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PEACE BE WITH YOU BROTHERS—Arm up-raised in a gesture of friendship, Bear half-back Gil Mather (20), proceeds to demolish more Marauders. The action took place in the Bear-Marauder game Sept. 16 at U of A. Although it was only an exhibition tussle, the 11-1 victory over McMaster gives the Bears a boost in national ratings.

Married housing uncompleted

Derek Bone, director of housing and food services, has half-filled his promise to have the married students' housing project completed for the start of this session.

Ninety-nine families had moved in by Sept. 19 and the balance of the one and two storey structures should be occupied by the end of November, he said. The central tower will not be completed till January or February.

Rates run from \$108 for ground and mezzanine apartments to \$112 for those near the top of the tower.

"These rates will almost certainly go up next fall, depending on how much we have to pay for maintenance and utilities," said Bone.

The contractors, Burns and Dutton Construction Co. Ltd., blame the delay on a late construction start, shortage of labor and materials, and poor construction weather this spring, Mr. Bone said.

Even the suites now occupied are not completed said the director. "Many of the bathrooms don't have locks on them."

"By and large the people are pleased with the physical layout of the place. Some people have complained about the lack of showers and the lack of divisions in the silver drawers. But people will always complain," he said.

As for the third tower in the Lister Hall complex, Bone stated it

would be finished by Sept. 1, 1968.

"We are not taking any chances this time. There is a penalty clause in the contract we will apply if it is not completed by then," said Bone.

The waiting list for residence in Lister Hall this year is not bad, according to Bone. There were 550 on the list two weeks ago, but the number has since gone down due to a large number of withdrawals.

The Gateway asked Bone to comment on off-campus housing.

"There has been a tremendous response from landlords to our listing service, mainly because of two half page ads we ran in the Journal."

"But," said Bone, "off-campus rates have gone up this year; probably even more than the increases instituted in Lister Hall last year."

Racial discrimination claimed at University of Manitoba

WINNIPEG (CUP)—The University of Manitoba is discriminating against non-white students U of M students' union president Chris Westdal charged last week.

University authorities have denied the charge.

In an open letter to university president Dr. Hugh H. Saunderson, Westdal said, "It has come to the attention of the students' union that the university maintains discriminatory off-campus residence lists.

"In other words, the university lists accommodation that is available to all students, regardless of their race or color, and maintains a second list of accommodation for white students only.

Westdal said he believed the university "must not be a party to discriminatory practices".

In a written reply Dr. Saunderson said the two lists maintained by the university actually differentiated between people who preferred to take in overseas students and people who had not expressed such a preference.

Dr. Saunderson said the university does not practice any discrimination in housing it provides. However, since campus residences can only accommodate about 1,300 students it is necessary to rely on downtown accommodation for several thousand students.

"We rarely get enough places to meet the entire need," Dr. Saunderson said. If we refused to list people who expressed preferences we would shorten lists that are already too short.

New national union proposed

U of A suggests union to compete with Canadian Union of Students

LONDON (Staff)—The U of A may be one of the major promoters of a new national students' union to replace the Canadian Union of Students.

"Both U of A and Bishops University of Lennoxville, Que., will be working on draft proposals for a new union," said U of A students' union president Al Anderson.

The U of A withdrew from CUS last year because it objected to CUS's involvement in what last year's students' council termed "areas not of direct student concern."

Anderson said two "irreconcilable" points of view were expressed at the 30th CUS congress held here this summer:

- The "activist" position, held by the CUS secretariat, which would involve CUS in anything the member unions want, even such things as foreign policy statements, and
- The "conservative" position, held by Anderson and last year's council, which would limit CUS to such areas of education and politics which are of "direct interest to students as students."

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"CUS should accept a lowest common denominator which would satisfy all," said Anderson.

"This would still allow the activists to pursue their aims on their own campuses, but would not involve all students in such activities.

"Since CUS shows no signs of doing this, I feel we should set up a rival national union," he added.

Anderson claimed the main structural difference between the union he envisions and CUS would be in the secretariat.

"I would prefer an a-political professional staff rather than student volunteers, who tend to be political activists," he said.

"The secretariat would have a basic three-fold task:

- Co-ordination of student efforts in the educational field on the various campuses,
- Work to provide basic services to students as individuals, and
- Work for the greater effectiveness of student government.

"Examples of the sort of work the union could do would be realistic studies appraising the nature of universities across Canada and the nature of democracy in the university community, and providing a federal lobby for such things as tax concessions for students and Central Mortgage and Housing Association money for student housing co-ops.

"The union would only be involved in the educational aspect of such issues as Vietnam," he continued.

Anderson said although many people expressed interest in a second union, there were few willing to take the initiative in withdrawing from CUS and actually setting up the new union.

"It is much easier to accept a status-quo position than to change it," he said.

CUS reaffirms stands

LONDON (CUP)—With a cast of hundreds, this year's re-run of the annual CUS congress has churned out the usual formidable pile of resolutions dealing with everything from the rights of student communists to Rhodesian politics.

Of the highest priority on member campuses is a motion passed unanimously which urges members to concentrate on "the awakening of the Canadian student's rights and responsibilities as defined in the declaration through whatever educational, social, and political action programs" are most suited to the individual campuses.

The goal of education is stated in the declaration as serving society by "developing the full potential of all citizens" and helping to achieve "equality of the essential conditions of human living."

Another resolution on universal accessibility of higher education describes the conditions of education which contradict these premises, and proposes implementation of this policy by:

- creating educational alternatives at all levels through free universities and free and intensive criticism of education;
- urging adoption of a system of student stipends;
- undertaking programs to reform the quality of education;
- lobbying for increased financial support for higher education at all governmental levels.

CUS delegates wildly applauded an appeal to join the Prague-based International Union of Students which, according to its vice-president, "is committed to fight neo-colonialism because the majority of the world's students expect that commitment."

Another resolution commits CUS to seek solutions to the "lack of freedom of the Indian in terms of his legal position and the refusal of the Canadian government and people to accept the Indian community as a full part of society."

Other resolutions commit CUS to supporting majority rule in Rhodesia, opposing discrimination against communist students, and opposing the war in Viet Nam.