

Guelph student union may have to dissolve

GUELPH (CUP) — The withdrawal by student presidents of four federated colleges from a coalition with the student union at the University of Guelph Nov. 23 may have spelt the end for campus-wide student government here.

The move by the presidents followed the gradual decline of the student union since the Ontario Department of University Affairs declared a year ago that the newly-incorporated union had to operate on a voluntary basis.

Unable to plan long-range priorities because of an uncertain income—students refused to join and pay the \$15.50 fee for each 14-week semester—the union held a referendum Nov. 13 to either raise fees to \$20 per semester or institute a compulsory check-off.

Students rejected both proposals, voting against the fee increase by 9 to 1 and vetoing the compulsory union by a 200-vote margin.

Following the vote, the university administration announced it would not collect union fees next semester if less than 50 per cent of registering students opt for membership in the voluntary union.

The final blow came when the four individual college governments—themselves affected by decreased revenues through a fee-sharing agreement with the campus union—decided to strike out on their own with voluntary college unions.

Sources at Guelph say the union will not achieve the 50 per cent membership next semester. Many students feel the fees are too high and others will likely opt for membership in their college union.

Members of the Guelph student council are themselves doubtful the organization will survive January registration, and predict dissolution of the union by next spring.

If it goes under, the Guelph student union will be the first in Canada to feel the effects of voluntary unionism.

At the University of Saskatchewan in Regina, students last spring fought the U of S Board of Governors and gained a contract with the administration for a compulsory checkoff of union fees at registration.

Students at the University of Calgary rejected voluntary unionism by a 2 to 1 margin in a referendum Oct. 27.

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This year's sale will be held on Dec. 10-12 from noon to 10 p.m. The place is the main floor lounge of the Arts Building. Come to Treasure Van 1969.



—Al Reid photo

SO THAT'S WHAT "SOCIAL" MEANS—The Alberta Liquor Control Board might not like to see John Barleycorn's name on a poster, but can they object to seeing posters on John? The Inter-Frat Council didn't think so when they put up these posters, and judging from the reaction from Harry's Hops-Scotch House, the collection of posters being displayed in V-wing is aesthetically pleasing enough to be acceptable. If you can see past the forest, you will see that the trees say another Dinwoodie social will be held on Friday. It gets under way at three o'clock, so you can drop in on your way home, and it will go on until seven. After a hard week of skipping classes, what could go down better than a cold "social."

ASA rescued financially as faculty provides money and office space

The Arts Students' Association has received a promise of \$2,500 from the Faculty of Arts.

The association will be able to defer all of up to \$2,500 through the Faculty of Arts offices until March 31, 1970.

The faculty came to the ASA rescue after students' council tabled a request from the organization for \$5,000 until the results of students' council's reorganization committee made its recommendations.

The administration has also given the association an office in room 303, General Services Building.

"The faculty has been co-operative . . . and have generally been receptive to real actions to be taken in the students' interest," Andy von Busse, ASA president, said Wednesday.

The ASA was founded in order to provide a body which could place students on various faculty with the faculty on the number of governing committees.

"Our first task is to negotiate students to be placed on various committees, with parity on all committees as our ultimate goal," said Mr. von Busse.

The association uses a plenary system in which all students in the

faculty of arts are responsible for establishing ASA policy in plenary sessions held every Wednesday night at 7:30 in the arts lounge, Arts Building.

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