

Canadian University Press DATELINE

McGill Course Guide 'useful'

MONTREAL—The first course evaluation undertaken at McGill has had a marked effect on campus and is viewed as a useful and important contribution by student and professor alike.

This was the overall impression given by undergraduates and their teachers after one week of classes when contacted about the Course Guide.

Published by the Arts and Science Undergraduate's Society, the book carried critiques of third and fourth-year courses. Professors, texts and general course structure are dealt with.

Most students questioned about the Guide said it formed part of their choice of courses this year. Some felt it was incomplete and criticized various points, but agreed that it should be continued in the future.

The use of selected student comments in the book met with criticism of both students and professors, some calling it "slandorous". Others felt the unfavorable points of courses were over-emphasized.

An English professor termed the work "a breakthrough in student-professor relations".

The book is based on surveys conducted in third and fourth-year classes last spring. Some 4,000 students in more than 100 courses filled in a questionnaire which included both IBM and written responses.

Dalhousie quits WUSC

HALIFAX—Amid charges that World University Service of Canada is "in grown" and "financially irresponsible", Dalhousie University students dropped their WUSC ties.

The withdrawal, to be for a one-year trial period, came after a two-hour debate in which Dalhousie students' council president John Young said his university had attempted to introduce reform measures at recent national WUSC conferences, but all efforts had been frustrated.

He said the pullout was made necessary by "irresponsible" financial dealings of the national WUS office in Toronto. WUSC is ingrown, he charged, and spends most of its money on "housekeeping".

Dalhousie WUSC chairman Brendon Yazer opposed the motion saying it would be a "negative move" to withdraw. He asked council to send a delegate to this week's national assembly in Windsor in "one last attempt" to bring about reform.

His door is open

VANCOUVER—University of British Columbia president Dr. John Macdonald has announced he is opening his door to students—on a limited basis.

Outlining schemes by which he intended to improve student-administration contact at UBC, Dr. Macdonald said last week he will spend one day a month in his office talking with students. No appointments will be necessary, but the president has warned students to restrict themselves to "important matters".

Another measure to be introduced at UBC this year will be a student liaison committee headed by Dr. Macdonald himself. This committee will meet the Alma Mater Society council several times a year.

New library planned

GUELPH—A new library planned for the University of Guelph is to be ready for 1968.

The new library will be built in two stages. The first phase should be adequate for the university's needs until 1975. This first stage will be a complete unit both in appearance and in function, and the second stage can be built later with minimum disruption to library operations.

The library is designed to house a million volumes in its final form. This will produce a collection of average size for a university of 15,000 students, the expected enrolment in Guelph in 1980.

President assaulted

KINGSTON—A group of unidentified youths beat and robbed the principal of Queen's University while he was walking across his own campus.

Dr. J. A. Corry was reported recovering in Kingston hospital following the attack.

A university spokesman said the youths knocked the principal to the ground, cut his face and removed \$30 from his wallet before leaving it beside him.

Because of the darkness, Dr. Corry said he was unable to say how many youths were involved but their voices sounded like those of teenagers, he told police.

The principal was able to walk home and call the police after the attack. He was later taken to hospital for treatment of his injuries.



—Neil Driscoll photo

BEAUTY AND THE GRONK—Our old buddy Gronk has returned home, and with a friend, Playmate Kelly Burke. Seen together at the recent opening of a local clothing store, they made a striking couple. Both maintain, however, that they are just "friends".

Students may expect to receive grant and loan payments soon

Students who applied early for financial assistance can expect payment soon.

Inequalities in union fees to be examined

Complaints of the inequalities resulting from a flat-rate students' union fee are to be given official examination.

Acting under authorization of the executive of students' council, Branny Schepanovich, students' union president, has appointed John Maher, law 3, and Bob Roddick, law 3 to a new membership commission.

The commission is to look into and report on the question of students' union membership and fees, associate union membership, fee structure, and specific problems.

Investigation will begin immediately. The results and recommendations arising from the study are to be submitted to the re-organization committee of the students' union. This committee will report to the students' council which will make final decisions.

R. B. Wishart, Administrator of Student Awards, told The Gateway late applicants may have to wait until December or longer for payment.

The Students' Awards Office began processing requests from undergraduate students for assistance July 1.

Applications, once approved, are sent to the Students' Assistance Board, Department of Education. After the request is again approved, the student should receive official notification. The student should know well in advance of registration the extent and nature (grant or loan) of his assistance.

First year students apply directly to the Student Assistance Board

since their matriculation marks are held there.

N assistance is given until the student has registered.

TWO-WEEK TIE UP

All payment is made through the Student Assistance Board. Two or three weeks are generally required for this final step.

The tie-up, Mr. Wishart suggested, is due to the shortage of staff and space in the SAB offices.

Students who have been certified by the registrar, however, may obtain a loan as soon as two days after registration.

During the 1965-66 session, approximately \$2½ million in financial assistance was approved by Mr. Wishart for a total of approximately 4,000 students.

NDP wants more action

"Political parties on the U of A campus must play a much larger role in student politics and student affairs."

Roy Solowiejko, law 1, was speaking after his election as president of the Campus New Democrats at their organizational meeting Oct. 4.

Forty-five members attended the meeting.

The Campus New Democrats intend to hold meetings every two weeks as part of a year-long educational program. They will publish a "Campus Democrat" for distribution every two weeks.

Ken Novakowski was elected Campus New Democrats' Model Parliament leader.

Novakowski is a political science graduate and president of the Alberta Young New Democrats.