

Admin. studies looks at campaigners

Experimental politics

The department of admin. studies is conducting a series of experiments to study aspects of the behavior of political campaigners. The study, headed by R.E. Overstreet, is operating on a grant of \$4,500, which is part of a \$5000,000 bursary donated by the Ford Foundation two years ago. Students are being paid four dollars for participating in the two hour experiment. Each ex-

periment involves three students. The students are placed in a room and seated so that they face away from each other. Each is asked to take on the role of a political campaigner, and each is assigned a number of campaign workers.

At the beginning of each campaign period (there are 10 in all), the campaigners must attempt to form a coalition, which can be done only if two of the students mutually prefer each other. If a coalition is formed, the two partners enter an adjacent room to distribute their workers into two different areas, while the third student must place all of his workers in his assigned area.

The campaigner gets 3 points for each worker he places in the alternate area, and only one point for each worker placed in his assigned area. If no coalition is formed, each campaigner must place all his workers in his assigned area.

The maximum number of points that can be won in each campaign period is 100, and all campaigners should attempt to win this number of points for his party.



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PSA profs to start own college

BURNABY -- Suspended faculty from Simon Fraser University's political science, sociology and anthropology department are planning to start their own college, PSA professor Louis Feldhammer said last week. "Plans for a new college, Louis Riel University, are now being put into action," Feldhammer told 50 students at the University of British Columbia. "The college should be open for registration some time very soon." Feldhammer was one of eight PSA professors suspended by administration president Kenneth Strand for their part in the 41-day PSA strike that ended Nov. 4. Feldhammer said the students had forced PSA faculty from just teaching into the radical activity that led to the administration crackdown on the department. "And the reason why we had so much trouble with the administration was that we not only taught Marxism, which is acceptable, but we went further and acted Marxist. That they could not take."

Gave no grades; prof fired

WINDSOR -- A university of Windsor English professor was denied tenure because he refused to grade his students, says a study into the university by three Windsor graduate students. The U of W English department dismissed professor Philip London in the spring for "gross and wilful neglect of duty" for giving all the students in his class "A" grades as part of an experimental program in teaching, the report says. When the university president refused to accept the dismissal, the English department voted the next month not to renew London's contract for the following year -- in effect, firing him. The report, second part of a study on the "de-Canadianization" of Windsor, calls the London case "symptomatic of the problem." The first part of the report, released Nov. 10, analyzed the problems created by a lack of Canadian content and teachers at the university.

McGill head fears school bill

MONTREAL -- As the Quebec government goes through the final stages of passing Bill 63 -- an education bill that many French Quebecois believe will destroy their French language and culture -- McGill principal H. Roche Robertson Tuesday (November 18) attacked another bill he fears will end English culture in the province. Robertson said Bill 62, which amalgamates Montreal's 40-odd school boards into 11 districts, would deny English-speaking Quebecers "the ability to control teaching in their schools." The bill would give French-speaking citizens a majority in at least eight of the new divisions, Robertson said, "without providing any clear influence, let alone guarantee, of control by a minority over the pedagogical aspects of its schools, over the language of instruction, the curriculum or the hiring of teachers." He also attacked Quebec's English population for not recognizing the "real challenge" that faces it. "We have not been militant in defending our own interests," he said. Bill 63, attacked by French nationalists, gives parents in the province the legal right between a French and English education for their children. French nationalists charge that Bill 63, combined with English domination of Quebec's economic life, is the first step in the destruction of their language and culture.

Carleton beauties might go

OTTAWA -- Carleton university women will vote soon on whether beauty queen contests should be abolished on that campus. Only women will be allowed to vote in the referendum, approved by the Carleton student council Nov. 18. As yet no date has been set for the balloting. Representatives of the Women's Liberation group at Carleton told the council beauty queen contests were like commodity contests. "There is little difference in judging cheddar cheese and judging women," said one girl in the audience. "It is degrading to women."

Paper not 'jolly', editors fired

WINDSOR (CUP) -- As president of St. Clair College, R.C. Quittenton reported a month ago he was upset when the student newspaper The Saint began promoting what he called "morbid sentiments" -- such as front-page posters on the Vietnam war -- and was no longer "jolly." Then, in its Nov. 10 issue, the Saint reprinted a poem by imprisoned Black Panther chairman Bobby Seale that used the four-letter word for sexual intercourse. Well. That was just too much. At a meeting Nov. 13 Quittenton told the two editors, Greg Parent and Ted Welch, "either you clean up this fucking paper, or I will." The editors reported he used the four-letter word meaning sexual intercourse several times in his monologue with them. Quittenton then threatened to withdraw office space and the college's facilities in putting out the paper -- in effect killing it -- and returning all student funds to the students instead of giving them to student groups. "If another issue of the Saint appears that is obscene, by my standards," Quittenton wrote the student council, "then I will ... deny the use of tax supported facilities and equipment for the preparation of this paper." The student council apologized, the two editors were fired, and everyone lived happily ever after.