

the Ring



"'Have some wine,' the March Hare said in an encouraging tone. Alice looked all round the table, but there was nothing on it but tea. 'I don't see any wine,' she remarked. 'There isn't any,' said the March Hare."

— Lewis Carroll (1832-98), *Alice in Wonderland*

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University of Victoria

UCBC yet to be convinced over music wing

Despite a decision last week to hear UVic's appeal, the majority of Universities Council of British Columbia (UCBC) members are not in favor of providing funds immediately for construction of the much-needed music wing of the MacLaurin Building.

Most are in agreement with UCBC member David Helliwell of Vancouver, the author of the report which excluded the music wing from projects requiring immediate funding.

UCBC which distributes provincial grants to the three B.C. universities accepted Helliwell's report and sent it to Education Minister Pat McGeer for approval.

After two meetings between McGeer and UVic President Howard Petch the UCBC recommendation was appealed by UVic and the council has agreed to meet UVic officials again to discuss the issue.

Bernard Gillie, the lone Vancouver Island member of UCBC, said Helliwell's statements, reported in the Oct. 20 edition of *The Ring*, reflected generally the feelings of the 11-member UCBC.

In that interview Helliwell questioned the wisdom of starting construction of the university centre at UVic when other buildings were needed.

"The university centre at UVic is a luxury item," he said. "It seems to me that UVic had the money for the music wing and spent it on the centre. I'm concerned about UVic's priority ratings."

Gillie said he agreed with Helliwell's statements, but that he and the other members of the 11-member UCBC would have open minds when UVic officials make their appeal to the council Nov. 16.

"We discussed the case at considerable length at our Oct. 28 meeting and if we are proven wrong we are prepared to accept that," said Gillie.

UVic officials, meanwhile, are confident that if UCBC looks at all the background material on the issue they will agree to provide funding for the centre. The music wing was approved by UCBC in March, 1975, and has been ready for tenders to be called since December, 1975.

Board of Governors member Ian Stewart, a lawyer, calls UVic's case "overpowering".

He and BOG chairman Joseph Cunliffe will be making the trip to Vancouver with President Howard Petch to present UVic's case again to UCBC.

The same trio met twice with McGeer who advised them to appeal the UCBC decision.

Petch said after the meeting with McGeer that he was "pleased" that the minister had given UVic officials the opportunity to present their case.

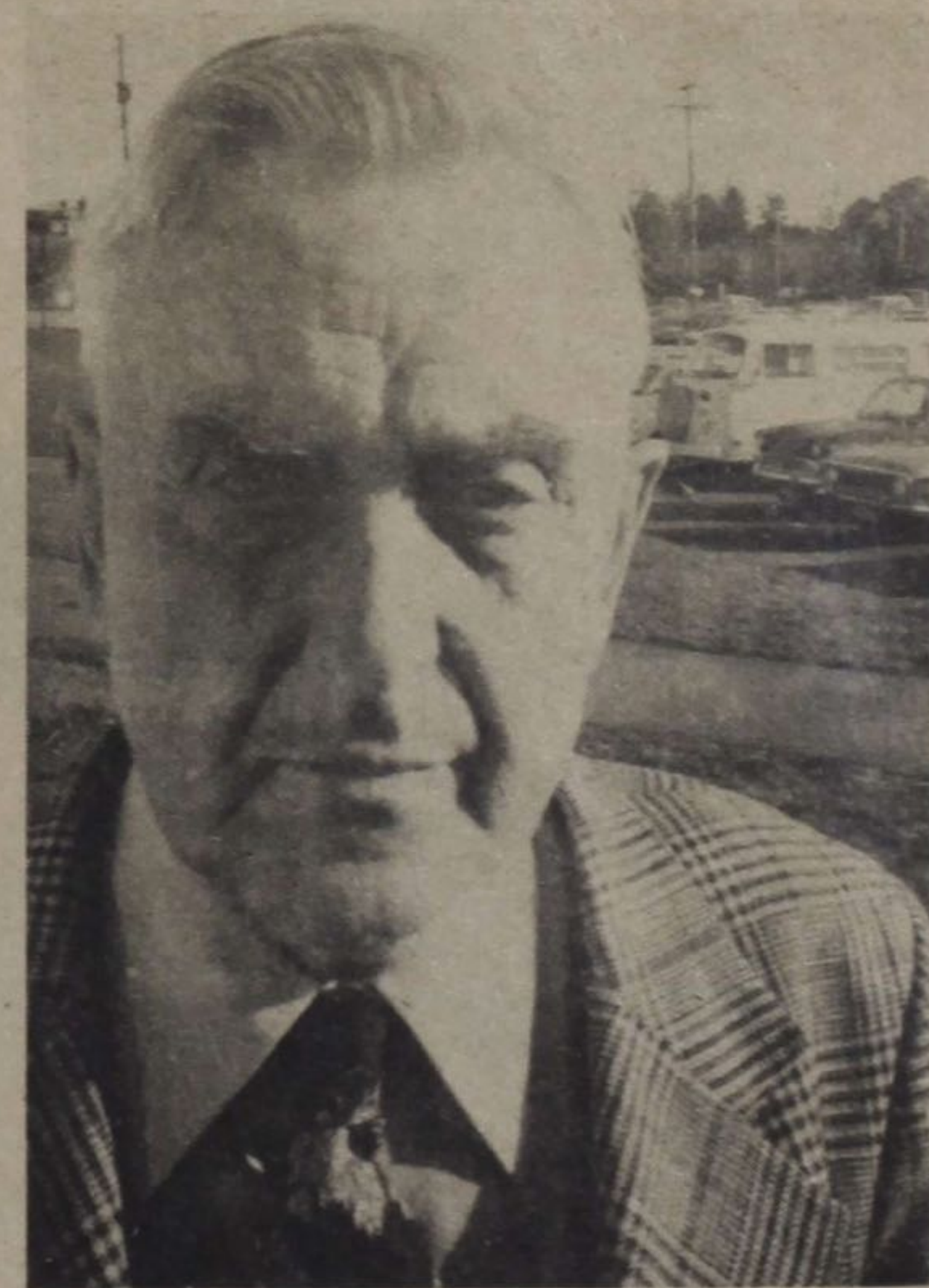
Cunliffe said he feels that UCBC made their decision without adequate information. "I believe that if all the material had been considered there would have been a different decision last time by the council," he said.

BOG members have expressed surprise

that construction of the \$8 million university centre had become an issue in the funding of the music wing.

While construction did not start until this year the centre was approved in 1972 by the provincial government before UCBC existed.

"To me the whole thing is illogical," said Cunliffe. "The centre was decided on years ago and proceeded with before the new financing procedures were worked out."



Gillie: denies unfair treatment of UVic

Cunliffe said if UCBC followed a policy of questioning past decisions "it would mean looking at every university building each time a new building is proposed."

Cunliffe said he was concerned that the decisions on priorities for academic courses and buildings within UVic remain with the Board of Governors and Senate.

"We're the ones who set the internal priorities, not UCBC," he said.

Both Cunliffe and Petch have expressed anger at some of the recommendations contained in the report by Helliwell which was accepted by the UCBC.

They feel that the recommendations appear to be an attempt to usurp the powers of the universities.

UCBC chairman William Armstrong, Helliwell and Gillie feel this is not the case.

"The council doesn't do any of these things," said Gillie. "But we must have contact and consider university policy so that we can have some understanding in co-ordinating and relating programs in the three universities."

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These women are heard, but not seen. And they are everywhere. See page 4.

GSS drops image of 'happy hours'

By Bryan McGill

The Graduate Students Society, noted traditionally for its "happy hours" and wine-and-cheese socials, now has an executive which is trying to make it politically active to improve conditions for its "apathetic" membership.

It is even considering the possibility of becoming a bargaining unit for teaching assistants, lab instructors and markers.

President Al Rydant and Vice-President Jamie Alley, both grads and teaching assistants in the Department of Geography, have drawn up a brief for presentation next week to the university's executive council recommending "radical changes" in the treatment and support of graduate work.

"UVic has never been committed to graduate work," said Rydant and Alley. "At one time they said 'let's have graduate studies at UVic' and so it came to be. But the graduate office has never had any power or money."

Their major complaints are the "inequities" in teaching assistant pay rates and graduate student fee structures among UVic, Simon Fraser University and the University of British Columbia, an "unfair and inadequate" allocation of fellowships and scholarships among UVic graduate students, and the

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Attention, pregnant women. Keep away from this familiar, fuzzy household pet. It's a menace. See Page 4.

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"lack of quality control" in the present set up of graduate studies here.

After being "shafted by past UVic administrations", the GSS has found a sympathetic ear in the person of President Howard Petch, said Rydant. In a recent preliminary meeting with Petch, the president, when presented with some documentation, "was angry that this situation has gone on as long as it has".

On the other hand, said Rydant, "we are getting zero support from our membership". (There are about 240 full-time grads and about 160 part-time.)

The GSS has always been a "low-key group of people who sit back passively," he said.

"We're actively trying to get grads off their asses to do something for UVic and for themselves. They have to realize they will get nothing if they don't fight for their rights. It is the squeaky wheel that gets the grease."

Though there are no plans to drop GSS socials, "we do want to move the members away from a social club, and get them something more substantial outside of happy hours."

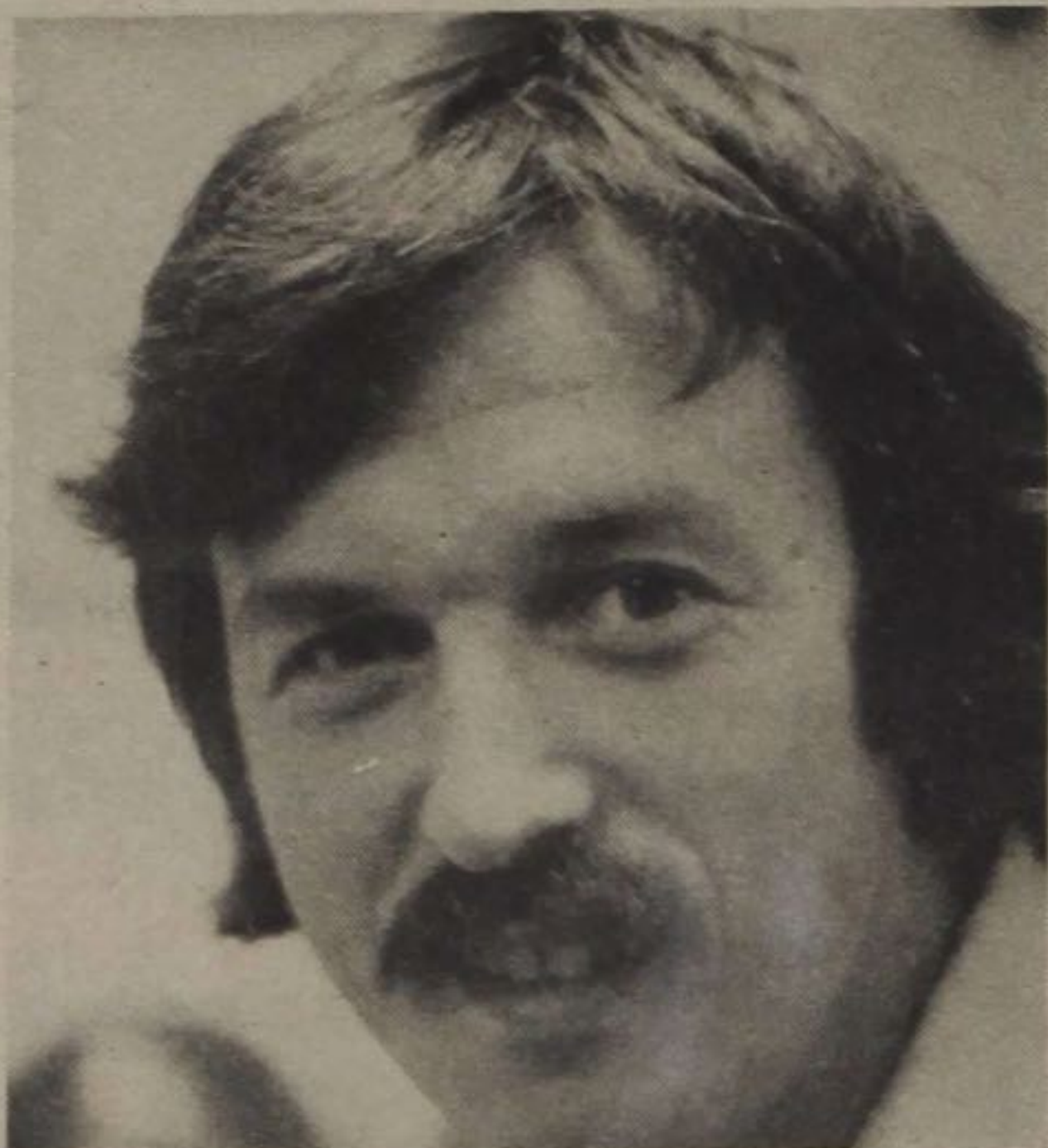
Following are the proposals contained in the GSS brief to the executive council:

