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the housing dilemma

The tenders opened last week for the married students housing project turned out to be more than 27 per cent, or \$1,165,000, over the architects' estimates.

So what else is new?

Almost without exception, tenders opened for construction of new buildings on this campus in the past few years have been more than the architects estimated.

Now the architects and the campus housing committee are meeting to investigate and study the bids and plans. Campus planning director J. R. B. Jones has indicated that if no reasonable solution is found, the project may start from scratch—again.

How nice. The bureaucrats will look at the nice plans, then send them back to the nice men in the architects' office, who will then make some more nice plans, and send them back to the bureaucrats, who, if they like the plans, will send them out to the nice construction outfits, asking for tenders for the nice buildings.

But this takes time, and time is of the essence. Another delay of 18 months or so will do nothing for the married students who are tired of waiting for reasonably-priced accommodations relatively close to the university.

If the campus planning committee asks the architects to trim costs, the architects will cut out the luxury items such as soundproof walls and quality finishing and the married students will end up with an

abortion such as the Lister Hall residence complex.

Items such as soundproofing may sound superfluous, but have you ever tried to study when the kid next door is screaming his bloody head off? Items such as these are essential in student housing, and for the reason cited above, especially in married student housing.

If the architects remove these items, the whole project loses something, that something that would otherwise keep the tenancy rate near to 100 per cent. Married students should want to live in the confines of the project, and cutting construction costs by using cheaper quality materials will not induce them to do so.

The project must get off the ground immediately. Start construction now, using the present plans, selecting one of those bids submitted last week.

If the university waits for new plans, the cost of construction will rise again as it has for the past 18 months and bids will again be greater than the estimates.

The university planning committee should get out of this vicious circle now. Get going on some of these projects that have been held up because of high bids.

Waiting for a change in construction costs does not help, as the costs just keep on going up.

Asking architects to trim costs does not help either, as the concept of the building must be changed, or the quality must be reduced.

Get going—the cost will be higher tomorrow.

no changes come overnight

We wish to congratulate Dale Enarson on his recent "success" at the Social Credit convention.

Much of what he said, once the traditional Social Credit propaganda was weeded out, was very intelligent. It is gratifying to know that at least some members of the Social Credit party are able to conceive of a society somewhat more complex than that of 1935.

However, Mr. Enarson must beware lest the recent national publicity he has received goes to his head.

Newspapermen often are more acute listeners at political conventions than are politicians. Those of

us who have attended political conventions are aware of the attitudes of "the pros". They pat us on the head, tell us how glad they are to see "the youth", and then ignore us when we present our ideas.

Mr. Enarson, therefore, should not expect to change the Social Credit party overnight. In fact, Mr. Enarson's audience sounds suspiciously like the regular convention-goers, who may be locally known, but certainly do not wield influence in the party.

We applaud Mr. Enarson's noble efforts to reform Social Credit, but we feel he would be more successful if he joined another political party.



"maybe we put too much faith in paperwork"

richard vivone

the university should care

There is a sad tale told that the Eastern Canadian cities are not as friendly as those in the west. They say a person could die on a street corner in Montreal and people would simply step over the corpse. Maybe even take the effort to rudely kick it off the sidewalk.

Yes, my friend told me, they are not a philanthropic lot down there. They even fight over college hockey players. Can you imagine such a sin?

Well Ed Enos, athletic director of Loyola University of Montreal can imagine it. Some of his hockey players saw the almighty dollar flashed before them and they grabbed at it. The players left the Loyola campus and accepted the money.

But Enos is a scrapper. Throw a fight his way and he will not back-pedal. He just spits in the old mitts and invites all comers.

Mr. Enos feels his students should do their hockey playing in a Loyola uniform.

So when three of his players handed in their gear and suited up with a local squad that offered greenbacks, Ed saw red. But he didn't only do that, he did something positive—he took action.

The three players were told to either quit the local team or not play at all.

"This is not an athletic department ruling," explained Enos. "It's purely a matter of academics. According to the Dean's office, the school put this rule in several years ago to ensure a boy's academic development. Anything that would jeopardize this development is taboo."

"There is no selfishness on our part about this," he said. "In fact we are being quite liberal. Our ruling doesn't specify that the boy has to play for the school. It only states that while

he attends Loyola he cannot play for an outside team. If a boy wants to play for an outside team that badly, he can always decide to pull out of Loyola and go elsewhere."

Enos further more pointed out that each student is made aware of the ruling in the fall hockey meeting and when he enrolls.

Art Kennedy, general manager of the local team in Montreal doesn't see it that way.

"The school must be bluffing. I don't see how they can make a boy leave college just because he wants to play junior hockey. What a student does in his spare time is none of the school's business. It's a lot of baloney."

One of the boys took Enos at his word and returned to school and the hockey team. Two games later, the player told Floyd Curry of the Montreal junior Canadiens that he never knew hockey could be so much fun.

A little further researching brought the problem closer to home. The University of Manitoba has a reserve clause in their student calendar.

It reads: "No student eligible to compete in any intercollegiate contest shall represent a non-college club or organization during the college term unless released by the members of the WCIAA concerned; but this shall not be interpreted to prevent a student from representing a non-college club during the long vacation."

You can debate long and hard about whether or not personal rights are involved; whether the rules violate the democratic principles of freedom and so on.

But the hint is overpowering. Some universities care what their students do. They do east of Alberta, anyway.