



Cosmic insignificance at Lister Hall bunny hop...
Lister Hall students were out in force Wed. afternoon trying to show their cosmic significance by breaking the world's record for the most people doing the bunny hop. As

Gateway photo editor Grant Wurm's shot shows, however, their cosmic insignificance was more evident if a person watched the ant-like antics of the students from a tenth-floor perch.

Politics are the dirty piece of orange peel in the corner of the stairs...

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...as one climbs to some newspaper office.
W.B. Yeats

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Bells ring, vp leaves, hunt on

by Henry R. Luce

A poster campaign will be launched this week to recruit a new vice-president services for the Students' Union, president Jay Spark said Wednesday.

An advertisement will also be placed in the *Gateway* to fill the vacancy resulting from vp services Shirley Armstrong's decision to marry former vp services Jan Grude and leave Edmonton.

"She's a close friend of mine and I wish her all success," Spark said. "Everyone here is just congratulating her and getting down to the job of finding a replacement."

The new vp will be selected by a SU committee, subject to ratification by Students' Council. What sort of person is the committee looking for?

"The most important qualification is enthusiasm for the job," said Spark. An active commitment of time is also required, and "experience has something to play with it."

Does that mean personality will be preferred to experience?

"Well, we're looking for the best person. We don't just want people to come in here and say 'I've done this and this and this, I've done this and this and this, I want people who want to do the job,'" Spark said.

"That's why I stress enthusiasm, but I'm not saying experience isn't important."

According to Spark, Council had the option of a by-election or selection committee. Council opted for the latter this week on the executive's recommendation. Spark stressed a poster cam-

paign is being used primarily because this is the last issue of the *Gateway*, with posters allowing maximum exposure. He said he recognizes there is pressure from final exams, but "we decided now is the best time to go about it."

April 20 is the deadline for applications. The committee will then meet to select the new vice-president, who is to take office by June 1.

The committee comprises Spark and Armstrong in non-voting roles, with Spark as chairman, plus executive members David Rand, Guy Huntington and Dale Somerville and councillors Bill Stewart (Arts), Steve Kushner (Arts), Donna Davis (Pharmacy), Tony Melnychuk (Law) and Dwayne Kalynchuk (Engineering).

Spark says as far as he

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Garneau rent

Rent increases for North Garneau are obligatory — this was the message delivered by E.R. Shedden, of Planning and Development, chairman of the North Garneau Housing committee at a meeting Wednesday, March 30.

"We have an obligation to the Board of Governors to keep rents in North Garneau not more than 25 per cent below market rates," Shedden stated, in asking approval for an increase.

This could mean increases of up to 200 per cent, if the going rates for housing rented by

private owners in the area to students room-by-room are applied; a 66 per cent increase is implied by the general rate for complete houses in suburban parts of the city.

"When we remember that these houses were expropriated under duress at very low prices by the University ten and fifteen years ago, this looks like profiteering by the university," a resident commented. "For the present, rent control guidelines will limit the increase, but when controls are removed, the sky's the limit."

AUPE game

A meeting which was to attract non-academic staff members at the U of A to the Alberta Union of Provincial Employees (AUPE) met with heavy opposition Tuesday.

Despite low attendance, the gathering was hectic.

Almost immediately after AUPE organizer, Wendy Danson, opened the second meeting, with some thirty-five university non-academic staff, and some Non-academic Staff Association executive members in attendance,

Jack Williams of NASA interrupted to ask the AUPE organizers to refrain from attempting to bring the Union back to the U of A. He said that NASA has already collected more than 600 signatures on a petition demanding an end to the AUPE encroachment on campus.

Several persons from the audience interjected, however, insisting that the speaker should at least be allowed to state the AUPE case.

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Who is this man and why does he look dubious?

He's former Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall, that's who, and he's just been talking to ardent campus opinion-holder John Savard, following a November address in SUB Theatre, that's why. Turn to p. 8 for the *Gateway* year-end photo review (pp. 8 to 15 inclusive) for the Udall/Savard confrontation, and 33 others.

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