- That the university beginning with the executive council make a firm commitment to support graduate work. "As it appears there still seems to be opposition in certain circles to graduate work, it is imperative that a firm policy commitment to graduate work is made." Alley explained the opposition stems mainly from "old Victoria College faculty" who, he said, not being researchers themselves, would be "threatened by having a lot of hotshot graduate students around".
- That total financial support for graduate students be brought into parity with financial support at SFU within one year. "This will allow the university to compete effectively with other institutions and to be able to attract students of the highest quality."
- That the executive council take appropriate steps to encourage faculty involved in graduate supervision to more actively seek outside research money, and that this money be shared with graduate students. "It appears that at the present time, faculty are not actively pursuing this important source of funds and even if these funds are obtained they are not shared with graduate students. This seems to be a particular problem in the social sciences."
- That the executive council make strong presentations to the Board of Governors, UCBC and the Ministry of Education to bring the current situation to their attention, and

thus attain additional funds for graduate support.

- That the university establish as policy that further growth in the number of graduate students not be encouraged, except in departments that clearly lack a "critical mass" for graduate work. "This would allow the university to better support the graduates that it already has and to concentrate on a better quality of incoming student."
- That the university establish a more equitable system for allocating the existing fellowships and scholarships. "The present system has been clearly demonstrated to be unfair and inadequate, and therefore the society reiterates its stated policy that these awards be allocated to each department on a quota basis according to the number of graduate students enrolled in that department, and that the department then allocate the awards internally."

Rydant said that among the three B.C.



Rydant: "squeaky wheel gets the grease"

universities UVic is the worst off in teaching assistant pay rates and in fee structures, while SFU is, by far, the best off.

A UVic teaching assistant whether he is working on an M.A. or a Ph.D., receives \$370 a month for 14 hours a week of work, compared to \$546 for an M.A. and \$665 for a Ph.D. at SFU for 15 hours and \$450 for both at UBC for 12 hours.

Fees for both UVic and UBC are the same at \$900 for an M.A. and \$1,350 for a Ph.D., compared to SFU's \$420 for an M.A. and \$480 for a Ph.D.

Rydant said his executive is exploring the idea of becoming a bargaining unit for the 191 teaching assistants at university as well as for lab instructors and markers.

The GSS has also approached the Faculty Association, which itself is considering unionization, to see if it will bargain on behalf of teaching assistants and lab instructors.

The association is studying the matter.

Rydant and Alley are also angered by the way scholarships and fellowships are distributed to grad students.

They charged that the "deck is being stacked" when it comes to which departments get the scholarships.

For instance, they said, last year seven out of seven grads in Classics got fellowships and scholarships, three out of sixteen in Biology, two out of eleven in Geography, three out of three in Music, two out of three in English and nineteen out of twenty-two in Psychology.

Rydant said Dr. S.A. Jennings, Dean of Graduate Studies, was asked on what criteria was the distribution based, and he replied it was marks.

Basing it on marks is "a bit ludicrous", said Rydant, when, say, a graduate of the "University of Slippery Rock" gets a fellowship over someone with lesser marks from Harvard University.

"Grading standards vary greatly from university to university, and from department to department."

Distribution should be based on where graduates come from, and according to their financial needs.

A Senate committee has been studying the Faculty of Graduate Studies, and is due to present a report later this year.

The study was triggered by a motion by Senator Charles ("Danny") Daniels (Philosophy) to abolish the Faculty and leave graduate curriculum submissions up to the individual faculties.

Rydant said the view of the GSS executive is to get rid of the 300-plus faculty body that constitutes the Faculty and establish a strong graduate studies administration.

In a plea to GSS membership to get involved, Rydant said the society has a fair amount of money accruing from fees, and he is looking for suggestions on how to spend it.

...Music wing

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Gillie said UCBC is expressly forbidden by the Universities Act from interfering in the internal affairs of the universities.

He pointed out that money is going to be very tight for the universities in the foreseeable future. "Money is tight everywhere and the universities will not suffer any more or less than other institutions."

Petch has charged that UVic is being unfairly treated by UCBC in relation to UBC and SFU.

"I certainly haven't seen any evidence of this," said Gillie, who happens to work at UVic as executive director of LEARN but

who is not employed by the university.

Gillie stressed that though he is from Vancouver Island, his position on UCBC was not to speak on behalf of UVic. "There seems to be some misunderstanding here," he said. "All members of the council represent the entire province, not just one segment."

Gillie said he soon won't be the only UCBC member from Vancouver Island as another member, Frank Walden, is in the process of moving here from Vancouver.

Gillie has just been re-appointed by the provincial cabinet to a three-year term as a UCBC member.

Three new members have also been appointed by the cabinet. They are Paddy Sherman of West Vancouver, publisher of the *Vancouver Province*, Dudley Pritchard of Kelowna, a real estate agent, and Jean Hyatt of Vancouver, a housewife and community volunteer. All their terms expire Oct. 19, 1979.

Gillie's LEARN operation is located in 'G' Hut on campus. LEARN is an in-service training organization for teachers and school board on Vancouver Island and is funded by the Department of Education and the local teacher associations and school boards.

More award winners

Following are the names of award-winning undergraduates who were not mentioned in the last issue of *The Ring*, which published a list of the top students during 1975-76.

Canadian Union of Public Employees scholarships, \$200 each, John Dyer, Thurlus Loughran; Aldyen Hamber IODE Entrance Scholarship, \$250, Dorothy Underwood; The Harbord Insurance Ltd. Scholarship, \$500, Paul Thompson; Labatt Breweries of B.C. Ltd., \$500, Krunoslav Pavlicic; The Read Jones Christoffersen Ltd., Consulting Engineers scholarship, \$200, Norman Schroeder; Sara and Jean MacDonald Bursary Fund, \$300 each, Darlene Gingera, Kathleen Kranabetter, Therese Perreault, Kimberley Tweed; Vancouver Island Real Estate Board bursary, \$500, Brenda Whittam; University of Victoria Alumni Award, \$500 each, Sharon Dawson, Timothy Hegedus, Godfried Pimlott; President's Entrance Scholarships, \$500 each, Geoffrey Cheshire, Dennis Francis, Brenda Ireland, Ralph Watts, Jeffrey Zelt; \$400 each, Roderick Edwards, Douglas Thompson, Blair Walker; \$300 each, Mary Cavin, William Kent; \$200 each, Gary Billings, Dianne Coupe, Douglas Goodman, Deborah Linnell, Colin Partidge, Dean Smith, Thomas Stewart; \$150, Dorothy Underwood; \$100, John Dyer.

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The Board of Governors reports the following actions taken on Oct. 18, 1976:

PROMOTION

Lionel Adey, assistant professor, Department of English, promoted to associate professor, Department of English, retroactive to July 1, 1976.

APPOINTMENTS

Alex Bavelas, professor, with tenure, Faculty of Education, appointed professor with tenure, Department of Psychology, effective July 1, 1977. W. David Godfrey, B.A. (Univ. of Iowa), M.A. (Stanford), Ph.D. (Univ. of Iowa), Erin, Ontario, appointed associate professor, with tenure, effective July 1, 1977; and chairman of the Department of Creative Writing, effective July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1982.

William A.W. Neilson, B.Comm. (Toronto), LL.B. (Brit. Col.), LL.M. (Harvard), Victoria, B.C., appointed professor, with tenure, Faculty of Law, effective Jan. 1, 1977.

Carol W. Porteous, B.A. (Hons.) (Hull), M.A. (U. of Vic.), Victoria, appointed analyst/statistician, Institutional Analysis, effective Nov. 15, 1976.

The Senate reports the following proceedings from the 135th meeting held on Oct. 6, 1976.

JOINT BOARD/SENATE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW WINEGARD REPORT

The Senate instructed the committee on committees to name three members of the Senate to the joint Board/Senate committee to review the Winegard Report.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The following committee appointments were made by the Senate: academic standards, Gary Endersby (AMS), Daniel Williams (AMS), Bill

Huot (GSS); continuing education, Robert Dick (AMS), Stella Higgins (Alumni); honorary degrees, etc., Loretta Holdridge (Alumni); library, John Luton (AMS), Dave Johl (GSS); summer session, Francis Vladi Cargo (AMS); teaching and learning, Robert Dick (AMS), Lorne Vanelli (AMS), Kerry Carney (GSS), Tom Heppell (Alumni); university budget, Giles Hogg. The Senate also authorized appointment of two additional members to the committee on university budget. Further, the Senate received for information, the following composition of the ad hoc committee on remedial English: D.W. Halliwell, chairman, E.R. Zietlow, V.A. Neufeldt, H.O. Bennett, F.P. Robinson, Heather Sidor, Doug Brown, and one other member, to be appointed.

MEETINGS OF THE FACULTY OF FINE ARTS

Senate approved a recommendation from the Faculty of Fine Arts to permit full-time staff including administrative and academic professional appointments in the Faculty of Fine Arts to be invited to participate with voting privileges at all meetings of the Faculty. The same privileges were extended to student representatives.

CHRISTMAS EXAMINATIONS

The Senate adopted the following resolution: That faculty members be asked to refrain, where possible, from giving 3 hour examinations at Christmas in 3 unit courses.

Also, the following motion was adopted: That for this year only the examination period, if necessary, be allowed to extend into 11 or possibly 12 days. The administrative registrar was asked to bring back to Senate a report when the Christmas examination schedule had been worked out.

Chemistry prof dies at 60

Dr. Stephen A. Ryce, 60, a professor in the Department of Chemistry, died Oct. 25 at his home in Victoria after a lengthy illness.

Dr. Ryce, who was chairman of the department from 1968 to 1973, joined Victoria College in 1959.

He was born in Berlin, Germany, and on completion of his secondary education received management training in his family's chemistry and glass manufacturing factories.

Between 1936 and 1940 he studied at the Technical University, Berlin, and at University College, London, England.

Following the Second World War he was employed as chief chemist with East Africa Industries Ltd., a subsidiary of Lever Brothers.

