My friend has been here four years taking Medicine;

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he still isn't well.

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# UofA "ivory tower" soon to be crumbled

by Greg Neiman

Discoveries of a Senate Task Force on the extension function of the U of A point out that public opinion is that the university "does not operate in a vacuum; it is a part of and a great influence on its environment."

As a result of the report, a motion was passed that the U of A should make a campus-wide commitment to the development of its role as a major community resource and service to the people of Alberta and should have a status comparable to the traditional teaching and research activities of the University.

The report is simultaneous to a resolution now before GFC to transform the Department of Extension into a faculty, and with President Gunning's convocation speech where he emphasized the University's role in society as an implementor of social and technological change.

Discussion against the motion was that if the Extension function was viewed as equal to teaching and research, many professors would have to seriously cut back their time devoted to these items.

Dr. R.J. Buck, Classics professor, said his time was already well regulated by the traditional teaching functions, and to work in the extension function "I would have to cut back myprofessional duties.'

Dean Baldwin, Faculty of Arts, agreed with him, adding that if the proposed Faculty of Extension were to be created, the university would have to hire more instructors to help cope with the greatly increased workload that would occur.

Members of the Task Force argued that society presently has a very uninformed view of

university functions, created by a presently poor method of university outreach.

They also added that they believed it is time the university took steps to dispell the "ivory tower" concept which has been flourishing for years in the mind of the general public.

President Gunning assured opposition that should the department become a faculty, it would be able to compete for

funds on the same scale as the other faculties, and would necessitate the hiring of more personnel.

Discussion also arose questioning the proposed faculty's right to award degrees.

Dr. Gunning said although it was unusual for a faculty not to give degrees, the Extension Faculty would continue to award only diplomas for its courses.

It was generally agreed that the U of A constitutes a great resource of information and personnel that should be available to the general public.

Senate also accepted the report's statements that the public is interested in the resources the university has to offer, and increased emphasis on extension would change the public's view on how the university operates.

#### Public eager to learn quota plan

The open meeting of the Senate held in the Jubilee Auditiorium last Friday produced a great deal of interest and debate from public members as well as

The subject of discussion was a Senate Task Force report on the problem of quotas in this university.

There it was reaffirmed that our campus size will not go higher than 24 thousand students, and it was denied by Dr. Henry Kreisel that the U of A administration was planning for enrolment to reach 30 thousand, as was reported in Gateway earlier.

Dean Bladwin of the Faculty of Arts clarified the discrepancy by mentioning that the long range plan of the U of A is set up to accommodate 30 thousand students, but present plans for buildings will not go higher than for 24 thousand.

After that, discussion centered on the philosophies of enrolment limitations, why we have them, who establishes them, how they can be fairly dealt with, and how the public can be assured enrolment applications are justly dealt

Harold MacNeil, Task Force chairman, restated his earlier comments that the public did not know how the university operated in this and other areas. and was therefore suspicious when administrators decided enrolment procedures.

It was also noted by one Senate member, that it was not desirable for one institution to grow too large, thus requiring some students to travel long distances to study when an increased emphasis on expanding

smaller ones could alleviate this. The speaker mentioned that many public members feel the U of A is actually the U of Edmonton, and a "student graduating from Ross Sheppard has a better chance of enrolling here than one from Gopher

> "Many students make their continued on page 2

### B of G - capitalists?

by Greg Neiman

The Board of Governors will likely receive a report from the North Garneau Management Committee (NGMC) with reference to the possibility of increasing rents in the area, at its meeting to be held December

NGMC cannot form policy, its jurisdiction being the gathering of information for Board consideration.

The report contains the findings of a study involving the rentability of houses that have undergone renovation in the community.

Three consultants from Melton Real Estate went through four renovated houses in North Garneau and made suggestions as to what the rent for these houses would be on the open market.

Present unit rents average out to \$43 dollars per month per unit, the number of units depending on the number of bedrooms in each house.

According to the Melton study, unit rates would average out to just over \$60 on renovated houses.

Bryan Post, member of NGMC, and resident of North Garneau, said at a Committee meeting last Tuesday, that many residents are opposed to any increase in rent.

He said residents felt the university was "going into the housing business", and that changing the rents would affect

the community spirit now prevalent in the area, because a different class of students would be living there, one who could afford to pay the increased

"Some students are barely cutting it as far as finances go, and a rent increase would force continued on page 2

#### Council can still dole out the bread

A total of \$3248 was granted to nine different campus organizations by Council at its meeting last Monday to augment their individual budgets for the pursuance of their various activities.

Grants were made on the basis of membership, aims, and service to students on campus.

Funds were given out as

The Grey Cup washed

up on the Montreal

follows:

On the recommendation of Administration Board: House Ec Club - \$80; Recreation Students Club - \$500; Riding and Rodeo Club - \$150.

On the recommendation of Academic Affairs Board: Medical Lab Undergraduate

Society - \$370; Library Science Student Council - \$336; Nursing

Undergraduate Society - \$325; Law Club - \$712: Engineering Students Society - \$475; Dentistry Undergraduate Society - \$300.

Other clubs and organizations have previously been granted funds, and this particular meeting does not represent the entire amount of money Council has given out.

## **Gateway**

All Gateway staff members and all interested persons are invited to attend a general staff meeting to be held Wednesday. November 27 at 4:00 p.m. in the Gateway offices. (282 SUB)

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the possibility of a staff party, the final Gateway budget, the promotion

