## Assistance given freshman seminar program

Students' council approved in principle a grant of \$500 to the freshman orientation seminars to be held this spring and summer at its last regular meeting in December.

Co-ordinator Glenn Sinclair was appointed director of the program which will include 16 student seminars and four parent seminars. Sinclair said he hopes to bring in 1,000 students and parents through

the program

A \$500 grant and a \$250 loan was awarded to the sky diving club to buy equipment for its members.

Secretary-treasurer Al Anderson said the move was a "dangerous precedent," as council has to draw the line somewhere between those activities it should support and those it should not. He said he felt it should not support the sky

diving club

SUB planning commission chairman Ed Monsma announced almost \$90,000 of chairs and desks have been ordered for the new building.

Still in abeyance with regard to the new SUB are access and parking problems, he told council in his report. He said he was awaiting a communique from the campus development office before he could do anything further. Monsma said apathy regarding the new building is a large problem as there has been little planning in programing after the move across the street.

"Clubs and organizations have been requested to look at the new facilities in relation to their activities," but unless something is done, "we'll be going into the new building with this old building attitude," he said.

Second Century Week still has a deficit, although it has been reduced to \$9,000, SCW director Dave Estrin told council.

"There is no reason to doubt the deficit will be made up, though."

In his report, Estrin told council he did not plan to get the campus roused about SCW until after

He said SCW was in the process of placing advertisements in French-Canadian student newspapers to attract French-speaking delegates to the event. As a supplement, he said, professors at these universities are being asked to pick out their best students and give them application forms for SCW. From these, the official delegate will be chosen.

Sinclair and law rep Blaine Thacker were appointed official delegates to the organizational meeting of the Alberta Students Society, to be held at the University of Calgary Jan. 14. Owen Anderson will attend as an observer.

Students' council gave a \$250 grant to the administration to aid in setting up the phys ed building for use on Sundays. This is not to be regarded as a precedent, said president Branny Schepanovich; it is just to help the project get rolling.

The first 30 minutes of each council meeting has been designated as a question period for student inquiries and suggestions.

Thacker suggested the change after a committee of the whole meeting of council Dec. 5.

Another motion by Thacker calling for two council members and a member of the executive to be available one hour a week to answer student questions, grievances and suggestions was tabled.

As the meeting adjourned Schepanovich said he "would like to wish everyone here a happy holiday."

Science rep Dave Comba piped up from the back: "You can't do that—it would set a dangerous precedent."

Next council meeting is Jan. 16.

#### A GOOD FRONT

GUNN (GNS)—Every modern miss is determined to put up a good front or bust, said Gunn Neurological University president I. M. Familiar.

# 'Fraternities are all right--but not as neighbours'

"The city planning commission failed to consult the residents involved when they zoned fraternities for this area."

This is one of the reasons Dr. W. E. Harris of the chemistry department presented in a brief to city council two weeks ago on the issue of zoning the area from 111 St. to 110 St. and 85 Ave. to 87 Ave. for cooperative housing and fraternities.

Dr. Harris stressed although he did not want to say anything derogatory about fraternities, he did not feel they were compatible with a residential district.

"Their objectives and outlook are completely different—city planning states this and I agree."

He also said the planning commission has made an error in judgment. Fraternity membership has been decreasing in proportion to the total campus population in the last 20 years and they assumed it would go on an upswing. They could be wrong."

### **OVER-EMPHASIS**

Meanwhile, Barry Snowden, vice-president of the interfraternity council said the question of fraternities was being over-emphasized.

"The fraternities come under the same classifica-

tion as co-operative housing. I don't see it being in two parts. I believe other groups such as Club Internationale and La Maison Franco-Canadienne could also come in."

Dr. Harris stated, "At the moment I think it is a fraternity question. Zoning for co-op housing is premature, according to what I have read in The Gateway."

He was referring to an Oct. 5 story in Casserole in which Glenn Sinclair, co-ordinator of student activities called for student council to "investigate the concept of co-op housing more thoroughly with the possibility of running a trial house for half a year."

But Dr. Harris was very sympathetic with the desire of the fraternities to stay close to campus.

"I asked them to work with us to work out a com-

promise solution. As it stands now, one or the other of us is going to get hurt. I don't want this to happen."

Dr. Harris is a resident of the area in dispute. He

said he is not sure what he would do if the zoning were carried out as he likes the district very much, since it is very available to the campus.

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City council has deferred the zoning by-law for further study.

# Freedom has priority over democracy, argues poli sci head, Christian Bay

"Civil disobedience is essential for the liberation of the individual as a political citizen—as a man and as a sharer of the burdens and benefits of politics."

## Structure

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paper requires rather than the previous per-capita levy system. The new system enables CUP to increase its national budget from \$11,700 in 1966-67 to \$22,200 next year.

Part of the increased expenditure will go to a larger national office, providing more complete service to member papers.

One member of the national office will be a field secretary, who will visit universities across the country and help newspapers solve some of their problems.

The national office is now em-

The national office is now empowered to investigate the possibilities of a national advertising co-operative.

co-operative.

"We hope we can make national advertisers aware of the lucrative and hitherto untapped market in Canadian universities and colleges." said Sellar.

Member papers will have a chance to examine the details of the scheme this spring, and its fate will be decided in a referendum slated for March 1, 1967.

By increasing the advertising revenue of smaller papers, and hopefully giving them the money to improve their quality, it is hoped the university market will thereby be more attractive, and thus benefit all CUP member newspapers.

Professor Christian Bay of the poli sci dept., addressing a joint meeting of the university's Philosophical Society and the Humanities Association, Dec. 15, spoke on "Civil Disobedience — Prerequisite for Democracy."

His talk was based on two main points: first, that the value of freedom should take priority over the value of democracy as an aim; second, that there is an increasing gap between current realities and the classical aims of democracy.

On this basis he argued the expansion of the role of civil disobedience would, if anything could, turn the trend.

"We might then hope to move to-

ward, rather than away from, democracy," he said.

A native of Norway, Dr. Bay has taught at the University of Oslo, Michigan State University, the University of California, Berkeley, and Stanford University. He joined the U of A as head of the poli sci dept. in 1966.

### JUDO TEAM

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