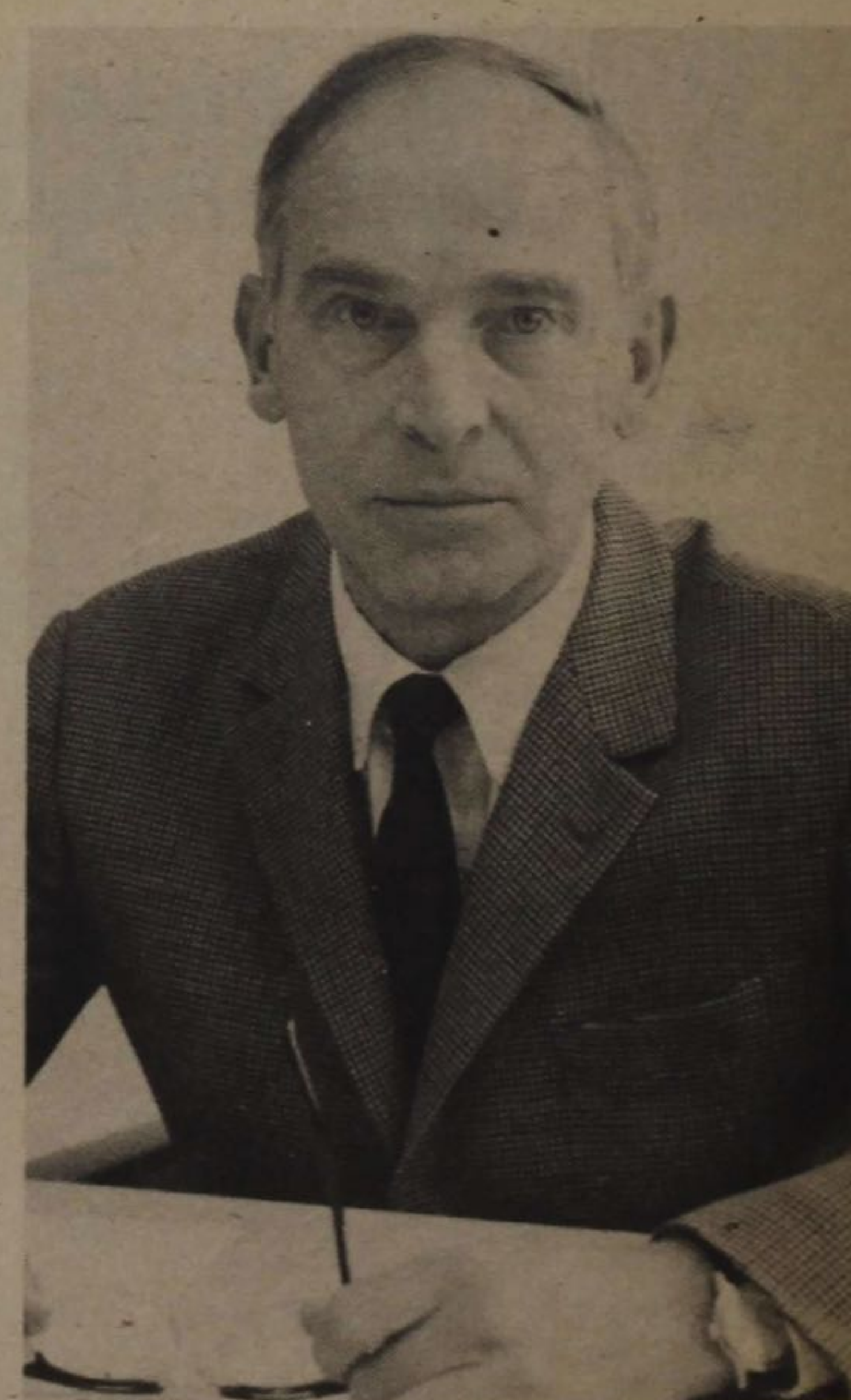
Emigrating to Canada in 1954, he entered fourth-year chemistry at the University of British Columbia and graduated with first-class honors the following spring. He obtained his doctorate there in 1958.

While he was at Victoria College in 1960 he was the first and only faculty member of that institution to receive a National Research Council award.

In 1962, Dr. Ryce originated the idea of an isotope laboratory which resulted in the Victoria Junior Chamber of Commerce awarding the Department of Chemistry a special grant of \$25,000 for the acquisition of equipment.

In 1970 his achievements were recognized by The Chemical Institute of Canada whose professional council elected him a fellow of the institute.

Dr. Ryce is survived by his wife Jean.



Ryce: former department chairman

Ian McKain Photo

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Ballots go out today in a student election to fill two vacant seats on Senate and a seat on the Board of Governors. The ballots will be counted Nov. 17. Four people have been nominated for the two Senate seats left vacant after the resignation of students Elspeth Heeren and Paula DeBeck. Margaret Bawlf (A&S-4), R.C. [Tino] Di Bella (L-1), H. Donald McIntyre (FA-4) and Jeffrey Rueger (FA-4) are the candidates. DeBeck also resigned from the BOG and three candidates are running for the vacant BOG seat, Timothy Dunford (L-2), Douglas Franklin (GS-M) and Donald P. MacDonald (GS-M). The winning candidates will finish one-year terms. Meanwhile, in a separate election, ballots were counted Tuesday (Nov. 2) to decide a Senate seat for a faculty member from Arts and Science. Dr. Orville Elliot (Anthropology), Dr. John Greene (French) and Dr. Thomas Hess (Linguistics) ran for the seat which fell vacant with the resignation of Dr. John Woods who is now the Dean of Humanities at the University of Calgary.

An all Schubert program will mark the second concert in the Department of Music's "Faculty Recital Series" scheduled for Nov. 10 at 8 p.m. in MacLaurin 144. Artists will include Gerald Stanick (viola), Paul Kling (violin), Catherine Young (soprano), Richard Ely (horn), Jenny Regehr (piano), Linda Houghland-Daniels (cello) and Ross Lund (double bass). Tickets are \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for students and pensioners.

If you want to buy an original Picasso for peanuts, turn up tomorrow (Nov. 4) between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the University Bookstore for an exhibit and sale of about 600 original prints from the Ferdinand Roten Galleries. Along with original graphics by such masters as Picasso, Goya, Renoir and Hogarth, and spanning six centuries, are works by many of today's modern artists, some famous and some not yet famous. The great majority are priced well under \$100. However, it doesn't mean you may be buying something of more value than you paid. As a Roten tipsheet on "art as an investment" states: "Do not assume that age or the artist's fame alone are a justification for high price. In Roten's collection, there are engravings by Hogarth and Goya, done from the original plates, that are under \$50. Roten's marking clearly



You can buy this original on campus

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indicates that these engravings were struck after the artist's death. While the engravings are beautiful to own, and should not depreciate in value, the plates have lost some of their sharpness over the years." Nevertheless, it is still possible the print you may buy for \$10 is really worth \$10,000. "By the same token, don't assume that because the price is modest, the work is not important. Twenty years ago, for example, Kollwitz, Nolde, and Barlach were available in signed, limited editions for under \$50. Today the same works are worth thousands." A Roten representative will be on hand during the exhibit to answer questions about the prints and the artists.

Philip Dearden, a doctoral student in the Geography Department, has won national recognition for his research into the distribution of plant communities on serpentine bedrocks. He was recently granted the prestigious Canadian Association of Geographers award for work at the master's level. Dearden is currently working on landscape assessment methodologies applicable to the local area.

Drs. Bryan Gooch and David Thatcher, both of the Department of English, collaborated to produce *Musical Settings of Late Victorian and Modern British Literature: A Catalogue*, just published by Garland Publishing, New York. The 1,120-page catalogue establishes which composers have taken their vocal texts from—or whose orchestral works have been inspired by—the works of major British authors who were writing in the late Victorian period and up to 1970. It attempts to fill a need for librarians, literary scholars, musicians, musicologists, and for those interested in the interrelationship between literature and music over the last hundred years. Those using the catalogue as a source of literary material will find in one section settings listed by author, and those involved in musical studies will find in another section all settings written by any one composer. Printed copies of the title and first line index are available at the McPherson Library.

Staff and faculty using their vehicles for university business got a boost in mileage rates last month. The new rate which went into effect Oct. 18 is 20 cents a mile, up from 18 cents a mile. In 1975 the mileage rate was hiked from 16 to 18 cents a mile.

President Howard Petch will be throwing a wine and cheese party for all faculty and staff Nov. 17 at 8 p.m. in the Commons Block dining room. Each person can bring a guest. The idea behind the presidential reception is to welcome new faculty and staff.

The day-long retreat held Oct. 25 by UVic's Board of Governors was judged a success by BOG chairman Joseph Cunliffe. "I felt it was quite good," he said. "Governors don't get much opportunity to discuss the philosophy behind university fees, residences and other questions." The informal meeting covered such topics as the Winegard and Symons reports, the first of which could have an effect on all British Columbia universities, the second of which could mean changes in all Canadian universities.

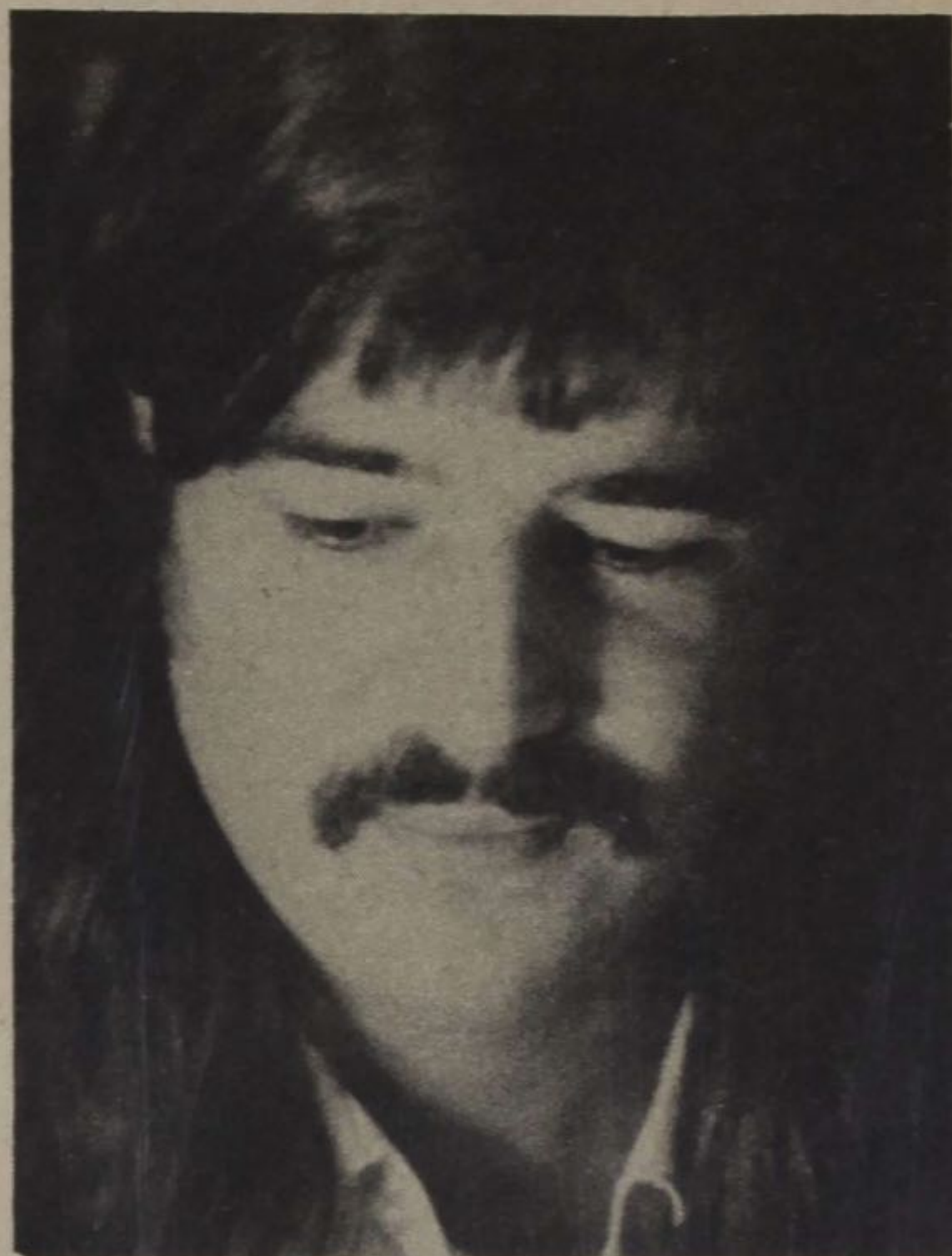
F.B. Cahill, chairman of the Victoria chapter of the Committee for an Independent Canada, got a chilly reception to his letter to the Board of Governors asking to speak to the BOG on faculty citizenship. "I'd question whether we'd want someone from an organization like this speaking to the board," said BOG chairman Joseph Cunliffe. The BOG agreed they would be willing to accept a written submission from Cahill, but turned down his request to speak on the issue. A hiring policy, giving Canadians an edge in faculty hiring, is expected to go before the BOG this month.

