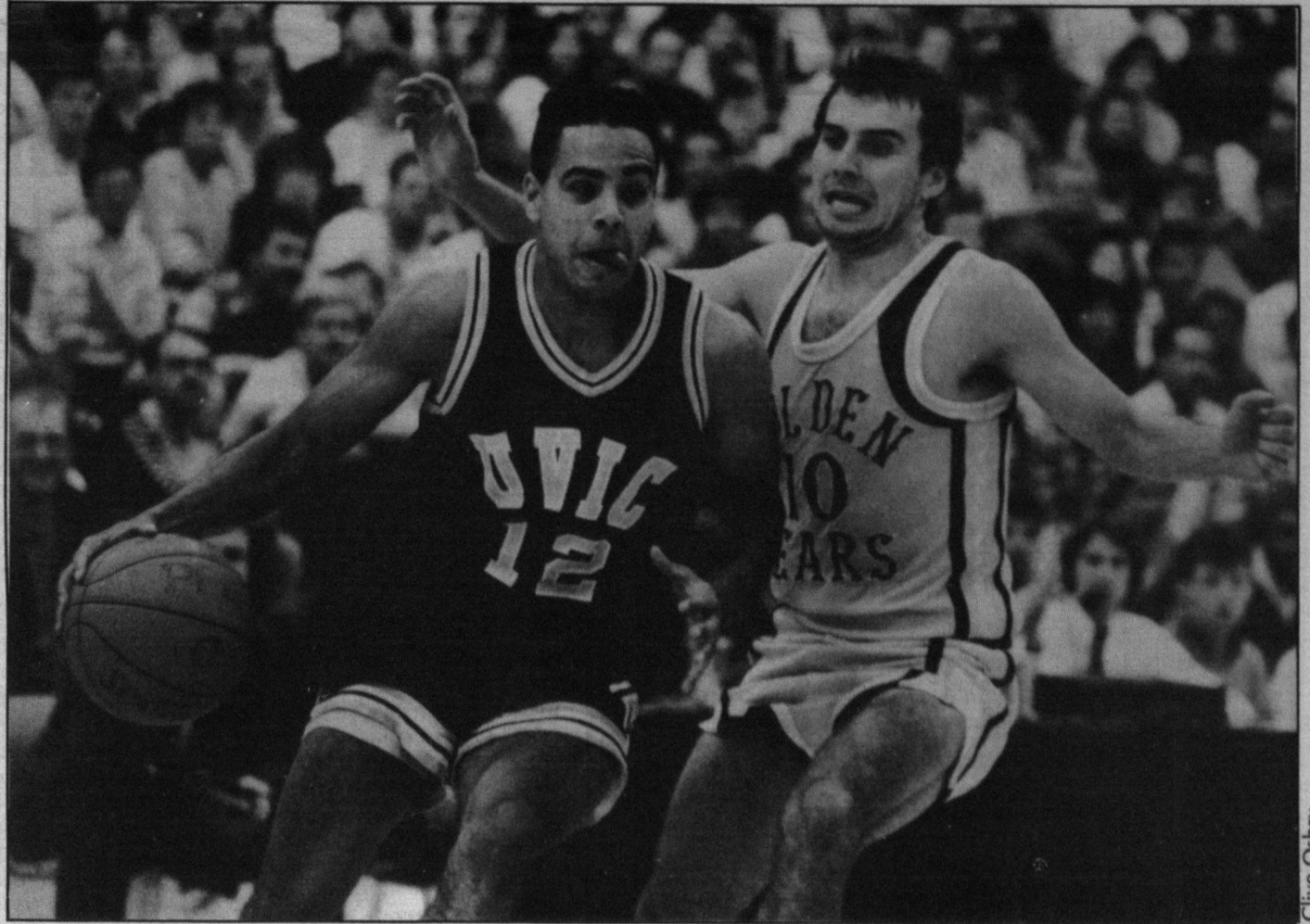


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Clive Oshry

Vikings lick Bears

University of Victoria Viking's guard Tom Johnson gives a tip to the Bears' Sean Chursinoff during Friday night basketball action. The Bears lost by one point in both games played on the weekend.

Award recipients discussed

by Philip Preville

Athletics Alberta has decided to bring up the issue of scholarship recipients at the track and field centre management committee meeting, to be held today. The committee is a joint body which includes representatives from Athletics Alberta, University Athletics and the Alberta Sport Council.

Janet Shulha of Athletics Alberta said that the Athletics Alberta board has decided to raise the issue at the committee meeting, although she would not comment further on the situation. Athletics Alberta has received a complaint stating that some deserving track athletes would not be receiving Jimmy Condon scholarships.

Some prospective track athletes have alleged that U of A track coach Ted King plans to use a

scholarship as remuneration for one prospective athlete who does office work for him. Final cuts to the track team have not been made. Regulations state that Condon scholarships are intended solely for team members.

Dale Schulha, chairman of the U of A department of athletics and a member of the centre management committee, said he was not aware that the issue would be raised at today's committee meeting. "I spoke with Janet Shulha (the two are cousins) and she seemed satisfied with my explanation," he said.

