

"U of A should join CUS" — Campbell

By BRIAN MacDONALD

The CUS debate in the banquet room of Lister last Thursday drew a very poor crowd. Only 60 to 70 people showed up to hear speakers Marilyn Pilkington, David Leadbeater, Brian Campbell and Don McKenzie debate the CUS issue.

Defending CUS, grad student Brian Campbell said, "During the past 100 years the university has changed with society, it is not a separate part away from society where we study, completely devoid of societal influence . . . the university has come to represent society in microcosm."

"I think in a way universities have become like factories, educating people for slots in society."

"What happens when the university says we are going to produce human beings? How much can a university change before it demands that society change with it. Is it not so that indeed the university is affecting society?"

Campbell also went on, dealing with the statements made by Marilyn Pilkington in her letter in *The Gateway*. Pilkington had stated, "CUS has adopted resolutions which demand student control over the learning processes and a student veto over all university decisions." Campbell countered saying that; "It says nothing about a student veto in the (CUS Resolutions) book".

In reply to the point that CUS supports the NFL in Vietnam Campbell said, "Certainly wars are self destructive. CUS calls for the immediate de-mobilization of the Armed Forces. I think they are a waste of time and effort and money. They don't produce anything human, a gun never made anyone more human."

Taking a moderate stand, student co-ordinator Don McKenzie admitted "There is a possibility for change in the CUS direction but it would be a full two years before anything constructive could be done because the president-elect of CUS does not take office for a full year after his election."

"I myself feel that the students'



DAVID LEADBEATER
... student body vote yes



DON McKENZIE
... students stand on their own

union while it should be taking stands on political issues should also be trying to get the people (student body) aware of the issues to they can take a stand on their own," he said.

The question of a second national union was covered by SU vice-president David Leadbeater. "I don't think a second national union would work because you can't stop the "radicals" from joining and the cost would be too great," he said.

"The student body should vote yes for CUS so that the students' council can go back into CUS to do something, to try and change what many people have echoed on

our campus is a bad situation," Leadbeater recommended.

Marilyn Pilkington opposed re-entry into CUS. "CUS has become a left-wing political party which refuses to act on the basis of the common denominator that students experience."

"If CUS were going to serve as a national union then we should be members if its going to become a political party we don't necessarily have to belong," she said.

Official notice

The Student Union Housing Commission is soliciting submissions and proposals to assist in developing a student owned and operated housing unit for students. The Commission is studying types of facilities, location and financing in order to develop the most suitable plans. Written submissions and proposals, addressed to the Student Union Housing Commission, may be left with the Student Union receptionists, second floor, SUB.

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Quote "out of context"

The Editor:

In the Jan. 23, 1969 edition of *The Gateway* a quote of mine "I'd rather ask for 30 so we could get 20," appeared in regard to increased representation on General Faculty Council.

The remark as quoted is correct however it was taken out of context from the rest of my debate and leaves a false impression of what was actually said.

I support the idea of increased representation and hope that we attain it, however it was never my intention to ask for 30, as the comment was made facetiously in regard to the debate from the rest of the councillors.

The principle of increased representation was the important aspect and not the number asked for. In context with the rest of my argument, the quote attributed to me would be more realistic than this one fragment reported.

Dennis Fitzgerald
Science Rep.
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Fr. Vandersteene speaks — "WE have to adapt"

By JOE CZAJKOWSKI

"True Indians call us (white men) 'stupid strangers' who can't cope with life the way the Indian lives it," said Father Vandersteene. He was speaking on the topic "What are we doing to the Indian people" at a meeting of the Inter-cultural Education Club last Thursday.

Guest speakers were Dr. A. D. Fisher of the Anthropology department and Father Vandersteene who has spent 20 years in the north working with the Crees and learning to live and think as they do. More than 100 people attended the meeting in Ed. 129.

Father Vandersteene said that the white man makes two basic errors when he comes in contact with Indians. First, he judges the Indian on white standards and sees them as primitive so he pities them. Then he decides to help them without taking into consideration that their way of life could be satisfactory to them.

"Anytime we come into a country with prefabricated plans without seeing the people we're going to make a real mess, a real mess," said Father Vandersteene. "If you come in with only a piece of paper in your hand, go away."

Fisher added that "we live under laws which apply only to whites. There are so many other races that have found other ways of living. Our problem is that we don't respect the rights of other people to live as they wish."

So Canadians try to change the way the Indian lives.

As a result the Canadian Indian has been divided into two distinct categories. On one hand there are those who have rebuffed the white man's way of life and still fend for themselves in the manner of their ancestors.

On the other hand are those who have assimilated and sit back and take what they can get from the whites. The latter have become outcasts because they do not conform wholly to either culture.

It is also the latter upon which most white Canadian make their judgement of Indian Canadians.

The true Indian still lives as his predecessors did but with one major change. He now employs modern technology to help him in his daily tasks. However, contrary to current belief, he still has his legends and partakes in tribal rituals such as the "Dance of the Ancestors" to honor the dead.

"Look first at what the man is looking for in life," suggests Father Vandersteene. "We tell him what he should have in life. Our Indians are really down because we wouldn't leave them alone."

What Father Vandersteene advocates is simply to get to know the Indian, to find out what he wants and how he lives. As the little priest put it "WE have to adapt."

He concluded, "We didn't respect them and they'll never forget that."

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- co-ordinate any expansion of facilities in SUB with proposed S.U. Housing Units
- make interim reports to the Students' Council.

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