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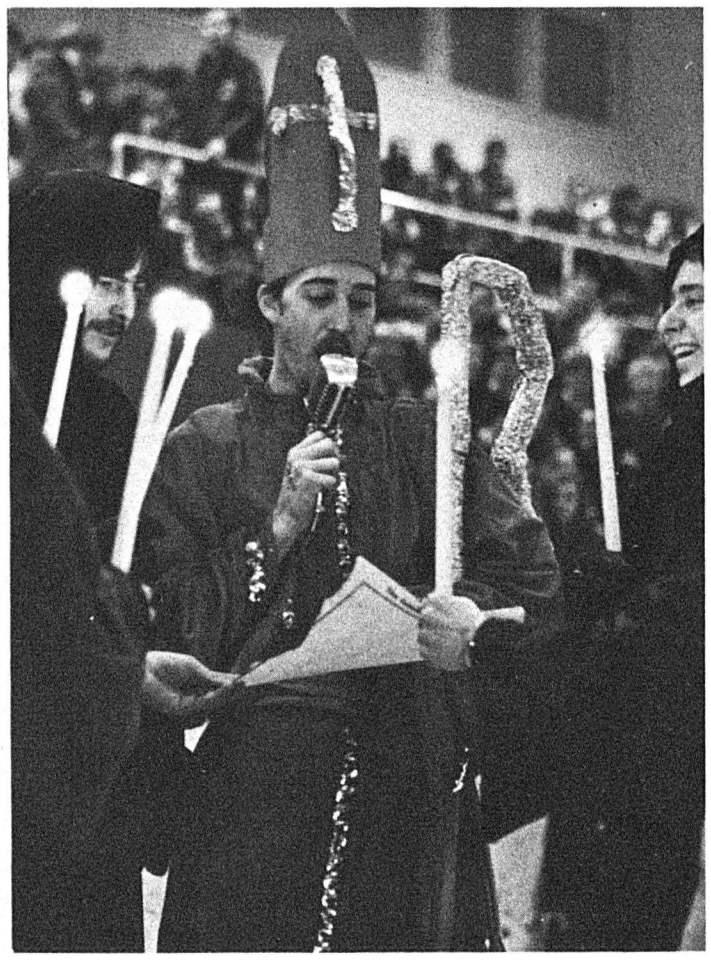

—Erich Seemann photo

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PREACHING THE GATEWAY GOSPEL, Ron Sween along with his disciples proclaims everyone interdict. For the second year in a row The Gateway vanquished all opponents in winning the costume prize, which meant a trophy and 20 beautiful dollars. This, of course, was immediately spent in joyous celebrating at the Figi residence. Although we made a valiant effort at winning the race (we actually finished this year) we must concede that the Theta Chi team was the better. For their supreme efforts they received a trophy and $100. Kappa Alpha Theta, won the ladies' race along with $75 and a trophy to decorate their frat house. Last but last the Delta Upsilon charges won the boobv prize for the worst time in the Phi Kappa Pi Great Bathtub Race.

Soc. course content challenged

MONTREAL (CUP) — Approximately 100 sociology students staged an hour-long seminar and confrontation on the seventh floor of McGill University's Leacock Building Friday in the first round of a campaign of guerrilla tactics to underline student grievances over course content and departmental government.

The move followed a decision taken at a general meeting Friday, to bypass class boycotts or occupations, tactics students felt would be defeated.

During the action, students sat down in the seventh floor hallway and held a discussion on the textbook used in the introductory course.

They demanded that passing professors—sociology department offices are on the floor—explain the nature of the research they were conducting and the way in which they rate their courses.

They challenged Prof. Willian Westley on several studies discussed in the introductory course, including one aimed at better integration of soldiers into the Canadian army during the Korean war.

Discussion was interrupted twice for performances by the Red Star Chickenshit Brigade, a group of sociology students which has staged guerrilla theatre in several classes.

Elevators leading to the floor were blocked by the seated students but passengers were directed to stairway routes to their destinations.

The SSU is planning more surprise actions in future weeks, including in-class confrontations and expansion of Chickenshit Brigade appearances.

Students will be asked to vote Friday on a position paper declaring the SSU stand on negotiations for student representation in the department.

"We're not playing the numbers game anymore," said a member of the union in reference to the battle students have waged for several years for parity representation on departmental committees concerned with curriculum and hiring and firing of professors.

Last year, sociology students and faculty set up a departmental "caucus" with each group equally represented—decisions were to be made by consensus.

Students withdrew from the caucus January 12 after faculty unilaterally dissolved the body and then attempted to reconstitute it without consulting the students.

The group could not get together on the question of hiring of new professors—the most important reason students saw for their presence.

A meeting January 16 decided to return students to the caucus to negotiate a new form of departmental government. Student representatives were instructed not to discuss department business or debate faculty-student ratios.

"There's no point in fighting for democratization," one student said on the seventh floor Friday.

"They (faculty) may have all the power, but we have the real power, the power of the people, behind us."

Council takes referenda stands

By Dan Jamieson

Councillors took a stand on the issues going before U of A students in Wednesday's referenda at their meeting last night.

The questions of lowering the drinking and voting ages, the legalization of marijuana, and tenure came before council in order that councillors could let their personal views be known before the referenda were held.

All of the questions were passed with healthy margins, the closest vote being 13-1 with 11 abstentions on the marijuana question.

Council may buy an AMX tank to decorate the SUB if the price is right.

A motion put forward by Brian McLoughlin, ed rep, suggested that an AMX tank would be in keeping with the art work in the present SUB, and would be a fitting fixture for the expanded SUB.

The motion was tabled, however, until Mr. McLoughlin could find information on the price of such a machine.

It was comedian night in council chambers, Monday, as a resolution to legalize prostitution was also brought to the floor.

The motion was followed by much laughter and merriment, in spite of the serious intentions of the movers. The whole matter was finally withdrawn from council by a disappointed pair of councillors.

Jeff Caskenette was also disappointed in his efforts to get council to take a stand on the war in Vietnam.

Mr. Caskenette's motion called on council to castigate the American and Canadian governments for their involvement in the war, but it was greeted with derision by other members of council. The question was finally tabled.

ASA Notice

ASA will hold its regular meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 in the Arts Lounge. The agenda is:

- Report from Election Committee
- Report from Forum Committee
- Report on English Course Committee
- Discussion of $200 grant to Geography Students' Association.

If you have anything you would like to bring up, please attend this meeting.

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"Combining the best of the 'hip' and classical worlds" young Edmonton conductor, TED KARDASH, conducts the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, Wednesday, February 4, 8:00 p.m. Tickets at the Bay and at the door: Students 2.50, 2.00, 1.50, 1.00

Some people think a symphony orchestra is phony (black gowns, uptight musicians, "intellectual" music). Maybe they're right. Maybe it's all in the presentation.
On Wednesday, February 4, I will be conducting the Edmonton Symphony in a Mid-Week Series Concert. I would like you to come and see something a little different. You might dig it.
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OFFICIAL STUDENTS' UNION NOTICE

A referendum will be held February 4, 1970 dealing with the following subjects:

(1) **Tenure**
(2) **Voting Age**
(3) **Drinking Age**
(4) **Legalization of Marijuana**

Only full members of the Students' Union will be allowed to vote.

Derek Bulmer
Returning Officer