



photo Chris Scott

Some of these people may have found something to bother them. They will come in late at night, after putting in a full evening of study, and hear rumors of food poisoning. It was the strudel goes the rumor. Fine -- after months of leaving the strudel alone, some of them have decided to experiment and see if just by chance it has improved. Oh well, you can't win them all. (Story on page 7)

Three students, seven faculty to select new arts dean

The Faculty of Arts is now considering applications for a new dean.

A 10-man selection committee to pick a successor to retiring Dean of Arts D.E. Smith should reach a decision by February.

The committee, chaired by Academic Vice-President Dr. H. Kreisel, consists of three students and seven faculty members, including Kreisel and Graduate Studies dean J. R. McGregor, who are automatically members of the committee.

Kreisel declined to name persons the committee was considering to succeed Dr. Smith, but said that between 60 and 70 people had applied, both from inside the university and from other universities. "We can't release any names for several reasons. One thing to consider is the fact that if you release names of candidates for a position, there is only 'winner', and the rest are 'losers'; we don't want that, so by keeping the names secret we avoid the necessity of so-called 'defeated' candidates. Secondly, if the names of applicants were made known, many applicants might consider it a political thing from then on, and many people don't

want that and would withdraw their applications if that happened. We obviously don't want people to do that, so we're not releasing any names", said Kreisel.

This committee differs from past committees of similar nature and purposes in one important respect; there are students sitting on it. Previously, all such committees consisted of the Vice-president Academic, the dean of grad studies, three faculty members elected from the Arts faculty council, and two faculty members elected from General Faculty Council (GFC). Students, who have parity on GFC, thus had parity in electing the two GFC representatives? but no student sat on the committee. This summer, however, after the committee had been appointed, the Students' Union executive sent a proposal to Kreisel suggesting that students be given parity with faculty on the committee (with the two administrators forming the balance.) Kreisel accepted the proposal and requested the Students' Union to come up with three representatives to match the three faculty members elected by Arts faculty council. It was agreed

that students be allowed to run for GFC representative on the committee. (For this particular committee, the two GFC representatives had already been elected, so there is not total parity; however, on all future committees students will be allowed to sit on the committee as GFC reps, provided they are duly elected by GFC.)

The Students' Union executive asked S.U. Academic Vice-president Dave Biltek, an arts student, to be one of the students on the committee, and a second student was chosen by the Graduate Students' Association to represent grad students. Students' Council mandated Biltek to come up with a third student. When only one person showed up at a meeting to decide how to pick a student, council decided how to choose a student rep. It was decided to run an ad in the Gateway calling for people to apply for the position. Five applied and Biltek chose one to be the third student member.

Biltek also declined to name any candidates for the position, saying he was not at liberty to do so. "WE don't really know for sure exactly who all the candidates are yet. I imagine we'll know before too long, and then we'll get down to the process of screening and interviewing".

Dr. Smith's resignation takes effect June 30, 1972.

By Dave McCurdy

CUPE and SU finally agree

Its a reasonably good contract says Wickman

The Students' Union and the SUB Workers' CUPE local have again come to an agreement and are prepared to sign a contract. This will be the local's first contract since its certification last July.

The negotiations between the two parties broke down two weeks ago over a disagreement on individuals' salaries. The CUPE Local was then prepared to ask the provincial government to appoint a conciliator to settle the problem of the wages since it appeared to them that their disagreement with Students' Union General Manager Darrel Ness could not be resolved.

Since that time the local has reconsidered and, although they are not entirely happy with the contract, are prepared to settle for Ness' interpretations and prepared to try to get a better deal on the next contract.

Negotiations for the second contract will probably begin in February and be finished by April.

After they decided to ask for conciliation the local mandated their president, Percy Wickman to meet with Ness and invite him to one of their meetings to see if a settlement could be reached without having to resort to conciliation. Ness had told The Gateway two weeks ago that the disagreement in some individuals' cases was very great. However, Wickman now says the difference "was not really as great as I had feared."

At the meeting with Ness, the local voted to rescind the request for conciliation and to accept the contract as Ness interpreted it.

Some members of the local were not happy with this decision and petitioned Wickman to hold another meeting to reconsider it. However, at the subsequent meeting a motion not to sign the contract was defeated.

"It's a reasonably good contract," Wickman says, "most of the staff are particularly happy with some of the fringe benefits including vacation pay, and medical benefits."

One of the main advantages of the contract is that the janitorial staff is now on an equal footing with other staff. The janitors used to be subjected to a forty-hour week, whereas other staff worked only 35 hours a

week. But this has been remedied in the new contract.

All staff will receive at least a five percent merit increase in pay. The cost of living increase is retroactive to either April 1 or the date of appointment.

Since most of the janitors were not on permanent staff until August (they were paid hourly) they will not receive the increase retroactive to April 1. Wickman said this was one of the points the staff was unhappy with in the contract.

However, another advantage of the contract is that all employees will enjoy more job security than previously. When janitors were on hourly pay, they could be fired without notice of termination pay, but under the new contract, they are classed as permanent staff.

"We learned a lot from negotiating this contract—we look forward to the next one," Wickman said.

by Bob Beal

Horowitz to assume education deanship



The Faculty of Education will have a new Dean effective July 1, 1972. Dr. Myer Horowitz, the present professor and department chairman of elementary Education will succeed Dean H.T. Coutts.

Dr. Horowitz left his position as assistant dean of the Faculty of Education at McGill University to come to the U. of A. in 1969.

The Gateway wishes to correct a mistake it made in a recent issue. Mr. Phil Arnold is the Executive General Secretary of the Non-Academic staff Association not the president as it stated in the article on the Senate meeting.