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Students seek change in structure of fees

Recommendation arises from med student petition to have their union fees lowered

A recommendation urging a re-organization of the students' union fee structure for all faculties will be presented to students' council Monday.

This recommendation arose from a petition by medicine students to have their fees lowered.

Blaine Hirsche, med representative on council, said he is asking for "a reduction in fees to a state comparable to graduate students for our third and fourth year med students."

Now, grad students pay \$4.50 for associate students' union membership.

He felt the present situation was unfair because med students are at university longer than most students and pay full tuition for a longer period, their tuition fees are higher than most, and in their third and fourth years they work

at the hospitals and seldom use campus facilities.

Hirsche said the Faculties of Dentistry and Law and several council members support the recommendation.

The original petition, and a subsequent motion to send it to the Re-organizational Committee, were unanimously accepted by the students' council.

The committee, under chairman Marilyn Pilkington, arts 4, is studying the petition before action is taken on it by council. If passed by council, it will be presented for a student referendum December 1.

Miss Pilkington said the committee is also considering a complete re-organization of the students' union, itself.

"The students' union is the same as it was when there were 3,000

students. Now that there are 12 or 13,000 students, that kind of structure is no longer adequate," she said.

A recommendation from the committee concerning a structural change in representation and programming of the students' union will be presented to council in January.

PM disappoints Vietnam Action Committee

The U of A Vietnam Action Committee was disappointed last weekend by Prime Minister Pearson.

The UAVAC sent an open letter to Paul Martin, External Affairs Minister Nov. 5 and expected his answer in person at the provincial Liberal convention last weekend.

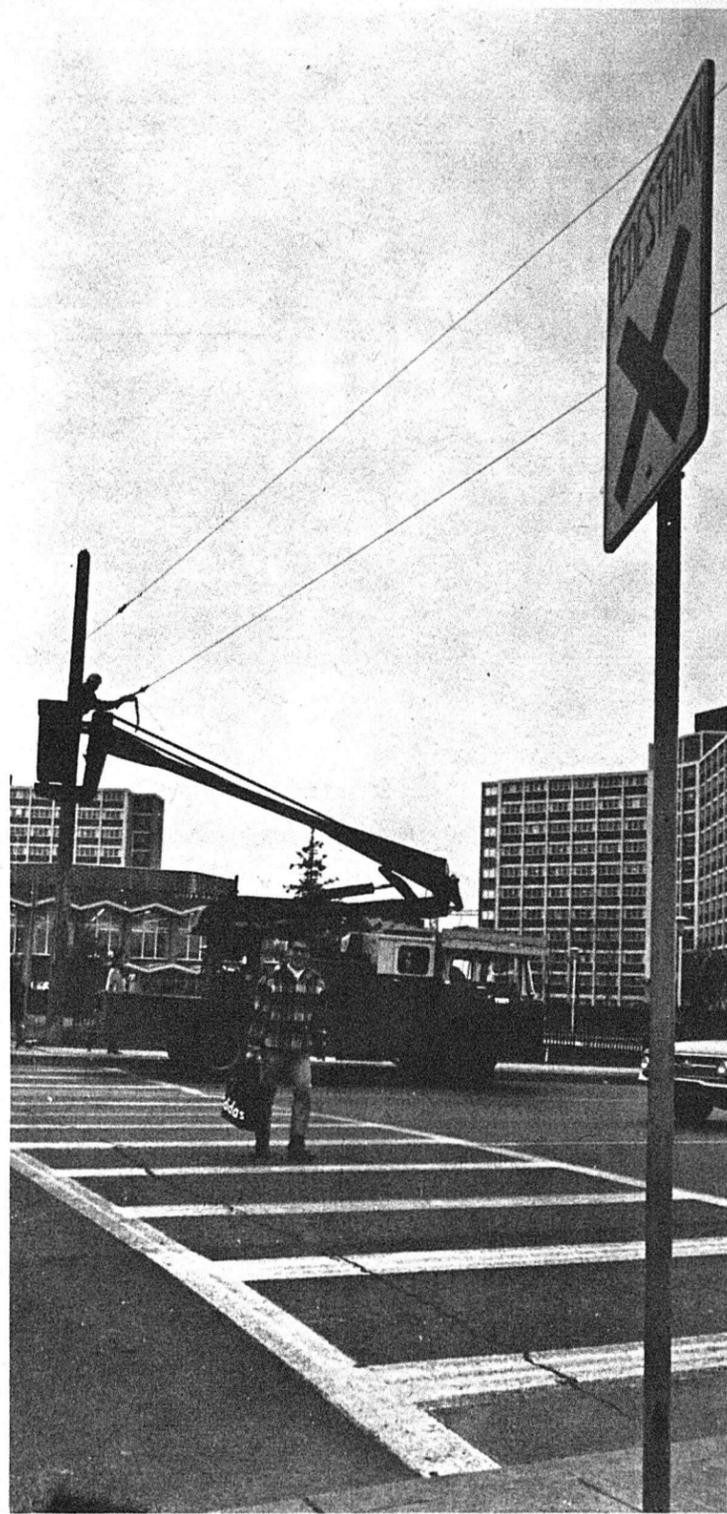
The Prime Minister requested that Mr. Martin and three other cabinet ministers stay in Ottawa in case of a weekend cabinet meeting.

