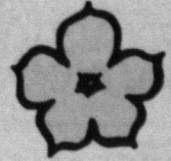


# The Getaway

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## LRT PLANS SCRAPPED

by Sunset LaRock and Lee Sahal

An embarrassed city council and LRT project managers announced yesterday that the south expansion of Edmonton's LRT was cancelled.

"The project had to be scrapped because of overwhelming cost overruns in the construction of the LRT bridge which crosses the North Saskatchewan river," said Henry Hurry, the project's chief engineer.

"After the books were balanced we discovered that we somehow-I don't know how - were at least twenty-one dollars over budget," gulped Hurry, a U of A CivE grad.

When city council heard of the immense overruns, they held an emergency meeting Tuesday night and decided the city could not afford to finish the LRT.

"That twenty-one dollars would have been used to finish the LRT. Now we only have \$3.36 left in the budget to get the LRT to Southgate. And that's impossible," said Ward six alderman Ken Zokiak.

The announcement to cancel the LRT project was met with mixed reactions from students at the U of A. "I don't understand these LRT's," said third-year Education student Andrew Lemming.

"Damn," said SU president Davey Putterpatter.

The city has realized, because of the SU's pro-active stance towards the LRT expansion, that a positive attitude should be taken about transportation to the U of A.

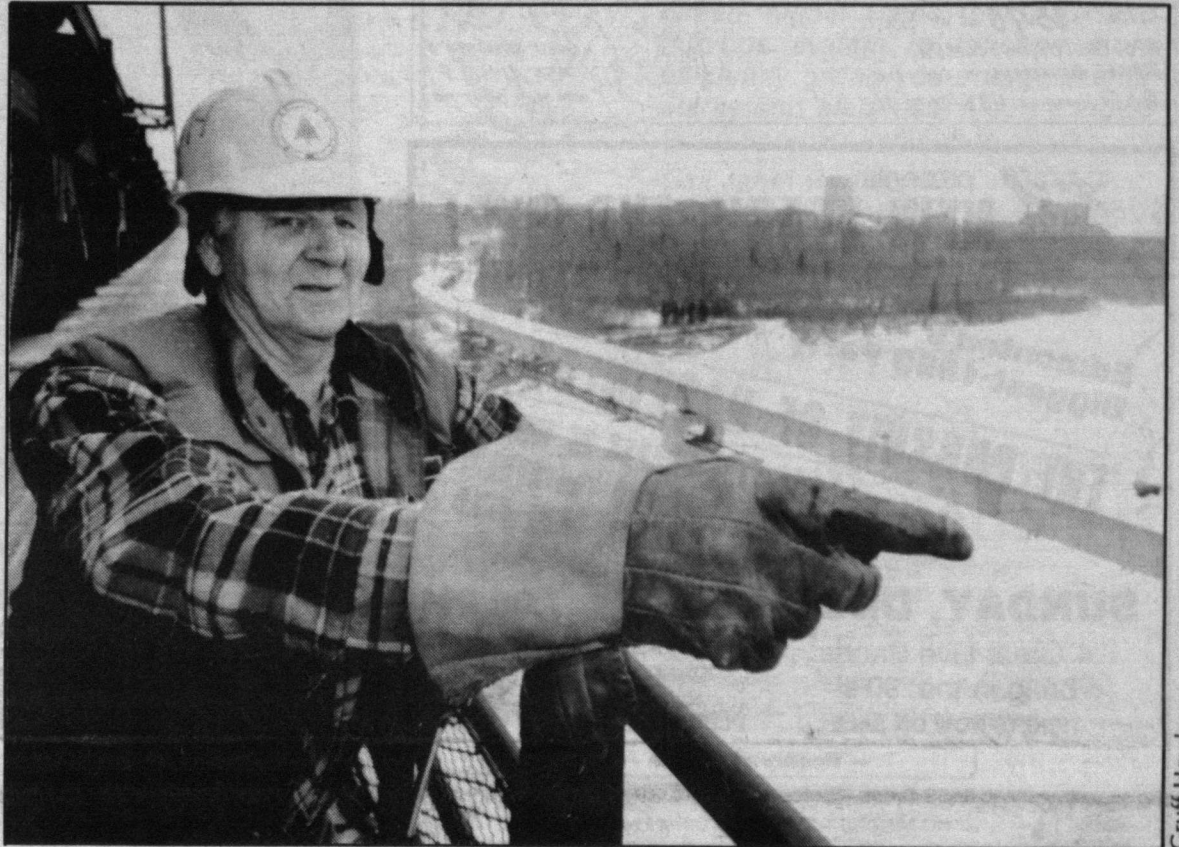
Because of this, council immediately drew up and passed new plans for reliable and convenient university transportation.

