

Life is like milk,
the cream rises
to the top

The Gateway

but so does the scum

VOL. LXII, No. 13 UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA, EDMONTON, CANADA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1971 TWELVE PAGES

...we hear

Rally was a bust

Yesterday's election rally was, to say the least, disappointing to all parties concerned. The rally was intended to present election platforms of the candidates for education and science reps to Students' Council and a student rep to the Board of Governors, and also to clarify referendums regarding second term reading week and the trimester system.

Unfortunately, the turn-out for the rally did not at any time exceed a dozen.

The turn-out of candidates was not better than that of audience. Of six candidates for education rep, four have dropped out. One of these--Robert Blair-- in dropping out has thrown full endorsement

behind Wendy Yurchuk.

No candidates were nominated for sci rep (either this position will be left vacant, or council will act as a rump parliament to fill it). One of the two candidates for the Board of Governors has withdrawn: so that position will be filled by acclamation.

Both remaining ed rep candidates and S. U. v.p. Dave Biltek (who was present to explain the referendums felt that there would be little point in presenting prepared speeches to such a small audience, and so spoke individually to members of the audience instead.

For policy statements of the two ed rep candidates see page 5.

Van Vliet proposes changes in athletics

by Dave McCurdy

An increase in student athletic fees and a shift in University policy regarding intramural and intercollegiate athletics seem to be in the cards for next year.

M.L. Van Vliet, Dean of Physical Education, has formally

requested that the university recognize intramural and intercollegiate athletics as an "administrative division" of the Faculty of Physical Education. Under this plan, final authority

for the running of athletics would be vested in the faculty, with Athletic Director Ed Zemreau in charge. However, Van Vliet claims that this would not compromise the power of the students to decide where their \$8 University Athletic Board fee goes.

The situation is unusual, and requires some untangling. First of all, under the present system the UAB, which consists of eight students and five others, decides policy and budgeting for athletics. There is a great

disadvantage to this system though, according to Van Vliet. It is that the university administration does not recognize athletics as an integral part of the university structure. This tends to make the whole setup rather insecure, and makes long-range planning of any sort difficult.

If Van Vliet's proposal is accepted, athletics will be accepted as a part of the university the same as anything else, and the whole organization will be placed on a solid foundation.

"What we're really aiming for," said Van Vliet, "is to get down formally what has been operational procedure for years. Under my proposal, the UAB will still decide policy and financing. This means the right of the students to decide how their money is spent will not be taken away. Actually, the UAB has always been an 'advisory' body, so things won't really change at all. In addition, the new setup will make it much more difficult for the university to suddenly withdraw from intercollegiate athletics. To do so the issue would have to be put to the board of governors and the students. In this way, we are doing other universities a favour, in that their plans could not be ruined by our sudden withdrawal. We are also giving extra security to everything and everybody involved in athletics."

Van Vliet has talked to Don McKenzie and other Students' Union officials and received their approval of the plan. In addition, the UAB has unanimously approved such a move for three consecutive years.

Before the changes can come into effect, they must be ratified by the board of governors.

Van Vliet said that UAB fees will have to be increased from the present \$8 to \$10. He said this is necessary due to spiralling costs of athletics, on both the intramural and intercollegiate levels. However, he made two points: "Firstly, even at \$10 our fees will be lower than those of most universities, at some of which they are as high as \$25."

"Secondly, I am hopeful that the fee will be able to be stabilized at \$10 for many years to come. This is due to a number of factors. For one thing, the Faculty has always had a philosophy of sharing personnel, facilities and equipment between the academic and athletic aspects of physical education. This results in lower costs. Furthermore, fees for privilege cards for faculty and non-academic staff are to be increased, resulting in increased revenue."

