

# Crowds Are Coming

The teen-age kid called the University of Alberta Students' Union is just about due for a pair of long pants.

A multitude of new student clubs over the last decade and an alarming student growth are the main signs that the kid is growing up, but more painful signs are also beginning to show.

Inflation has hit the campus and Students' Union machinery is beginning to show signs of obsolescence.

This year it was the Evergreen and Gold fee hike of \$1.25; soon there will be more fee hikes. Among them will likely be an increased Gateway budget, more money for building extensions to SUB, more money for a larger permanent staff in the SUB office, and more money for organizations within the Students' Union.

At the upper levels, Students' Council, recently, provided machinery to form two committees: one to investigate a cumbersome and sometimes unobjective awards system, another to investigate an outmoded Students' Union constitutional structure.

The Gateway has reached the point of financial exhaustion, budgeting a \$100 deficit this year by dropping some of the after Christmas editions, and going weekly, when in fact there is news available, and staff available to produce three smaller papers per week. Not only is this desirable from a quantitative viewpoint, but from the point of view of timeliness.

Clubs within the Students' Union are being hurt by having to work on "conservative" budgets at a time of general University expansion. Ostensibly, they too should be expanding to meet the needs of a metropolitan University.

Permanent office staff in the SUB office, running a quarter of a million dollar business, is overworked and need assistance. The assistance is going to cost money, and will be even more necessary in a matter of a few years.

Theoretically, increased enrolment should provide the additional monies for Students' Union operation, but inflation, (not even Universities are immune) has eaten it up, and expansion of any proportion has been impossible.

Students' Union set-up, at present, is one designed for a University of 2,000 students in an underfed province, to which has been added the dubious experience and ideas of several decades. Its constitution has been referred to as the most amended constitution in the world and every amendment is another patch to shore up a structure that is becoming less stable every day. Less stable because it depends on the efforts of a very few personnel in top student posts who have too big a job to do as a student and as a nearly full time administrator.

Students have been fortunate in having capable student administrators in top posts over the last years, but one of these years the student will be less capable, or the load too monumental, and the present system will crack, leaving an unpatchable situation, and nothing to replace it.

Both financial and administrative planning

on the part of the Students' Union and satellite organizations will have to be initiated immediately to offset a complete snarl up a few years from now.

At least two years more will be needed to provide most of the necessary fee hikes, and by this time Students' Council should have in its hands a plan by which the monies can be effectively and efficiently used.

Council has made the start on the plan, and every campus organization should start now on a plan of its own for the future.

# By The Gross

We wonder if an apt definition of a welfare state is "government of the people, government for the people, and government which buys the people"?

# Strangling Itself?

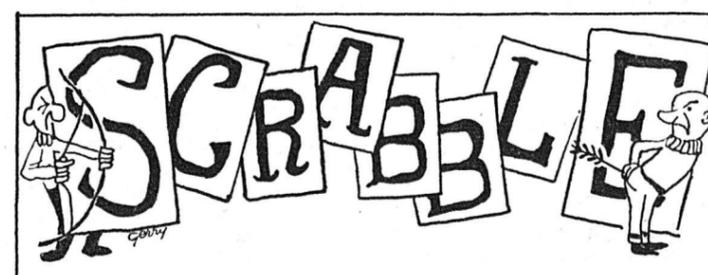
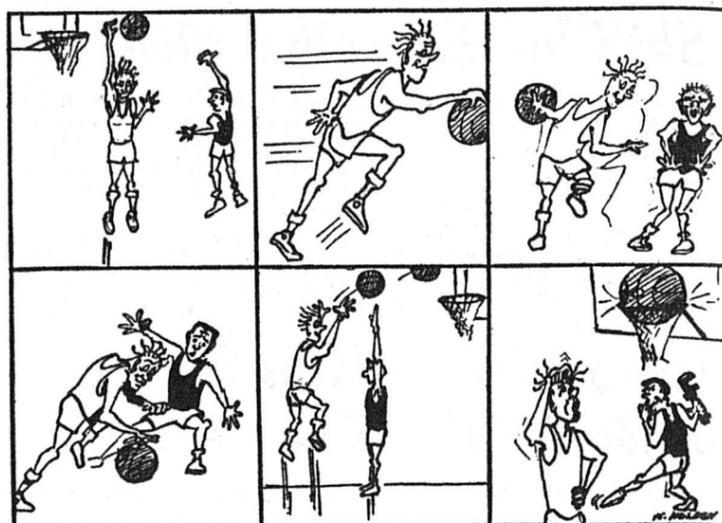
Diners in the education cafeteria are soon to be subjected to the same indignities of ear and taste that have come to be synonymous with minced sandwiches and bag lunches in SUB cafeteria. On the first of the month the scintillating sound of U of A Radio will be heard, at full volume, in the education cafeteria.

