

Change Name—Again

CUCND Boys Say They Believe In Action

Never confuse pacifism with passivism, because the "peace-niks" say they believe in action.

So much so that the group formerly known as CUCND has included the word in its new name — The Students' Union for Peace Action.

The name change was made official at the national SUPA conference held in Regina Dec. 28 to Jan. 1. The conference also accomplished the re-organization of SUPA into four regions: BC, the prairie provinces, Ontario and the maritimes, and Quebec. There is also a national council, presided over by Jim Hardy of Regina.

The U of A branch of SUPA sent three delegates and one observer to the conference. These delegates were not backed by students' union funds. They expressed satisfaction with the name change and with the conference in general.

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Banff International Christmas Celebrated By 170 From 37 Countries

Gateway staffers Helene Chomiak and Irene McRae travelled to Banff this Christmas to observe an international Christmas. Here is their report.

More than 170 people from 37 different countries celebrated Christmas Dec. 21-26 at the Banff School of Fine Arts.

The Banff International Christmas is sponsored by the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship.

"The idea originated eight years ago," says Cathie Nicholl, VCF advisor at UBC, because we saw many students from foreign lands had no place to go at Christmas.

"Residences become desolate as soon as the holidays begin," she continued, "and the international students were very lonely."

But International Christmas is to be more than a place where international students can go at Christmas. The holiday is celebrated in a typically Canadian way to show Canadian customs to people from other lands.

Many international students are not Christians. "When they come to Canada, which is a supposedly Christian country," says Marg Long, VCF advisor at Edmonton, "They are often disappointed by the actions of people."

"Part of the idea of International Christmas is to show what

Christians are like and to explain the ideas of Christianity."

The students came to Banff from the five western universities and associated nursing schools. About 70 came from Edmonton.

Canadian students acted as hosts at the six-day affair. They acted informally as guides or leaders in most groups.

Canadian students also helped the international students to try various Canadian winter sports. These included skiing, skating, swimming at the hot springs, hiking, bowling and cardboarding.

Other daytime activities among which students had a free choice included a trip to the Luxton Museum and bus tours around Banff and to Lake Louise.

Everyone was expected to attend the evening activities, but there was some choice in the daytime activities.

A general mixer was held on the Monday night. Those attending were divided into eight groups and given the name of an animal.

Ethnic nights were held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Students were asked to prepare a five-minute presentation which would show some aspect of their country.

Before giving their demonstrations, the students stuck a pin into the capital of their country and said something about the geography and people of their homelands.

One of the most interesting presentations on ethnic night was given by Bolivia, Spain and Gibraltar.

They gave a mock bull fight in

which a leader served as a horse and a student was the bull. A chair served for horns and ski poles were used instead of swords.

Another popular presentation was given by a chorus of Uganda girls. They sang native folk songs and Christmas carols in their native tongues.

On Wednesday night, Cinch entertained the group with cowboy ballads and folk songs. The Canadian students gave their act which consisted of square dancing, folk songs and an auction of the Union Jack.

Many of the students went to church on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. Services were held in the Anglican, United and Roman Catholic churches.

Christmas Day was celebrated with a Christmas dinner. Later, St. Nicholas and a train of attendants arrived in a cardboard sleigh and handed out gifts.

CUS Releases Details Of Its Scholarship Plan

The Canadian Union of Students office has released more details about its Inter-regional Scholarship Exchange Plan.

"The plan," explains Campus CUS Chairman Dave Estrin, "offers an exceptional opportunity for students to study at a university of their choice in another region of Canada."

Under the plan, tuition fees are completely waived for one year by the exchange university, and a travel grant valued at between fifty to one hundred per cent of the travel cost from Edmonton to the exchange university and return is also given.

"The purpose of the plan is to promote among Canadian students a greater knowledge of themselves and their country, and to permit students of high academic standing to benefit from contacts with other regions of Canada," Estrin says.

Application forms are available from Mr. Wishart in the Administration Building, and must be submitted before Jan 15.

"This campus is eligible to send and receive four students," Estrin says, "and we hope that many students will apply so that the best possible representatives of this campus may be chosen."

Qualified to apply are CUS members who are under 25 years of age, that have resided in Canada not less than two years, and who have completed at least one year in a Canadian university with a minimum of second class standing.

In addition to these requirements, Estrin points out successful candidates usually have a record of active participation in university affairs and are interested in and able to discuss the academic, social, economic, and political aspects of their community, province and nation.

"And while exchange students are not obliged to return to their home university, all applicants should realize," Estrin said, "that they are expected to make some contribution to both their 'home' and 'exchange' universities."

"Many who participate in the plan feel that bringing one's experience back to the home university is an intrinsic part of the program. We urge that exchange students return because we recognize the valuable contribution they can make through the exchange of ideas formed during a year's study in another region."

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