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Merry Christmas
Curriculum vitae, of all faculty, with the exception of salary information will become available for public inspection in the offices of deans, effective Jan. 1.

President Howard Petch has requested deans to make C.V.'s available after a ballot sent to faculty members resulted in a vote of 203 in favor of the move and 77 opposed. Faculty members are to be asked to indicate, on the ballot, whether they would expect to make career progress increments (CPI's) available after a faculty vote by the joint Faculty Association-University Salary and Appointment recommendation.

The Ring also obtained a list of anonymous comments made by faculty members and it covers a wide range of opinions.

Some of those who supported making C.V.'s available added comments like "long overdue" or "strongly support." Many added that they would support the step even more if salary information was also included.

"As it is now the administration has no watchdog that prevents it from arbitrarily giving more or less money on whatever basis they chose. This would keep it more in line," wrote one faculty member in favor of making C.V.'s available.

"I am in favor of C.V.s being available for inspection by people with a 'need to know' and where are the academic parasites," wrote another.

"Any faculty member should have the right to inspect my C.V. for any reason he or she may have no bones about his or her feelings against his or her wishes," wrote another.

"It would make as much sense for the administration to make C.V.s available to faculty member who made no bones about his or her feelings against his or her wishes."
Dave Connell, the UVic student who was told he couldn’t vote because he had registered in without problems during the summer, has won his appeal. Connell’s plight, which was related in a story in the student newspaper, the Martlet, was discussed in closed session by the Senate at the December meeting. Connell laid out the three courses without spotting a regulation prohibiting it. The regulation in question was 13.5. As a result of his appeal the Senate authorized Registrar Ron Ferry to reiterate the student regulations to ensure that other regulations are not buried and to contact departments and divisions where appropriate.

The work load for Senates has been building since September and the agenda for the December meeting was so stacked with reports and motions that it didn’t seem possible they would work their way through it all. They couldn’t. At 11:30 p.m. the weary group adjourned their four-hour meeting with a number of items untouched. These will be taken up at the first regular meeting of Senate Jan. 12. A week later a special Senate meeting will be held to discuss a report on graduate studies at UVic.

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When Pedersen talks of academic excellence he is not referring only to the idyllic view of the university as a community of liberal arts scholars. "The notion of running a liberal arts institution is totally overblown and is totally outdated," he said. "It simply wasn't being substantiated by professors or students."

"I believe in a strong liberal arts program as the academic core of the institution, but it must be connected with a multi-university with professional schools. We already have a strong UVic and in the future more professional schools could be added."

Pedersen, whose doctoral work is in the economics of education, believes that education's share of the public budget may have peaked in the 1960's. He said this was a period when governments and the public believed that social ills such as poverty, unemployment and various forms of discrimination could be cured through massive education expenditures. "Those were unrealistic expectations for education to accept and they have caused serious disillusionment among politicians and the general public."

"Up to the 1960's a university degree practically guaranteed a job and I think it's fair to suggest that this is no longer the case."

"Education in the 1970's is also faced with increasing competition for public funds from health, social welfare and environmental concerns. "The high priority for education has dropped."

President Pedersen and B.C. Education Minister Pat McGee has expressed increased interest in professional schools and technical and social schools and questioned the need to expand the support level for Arts and Science."

"This is a trend throughout all of North America," he said.

"With dwindling funds educators must do a better job of gaining public sympathy. Pedersen believes that in general, educational planning is poorly organized. With financial year-to-year basis and incremental budgeting we don't really have an opportunity to look at the big picture at UVic."

"Pedersen has been somewhat disappointed with the UCBC which was set up to do the overall long-range planning for the three B.C. universities."

"I don't think the council would be of assistance to the universities in overall planning but that hasn't really happened to date."

"He said the UCBC should be working closely with the universities to rationalize this basis. If UVic requests provincial funds and then present the case to the government. The UVic officials should be held accountable, and the Universities Council in a position to assess the appropriateness of our requests in relation to the overall needs of the province."

"He said the Council should work out a rational basis for allocating grants and leave the universities to make their own internal decisions.

"The operating budget should depend on enrolment and the kinds of programs offered, while the capital budget should be worked out on some form of allocation reviewed by the provincial government."