UVic personnel and students are being asked to contribute books on all scientific fields to the Union of Vietnamese in Canada. The books will be sent to Vietnam for use by students and researchers as the reconstruction of the war-torn country begins, according to Phil Esmonde, campus co-ordinator for the project. Esmonde said he already has collected some 250 books from the departments of Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Mathematics, and has set up boxes in those departments for anyone wishing to donate. Donators can also drop books off at the general office in the Student Union Building. The campaign will go until the end of term in December after which the books will be shipped to the Overseas Book Centre in Vancouver. The Alma Mater Society has agreed to donate up to \$100 to pay for the shipment, said Esmonde. Specialties required include computer sciences, geology, atomic energy, forestry, mining, metallurgy, engineering, agriculture, pharmacology, medicine and nutrition. Esmonde said he will soon be approaching off-campus organizations, such as professional associations and the Public Library.

UVic Librarian Dean Halliwell has also allowed Esmonde to sift through stacks of books no longer needed here.

Less than 40 of UVic's 7,000 undergraduates were present Oct. 25 at the Alma Mater Society's annual general meeting. Reports were given by AMS president Alistair Palmer, (A&S-U), treasurer Terry Gordon (A&S-4) and AMS manager David Clode. At the meeting, Palmer, who has been under attack from some AMS representatives, was again questioned about his leadership. Student senator Rosemary Gray (A&S-4), who called for Palmer's resignation earlier this year, reiterated her claim that he had not provided strong leadership. Palmer listed some of the work he has been involved in during the first eight months of his term, including the UVic bus pass system, renovations to the Student Union Building and the student handbook.

The reading program sponsored by the Creative Writing Department will continue today (Nov. 3) with novelist Sylvia Fraser. There will be no reading Nov. 10 due to reading break. Vancouver poet Bill Bissett will read Nov. 17. All readings are in Elliott 167 at 4:30 P.M. They are free and open to the public.



Dearden: top award

notices

A change in days off for faculty and staff during the Christmas holidays has been announced by President Howard Petch. In a memo circulated to all departments, Petch said the university will be closed Monday, Dec. 27, and Tuesday, Dec. 28 for the statutory holidays of Christmas and Boxing days, which fall the prior weekend. The university will close also on Friday, Dec. 31 to mark New Year's Day, which falls on Saturday. The University Calendar lists Friday, Dec. 24 and Monday, Dec. 27 as the intended days of closure. Now Dec. 24 will be a normal workday. "In order that all university offices operate consistently and so that regular services are maintained, particularly telephone and mail delivery, offices shall remain open to the normal hour of 4:30 p.m. Dec. 24," stated Petch. "Where duties permit, department offices may reduce staff after 3 p.m." Examinations for students are scheduled to end Dec. 21. Classes resume for the second term on Jan. 10.

UVic Christmas cards, designed by James Bennett (University Relations), will be on sale Nov. 8 at the University Bookstore. This year's design is more whimsical than past Bennett creations, featuring a stylized Santa Claus and protesting reindeer. Cost is 30 cents each, or, in quantities of 25 or more, 25 cents each.



All graduating class students are invited to a Grad Class Happy Hour in the upper lounge of the Student Union Building Nov. 4 (Thursday) starting at 4:30 p.m.

The Graduate Student Society is seeking interested graduate students to serve on university committees. Some positions still open are on the president's task force on athletics, the Senate committee on Continuing Education, the Food Services committee, the Ceremonies committee, the Bookstore advisory committee, and the late payment fee appeals committee. Several GSS executive positions will soon be available, too. Contact is President Al Rydant (Geography) at local 4822.

Prof. Richard Coe, a specialist in theatre and 20th Century French studies, will give a series of lectures in English this week on campus under the joint sponsorship of the University lectures committee and the Department of French Language and Literature. Coe, the Commonwealth visiting

professor at the University of Toronto who is Dean of the Faculty of Arts at Warwick University in England, will lead off with a lecture on "Portrait of the Artist as an *Enfant Terrible*" at 12:30 p.m. Nov. 4 in Clearihue 108. The same day, at 8 p.m. in the Commons Block Gold Room, he will speak on "Why the Rules?", which deals with playwright, audience and actor in 17th Century French theatre. His last lecture will be Nov. 5 at 12:30 p.m. in Clearihue 108 on "God-the-Father and Participatory Democracy", which discusses political and religious implications of recent French avant-garde theatre including Becket, Arrabal, Gatti, Ionesco, Ghelderode and others.

The Faculty Club has initiated a new evening service for Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. From 4 to 7:30 p.m. the club will provide hot food, sandwiches and chowder in the lounge area of the club.

Mary Tregear, Keeper of Eastern Art at the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, will speak on Chinese ceramics in the light of recent excavations at a public lecture in the Gold Room of the Commons Block Thursday (Nov. 4) at 10:30 a.m.

Curriculum laboratory access hours will be revised on a trial basis throughout November, Priscilla Scott, head of the McPherson Library circulation division has announced. Hours will be 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays, and noon to 6 p.m. weekends. Remembrance Day, Nov. 11, will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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letters

Sir:

Not only do I look like Babe Ruth, I keep a Louisville Slugger in my office. Misquote me again and I'll be over there to bat a perfect 1000 on your head.

By the way, I am not a big meanie.

Sincerely,
Babe "Catfish" Climenhaga

Ed. Note: As Proverbs (Ch. 6, Vs. 2) says: "Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth."

To Whom It May Concern,

Would the faculty member who borrowed my atomic models at the beginning of summer for some artistic purpose now kindly return them please, since loss of the black, white and green model is a serious nuisance to my research.

Thanks,
Reg Mitchell
[Chemistry, Elliott 309]

The Cat Bug

It's a fever
only
pregnant women
should fear

By Bryan McGill

Pregnant women should keep away from cats and not eat rare meat to avoid the possibility of contracting a common infection that could cause mental and physical retardation to newborn children, two UVic scientists warn.

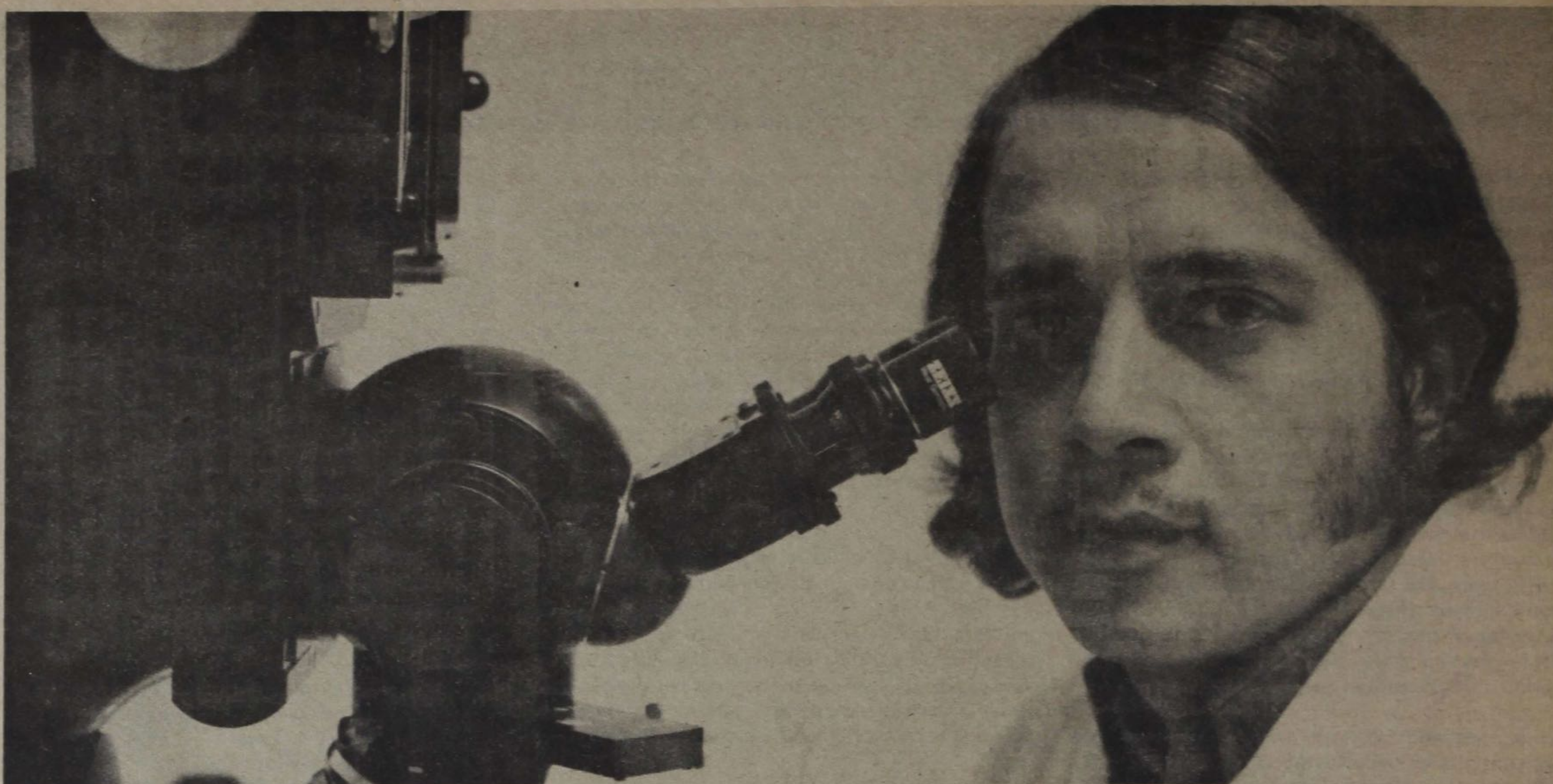
The infection is called toxoplasmosis, which is caused by a microbe commonly carried by cats and found in rare meat, but which has been ignored medically in North America mainly because of a lack of information, according to Dr. K.A. Karim, an immunologist studying the disease in association with Dr. Trevor Trust, chairman of the Bacteriology and Biochemistry Department.

Karim said if a fetus is infected it will likely show signs of either brain damage, psychomotor retardation, epilepsy or eye and ear problems a few weeks or months after birth. Contrary to medical practise now, "pregnant women should be tested for toxoplasmosis as a matter of routine in their general prenatal checkups."

He said that the problem of detecting the disease in an adult is that it has symptoms similar to flu. If it is a mild infection, the symptoms are a fever and lethargy, which last a few days, and if it is an acute infection a fever along with swollen glands for about 10 days.

Clinically the infection cannot be distinguished from flu or glandular fevers, but it can be through laboratory blood tests.

Until recently, said Trust, blood samples of pregnant women suspected of the disease were sent only to the College of Veterinary Science in Guelph, Ont., and this meant a long delay in finding out the results. Now, he added, some testing is being done in the provincial Department of Health laboratories in Vancouver, and with the recent addition of Karim to his staff, at UVic's Bacteriology and Biochemistry labs.



Karim: points out menace ignored medically in North America

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The cat: the carrier of an insidious microbe

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"One reason for the ignorance about the disease is that there is little information on it in Victoria, in the province, and, generally throughout Canada," said Trust.

Karim, who developed improved diagnostic techniques on toxoplasmosis while he was researching at Leeds University in England, said Great Britain and France have now taken notice of the disease and are informing pregnant women of its presence and consequences.

"The incidence of it in France is high partly because of the preference in that country for eating rare meat."

Karim stressed the disease has only serious consequences for pregnant women, and that once an adult or child has contracted it they are immune from it the rest of their lives.

By the methods he has developed, Karim said he can tell whether and how long ago a person had the disease. If tested, a child-bearing woman can also be assured she is immune from the infection if she had it before pregnancy.

He added that if a woman has contracted it during pregnancy there is a good chance she can be treated successfully to minimize the possibility of damage to the fetus.

Karim explained that since a cat is a "natural host" for this microbe, the animal is not affected adversely by it.

But he warned that as clean as cats are in

their habits any handling of them could easily transmit the infection.

"The husband of a pregnant woman, or other members of the household, could transmit the infection to her if they have come in contact with an infected cat."

