmed to scan the records of some 14,000 freshmen and sophomores to find those who might be headed for academic difficulty. Students selected by the computer are called in for a session with a member of the counseling staff.

In a matter of hours, the computer can obtain academic profiles that formerly employed secretaries for weeks.

## Japan Plans English Instruction

JAPAN (SMPS)—The Japanese and the American Committees of the World University Service (WUS) intend to have English-language instruction given by specialized personnel at universities in rural districts of Japan. The American participants—students who are taking a degree or who have already taken a degree at American universities—must pledge themselves to give at least three years English instruction. The Japanese universities included in this project are situated in the vicinity of the large cities of Tokyo, Kyoto and Osaka.

## Hawrelak, Prudham To Speak

Mr. William Hawrelak and George Prudham will speak on current election issues this week.

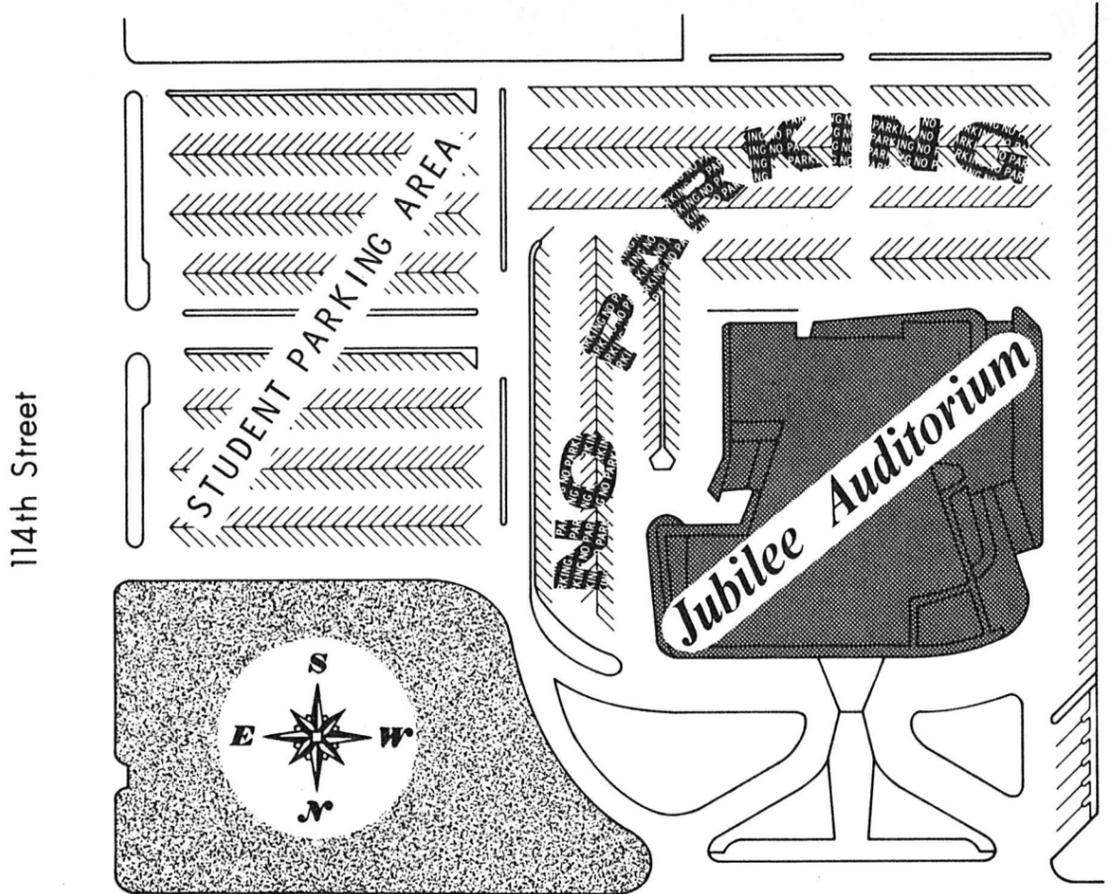
The Student Christian Movement will sponsor the speeches to give anyone who disagrees with the men or their platforms a chance to be heard before the election.

