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Academic tenure unnecessary

Dear Editor:

Re: Interview with Dr. K. George Pedersen (Fall '83, p. 21)

Dr. Pedersen expressed major concerns with tenure as affected by Bill 3 and with the budget problem.

Academic tenure to protect academic freedom has long been unnecessary. Highly capable people who have confidence in their abilities do not need it and they know that they do not need it. Academic freedom, like any other freedom, cannot be guaranteed by a rule. It can only be preserved by a reasonably continuous effort on whatever fronts are necessary.

Dr. Pedersen's comments on the budgetary problems would sound better if he concentrated more on how to continue to achieve excellence with what is available. Many organizations have found that a relatively easy method of improving quality is to shrink the organization a bit.

One wishes Dr. Pedersen great success at UBC, and one is confident that a positive and realistic approach will bring that success.

D. R. Crombie, BASc'61

Remembering Sedgewick and crowded buses

Dear Editor:

You have a misprint on page 13, Volume 37, number 3 — under *Spotlight*, 60s: "Reginald" should read Reynold G. Orchard. He deserves to have his name printed correctly after his long, hard, tedious grind. After having tried repeatedly without success to get into the UBC School of Medicine, he tried all around the world and was accepted in Antwerp, where he had to study for seven years in *Dutch* before getting his M.D.

As a 1943 graduate of UBC myself, I enjoyed Alan Dawe's article Four Decades of Youth Gone By. As Sedgewick himself would have said, "Yessee!" He did indeed call students Cretin, Moron, Imbecile, etc. But he also used much more colorful epithets. He called Tennyson's Queen of the May "tubercular" (and then asked us why). And when an English Honours student "ventured an opinion" that a fellow student's essay was "rather good", he replied: "Rather good! It's bloody good, you lily-livered varmint! You have as much zest as the white of an egg!"

I also endorse Alan Dawe's memory of the UBC buses, in which we were — I won't say "literally", as we weren't head to tail — packed like sardines ("Is my rib crushing your elbow?") One bus remark I remember: "It's so nice to have you to fall back on!"

Rosalind J. Orchard, (nee Jean Elliott), BA'43

To Submit Nominations For The \$75,000 Ernest C. Manning Award

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The deadline for nominations for the 1984 Award is February 29, 1984. For further information, or to acquire a Nomination Form, please write to:

Mr. George E. Dunlap, Executive Director, Ernest C. Manning Awards Foundation, #2300, 639 - Fifth Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 0M9

High-Tech helps disabled children by Ian McLatchie

The Wesbrook Children's Technology Centre at UBC won the \$40,000 1983 Wesbrook Society Special Project Award, chairman George Morfitt announced at the society's third annual dinner October 27.

The award is given annually for a major UBC special project that the society feels would make a significant contribution to the university and to the province. The award was accepted by Dr. Peter Graystone of the UBC Rehabilitation Engineering Labora-

As Associate Professor and Rehabilitation Engineer in the School of Rehabilitation Medicine, Graystone has for several years been at the forefront of a programs of innovative designed to place computer technology at the service of the physically dis-

Through a variety of electronic and mechanical aids, the Technology Centre will give cerebral palsy and other disabled children a chance to experience first-hand the computer's enormous potential as an educational, recreational, and communication tool.

The value of a high-technology training and resources centre for disabled children was first outlined in a three-year vocational and educational demonstration project begun by Graystone and his associates in 1979. In that project, Graystone examined a full range of issues relating to the needs of B.C.'s handicapped popula-

The study concluded that a significant portion of the physically disabled and borderline mentally retarded population currently institutionalized could, with proper rehabilitative and vocational training, be helped to achieve at least a measure of self-sufficiency. The key to such training, suggested Graystone, was to provide the disabled with direct access to microcomputers and other electronic learning aids.

Working with software designer Bill Smith, staff at the Rehabilitation Laboratory devised a series of special control panels and joystick levers by which persons with even minimal head, mouth or hand movement were able to control sophisticated personal computers. By providing a group of high-level adult quadriplegics with full access, including graphic capability, to the Apple II computer, Graystone convincingly demonstrated the vocational and communicational potential of the new technology.

The next phase of the project was a response to Graystone's concern that "the under-educated children of today are the unemployed, dependent, disabled adults of tomorrow." With funding from the B.C. Health Care Research Foundation, special keyboards were developed to allow children with a number of physical disorders and disabilities to use the popular Speak and Spell, Speak and Math and Speak and Read series of electronic learning games manufactured Texas Instruments, Inc. These specialized interfaces were then given six months' evaluation in a disabled children's class taught at Surrey's Queen Elizabeth Annex by Chris Dumper, himself confined to a wheelchair since a motorcycle accident in 1972.

In his application for the Wesbrook Society award, Graystone said a lack of staff and facilities prevented him and Dumper from responding to calls for assistance from educators and parents of disabled children. The solution, proposed the application, lay in the establishment of a Children's Technology Centre in the Rehabilitation Engineering Laboratory.

The centre is directed by Graystone, with Dumper as research co-ordinator. Besides the learning games, the unit makes use of a number of audio and graphic communication systems. For many disabled children, the acquieasily-manipulated sition of an graphic communicator signifies a major step forward in the development of self-esteem and decision-making ability. As Chris Dumper says "It's like removing the gag."

Start thinking about your reunion

The Agriculture Class of 1949 and Panhellenic House are both planning reunions in 1984. Don Fisher will announce reunion plans in the spring for the Aggies 35th anniversary reunion. Panhellenic House is celebrating its 25th anniversary in the spring of 1984. Watch for further details. For more information call Liz Owen, Alumni UBC, 228-3313.



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oing back to school after many years in the real world can be an intimidating experience, as I found out when I returned to UBC as a parttime student this fall. I had an idea that with specialized training, my chances of getting a rewarding, interesting job in journalism would be greatly improved. That still remains to be seen — I'm at least a year and a half away from my goal of a Masters in Agricultural Economics.

But I know one thing already — my triumphant return to the halls of learning wasn't what I expected. Two-toned hair and buses resembling cattle-cars did not figure in the scenario I had worked out.

In case anyone out there is toying with the idea of returning to university — whether for part-time or full-time courses, for an upgrading, a complete change of career, or just for general interest — I offer a subjective back-to-school primer.

You can't go home again. In my memory, my previous student existence seemed a somewhat carefree, if hazy time of late nights in the student pub arguing about God and Marx; lying in the sunshine outside the library on a warm spring day; friendly and intelligent fellow students; and ivy-covered buildings.

But it ain't like that anymore, if it

ever was. The drinks in the pub cost too much (The Art Gallery Lounge in SUB charges \$1.00 for a lousy cup of coffee even!); and the arguments are trite anyway, usually degenerating into desultory chitchat about marks and golf rather than Marx and God. The ivy on the walls merely hides the cracks in the building facade that the university can't afford to fix.

But university differs from my memories in positive ways too. The first time I went to university I went because everybody else was going and it was the expected thing to do. Today it's different. I'm at UBC now because I want to be here. Maybe because of that I'm more enthusiastic about my courses; and willing to work harder to do well at them than I was eight years ago.

It's a cold, cruel world on campus too. You can't escape from the recession by moving into the ivory tower. UBC has to operate this year with a budget smaller than last year's. This means fewer — and larger — classes. On the first day of school 100 Math students tried to cram their way into a room equipped with 64 desks. A student remarked, "If the Math Department can't tell the difference between 64 and 100, we're in trouble."

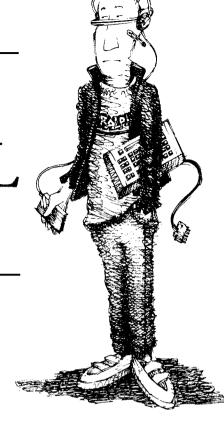
One student I know is in a microbiology course where there are far too many people for the lab. There's no money to allocate another lab period. After going without labs for a month, then considering splitting the class into two lab groups — one group having the lab one week, the other group the next week — the professor put all the students into the same lab. But no lab assignments will get marked because the department can't afford the marker.

Stand on Main Mall and throw a stone in any direction and every time you'll hit someone with a similar story to tell. There are students still waiting for their aid money because the financial aid office is understaffed, and some students even find they can't get into the courses they are required to take because all the sections are full. It was almost easier in the unemployment line.

There are a lot of students out there—some of them are pretty strange, and most of them are very young. There seems to have been a population explosion on campus in the years I was away. Classes are overcrowded not only because the university has had to cut back on the number of sections; there are also far more students at UBC than ever before. Daytime enrolment in 1983–84 is 25,857; up 5.9 per cent from last year. I guess I'm not the only one who decided to hide from the recession in the ivory tower. I would compare the buses at 3:30 and

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5:30 p.m. to cattle cars, except that that would be an insult to the people who ship cattle. B.C. Transit is apparently promising again to string trolleylines out to the campus. Maybe they should invest in some cattle cars instead. . . .

