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and uneducated level. This denies them access to knowledge and causes them to live below their potential.

At a forum closing the conference, this view was reiterated by several panelists. By denying students practice in writing essays and exams, by relaxing standards, they are deprived of a chance to profit from the thoughts of others and are

limiting their development as individuals, said some.

The problem is not one of where to place the blame, it is one of trying to find a way to reverse the trend.

English competency, or literacy enables the individual to further his development independently and to enrich his life on a continuing basis, panelists said.

The trend to worship technology in favor of ideas must be reversed. We have been betrayed by our illusion, now is the time to reverse or to strike out in a more profitable direction.

**Council briefs from page 2**

"Why is there such a poor selection of records?" asked engineering rep. Ralph Dykau. He referred to such hit groups as Herman's Hermits and the Mamas and Papas as being the mainstays of SUB's album collection.

According to Eileen Gillese (SU vp finance and administration) many of the best albums have been stolen and not much money has been allotted to replace them. Gillese told Council that albums from the SU record store will be recorded on cassettes, keeping the selection

up to date.

— In spite of a NUS boycott, Students' Council is sending representatives to a conference of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC).

The National Union of Students is boycotting AUCC because it is dissatisfied with the reception their attempted input into the organization has received. President Zoeteman felt that since the U of A is not a member of NUS, he didn't feel bound by their boycott.

AUCC is a national organization that makes policy recommendations to the federal government regarding post-secondary education.



**Lauber steps in until Horowitz returns**

Dr. Jean Lauber, professor in the department of Zoology and the university's associate-vp academic, is standing in at official functions for Dr. Meyer Horowitz, the academic vp, until his health improves. Dr. Horowitz suffered a heart attack last month but has been on campus part-time for more than a week now. It is not yet known when he will be able to resume his full-time duties.

**Task force opposes Hohol**

CALGARY (CUP) - A University of Calgary task force to oppose differential fees for international students has been rolling for two weeks picking up support from students, faculty, administration and the University senate.

"All we have to do is get the board of governors on record as opposing differential fees," said student president Pay Ruby-O'Connor.

The campaign used petitions, street theatre and the purchasing of ad space in the local paper to bring its message to the Calgary community.

Minister of advanced education Bert Hohol announced in May that the government would implement differential fees for international students next fall. However, he assigned various

university and college boards with the task of suggesting level of increase. Thus proposals have ranged from 300 per cent.

Hohol's attack against international students has been denounced by student unions at three Alberta universities and several colleges.

It has also met opposition from such diverse sources as the president of the Alberta Progressive Conservative party and the Edmonton and Calgary Labour Councils.

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