

Library staff in debt

VANCOUVER (CUP)—University of British Columbia students working part-time in the library will escape the effects of an Anti-Inflation Board (AIB) wage rollback order, but their 1,300 full-time co-workers are now faced with the problem of

paying back \$600,000 to the administration.

In December, the AIB ordered the Association of University and College Employees (AUCE), Local 1, to pay back four per cent of the 19 per cent wage increase the union gained in last

year's contract, which expired Sept. 30.

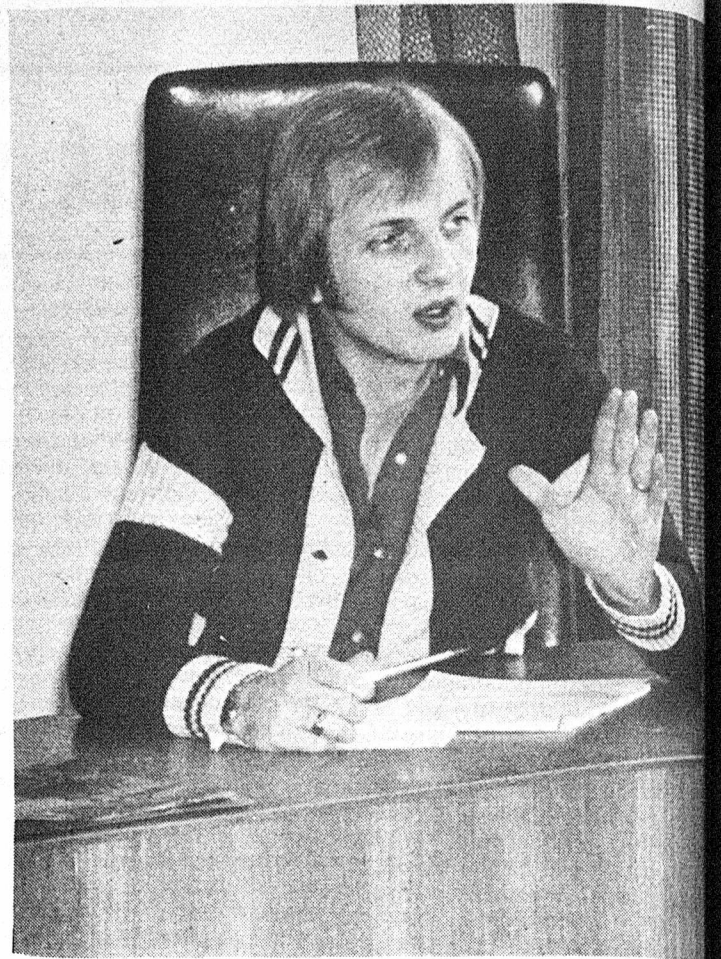
The AIB gave the administration one month to a formula for the payments.

But, student assistants at UBC will not have to pay back any money, Local 1 president Ian Mackenzie said recently. The students are not part of the union and the AIB ruling concerns only AUCE members, he said.

The student wage rate is at least as large as the AUCE base rate because it is part of the contract, Mackenzie said. Student assistants will earn at least as much as the lowest paid AUCE members during the next contract year, depending on the size of deduction accepted by AUCE members to pay back the four per cent.

A union newsletter suggests workers can pay back a lump sum, or the amount can be deducted from current paycheques.

Meanwhile, talks between the union and administration are continuing in an effort to obtain a new contract. The workers have been without a contract since Sept. 30, 1976.



Now you see, fellows, it's like this.

SU president Len Zoeteman spoke to a Faculty Association conference Saturday morning about problems related to course content in each specific faculty. Keynote speaker at the conference was university pres. Harry Gunning who said he enjoyed meeting the students so much he'd like to be invited back to the next one.

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Cold outdoors survival

Finally academics stuck their heads out a window, their ivory tower and discovered it's damn cold out there.

Grant MacEwan Community college is giving a course titled Surviving in the Cold Outdoors Thursday evenings in February.

The acid test at the end of the course is a weekend camping Feb. 26-27. Survivors pass.

The course is designed to prepare people for cold weather when camping or if forced into the cold during automobile breakdowns.

Instructions highlight fire shelters, survival packs, navigation and primitive medicine. It utilizes the experience of Scouts, the Armed Forces and rescue organizations.

Dave Broomfield will teach the course starting Feb. 3. He has a background in outdoor survival with the armed forces and with the Outward Bound program.

"I think people should know how to avoid winter survival situations and how to cope should they find themselves stranded," he said.

Further info at the continuing education division, 463-2680.

Identa-narc

(ZNS/CUP)—The student government at the University of Texas in Austin has launched a program called "Identa-Narc."

Students are urged to call a special phone number with information on undercover drug agents and informers. The slogan of the program is, "Fink on the before they fink on you."

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