Watch out for the earphones and the two-toned hair if you're coming back to school. Portable cassette players seem to have replaced digital watches and all the previous trappings of decadent affluence as campus status symbols. I can accept that; but some of the hair styles make me pause. Our hair may have been long; but it certainly wasn't blue with orange sidewalls, or shaved completely except for a thin strip down the middle. It's weird.

But I don't want to sound like an old fogey of 26 complaining about the younger generation. Things change, and I can adapt. Maybe I should get one of those cassette players myself it would make the bus ride easier to

Sometimes it's hard for me to talk with these young students, especially the first year ones, fresh out of high school. How can you communicate with someone who only knows the Beatles as Paul McCartney's old band?

Student hours are a pain. I long for the days when I would get home from work, have a drink, and not have to worry about thinking or doing anything for another 16 hours. Now it's a matter of going to the Sedgewick library after class to try to catch up on reading that should have been done a month ago; bolting down a plate of something indescribable in the Subway cafeteria, back to the library and then getting home just in time to cram for a mid-term or scribble down the answers to an assignment due at 8:30 tomorrow morning. I love it.

Time spent learning is time not spent making money. A crass statement, and one unworthy of a product of a liberal arts education, but a true statement nonetheless. Going back to school costs — it takes money to go to school (a single three credit course costs \$216.50 in 83/84, and a complete first year arts program costs \$927); and when you're taking classes you're not earning money. If you're only taking a night course, you don't have to worry, but if you plan on coming back to school more or less full-time you'd better save up, apply for student aid or get a part-time job. I chose the latter course. It makes life hectic, but it is nice to learn in the morning and earn in the afternoon . . . and yearn for a holiday in a warmer clime . . . and burn myself out in less than no time....

You have to think again if you go back to school. This was what had me worried. After the first bewildering math class I suddenly knew why they had a pile of course change forms prominently displayed at the front of the lecture room. But I withstood the temptation to transfer into something easier. I figured it was all going to be this tough so I might as well either quit altogether or stick around just for the fun of it. I stuck around, and after a while my brain started working again. It's easy to slip back into the old problem-solving knack after a few classes of watching the acne-faced punk beside you shouting all the answers.

That should give you an inkling of what it's like to go back to school. I was apprehensive at first, and I'm still a bit worried about such trivialities as mid-terms and Christmas exams, but no doubt I'll handle those beasts when I come to them. I'm worried that I've become so used to this that I won't want to face that real world again when I graduate. Maybe I can sign up for a few courses in Serbo-Croation or Restorative Dentistry. . . .

(Terry Lavender, half-time editorial assistant on the Chronicle, is in his qualifying year for a master's degree in agricultural economics.)

Alumni Association adopts mission statement

Financial self-sufficiency within five vears and a closer relationship with the University are two of the goals of the UBC Alumni Association adopted along with the association's recently approved mission statement.

The mission statement reads: "The UBC Alumni Association subscribes to the concept that a university is an institution with which members enjoy a life-long relationship beginning with their student

"The role of the association is to facilitate the relationship of a graduate with his/ her alma mater and to support the university in its pursuit of excellence.'

statement was formally approved at a September 29 meeting of the Alumni Association Board of Management. Three months of planning and discussion among alumni volunteers and staff went into the statement, said Association Executive Director Peter Iones.

The mission statement was drawn

up because "every organization is most effective when its members. both staff and volunteers, coordinate their efforts towards a common goal,' Jones said.

Major Objectives

- 1. Ingrain a sense of lifelong affiliation to the university and of commitment to the university's pursuit of excellence.
- 2. Build members' pride in the university and convey a sense of the association as lively, effective and active.
- 3. Ensure that faculty, students and administration perceive the alumni as a part of and of value to the university.
- 4. Develop closer relations of alumni with faculties and other parties and other parts of the university.
- 5. Increase level of alumni participation in the university.
- 6. Pursue financial self-sufficiency for the association within five years.



Alumni Award of Distinction

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Honorary Life Membership

Nominees should be individuals who have not received a UBC degree — honorary or earned. They may represent any discipline but will have gained at least national recognition through long service and contributions to knowledge in their field. Forty-one people have been named honorary life members of the Alumni Association since the award was created in 1957.

Blythe Eagles Volunteer of the Year Award

This award is presented to volunteers who have contributed extraordinary time and energy to the UBC Alumni Association. It is not necessary for the nominees for this award to have received a degree from UBC. The award was established in 1982 and named Dr. Blythe Eagles as the first recipient.

Nominations

To make a nomination for any of the above awards simply send the names of your nominees, the award you are suggesting for them, and the reason for your nominations, along with your name, address and telephone number to: Awards Committee, UBC Alumni Association, 6251 Cecil Green Park Road, Vancouver, B.C., V6T 1W5.

A committee representative will contact you for biographical information on your candidates.

Nominations for the 1984 awards must be received by Friday, February 10, 1984. For further information, call Linda Hall at 228-3313.



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Alumni to elect Chancellor and eleven senators in 1984

In early 1984 alumni will be electing a Chancellor to succeed the Hon. J. V. Clyne, as well as eleven senators.

The Chancellor is the senior representative of the university and also of all graduates. The ancient definition of a university as a "community of scholars" envisages all those who have received a degree from the university as members of the "convocation", who thus become eligible to vote for the university's highest representative.

The Senate is the senior academic body of the university and deserves to have outstanding representation from alumni.

Ballots will be mailed from the university registrar in early January 1984.

As President of the Alumni Association, I would like to encourage all graduates of UBC to take a personal interest in the election, and above all to vote.

> Michael Partridge, BCom'59 President 1983-84 **UBC** Alumni Association

Thank-you

The initial response to the Alumni Fund's \$1.4 million endowment campaign for alumni scholarships and bursaries can be summed up in one word — success! Never before have alumni shown such support for their alma mater.

The Fund Drive kicked off October 3 with three separate mail appeals aimed at raising \$1.4 million over the next three years to establish an endowment fund. This fund would provide \$106,200 worth of scholarships and bursaries to deserving students annually. Donations began coming in steadily and in the first three weeks 891 donations totalling

\$52,808 had been received in the Alumni Fund Office. The number of donations received daily continues to increase.

With this kind of support, Fund Chairman Mel Reeves, BCom'75, MSc'77, is optimistic that the Fund's first year campaign goal of \$500,000 can be readily achieved.

The Fund Office thanks all alumni who contributed to the University through the Alumni Fund, and looks forward to everyone's continued support throughout the campaign.

Association nominating committee report

The Chancellor of UBC is elected every three years by Convocation. Alumni are also asked to elect eleven people to sit on the Senate, which is the university's supreme academic body. These are some of the most important decisions that alumni are asked to make.

During the summer, the Alumni Association's nominating committee met on a number of occasions. Prior to discussing individual names, the committee drew up the sort of qualifications which it believed should be present in anyone elected to the Chancellorship or the Senate.

They recognized the long-standing tradition that the Chancellor be a UBC graduate. They agreed that the Chancellor is a vital link between the university and the broader community. They looked for a person who had achieved significant success in his or her chosen career. They particularly looked for a person who would be able to assist the university in its relationship with all levels of government. Finally, but by no means least, they sought someone with a proven track record of service to the university.

While there were a number of excellent candidates considered, the name of Robert Wyman emerged as one who possessed all of the characteristics mentioned above.

In nominating 11 members for the Senate, the committee sought men and women with a keen interest not only in the university but also in the community. In addition, it was thought that nominees should represent a broad cross-section of gradu-

The 11 selected by the committee for

Heritage Committee looking for **UBC** memorabilia



Have you sorted through your photo album lately, or are you thinking of finally cleaning out the attic, garage, basement or that old trunk you haven't looked at in years? Don't throw your UBC memorabilia away until you have checked with the Alumni Association's Heritage Commitee! The committee is eager to collect any information dealing with UBC's history, and you can help.

We're also looking for volunteers to help collect information, stories, and material or to sit on the many subcommittees representing the various eras of UBC graduates.

Please contact the Heritage Committee, c/o Alumni UBC, 6251 Cecil Green Park Road, Vancouver, B.C. V6T 1W5, or phone (604) 228–3313 for further information.

Senate were: Grant Burnyeat, lawyer; Lynne Carmichael, doctoral candidate, UBC Faculty of Education, and chairman of the Alumni Association Branches Committee; Pat Fulton, former head, the New Horizons Program for Senior Citizens; Anne Macdonald, director of the Community Arts Council of Vancouver; Helen Belkin, housewife; Barbara Brett, director of Family Services for Vancouver; John McConville, vice-president of Placer Development; Mary Plant, housewife and community volunteer; Murray McMillan, journalist; Min Sugimoto, principal of Eric Hamber School; and Mel Reeves, lawyer and chairman of the Alumni Association's Fund Commit-

Finally, it should be emphasized that the Association sees its role in this election as offering one well qualified slate of candidates to the electorate. We are confident that the people mentioned above would bring excellent judgement and varied experience to bear on the issues currently facing the university.

