

Campbell chosen for Vanier honor Writer wins award

The U of A's writer in residence has been chosen as one of the outstanding young Canadians for 1979.

Maria Campbell received the George P. Vanier award for 1979 along with Frank Augustyne, Otto Jelinek and

Claude St. Jean.

The Vanier awards, sponsored by the Canada Jaycees and Rothmans of Canada, are presented to young Canadians who have made outstanding contributions in their particular field.

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"The results are part of an overall study of student housing at the university," he said. "Until they are presented to the Board of Governors, I cannot release them."

Poole said the larger housing survey would probably be released before the end of the winter term.

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Bank robbed to pay tuition

MONTREAL (CUP) — Some people joke that you need to rob a bank to pay tuition fees these days.

But at McGill University Feb. 18 two armed men took the joke one step further when they robbed the administration cashier's office of \$50,000.

Although no one really believes it was a cutbacks caper, police do suspect an "inside job."

"It appears that the job was committed by people who certainly knew how the building operated, that doesn't necessarily mean either McGill students or workers were involved," said Sam Kingdon, director of physical resources at the university.

Detective-sergeant Jean-Guy Ladouceur said the thieves took \$5,000 in cash and \$45,000 in cheques.

"They knew where to go, and what to look for and they knew the premises very well," said Ladouceur.

SCREW the walkout

WINDSOR (CUP) — While negotiations continue to ward off a strike by University of Windsor faculty, the students union has organized a card campaign against any walkout.

The campaign, called "students concerns regarding education at Windsor" (SCREW) consists of cards addressed to both sides in the contract dispute.

"SCREW is a funny word," said students' administrative council president Doug Smith, "but in these instances it's always the students who get screwed. Now we're going to put the screw to them."

Three thousand cards will be sent. They read: "I, the undersigned, wish to register my concern with the faculty and the administration over the possibility of a strike action which may interfere with my university education. While I realize the root cause of the problem is provincial underfunding, a strike will only serve to broaden existing differences on campus and create new ones."

"It takes no effort to simply sign the card," Smith said. "The statement is there and I can't fathom any reservations about signing it. We were going to ask that all students write a four to five line letter, but that probably would have gotten only a one per cent response."

Smith described SCEW's position as neutral. "We're not taking sides, and we don't see the faculty and administration as separate. Both are responsible."

The SCREW campaign, which will consist of buttons, was endorsed by the SAC executive.

Ottawa students boycott classes

OTTAWA (CUP) — Close to 1,000 University of Ottawa students boycotted their classes Thursday to protest Ontario tuition fee increases.

The action is the third at the U of O since the Conservative provincial government introduced a mandatory 7.5 per cent and an optional up to 10 per cent tuition hike for 1980-81.

Thirty students occupied the registrar's office for a day on Jan. 22 and on Feb. 6 hundreds of social science students boycotted classes to protest the fee increases, which they say will further limit accessibility to post-secondary education.

Students from the communications and psychology departments boycotted classes Thursday after voting at general meetings to approve the plan. Student protestors gathered in the morning to organize picket lines outside of classes to encourage other students to join the boycott.

The students pointed out that while tuition is going up a minimum of 7.5 per cent, student aid funding will rise only 4.4 per cent.

U of O students have vowed to continue protesting the fee hike throughout the spring.

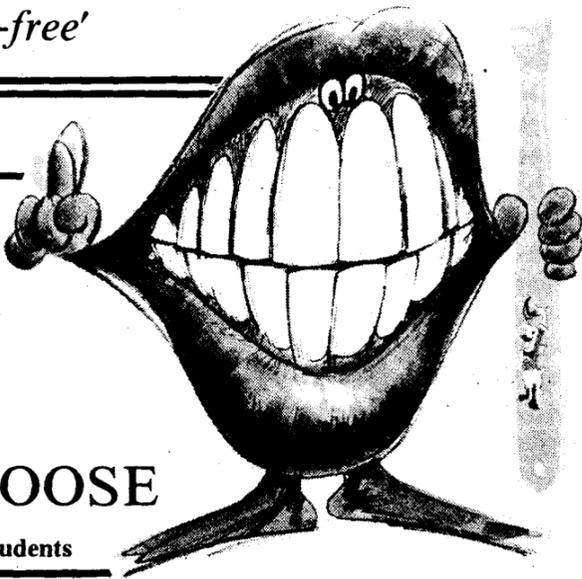
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