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Discover Canada This Summer

If you want to discover a part of Canada this year participate in the CON-TACT CANADA program this summer and you will be able to explore in depth your choice of one of the following centres: St. John's, Newfoundland; Quebec, Quebec; Toronto or Thunder Bay, Ontario; Boniface, Winnepeg-St. Manitoba; Regina, Saskatchewan; Calgary, Alberta; or Vancouver, British Columbia.

Contact Canada is an international exchange program which is essentially an educational one, sponsored by the Secretary of State. Its purpose is "to provide an opportunity for young Canadians and foreign youth to broaden their knowledge of Canada, to strive toward mutual understanding and to further their own personal development".

The program lasts for three weeks. Session I is July 3-23 and Session II is August 1-23 you have your choice of session. The first 17 days are spent in the region and the final 4 days the 9 groups from all regions meet in Ottawa. The 4-day program in Ottawa will emphasize the bilingual nature of Canada.

The stay in the region is divided into 3 parts. There is an educational session during which the participants learn about the social, cultural, economic, and political characteristics peculiar to the session area. There is a homestay period which the participant spends living with a family in the area. The purpose of the homestay is to acquaint the participant with a community different from his own and at the same time to share differences intraditions and culture with the host family. And there is a camping period often the best part of the program as the experience of sharing and working together builds tremendous group spirit and solidarity.

Contact Canada is for people ages 18 to 23 who are interested in learning about Canada and about other countries by meeting foreign participants. Each participant is, in effect, a

good will ambassador so participation involves a certain amount of responsibility. The group consist of 20 people - 10 Canadians and 10 foreigners. The cost of each participant for the three week program is \$25.00 plus the cost of transportation from home to the session area. All other expenses including air fare home from Ottawa at the end of the program are covered by the Secre-

tary of State.

For more information and an application form contact: Contact Canada, 6260 Quinpool Rd., Halifax, N.S. B3L 2A1. Deadline for application is April 15, 1975.

estern educational alliance

SASKATOON (CUP) -- Students from the education faculties in the western provinces met Feb. 21 to 23 to establish a federated body to help solve their common problems.

The result was a concrete proposal for a Western Canadian Education Alliance which will now be sent to each education college society for ratification by March 15.

Discussion at the meeting concerned the structure of the proposed alliance, formulation of long-range goals and immediate steps to assist in meeting those goals.

The proposal contains provision for an elected Board of Directors consisting of one delegate from each member campus, and an executive committee composed of the presidents of each education student council in the organization.

The board can not be set up, however, until the member campuses ratify the alliance proposal. But Don Horncastle of the University of Saskatchewan was elected to supervise activities until the fall.

The conference adopted the following long range goals:

---to provide a permanent format for improved communications to benefit education in Canada;

---to aid in the development of quality education;

---to assist member associations in making more effective use of existing channels, i.e, teachers' federations, faculties, and

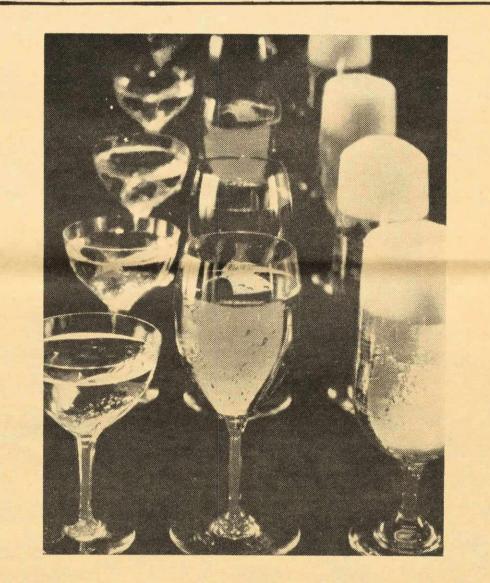
departments of education; ---to bring to the attention of the general public problems confronting education and educators;

---to represent the professional interests of Western Canadian education students;

---to explore similarities and difference of student associations in terms of goals and objectives; ---to develop valid research in the area of curriculum education programs ' and school experiences.

To accomplish these purposes the alliance plans to publish a monthly bulletin for education students as well as an annual journal. Also planned is the compiling and distribution of a handbook detailing existing channels of communication and administration within faculties, universities, provincial and other organizations.

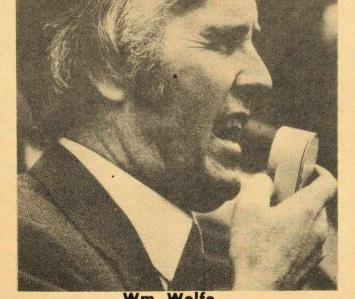
The first meeting of the alliance is planned for September, 1975.



How much should you drink?

Everyone has a limit, and overindulgence of any sort

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Wm. Wolfe, Scottish National Party Chairman, Killam Library, March 14. in work or play, food or drink — does nothing good for you.

Fortunately, most Canadians aren't interested in proving anything when it comes to beverage alcohol. They look on their favorite drink not as a challenge, but as a pleasure to be enjoyed in moderation.

How much should you drink? To most people that's no problem. But if it is a problem to someone you know, why not urge that person to see a physician. You may well be doing him or her a favor.