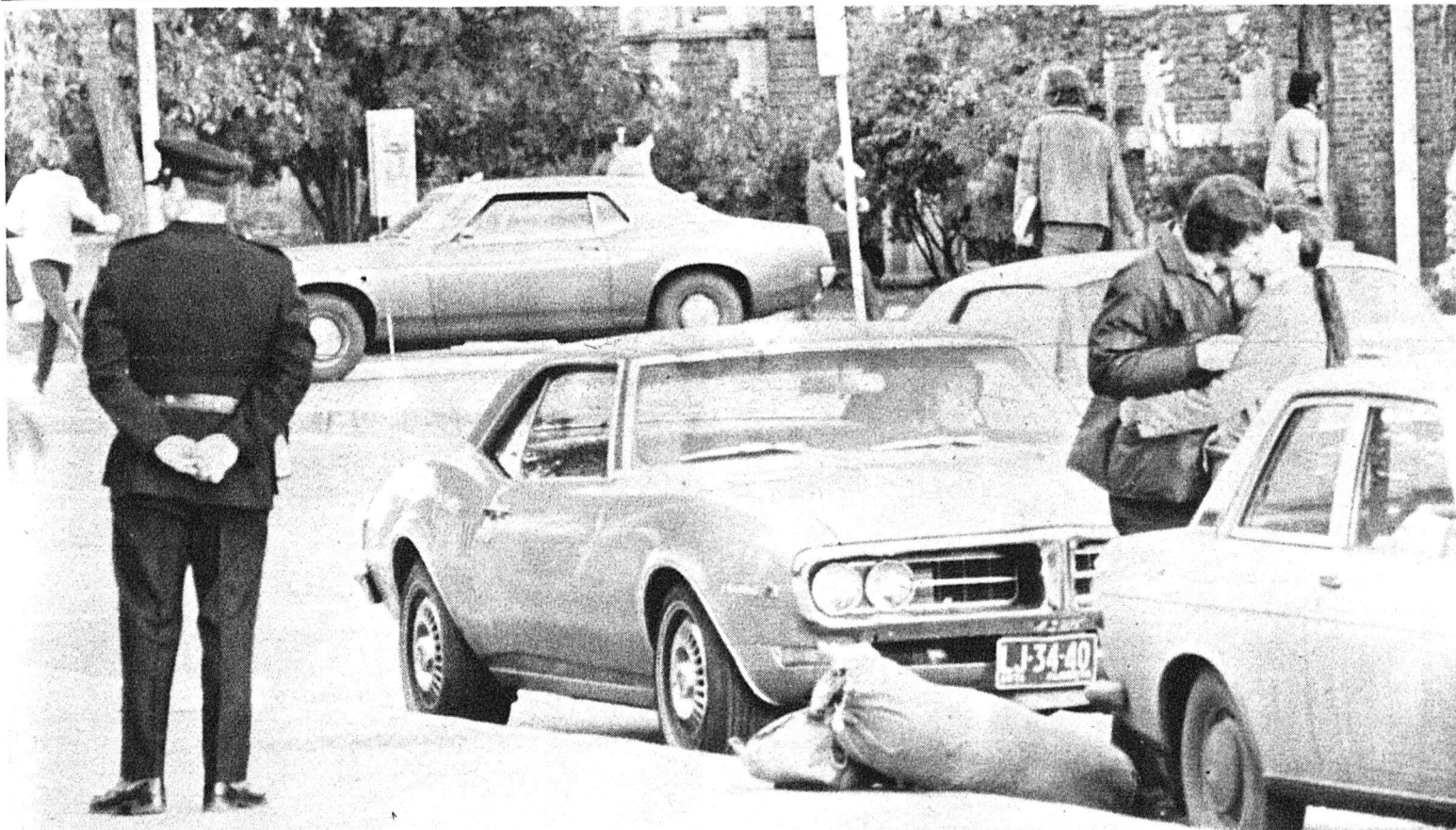


photo by THOM TURNER

As a concerned citizen watches, the Campus Patrol (for the first time in recorded history) turns his back on the most flagrant breach of conduct our society knows--the public display of affection. Is this blatant breach of our mores to be condoned

by default? No! The citizens of this city must arise and cleanse themselves of these subversive elements. By the way, do you know what was going on just outside the range of our photographer's camera?

Stanfield says Benson unhappy

OTTAWA (CUP)-- Youth employment, and Canadian employment in general, took another nosedive during

September and the Trudeau government is now faced with the worst unemployment record since 1961.

The seasonally-adjusted

unemployment rate for the total work force during September was 7.1 per cent, the highest for any month in ten years. The seasonally-adjusted rate for workers under 25 years of age was an astronomical 12.2 per cent.

There were about 208,000 people between the ages of 14 and 24 who could not find work last month. The job market, in view of American president Richard Nixon's new economic policies, is expected to worsen in the months ahead.

Opposition leader Robert Stanfield, who prefers to argue

by polemic rather than by analysis, attacked the government Thursday, Oct. 14 by quoting from last spring's Hansard's parliamentary record.

His gem, a statement made by finance minister Edgar Benson in January of this year, read as follows: "I would feel very unhappy with my position as Minister of Finance if there was not an upturn in the economy in 1971 and if unemployment did not trend downward on a seasonally-adjusted basis."

Ah, poor unhappy Mr. Benson!

The Canadian University Press Investigation Commission into relations between The Gateway and the Students' Council will be holding hearings beginning at 1 p.m. on Friday October 22 in Room 124 of SUB.

The Commission will accept verbal or written submissions from any member of the University community on any aspect of the situation.