Schulha has also spoken with Leon Lubin, the director of the Alberta Heritage Scholarship Program, which administers the Condon awards. Lubin learned of the alleged improprieties last Friday

through a conversation with *The Gateway*. Lubin said he was "satisfied that the issue had been dealt with internally."

Dale Schulha said that he is satisfied that the distribution of the Condon awards has been handled fairly. Schulha and King met with James Tennant, assistant track coach, and Susan Nattress, the director of interuniversity athletics, on Friday November 24 at King's request, where Schulha said "King walked (him) through the process of choosing the Condon recipients."

"He (King) assured me that everything has been handled properly," said Schulha. "We see no discrepancies."

When asked about the allegations made by various track athletes, Schulha said, "I am sure that that is not the case."



RATT patrons will no longer have to look thru the 7th floor cage while waiting to enter the bar.

The Bridge survives vote

by Dawn Lerohl

Engineering students came out strongly in favour of preserving their newspaper in a referendum held Thursday, yet they recognize the need for editorial changes.

In a reaction to controversy over the November issue of *The Bridge*, the Engineering Students' Society (ESS) held a vote Thursday to clarify

the Engineering student body's views of the newspaper.

The choices presented to the students were to continue publishing *The Bridge* with a revised editorial policy, to print the paper as a more informative, less entertaining newspaper, or to stop publication entirely.

Of the 44 per cent of the faculty

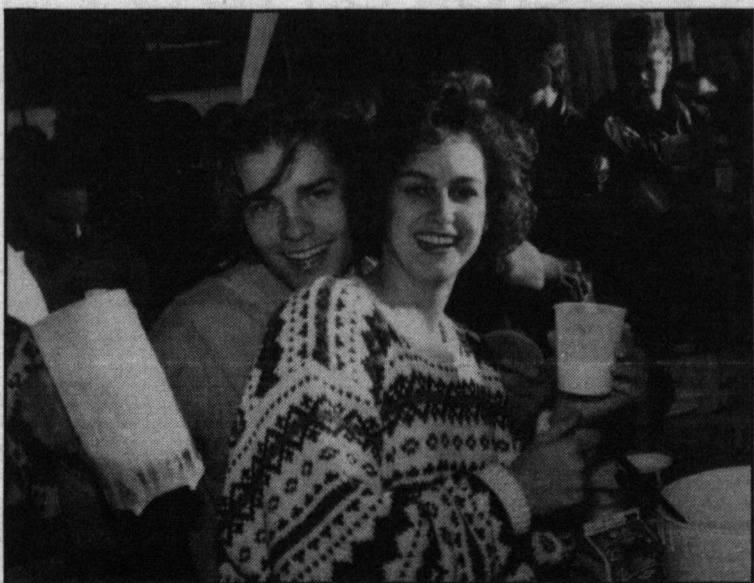
who voted, 93.2 per cent were in favour of maintaining *The Bridge*, yet supported allowing the the editor complete control over the contents. Previously, the clubs columns were exempt from editing. As of the December issue, the editor has authority over the entire contents of the newspaper.

"The editorial staff now have complete control over the content. We're in the process of establishing formal written guidelines," said Troy Roberts, ESS president.

Roberts feels that the referendum has allowed students the opportunity to express their views on the future direction of the newspaper. "I think this represents the view of the students...Students are supportive of how we're spending their money," said Roberts.

Mark Kruse, Electrical Engineering Club president, agrees the vote represents the views of the students, but says the results were no surprise to engineers. "We were fairly sure of what would happen."

"It was mostly a big deal because we were being attacked from all sides. We wanted to show that all of the engineers are behind *The Bridge*. Basically it was not so much for us (engineers), but for the rest of campus and Edmonton," said Kruse.



Andrew Lummis

Two egg(nog) heads savor the free Christmas beverage given away at the SU eggnog bash last Friday.

RATT line moves

by James Stevenson

The crowds, the heat, the huge bouncers, and the sturdy metal bars that have come to represent RATT on Thursday and Friday nights will soon be just a bad memory.

Starting in January, the RATT line-up will no longer be contained in the small area around the elevator doors in the bar. The large waiting line for students to get into the bar will be moved down to the lobby of the main floor in the Students' Union Building.

According to Aruna D'Souza, Students' Union V.P. internal, "the practice of people lining up in the cage will be ended. The waiting area will be moved from the seventh floor to the ground level to alleviate

the pressure of the little area up in RATT."

"Student's Union has been looking for a RATT solution for the past year," said D'Souza. On busy nights, the line-up for thirsty patrons will begin at the elevator doors on the main floor. RATT bouncers will be at the elevator to assist the process. Though the cage will be stripped of its former duties, there will not be a new one erected at ground level. "I don't think a cage downstairs is necessary," stated D'Souza.

The crowded "RATT cage", which in the past has been known to produce many squashed faces and push and shove matches, will no longer be used to police thirsty students. The metal bars will be left up, but only to separate the elevator area from the rest of the bar.

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"I'll go anywhere I wanna go, anytime I wanna go. I had a great time. They had a great golf course."—Frank Sinatra on Sun City, South Africa.