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inflation is just not adequate." Dental supplies, including gold and silver, have a higher-than-average rate of inflation. Thompson says he hopes the provincial government will provide an operating grant so that a full-time oral surgeon can be hired by next fall.

faculty is also being undertaken. But Thompson says, "program development comes from a flexibility of the budget." "We haven't had an increase for two years." If the money is not increased, the faculty will face the same situation in the near future, he says.

established school of dentistry in Canada with provisional accreditation, says Thompson. The dental hygiene program is fully accredited.

Dental students appear not to be overly upset about the situation, however.

President of the Dental Undergraduate Students' Association Walt Strepnyk says "a lot of people were upset at first, but adds he's "pretty sure" full accreditation will be granted.

Ian Graves, a fourth-year student and member of the Dental Faculties Council says he's not concerned about accreditation and he's confident the faculty will rectify any existing shortcomings.

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Under the gun

Going, going.....

The 60 year old Summer Students' Association may soon be gone if SU vp internal Sharon Bell has her way.

If no student support for the association surfaces soon, it may be replaced by a co-ordinator who will jointly administer the Spring and Summer Students' Associations.

Bell says the change, which involves two SU bylaws, will increase the flexibility of the system but will maintain some of the older traditions of the association.

The proposal will be considered at a meeting on Tuesday November 20 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 270 SUB. Any interested students are welcome to attend.

National Notes

Students will oppose fee hikes

CALGARY (CUP) The University of Calgary students' union has warned education minister Jim Horsman that he can expect student protests if a recently-announced tuition increase is not accompanied by changes to the student aid program.

"We really hope that if the minister is going to announce tuition increases he will ensure the student aid system is revised this year as well," said students' union president Bruce Ramsay.

"We sincerely hope the minister will live up to his commitment of consultation with student groups on the issues of tuition fees and student aid so that we don't have to march on the steps of the legislature again," Ramsay said, referring to past protests by students.

"It's not just tuition fees. It's housing, books, food and transportation that make it expensive for a person to attend a post-secondary institution. Student aid is crucial to assisting students. The matter of tuition fees cannot be considered in isolation of student aid."

Carleton Conservatives angered

OTTAWA (CUP) Ontario education minister Bette Stephenson has cancelled out of a scheduled question and answer period with students at Carleton university, leaving the university's Progressive Conservative club "a little pissed off."

Stephenson was originally scheduled to attend a luncheon Nov. 9 with Rosalyn Carter and Maureen McTeer. After the luncheon, she was to come to the university, at the invitation of the Carleton Progressive Conservative club to address students. She was also to participate in a question and answer period.

But the luncheon was cancelled when Carter decided to go to Thailand and Stephenson declined to come to Carleton.

"We're a little pissed off," said PC club president Bryan Sherman.

Sherman said the cancellation may be due to a mix-up in Stephenson's staff.

Inflation hits hash smokers

AMSTERDAM (ZNS) Dutch hashish smokers, hit by spiralling inflation that has forced prices up to \$7.50 a gram from \$2.25, are looking to a radio station for help.

Radio Vara, a national Netherlands radio network, says it will return to broadcasting the street prices of hashish in the country in an effort to halt the ballooning cost of the drug.

Hashish and marijuana smokers in Holland are subject only to a fine if arrested for possession.

For eight years Radio Vara had broadcast a 35-second spot each Saturday which quoted the week's prices for favourite brands of hashish. In January of last year, however, the network decided to suspend the program and prices zoomed skyward.

Radio Vara says it is confident that announcing prices will force greedy dealers to keep prices down.

U of M senate opposes fee hikes

WINNIPEG (CUP) Student tuition fees will not be increased in relation to increases in the University of Manitoba's operating costs if the senate has its way.

In a vote Nov. 6 the university senate decided that it would not support a suggestion that "like other aspects of the budget, tuition fees and other student fees should be increased in the same way that operating costs increase."

The suggestion was contained in a senate planning and priorities committee report on the university's 1980-81 budget estimates.

Chairman of the committee, G.I. Paul, said he realized "this is a very unpopular thing to say" but argued all segments of the university must equally share in increasing costs. Art Braid, another senator, said this had never been the practice in the past and didn't see why it should become one now.

Senator Jackie Stalker saw the decision to reject the SPPC suggestion as a good example of both students and faculty having similar concerns. The motion to reject the suggestion was moved by a student senator but seconded by a professor, and almost unanimously supported.

Dope makes people gay

VANCOUVER (CUP) The truth has finally come out on why the gay population is increasing. It's because of marijuana.

At least that's the conclusion Vince Stone, president of the Surrey-based Marijuana Education Society of B.C., reached after studying all the data. Stone presented his theory to a recent B.C. Social Credit convention forum on human resources.

"The growing gay population is largely due to cannabis," Stone said, explaining that marijuana contains female estrogen which is affecting its male users.

And what's worse, Stone continued, is the media's pro-marijuana position something that "amounts to advocacy journalism".

"The public has unquestionably been denied a proper presentation (by the media) of what is known about cannabis," he said. "Unless the data we have is soon transmitted to the public, we will probably witness the decline of Western civilization as we have known it."

Health minister Bob McClelland, a member of the forum panel, told Stone that while he didn't agree with some of his conclusions about the effects of marijuana, he did agree it is a serious problem involving a criminal element.

McClelland assured any delegates worried about the fall of civilization that B.C. is urging Ottawa to reconsider election promises about decriminalizing marijuana.