"Pedersen said special allocations should be given to new and emerging programs such as Law, Social Work and Nursing at UVic. "Because there is no special allocation at present it's impossible to tell whether or not programs are being adequately supported."

"He said special provision should also be made for increasing the quality and for extending or upgrading existing programs."

"Those things need some special identification and support in the operating budget."

"If we get all the accommodation we've asked for, for everything on campus will be permanently housed except History in Art (now in the Sedgwick Building) and Public Administration (now in the old UCBC office wing)."

"When asked if UVic expected to get everything asked for in its capital budget, Pedersen replied, "one presents what one can defend and it is up to others to make a decision."

"He said planning of buildings at UVic has been done very carefully and has stood up to outside scrutiny, but in the past has been instigated by UCBC. "This is why we are so surprised by the implied criticism from the provincial government."

"Pedersen pointed out that this is not an easy thing to do. Reputations of universities have been damaged irresponsibly in the past. I reject that."

Despite the sniping from above and below Pedersen is enjoying his role as second-in-command.

"It's less exciting right now. We can't do all the things we'd like to because of financial restraints. But I'm optimistic about the future of UVic. As I've said on many occasions, it has a lot of potential."

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**Student welfare in their dusted off**

The University of Victoria (UVic) has a vision, but there is this problem

By John Driscoll

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"Has the university been taking better care of its students in the last two years?"

The UVic Honourary Vice-Principal (Counselling Centre) and reactivated committee on welfare of students is now running on all cylinders.

"The ad hoc committee had submitted a sweeping report on student life and after it was given its terms of reference by then acting president Dr. S.A. Jennings "to consider all matters affecting the welfare of students at this university."

"The report made 56 recommendations on how university administration should improve."" said Pedersen.

"Now president Pedersen has instructed the committee to look at each of these recommendations and to determine whether or not they are still needed and if so how they might be able to bring them to the university senates and boards."

"The act passed in 1974, has been the subject of criticism by some key recommendations which have served as an impediment for change and named as examples the reorganization of academic and administrative structures."

"As well as Beach, the activated committee includes Dr. Arthur Kratzman (Education), Dr. Bruce Wallis (English), Dave Titterton (Mckinnon Manor), Bruce Roccard (GS-M), and Jill Walker (ABS-2)."

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**U Vic to study Act**

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In a letter to President Howard Petch, Pat McGee, Minister of Education, asked for "any ideas about improvement that we might be able to bring to the Universities Act."

"There is no thought of major revision," wrote McGee. "However, amendments might be considered by the Committee of the whole House in the next session or the one following that."" said Pedersen.

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The Winegard report calls for 10 full-time faculty members for each of four campuses in Prince George, Kelowna, Kamloops and Nelson to offer arts, science and education programs.

The joint committee stated that contrary to matters of broad policy; administrative set-up as a "bureaucratic academic smorgasbord." It suggested in the Winegard report for the reorganization of Graduate Studies.

By providing only 10 faculty members for each campus there could be no variety or co-ordination with other disciplines. "What is offered is a meagre academic smorgasbord." The committee described the proposed administrative set-up as a "bureaucratic wonderland."

McClelland: now in charge

Douglas Kenny has already called for the creation of a university centre in the Interior. He said the interim solution is an "apron-string proposal.

"It suggests there can be science degrees in Prince George, and that UVic is willing to take responsibility for one of the campuses in the Interior. This would replace the present Faculty of Graduate Studies and academic set-up as a "bureaucratic wonderland."

The committee listed several academic faculties with respect to graduate studies. "The Dean of Graduate Studies has somewhat vaguely defined responsibilities. While this permits flexibility, it tends to result in a lack of accountability in some matters, and difficult problems may be passed from one group (or individual) to another without effective resolution;"

The motion by the Faculty of Graduate Studies opposing the reorganization reads: "That the Faculty of Graduate Studies agrees with the ad hoc committee's assump­tion that if the student body continue at the university and should strive for excellence, but rejects the committee's proposal for a Graduate Studies board that they would not achieve the agreed objectives; and that the Faculty will submit to the Senate for its recommendations that there ought to be a university commitment to graduate education that graduate students ought to be recognized as part of teaching load."

