

**IT'S THE WORLD'S GREATEST GAME
(AND IT SURE AIN'T FOOTBALL.)**

starring
**BURT REYNOLDS · KRIS KRISTOFFERSON
JILL CLAYBURGH**
"SEMI-TOUGH"

ROBERT PRESTON as Big Ed Bookman Screenplay by WALTER BERNSTEIN
Based upon a novel by BAN JERKIN Produced by DAVID MERRICK Directed by MICHAEL RITCHEY
United Artists

SUNDAY, MARCH 18 Restricted Adult
7:00 PM and 9:30 PM

THE MYSTERY-COMEDY THAT TASTES
AS GOOD AS IT LOOKS

**WHO IS KILLING
THE GREAT CHEFS
OF EUROPE?**
A Delicious Mystery

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7:00 PM and 9:30 PM

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UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA EDMONTON 7
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**CINEMA
SUB THEATRE
CONCERTS**

Don McLean

IN CONCERT
Monday
April 2, 7 pm.
Dinwoodie Ballroom
Student Union Bldg
U of Alberta
INFORMATION:
432-4764
Tickets at:
Students Union Box
Office, all Woodward's
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a student union presentation

★ "And I Love You So"
★ "Vincent"

BACKGROUND

Have we been spitting in the wind ?

by Brian Mason

Students and academics were rudely awakened in September 1975 by the provincial treasurer's announcement of an 11% ceiling on 76-77 government grants to colleges and universities. Most people just wanted to roll over and go back to sleep but the next year it was reduced to 10% and last year to 8.25%.

Last March 15, 5,000 fully-awakened students and profs marched to the legislature to demand answers. They got none.

And then, strangely enough, everyone just sort of stopped fighting. It was expected during exams and the summer, but everyone had big plans for the fall.

It didn't work out, however. Many campuses didn't pick up where they had left off. Those that did had limited success. The U of A's COTIAC held another march which flopped. The U of C's "day of education" was more successful but hardly earthshaking.

What was wrong? Had cutbacks gone away? Didn't students care anymore?

Well, cutbacks didn't go away. At campus after campus,

"Cutbacks are more than a bad dream that won't go away. Eventually, the government has to wake up and listen"

the effects are the same. Prices and fees go up, staff and courses are cut, libraries deteriorate, equipment is not replaced, quotas are imposed.

The effects are now being felt by students throughout the province. At Lethbridge Community College the daycare centre has been lost. At SAIT, food services don't meet demand. At the U of A the library has had to cut periodical subscriptions by 2000 and reduce hours. These are just a few examples of a very widespread problem.

Despite the evident lack of interest, students *do* care. Many, just don't think there's anything they can do that will be effective. The massive disinterest of the provincial government in education seems to demoralize many students, who would otherwise be active.

However, the Grantham report, which recommends large

tuition increases and the provincial election seems to have rekindled some interest.

The failure of the government to come through with new provincial student aid or its delay in announcing university grants until after election have angered many students.

The idea of taking students' case to the taxpayer catching on. A petition, organized by students, but taken out in the community as well, seems to be a positive step forward.

Already campaigns are underway in Lethbridge, Calgary, Olds and Grande Prairie. Edmonton, COTIAC is gearing up. The three opposition leaders have already signed the petition. Many other community leaders are expected to follow.

Even a government with a huge mandate has to listen sooner or later.

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