Karim said that to be on the safe side no cats should be kept around the house of a pregnant woman, unless she has been assured from tests that she is immune from toxoplasmosis.

The organism is found in cat stools, and can end up on the cat's fur after defecation.

Any contact with cat stools, litter boxes or with areas where cats buried their feces, such as playgrounds, can result in the infection.

Karim has so far tested 500 Victorians of all ages and has found between 25 and 30 per cent of them have had toxoplasmosis.

Though he is just expanding tests to cats, there is evidence of toxoplasmosis in Victoria cats.

He is still looking for more volunteers to come in and be tested, whatever sex or age they may be.

Karim and Trust are transmitting their findings to local hospitals.

Karim, working as a post-doctoral researcher with Trust, came to UVic in April after he had arrived from England.

A native Ugandan, he received his doctorate from Leeds.

These unseen women plug the world into UVic at a rate of 2,000

By Bryan McGill

Any one of these 12 women has probably talked to almost every faculty and staff member on campus, sometimes hundreds of times, yet have never met many of them.

(This writer has worked at UVic 2½ years, and although he has spoken with them dozens of times, it was only recently he poked his nose into an obscure room in the

Cornett Building and met some of these seldom-seen, but often-heard women, and attached faces to these long-familiar voices.)

They are UVic's switchboard operators, and they plug away at one of the largest "cord boards" in the province (as opposed to a Centrex system, such as at the provincial government buildings, where incoming calls

bypass an operator and go directly to a local).

On any given winter session day, there are six women in Cornett 115, four constantly at the board, one for spelling them off, and supervisor Doreen Forbes.

Forbes, who began employment 17 years ago as the solo operator with UVic's predecessor, Victoria College, said she has never met many of the voices she has often talked to.

For instance, she and another veteran operator, Barbara Vincent, happened to be in the Dean of Education's office recently when a tall man walked in.

They inquired to secretary Joan Palmer about who the man was, and were told it was Dr. Douglas Ayers, a Faculty of Education member of eight years standing.

Both had talked to Ayers often, in that he makes long-distance calls to federal penitentiaries in his role as UVic's co-ordinator of the Correctional Education Program.

Because of the nature of their job, the switchboard operators just don't get around physically though, of course, they are connected to every nook and cranny of the campus. "We can never get off together, and we could never have lunch together," said Forbes.

During daytime hours, the switchboard is constantly lighting up, as eight arms jab and switch away, pushing and pulling plugs from banks of sockets, as four mouths either answer incoming calls with the "University of Victoria" greeting or talk to those on campus who want to place long-distance calls.

It is estimated that during the winter incoming calls average more than 2,000 a

day, and out-going long-distance calls, half of which usually go to Vancouver, average 200 a day.

Of the incoming calls, about 200 or 300 are information requests, that is, the persons calling don't know the local or the department from which they wish to find out something. This means the operator has to spend some time talking to the caller to determine exactly what he wants so that he can be connected to the right place.

Much more time-consuming is placement of long-distance calls from the campus, said Forbes, in explaining why there are delays in making calls, especially when 10 persons at the same time want out, which is not an infrequent occurrence.

"There is no way we can stay with one call," said Forbes. "An operator has to handle two or three calls at the same time."

She stressed also that staff members should not ask the switchboard to find numbers they wish dialed. "We decline such requests, or else we would be hopelessly bogged down. It's a case of just not having enough time."

Though most faculty and staff are understanding and pleasant to deal with when using the switchboard, "some can be thoughtless or just unaware of the workings of a switchboard."

Forbes said that over her 17 years of experience here she has found that generally "the higher up they are the easier they are to deal with, and the lower down the ladder they are, the more demanding."

Asked whether the operators ever blow their stacks, she replied, "not with the key open."

She explained that it takes a special breed

From left: Doreen Forbes, Nedra Gates, Vi Deacon, Muriel Martin and Sybil Cathcart



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AN INDIAN IN LAW: 'They don't know a damn thing about us'

By Sharon McMillan

Sharon Venne has no qualms about stating why she is attending UVic as one of the first two native Indian students to be accepted by the Faculty of Law.

"I am here to learn the rules of the game, so I can return to my people and teach them the rules of how to function in the law, how to play the game."

Venne, in an interview, said that native Indians at a university usually have a strong sense of identity and purpose. "Being a native one must always be aware of one's identity within one's own society, which may not be the dominant society of the area."

"Euro-Canadians generally seem to be simply alive at a university and have no purpose other than to get through and do something for themselves. But you can't live without other people. That's where the native identity is such a strong thing."

Venne recalled the advice of her grandmother that she should never give up her ties to her people or try to assimilate Euro-Canadian values. If she did, she would no longer know who she was because there would always be doubt in her mind as to whether Euro-Canadian society had accepted her.

"I must always be aware that I am trying to do something, not for me but for my people. I see our future in Canada as concerned with the law. I am going to return to my reserve and try to work there. The Indian people have the only laws contained under a specific act, and my people have to learn how to use these laws to advantage. Many native customs may be able to fit into the common law."

The attitudes of people at the university toward native people seem to be the same as those of the nation in general. "People always say that they know a lot about native Indians but really they don't know a damn thing about us," said Venne.

"I can only perceive it from my viewpoint, but it seems so wrong that people lived side by side for more than 100 years without the Euro-Canadians ever asking the native people about anything. Not about shooting ducks, not about how they live, not about their history—not about anything."

History is a familiar subject to Sharon. She graduated with honors at UVic in Canadian Indian History last spring, the first native Indian in Canada to graduate with this specialty.

Venne is of the opinion that Canadian

is calls a day

to work a switchboard, especially at a university.

"I feel personally we have extraordinarily patient girls. They also have a good sense of humor, which helps."

And because it takes six months to a year's experience to become a knowledgeable university operator, "we have only mature people that we know are interested in staying."

If there were constant turnovers, the university would be thrown into "utter confusion" from uninformed operators.

Forbes said it is "incredible" how many changes go on within the university within a short time, and it is for this reason that the six part-time operators work at least one day a week so they don't lose touch.

"New programs or departments are established, faculty members often are shifted around to different offices, and offices are moved to different buildings."

One recent major change was switching all locals from three digits to four digits so that the university could expand from 700 to 800 locals to keep pace with its growth.

When Forbes started work with Victoria College, after gaining experience at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, she took care of 40 locals.

When the switchboard moved from the Lansdowne campus in 1966, UVic had 400 locals.

The switchboard is open 8:15 a.m. to 9:45 p.m. weekdays, and 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays.

Despite the peculiar demands of the job, Forbes said "I wouldn't be doing it if I didn't love it."

She added that what made the job particularly interesting was "to be dealing constantly with people—or, I should say, voices."



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history to date has been presented in an extremely biased manner. "Canadian history starts with the landing of some European on the shore somewhere and continues from there, focusing on the white culture. There is little or no mention of the Indians except in terms of 'massacres' etcetera."

The Indian people, said Venne, were actively involved in determining the direction of Canadian history. The emphasis, though, has always been on the activities of the Euro-Canadians, almost exclusive of any reference to those of the native people.

Venne said that courses such as those that were offered at UVic last year concerning Canadian Indian history are important because Euro-Canadian society needs to be familiarized with the history and culture of the native people. However, she contends that these courses tend to be based on popular myth.

"Euro-Canadians make an assumption and build 'facts' around it, instead of finding facts and arriving at conclusions."

Universities have an excellent opportunity to eradicate myths and broaden the scope of the courses that now exist, she said, adding that native people at a university are a unique resource.

"Many of these classes ignore the fact that Indian people are in the educational system. They should have native people come to these classes and talk about what reserve life and Indian history and culture are really like."

Some 29 people were in the Indian history course at the May-June intersession, which must be one of the largest classes of any courses offered then.

"One would think that the university would have an interest in offering a course that only one or two other universities in Canada offer," she said, noting that the course has now been dropped.

The difficulties of being a native student at a university are hard to pinpoint. "There was a time when it was a shock for native students to be at a university, both for them and the Euro-Canadian students. Now the last bastions of Canadian universities, law and medical schools, have accepted native students, it will cease to be such a shock."

When asked if she had run into problems at any point in her post-secondary education, Sharon referred again to the problem of retaining a sense of identity. Many people

expect Indians to deny their heritage, forwarding such comments as, "You're not really an Indian, are you?" and seem shocked when it is freely admitted.

"Why should we deny it? Just because white people have developed the misconception that native people want to have the same values and life-styles as them? The native Indian perception of things hasn't changed for a couple of hundred years. We know who we are."

Sharon thinks that it must be a basic sense of insecurity that causes people to question the attendance of native students at university. One of the main barriers is the condescending attitude of many people, the opinion that native students are accepted by a university because they are Indian. Despite firm academic standings she says "they

think we slip in through the back door."

Venne is a member of the Petequakey band, also the name of the reserve. It is the Cree name for the sound of the wings of Canada geese in flight.

Venne was a reporter for the *Vancouver Sun* for three summers, and after graduating with an honors B.A. she applied to and was accepted by three law schools. UVic was the final choice because she likes Victoria, prefers a small campus and already knew people who are going here.

"Mainly, though, it was because the UVic law department is developing good ideas, has innovative concepts." It must be inspiring. Sharon spends most of her time either in classes or in the law library.

"If a law school accepts you, you have a certain obligation to work as hard as you can."

Step aside, old Swede... here comes young Johnny Canuck

By John Driscoll

Remember all those television ads showing a 60-year-old Swede skiing stoically through the snow while a background voice chided Canadians for their lack of physical fitness?

The average 30-year-old Canadian is not as fit as the average 60-year-old Swede the voice told us while the camera followed the spry, old Scandinavian over hill and dale.

All a myth.

"They might be running ads in Sweden about 60-year-old Canadians who are more fit than 30-year-old Swedes," said Sandy Keir, head of the fitness branch of Recreation Canada, an arm of the federal Health and Welfare Department.

Keir was at UVic last week to meet Dr. Martin Collis and his colleagues in the Physical Education division, and with a representative of the provincial government.

Keir's department had nothing to do with the television ads which, he explained, were produced by Participaction, an organization

outside the federal government but funded by it.

"That particular ad was designed to arouse interest in physical fitness among Canadians and it certainly did its job," said Keir. "However, it wasn't based on any scientific evidence."

Keir said nobody knows what kind of fitness level Canadians are at, but with a Health Canada Survey starting next year, "for the first time we'll have a handle on it."

A team of fitness experts will go into 40,000 Canadian homes to find out what kind of shape Canadian families are in, with questionnaires and a series of tests including the Canada Home Fitness Test.

Collis said the survey was the first of this magnitude in the western world and indicates the federal government's realization of the importance of physical fitness.

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The UVic soccer Vikings picked a bad time Oct. 21 to play what coach Brian Hughes calls "the louiest game we've played in several years". The occasion was the Canada West University Athletic Association (CWUAA) championship tournament. In that game UBC Thunderbirds knocked off UVic 1-0 and put the defending Canadian intercollegiate champions into quite a hole. To defend their national title, the Vikings had to win the CWUAA championship and this meant that last weekend in Edmonton UBC had to lose a game while UVic had to win both of their games. The universities of Saskatchewan and Alberta are the two other teams in the tournament. "We're in a tough spot," admitted Hughes last week. The former professional soccer player coached the Vikings to the national championship last year with a final 2-1 victory over Concordia University. "On paper we're a better team than last year," said Hughes. "And we will play a lot better than we have been playing." With seven of last year's champions back UVic already has a win this season over the strong Victoria West Athletic Association team in league play.

Three members of the UVic Vikings rugby team have been chosen to the Crimson Tide which will represent Vancouver Island in a series of matches against Vancouver and Fraser Valley teams.

Cross-country runners look tiptop

With an excellent crop of first-year runners, UVic's women's cross-country racing team was a definite threat to take the Canada West University Athletic Association (CWUAA) championship Oct. 30 in Saskatoon.

Rookie coach Dave Weicker and 12 men and women were scheduled to take the trip, and Weicker, last week, was optimistic about both teams.

"Of the two teams, the women's is the stronger," he said. "We've got three runners who could finish in the top five at Saskatoon and that would cinch the championship."