A complete list of nominations received for Convocation Senators is on page 16. It is the responsibility of you, to select those who will, in your opinion, be of the greatest benefit to UBC.

Tuum Est. by Peter Jones, Executive Director, Alumni Association

Alumni to elect new Chancellor

The UBC electoral process ensures the direct participation of the broadest spectrum of the university community.

BC's Chancellors have been a distinguished lot. A collective biography of the ten men and one woman who have held the Chancellorship since 1913 would include references to Rhodes scholarships and numerous other academic awards, and would also cite the conferral of at least one

title, Commander of the British Empire.

Like many such institutions, the UBC Chancellorship is an office governed more by practice and precedent than by constitutional dictates. Under the provincial University Act, the university is required to maintain the Chancel-

Famed photographer Karsh captured the dignity of the office of Chancellor in this official photograph of Chancellor J. V. Clyne.

lorship; the Act also defines how the Chancellor is to be elected and outlines minimal eligibility requirements for candidates. Of the duties of the Chancellor, however, the University Act specifies only that "the Chancellor shall confer all degrees," and that he or she shall sit on the university's Senate and Board of Governors.

In practice, the Chancellorship is a position of far more prestige and influence than this skeletal legal definition suggests. The Chancellor is the university's senior representative, the figure whose office is intended to embody all the traditions and values of the institution. A quote from a 1966 *Chronicle* editorial by the then Alumni Association executive describes the traditional role and symbol of the Chancellor.

The Chancellor is the University's titular head. He (she) presides on ceremonial occasions, such as Congregation, he bestows degrees, he sits on the Board of Governors and some of its committees, he represents in his person the full authority and dignity of the institution. Often ... he is able to ease problems and to effect immeasurable benefits for the University. The tradition is an honorable one and worthy of preservation."

As outlined in the University Act, the Chancellor is elected every three years by the body known as Convocation. Convocation includes all graduates of the University, as well as current faculty and those members of the Senate who are not members of the faculty. The Registrar's office is required to maintain an up-to-date Convocation roll, to mail ballots and tally election results.

Any person not employed by a university is eligible for nomination as Chancellor. A candidate's nomination paper must be signed by seven eligible voters. Once the nomination paper is filed, the Registrar contacts the candidate with a request for information on his or her degrees, occupation, professional or business interests, publications, and offices held at a university or other organization. This information is subsequently included with the ballot papers mailed to Convocation members.

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Candidates in the running for Chancellor

Stan Persky

Stan Persky, honours BA'69, MA'72 (Anthropology/Sociology), has published a number of books and articles on a wide-ranging series of topics. He is an instructor of political science at Capilano College and editor of the weekly newspaper Solidarity Times. While at UBC he was Arts Undergraduate President. Graduate Students Association President, Secretary of the Alma Mater Society and a member of the academic senate. Persky was also a winner of the Great Trek Award. He unsuccessfully challenged the Hon. J. V. Clyne in previous elections for the chancellorship in 1978 and 1981.

Personal Statement:

The University of British Columbia is under attack, as are other post-secondary institutions in the province.

The Chancellor can no longer be a mere figurehead. He must be an advocate.

Now, more than ever in recent years, is the time to speak out on behalf of the humanist values which constitute the justification of our educational system. That's what I will do as Chancellor.

If elected, I will join UBC's president in taking our case to the public. Second, it will be my intention to serve as an ombudsperson for all segments of the university community. Third, I will engage in vigorous and independent scrutiny of the operations of the university and report regularlu.

I believe that this election is an opportunity for the alumni and faculty to deliver a clear message to the government of the day that we will not condone insensitivity in educational policy. I urge electors to treat this choice with full seriousness. I am available to any alumni or faculty group that wishes to hear a more fully elaborated statement of my position prior to the election.

Dr. Leonard Sampson

Dr. Leonard Sampson was born and received his early education in New Zealand. He earned his B.Ed. (1956) and M.Ed. (1959) at UBC and later received his Ph.D. (1965) in educational administration at the University of Alberta. Having taught and/or served as an educational consultant in a number of countries, Dr. Sampson has an international perspective on education. He has served as principal and superintendent of schools in Alberta and B.C. and is presently a school principal in Richmond. He has also served on the Board of Management of the UBC Alumni Association.

Personal Statement:

My decision to stand for the Office of Chancellor is prompted by a genuine desire to represent and serve the UBC alumni.

As a senior professional educational administrator and former Superintendent of Schools, one of my major responsibilities over the years was to ensure that our secondary students graduating on the academic programme were sufficiently prepared for entrance into UBC. Hence my continuing interest in and commitment to the University.

Having travelled extensively throughout the world, I have had the opportunity to examine, at first hand, the major educational systems of the world.

As a result of these opportunities together with my absorbing interest in Comparative Education, I believe I would bring to the office a comprehensive and international view of what education should be.

I believe the position of Chancellor is a highly demanding one. I am therefore prepared to devote the necessary time required.

W. Robert Wyman

W. Robert Wyman (BCom'56) is currently chairman of Pemberton, Houston and Willoughby, a major Vancouver-based investment firm. He recently achieved national prominence as the new chairman of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce. Wyman's service to the University includes fifteen years as a member of the President's advisory committee on investments, and more recently, the Commerce Faculty dean's advisory committee.

Personal Statement:

I should begin by saying how much I appreciate the honor of being asked by the UBC Alumni Association to accept a nomination for such a prestigious office. If elected I will do my best to represent the many concerns of alumni. I assure them that I will be most receptive to their opinions and views.

The coming years will be challenging ones for our whole society and especially for institutions of higher education. As I see it, the continued good health of our universities will increasingly depend on the vital links that they can establish with the broader community which supports them. We are already seeing, as government funding levels off, a growing financial reliance of the university on individual and corporate donations. I look forward to the challenge of taking the university's case to my colleagues in the private sector.

In my position as Chairman of the

Canadian Chamber of Commerce for 1983-84 and also in my position with Pemberton, Houston and Willoughby, which has branches in every region of the province, I travel regularly and meet UBC graduates wherever I go. Moreover, speaking as one who has lived in the interior of our province, I recognize the importance of ensuring that the university is truly a provincial resource, extending its teaching and research far beyond its geographic location in the Lower Mainland.

In these economic hard times it is imperative that universities open their doors to young people who making greater demands on our higher education system.

In summary, I look forward, if elected, to the critical task of conveying to all who will listen, the overwhelming importance of higher education to the economic and social development of our province and

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Is UBC falling behind?

by Nancy Campbell

hen funding was cut for UBC's Faculty of Agriculture in 1932, the villain was the Depression. Today, when scientists fear that long-term research is being nickel and dimed to death by a combination of factors, the answer is not so clear-cut. What is most disturbing is the possibility that the current trend is not money-based but due to a new way of regarding academic research as a quick solution to problems rather than a long-term gleaning of knowledge.

Financial setback is not a new worry for the Faculty of Agriculture. The Clydesdales, most of the dairy herd and the many acres of long-term horticulture plantings were lost in a devastating series of cuts 50 years ago. More than a decade passed before the agriculture faculty successfully re-established a significant level of explorative research.

The Second World War gave a boost to short-term, problem solving projects and the faculty was considered to have research as its primary activity. In the years that followed, funding increased steadily for both long and short-term research although long-term projects assumed a larger role as war-time endeavors were completed.

In animal science, however, the

trend towards fewer real research dollars is apparent and those dollars are now directed towards short projects. "But we can't have all research as problem solving," says Dr. Ray Peterson, a geneticist in the animal science department. "It's reactionary and really should be handled by industry. Research stations and universities should look at the principles — research for the sake of research."

Problem solving often looks at various treatments for a situation rather than the underlying environmental or physiological causes. For example, one problem is finding a quick pregnancy test for cows. Peterson's current research project instead is trying to find out why more than 50 per cent of cows fail to conceive, necessitating those tests. Despite the commercial application of his work, Peterson has to now cope with a 30 percent reduction in project funds — none of which, incidentally, came from B.C., but from Alberta's Heritage Fund.

The decrease in available funds has many professors taking on problem projects in order to finance "interesting stuff," Peterson says. He adds that exploratory research should still be a priority because: "It's nice to solve a problem before people recognize one." Money to the department comes mainly from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council and Agriculture Canada, with little provincial input compared with agriculture faculties across Canada. Indirect provincial input came through co-operative work with Colony and Tranquille Farms, but it has also ceased as a result of the recent government budget which ordered their closure.

he funding problem may not be due exclusively to the current economic climate, concedes Dr. Malcom Tait, the department's sheep specialist. "It could be two way; maybe we have not approached industry as much as we should." He suggests an industry / university project would stand a larger chance of



Mother and child get to know one another after birth of calf to one of the dairy cows on the UBC Research Farm #2 at Oyster River. On average, one calf is born each day on the farm.

success. "Because of tight funding and the nature of our problems, there's probably a need for more of a team approach. It could provide more answers and be a more efficient use of funds."