In the open letter the UAVAC challenged the Canadian government to call for withdrawal of non-Vietnamese troops in Vietnam, to stop the sale of war materials to the U.S., to stop biological warfare research in Canada and to cease obstructing the delivery of medical supplies to North Vietnam.

"The only thing we can do now is write Martin and ask for some kind of written answer," said Lloyd Nelson, acting-president of the Committee.

The Committee now intends to send the open letter to the national leaders of all the political parties and explain that Mr. Martin was unable to answer the original letter.

The open letter was endorsed by The Edmonton High School Action Council, The Campus New Democrats and The Young Socialists but was rejected by the Voice of Women.



IT'S LIGHT-UP TIME—Help protect our kiddies, and get lit before driving past the Lister crosswalk. The long awaited street lights, promised for the end of October, are finally up, and hopefully operational. The question still remains, though, if the lights can save lit Listerites from those evil people who so thoughtlessly drive their cars on the streets that Listerites call their own.



—Bob Povaschuk photo

DASHING THROUGH THE SNOW—Or clomping through the gloop? This charming street scene just serves as a reminder that loveable old Edmonton winters are on their way again. Students take heed—the snows are here, and your long winter woolies should be readied for the cold, cold days ahead.

U of A students meet with senate

Students met with the U of A senate for the first time Nov. 9.

Program organizer H. W. Roberts called the meeting a "kind of adult education".

He said the purpose of the discussion groups was to "bring student opinion in contact with members of the senate" and to "discuss the film 'Semester of Discontent' but not to come to any definite conclusions."

The film had previously been shown twice in SUB. Students meeting with the senate were chosen from those attending the first two showings earlier this month.

In the film, officials from uni-

versities such as UCLA, Berkeley, discussed problems of the large university.

The film raised the questions of administrative policy in the "multiversity", the university of the future, the conflicting demands of research and teaching made on professors, teaching techniques and the impersonality of a large campus. These problems were discussed by the senate and the students after the showing.

The 52 persons attending, including 21 students, were divided into seven groups.

The problems of staff-student relationship, it was generally

agreed, were acute in the first and second years.

Dr. Walter H. Johns, president of the university, said, "The staff to student ratio is the same as it was twenty-five years ago" but agreed that staff are now spending more time with graduate students.

Some students felt that any attempt to change a teacher was futile and that the administration treated any complaint on an "either the student goes or the professor goes" basis.

Students' union president Al Anderson posed the academic grievance committee as a solution to this problem.

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