

SU refugee fund grows slowly

by Gordon Turtle

Students' Union fund-raising for the proposed adoption of a Vietnamese refugee family enjoyed some success last week, with about \$435 being collected, according to SU vp external Tema Frank.

"I'm pleased so far with the amount contributed last week," said Frank, singling out the Education Students' Association (ESA) for their large contribution. The ESA raised \$318 at a

benefit social.

The Chinese Students' Association contributed \$50 to the fund, and the collection jars placed in SUB last week brought in between \$60 and \$70.

Two of the largest faculty associations on campus have yet to announce what their policy towards the SU project will be.

Engineering Students' Society (ESS) president Doug Kent had nothing to tell *The Gateway*, merely saying that the ESS had "no comment" on

forthcoming fund-raising plans. Kent declined to say whether any action will be taken by the ESS and noted that the matter will be discussed at a Wednesday meeting of the ESS executive.

Nothing has been decided with the Agriculture Club either, according to president Rod Mac Millan. "We'll be discussing the matter at our Thursday meeting," said MacMillan, "but I am not aware of any forthcoming motion to raise money for the project." MacMillan expressed

personal opposition to the project.

The Business Administration and Commerce Undergraduate Society (BACUS) decided at a meeting last night to apply to the Students' Union to co-sponsor a cabaret. The profits will go to the refugee fund. Vp internal Tema Frank says she is "extremely pleased" with their decision.

According to one source, debate was heated. BACUS president Dean Draeger had told *Gateway* Monday morning that

he personally thought that the campaign was beyond the mandate of the SU, although he supported the motion on humanitarian grounds.

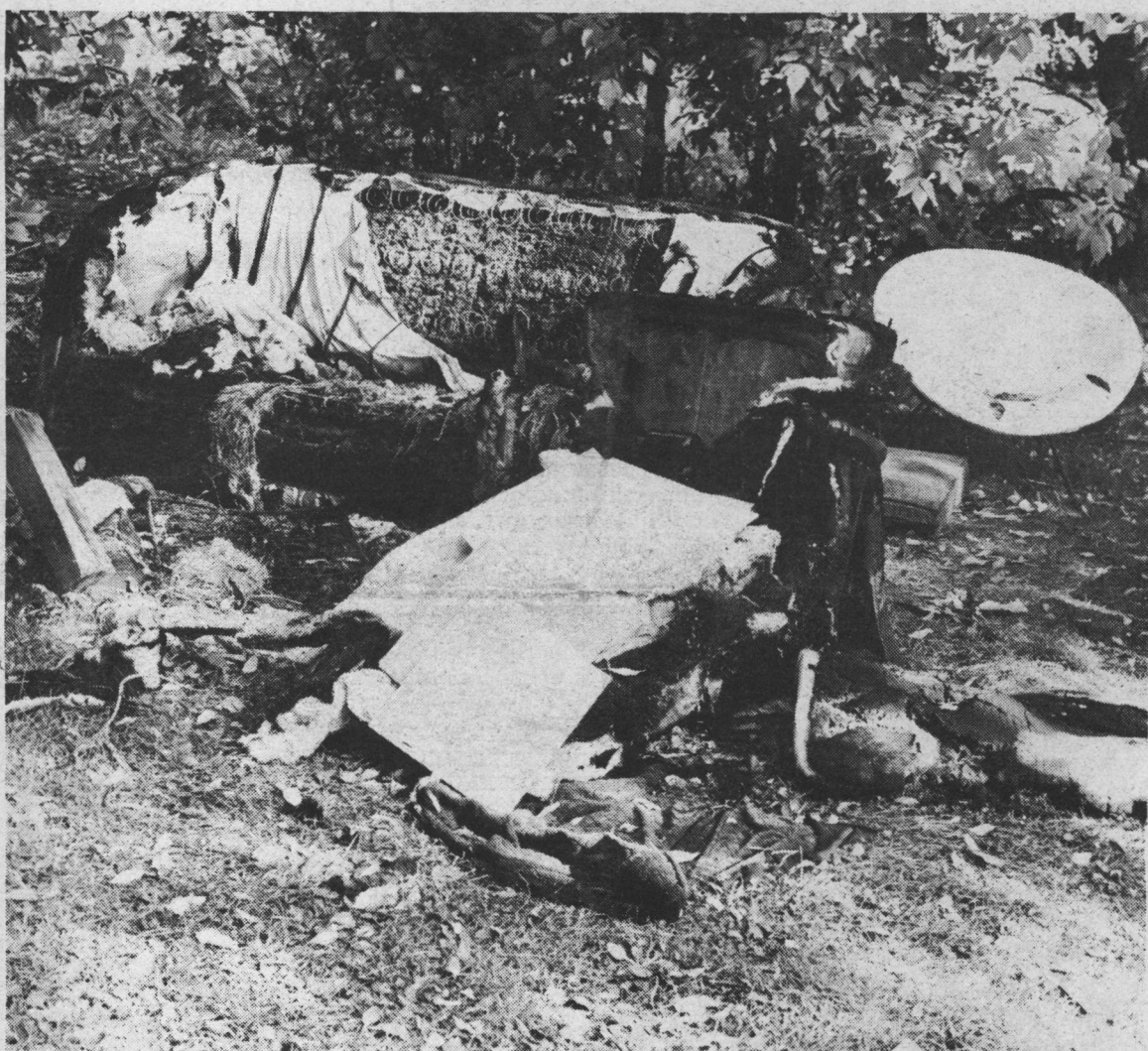
Council has set the fund-raising deadline for the refugee adoption plan at December 31. Council hopes to have at least half of the total amount of money needed contributed through fund-raising events on campus. The cost of adopting a family could go as high as \$10,000.

