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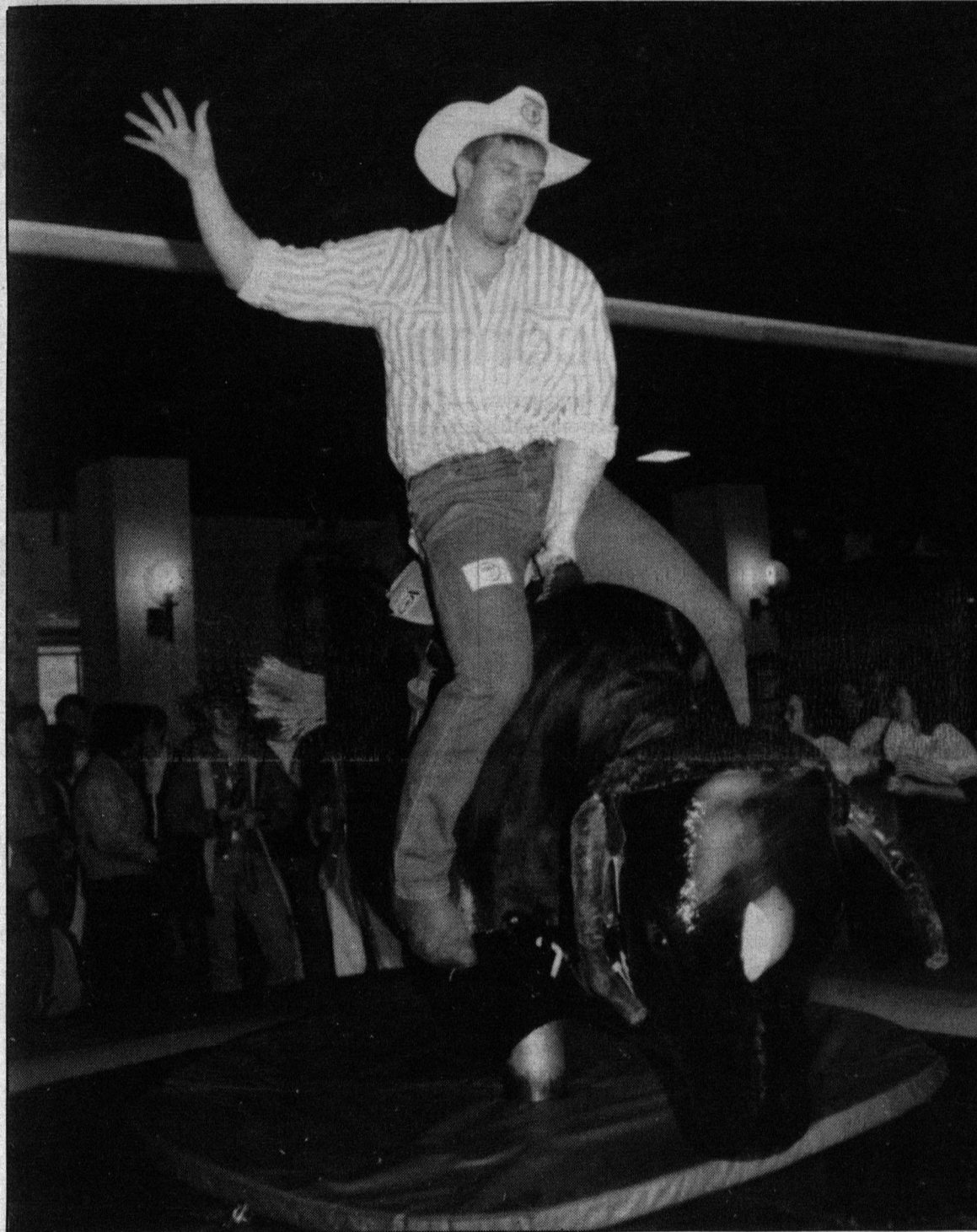
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FM88 sports director Bob Stauffer to Calgary fans after the CFL Western Semi-final: "Only Calgary could lose a playoff game on their home field."



No Bull

An annual event during Agriculture Week, held last week, is the mechanical bull-ride in CAB. But this bucking bull bucked but briefly, as the big brawny bull-breakers bore too big a burden on the bull, and it broke down.