Tait is concerned about the vicious circle now being created. "Research is part of graduate student training and publication is vital to get funds." Fewer funds mean fewer students which mean fewer publications and so on down the line, with graduate students and the academic community the losers. Dairy specialist Dr. Jim Shelford agrees: "Even this year there was a slight decrease in grad students, with not as many as we'd like hired. I think it will be more obvious in six to eight months when the older students

Shelford, too, has just seen research funds for a current project slashed by half. Progesterone samples taken every two days to evaluate optimum breeding times, reproductive problems and annual lactation records are now reduced to a weekly basis for fewer cows, and accurate results are jeopardized. The project was one of the most expensive in the department, originally slated at \$67,000.

In general, though, most funds are in the \$8,000 to \$15,000 range and are frequently split between two or more researchers. "If I can get funding, I can stay at the forefront," says Shelford. "There's always this concern that you're falling behind."

UBC, strapped as it is for cash, further aggravates the research funding problem through unavoidable support staff shortages (a hiring freeze has been imposed for the year). The animal science department, for example, will shortly be reduced to one secretary for eight professors.

ven before the current financial crunch the faculty had problems in keeping up with the opportunities presented by the two university research farms: #1 at south campus and #2 at Oyster River on Vancouver Island. The south campus animal unit features dairy, sheep, pig, and beef facilities all within a short distance of the main campus. Split evenly between its roles as a teaching and a research facility, this unit is essentially self-supporting. While this allows some financial autonomy, it does mean the unit must respond to market pressures; when the bottom dropped out of the beef market a couple of years ago, the beef cattle were reluctantly let go.

For many agriculture students, the south campus unit is a second classroom and provides a good introduction to animal production methods. A majority of animal science students carry out their fourth year thesis research there, and 10 to 15 students annually acquire farming experience in summer and part-time work. (However, the mandatory thesis, in place since the beginning of the agriculture program, is an endangered species: the faculty is reluctantly considering dropping it due to dramatically increasing work loads on the professor-advisors.)

Despite its many advantages, the south campus unit is falling behind in several priority areas, especially diet research. It is the only farm known to rely solely on exotic alfalfa cubes as forage, and this limits realistic experiments. Often special grain diets need extra labor input, which is unavailable and shifted onto the regular staff. Although every dairy cow is involved in a research project, this too may soon change. And while the unit is adequate for production research, it is not really suitable for advanced research, according to Tait, who carries out most of his experiments there.

At the Oyster River farm, distance from UBC traditionally kept research to a trickle until recently, when the new manager actively reminded scientists of the facility's tremendous potential. A gift to UBC, the commercial dairy farm averages a milking herd of 150 and has more than 200 acres of forage land.

"But historically, research has played a minor role in the farm," says Assistant Manager Niels Holbek, BSc (Agr)'73, MSc'76. "The resources went to development and the farm wasn't utilized to its full potential." During the farm's early years under UBC, self-sufficiency was stressed and most of the effort was channeled into upgrading the farm to commercial standard rather than soliciting or pursuing projects.

Often research completed was of direct benefit to the farm and at little cost, particularly in soil testing and improvement. Manager Dr. Stan Freyman, MSc'63, PhD'66, is hoping to expand research activity. "Oyster River offers so much for applied research; it's very different from the educational experience at the university."

One such project planned by Peterson involves evaluating the progeny of New Zealand sires with UBC dams for forage utilization. Canadian cows have traditionally been raised on grain diets and this experiment could show how much, if any genetic selection has occured, and the ability of Canadian cows to rapidly adapt to a forage diet.

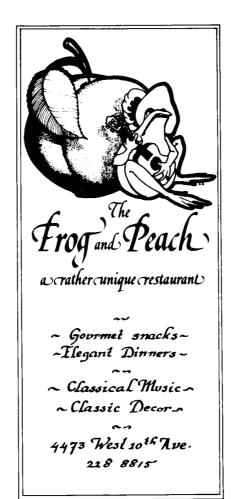
n healthy economic times, the slightly-outdated farm facilities would be quickly modernized. However, a lack of improvements hampers the ability of the farm to reach its true research potential, despite its soil fertility, lush growth and management expertise. As it is, Oyster River is the most realistic dairy laboratory in the department. Says Holbek: "We're trying hard to be a progressive model farm with a nice research program geared to west coast farming and farmers in the community."

Back in 1932, the economic villain was more obvious than it is today. While the economy certainly is not booming, neither is it in the desperate straits of two years ago. Perhaps the university must become more vocal in its requests for funding, or work in partnership with industry on more

But, the answer lies not merely in money, but in stressing the need for new knowledge and understanding the philosophy of academic research. The "quickie solution" attitude to research threatens much more than animal science and may concern the larger university community in the near future. It warrants a long-term

(Nancy Campbell is a third-year Agriculture student and a former member of the Ubyssey editorial collective.)

response.



Native lawyers a force for change

by Gregory Strong

hen I started representing native people back in the 60's," explains Thomas Berger, "there were virtually no native lawyers. Now we have some and we will have more. Apart from the usefulness of the legal services they can provide, they will be role models for native youngsters just as native teachers will be role models for native youngsters just as the native political leaders are role models for native youngsters."

Native people in B.C. are only three percent of the total population yet they account for at least 17 percent of the province's prison admissions. At the UBC Law Faculty there is a special program to provide native communities with native lawyers, the tools they need to cope with society and to better control their future.

The Honourable Thomas Berger, LLB'56, former B.C. Supreme Court justice, and former MLA, is on the UBC Law Faculty and teaches a course on native rights. Berger, well known for his work on the Mackenzie Valley Pipeline Inquiry and for his expertise on native affairs, asserts that even the best non-native lawyers aren't as good as native ones in serving the native community.

In 1975, the UBC Law Faculty introduced discretionary admission for native students to enter law school. This meant any native applicant who had a reasonable chance of successfully completing law school would be admitted. Even the two years minimum of undergraduate study would be waived provided the applicant had taken the summer Pre-Law program at the University of Saskatchewan, which began a few years earlier. Finally, through the federal government, tuition grants and living allowances were arranged.

In its first year, the native law students program at UBC was just an accelerated entry to law school. It turned out to be a failure. None of the five students who had been admitted passed their first year. The initial impetus for the program had come from some of the law professors themselves and been supported by their faculty council.

However, a new force came behind the program in 1976 with the new dean of the faculty, Ken Lysyk, now a



Thomas Berger: "...what we should be doing is offering native people the means to forge a future for themselves."

B.C. Supreme Court Justice. He had a keen interest in native affairs. Under his direction, the applicants to the program were more carefully screened, the requirements tightened and most important of all, support was provided for the native students once they were in law school, particularly in their first year. There were informal tutorials, coaching, a special faculty advisor, and courses were offered in native rights and environmental law.

Since 1976, there have been some real successes with the Native Students Law program. Of the 33 students enrolled, 18 have already graduated. They include David Ward, LLB'81, the first Inuit lawyer anywhere in the world. While in 1973 there were three practising native lawyers in Canada, now there are more than 46. Over a third of them are from UBC. Every year the school graduates more native lawyers than anywhere else in Canada and in some years

graduates more than all the other law schools combined.

ouglas Sanders, a law faculty member, has long been associated with the program. His report on U.S. legal studies for native students helped spur the development of the program here. He cites one of the factors in the school's strength: "UBC law school is unusual in that there are a lot of people on staff interested in Indian affairs. We are the only law school in Canada to offer more than one course in native rights."

For Bob Reid, LLB'74, present chairman of Admission and a law professor who has done tutorial work with native law students, much of the success of the program lies with the students themselves. "They provide their own support group. . . . Not to knock the work the professors have put in, because they've certainly done a lot of extra work too, but the second and third year students do a lot for the first year students.'

In recent years the students have formed a very active branch of the Native Law Students Association of Canada and organized several large conferences. Last spring, they hosted a session at UBC on child welfare and band membership. In August, they arranged a three day conference at the Chateau Granville with more than 100 delegates attending, examining the issues in native corporate law, investment on reserves and Canadian taxation law as it applies to natives. The conferences were aimed not only at lawyers but also at the public.

Hugh Braker, LLB'83, Nuu-Chah-Nuluth, from Port Alberni, now articling with the Vancouver law firm of Russell & Du Moulin, maintains that the Native Law Students Association does more for public education than any other at the law school. "One mandate of the association is to educate their people. The conferences were aimed at Indian communities. ... It's always good for the students to take it on and do this, especially in the native community, because there are so few professionals."

