

# Operation Placement finding 20,000 jobs

by Judy Hamaliuk

Operation Placement, the central agency for student summer employment service, will be opening up again April 14. This year the agency expects to handle 15,000 - 20,000 students and hope to find jobs for at least 60% of those students who register with the office.

According to Harold Roozen, director of Operation Placement, this year should be the best year for student summer employment because of Alberta's prosperous employment situation.

Jobs will be provided in various sectors of public and private service. There are four sectors of the program which are of particular importance to university students. The Student Business program, run by Ken Spillett, provides students with independent control of their jobs. The Job Search Technique program, run by Eileen Gillese, concentrates on teaching students how to look for jobs. City placements and jobs in the Public Service Commission will also be open to students who apply.

The agency also has a mobility program for students who desire employment in other provinces. The federal government will pay transport costs to job sites and back. Most of the movement will be from high unemployment regions to low. Only where special requirements are available will students from Alberta be sent elsewhere.

Operation Placement has been the most successful student employment service in Canada for the last five years according to Roozen. He feels that Alberta has better employment situations than other provinces and that they have handled their service in a unique way.

"We have helped to change the image of students as lazy people and are working hard to maintain the good reputation of students."

The agency will have a staff of 25 this year for both counselling and employer contact. Last year about 5000 employers used the Operation Placement service.

The University of Alberta supplies most of the financing for the OP agency. Funds are

also received from Grant MacEwan, NAIT, Chamber of Commerce, and the provincial government.

If there are any further inquiries regarding the program they can be made to Harold

Roozen, 4th floor SUB. His office hours are MWF 2:00 - 5:00 or phone 439-1033.

The Operation Placement office is located downstairs in the Credit Foncier Bldg. 10275-Jasper Avenue, 425-3570.

## Once in a trillion

(ENS) - The recent accident at Brown's Ferry nuclear power plant near Decatur, Alabama serves to point out the inadequacy of the government's own calculations on the likelihood of nuclear accidents. Nuclear critic David Comey of Businessmen in the Public Interest says that according to the government's own calculations, the Brown's Ferry accident could happen only once in one-trillion years, per reactor. And yet it happened last weekend.

Comey drew upon the government's recent Rasmussen Report on the probability of nuclear accidents. That report calculates the precise probability of various types of accidents in nuclear power plants. Comey says that according to the Rasmussen figures, the four failures at the Brown's Ferry plant could occur simultaneously only once in a trillion reactor years.

The accident started with a fire in what was supposed to be fire-proof cable - ignited, ironically by a candle. During the seven hour blaze, the reactor protection circuit failed and none of the emergency core cooling sub-systems worked.

The reactor core isolation cooling system also failed to work.

As Comey explained, if the cooling pipes had also ruptured, the reactor would have overheated and melted, and released radioactivity into the area. The plant was operating at full power at the time of the fire, producing several thousand times the amount of radioactivity as an Hiroshima-sized atomic weapon.

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Regular instruction will be supplemented by lectures - in English - by Ukrainian and Polish scholars from Kiev, Shevchenko State University and the University of Warsaw, as well as by field trips to a number of cities in the Ukraine and historical sites in the Ukraine and Poland.

The cost, including tuition fees, is now estimated at approximately \$1,800 but a possibility exists that the cost will be considerably reduced by a grant - now under negotiation - from the federal and provincial governments, and by obtaining accommodation in the dormitories of Kiev and Warsaw Universities.

The course is open only to students with Canadian passports.

Further information can be

obtained from the course coordinator Dr. T. Yedin. He can be written to at the department of history, University of Alberta, Edmonton or by phoning (403) 432-4201.

## Women's Program Centre 75-76

The Women's Programme Centre is seeking new membership for the 1975-76 school year. Women interested in organizing and planning programs for the coming year are invited to attend a meeting on Monday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the SUB Meditation Room.

Many of the women currently running the office in SUB will be leaving in May, so it is urgent that new people come to this meeting if the office is to be kept open. The services provided by the office are birth control and abortion referral, maintenance of correspondence with other women's groups in the city and western Canada, and maintenance of a lending library of feminist writings.

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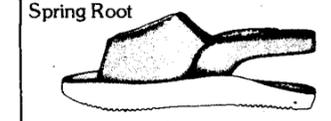
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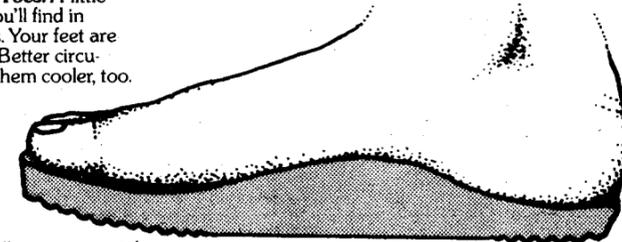
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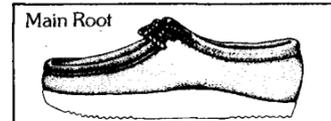
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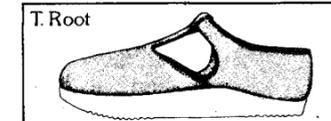
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