

# Temp. housing units soften blow

## Trailers working well

by Anita Grande

The temporary housing units located in the Arts Court next to HUB, although they are not in full use, have worked with 100% efficiency for those who have been there, officials in the Emergency Housing Registry report.

The last days of August saw the trailer units operating at its highest occupancy of thirty students. The majority of these students have now found permanent housing; those yet unable to find a place to live are paying \$2.00 per night for a bed, linen, heat and light.

As a policy the students are required to spend the daytime searching for accommodation.

They obtain names and addresses from the Emergency Housing Registry Report an experiment at the U of A. Students' Union to bring together those students who

are in need of a place and those landlords who have available suites. The report is issued daily and is provided free of charge to both the student and the homeowners.

Lois Sherbourne, an employee of the Registry, feels the listings for potential housing proved invaluable for those who needed assistance. Unfortunately, foreign students in Canada for the first time, are not finding places as easily and quickly in the Registry as provincial students are. They usually have had to remain in the trailer units longer, using washroom and eating facilities in HUB and Tory. In addition, these students are also being subjected to the prejudices of a few landlords who prefer certain races, colours and religions to others.

Ray LaPerriere, director of the Emergency Housing Registry, has had a number of these instances to deal with and has turned to the Alberta Human Rights and Civil Liberties Association.

It may be possible that the remainder of these students who have not yet found preferred self-contained units, will have to accept the idea of living and sharing a room without board or doing light housekeeping in exchange for a room.

The Registry itself is in operation until September 30, although the temporary trailer units are only available till the 15 of the month. Hopefully the remainder of the student body still without permanent housing will be settled before the Registry closes down for the year. LaPerriere feels that a



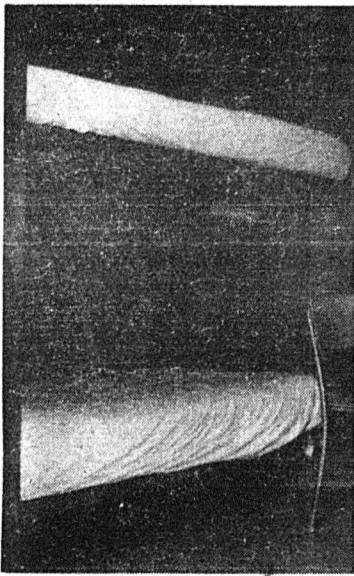
One of the Arts Court housing trailers erected in the Arts Court.

system such as the one he has been operating since August 15, should definitely continue throughout the year. He added it also should increase its circulation and availability to the entire city of Edmonton.

The Emergency Housing Registry has undoubtedly assisted many students during the housing crisis that is now affecting our city. It will most likely return again next fall. If there are still students with

housing problems, Room 234 in SUB is open to help you.

Their Registry is available there and also at the Information Desk downstairs, and various other locations on campus.



Bunks not luxurious - but a place to sleep.

## dining out

The Gateway is pleased to present this fairly regular column about eating places around town.

We'll keep in mind the tastes and wallet sizes of students and keep you informed on the best places to wine and dine your way to gluttonous satisfaction.

Our writer is an eminently qualified gourmand. If you don't believe us just come on up and take a look at his bulging cheeks and well-rounded stomach. The rest of the staff will aid in giving technical advice and none of us would miss a good meal either.

We'll begin our column next week with a critical expose of food (?) available on campus.

We felt it our duty to warn you before your stomachs become too accustomed to cafeteria eats.

We'll also be making visits to restaurants near campus and farther afield and report on a variety of places catering to those who don't have money trees and who would just as soon eat a steaming plate of lasagne as Coquille St. Jacques and pheasant under glass.

If you have any criticisms or suggestions about this column please consider first our expertise. After all what have you got to compare to our collective 2946 pounds of well-earned fat.

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