

# Bill Miller appointed new Gateway editor

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Gateway Editor-in-Chief

William E. A. Miller, 20, arts one and one-fifth, will ascend next fall to the Sun King's throne, following his appointment to the editorship of The Gateway by an awed students' council.

The lone applicant for the swivel throne in 209B, students' union building, Mr. Miller successfully demonstrated to council that he is well-suited to running the Fourth Estate at U of A next year.

Like all Gateway editors since the paper's inception in 1910, Mr. Miller committed himself to doing nothing but the best . . . for a salary of approximately \$300 per month.

The new editor, the fourth Gateway boss in five years to have had rude beginnings in hill country, will also be the first to receive a salary in exchange for sage editorial advice.

Backing up this advice next year will be a professional journalism career spanning three and a half

years, plus experience running a high school paper which was seized once by administration officials.

He embarked upon his journalism career in his home town of Trail, B.C. on that place's answer to the London Daily Mirror: The Trail Daily Times.

As a reporter at The Times, Mr. Miller was almost killed once at an air show; ran second in a stock-car race; alienated school board trustees by suggesting in a story that they hire elephants instead of teachers because elephants cause less damage to floors than teachers' high heels, and once, before he joined the ranks of the published, shocked his parents with a story on John Diefenbaker's appearance with a harem of Sons of Freedom Doukabor women, who readily revealed the bare facts to the then PM and a large number of newspapermen.

Such initiative soon earned Mr. Miller a handsome promotion.

To the women's pages of the same Trail Daily Times, as, you guessed it, editor.

At the same time, the blond women's editor was handling the jobs of sports editor, news editor and telegraph editor at the paper.

But Mr. Miller's success story does not end at the women's desk of the Trail Daily Times. From this position of authority, the diminutive (5 feet 6 inches), but thick-chested (measurement available on request) young man moved to The Gateway.

During his first year in Edmonton, Mr. Miller impressed staffers with his excellence in the intricacies of page layout considerably more than he impressed his professors.

Hence the arts one and one-fifth behind his name.

And speaking of fifths and such, Mr. Miller is the first Gateway editor in living memory not to drink gallons and gallons of foamy beer.

His taste in wine, however, (Guntrum's Liebfraumilch) is exceeded only by his ponderous snoring, which is frequently heard these afternoons in the hallways of Lister Hall's second floor.

The new editor is a man of varied tastes: the fabulous Beach Boys, residence soccer, banana milkshakes, good old-fashioned steak (but not from Lister Hall), this writer's sister, chili, pizza from Chico's and both last and least, the Liberal Party.

Mr. Miller served as a Liberal backbencher in Model Parliament this year, which gave him a healthy dislike for party hacks and student politicians (particularly engineers).

Until academic pressures bogged him down last summer, he was president of men's athletics, the result of being mentioned in a Gateway "slate" of acclamations last spring.

This year, Mr. Miller has served The Gateway as managing editor, occasionally attending students' council meetings and classes and preparing to accept the responsibility for keeping an often errant students' council in line.

The new editor, in his letter of application, promised to live up to the standards of past editors. Fore-armed is forewarned!



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... new sun king

our bears are blue

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Number one on their ballots

# Branny takes the president's chair

Pilkington, Sinclair victors in heavy election turnout

A second-year law student who ran what was called a "perfect textbook campaign" for students' union president won an unexpected landslide victory Friday.

Branny Schepanovich, who ran for office but refused to offer his electorate "a pot of gold which no one could ever deliver," has become U of A's 59th students' union president.

He easily defeated outgoing coordinator of student activities, J. Fraser Smith and engineering student Stan Wolanski in the balloting for president.

Final results gave Schepanovich 3,203 votes and runner-up Smith 1,827. Wolanski trailed far behind with 238.

The moment of truth for all 11 candidates in Friday's general elections came at 9:10 p.m. Friday when final results were posted.

A hush fell over the small knot of observers clustered around the blackboard in SUB rotunda each time Returning Officer Eric Hayne emerged from the Golden Key office to post results.

Trends in all the contested positions were seen when the first partial results were posted at 6:20 p.m. All the early leaders went on to win.

Branny Schepanovich squelched rumors of a tight presidential election by polling 60.9 per cent of the votes cast.

He carried every poll except the advance and travelling poll, where he polled 21 votes, against 35 for Smith and 2 for Wolanski.

A record numerical turnout of 5,286 students, or 51.5 per cent of the eligible voters, cast their ballots Friday. Last year 4,125 students (45 per cent of the eligible voters) did their patriotic duty.

Returning Officer Eric Hayne said he was very pleased with the large turn-out. He attributed it to the color in the campaign.

