

The Gateway



From the shipyards on the Clyde to the world's stage — Billy Connolly, Scotland's eccentric comedian. Chaos p.12

Cheats beat system

by Rod Campbell

Students are manipulating parking stall application procedures in order to receive preferential treatment, said Graham Bowers, Housing and Transport Commissioner, Friday.

According to Bowers, parking permits are distributed on a nine point scale, with preferential treatment given to the disabled, staff, and students who commute daily from outside metro Edmonton.

An increase of 400 students claiming to live outside the city has led Bowers to speculate that the system is being abused.

"800 students claimed to live out of town last year, this year the numbers have risen to 1200."

Asked if he thought students were providing Parking Services with false information, Bowers said, "I believe that to be the case."

"Apparently students change

their address before coming into Parking Services," he added.

Allan Mah, Parking Services Manager, agreed with Bowers' claims.

"We've checked through our computer linked with the Motor Vehicle Branch at Lendrum and found students changing the address on their vehicle registration the same day they've applied for permits," said Mah.

Parking Services require a drivers licence, vehicle registration, and student ID in order to issue a permit.

Mah said that if the address on all three pieces of ID coincide the permit is issued.

"There's nothing we can do. We cannot say 'you're a liar', even if we damn well know they did it (change addresses)."

According to Bowers the underlying problem is the shortage of Parking p3



Photo Dragos Rutilu

Parking cheats may have you spotted

Policy unaffected by "party"

by Gateway news staff

Friday night's near riot in Garneau Student Residences will not change University of Alberta liquor policies, according to Associate VP for University Relations Dr. D.C. Norwood.

Friday's incident started out as a spontaneous street dance, but eventually involved over 50 police, some in riot gear. The police were responding to complaints about the estimated one thousand party-goers, some of whom were throwing beer bottles and destroying furniture. This was the first serious alcohol related occurrence at the University in seven years, said Norwood.

"We so rarely have a problem. The procedures in place work well," he noted. "We're very happy

with the way we've got things now."

Six people were arrested at the dance. Four were charged with public mischief, while two faced more serious charges.

Arunjit Gill, 22, has been charged with assault with a weapon, causing a disturbance, and possession of an offensive weapon.

Hans Harchen, also 22, has been charged with assault with a weapon and possession of an offensive weapon.

Harchen and Gill plead 'not guilty' in provincial court Monday and have had their hearings scheduled for mid-November.

Gill, when contacted Monday, had no comment.

At least two of the six arrested are

known to be U of A students.

Despite the large police presence, their restraint was praised by Norwood.

"I think the police acted professionally and properly," he said, noting police refrained from action for over an hour before moving against those party-goers who refused to disperse.

Graham Bowers, Students' Union Housing and Transport Commissioner, who repeatedly urged the crowd to go home prior to the police action, agreed. "They showed so much restraint and cooperation... I couldn't believe it."

No decision has been made on university action against students involved in the Garneau incident. Gameau p3

Free snacks, maybe a MAC

by Roberta Franchuk

The Great Apple Giveaway, your chance to win a Macintosh Plus with external disk drive, will be only one of the events featured during Freshman Introduction Week, September 14 to 18 in the Quad.

This annual happening offers new and returning students food, drink and entertainment. In addition, the computer, a gift from Apple Canada to the Students' Union, will be drawn for on Friday.

Beer is selling for \$2 a bottle in the beer gardens, and Students' Council members will be on hand to serve free hamburgers beginning at noon. Eight different bands will be performing live in Quad throughout the week, with shows

starting at 2 p.m. daily.

As well, many clubs will be setting up displays in Quad to publicize their group and attract new members.

The success of Freshman Introduction Week depends on the weather. Warm days generally mean more beer sales and a more profitable event, although if it rains the whole thing will be moved indoors to Dinwoodie Lounge in the Students' Union Building, noted Rick Stedman, SU VP Internal.

"If the weather holds up it'll be great," he added.

