

## Professors paid well

Full professors at Canadian universities made a median salary of \$54,354 in 1982-83.

According to figures released in January in *Some Questions of Balance*, a full professor's salary more than tripled between 1967-68 and 1982-83, rising from 17,081 to \$54,354.

Associate Professors in 1982-83 averaged \$41,324 and assistant professors earned \$31,858. Teachers a rank below assistant professor made \$26,052.

The median salary of all full-time teachers was \$42,622 in 1982-83, the median salary in 1981-82 was \$38,666.

According to the most recent comparison figures of Canadian universities, U of A professors enjoyed one of the highest salaries

in 1981-82 of all Canadian university teachers. Profs here averaged \$42,478, well above the national average of \$38,666.

By comparison, Brandon University had a median salary of \$30,680; St. Francis Xavier \$31,418; Carleton \$35,892; Queen's \$39,200; Waterloo \$43,341; and the University of Calgary \$42,959.

It is projected that the proportion of full professors in Canadian universities will grow to 35.6 per cent in 1984-85. Associate professors will account for 40.1 per cent in the academic ladder, assistant professors for 19.7 per cent, and teachers a rank below assistant professor will make up 4.6 per cent of the university academic pie.

## Senate studies ethics

In the next year the University of Alberta Senate will be examining the role of the University with regards to the teaching of ethics.

Much controversy over the topic was generated last November when History student Richard Watts accused the University of entrusting students with knowledge without equipping them with the resources to make ethical choices about the application of their knowledge.

Watts referred to a student who was studying nuclear physics with the intention of making Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles because the American government would "pay him the most money."

The Senate Task Force has developed both terms of reference and operational plans in its attempt to deal with the problem.

The Task Force intends to gather historical information on the subject as well as solicit opinion from the University community and the general public.

Senate Executive Officer Mary Totman emphasizes that the Task Force is "interested in student opinion" and adds that the Senate may circulate questionnaires on the topic.

"The Task Force will deliver its report in April, 1985," she says.

## CFS question tabled

Plans to hold another referendum on membership in the Canadian Federation of Students suffered a major setback at Tuesday's meeting of Students' Council.

Council voted nineteen to seven to table a motion "that a referendum to reconsider membership in the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) be held on 30 March 1984."

The motion was moved by Sciences Representative Gord Stamp and seconded by Education Representative Rainer Huebl. The motion will not be discussed again until the next Council meeting on March 13. By this time it may be too late to set up a referendum for March 30.

In the meantime SU President-Elect Floyd Hodgins has collected 400 signatures on a petition to hold a new CFS referendum.

If he collects five hundred signatures he can convene a general meeting of the Students Union.

Since quorum for SU General meetings is five per cent, approximately 1000 undergraduates would have to attend the meeting for the decision to count.

## Black newspaper published

by Ann Grever

The *Communicant*, Alberta's first black community newspaper has recently published its 7th edition since June 1983 and has hopes of becoming strongly established in Alberta.

The *Communicant* is the main project of Wescaria Publications Ltd., a non-profit corporation formed within the black community of Alberta. The newspaper is published monthly by a group of volunteers.

The editor of the *Communicant*, Hugh McDavid, believes the newspaper is a "medium useful for expressing the thoughts of black people in Alberta." The black population in Alberta is very fragmented, according to McDavid, without any forms of association. The newspaper has

the ability to reach them in these "various areas" giving them an opportunity to express their own interests.

According to McDavid the *Sun* and the *Journal* and other local media do not address the black "world" in their news coverage. The *Communicant* depends on several international news agencies, such as the IPS, to supply them with news from Africa and the Caribbean. Black "world news" is normally neglected by media that is directed to a less specific audience.

The *Communicant* wants to expand its sports section to include less conventional sports such as cricket, soccer, and horseracing, of which there are many black fans.

The main concern of the *Communicant* is "equal opportunity for all" and that "the black contribution to Canadian society be recognized and not trampled on."

"The political position of the paper remains to be seen."

McDavid said only that "we are not yet prepared to say and that we only wish to do the type of job our people want," regardless of left or right political position.

The motto of the newspaper however is "honesty, integrity, truth and consequences," which outlines the newspaper's general approach to the news and issues concerning the black community.

Concerning future plans, the *Communicant* hopes to expand to reach black people all over the province.

The *Communicant* hopes to in the long run train young black journalists, giving them experience to eventually work in the various papers across Canada. According to McDavid there are no black journalists in any of the established papers in Canada.

Those interested in subscribing to, or helping with the *Communicant* can contact the paper at 425-2275.

## Killing will continue despite protestations

**Vancouver (CUP)** - Wolf-killing to protect caribou will continue in northern BC despite expert warnings the plan will likely fail.

