

Hippies preferred to Boy Scouts at Davy Cup debate trials

By DENNIS FITZGERALD

Are the Boy Scouts a front for the RCMP, or do they wear the pointed hats to fit their heads?

Formally stated as "This house prefers hippies to Boy Scouts" the topic was debated last Friday afternoon by members of the debating club.

The debates were held as preliminary trials for the Davy Cup. The cup was donated by Dr. J. Grant Davy of the poli sci dept. as an award for competing debaters from U of A and U of C.

Bob Logan, law 1, speaking for the affirmative said, "because Boy Scouts can afford haircuts they are rich. Because they are rich they

are generally rightist. They are a para-military organization!"

"On the other hand the hippies are poor common people," he said.

Conrad Boyce, arts 1, arguing against the hippies, said "Boy Scouts leap to help little old ladies. Hippies don't have to leap to help their companions, they simply push or pull a little."

Ron Chalmers, arts 3, said "hippies perform useful functions in our society."

"They innovate. Like man, love is all you need."

"They serve as scapegoats for the rest of society."

"They're great; they have something for everyone."

In summing up Logan pleaded,

"it is your duty to stop the green tide."

The affirmative carried the crowd's vote.

Also resolved was "this house prefers Playboy to censorship."

Stan Fowler, law 3, speaking for the affirmative said "before you talk about censorship you must define obscenity. This has proven very hard so far."

Barry Chivers, law 3, added "censorship rises because of insecurity. Truth is always the first casualty of censorship."

Dave Leadbeater, arts 2, said "censorship has more value, particularly forms other than those found solely in the entertainment world."

"We must consider the children.

Plato recognized how easily influenced they are," he said.

Don Freeland, law 2, said "censorship is necessary to sustain the quality of entertainment we get. The CBC is a good example."

In rebuttal Fowler replied "should the government act like Big Brother?"

The negative carried this argument.

Other topics considered were the Red Guards contrasted with apathy and the dropping of the bomb.

"Let it be known the Red Guards are generally preferred and if you would care to become a card carrying member you can through the local chapter under the auspices of the Bobby Curtola fan club," informed Brad Willis.

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—Georg Barr photo

PATHS OF SILENCE—Quiet and solitude are reflected in this winter scene. Now that the snows of winter are upon us, most students probably can only think of icy streets and slushy roads. But winter can also be silence, and shadows on hushed, drifted snow.

Students' union has Christmas foofra

The students' union is having a foofra.

It's the Christmas smash for Santas Anonymous and it's the students' union Christmas party.

Foofra gets underway with a carol-in from noon to 3 p.m. in SUB theatre Monday.

It will be followed by campus disruption which aims to be just that—disrupting.

"We'll probably go around caroling in the classes," said co-ordinator of student activities Glenn Sinclair.

There will be a folk concert, more carolling and a dance in Dinwoodie Lounge in SUB at 7:30. Several bands—Willie and the Walkers, The Skeleton Key, The Bittersweets, and the Kinfolk will be playing.

Admission is one unwrapped toy for Santas Anonymous.

"This is something the students' union can afford to do. Christmas is one time when we can really be humanistic," said Sinclair.

"We'd be having parties anyway so why not combine the two? This

Fines from public library handled by administration

Non-resident students refusing to pay fines will be reported to provost for further action

By GLENN CHERITON

As of this year, non-resident students at the U of A could have to face the university for fines incurred at the Edmonton Public Library.

Non-resident students who refuse to pay fines, and other cases of delinquency will be reported to professor A. A. Ryan, university provost, for further action.

Non-resident students are those whose parents reside outside Edmonton but who are attending educational institutions in the city.

The university is only notified after the student has been given "every opportunity" to return the material and pay any overdue fines, said C. F. Smythe, head of the Edmonton public library circulation department.

Notification of fines include three notices by letter and one telephone call. At this point the material is seven weeks overdue.

Accounts of patrons other than non-resident students are given to the Edmonton Credit Bureau, he said.

Non-resident students are charged a \$6 fee for library services

for two years. This amounts to 25 cents per month. If a student wishes to discontinue using the library part of his fees are refunded.

Mr. Smythe says the library is having more than its share of trouble with university students. Although they have no more violations than other patrons they keep books out for longer and pay their fines slower, he said.

"University students account for

80 per cent of the false registrations," said Mr. Smythe.

Mr. Smythe said the library loses \$50,000 a year in material. With 65,000 patrons the library has to deal with 80,000 cases of delinquency.

Recent cases referred to the university include five students with fines ranging from \$1.50 to \$38. There are also two cases in which students wrote cheques without sufficient funds.



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SANTA'S A DIRTY OLD MAN—But the spirit is one of goodness and light. It all happened last Sunday at the Students' Wives Club Christmas party in SUB. Maybe Santa's eye sight isn't all it used to be, but he still knows how to keep the little tykes happy—give them presents.