Free draw tickets for the computer will be available at the Students' Union Information Booths in HUB, SUB, and CAB, as well as at the beer gardens.

The event is coordinated by the Students' Union with the help of the Interfraternities Council and the Panhellenic Society, the organizations of men's and women's fraternities on campus.

Another record enrollment

"The university is in trouble, real trouble," said U of A President Myer Horowitz, responding to the 1987-88 enrollment increase.

"We were terribly overcrowded last year, and four percent represents about a thousand more students for us. This year we've got fewer resources. I just don't know how we're going to manage."

U of A Registrar Brian J. Silzer added, "We're looking at our ninth consecutive record enrollment. We're up over our projected 1% (enrollment increase), maybe (to) as much as 4%."

The exact size of the enrollment increase is unclear as this year's figures aren't in. As well, "It's difficult to make comparisons (with last year's figures). Students have really learned to use the (telephone registration) system... and are registering earlier," said Silzer.

Official Advanced Education statistics show that U of A enrollment on the December 1st, 1986 audit

by Boris Zvonkovic

The extension of the Light Rail Transit system to the University of Alberta may be delayed, said Leon Root, Assistant Deputy Minister of Transportation, Friday.

Possible cuts to provincial transportation grants, which provide 75 per cent of the funding for construction of the LRT, could affect

the second phase of extension to the University campus.

"There may be a reduced program for upcoming years . . . it (LRT) will probably proceed, but slower," said Root.

The original plan, as set out and funded by both the province and the city, called for an extension of the LRT system from the present Corona Station (107 St. and Jasper Ave.) to a new Government Station (along 109 St. near the Legislature), scheduled to be completed in August of 1989. The line was then to cross the river to a new University Station (underneath 89 Ave. between 112 St. and 114 St.) which was to be completed in August of 1991.

According to Rod Hiese, project manager for the LRT, the first phase of the extension to the Government Station, "is on schedule and within the budget that has been established." Root stated, "there is sufficient funds to extend the LRT from Corona Station to Government Station."

However, the second phase of the extension to the U of A campus has already been pushed back one year to August of 1992 and may be delayed further but the program is not facing cancellation. "It is unlikely that there will be no program, however cuts are a possibility," said Root.

Root further questioned whether the LRT extension to the University is feasible, based on the number of students and staff who presently

use the transit system to get to campus. "How many people come by bus to the University? Last indication was that something like 8000

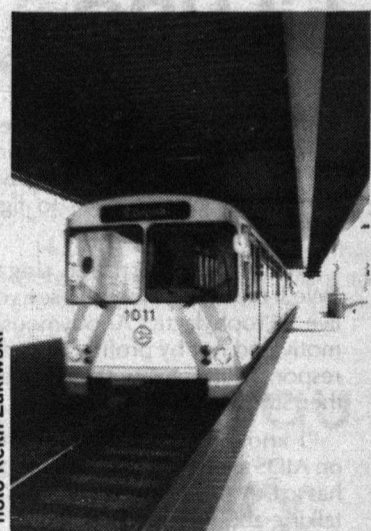


Photo Keith Zukowski

LRT stops before University people come by bus."

Nancy Corscadden, a Transit Studies technician, stated that the latest figures show that approximately 14000 people presently use the bus to travel to and from campus.

Students' Union has already expressed its concern over the situation in the form of a letter from V.P. External, Paul LaGrange, to Provincial Transportation Minister Al Adair. The province acknowledged receiving the letter, but no action has been taken so far.

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Britain's Billy Bragg feels that politics are too important to be left in the hands of politicians.

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Bears come up big

The Golden Bear football team defeated Calgary 32-20 last Saturday, ending the Dino's three-year domination.

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"Bureaucracy is based on a willingness either to pass the buck or spend it."

Mrs. Henry J. Serwat



University President Myer Horowitz

said Silzer. "Increased demand on instructors, classes at capacity. It's reflected in the lineups."