As The Ring went to press it was learned that UVic's women's cross-country team has justified Weicker's optimism by winning the CWUAA crown. Debbie Scott won the women's three-mile run with a time of 17 minutes 41 seconds while teammate Ulla Hansen finished third. In women's team standings UVic finished ahead of UBC, University of Saskatchewan, University of Alberta, University of Calgary and University of Lethbridge, in that order. The men's team, aided by the second-place finish of Brian Blamey, finished fourth with UBC winning the men's team standings.

Cross-country is a grueling event over rugged terrain and one of the best at it in British Columbia is Debbie Scott, a first-year student at UVic. She won the Fort Casey Invitational meet in Washington and placed second in the recent Pacific Northwest Championship in Vancouver.

"I'd say she has a good chance of winning the CWUAA run," said Weicker.

Second-year student Ulla Hansen, who specializes in 800-meter events, and Sharon Docherty, another rookie, are also rated highly by Weicker. First-year student Debbie Campbell and second-year runner Anita Sobon round out the formidable team.

The men's team has more depth this year, said Weicker. He predicted that if five UVic runners could place in the top 20 at Saskatoon it would be enough for the championship.

The winning men's team at the CWUAA championship goes on to the Canadian International Athletic Union (CIAU) championship later this month in Montreal.

Brian Blamey, a second-year student, is UVic's top threat in the men's events. A steeplechaser by trade, he is the hardest-working member of the men's team and has been running well, said Weicker.

Bob Noble, a rookie who also runs the steeplechase, was the B.C. high school champion last year, and Weicker is looking forward to his development. Dean Strickland, a third-year student who has made the difficult switch from the long jump to track events, has also run well this year.

First-year runner Bob Poole has been

Named to the Tide are Alistair Palmer (A&S-U), Gary Grant (FA-2) and Bevan Grant (Educ-1).

The Vikings and Vikettes basketball teams officially start their seasons Friday (Nov. 5) against two top-rated opponents. The Canadian Senior 'A' champion Victoria Scorpions bolstered by the addition of peppery Bill Robinson, a star of Canada's Olympic team, will provide the opposition for the Vikings at 7:30 p.m. Also starring for the Scorpions this year is Ken Shields, Vikings' coach. The teams play a rematch in the gym Saturday at 9 p.m. The Vikettes, led by coach Mike Gallo, had a spectacular season last year, going through the Canada West University Association (CWUAA) schedule with 20 wins and no defeats. They'll be playing the Vancouver Buzzbombs Friday at 9:30 p.m. and Saturday at 7 p.m. The Buzzbombs have Olympic star Joanne Sargent in their line-up. This will be the last chance to see the teams in action until Nov. 26 when UVic teams host the University of Saskatchewan in CWUAA play. UVic starts the CWUAA schedule Nov. 12 and 13 in Lethbridge and play the following week in Edmonton. Exhibitions for the Vikings this season include games against the Burnaby Bullets, and Dandenong of Australia. In addition the Vikings will be hosting the Christmas Classic Tournament and attending the Golden Boy Tournament in Winnipeg.

coming on fast and Fraser Syne, a third-year student in his first year of cross-country, has also shown well. Larry Wheeler, a first-year student, and Kevin Kendall, a rookie who Weicker says could be the "sleeper" on his team because of his rapid improvement, were also scheduled to go to Saskatoon.

The women's course is three miles or just under 5,000 meters while the men run 6 miles.

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Collis, a fitness expert, was one of several scientists who helped to develop the kit. He participated with Keir last week in a one-day fitness workshop for the medical services branch of the federal health department in Vancouver.

Keir said the "fit-kit" which was put on the market earlier this year has not been selling too well, because of the lack of outlets and advertising by the federal government which is promoting it.

The kit features the home fitness test, complete with questionnaire to determine whether a person is ready for strenuous exercise and a long-play record with instructions and music for determining your fitness level by two-stepping on stairs in time to a variety of types of music.

The kit also contains an advanced version of the home-fitness test with a description of the basic requirements of physical activity in terms of weight control, flexibility, muscular endurance, heart and lung fitness, and physical recreation, an illustrated series of rhythmic exercises, a progress chart, a "walk-run distance calculator", a special slide-rule which helps to calculate how far to walk or run in 15 minutes to maintain or improve fitness level, a health and fitness booklet, and, finally, crests for participants.

The kits are available for borrowing from the intramurals office at the McKinnon Centre.

Keir is optimistic that the "fit-kits" will become much more popular now that the federal government has sold the United States copyright to a distributor.

He explained that the "fit-kit" will be promoted with television ads in the United States and since most Canadians watch U.S. television the kits could become popular here as well as in the U.S.

"There's been an interest in the kits from distributors all over the world," he said. "I believe it will become a very popular item."

The fit-kits are for sale in British Columbia through the YM/YWCA and Action B.C. and cost \$4.95.



The "Canadian Creative Music Quartet" will play here Nov. 5 at 8 p.m. in MacLaurin 144, sponsored by the Department of Music. The quartet, which has been playing in Toronto since 1974, is "a group of musicians exploring the process of real time composition", according to a blurb. "Rooted in diverse traditions and disciplines, our music observes a relativistic order, in which a shifting reference frame becomes the carrier of a highly personal artistic communication." Earlier this year, the CCMC opened the Music Gallery in Toronto, which is a studio-concert-workshop exhibition space devoted to new music. Two albums of the CCMC's music will be released in November on the Music Gallery label. Quartet members are Casey Sokol (pianos), Allan Mattes (bass), Larry Dubin (drums) and Peter Anson (guitar).

UVic, Camosun students to huddle

UVic and Camosun College student leaders plan to use National Student Day, Nov. 9, as a springboard to a closer relationship between college and university students.

"The two groups haven't really communicated on common problems," explained Brian Gardiner (A&S-4), Alma Mater Society vice-president and chairman of the UVic student committee organizing the day's events with Camosun students.

"We'd like to raise the consciousness of university students about community colleges. There's an ivory tower attitude that we'd like to dispel."

Events have been organized at post-secondary institutions across Canada to highlight student concerns about increasing tuition fees, rising unemployment, student aid changes and cutbacks in educational funding.

Gardiner said there were no protests or demonstrations planned, just a full day of

Gardiner:
'an ivory tower
attitude'



looking at the issues and trying to come up with some solutions.

Events begin with a workshop discussion at Camosun at 9 a.m. and include another problem-solving workshop at 2:30 p.m. in the Student Union Building.

"We'll be discussing such joint concerns as UVic owning the land on which Camosun is located," said Gardiner.

A highlight of the day will be a panel discussion at 12:30 p.m. in the SUB on tuition increases. UVic officials are discussing the feasibility of such an increase.

Invitations to join the panel have been sent to President Howard Petch, representatives of Camosun, student senators, student governors, the Representative Assembly and high school students.

AMS backs adult education

The Alma Mater Society has called for a higher priority for community and continuing education in a brief presented at a public hearing Oct. 28.

The hearing was one of several held by the Department of Education in an enquiry into adult education in British Columbia.

Student Senator Casey Rippon delivered the AMS brief which described the low priority given adult education as "appalling".

"The AMS believes that continuing and community education is and should continue to be an exciting way for people to learn," the brief stated.

The brief stated that community education

is a major way of increasing the accessibility of B.C. residents to higher education.

"There should be increased over-all funding," the brief stated. "It is apparent that the lack of funds is a hindrance to the development of a complete adult education program."

The brief also discussed the lack of overall co-ordination of adult education, and the need to provide more access to programs. "Increased use of local facilities could increase the usefulness of various programs."

The lack of adequate counselling in adult education is "a major failing of the whole education system," the brief stated.

The AMS brief was also critical of "poorly trained" adult educators who undermine the strength of the entire program.

The brief agreed in the area of funding with a report from a special committee which was appointed to study community and continuing education in B.C. The committee pointed out that support through student fees biases programming towards what will sell and to those who can pay.

"The AMS also recognizes the weakness of funding programs on a popularity basis," the brief stated. "If the public schools were so funded we would have students concentrating entirely on Physical Education and Mathematics would soon die."

Governor queries hiring of wives

Checking the list of sessional lecturers appointed this year, Dr. I.D. Pal (Economics) spotted some familiar names.

He expressed concern, at the October Board of Governors meeting, at the number of wives of faculty members who are being hired as sessional lecturers in departments where their husbands teach.

"When we appoint wives of faculty members I hope we aren't depriving any local, qualified people of employment," he said. "I believe in spreading the goodies around."

Vice-President K. George Pedersen said Pal's point was well-taken and assured the BOG that UVic was concerned about hiring the most qualified people as sessional lecturers.

"In all cases on those appointments we have gone through the required channels and hired the most qualified candidates," he said.

As for the fact that several wives of faculty members had been hired, Pedersen said it is logical that wives often have the same background as their husbands.

Pedersen said the hiring of sessional lecturers was an inexpensive and reasonable way of providing a service. Dr. Alfred Fischer, Dean of Arts and Science, said a large number of the appointees were associated with UVic's prison program where it would be impractical and extremely expensive to provide regular full-time faculty.

"There are a number of sessional lecturers appointed to replace those on study leave," he added.

Bursar Robert McQueen promised to bring to the next BOG meeting, a breakdown between regular, visiting and sessional lecturers.



Alistair Palmer Photo

Vikings captain Gary Grant with treasured trophy

Vikes win west

Revenge is sweet even when it takes three years to accomplish, and the UVic Vikings are enjoying the dethronement of the University of British Columbia Thunderbirds as rugby champions of the Canada West University Athletic Association (CWUAA).

The Vikings won the CWUAA crown Oct. 23 and 24 in Edmonton, ending the four-year reign of UBC.

In 1973 the Vikings defeated UBC 3-0 to win the championship and had the team name inscribed on the keg that goes to the winner. Four months later the Vikings forfeited the trophy because of their use of an ineligible player and UBC was declared champion.

"We've always felt the championship was taken away on flimsy grounds," explained Howard Gerwing (Special Collections) who stepped down this year after 12 years as manager of the Vikings.

"We felt also that if we had to forfeit the trophy, no champions should be declared. Instead UBC took our names off the trophy and inscribed their own."

So the 1976 win over UBC, 10-0, was especially sweet to the Vikings.

For the next year the Vikings will possess the CWUAA trophy and the Wightman Boot, a trophy in honor of former UBC coach Brian Wightman competed for annually by UVic and UBC.

The CWUAA trophy may have a slight alteration by the time UBC sees it again. The Vikings plan to add a notation to the 1973 plaque which carries the UBC name. Above it they plan to inscribe the score of that game three years ago, UVic 3, UBC 0.

UBC supporters can point out that the Thunderbirds this year were missing six top players who were competing for the British Columbia reps against Ontario during the CWUAA tournament.

Vikings coach Ian MacLean agrees that this gave the Vikings an edge. "But I coached at UBC last year and the reserves they used are top players," he said. "We'll do them again when they've got their first team on the field in the spring."

Gerwing said the Vikings felt they had a good chance as soon as they realized the B.C.-Ontario game was scheduled for the same weekend as the CWUAA tournament.

"UBC has always said their second team could beat the Vikings," said Gerwing.

MacLean said the Vikings were psychologically prepared for the tournament and had a special game plan for UBC. "They're an explosive ball club. They defeated the University of Alberta 61-0 in the tournament. We had to contain them."

MacLean said the game demonstrated that a team can play to a game plan. "Everyone played a solid game, especially our forwards," he said.

Gary Grant (FA-2), Vikings captain, was outstanding with six tries in the three tournament games.

UVic defeated the University of Alberta 34-15 and the University of Saskatchewan 18-9 in their undefeated march to the championship.

While they've won the CWUAA crown the Vikings have a lot of rugby left to play this year with the Victoria Rugby Union league

getting under way Nov. 20 and the Northwest Collegiate Conference in February.

"Our level of cohesion and fitness is still not quite what I want," said MacLean. "And our starting 15 is by no means set for this year."

MacLean said players are welcome to come out to team practices which are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m.

UVic was whopped 44-0 by the James Bay Monsters in Wenman cup competition earlier this year but MacLean feels "we'll be prepared for them once league play starts."

