

# Mrs. Sparling quitting as Dean of Women

Dean of Women Mrs. J. Grant Sparling will leave her office in Pembina Hall June 30.

She will take from the wall her painting of two old hobos contemplating a spring robin—two old hobos who sat in the office during eight years, listening with her to the hang-ups of thousands of U of A girls.

Mrs. Sparling will take away many memories stored safely in her hobos' ears.

"Every year, emphasis changed on campus," she recalls. "A couple of years ago, everyone talked about sex. Mind you, I don't know how much they did about it."

"One year they were protesting everything under the sun. Last year, you heard a lot about LSD and marijuana. This year it is a very serious campus."

## BUSY, BUSY, BUSY

From 1960, when she first became dean on the suggestion of University President Dr. Walter H. Johns, her life has been a round of speeches, interviews, head tables and telephone calls. But Mrs. Sparling prefers to remember it as a succession of people—of individual events and persons. She never gives the same speech twice.

"I have made it a rule to see every first year woman for a chat each year—and I am glad I did," she says.

She has vivid memories of out-of-town trips with clubs and girls' athletic teams. "I soon learned to see no evil, hear no evil, and hope for luck. We usually got it."

But now she "loathes the word 'chaperone'. It has such overtones."

One major change she has noticed at U of A during her residence as Dean: "the first-year girls

are more mature. Today's eighteen-year-old is a different kind of girl from what she was even five years ago.

"And the 'little girl student from out of town' is now just as sophisticated, if not more so, as our girls from town."

Mrs. Sparling will continue to live in Edmonton. Her resignation came because, she says, "I never like to stay in one place more than five years. I'm afraid of ruts."

Mrs. Sparling has many interests lined up for when she leaves the university.

The new Dean of Women will be Miss Isobel Munroe, currently with the Family Service Association of Edmonton. Miss Munroe is a graduate in Arts from U of A and has a Diploma of Social Work. She has worked in child guidance and with unwed mothers.

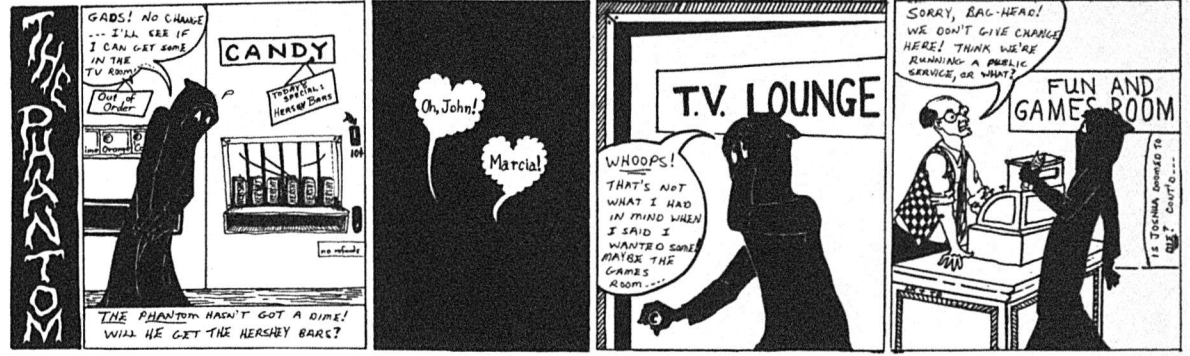
# Provincial Tories strengthen ties with university Conservative club

The Provincial Progressive Conservative party will be working more closely with the campus club, it was announced at the club's meeting Monday.

Members were told if the club submits a yearly budget, the provincial party is willing to support it.

"I would say this (submitting a budget) represents a surrender of a certain degree of the club's independence," said party leader Curtis Long Tuesday.

"The whole club would welcome a return of fiscal responsibility," he said.



# Montreal's annual interfaculty stealing contest proves successful

MONTREAL (CUP)—Montreal students walked 40 miles for a camel.

It was real. It humped back to Winter Carnival at the University of Montreal.

Also attending were two Montreal policemen, Brigit Bardot, a 225-pound go-go dancer, Judy LaVache, a Montreal bus and its driver, and some TV and radio personalities.

The occasion was the U of M's annual interfaculty stealing contest.

The camel came from the Granby zoo 40 miles out of Montreal, The naked Brigit Bardot was borrowed from a local wax museum (in broad daylight), and Judy LaVache is really a cow.

Students also stole the throne seat from the Quebec legislature. The lieutenant-governor of Quebec needs it back before Feb. 20 to read the speech from the throne.

## SWIPED CAR

They also commandeered a Canadian Armed Forces armored reconnaissance car, a beer-laden

brewery truck, the McGill University campus flag, and the St. Joseph's oratory tourist bus.

Also copped were two policemen, who went along with the gag but regained their firmness when asked to take off their pants.

They missed catching CFOX disc jockey Roger Scott. He pretended he was a janitor when 25 students burst in on him last Wednesday night.

Guards also foiled their attempt to grab a bronze statue of Peter McGill, Montreal's first mayor, from the foyer of the city hall.

## FINED

They were fined for damages last year when a group of students made off with the hockey sweaters of the entire Detroit Red Wings hockey team, in town for a Saturday game with the Canadiens.

Then, they also stole the Expo '67 master time clock. The judge could find no evil intent in the actions and dismissed charges.



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