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## IT'S FALL, IT'S ALBERTA AND TO HELL WITH REVOLUTION

... Pat Starr, phys ed 2, and Brenda Haugen, zoology, appear preoccupied

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## Student reps want GFC open to public

Student representatives on General Faculty Council have asked that the decision made in April, that GFC meetings remain closed to the press, be reconsidered.

And students' council has called upon the Board of Governors and the General Faculty Council to open their meetings to members of the press, students, faculty, and general public.

General Faculty Council has agreed to reconsider their decision, and has referred the matter back to the executive committee.

At the students' council meeting, Marilyn Pilkington said council should call for open decision-making in the university not only in the interest of the various segments of the university community, but because the university is a public institution.

She said more harm is done to GFC by the insinuations and innuendoes which are cast around by those who wish to undermine the integrity of the governing bodies of the university than would be done by giving everyone access to the deliberations and decisions of the GFC.

She disagrees with the proposal that a system of press releases should be instituted to communicate decisions of GFC to the students and the public.

"The Gateway should be allowed to decide what is of interest to students rather than having it handed to them in carefully prepared press releases," she said.

"Further, we feel that not only decisions should be made public, but also the manner in which decisions are made."

She said GFC and the board could reserve the right to withdraw into camera sessions to discuss confidential business.

"Much student discontent arises because of a lack of knowledge and understanding of the complexities of university government. Further communication will improve the situation by making all factors clear."

## Manitoba, Toronto reject 'token' seats

### UMSU wants board, senate open

OTTAWA (CUP) — Two university student bodies rejected Wednesday token attempts by administrations to restructure university government.

The University of Manitoba Students' Union refused to send seven student senators to the university's 90-man academic senate.

At Toronto, student council declined to accept administra-

tion president Claude Bissell's offer of two seats on a commission to examine university government.

At Manitoba, UMSU set the following conditions to their acceptance of the seven seats:

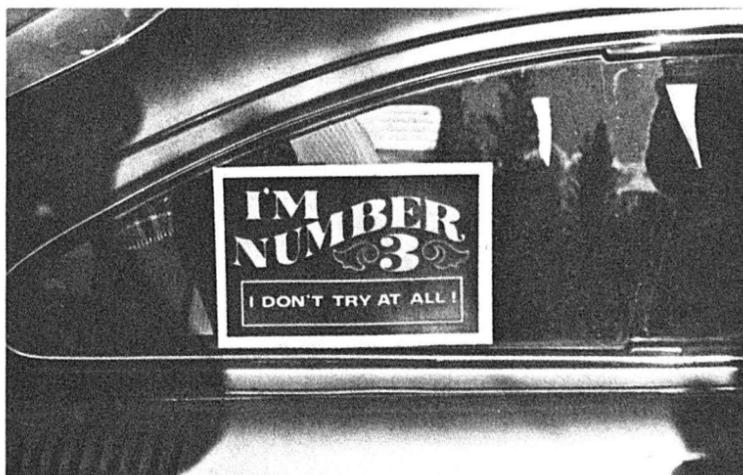
- that council determine the method of election of student senators

- that students be guaranteed seats on the Board of Governors

- that senate and board meetings be open to the public (two representatives of council walked out of senate Wednesday when a motion to open the meeting was tabled)

But the Manitoba administration apparently does not accept UMSU's right to reject the seats. In a letter to student president Horace Patterson, administration president Dr. H. H. Saunderson said he regretted members of council would not be running for senate election, but added "we could hope with the large number of capable students in the university, it should be possible to obtain able representatives of the student viewpoint as members of the senate." In other words, if council rejects the seats, he would expect someone else to take them.

The Toronto council came back with a counterproposal of a new commission made up of four elected faculty members and four elected student members with ex officio administration representatives.



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