

Canadian University Press DATELINE

UBC faculty wants raise

VANCOUVER—The faculty association at the University of British Columbia says an increase of \$3,000 a year is needed to bring professors' wages up to the corresponding scale in Alberta.

The association says it wants the university's board of governors to confirm a stated aim to bring their salaries up to a par with those on other Canadian campuses.

It is seeking a meeting with the board in order to find out its definite plans for raising salaries. (At present, salaries at UBC are the tenth highest in the country.)

An association motion has asked the provincial grant to be increased if the 1965-66 UBC allocation does not cover the necessary wage increases. Currently the provincial budget for university education is \$19.3 million, which is shared by UBC, Simon Fraser University, and University of Victoria. UBC has requested \$11 million of this amount.

The university administration has offered to raise professors' salaries by \$800 a year until the financial position is clarified. This would not, however, bring UBC wages even near the wages paid by Laval, the top paying university.

Draft-dodgers offered refuge

MONTREAL—The International Affairs Commission of the Union Generale des Etudiants du Quebec has proposed to offer the hospitality of Quebec students to American draft-dodgers who refuse to fight in Vietnam.

The resolution expresses "UGEQ's solidarity with American students who refused to fight in Vietnam," and offers them "the hospitality of Quebec students if American military forces refuse to allow their youth the choice of fighting or not fighting."

"Hospitality" was not given a specific definition but the possibility of setting up an underground railroad for draft-dodgers to flee to Quebec was seen as one possible interpretation.

Kenniff charges the Appeal

OTTAWA—Patrick Kenniff, president of the Canadian Union of Students, has charged that the Young World Mobilization Appeal has misrepresented CUS by claiming that the union has placed its full support behind the Appeal.

In an open letter Nov. 11 to Norman Peterson, administrative assistant to the Appeal, Mr. Kenniff pointed out that CUS had endorsed the aims of the drive.

But he objected to the claim made by the United Nations-sponsored Appeal that ten students from various universities who attended a meeting in Ottawa were "CUS delegates."

About 125 young people met here Oct. 15-17 to launch the Appeal which hopes to urge youth to tackle problems of hunger, disease and oppression in the developing countries.

Kenniff charged that Mr. Peterson listed the ten students as CUS delegates "without the Secretariat even being aware of their names, without any authorization from myself."

He referred to a letter sent to the Appeal on Sept. 29 explaining that CUS would not be able to send delegates due to "heavy prior commitments."

He quoted a newspaper story which reported the assembly as attended by 125 young people representing more than 80 Canadian youth organizations with memberships totalling more than three million.

"Whereas this method of presenting the story has great value in publicizing and bolstering the Appeal, it is hardly acceptable from an ethical point of view," Kenniff said.

Blind dates set by computer

MONTREAL—Students at Sir George Williams University will be able to abolish the guess work from blind dates.

Computers will analyze questionnaires filled out by students of the opposite sex.

A sampling of the questions are: "Do you believe in God who answers prayers?" and "Do you think romantic love is necessary for a successful marriage?"

A list of from five to 14 names will be supplied after the questionnaires, providing compatible students of the opposite sex.

The plan is also in operation in the United States and recently in Britain.



—MacLaren photo

A WOMAN FOR ALL SEASONS—The quad is sporting a new piece of statuary. It caught the eye of our photographer, who found two other models and took this shot. Unfortunately bedazzled by such a collection of beauty, he forgot to turn in any names—either of the girls or the statue.

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Drugs used carelessly here

In this article, Doug Walker, *The Gateway's* associate editor, concludes a series on the use of harmful drug and stimulants at U of A.

By DOUG WALKER

Only a small proportion of the students using the drugs of the benzedrine family are using them correctly.

Others, who use them for "kicks" or to study for long periods of time, are probably unaware of possible side effects.

Fortunately, we get few people suffering from mis-use of these stimulants, says Dr. J. F. Elliott, director of student medical services.

"I would say approximately one or two a year is all we hear about. However, we only hear about the people who get into trouble. Undoubtedly, there are large numbers of students using them who do not realize the consequences and who do not become ill," he says.

The drugs, obtainable only on prescription, are dangerous because their effects are unpredictable. Generally, they stimulate the sympathetic nervous system and increase the heart rate. They are also a mild anti-depressant.

However, they may affect different people in different ways, or the same person in different ways on different occasions, says Dr. Elliott. In addition, they are habit-forming, a tolerance to them is built up, and there are withdrawal symptoms when their use is discontinued.

As to specific effects, we sometimes hear of students who write only their name on an exam paper, or who fall asleep halfway through an exam after the effect of the stimulant wears off, says Dr. Elliott.

However, no outside control of the drugs, other than that they be obtained under prescription, is predicted for U of A. Two years ago the University of Toronto banned the pills after a student died from an overdose of the stimulants.

Fortunately, the problem is not serious enough to warrant extra action at present, says Dr. Elliott.

Grad students ought to pay, says Smith

By PETER ENNS

Criticisms in the graduate student association newspaper, *Untitled*, were rejected as "sheer lunacy" by co-ordinator of student activities, Fraser Smith.

The paper says that membership into the students' union should be voluntary for all graduate students.

"Graduate students continue to demand a justification why they are obliged to pay \$5 per annum to the undergraduate students' union," says *Untitled* editor Iain MacDonald.

"Graduates make little use of most undergraduate services," he says.

"It is not democratic that graduate students be forced to become members," says the paper.

Graduate students may buy an associate membership in the students' union for \$5.

For the \$5 the graduate students use the students' union building, *The Gateway*, the telephone directory, and the privilege of participating in any campus club or organization.

GRAD STUDENTS BENEFIT

The graduate students also benefit from other students' union activities

such as French-Canada Week, the teach-in, and the programming of Culture 500.

Smith, a graduate student himself, says that graduate students are getting many times the value of their \$5 from the union.

Participating in student union activities is educational just as going to classes is educational, he says.

A GOOD THING

"It is therefore like education in that it is a good thing and should exist. Neither could exist voluntarily," he said.

The new SUB is even more evidence that the graduate students are getting their money's worth, he says.

The building is keyed to foreign and graduate students as well as undergraduates.

Students in Athabasca and Pembina Halls, most of whom are graduate students, will be using food services in the new SUB.

Other activities such as bowling and curling will attract graduate students, says Smith.

When they are there they will use the facilities as fully as other students and should therefore be expected to pay for their privileges.