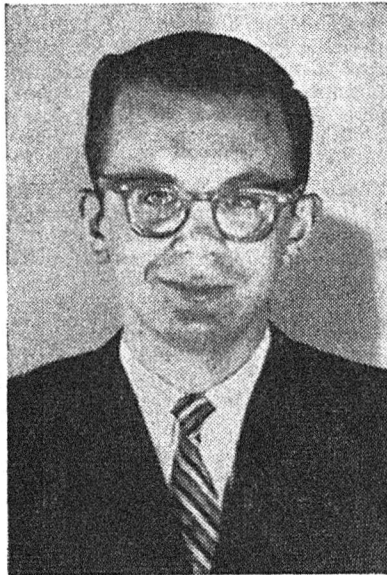


LOCAL BOY MAKES GOOD—The Gateway's plan to someday rule the world is gathering steam. Dave E. Jenkins, extreme right, managing editor of The Gateway, was elected western regional president of the Canadian University Press at the recent CUP national conference held in London, Ontario. Left to right are Francois Lacasse, Quebec regional president, University of Montreal; Verna Robbins, Maritimes regional president, Memorial University, St. John's Newfoundland; Ted Johnston, the new national CUP president; and Davy J.

Francis And Offet To Commonwealth Conference

John Francis and Gerry Offet have been chosen to represent the University of Alberta at the first national University of Manitoba Conference on Commonwealth Affairs, to be held February 7 to 10.

Theme of the conference is "The Role of Nationalism in the Commonwealth Today."



**BON VIVANT
JOHN FRANCIS**

Desire for a national conference grew out of successful commonwealth seminars which have been held at the University of Manitoba. It will be the first effort of a Western Canadian University to conduct an intellectual conference of this nature.

Two delegates are invited from each of 15 prominent Canadian Universities, plus an additional 12 from Manitoba. Expenses will be shared by the delegates, the University of Manitoba and participating Universities. The delegates are expected to present papers in seminar discussion groups.

Academic speakers at the conference will be professors Alexander Brady of Toronto and Keith Callard of McGill. Anticipated special guest

speakers will be the High Commissioners to Canada from the United Kingdom and India. Speeches and seminar papers are to be published.

John Francis is a third year political science major from Calgary. He is Student's Council reporter for The Gateway and a member of Delta Upsilon.

After graduation this spring Mr. Francis tentatively plans to go to Africa, perhaps as a journalist. He is especially interested in this conference because it will be dealing with the problems of new African nations.

Gerry Offet took his BA in history at U of A and is now in his first year of law. His home is Lacombe. Mr. Offet is on the Progressive Conservative executive and vice-president of Phi Kappa Pi. He sees the present as a critical transition period for the commonwealth, faced with the decision of whether or not to expand to include new ideologies.



MR. OFFET

Mr. Offet feels that the commonwealth "should become a purely economic alliance because ideological differences are irreconcilable."

Delegates to the conference were chosen on the basis of a general interest in commonwealth affairs, and a broad interest in international affairs.

Merchant of Venice Studio Production

Two of Canada's leading artists are designing the costumes and set for Studio Theatre production of "The Merchant of Venice".

The play will be directed by Gordon Peacock, head of the drama division. Mr. Peacock feels that this year he has adequate group of experienced actors to attempt a Shakespeare production.

Charles Stegemen, designing the sets and Francoise Andre designing the costumes, are both in the forefront of avant garde painters. Both have many plays to their credit, including the designs for the Vancouver Festival production of Noah's Flood.

Designs have already been sent to Studio Theatre and two consultations have been concluded. Stegemen and Andre are coming to Edmonton so that any difficulties that may arise can be erased.

"The Merchant of Venice" will be the second major production of this season. The play will be enacted through Varsity Guest Week-end, although opening night will be on Thursday of the previous week.

Hawes Looks Ahead

H. R. Hawes has been appointed executive secretary of the University of Alberta's long-range planning committee, it was announced last week. The committee, which has been in operation for several months, advises the president and the Board of Governors on matters regarding University expansion.

Mr. Hawes will be chiefly concerned with studying the needs of society and its needs for profession and higher education. He will prepare

data about the use of existing facilities and the development of new ones.

Mr. Hawes was formerly with the registrar's office in Edmonton, and for the past two years has been associate registrar, in charge of the Calgary office.

The planning committee is responsible for the study of the needs of the University as a whole, and suggests possible developments for both campuses. Dr. A. G. McCalla, dean of graduate studies, is committee chairman. Dr. L. H. Gragg, vice-president, and A. A. Ryan, assistant to the president, complete the group.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT REGISTRATION

Registration for summer employment with the National Employment Service is slow this year as a large number of undergraduate students have not yet made use of it.