MacLean said the Vikings were hurt by the loss of long-time star Ken Wilkie who is not attending UVic this year, but the younger players are beginning to fit into the team.

He said he finds it puzzling that some UVic students are playing for other club teams in the Victoria area. "We've been struggling to get people out to practice and there are a number of players here playing with other clubs," he said.

Hockey team seeks national crown

The UVic Vikettes field hockey team leaves Thursday (Nov. 4) for Halifax in search of the national crown they narrowly missed winning in 1975.

Coach Enid Jackson and her 14-member team swept four games to win the Canada West University Athletic Association (CWUAA) championship in Edmonton Oct. 23 and 24.

This marked the second straight year the Vikettes have won the CWUAA championship. Last year they lost in the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union (CIAU) finals 1-0 to the University of Toronto.

"Our chances are very good," said Jackson, who is in her first year of coaching at UVic. "However, in team sports there are a lot of variables so we'll need a bit of luck, too."

At the CWUAA championship the team played excellently with crisp passing and attacking, said Jackson. "We controlled 80 per cent of the play, even in those games where the scores were close," she said.

The Vikettes defeated UBC 1-0, University of Saskatchewan 4-2, University of Alberta 1-0, and the University of Calgary 8-0 to win the west. UBC Thunderettes were second in the tournament with two wins and a tie.

The Vikettes have nine players back from last year's team, including Jan Crook and Lynn Beecroft who are members of the national squad from which Canada's team is picked.

"It's a very good team and every player contributes," said Jackson.

While men compete, women learn

If statistics mean anything, it would appear that women at UVic are not into competitive sports, but are willing to learn a variety of recreational activities.

Men, on the other hand, are more interested in competition than in instructional classes. In total, more than 1,400 people at UVic are participating in athletics and recreation.

A full schedule of intramural leagues, instructional classes and general recreation is under way in and around the McKinnon Centre, and Penny Lough, co-ordinator of intramurals and recreation, reports there are about the same numbers of people participating this year as during last year.

Last year at this time there were 724 people registered in instructional classes and 626 in league sports. This year there are 738 people participating in instructional classes and while the totals aren't completed yet it looks like the number of league participants will be about the same as last year.

Last year women made up 80 per cent of those participating in instructional classes but only 25 per cent of those involved in league play.

"It could be that most women were not encouraged to participate in team sports in high school and that's why they're not interested now," said Lough.

Six leagues began play around the end of September, in volleyball, men's and women's basketball, floor hockey, inner tube water polo, soccer and flag football.

Leagues are divided into competitive and recreational divisions, and both individuals and complete teams can register for play.

About 30 referees, timers and scorekeepers, drawn primarily from experienced students, are employed during the six-week league schedules which end about the

beginning of December.

Resident students are in the best position to form teams, explained Lough, because they have a ready-made group on campus.

"But we do get teams from faculties and various departments," she added.

This year volleyball appears to be the rage on campus. There are 35 teams with leagues structured to ability level, compared to 22 teams last year.

This may be due to the interest in the volleyball played at the Montreal Olympics. The Olympics could also be responsible for a sudden interest in team handball. Lough said if enough interest is expressed in this game which combines aspects of basketball and hockey, a league may be organized.

Lough is hoping that one of the biggest problems, game defaults, will be solved this year with the institution of a \$5 deposit paid by all teams.

The teams get their money refunded if they show up for all scheduled games. "In the past a lot of people have been casual about showing up and this may help them to make a commitment," said Lough.

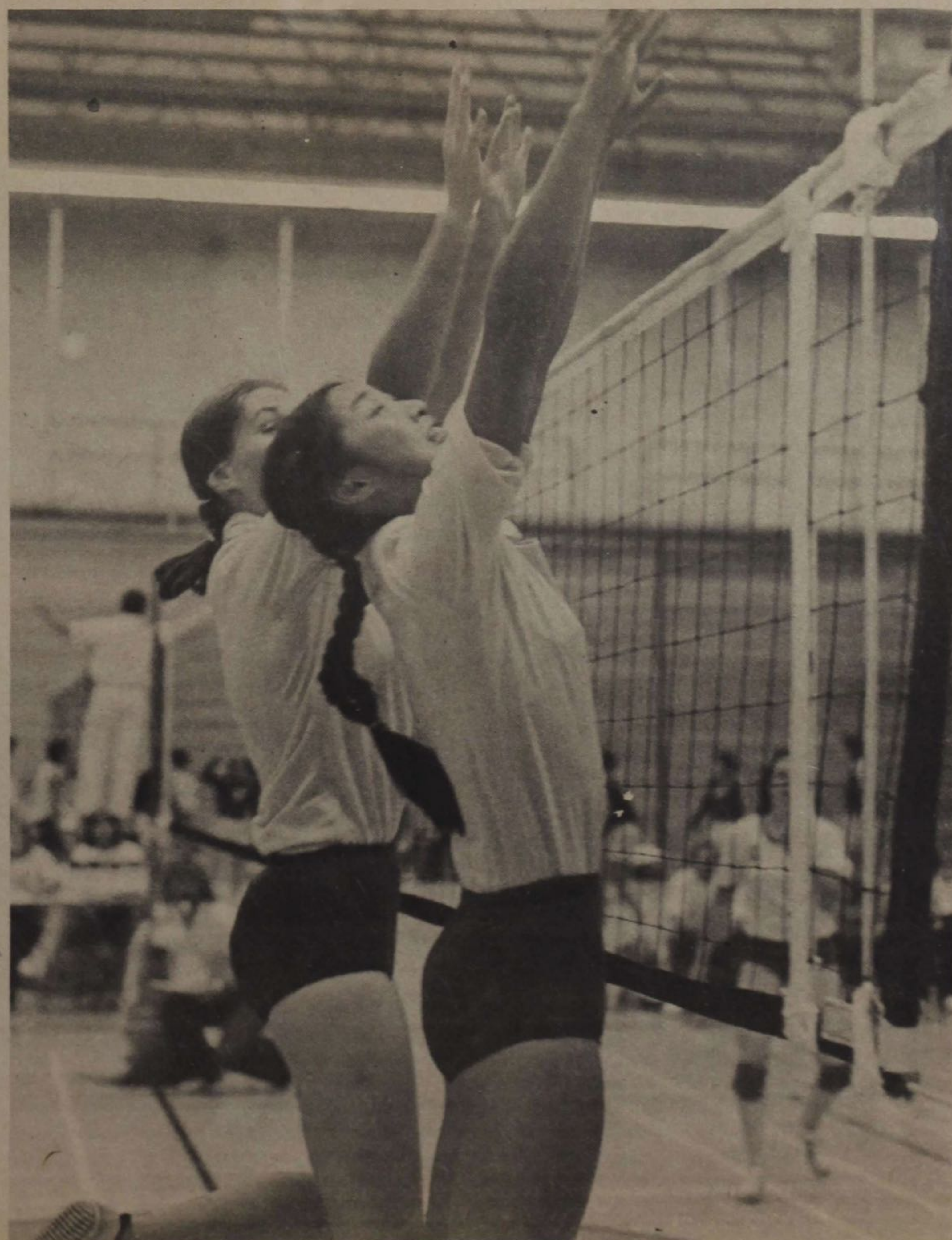
Instructional courses include such popular classes as scuba diving, yoga and ballroom dancing which always fill up early.

There are also courses in racquet sports, sailing, aquatics, the martial arts of karate, aikido, judo and t'ai chi, a variety of dance forms, gymnastics, weight training, and fitness for women.

There are also hours for impromptu recreational activities in the pool or gymnasiums.

All students, faculty and staff with activity cards are eligible for any of the activities. Anyone missing out on the activities during the first term can sign up in January when the whole program starts all over again.

Volleyball: everyone's getting into the act



Student input sought on grading

About 50 written reports on grading practices have been received from faculty members by the Senate Committee on Teaching and Learning.

The committee has been asked by Senate to conduct an examination of marking procedures used or procedures which could be used and any collateral matter and to bring forward recommendations.

Committee chairman Dr. David Leeming (Mathematics) requested faculty members to send written reports by Oct. 15. "If we get more after the deadline we won't throw them out, however," he said last week. "I'm hoping at least 50 per cent of faculty members respond to the request."

Leeming is also seeking input on grading procedures from students.

He's asking students to list any complaints about the adequacy of appeal procedures and related matters as well as to comment on grading procedures, their rationale and objectives.

While the committee is making a preliminary report to Senate at the Nov. 3 meeting, the reports from faculty and students will be considered before the final report and recommendations are made at the April, 1977 meeting of Senate.

"It's obvious that there is a wide range of

opinion at this university on grading procedures," said Leeming. "And there are many areas to be studied.

"The whole subject of grade inflation has got to be considered, for example."

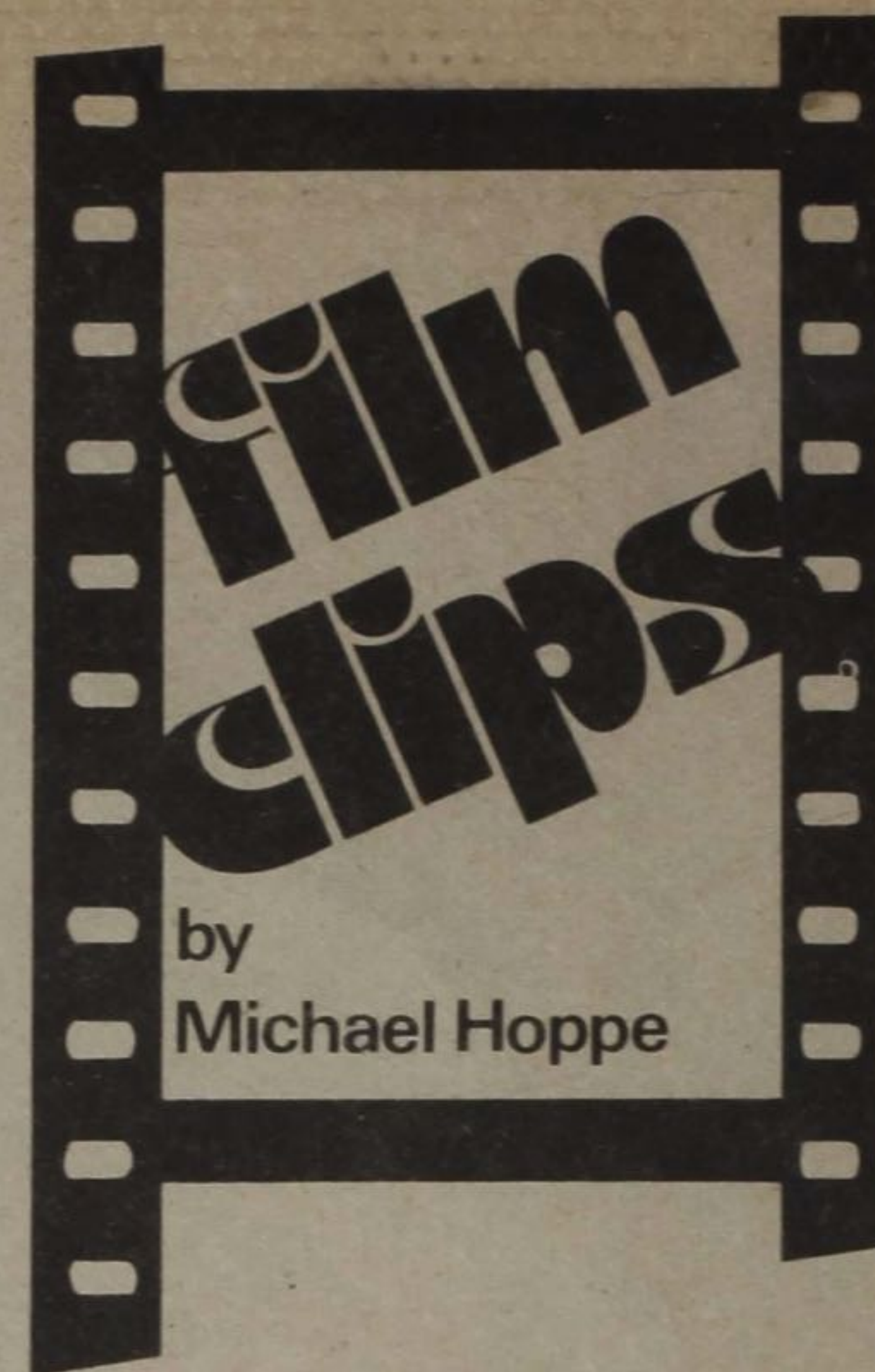
Along with canvassing the faculty and students for opinions, the committee has asked industry how final grades are used in hiring decisions and will be going to other universities to ask how they use grades to determine scholarships.