Having stirred up what he had termed an apathetic membership, Al Rydant has resigned as president of the Graduate Students Society.

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Improved computer service in works

UVic will discard its present computer and temporarily share a much larger one with government’s new Crown corporation. UVic will discard its present computer and service in works 370/158 over the Christmas holidays will be closed Dec. 27 and 28. It will also be closed Dec. 31 for the New Year’s Day holiday. The McKinnon Library will continue extended hours in the evening until Dec. 20. The library is open from 8 a.m. to 1 a.m. Monday to Friday and from 10 a.m. to 12 midnight Saturday and Sunday.

From Dec. 21 to Jan. 9 while students are on vacation access hours at the library vary. Dec. 21 is open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. On Thursday Dec. 23 it is open from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Dec. 24 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The library is closed Dec. 25 through Dec. 28 and Dec. 31, Jan. 1 and 2. Dec. 29 and 30 and from Jan. 3 to 7 the library is open from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. The weekend of Jan. 8 and 9 is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

With the second term beginning Jan. 10 the library will resume normal operating hours.

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Confab at top delayed

A meeting which Education Minister Pat McGeer scheduled for Dec. 13 with student leaders from around B.C. has been postponed until Jan. 10.

Alistair Palmer, Alma Mater Society president, said the Department of Education decided to delay the meeting because mid-December is a bad time to bring students together when they are involved in exams or on their way home for Christmas.

With students in the middle of examinations and the Christmas break less than a week away the hours of operation of campus buildings have been changed.

The university itself will maintain regular operations up to 4:30 p.m. Dec. 24, and will be closed Dec. 27 and 28. It will also be closed Dec. 31 for the New Year’s Day holiday.

During the examination period which ends Dec. 21, the McKinnon Centre will be open weekdays at 8:30 a.m. with activities ceasing by 9:30 p.m. and the closing of the building at 10 p.m.

Recreational swimming during the week is from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

On the weekend of Dec. 18 and 19 the McKinnon Centre will be open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. On these days family swimming is available from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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Don’t throw away your student bus passes. They’re worth $2 each on the price of another three months of use. UVic co-ordinator Phil Esmonde said B.C. Hydro has agreed to extend the trial bus pass system, introduced this fall, through the spring term.

B.C. Hydro was going to charge a 40 per cent increase in the cost of the pass, reflective of the recent general public increase in the cost of the pass, but the proposed price hike from $25 to 35 cents for a fare.

But Esmonde said that after a meeting with himself, AMS president Alistair Palmer and Peter Daring, UVic’s senior management consultant, Hydro officials agreed to bring the price down.

Instead of $52 a pass, Hydro will charge $44, with UVic picking up 45 of the cost, leaving the price for a student at $39, compared to the $50 cost for hiring the pass in the fall.

Esmonde said that fall users will get an even better deal if they still have their passes when they come into the Student Union Building in January to pay for a validation sticker for the spring term.

It will cost them $37, the 52 difference being what it costs to produce a pass.

“The one thing I want to stress is that users hang on to their passes so they can get that $2 deduction,” said Esmonde.

Some 964 UVic students bought passes in the fall, and both UVic and B.C. Hydro “felt it was successful enough to continue,” said Esmonde.

Passes will be sold in the SUB during the week of Jan. 10 to 14. Those paying for validation can come in any day of this week between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., but preferably on Monday or Friday.

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It’s ‘last chance’ to deal justly with natives

By Sharon Venne

"What most people forget is that the so-called northern native problem is in reality a southern white problem," says Hugh McCullum, a white who was born and raised in the Northwest Territories.

McCullum, co-author of This Land Is Not For Sale, spoke at the university on the McKenzie Valley pipeline and the native people of the north. "This is the last chance the people of the south will have to deal justly with the native people of the country."

The federal government, which is committed to the pipeline in the valley, has been pushing the native people to extinguish aboriginal title to the land, he noted.

This, in reality, means the federal government wants to settle the issue with the minimum of concern for the native people, the end product being the gradual assimilation of the native into the dominant Euro-Canadian society.