But the native law students face many challenges. According to Wayne Haimila, LLB'79, a Cree from Edmonton who is now working as a lawyer with the Union of B.C. Indian Chiefs, this is the first year that a number of graduates have articled with the big firms. Some graduates have had difficulty in starting private practices because there is so much competition from non-native practitioners who have years of expertise and an established native clientele. As a result, some native lawyers, particularly in the Interior, have only half practice. Finally, more is expected of the native lawyer from his/her community and sometimes that can mean an expectation that the native lawyer won't charge as much for services.

aimila has gone a different route. Like a significant number of native lawyers, he has decided to work for a native organization and take what he calls positive action on behalf of his community. "Any community has their goals, their aspirations, and invariably these relate to changing things, bettering things.

"I was interested in working for change. One of the more effective ways of doing that is working through public advocacy institutions.

One of the graduates who set up a private practice is Gary Youngman, Carrier. Born in Prince LLB'79. George, he is past-president of the Native Law Students Association. He works from an office in Crescent Beach, Surrey, and says his two-yearold practice came relatively easily after he had spent several years working with small firms. He points out the crucial advantage for native communities in using native lawyers in land claims.

"In the eyes of a native lawyer it's not a matter of coming to a settlement, it's a matter of control. Native people want jurisdiction over their lands and resources, not cash settlements.'

Youngman says that as lawyers are paid after a settlement is reached, the non-native lawyer had a greater temptation to sacrifice native rights. He says the situation is slowly changing to where native bands are using native lawyers. "There's some doubt that a native person can do the job as well. I think it's a matter of time. It comes down to the quality of the work. You do good work and you'll get referrals.

Lack of funding for an extra staff member and a decline in the number of native students recruited point to future difficulties for the Native Law Students program. Still, there is no doubt the program is having a positive impact on native affairs in B.C.

Perhaps the most eloquent assessment of the goals of the program comes from Thomas Berger: "We've been trying to reshape native people in our own image for hundreds of years. It's only in the last decade that we've acknowledged that what we should be doing is offering them the means to forge a future for themselves.'

(Gregory Strong, BFA'78, Faculty of Education'79, is a North Vancouver teacher and freelance journalist.)



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A Chancellor may hold office for no more than two consecutive terms. But as current Chancellor I. V. Clyne says of his six-year term of office, "Six years is enough, really. I'm sorry to leave, of course, but after six years one is due for a bit of a rest.'

The election-by-Convocation system is not used at all Canadian universities. At McGill, for example, Chancellors are elected by the Board, on the recommendation of its nominating committee. The University of Alberta and the University of Calgary, on the other hand, share a system whereby candidates are nominated by a joint committee representing the General Faculties Council, the Alumni Association, and the Senate, with the final decision left to the Senate alone.

The UBC electoral process ensures the direct participation of the broadest spectrum of the university community. Some observers argue that the democratic advantages outweighed by the considerable financial burden of mailing ballots to all members of Convocation (currently approximately 85,000).

Âlumni Association Executive Director Peter Iones defines the ideal Chancellor as someone having a proven long-term interest in the University, an ability to represent the interests of alumni, and a successful career track record.

The majority of those holding the Chancellorship have come to the position from a business background, most having served on the executive of such major corporations as MacMillan Bloedel, B.C. Electric, and British Columbia Packers. The man who served the longest term as Chancellor (1918-1944), Robert E. McKechnie, had a distinguished career as a surgeon. The sole woman Chancellor, Phvllis G. Ross (1961–66), was wellknown as a government administrator. Both J. V. Clyne and Nathan Nemetz (1972-75) have served on the bench of the B.C. Supreme Court, as did the late Sherwood Lett (1951-57).

Clyne describes the unpaid Chancellorship as an office which demands "a great deal of time." In particular, he notes that as the only person other than the President to sit on both the Senate and the Board of Governors. the Chancellor must do a great deal of preparation. "You have to do your homework. I don't believe in doing otherwise."

In addition to participating in the regular meetings of both the Senate and the Board, Clyne has throughout his term taken an active role in a number of committees. These include the Senate's tributes committee, and the Board of Governors' committees on academic, property, and financial affairs. As well, he chaired the special 23-member panel on whose recommendation the Board of Governors named George Pedersen to the UBC presidency.

—Chronicle staff writer



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A new reproductive biology laboratory at the University of Missouri-Columbia has been named after Fred McKenzie, BSA'21 (MSA, PhD Missouri-Columbia). The tribute acknowledged the contributions the internationally-known expert in animal husbandry has made over the past 60 years. . . . Ted Arnold, BSc'27, is still active as a mining consultant. Ted also keeps busy with experimental work in a small lab that he has set up. . Ben Farrar, BSc'27 and his wife Connie traveled in China last year, also visiting Hong Kong, Bangkok, Penang and Singapore. His former classmate, Otto Gill, BSc'27, keeps fit by swimming and golfing in the summer and curling in the winter. . . . Tom Moore Whaun, BA'27, recently toured China as a guest of the Chinese government, with his daughter, who was on a lecture tour. . . . R. Bruce Carrick, BA'29, has been named an associate in the Photographic Society of America. He was granted the rare honor because of his many years of promotion of photography in the Spokane, Wash., area. Carrick retired 10 years ago as Spokane's chief librarian.



Walter Douglas Charles, BSA'37, has taken up the study of spiders after retiring in 1978. From his Summerland home he specializes in spiders of the Okanagan.



After 38 years with Agriculture Canada, Dr. Robert Atkinson, BSA'40 (PhD, Toronto) is retiring as a researcher at the Saanichton Research Station on Vancouver Island. Dr. Atkinson specialized in plant pathology. . . . Joseph Gardner, BA'40, MA'42 (PhD McGill) continues as a professor in the department of harvesting and wood science in UBC's School of Forestry after stepping down as Forestry Dean on June 30. . . . Jim Cavers, BA'42, Barbro Jensen, BA'48, Red Nash, BA'48 and Larry Hunter, BA'49, MEd'60, retired this Spring as educators in Port Alberni. They have given

students in the school district a total of 100 years of service. . . Retirement isn't slowing down George C. Anderson, BA'47, MA'49, former director and professor of the School of Oceanography at the University of Washington. He has been named a Professor Emeritus of Oceanography, and still teaches part-time at the university. He is also serving as an administrative judge for the U.S. Nuclear

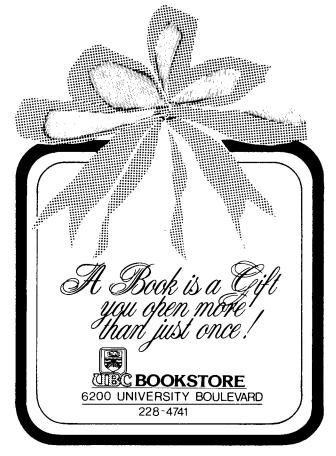


Fred F. McKenzie

Regulatory Commission. . . . W. Ian Anderson, BA'48, has retired after 35 years with the YMCAs in B.C., Washington, Alaska, and most recently California. He is now a bank branch manager in La Jolla Shores, San Diego. Vernon resident and school board trustee Gordon Anderson, BA'48, BEd'52, spends his spare time golfing, gardening and writing letters to the editor. He used to be an alderman and a teacher and vice-principal in Vernon, a place he says he has no intention of ever leaving. . . . Glen Garry, BSA'49, a former Mission alderman and high school teacher, is a consultant with D. H. Duncan and Company Ltd., an environmental, agricultural and forestry consulting firm in Frank Hillier, BASc Mission... (Mechanical)'49, chaired the Quinsam Coal public inquiry in Campbell River. The inquiry concentrated on environmental aspects of the Quinsam Coal project. . . . Retiring after 13 years with Chilliwack Community Services is Donna Olson, BA'49. Donna was instrumental in developing Meals on Wheels in Chilliwack. She was also involved in the Volunteer Bureau and the Home Aide program. . . . Harvey Richardson, BA'49, MA'51 (PhD Toronto) is an astronomer at the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory in Saanich, and is considered one of the foremost designers of optics for astrophysical telescopes. . . . After 29 years teaching at the same school, Phil Wakefield, BSA'49, is thinking about a new career. Phil has retired from teaching junior science, chemistry, biology and math at George Pringle Secondary School in Kelowna.