Council voted to begin running a ferry back and forth across the river under the High Level bridge. "It'll be efficient, inexpensive and neat," said Mayor Jan Rimmer.

Council realized that because of Edmonton's long winter and the fact that the university session runs from September to April, that the ferry would only be able to operate for about two months of the school year before the river froze.

So they decided that in the months from October to April a horse and buggy ride would transport students across the LRT bridge.

"Edmonton city council is dedicated to providing efficient, inexpensive public transportation," said Rimmer.



Gruff Howley

"That's where we blew at least three dollars," said Henry Hurry, pointing at a spot in the now-defunct LRT bridge.

## TLFers learn to lead normal lives

Three Lines Free Anonymous helps junkies recover

by Scandal Matters

Room P 126 was packed to the rafters yesterday, as the inaugural meeting of Three Lines Free Anonymous drew a huge crowd. Most of the crowd were thrill-seekers and hangers-on, although there was a large group of dedicated TLFers, trying to adjust to life without the former Gateway classifieds feature.

Several Aggies were overheard speculating as to the possible identities of the 'Scronk Sisters,' but were to be disappointed. A palpable

thrill went through the crowd about halfway into the two-hour meeting, however, when a short man wearing a ChemE jacket and a polyester tie stood up and admitted to being 'ED NO FUSION.' "When I started, I was just going to write one TLF," sobbed 'Ed', "but then I wrote more and more, and now I don't know what to do with my spare time."

Others had similar tales. One first-year student admitted to almost failing her courses because she spent too much time reading TLF. "I got a zero on an essay because I

accidentally handed in my sheet of TLFs," she said. "I didn't know you could get a zero. I thought one was the lowest mark."

A spokesman for the Registrar's office confirmed that a one is the lowest normal mark, "but we're prepared to make an exception for Three Lines Free."

Jed Eflund, SU Clubs commissioner, discussed the possibility of holding a referendum on the Return of TLF. Eflund later admitted to being a confirmed TLF junkie.

Hugh G. Rection put in an appearance at the meeting, but he soon turned out to be Elmo Stinvisible instead.

It was decided to hold another meeting in the New Year, after the group becomes an official SU club. Until that time, they'd have to pay for a "Footnote" to advertise the date and time, and this was rejected by the members.

"I don't understand these TLFs," said Andrew Lemming, a third-year Education student.

## No sexism here

by Will Der Ness

A new group has been established to fight blatant sexism on campus. An organizational meeting was held on Monday for Men Against our Degrading and Nasty Image in Society, or MADNIS.

Members spoke of the daily injustices men are faced with because of the male stereotype that permeates our culture. They are rebelling against the image that men are all neanderthal boors who excel in math and science and who watch hockey for the brawls rather than the goals.

"We feel that we have to behave in a macho fashion in order to be acceptable to others. We want the freedom to be sensitive without feeling limited by our gender," said Bill Bronson, a third year engineering student.

Frank Parsons, the chairman of this organization who sports a ponytail, agrees. "We've come a long way in reaching equality, but we still have a long way to go."

"We envision a day when men will be able to walk through campus without fear of being regarded as a sexual object, a day when men can eat quiche without being stigmatized, a day when men will take their rightful place alongside women in faculties such as Nursing and Home Ec," said Parsons.

However, one student expressed confusion over the issue. "I don't understand this wimpy-guy stuff," said Andrew Lemming.

## Kleptomaniac editor in slammer



Rons Ears

by Freid M. O'Speech

Getaway Entertainment Editor Ronk Uppers was arrested on Friday afternoon. He is charged with grand theft *Fridge*, otherwise known as stealing the Engineering Students' newspaper, fucking with geers, or just pissing them off. Grand theft *Fridge* is a felony punishable by ten years in prison or by subjection to five minutes of Engineering humour.

Uppers was apprehended by police on Friday at 2:15 p.m. in his elaborate south-side condo (paid for by his immense SU wage.) "We just opened up the garbage can lid and there he was, reading a bootleg copy of *The Fridge*," said Constable Biff Jerkey.

The experience has really shaken

up Uppers. "It's a real downer," said Uppers from jail on Tuesday.

Uppers is currently awaiting trial and assessing his options. "I can either rot here for years until my case comes to court, or I can do... the other thing." The other thing that Uppers can't bring himself to mention is subjection to five minutes of Engineering humour. "I know it's only five minutes," said Uppers, "but I don't think I could last. I thought this country had laws against capital punishment."

*Fridge* editor Erik Monkey insisted on pressing charges against Uppers. "Oo Oo that guy Ah Ah really Ee Ee burns me," he said.

"I don't understand these geers," said third-year Education student Andrew Lemming.

"I believe I don't like it here, I must say."