Anthony Sinclair, a University of BC zoology professor who studied wildebeest and buffalo herds in Africa says predators are not always responsible for declines in animal populations.

He expressed concern about the BC government's Jan. 27 announcement to allow wolf-hunting because caribou herds are declining.

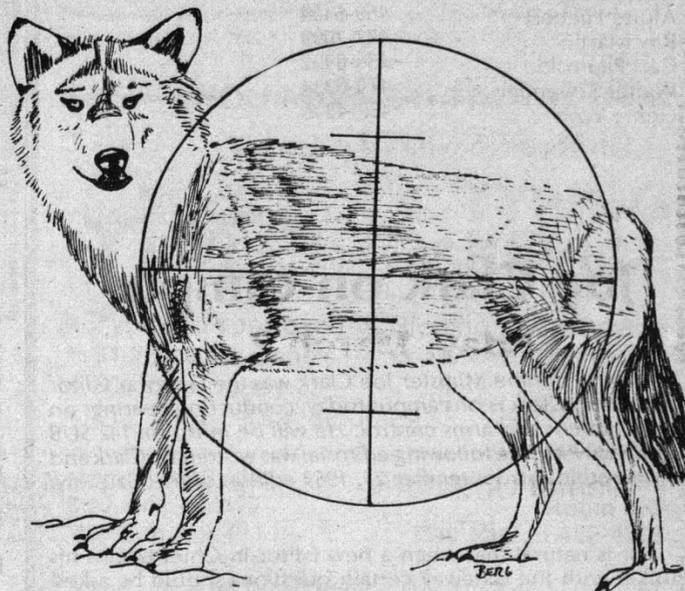
"Studies... show it's not necessarily the case that predators control populations, and that populations could easily exist in harmony without predators," Sinclair said in a recent interview.

But in a bid to justify the profitable wolf-kill, government officials insist the predators must go.

Several groups are protesting the hunt. Paul Watson, noted for his anti-sealing campaigns in Newfoundland, and several companions arrived Feb. 6 in Fort Nelson, BC. They planned to hike through the wilderness and disrupt the hunters.

"(The government is) looking at wildlife management with dollar signs in their eyes, as they do everything else," says Project Wolf coordinator Clint Davy. His organization, a Vancouver-based coalition of groups opposed to the kill, plans to raise funds to film the killings and bring public pressure on the government.

"There are many big game companies that depend on the caribou and elk population for a livelihood," Davy said. "Non-residents, including many



Americans, spend thousands of dollars here annually for the privilege of hunting big game. Man is the predator, not wolf."

Even Wallace MacGregor, a big game specialist in BC's Fish and Wildlife Department who claims the wolf population needs to be reduced, admits the Environment Ministry does not fully understand the wolves' role in the ecosystem.

"We know the wolf is a factor, but the question is whether or not the wolf is the main factor in the predator-prey relationship," he said.

In the 1940's and 1950's, the government carried out an extensive poisoning program, and MacGregor admits the plan was

ultimately self-defeating.

"After the poison program, we had an increase in caribou and sheep populations. This in turn led to an increase in the wolf population. These additional wolves caused a decrease in caribou calves, thereby reducing the overall numbers of caribou. It's a bit of a vicious circle."

When Watson arrived in Fort Nelson, local residents gave him a chilly reception. They refused him fuel, and initially, lodging.

The motel which finally provided rooms has displays of stuffed heads of African game including a giant giraffe head atop its three metre neck.

## Frats organize charity swimming

Campus fraternity members will be swimming with their clothes on to raise money this weekend for the blind.

The Clothing Relay is one of several moderately bizarre contests planned by the Delta Gamma Women's Fraternity in an event called the Anchor Splash.

Four contestants will have to put the clothing provided on, swim 50 m, then take the clothing off and give it to the next swimmer until all in the team are finished.

However, representative from Delta Gamma Karen Tjosvold says wearing clothing other than that which is provided is "up to their (the contestant's) discretion."

As well there will be a Mr. Anchor Splash Crazy Dive contest where a contestant will be asked to perform two poses before his dive.

Contestants will be judged on poise, originality of flex, balanced bodies and for his fraternity

banner," says Tjosvold.

A 50 m dogpaddle will also take place.

Two swimmers with their inside ankles tied together will have to swim 50 m then tag the remaining two members of their team who follow suit.

There will be a nominal admission charge for the event which will be held this Saturday at 1:30 PM in the west pool.

All proceeds will go to aid the blind.



**Important staff meeting tomorrow at 4:00 Pm.  
Rm. 282 SUB. All welcome.**