Daryl Duke, BA'50, a Vancouverborn film director and founding president of CKVU-TV, has been nominated for an Emmy Award for best director for his work on the television mini-series "The Thorn Birds". The show received 15 other nominations as well. Duke received a best director Emmy in 1971 for "The Senator". . Margaret Maier Guest Hoehn, BA'50, MD'54, a member of the first medical school graduating class, recently returned to the campus to speak at a symposium sponsored by the United Parkinson Foundation Dr. Hoehn is currently an associate clinical professor of neurology at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, where she does Parkinson's Disease research. . . . Mel Richards, BSA'50, has retired after 32 years in education, the last 18 years as principal of Steveston Senior Secondary School in Richmond, B.C. . . Warr, BASc (Mech.)'50, has also retired after 33 years with British Columbia Forest Products. Jim was managing the company's mill in Victoria at the time of his retirement. He says "I won't miss

the daily hassles but I will miss the daily contact with people.". . Cornell animal science department chairman and UBC grad Robert J. Young, BSA'50, Phd (Cornell) has been awarded the title of Professor Emeritus by the Cornell University Board of Trustees. He joined the university's faculty in 1960, and has been chairman of the department of animal science there. He is coauthor of the book Nutrition and the Chicken, now in its third edition. . . . Another Aggie from 1950, Don Duncan, BSA'50, has made his consulting firm, D. H. Duncan and Company Ltd., one of the most respected in the field of environmental. agricultural and forestry consulting in Canada. The Mission resident also owns a popular garden centre. . Author Leslie R. Peterson, BA'51, BEd'53, MA'59, a former teacher in Elphinstone, was treated to a surprise party when he reached the official retirement age recently. Les is a published poet and a local historian. . . . James Midwinter, BA'51, has been appointed Canadian ambassador to Venezuela and the Dominican Republic. . . . Hilary (Yates) Clark, BHE'52, was re-elected in September to the board of directors of Lions Gate Hospital in North Vancouver. She serves as vice-chairman of the board and vice-president of the North and West Vancouver Hospital Society, besides instructing at North Van's Capilano College and raising three teenage sons. . . . Retiring from teaching are Dick Hibberd, BA'52, MEd'62, and Lou Dedinsky, BA'53, BEd-E'58. Dick



was principal at Oceanview Junior Secondary School in Powell River, while Lou taught English and was a counsellor in Kelowna. Neither intends to live a life of leisure vet. . Recently elected president of Thurber Consultants Ltd. was Al Insley, BASc'53. Along with the new position comes a move from Victoria to Vancouver. . . . Trudy Sweatman, BA'53, is Vancouver Island regional representative of World Vision, a nonprofit Christian humanitarian organization that sponsors children in Third World countries. . . . NDP MP Jim Manly (Cowichan-Malahat), BA'54, MA'76, says his biggest accomplishment has been helping a lot of ordinary people to sort out problems. In addition to constituency work and a position on the Indian Affairs Committee. Manly studies art at the University of Ottawa. . . . New Dean of Forestry at UBC is **Robert** W. Kennedy, MF'55 (PhD Yale), taking over from Joseph Gardner. After years spent warming the Liberal back benches in the House of Commons, Roy McLaren, BA'55, MP for Etobicoke North, was appointed Minister of State for Finance in Prime Minister Trudeau's August cabinet shuffle. . Maldwyn Thomas, BCom'56, has led a wandering life as a member of Canada's diplomatic corps. Thomas grew up in Gibsons, B.C., but his duties have taken him to Hamburg, Hong Kong, Russia, Vienna, Paris and most recently Dusseldorf. . . . B. C. Whitmore, BASc'56, MASc'58, and R. L. W. Holmes, BASc'57, have both been named technology program managers for Bethlehem Steel Corporation's steel group in Bethlehem, Pa. . Harold Baumbrough, BSc (Agr)'57 (MEd, Portland), is currently teaching biology at Penticton Secondary School. He has been teaching for 25 years in B.C. schools. . . . Dr. Richard A. R. Fraser, BA'57, MD'61, has been promoted to Professor of Surgery (Neurosurgery), Cornell University Medical College in New York. . . . More foreign investment in Canada's oil industry is what Tom Simms, BCom'57, wants to see. Simms is vice-president of finance and planning for Gulf Canada Resources Ltd. . . . Steven Bahrey, BA'58, is enjoying retirement after 34 years teaching in Cranbrook. Now that he's away from the kids and the books he says he'll spend his time skiing, curling, gardening and golfing. . . . Donald Farquhar, MD'58, has joined Student Health Services at ÚBC, where his colleagues include Charles Brumwell, MD'58, and Rhoda Ree, MD'64. . . . The new U.S. ambassador to the United Republic of Cameroon is Myles Frechette, BA'58. He has been a career member of the American Foreign Service since 1963. Jim M. Cameron, BA'59, has a big territory to supervise as the new regional sales manager (Columbia/MacKenzie) for B.C. Tel's Business Telecom Equipment division. He is responsible for the

division's marketing and sales activities for the Okanagan, Kootenays, Central Interior, Peace River and North Coast areas of B.C.



Personalized service is the key to success for Burt Chark, BCom'60, he says. Chark runs Vanity Hosiery and Lingerie Ltd. in Vancouver (of which he is coowner) and Petite Fashions in Richmond. . . . Fred Walchli, BA'60, is the new senior negotiator for B.C. native land claims. He first joined Indian and Northern Affairs Canada in 1966.

Dr. Norman R. Vincent, MD'61, was named a Fellow of the American College of Radiology on September 27, "in recognition of his outstanding performance in medicine. Edward M. Hepner, BA'62, MA'64, the former Canadian consul in Los Angeles, has been appointed president of Canadian Commercial Advisers, Inc. in Los Angeles, where he helps Canadian businesses expand in the U.S. market. . Beryl Rowland, PhD'62 (DLit London) was recently named a Distinguished Research Professor at York University in Toronto, She is a Chaucer scholar and an international authority on medieval beast lore and medieval medicine, and was the first woman to receive a doctorate



Beryl Rowland

from UBC. . . . Patricia Siu. BA'62, Dip. Teaching'63, is teaching at Norgate Elementary School in North Vancouver. . . Josiah Wood, BA'63, LLB'67, a Vancouver lawyer, has been appointed a judge of the B.C. Supreme Court. . . . After eight years on the Richmond Public Library Board, Derek Francis, BLS'64, has been made an Honorary Trustee of the Board. Derek is chief librarian at Kwantlen College. . . . Back to the land is where Sam Janzen, BEd'64, is going after 33 years of teaching. Janzen, a Kelowna teacher, accepted the Central Okanagan School District's early retirement incentive program and

plans to spend his time travelling, working his garden and helping his daughter out on her farm. Marian J. T. Kamara, BSW'64, MSW'65, is the ambassador for Sierra Leone to the People's Revolutionary Republic of Guinea. . . . Álso living in Africa is Dick Williams, BASc'64, a contract engineer with Montreal Engineering Co., which is working on the Jebba Hydroelectric Development Project in Nigeria. . . . Herb Walker, BA'64 (MA, Bowling Green), former registrar and assistant to the president of Notre Dame University in Nelson, B.C., now owns and operates Puppcorn Productions in Ottawa. The company produces books, record albums, tv shows and concert performances for the educational . and family market in Canada and the USA.... Figure skating and track and field are the main areas of interest for John R. (Jack) White, LLB'64, a retired crown counsel. He's a precision skate judge and president of the Sanby Shores Figure Skating Club in Parksville, B.C., and is active at the masters level in track and field competitions. . . . After 24 years of teaching in the Kitimat school district, Vivian Antoniw, BEd-E'65 (MEd, Western Washington), has retired. . . . Comox area businessman Stuart Hartman, BCom'65, LLB'66, is seeking the Progressive Conservative nomination for the next federal election in Comox-Powell River. Kim Morgan, BA'65 (MSW Toronto), has moved to Nelson,

social work in B.C., Ontario and Quebec. Morgan now works in training and personnel for the provincial forestry ministry, and is married with three children. . . . Brian Robinson, BSW'65, MSW'68, was recently elected Mayor of Coquitlam to serve out the remaining term of former Mayor Jim Tonn. Brian was a Coquitlam alderman for seven years, and has received national recognition for his years of service to children. . . The new executive vice-president, Operations, for BC Timber is S. M. Fulton, BSc'66, (MBA SFU). Retiring after 32 years in education is Frank Robinson, BEd'66, former principal of Watkins School in Kimberley. Dieting is not the answer to excess weight, according to nutrition consultant **Judy Toews**, BHE'66, MSc'74, who was recently interviewed in a Vancouver newspaper. Exercise is the key to getting into shape, she says. . . . Frank Dembicki, BA'67, is assistant manager of Bache Securities in Vancouver. Vancouver native Betty Keller, BA'67, has been named winner of UBC's Canadian Biography Award for 1982 for her book, Pauline: A Biography of Pauline Johnson. . . . Robert T. J. Laing, BSc'67, has moved from London, England to New Orleans, to take up an appointment as division geophysicist with Chevron U.S.A. Inc. . . . Craig McDowall, BCom'67, is cashing in on the lucrative t-shirt market. Craig, of