Employers begin to send in requests for summer help in March and April and some requests still come in after the end of the term.

The National Employment Service cannot guarantee summer employment to all students but if the students do not register, NES cannot contact them and does not know that they need jobs.

Any students wishing summer employment should register with the Employment Service as soon as possible.

VGW Committee Sitting And Planning

Varsity Guest Weekend fever has come to the campus again. Since mid-December weekly meetings of the Varsity Guest Weekend committee have been sitting and planning new and better co-ordinated displays.

The Gold Key Society is officially in charge of VGW. The idea of VGW was originated in 1952, and has steadily increased in size and importance.

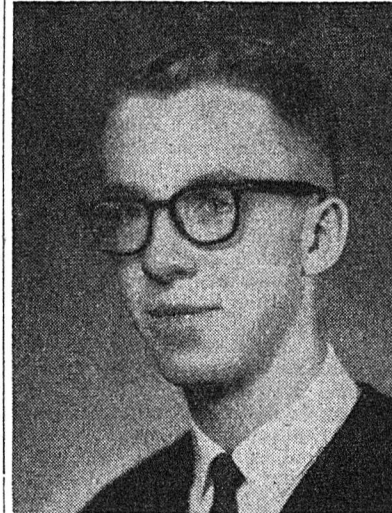
of the province with their University and its facilities.

Last year ten thousand visitors came to the campus, and this year it is hoped to increase by half this amount.

This year's theme is "The Changing Face of the Campus." The new buildings on the campus, the Math-Physics and the Phys Ed building will for the first time be inspected by the public as well as the additions to the med and engineering buildings.

A major change in this year's plans is the increased emphasis placed on tours, guides and displays. A unique feature is the acquisition of a glass-topped bus, which will give tours of the campus. The bus was provided by Brewsters of Banff, and the drivers will be University students who have had experience in guiding tours.

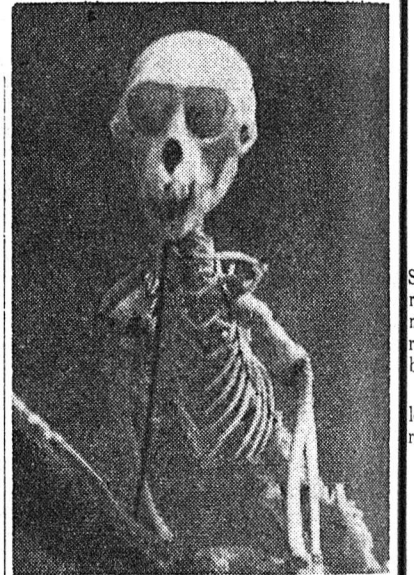
Varsity Varieties is in full swing in rehearsals of "Not With A Bang" written by Chris Evans, and the original music score by Tommy Banks. It will be taken to Calgary for a two night stand, March 10 and 11.



CHAIRMAN HYNDMAN

Peter Hyndman chairs the VGW committee, which has 35 members. The committee is split into large numbers of sub-committees, each having its own sphere of influence. All committees are co-ordinated through group discussions. An advisory committee headed by Aaron Stabsky, last year's VGW chairman, administration officials, and Edmonton businessmen also provides ideas.

The purpose of VGW is to acquaint High School students and the people



A BUDDING PLAYWRIGHT?

Symphony Concert Sunday

The next concert by the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra will be held this Sunday, at the Jubilee Auditorium at 3 p.m.

Guest Conductor, Boyd Neel, is dean of the Royal Conservatory of Music of Toronto, conductor of the Hart House Orchestra of Toronto and founder, in 1933, of the Boyd

Neel Orchestra in England. He will lead the orchestra in the Russian and Ludmilla Overture by Glinka, Haydn's Symphony No. 97 in C, and Elgar's Introduction and Allegro for Strings.

Professor R. S. Eaton, of the music division of the department of Fine Arts at the University, will conduct the University Singers in Zoltan Kodaly's Te Deum.

20 Year Plan

OTTAWA (CUP) — A \$31,500,000 20-year expansion program has been announced for the University of Ottawa. The plan will be effected in two stages, the first of which will be completed by 1965 and will cost \$10,500,000.

Proposed structures in the first stage include a new wing to the existing medical building, a law building, a one million dollar residence, a sports center, a math-physics building, an engineering building, and a social science and commerce wing for the Arts building.

The second stage will see the construction of a nursing building, a home economics building, a University hospital, a Convocation Hall, a Fine Arts building, a sports stadium, a Students' Union building, external stations for the departments of geology and biology, a child guidance center, a second wing to the Arts building to house a humanities library, and a four million dollar student residence.

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