"Unless the people in the south are willing to speak against the pipeline construction will proceed on schedule," he said. As he spoke, he constantly stressed the natives’ need to have the south on their side.

In the south the question to be answered concerns energy consumption. "Are the people of the south willing to give up their demands for the energy which puts the natives of the north in a position of being forced to settle their claims to the land?" asked McCullum.

The demand of the south means that there is an increased use of the non-renewable resources of the north. The oil companies are constantly talking about the south freezing to death in the dark unless they are allowed to develop the north. In reality, the conventional resources of the south can supply energy for up to 60 years if Canada would take the time to conserve their resources.

In the north there are three principal groups which are concerned with land claims: the Dene, Inuit and the Metis. The federal government will not recognize the three groups together, thus forcing them to work separately on the settlement. It aids the government by pointing to their non-co-operation towards a settlement.

McEllum said that a hundred years ago on the prairies, the government quickly got treaties signed which left the native reserves totally dependent upon the government.

The natives of the north do not want this type of quick, easy settlement. He said the natives of the north want to be able to determine their own future in their own way. In 1974, for example, the Dene Nation made public their concept of a federation of the north, declaring themselves to be a nation within Canada for the purposes of negotiation on the settlement.

"This Land is Not For Sale outlines the native concept of the land. "They are spiritually attached to the land and to take it away without consultation takes their lives," McCullum said stopping construction of the pipeline will be no small feat. The oil companies of the south have an estimated $10 billion invested in the project in the face of 15,000 Dene people.

VIKES FACE CRUCIAL TEST

The UVic Vikings will get a chance Saturday (Dec. 18) to find out how they stack up against one of the top Prairie teams. The University of Winnipeg Wesmen will play the Vikings in the first round of the Bob Whyte-Uvic Christmas Classic, an annual tournament at the McKinnon gym. The Wesmen play at 8:30 p.m. while the Victoria Seaport and the UBC Thunderbirds play at 6:30 p.m. Winners of these games advance to the championship at 9 p.m. Sunday while the losers play for the consolation championship at 3 p.m.

Admission to the tournament which also includes an eight-team high school tournament is $1 for students and $1.50 for adults each day.

In Canada West Universities Athletic Association (CWUAA) play now at the Christmas break, the Vikings sport a 3-3 record, behind the league-leading Calgary Dinos who have five wins and a single loss, and UBC and the University of Alberta Viking coach Ken Shields believes his team is still "in the thick of things" and points out that if the Vikings can topple the Dinos twice in home games Jan. 7 and 8 they can jump into first place.

A federal proposal to restructure university research granting councils, now before parliament, will have a huge effect on UVic. President Howard Petch said the proposed changes are "the most important in the last decade" concerning research grants to universities.

UVic through its faculty members now receives grants from the three councils, the National Research Council (NRC), the Medical Research Council (MRC) and the Canada Council (CC). Hugh Faulkner, Minister of State for Science and Technology has introduced a bill that will create two new granting councils for federal university research and re-organize the NRC and CC.

In announcing the establishment of two new granting councils Faulkner said that the new structure should ensure "stability and continuity in the government's support of university research."

He also said the councils would receive budgetary increases in the next fiscal year to compensate for inflation. This comes as good news to university researchers across Canada who have been complaining that federal research funds have been cut drastically in recent years.

Faulkner said he would also be requesting funds for council programs relating to regional balance, national problem areas and interdisciplinary research.

"The present councils spend in total about $160 million per year in support of university research."

The major recommendation in Faulkner's bill is the creation of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council and the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council.

"This will enable the NRC to focus on the management of its laboratories which will continue to be oriented toward furthering scientific and technological development in Canada," Faulkner explained.

"The NRC will no longer be basically changed, to co-ordinate granting policies within the new structure the government plans to establish the Inter-Council Co-ordinating Committee. Faulkner said the proposed changes are "further steps in the government's strategy to develop effective and positive granting policies for university research."

Along with the changes in structure the Social Sciences Council plans to restate its mandate, giving it a national and public information role.

Lectures on teaching slated

A lecture-discussion series on university teaching has been established by Dr. Gert Mason (Physical) in an effort to promote better teaching at UVic.