B.C. after 10 years of professional

Vancouver's Rock Merchandising Inc., is the exclusive merchandiser for pop musicians Burton Cummings, Loverboy and Bryan Adams. His company sold \$3 million worth of Loverboy tshirts last year. . . . Gary (BASc'68, PhD. Imp. Coll.) and Carol (BHE'68) Elfstrom and family are in Belgrade, Yugoslavia for 10 months, where Gary is commissioning a high speed aeronautical wind tunnel designed by his company, DSMA International Inc. of Toronto. . . Bernadet Ratsoy, BSN'68, MSc'81, is the new president of the Registered Nurses' Association of B.C. She will head the 27,000 member organization until September 1985. new president of the B.C. branch of the Canadian Bar Association is Vancouver lawyer J. J. Camp, LLB'69.... Walter DeBoni, BASc'69, has recently been appointed vice president, Production, of Bow Valley Industries Ltd. in Calgary, an energy exploration company. Graham Farstad, BA'69 (BEd Sask, MA Queen's) has been appointed director of planning in Prince George after eight years with that city's planning department. . . . Penny (Pollard) Gambell, BA'69, her husband Pearce and their three children are living in Winfield, B.C. Linda Martin Gronert, BEd'69, has achieved a Certified Professional Secretary rating and opened her own secretarial business in the White Rock area. Burnaby General Hospital technologists, Darlene Lasko, BSc'69, and Diane Brokenshire, a Simon Fraser University graduate, have discovered a new, very rare, blood type. Lasko and Brokenshire work at the Burnaby General blood bank. . . The Rev. Deryl (Dal) J. M. McCrindle, BA'69, (BD Vancouver School of Theology), minister of the First United Church in Prince Rupert, was recently elected president elect of the B.C. Conference of the United Church of Canada. The man really responsible for building Greater Vancouver's light rapid transit system" is how the Vancouver Province recently referred to Mike O'Connor, BASc'69. Mike is project administrator for the multimillion dollar project. He says the rapid transit system "will have a tremendous impact on the community and will create a profound change in the travel habits of hundreds of thousands of Lower Mainland residents" Surrey Mayor Don Ross, BEd-S'69, is now chairman

of the Greater Vancouver Regional District. He is a former teacher and B.C. Lions defensive end. . . . Eve Savory, BA'69, has been appointed specialist reporter in science, medicine and technology for CBC TV's news program, The National. She has worked for CBC since 1974, and most recently was The National's reporter based in Edmonton. . . Ralph Wallace, BEd'69, MEd'76, is now education administrator for Farmington Public Schools in Farmington, Connecticut.



"Amphitrite Light" (Private collection)

getting there is half the fun

Robert Eveleigh Walker, BCom'47

by Karen Loder

n a clear day artist Robert Eveleigh Walker, BCom'47, heads his powerboat out the Nicomekl River into the Gulf of Georgia and the Straits of Juan de Fuca to research, photograph and sketch lighthouses.

The lighthouse project fascinates him. "I'm interested in their history, the people who run them and the areas served by them. Getting there is half the fun," says 'Buzz' Walker, slipping into an advertising slogan.

It comes easily to him, a natural result of the 33 years he spent as a creative advertising executive — 20 of them with Jimmy Lovick and three as vice president of Foster Advertising before forming his own company in 1970.

Why did he leave the business? Because his enthusiasm was changing and he wanted to test new abilities. The real test was returning to UBC as a 54-year-old student for two fine arts courses the summer of 1980. In Aug-

ust, while he awaited his marks, a call came from Ottawa asking him to be the Western Canada representative of the Advertising Management Group the three man committee of senior advertising consultants retained by the federal government to advise on national advertising policy.

A year later he resigned to paint full time. "My studio was already set up



and I went at it with the same kind of enthusiasm I had for the advertising business," says Walker.

During his high school summers, Walker worked on fishboats and in the camps and canneries along the B.C. coast. They are now his subjects along with the province's gorges, rivers and mountains. "I'm a child of the rain forest so I paint with Emily Carr eyes," he says. But it's the suffused dynamism of his paintings which attracts art dealers and leads to comparisons with Van Gogh.

Reg Ashwell, well-known art critic, writer and founder of Pegasus (a unique gallery on Salt Spring Island handling top B.C. painters) has sold 10 of Walker's paintings.

"He's an exciting artist," says Ashwell. "If he persists, continues this sheer delight in his work, with his energy and enthusiasm Buzz could be as great as any painter in Canada. He has all the ingredients — the discipline, energy, drive and natural tal-

Walker is now planning his first exhibition next spring at Vancouver's Alex Fraser Gallery.



Thomas D. Coldicutt Ir., BA'70. is the new resident manager for Osler Wills Bickle Ltd. in Vancouver, the second oldest brokerage firm in Canada. Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council in Ottawa has a new director of grants in Janet Halliwell, MSc'70, (BSc Queens). She directs expenditures of about \$160 million annually. . . . Bryan Newson, BA'70, now edits Pacific Yachting magazine, after a varied career with other magazines such as Books in Canada and Arts Canada. . . . Dick Richardson, MA'70, has been awarded a PhD by the University of London. Richardson, a senior lecturer in history at Teesside Polytechnic in Cleveland, U.K., wrote his dissertation on the disarmament policy of the British Conservative government of 1924-29. . . . Al Dadler, BSF'70, has been appointed general manager of Welwood of Canada in the forestry company's Quesnel operation. . . . Mark C. Munroe, BA'71 (B. Arch. Carleton) has started his own practice in architecture. He does home additions and alterations and small retail developments. The new director of Cariboo College's business and mathematics division is Richard Olesen, MA'71. . . . The Sword of

St. Paul is the title of a history of the Roman Catholic diocese of Saskatoon, written by Duncan Robertson, BLS'71 (MA Sask.). . Derek Soles, BA'71, has been appointed co-ordinator of the English department at Camosun College in Victoria, while his wife Mary Soles, BA'72, runs her own management consulting firm. Surrey Municipal Clerk Wayne Vollrath, BA'71, has been accepted into the Academy for Advanced Education of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. . . . Alan F.J. Artibise, PhD'72, has moved from Victoria to Winnipeg, where he is director of the Institute of Urban Studies as the University of Winnipeg. In June he was awarded the Tremaine Medal by the Bibliographic Society of Canada for a bibliography of Canadian urban history. . . . Jean Buzan, MA'72, is a 67-year-old gerontologist in Vancouver who doesn't like the term "the elderly". She says people over 65 shouldn't be pleased when someone tells them they don't look their age, because it isn't a compliment. . . . After studies at Cambridge, Harold Dressler, BA'72 (BD Northwest Baptist, Phd. Cambridge) has returned home to Vancouver and Northwest Baptist Theological College, where he is a professor of Biblical Studies. . . . Despite what it says on his diploma, Wayne Dueck, MSW'72, says he isn't involved in social work at all.

He's just opened a general interest bookstore in Saskatoon, where he already owns a children's bookstore and a religious bookstore. . . . New principal at Coppervale Elementary School in Ashcroft, B.C., is Rob Noves, BEd-S'72. Rob taught in Gibsons before his appointment. . . . Joe Sasaki, BASc'72, is a partner in the chartered accounting firm of Ladyman-Sasaki in Vernon. . . Melanie Elaine Waite (nee Leslie), MSW'72, is currently an assistant professor and coordinator of field education in the Lakehead University's social work department in Thunder Bay, Ontario. She is also involved in family mediation in private practice, she writes. . . . The new principal at David Thompson Secondary School in Lake Windermere, B.C. is Don Gordon, BEd-S'73. He has taught in several schools around the province. . . . Brian LaPointe, BSF'73, his wife Karen, BA'72, and their two children have recently returned to Prince George, where Brian is Woods manager for Carrier Lumber Ltd. He was formerly a district manager for the ministry of forests in Lillooet. . . . Ruth Round, BMus'73, headed the string program in the 1983 Kamloops-Interior Summer School of Music at Cariboo College. She is principal violist with the Okanagan, Prince George and Kamloops Symphony

