

National Notes

Prepackaged "Disco"

NEW YORK (ZNS-CUP) — The disco industry may soon be rivalling McDonald's and Kentucky Fried Chicken as nationwide dancing franchises equivalent to fast-food chains spring up across the U.S.

The New York Times Magazine has reported that disco has grown from a network of scattered dance halls just a few years ago to an industry currently generating \$4 billion a year — making it as big a business as network television.

And the magazine says this is only the beginning. One disco franchise, known as the "2001 club" is expected to multiply to 150 clubs in the 1980's. At \$35,000 per franchise, that amounts to over \$5 million in income, not including profits from the gross incomes of each club.

Meanwhile, a Honolulu firm specializing in designing discos will team up with a Hong Kong company to build Mainland China's first disco nightclub, in Shanghai.

Representatives of TJ Discos and a Hong Kong firm, C and W Management, will fly to Peking in the near future for two days of negotiations with Chinese officials.

The disco will be operated by the Chinese government's state-owned travel agency.

More differential fees!

HALIFAX (CUP) — Another region of Canada has decided international students should pay more than Canadian students for post-secondary education.

The Nova Scotia government announced Feb. 23 that the Maritime provinces would implement a differential fee structure similar to that in Alberta, Ontario and Quebec.

Nova Scotia will deduct from each university's operating grant \$750 for each international student it has enrolled. General tuition fees are already expected to increase by \$150-\$200 next year in Nova Scotia.

Competency tests discriminate

MADISON, WI (CPS-CUP) — Calling competency testing "racist and discriminatory," minority students at the University of Wisconsin helped defeat a proposal last week that would have required some applicants to take a standardized reading test before being admitted to the university. Only applicants "who are U.S. citizens and have attended schools where English is not the language of instruction" would have had to take the test.

Minority students said the test could effectively bar minority applicants from attending the school, and called instead for freshman-level remedial courses for those students who have language problems. They claimed the proposal, even before it had a chance to become official policy, had already kept some ten Puerto Ricans from being finally accepted.

The Faculty Committee on Academic Affairs of Minority Students rejected the proposal, which had been made by Paul Ginsberg, the Dean of Students. Ginsberg said that admitting students with incomplete language skills would eventually cause the student's academic and emotional harm, while lessening Wisconsin's academic reputation.

Job seminar

Education students interested in getting jobs (those who haven't given up all hope) are invited to meet representatives from the Edmonton Catholic School Board March 14.

Superintendent of Catholic Education in Edmonton Dr Jack Earle and Chairman of the ESC Board of Trustees Mr Joe Donahue will be at Newman Center in St Joseph's College at 7 pm to answer questions concerning hiring policy, course requirements and other topics of concern.

This is your chance to get a job in the city instead of teaching 12 grades in Upper Rubberboot northern district school.

Sports quiz answers

- Larry Doby, Cleveland Indians
- a) hockey b) baseball c) football d) basketball
- They are all retired or active officials in professional sports.
- 1-d, 2-b, 3-e, 4-a, 5-c
- a) Les Binkley - 6 b) Harry Lumley - 13 c) Hal Winkler - 15 d) Doug Favell - 1 e) Don Edwards - 5
- a) Jean Cruguet b) Eddie Arcaro c) Ron Turcotte d) Johnny Loftun
- Rogers Hornsby: .424 for the Cardinals, .387 for the Braves, .380 for the Cubs
- e) Derek Sanderson
- Johnny Bucyk did it 16 times in 22 years while Norm Ullman got his 16, 20-or-more goal seasons in just 19 years. Howe's 22 seasons accomplishing the feat happened consecutively.
- Tommy Aaron recorded a par instead of a birdie on Vicenzo's scorecard thus robbing Vicenzo of a playoff with Bob Goalby, the eventual winner. De Vicenzo won only one major tournament in his career, the 1967 British Open.
- Jerry Lynch (played with Cincinnati and Pittsburgh).

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