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...had a drinking problem.



Some of the charred remains of Saturday morning's blaze at a North Garneau home. The residents escaped uninjured.

Home gutted

by Lucinda Chodan

Fire gutted a university co-op house in Garneau Saturday morning but the house's three occupants escaped unharmed.

The fire broke out at approximately 6:00 a.m. in the one storey house at 11024-89 Avenue. Although the fire department was on the scene "within five minutes," according to an occupant, the inside of the house was completely burned.

The cause of the fire is still unknown.

Housing manager Bert Madill of Housing and Food Services says the fire is the second major blaze in the history of university co-op housing. The first occurred four years ago, when a garage burned to the ground.

The university owns approximately 70 co-op houses and more than 30 other suites.

"The fire started as a mass of

smoke," says Madill. "Then the fire department arrived, and as they were uncoiling their hoses, the whole thing sort of went whoosh."

All three residents are staying with family members in Edmonton until they can be relocated in Garneau housing units.

Madill says the house will probably be rebuilt.

Schmidt mystery solved Advocate resigns

The Student Advocate, Greg Schmidt, has resigned.

Schmidt's letter of resignation was received by the Students' Union (SU) vp academic Chanchal Bhattacharya late yesterday afternoon. The former advocate cited heavy academic requirements as the reason for his resignation.

Schmidt was appointed Student Advocate in April 1978. He was beginning the latter half of his two-year term of office when he resigned.

The resignation has

answered many questions for Bhattacharya.

"We were beginning to wonder if he was a student on campus," said Bhattacharya. "He was supposed to be present during Registration Week, but no-one had seen him until today."

In his letter of resignation, Schmidt also suggested the position be transferred to the jurisdiction of the SU president.

The SU will seek applications for a new Student Advocate, effective immediately.

Broadbent supports national oil corporation NDP defends PetroCan

OTTAWA (CUP) — The dismantling of Petro Canada will severely affect employment opportunities in high technology areas, as well as removing Canada's "window" on the oil industry, according to NDP leader Ed Broadbent.

In an interview with Canadian University Press, Sept. 19, Broadbent emphasized the effect that foreign domination of resources has on employment opportunities for well-trained Canadians.

Broadbent asserted that a significant number of research and development jobs for university and college grads would be lost if the inroads into the oil industry made by Petro Canada are not pursued.

"Younger Canadians are better able to see the positive implications of keeping Petro Canada intact because it will affect them more in the future," he said.

Broadbent used the example of the Diefenbaker

government's scrapping of the Avro Arrow Corporation in the early 1960s to underline the effect that the dismantling of PetroCan would have in the area of employment.

When the Diefenbaker government decided to scrap the Avro Arrow, an advanced jet fighter aircraft, the Canadian aeronautical industry lost much of its workforce to the United States, where job opportunities existed.

"Thousands of engineers, scientists and technicians had to go south to the U.S. because of the closure," Broadbent said.

PetroCan, the largest Canadian owned company in the oil industry, currently has assets of \$3.4 billion.

According to Broadbent, the federal Conservatives are planning to divest PetroCan of two-thirds of its assets by selling its profitable holdings to private industry while keeping the high risk intact.

In an attempt to emphasize public support for PetroCan, the

NDP is conducting a massive petition campaign against the denationalization move.

The petition is being distributed on university and college campuses, at trade union locals, and by constituency associations.

The NDP will present the petitions to the House of Commons early in the first session, when changes in PetroCan will be introduced.

According to Broadbent the NDP intends to initiate a vote of non-confidence in the government on the PetroCan issue.

"Forcing another election wouldn't be the objective," said Broadbent. "But there isn't a more symbolically appropriate issue to call an election on."

Broadbent has just finished a cross-country speaking tour prompted by concern over the PetroCan issue. On the tour he spoke to students at St. Mary's, Laval, and York Universities, as well as high school students in Hamilton and Winnipeg.

photo Lucinda Chodan



A helpless victim of Lister Hall's annual Mac County Fair. Bus stop, please! The annual event, one of residence's major fall festivities, was attended by enthusiastic crowds Saturday.

photo Joyce Phillips