Because of the number of requests, the committee is also planning to listen to oral submissions on grading procedures.

"We have no pre-determined course for our report," explained Leeming. "We'll be looking at all aspects of grading and the only plan we have for our recommendations is that they must be the kind that can be implemented. That is, they must be practical."

Leeming was appointed chairman of the committee in September, at the same time student Senator Rosemary Gray (A&S-4) resigned from the committee over what she called, "the complete frustration I feel about the non-work of this committee since March".

"I'm sorry she resigned because she was a valuable and hard-working member of the committee," said Leeming.



The starkly effective ads for *The Front* are there to clue us to the fact that it is not going to be a Woody Allen movie in the sense that *Love and Death*, *Sleeper*, *Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Sex*, *Play it Again, Sam*, *Bananas*, and *Take the Money and Run* are Woody Allen movies, and it isn't. For one thing, *The Front* was neither written nor directed by Allen. He has been used solely as an actor and, to my delighted surprise, has been gainfully employed.

Woody Allen stars as Howard Prince, a cashier in a diner and a part-time bookie who schlepps through life owing almost everyone money until one day a writer friend asks a favor of him. The writer, Alfred Miller (Michael Murphy), needs Harold's name as a front. The time is 1953, the place America, and Miller has just been blacklisted by one segment or another of the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

This provides the basic plot-situation for *The Front*, which is not, strictly speaking, a comedy. The ensuing complications are often quite amusing but the tone established by director Martin Ritt is closer to that of a restrained, simplified that's-the-way-it-was look at the McCarthy period.

Ritt himself was blacklisted in 1951, as was the scenarist, Walter Bernstein, in 1950, as well as a number of the actors used in the film including Zero Mostel, Herschel Bernardi, and Joshua Shelley. When one finds this out reading the credits at the end of the film, it tends to add an air of crusading authenticity to what has gone on before, as it was, no doubt, intended to.

But what has gone on? Once Howard starts receiving the 10 per cent for every TV script of Miller's he puts his name to, he pays off his debts and becomes involved with a girl (Andrea Marcovicci) at the TV station for which he is ostensibly working. What we see of Howie is a basically uneducated, apolitical person attempting to pass himself off as a man of some literary importance; and it is in Howie's scrambled efforts to straddle this cultural gulf that Woody Allen is at his best. Allen was the perfect choice for the role—who better than he can play the poor schnook aspiring to be the compleat smoothie?

Howie then tells Miller that he'd be glad to front for some other blacklisted writers and that he'll even give them a 3 to 25 per cent special. Enjoying his new-found wealth, Howie gets a new apartment, appears on television, and starts sporting plaid shirts of every pattern and color. He becomes pompously self-assured and even tells his three TV writers that he'd like to see them turning out some

better work: "More along the lines of Eugene O'Neill—I've been reading some of his stuff lately."

The film winds its way along until, not surprisingly, Howard Prince is subpoenaed and must appear before the committee. This is what the film has been leading to all along and we realize that Howie is on the horns of a moral dilemma. His intention is "to answer without replying," but once in front of the stoney visages of the committee, he is forced to change his tactics.

The Front is little more than a mildly comic moral tale set in those Red-baiting days which Lillian Hellman writes about with unaffected frankness in *Scoundrel Time*, her memoir of the McCarthy period. In a letter she wrote to the committee, Hellman states, "I cannot and will not cut my conscience to fit this year's fashions." What Howie tells them is considerably less eloquent, but it is just as articulate in its own way. He leaves the committee room triumphantly and, for us, it is the triumph of an uneducated, non-political person who is suddenly forced into an ethical awareness and acts upon it.

Watching the film, one feels the director was holding back a bit too much, perhaps from fear of making too emotional a movie. Unfortunately, Ritt's reticence tends to deaden the film; it never really takes off until the last fifteen minutes or so.

Martin Ritt has never been a terribly creative director, but he has been able to charge his best films with a convincing emotional undercurrent, particularly *Souther*, *Conrack*, *Hombre*, and, most memorably, *Hud*.

Another thing which lessens *The Front's* impact is Bernstein's screenplay, which is woefully deficient in characterization—we are forced to accept everything at face value. The fact that Howie and Miller were high school chums is not enough to explain why they would still be favor-doing close; and Howie's relationship with his girl friend is not convincing on any level.

Ritt's best achievement here is with his actors. Woody Allen has always been so sure of his rapport with the audience that he has never needed to do more than do his schtick of a schnook on the make.

In *The Front*, his quirky mannerisms are still there but he has refined them to the point where he doesn't need to signal the audience so broadly. This is the first time I've seen Woody Allen the Performer actually attempt to construct a character and, under Ritt's direction, he succeeds. Ritt also seems to have had a tranquilizing effect on Zero Mostel; his performance as Hecky Brown, a blacklisted comedian who is crushed when he can't find work, is remarkably good considering the little Bernstein provided him to work with. Mostel gives the old routine of the sad clown a frazzled edge of neurotic desperation which makes him sympathetically believable without being maudlin.

It is difficult to gauge whether today's audience, strung-out on the noise, speed, and violence of most modern movies, is going to respond to such a low-key movie which makes a moral point (without irony, no less!). But, something like *The Front* was bound to come out of Hollywood sooner or later and, even though it eschews the political complexities of the period, it accomplishes its simple aim.

CINECENTA

Cinecenta will present the Victoria premiere of Michelangelo Antonioni's *The Passenger*, starring Jack Nicholson and Maria Schneider. It is a multi-layered, hauntingly beautiful film about a jaded political reporter who takes on the identity of a deadman in order to flee the pressures of society and himself. Made in 1974 and released in 1975, this is Antonioni's third feature in English—and he's come a long way from the shoddy *Zabriskie Point*. It will be showing Saturday, Nov. 6 at 7 and 9:15 and Sunday, Nov. 7 at 7:30 in the SUB Theatre.

calendar

Wednesday, November 3rd

3:30 pm
Meeting, Women's Action Group. SUB Rm. 144.
7:30 pm
Meeting, Senate. Commons 205.
8:30 pm
Badminton, Old Gym.

Thursday, November 4th

11:00 am to 5:00 pm
Ferdinand Roten Galleries to present Exhibit/Sale of original prints. "Works by Modern and Old Masters Span Six Centuries."
12:30 pm
Lecture. Clearihue C108. Professor Richard Coe will speak on "Portrait of the Artist as an Enfant Terrible".
Meeting, Fine Arts. MacLaurin 169.
3:30 to 5:00 pm
Petch Peeves. Sedgewick Room 4. Students, staff and faculty welcome to see Dr. Petch. Call Local 4201 for confirmation of room.
3:30 pm
Lecture. Sedgewick 101. Professor Colin Wells will read a paper on "Gaul and Its Invaders: from Caesar to the Goths".

7:15 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. Ingmar Bergman's "The Seventh Seal".
8:00 pm
Lecture. Gold Room - Commons Block. Professor Richard Coe will speak on "Why the Rules?"
8:00 pm
Lecture. Cornett 108. Professor Colin Wells (University of Ottawa) will speak on "Jewish Resistance to the Romans, Culminating in Masada."
9:15 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "Hollywood Cartoons".

Friday, November 5th

10:30 am
Lecture. Clearihue 101. Professor Joel Brink (UBC) will speak on "Simone Martini, Petrarch and the Humanistic Program of the Virgil Frontispiece".
12:30 pm
Lecture. Clearihue 108. Professor Richard Coe will speak on "God-the-Father and Participatory Democracy".
Lecture. Cornett 112. Professor Balachandrar Rajan (University of Western Ontario) will speak on "Yeats and the Dialogue Poem".
Fridaymusic. MacLaurin 144.
2:30 pm
Seminar. Cunningham 1102. Dr. A. Fontaine (UVic) will speak on "A Naturalist in Fiji".
3:30 pm
Meeting, Arts and Science. Elliott 167.
7:00 & 9:15 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "Shampoo".
7:30 pm
Basketball - Vikings vs Scorpions. UVic Gym.
8:00 pm
Canadian Creative Music Quartet. MacLaurin 144.

9:30 pm

Women's Basketball - Vikettes vs Vancouver Buzzbombs at UVic.
11:30 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "Flesh Gordon" plus "Flash Gordon" serial Chaps. 8 & 9.

Saturday, November 6th

Volleyball - Vikings Fall Tournament at UVic.
4:30 pm
Women's Basketball - Jay Vee vs B.C.I.T. at UVic.
7:00 pm
Women's Basketball - Vikettes vs. Vancouver Buzzbombs at UVic.
7:00 & 9:15 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "The Passenger".
9:00 pm
Basketball - Vikings vs. Scorpions. UVic Gym.
11:30 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "Flesh Gordon" plus "Flash Gordon" serial Chaps. 8 & 9.

Sunday, November 7th

1:00 pm
Soccer - Norsemen vs. Saanich Braves. UVic.
1:30 pm
Men's Field Hockey - Castaways vs. UVic at UVic.
2:15 pm
Soccer - Vikings vs Powell River at Powell River.
5:00 to 6:30 pm
Steak Dinner Night - Commons Dining Room. Please reserve early. Local 6678 or 6679.
7:30 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "The Passenger".

Monday, November 8th

7:30 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "The 400 Blows".

Tuesday, November 9th

12:30 pm
Tuesdaymusic. MacLaurin 144.
4:30 pm
Lecture. Liberal Arts 305. Cornett 163. Dr. I. Rigby (History in Art) will speak on "Painting Moves into the 20th Century".

Wednesday, November 10th

Women's Action Group. SUB Rm. 144.
7:15 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. Laurence Olivier's "Hamlet".
8:00 pm
Faculty Recital Series Concert Number 2 - an All Schubert Programme. Admission Charge - Adults \$2.50 Students and O.A.P.'s \$1.50.
8:30 pm
Badminton. Old Gym.

Thursday, November 11th

Remembrance Day. University closed.
7:15 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "His Girl Friday".

9:15 pm

*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "Hollywood Cartoons".

Friday, November 12th

12:30 pm
Fridaymusic. MacLaurin 144.
2:30 pm
Meeting, Education. Cornett 112.
7:00 & 9:00 & 11:30 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. To Be Announced.

Saturday, November 13th

12:45 pm
Ladies' Field Hockey - Rebels vs Vikettes at Lansdowne School.
7:00 & 9:15 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "Love and Death".

Sunday, November 14th

1:00 pm
Soccer - Norsemen vs. Prospect Lake at UVic.
5:00 - 6:30 pm
Steak Dinner Night - Commons Dining Room. Please reserve early. Local 6678 or 6679.
7:30 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "Love and Death".

Monday, November 15th

1:00 pm
Meeting, Board of Governors. Gold Room.
7:30 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "The Invitation".

Tuesday, November 16th

12:30 pm
Tuesdaymusic. MacLaurin 144.
4:30 pm
Lecture. Liberal Arts 305. Cornett 163. Dr. E. Limbrick (French) will speak on "From the External World to the Internal World in Renaissance Literature and Thought".

Wednesday, November 17th

3:30 pm
Women's Action Group. SUB Rm. 144.
7:00 & 9:15 pm
*Cinecenta Films. SUB Theatre. "Hamlet".
8:00 pm
Chamber Music Series. MacLaurin 144. Admission Charge - Adults \$2.50; Students and O.A.P.'s \$1.50.
8:30 pm
Badminton, Old Gym.

*N.B. All Cinecenta Films have an admission charge and are not open to the public.