However, he injected a note of turn to page two, see "Election"

## Student summoned to 'explain'

A third-year arts student has been summoned to appear before the Dean's Council to "explain" views expressed in a letter published under his name in last Wednesday's Gateway.

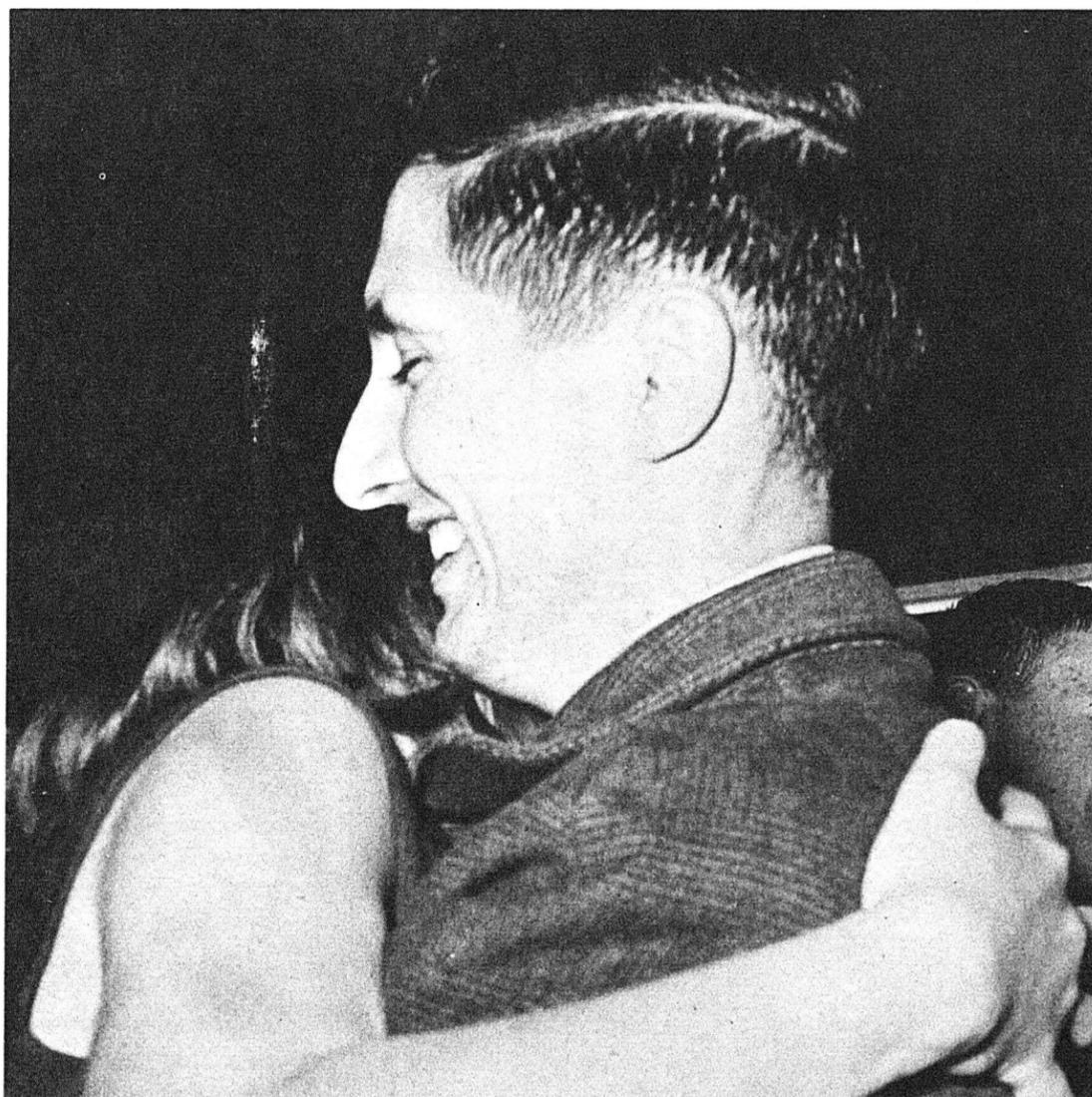
Ronald C. McMahon was to appear this afternoon before the council to explain his letter, which criticized university provost A. A. Ryan's handling of a dispute over discipline in the university residences.

"All he's being asked to do is explain," Mr. Ryan told The Gateway Sunday. "McMahon has said the Deans' Council is wrong and his charge doesn't make sense."

Asked if McMahon could face disciplinary action as a result of his letter, the provost said:

"The worst thing that could happen to him already has. He's being asked to explain an astonishing letter."

Mr. Ryan said The Gateway is turn to page two, see "Ryan"



—Dave Blackmore photo

A HUG FOR THE NEW STUDENTS' UNION PRESIDENT

... from kickline leader Jane Rentiers, arts 3