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# THE OUTSIDE WORLD

## Missed chance for R&D

OTTAWA (CUP) — The provinces bungled an opportunity at the recent first ministers' meeting to improve Canada's performance in research and development, says the president of the Canadian Association of University Teachers.

Allan Sharp called Ontario Premier David Peterson's call to improve research and development spending "very positive, from the point of view of the university community."

Peterson called on the provinces to bring Canada's R&D expenditure to 2.5 percent of the country's gross national product, a significant increase about the current 1.5 percent.

"That would have been a remarkable development, if it were to happen, but the response was very disappointing," says Sharp.

Sharp says Prime Minister Brian Mulroney downplayed Peterson's roundtable proposal, and other premiers followed suit. Sharp says Mulroney's comments were "a totally unsatisfactory response to a very creative suggestion."

## Multi-purpose minister

TORONTO (CUP) — Greg Sorbara, Ontario's Minister of Colleges and Universities, has been trying on some new hats lately.

Sorbara recently returned from a 17-day jaunt to the Middle East where he played the double role of trade negotiator and international student recruiter for Ontario.

The minister visited and signed memoranda of understanding with colleagues in Kuwait, Oman, North Yemen, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. While the memoranda were gestures of co-operation in the field of education, they were also hoped to encourage Middle Eastern countries to trade with Ontario companies.

"The minister is doing double duty," says Sorbara's aide Bob Richardson. "Signing agreements, presenting honorary degrees and talking to academics is all very nice, but the (Liberal) party wants to use the guy to his full potential while he's there. That's why he's doing some pitching on behalf of Ontario's businesses as well."

Among the educational issues discussed were English Language training for Middle Eastern students, exchanges for students and faculty, and placement of Middle Eastern Students selected to study in Ontario.

Although Ontario's differential fees for international students are among the highest in the country, Sorbara says the fees do not "pose a problem to most of the countries I visited". He added he made provisions for three scholarships for North Yemen students to stay in Ontario.

## Sports for spots

CALGARY (CUP) — The bad news for residents of University of Calgary student housing is they will be evicted to make room for the 1988 Winter Olympics. The good news is that they will receive compensation: tickets to the 1988 Winter Olympics.

About 900 students must leave their residences from January to mid-March of 1988 when the residences are transformed into the Olympic Village.

Mike Adam of U of C Ancillary Services says the alumni association and the Students' Union are working on a plan to billet students at private residences of alumni.

The tickets will be for all events, although they will not have preferential status. The residence compensation plan is not related to the Students' Union planned ticket order. The Student Union will give its tickets to students who could not meet the Sept. 30 deadline for ticket orders.

## Talking typewriter

VANCOUVER (CUP) — Michael Beddoes, a University of British Columbia electrical engineer, is wrapping up the software for a talking typewriter he hopes will make essay-typing easier for blind students.

A small speaker, TRS-80 or compatible computing unit display, a printer if desired, are required to make Beddoes' software work. Each keystroke is immediately answered by the computer with an intelligible pronunciation.

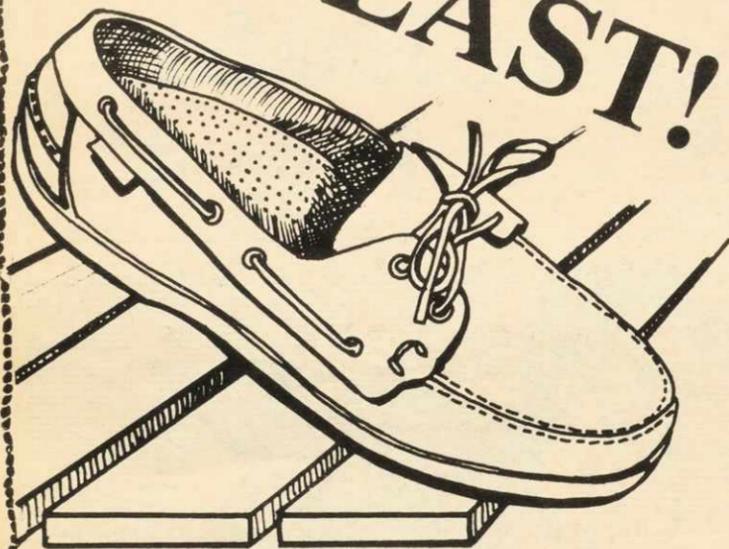
Machines that talk are already available, but "this machine can read faster than others," Beddoes said. He did admit, however, "some distortion occurs, at fast typing speeds".

The whole unit with printer costs slightly more than \$1000.

Beddoes does not know when his machine may be available for blind students to purchase. He said a previous marketing attempt failed when the sponsor went bankrupt.

"Besides blind students, this machine has possible use for the brain handicapped," Beddoes said. "For those people, learning to spell would be easier because the students hear the letters and words as they press them on the keyboard."

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