At the same time the resignation of the student director of the University show heard each Saturday over CKUA, coupled with other factors such as a request by CKUA to step up the quality of the show, have caused it to fold. U of A Radio has a very limited coverage. The use of the wider resources of CKUA meant coverage of a large segment of Alberta that would otherwise have little opportunity to know what their University is doing. The purpose of such publicity is manifold from the viewpoints of both the administration and the student body. Without this weekly show, the purpose and value of a student radio society and the resulting \$1,000 expenditure of student money is doubtful.

Instead, a poor imitation of "Fall Fun Time" programming complete with corny announcing, ear-jarring sound effects, and music directed at the thirteen-year-old, continues to repulse frequenters of SUB and now the "South Forty" is to get the same treatment.

# No Pressure On Us

A record number of University of Alberta students and faculty members attended the Grey Cup game in Vancouver last Saturday. Apparently the exodus to the game was a manifestation of the let's-make-the-last-month-a-big-holiday movement that is springing up on campus, in view of the administration's generous postponement of the Christmas examinations until January. We can remember when the last month of the year was a month of honest and rewarding toil on this campus.



Brickbats to John Barr, Arts and Science 1, who for the cheap thrill of seeing his name in print, has designated himself 'bigot of the week'. Your letter, Mr. Barr, mirrors the vast knowledge and experience gleaned from three months of being a freshman student, and we are all so proud of you . . . aren't we, gang! You seem to have got jargon down to a fine art. And your your use of such big, BIG words as 'materialistic' and 'superficial' (though used in the wrong context) is commendable.

Your charge that Miss Tsutsarova spent her time 'casting coy glances at eligible bachelors' is absolutely absurd, and the work of a petty, narrow, stupid mind. I did not meet Miss Tsutsarova, but those who did meet her were left, I hope, with the impression that she was more serious-minded than to spend her time casting coy glances. And furthermore, if she doesn't believe in God, that is her business and therefore none of your business!

Many others, including myself, are disgusted at your crude and unjust remarks pertaining to our exchange students. Have you ever met any of these excellent people, Mr. Barr? Obviously not, because they are some of the finest men and women on this campus and a credit to the University. Take notice that

the U of A would much rather lose a person like you than an exchange student.

I deplore the practice of picking on individuals in this column, and try to do so as seldom as possible. But for you, O learned and wise Mr. Barr, I am making a blatant exception. You've got a big chip on your shoulders, which kind of makes you a blockhead . . . and I think that a lot of people will agree with me. So write me a letter, awreddy. Maybe I'll be thrilled or something!

Big business Dept.: Sorry to dis-appoint House Ec, but this one is about Council. Remember Council? Anyway, it was moved at the open

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To The Editor: We are the 893rd precinct Christopher Dudley Evans fan club, writing him to ask that our charter be revoked. We adored him when he graduated from high school and was voted most likely to succeed with farm girls. We were thrilled when he went to Royal Roads—and we didn't mind too much when he was thrown out. We cheered when he came to U of A. We left privileged to be allowed to put up the \$5,000 bond so that he could get into law school.

But because of the shocking conduct of our ex-hero, because of his boorish bigoted manner, we denounce him to the world. We must expose his actual conduct in West Lounge during a meeting of about 80 students for a Sacred debate. Evans, and a certain Peter Hyndman, sent as agents of the Imperial High Potato of an unnamed political party, heckled and harassed as the debate was presented. They were flipping quarters in the back row when Peter Hyndman, with an energetic thrust, flipped the two-bit piece, which landed inside the open-necked blouse of a petite household

economics student sitting in a row ahead. Chris, with an enthusiastic lunge, went after it. Holding fast to heroic tradition, we came to the rescue of the fair maiden and kicked Chris and Peter out for their un-socially creditable behaviour. We challenged Chris, who was still muttering epithets at the girl, to be a man about this.

However, the following week, venting his inhibitions and frustrations, Chris wrote a vehement and vitriolic attack on the house ec faculty. We challenged Chris to publicly face us, so that the sweet h.e. students would be free from his unjustified attacks, and so that he would come to face his own failure and mistakes. We challenged Chris to debate us, allowing him to name the date, place, subject, and side he wanted. And now we see, that in the guise of challenging us, Chris has finally accepted.

Respectfully,  
Bill Downton,  
Doug Sanders.

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