Mayor Hawrelak will speak at noon Thursday and Mr. Prudham

will speak at noon Friday.

The main problem at the moment is the lack of a place to hold the talks. As soon as the SCM finds an adequate place, it will be announced in posters around the campus.

The two mayoralty candidates are expected to give their views of current issues and then answer questions from the floor.



# Additional Parking Restrictions - More Meters and Reduced Space

Student parking is becoming more knotty by the minute.

Students using the Jubilee Auditorium parking lot will be forced to seek other accommodation Thursday and Friday.

Auditorium officials say they need the space for a special conference on the two days.

The introduction of parking meters to the Students' Union Building parking lot means a headache for students with no change.

The meters replace toll gates, which proved to be ineffective because of the frequent removal of their toll arms by drivers.

Parking meter revenue goes to the university.

People unwilling to feed the meters will find City of Edmonton tickets on their cars, issued by the Campus Patrol.

Tickets are issued to students parked in faculty or staff parking areas, in the restricted "A" zone north of the Math-Physics Building, or in the Jubilee Auditorium parking lot after 6 p.m.

Campus parking space is allotted by the Parking Sub-Committee of the Campus Planning and Development Committee.

### PREFERENCE TO STAFF

Preference is given to faculty and staff parking.

Those confused by the whole business may find helpful a pamphlet on student parking regulations, on sale soon at the bookstore.

### MUCKERS NEEDED

Elizabeth Kostash, Signboard Director, states that poster orders must be placed one week in advance. Orders will be taken between 12:50 and 1:20 p.m. Mon.-Fri. at Signboard office, SUB. Anyone interested in poster making, paint smearing, paper cutting, and general mess-making is advised of a Signboard general meeting on Friday, Oct. 9, at 4:30 p.m. in the Golden Key office, first floor SUB.

## Les McLeod Under the Gavel

What is Students Council? No, not a stupid question, rather a good one. One constantly hears comments like 'what good does the Council do me?', and the answer has to be a long one. It involves understanding the limits, the purposes and the powers of Students' Council.

"Council," says the Union constitution, "shall be the legislative, administrative and executive body of the Students' Union." So it is a government. But not a 'sovereign' one; it has definite restrictions and limits. In plain language, the great administrative structure above the Council and the Union goes like this:

There is only one incorporated body that acts for the University, and that is The Board of Governors. In it, we of the Union live and have our being. This means that any decision of Students' Council must, in the long run, be ratified by the Board, that we do not own our building and will not own our new one, and in short that the Union is not a legal entity.

This does not, however, mean that the Board of Governors in any sense dictates to Council what it does. All of Council's decisions can be appealed to a body known as COSA, the Committee on Student Affairs. This committee consists of the Executive of the Students' Union, four councillors, two UAB student representatives, and six other students of 'high office' in the Union. The other half of COSA is made up of faculty and administration representatives.

The first union was founded at Cambridge in 1815, and "was literally a 'union' of two debating societies." Thus unions at their origin did not have any relation to the modern use of the word with its political and social connotations. Perhaps student societies would be a more appropriate name for them, because they tend to create a small and separate society of their own.

And what is the purpose of one of these small societies? The standard and probably best expression of Union purpose is the ACU (Association of College Unions) statement of purpose. There the Union is termed the "community center of the college . . . the living room of the college . . . part of its educational program . . . and a unifying force in the life of the college."

It follows then that the job of student government must be to carry out these purposes. In more down-to-earth terms it is the body which makes possible by its decision making ability, its monetary resources, and its initiative (sometimes), the billion-and-one activities in which you as a student, participate.

The above—a very brief look at the limitations of our Union and an even briefer look at its purposes. The question remains; how are these purposes carried out; what organizations and people do what job, and most important, how do you the student participate in this 'union' of students.