The first speaker in the series Jan. 13 is Dr. Edward F. Sheffield, professor of higher education at the University of Toronto and editor of a recent book, Teaching in the Universities, no one way. Sheffield will discuss a survey made of Canadian professors of higher education who said that the best teaching professors are the most effective teachers by their graduates and whose articles form the chapters of the book. The audience will be encouraged to participate in the discussion.

The series is sponsored by a $3,000 grant from the President's Innovative Teaching Fund, the grant was awarded to Dr. Mason, who applied for the grant, said, because of his interest in improving teaching and communicating with students.

"My interest is based on realization that university instructors, outside the Faculty of Education, normally have no formal training in teaching and yet that function constitutes roughly half of their duties," he said.

Mason said the objectives of the series are to provide a forum for discussing university teaching and education and to promote better teaching and education at UVic.
Wednesday, December 15th
3:30 pm — Meeting — Women's Action Group. SUB Room 144.
4:00 pm — Christmas Concert — Faculty Recital Series No. 3.
Admission: Adults $2.50
Students & O.A.P.'s $1.50. MacLaurin 144.
University Women's Club Christmas Party. Lobby. Room 208. Commons Block.
Thursday, December 16th
9:00 am — Meeting — Joint Council. Sedgwick 011.
3:30 pm — Education — Cornell 112.
Tuesday, December 21st
7:15 pm — Victoria Scorpions vs. UBC Thunderbirds.
7:30 pm — Meeting — Senate. Commons 205.
8:30 pm — Badminton, Old Gym.
Thursday, December 23rd
12:30 pm — Lunch. SUB Dining Room.
4:00 pm — Christmas Party. For children of members of the University. Room 208. Commons Block.
6:30 pm — Meeting — Joint Council. Sedgwick 011.
8:00 pm — Meeting — Education. Cornell 112.
Friday, January 7th
8:00 pm — Basketball — Vikettes vs. University of Calgary at UVic.
8:30 pm — Basketball—University of Victoria at Athletics Park.
Tuesday, January 11th
1:30 pm — Victoria University Women's Club Christmas Party. Gold Room. 103.
8:30 pm — Basketball—Victoria A. A. at Athletic Park.
Wednesday, January 12th
12:30 pm — Lunch. SUB Dining Room.
1:30 pm — Seminar — Cunningham 1102. Dr. P. A. Jolliffe, (Dept. of Plant Science, UBC) will speak on "Phytochrome Action: The Darker Side of Plant Photomorphogenesis." 3:00 pm — Meeting — Arts & Science. Elliot 167.
11:00 pm — Chem 140-141. "Chemistry and Society," for first-year science students. Dr. B. A. Pechet.
Thursday, January 13th
8:15 pm — Monday meeting — Senate. Commons 205.
Wednesday, January 19th
2:30 pm — Wednesday music. MacLaurin 144.
5:30 pm — Liberal Arts 305. "The Partition of the Empire," C. H. Tapp, M.A.
8:15 pm — Tuesday meeting — Senate. Commons 205.
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5:00 pm — University Extension Association Meeting. Elliott 215.
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Thursday, January 20th
10:30 pm — Tuesday meeting — Senate. Commons 205.
8:30 pm — Basketball—University of Victoria at Athletics Park.
9:00 pm — Basketball—University of Calgary at UVic.
Tuesday, January 25th
1:30 pm — Lunch. SUB Dining Room.
5:00 pm — University Extension Association Meeting. Elliott 215.
11:00 pm — Chem 140-141. "Chemistry and Society," for first-year science students. Dr. B. A. Pechet.

The complaint has been heard in all quarters, for many people have seen the movie at least once in Victoria, and are probably not aware of the many other movies that have been shown during the last few months. Our interest in Canada seems to be changing rapidly, and that is unfortunate because it is an important country in its own right. However, we should not be complacent about our situation. There are still plenty of movies out there that are worth seeing, and we should not let the fact that we have seen some of them before stop us from seeing more. And while we are at it, let's not forget about the movies that are being shown at the University of Victoria. They are definitely worth seeing, and I would recommend them to anyone who is interested in films. So, let's all go out and see a movie together!