



**TREESICLE?**—A king-size icicle forms on the branches of a tree next to the old west lab building on campus. Even the sun has failed to eat away much of this 12-foot popsicle.

## Manitoba Fee Increase Brings National Action

### U of A Council Joins In Protest Against University Administrators

U of A Students' Union has protested the actions of University of Manitoba and United College administrations, who recently proposed fee increases without consulting their students.

In telegrams sent last week to students' councils and administrations of the two Manitoba universities, Students' Council said:

"It is our view that questions such as tuition fees should be discussed by all interested parties and in a case such as this, the students of the universities . . . fall into this category."

Council's action is part of a general protest from the Canadian Union of Students against the unilateral action of the Manitoba universities.

Francis Saville, Students' Union president, says the Bladen Commission on the financing of higher education is faced with the problem of meeting rising university costs.

"The commission is hard pressed to find money to meet the rising university costs," he says, "but stu-

### McKinnon Says

## No Cabinet Support Set For U of A French Canada Week

Provincial support for French Canada Week may not be forthcoming, according to a letter received last week by Students' Union President Francis Saville.

The letter, from the office of Education Minister Randolph McKinnon, states there is no provision in the provincial treasury for such grants.

A request from French Canada Week Committee officials for free use of the Jubilee Auditorium was also refused by the provincial government.

Use of the auditorium is not given rent-free, as a matter of policy, according to government officials.

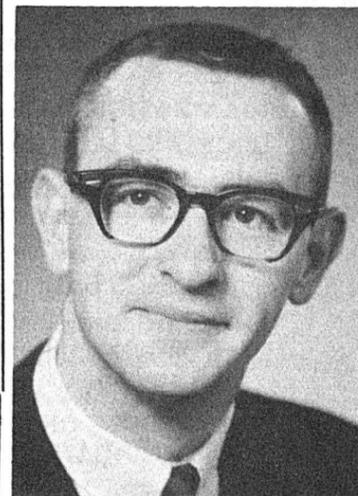
Committee officials on cam-

pus say they are not concerned by the refusal to grant free use of the auditorium.

But they are upset about the grant.

Joe Clark, grad studies 1, attending a federal Conservative Party convention in Ottawa this week, is making representations before federal Social Credit MP's in an effort to reverse the Alberta government's position.

Financial support from the Quebec government is dependent upon the Alberta government's ability to come through with funds, says David Estrin, campus CUS chairman and member of the French Canada Week committee.



**FRANCIS SAVILLE**  
. . . "negotiations first"

## New SUB Project Clears Its Greatest Hurdle—Board Of Governors Approves Design Concept

The Students' Union Building project survived its most critical test Friday, when it was approved by the Board of Governors.

The Board accepted the design concept and facilities list submitted by the Students' Union Planning Commission and referred the financial report to the capital development committee for approval.

Target date for completion of the \$4 million project is Feb., 1967.

Students will contribute 62 per cent of the total cost, to be paid in 20 years within the present fee structure, according to the financial report.

### JOHNS PLEASED

Dr. Walter H. Johns, president of the university, says he is pleas-

ed with the project.

"The student planners are to be commended for their excellent report," says Dr. Johns.

"The facilities will be adequate for student needs in the foreseeable future and we are glad to see the design will occupy less space than was originally planned."

"The project will pay dividends in improved student life on the campus in the future," says Dr. Johns.

The SUPC proposal is for a structure with 214,775 square feet of floor space providing a wide range of student services.

Food facilities will be a basic feature of the new SUB. Food service areas will include:

- a 700-seat cafeteria;
- a 500-seat snack bar;
- a central kitchen which will serve these areas and will provide a catering service as well.

General lounge areas will supplement the food service areas as student interaction areas.

### RECREATION AREAS

Recreation areas to serve a wide range of student tastes include:

- bowling lanes and a six-sheet curling rink;
- a billiard and table tennis area.

A theatre, a nondenominational meditation room, an art gallery and a music area will serve students' cultural needs.

Offices for the Students' Union executive and for SUB administrative personnel will be provided.

The proposal includes space for various Students' Union organizations: such as Radio Society, Photo Directorate, The Gateway, Amateur Radio Club and Evergreen and Gold.

Commercial facilities include areas for a bank and barbershop.

The administration will provide some essential student services in the building, including:

- the university bookstore;
- the National Employment Service;
- students' counselling services;
- alumni offices.

dents are having enough problems meeting present tuition costs."

"I would only agree to increased costs," he continued, "if there is an increased amount of grants and loans to help students obtain their education."

Last month, Students' Council unanimously passed a motion requesting the board of governors not to raise fees.

At that time, University President Dr. Walter H. Johns told council he knows of no immediate plans to raise fees here.

Advance notice would be given if fees were to be raised, Dr. Johns told council. This would allow council to submit a brief stating the students' position.

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