

Canadian University Press DATELINE

Card playing banned at UAC

CALGARY—The student disciplinary committee here has cracked down on card enthusiasts who insist on playing in the dining centre between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Stella Lee, committee chairman and Students' Council vice-president, said the committee reached its decision after several students complained of being unable to find places to sit in the dining area during the dinner hour.

Any student unable to find a place to eat may ask card players to leave their places during these hours, she said.

Although the committee is aware of the lack of alternate facilities, it feels card players will have to give priority to residence students wishing to eat, said Miss Lee.

"If any starving students find co-operation from the card players is not forthcoming, the student may submit the names of these people to the disciplinary committee," he said.

The list of names must be signed by one other witness.

The offenders will be fined \$5 to be paid to the disciplinary committee. In case of non-payments or appeals the matter will be brought before the committee for review.

UBC president faces students

VANCOUVER—University of BC president John Macdonald will face student questions at a coffee party Monday.

Macdonald announced the meeting Jan. 24 after a series of events touched off his walkout at the Education and Beyond conference Jan. 22.

Macdonald, who spoke to 300 students at the conference for half an hour, had the conference chairman announce he had another appointment and would be unable to answer questions.

The announcement was greeted by hissing and booing.

"How come he never has any time to answer questions?" challenged Peter Cameron.

"That is simply not true," said Macdonald.

He said he had volunteered to answer written questions from students at his opening address in the fall of 1965.

Cameron said this method left no opportunity for personal dialogue.

Jan. 24, Cameron and Gabor Mate sent a letter to Macdonald requesting him to answer student questions in public.

The letter said Cameron and Mate did not consider the written question and reply a perfect form of dialogue as it is possible to completely evade the question in a written reply without the questioner having the opportunity to challenge the evasion.

Cameron and Mate received a letter later the same day in which Macdonald promised to answer student questions at a coffee party Feb. 8.

Windsor plans coed residence

WINDSOR—University officials here are planning to build a "University Village"—a coeducational residence complex housing about 1,000 students.

The project is scheduled for completion by 1970 with completion of the first stage slated for 1967.

Included in the complex will be common lounges for men and women, common recreation areas and common dining facilities, all housed in a separate building. Residence halls, each accommodating between 250 to 300 students, will be grouped around the central facilities.

Paul Gilmor, dean of men, said projected figures for residence needs were arrived at after taking account of off-campus housing. By 1970, over 50 per cent of the 5,000 students expected at the University of Windsor will be from out of town.

"Coeducational residences are a satisfactory form of residence accommodation and provide a highly desirable atmosphere," Mr. Gilmor said.

Students protest police action

MADRID—More than 3,000 students at Madrid University have protested against university authorities for allowing police to break up student assemblies.

"Free assemblies" at which students have demanded freedom of speech and the right to form non-governmental unions, have been suppressed at Madrid and Barcelona when university authorities called on police to forcibly end the meetings.

In a mass rally in the faculty of economics, Madrid students called for the removal of their dean, the university rector, and the minister of education.

Spanish students also protested the rectors' refusal to recognize elected officials of the free student unions, and their "poor morale and material situation".

Students demanded a new university law and the abolition of "oppressive" regulations.



—Jim MacLaren photo

BEHIND THE WOODEN FENCE—With great daring Gateway has obtained documentation of exactly what Poole Construction Co. is doing behind the wooden fence they erected between the site of the new SUB and the rest of campus. Excavation appears to be nearing completion according to the Supervisory Consultant First Class.

Universities to judge students with common entrance exams

By ANDY RODGER

Canadian universities will soon be able to judge students' knowledge equitably, no matter where they come from.

The Canadian Council on Admission to Colleges and Universities is planning to develop a college entrance examination which will test the relative knowledge of

students.

At present there is no such system. Each province has its own departmental examinations, on which most universities base their entrance requirements.

The Council, operating in co-operation with the American College Entrance Examination Board, will set up examinations to cover

all subjects. The examination will be for undergraduate admission only, and there are presently no plans for advanced or graduate admission exams.

"I hope it will give us a common standard for assessing the achievement of students seeking admission to universities and colleges in Canada," said university president Walter Johns.

He emphasized the examination does not mean each university will have the same entrance standards. For example, McGill University, using the American CEEB, requires undergrads to have a 70 per cent entrance average.

Use of the exams will probably tend towards standardized provincial curricula, said Dr. Johns. Under the present system, it is difficult to tell exactly what education a student from another province has.

District colleges have important future role

The recommendations made by Dr. Andrew Stewart in his report on higher education may prove unfeasible, university president Walter Johns said Tuesday.

Bond-like fink borrows tire; then skips out

A daring robbery by a U of A student has law enforcement officials baffled.

Officials are investigating the James Bondish coup, which left a Good Samaritan in a Volkswagon feeling that he had been had.

The betrayal of the Good Samaritan occurred 7:45 p.m. Jan. 24. Temperature was -30 degrees. There were no witnesses.

The victim stopped to assist a U of A student with a flat tire on his Volkswagon. The student had no spare. He borrowed the Good Samaritan's promising to return it that same evening.

But with Bondlike disdain he skipped out on the promise.

Now the Good Samaritan, who forgot to get the student's name and licence number, waits for the return of the tire. And wonders whether he is his brothers keeper—or his sucker.

Officials are determined to apprehend the rogue least his 007-like escapades tarnish the image of the university.

The two year integrated plan for District Colleges could prove unacceptable to the students, he said.

Under Dr. Stewart's recommendations, a student would spend his first two undergraduate years in a District College, then proceed on to university. The programs offered by the colleges would provide a terminal point for students not wanting to continue to university, and would offer the first two years towards a baccalaureate.

Extending present three year courses to four years, called for in the report, has merit, said Dr. Johns, since a three year course cannot now adequately cover the material.

But a mandatory two-year stint in District College could backfire, making some professional courses a year longer. Thus, it could take seven years to earn a degree in law.

The main advantage of having a community college is the educational interest it develops in the community, said Dr. Johns. Students in isolated communities do not feel the same desire for higher education as city students, but with a community college their interest is greatly increased.

The Stewart report also recommended using the colleges for adult and extension education courses.

A second campus in Edmonton, probably to be established in the near future, would benefit by being an adjunct to U of A. Edmonton does not have a large enough population to support a second university at present, said Dr. Johns.

Union finances ski-lodge for varsity skiers

The students' union will provide the financial impetus for the development of the Meadow Ridge ski area.

In a motion Monday night council approved a lease-back agreement with the university ski club in which the ski lodge would be purchased from Sterling View Corporation and an 800-foot ski tow constructed by the students' union.

Total cost would be \$4,500, including \$1,000 for the lodge, \$613 for furnishings and \$2,900 for the ski tow.

The \$3,000 the council will invest in the project in addition to a joint grant from UAB and the council will be repaid over time by the club. At some time in the future the ski club will gain the lease to the development.

In the meantime students' council is reserving the right to determine student accessibility to the hill and day rates on the facilities.