Ron Sears

Engineering newspaper under fire

Troubled Bridge in hot water

by Doug Kerr

A formal complaint has been filed against the Engineering Students' Society (ESS) and its publication *The Bridge* for an allegedly "obscene and sexist" November issue.

The two complainants believe that the paper violates the University's Student Code of Behavior, and have directed their objections to the office of the dean of Student Services, Dr. Peter Miller. Miller has indicated the complaint is legitimate and that a hearing into the matter would likely be held.

"The thrust of the paper as a whole is offensive," said one of the complainants, two University of Alberta students who have asked not to be named. "We believe that most of the material in this publication is of an abhorrent nature. It's outrageous that this is being published with the 'University of Alberta' printed on the front page, and that the publishers (the ESS) receive funds from the Students' Union."

A vulgar article concerning Mayor Jan Reimer was printed in the paper, and there were other profane jokes and crude stories, said the student.

The two complainants have spoken with representatives from Reimer's office about the article. They indicated that although Reimer felt the material was distasteful, no action would likely be taken.

On Friday, the ESS issued a statement which gave an apology for the comments concerning Reimer. It also stated that a retraction would be printed in the next *Bridge* and a "change of policy has been instituted to reduce the possibility of reoccurrence."

The dean of Engineering, Dr.

Fred Otto said, "The faculty is concerned and considers the paper inappropriate." He felt that it should be dealt with through regular disciplinary processes.

The complainants agreed that the apology to Reimer was certainly warranted, but felt that it failed to make up for the other repugnant items in the paper.

The ESS statement said the misunderstanding had resulted from unauthorized possession of the paper. "*The Bridge* is a satirical paper intended solely for the use and enjoyment of Engineering students," reads the statement, and there is a disclaimer at the beginning of the newspaper which says the same thing and adds that possession of *The Bridge* by anyone other than an Engineer constitutes theft.

One complainant responded to this by saying, "It is neither satire nor exclusively for the use of engineers - the paper is set out in buildings accessible to anyone." The complainants also questioned how representative the material was of the students in the faculty of Engineering.

David Tupper, president of the Students' Union said that he was concerned about potential negative publicity and that the SU was in the process of getting legal advice about the contents of the paper. "We have lawyers looking into whether or not *The Bridge* broke any federal, provincial, or civic laws," said Tupper.

The SU will also this week be amending their constitutional bylaw concerning student associations to include the need for the groups to comply with the Code of Student Behavior.

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Alcohol Awareness Week comes to campus

by Karen Cho

The University of Alberta Peer Health Educators and the Students' Union have collaborated to present Alcohol Awareness Week on campus. The main purpose of the week is to increase public awareness and to encourage a positive lifestyle among young people.

The agenda of events for the week, which started yesterday, include a Sober Walk and Join The Circle Rally at the Provincial Legislature, displays in CAB, a Labatt's Road Scholarship seminar, and a Coffee House in HUB.

The Sober Walk, which was held Monday, was a peaceful march where students walked across the High Level Bridge and were met at the Legislature by representatives of the provincial and civic governments and university leaders. It was a symbolic walk with the aim of making a

statement against alcohol abuse, and at the same time, enhancing community support. The idea for a Sober Walk originated from the native community and has branched out nationally, as Alcohol Awareness Week is being introduced in many Canadian universities.

This week's displays in CAB will give information about the dangers of alcohol abuse. Sherrill Berg, the health education co-ordinator, maintains that "alcohol is the number one drug of choice in young adults because of cost, availability, accessibility, and social acceptability, and that many misdemeanours on campuses are alcohol-related." Berg hopes that the many misconceptions about alcohol can be cleared up, and many questions answered.

Gary Magwood, a former Canadian race car driver will be giving a lecture on advanced defensive driving techniques during the latter

half of the week. Included in this event are video presentations and a hands-on in-car demonstration for a selected number of students on November 25 and 26.

The Coffee House which occurs on Friday in HUB can be seen as an alternative to TGIFs. As only coffees and teas will be served at the Coffee House, the general aim is to incite the notion that one does not need alcohol to have a good time. "Students should know the facts about alcohol, and to also know their limits," said Berg.

This is the first time that Alcohol Awareness Week has been launched on Canadian campuses so extensively, and with so much enthusiasm. If the week turns out to be a success, it will become an annual event, and subsequently, become incorporated as part of the University's programme.



Leading the pack to the Legislature.

Renee Baril