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Wyman agrees with demands

President says he has no objection to parity, openness in Kemp appeal

By Ellen Nygaard

U of A president Max Wyman said Wednesday he has no objection to openness and parity on a tenure appeal committee in the Ted Kemp case.

He added that he did not feel that it would matter who was on the committee, expressing his doubt that the decision of that body would be satisfactory to all parties. The president said that in such controversial cases, any verdict is automatically unacceptable to those who oppose it. He did not feel that open hearings would contribute much to the credibility of the decision.

Dr. Wyman did not think the General Faculty Council would support in its entirety the letter from Mr. Kemp's lawyer Gordon Wright to Dr. Wyman, which was presented to GFC Monday by students' union president David Leadbeater.

The letter, a comprehensive statement which, if approved by GFC, would have initiated support for a precedent quite different from the present tenure criteria, contained points which Dr. Wyman felt he could not accept. He did not think it would be possible for GFC to accept the letter.

The president was more in agreement with the students' union's original proposal, embodying only the principles of openness and parity.

"I would be prepared to take Mr. Kemp's case to GFC" he said, if he and Mr. Kemp could reach an agreement on what would constitute a fair hearing.

However, he felt that there might be a "backlash" in GFC if the matter were brought before a special meeting within the next week, as demanded by the students' union.

Underlying Dr. Wyman's doubts concerning the acceptability of the appeal committee's verdict is his disillusionment with the present tenure system.

"I don't believe in this tenure system at all," he said, terming it an "anachronism."

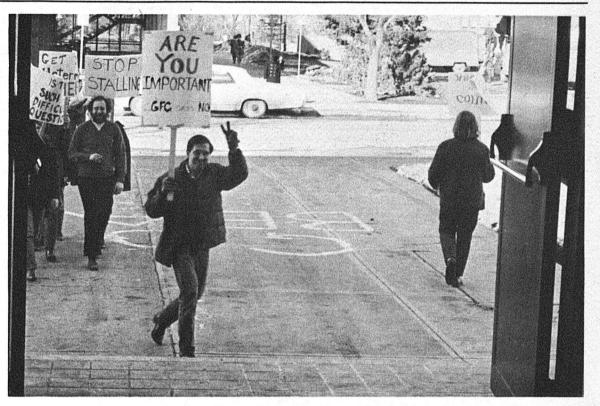
In Dr. Wyman's term as academic vice-president, there were over 400 applicants for tenure. Eight were denied tenure. "I would not be prepared to say that those who were denied tenure were any less competent than some of those who were granted tenure," he said.

The obvious difficulty is that ten people could make one decision, and ten others make a reverse decision, he explained.

The president admitted that

weighting of criteria varied from department to department. However, changes in tenure proceedings resulting from the Murray-Williamson dispute of 1966-67 ensure more uniformity among decisions of a given department. At that time, a standing elected committee replaced specifically appointed committees for each case.

Dr. Wyman agreed that there was an important place for good teaching at the university. "I would be prepared to argue the case for good teaching," he said.



PICKETS PROTEST KEMP FIRING

... photographed from the safety of University Hall

Panel deplores Canadian testing of weapons

"Canada specializes in testing weapons manufactured by the U.S. and Great Britain," and is thus complicit in the Vietnam war, according to Tim Christian, leader of the SCM and the president-elect of the students' union.

"Free disclosure" of test results

Mr. Christian was speaking at a panel debate sponsored by the University of Alberta Vietnam Action Committee Wednesday. Other members of the panel were Sam Kushner, representing the Campus Liberal group, and Bill Askin, secretary of the Edmonton Committee to End the War in Vietnam.

At Suffield, Alberta, the Canadian government is involved in a program of "free disclosure" of results obtained in chemical and biological warfare weapons testing, under an agreement with the U.S., Britain and Australia dating back to WW II, Mr. Christian

Industries use university facilities

Mr. Askin stated that as a federal and provincial taxpayer and a fee-paying student, he resentd the fact that cheap research facilities were being made available at this university for industries which were profiting from the war.

Using a back copy of Canadian Dimension as his reference, Mr. Askin named several Canadian corporations who were making direct or indirect contributions to the American war effort. Among them were Atco Industries (prebuilt hospitals or other buildings), BATA Shoes (boots for American GIs), CIL (small arms, ammunitions, TNT and defoliation chemicals), and Canadair Ltd. (aircraft and aircraft parts).

Canadian government relief plans came under fire from Mr.

Askin as well. He stated that they were politically motivated.

"The hospitals we build in Vietnam with our foreign aid are in turn bombed by aircraft we supply to the U.S.," he said.

Students must work from within

Mr. Kushner stated that he felt it was "undemocratic" for students to attempt to limit recruitment on campus by firms involved in the war. He proposed that students should join these firms, and work from within to change their "social orientation" away from war profiteering.

After considerable discussion with the audience, Mr. Christian summed up what he felt should be

the priorities of students as far as war research is concerned. Students should demand to know what sort of research is being done here, demand that any research which profits war industry be stopped, and the resources reallocated to fields which would benefit society in general, he said.

Legislature may empower specific officers to search for illicit drugs without warrants

By Dick Nimmons

If you drop acid, watch it!

City police without search warrants could soon be arresting persons they only suspect have illicit drugs.

Forthcoming amendments in the Public Health Act may empower specific officers to enter and search for drugs covered under provincial statutes. These drugs include LSD, methredine, mescaline, and other hallucinogens not covered in federal drug The amendments are only rumored as yet, but, speculation concerning the possible legislation grows from the fact that last year's Bill 94 before the legislature proposed similar measures before it was withdrawn.

The basic arguments for the amendment are that such laws are already in force for the provincial Liquor Control Act and that the RCMP has already got these privileges in cases involving drugs covered under the federal act.

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When Gateway was told that

the form of the old act might be revived, it contacted Ed Monsma, Assistant to the Minister of Health. Mr. Monsma said that no comments would be made on the upcoming amendments to the Public Health Act until they were tabled in the House. He refused to make a statement on whether or not the amendments concerning drug search and seizure would be contained in the motion to amend.

Certain RCMP officers are now empowered by a 'Writ of Assistance' given to them by the Attorney General to search persons and homes without a warrant when drug use is suspected.

Opposition leader Peter Lougheed stated that he was personally opposed to any amendment which would give such powers to the police, but he could not speak for his party because there had been no caucus on the issue as yet. He said he felt such amendments would be detrimental to fundamental human rights.

On comparison of the drug laws to alcohol controls, a concerned party said "It is ridiculous to compare the two because the drug laws are so much more se-

Satiric play on U.S. life at Silver Slipper until Sunday

The American Dream, a satiric play on the American way of life, is being presented by People Theatre, at the Silver Slipper Saloon on the exhibition grounds today to Sunday inclusive, at 8:30 p.m.

The troupe, consists of 25 members, sponsored by the Edmonton Exhibition Junior Board of Directors.

Directed by Tom Menczel, the

cast consists of Jack Ritchie, Fay Schoonmaker, Lila Newton, Ray Yakimchuk, and Marlie Odynski. Tom Menczel commented that he "had originally planned to portray the characters as stereotypes but has changed them a bit to give a clearer message."

Tickets are available at the Exhibition box offices, in Woodward's stores, and at the door, at \$1.00 for students and \$1.50 for adults.