Orchestras. . . . George Atkinson, BMus'74, teaches band at Parkcrest Elementary School in Kamloops, and was formerly principal horn with the Kamloops Symphony Orchestra . . . Carol J. Gibson-Wood, MA'74 (PhD, London), is an assistant professor of art history at Queen's University in Kingston, after completing her PhD at the University of London in 1982. Greig Edward Henderson, BA'74 (MA, PhD, Toronto) has just been appointed professor of English at the University of Toronto. The appointment, funded by the Mellon Foundation, is one of the first permanent professorships granted by U of T in the past decade. . . . Josephine Margolis, BA'74, LLB'77, is an associate with the Ladner Downs law firm in Vancouver. The former Ubyssey reporter is one of five tax lawyers with the firm, the third largest in Vancouver. . . . Dennis Tetreau, BPE'74, has a new job as principal of Columbia Valley Elementary School in Parson, B.C., a town near Golden. Fernie native Blair East, BCom'75, has been appointed Burnaby manager for Price Waterhouse. . Entomologist Dr. Murray Isman, BSc'75, MSc'77 (PhD. Cal-Davis), has joined the plant science department in the UBC Agricultural Sciences Faculty. He teaches pesticides and insect Bradford physiology courses. W. Morse, LLB'75 (BA Rutgers, LLM York), has been appointed vice-dean of the University of Ottawa's law faculty. His latest book, Aboriginal People and the Law, was published in October. Boris Chinkis, BCom'76, handles marketing for La Belle Rose, a special occasion clothing store owned by his family in Vancouver. . . . Barbara Éstey, BSN'76, is director of resident care at the new Shorncliffe Long Term Intermediate Care Home in Sechelt. . . . Speaking on behalf of women in western Canada is a big responsibility, but one that Eileen Hendry, MA'76 (BA Sir George Williams), enjoys as vicepresident western region of the Canadian Advisory Council on the Status of Women. Hendry is a registered psychologist and has published extensively. . . Allan D. Jepson, BSc'76, is a professor in the University of Toronto's computer science department. . . . Hugh Laidlaw, BA'76 (M. Div. Trinity, Toronto), now makes his home in Kazabazua, Quebec. . . . Making a strong plea for more midwives in Canada in a recent Vancouver newspaper article is **Maureen Minden**, BSN'76: "Countries have the best birth statistics, healthier mothers and babies with less medical intervention when midwives are preventative-care experts in the health-care

systems," she writes. . . . Denise Chong, BA'77, is an adviser on economic policy in the Prime Minister's Office in Ottawa. Previously, she was an executive assistant to B.C. Senator Ray Perrault. . . . Representing the Liberal cause in the federal byelection in Mission-Port Moody



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was Louis Duprat, LLB'77. He placed third in the voting. . . . **Robert A. Frederick**, BA'77, is putting his film studies to good use, working with the CBC television series, "The Beachcombers", in Gibsons. T. M. Horbulyk, BSc(Agr)'77, is studying for her MA in economics at Queen's University after receiving scholarships from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada and Queen's University. . . . Brian Jones, BSc'77, is working as a software analyst with SEL Canada in Toronto, a company involved with the Vancouver advanced light rapid transit system. Heather Allyne Pocock, BSc'77 and Mark Pocock, BSc'77, have recently graduated with masters degrees in engineering from Waterloo. Mark's degree was in audio-engineering, while Heather received hers in chemical engineering. . . . Thomas A. Thomson, BSF'77 (PhD Cal-Berkeley), has been appointed an assistant professor of forestry at the University of Illinois. Maureen Rachel Curtis, BA'78, is editor of the Merritt Herald, the weekly newspaper in Merritt. Eric Epstein, BA'78, is co-artistic director of the newly-formed Vancouver Shakespeare Festival Society, which had its first season in the summer of 1983. Epstein has worked in England and Wales and in 1982 produced and directed Shakespeare's Twelfth

Night at Vancouver's Firehall Theatre. . . . Dr. Ron Fulton, DMD'78, is in practice in Vernon, B.C. . . . A. F. 'Tony' Lomas, BCom'78, recently established A. F. Lomas and Associates in Vancouver. The company specializes in executive recruitment and organization development consulting. Chun Wong, BSC'78, DMD'83 is checking teeth in Vanderhoof, B.C. these days as the town's new dentist.... Heading south to Quesnel from Fraser Lake is teacher lim Lust, BPE'78, who is now teaching at Correlieu Secondary School, after four years at Fraser Lake Elementary Secondary School. . . . Jeff Barnett, BSc (Pharm.) 79, is now in charge of the cancer clinic pharmacy at Royal Jubilee Hospital in Victoria. . . . After two years of "evading flocks of gringochasing chiquitas (senoritas, not bananas)" as a CUSO volunteer in Peru, Howard A. Bennett, PhD'79 'arrived in the wilds of northern Alberta" where he now works on oil sands research in the University of Alberta's chemistry department. . . . Kirk P. Caza, BCom'79, has a job many people would envy. He's working in Bermuda as a chartered accountant. . . . Margaret Cavers, BA'79, has turned from history at UBC to art at Northern Lights College. She is pursuing independent studies in painting and graphic design at the college

in Fort St. John, and has had her work displayed in art shows. William C. Clark, PhD'79, writes that "To my great surprise, I was recently named a MacArthur Prize fellow, with an award of \$180,000 over the next five years to let me 'pursue whatever course I will, without financial or institutional constraint.' Thanks to UBC and friends!" Clark is doing research at the Institute for Energy Analysis in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. . . . Missionary medical work is the goal of Eleanor Foster, BSc'79 (DM Calgary) of Powell River. After two years post graduate work in Newfoundland, she plans to go overseas, perhaps to Pakistan. Michelle Gibson, BFA'79, is the host of CKVU-TV's "Vancouver Today" television show. . . . Al-Nashir Jamal, BCom'79, is financial manager for the B.C. and Yukon region of Katimavik, Canada's volunteer youth development program. . . . Ed Neufeld, BA'79 (MDiv, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School) is pastor of the North Vancouver . Evangelical Free Church. He promises to "darken the door posts of my beloved alma mater from time to time" now that he is in the area. . . . Barbara Hills Partridge, BEd'79, has just published Men For All Seasonings, a cookbook featuring the recipes of 50 Vancouver men. She is completing her MEd at UBC this vear. . . . Letitia "Tish" Sladden,

BEd-E'79, is setting up a library for the Peace River School District. She says it's the second library she's had to set up from scratch.

Melbourne, Australia is the temporary home of W. L. Craig Campbell, BCom'80 (CA'82), who is on a two-year tour of duty with Price Waterhouse. . . . Jim Green, MA'80, was in the news in September when he took part in the occupation of Premier Bill Bennett's Vancouver office. Green is organizer for the Downtown East Side Residents Association in Vancouver. . . . The new personnel manager for Woodwards Stores in Penticton is Michael Miller, BCom'80. Kenneth G. Myrdal, BCom'80, was the winner of the 1983 Registered Industrial Accountants Gold Medal for Achievement. Takenori Suzuki, PhD'80 is an associate professor at Hachinohe Institute of Technology, Dept. of Energy Engineering, in Hachinohe, Japan. His wife, Yoshiko Suzuki, MA'79, received her degree in linguistics from UBC. . . . Ian Fenwick, MFA'81, is head of the theatre department at Fraser Valley College and artistic director of the Chilliwack

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Theatre Festival. . . . John D. Seguin, MSc'81, is chief, Medical Administration Service, at the Veterans Administration Medical Centre in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. . . . Philip D. Seligman, BCom'81, LLB'82, is a lawyer with Goldman and Company in Vancouver. Murray Bamford, BPE'82, is teaching at David Hoy Elementary School in Fort St. James, B.Ć., on a one-year contract. . . . R. Mark Brown, BEd'82, teaches English as a second language in Seoul, South Korea. He hopes to stay there long enough to learn the Korean language. . . . Trombonist Andrew Clayden, BMus'82, has been awarded a Marie Manson Memorial Arts Award, which is given annually to artists in the Shuswap area. Clayden was the winner this year in the senior brass category of the B.C. Association of Performing Arts Festival competition. "Helping people to plan for their financial independence and their success" is how Frank Low, BSc'82, describes his job as a financial consultant with Principal Group Ltd. in Victoria. He's working towards his Chartered Financial Planner designation. Teaching in the Kitimat area is Rick Nyce, BEd-E'82. Nyce was recently guest of honor at the Haisla awards night ceremony in Kitamaat Village. . . . James D. Quarshie, MA'82, has been teaching at the University of Cape Coast in Cape Coast, Ghana since 1977, when he took a leave of absence from UBC. He worked towards his degree while lecturing at Cape Coast. . . . Mark W. Hilton, BCom'83, is a moneymarket specialist with Dominion Securities Ames Ltd. in



Arthur Dudley Beirnes, LLB'50, June 1983 in Vancouver. A recently retired judge of the B.C. Provincial Court, he practiced law in Vancouver before being appointed to the bench in 1968. He was particularly interested in military history and jazz music. He is survived by his wife Virginia Elaine, daughter Denise Lorraine Beirnes Birt, son-in-law Montý Arnett Birt; granddaughter Ashley Melissa Birt and mother-in-law Theresa Galloway. Memorial gifts to the UBC Health Sciences Centre for cancer research were greatly appreciated. Dr. G. Peter Browne, BA'51, MA'53, July 1983 in Ottawa. Dr. Browne was a professor of history at Carleton University in Ottawa from 1966 to 1983. At UBC he won a number of scholarships. He also attended Merton College at Oxford, and taught at the University of Wisconsin before moving to Carleton where he taught British and Canadian

constitutional history, British imperial history and Commonwealth history. He was actively involved in the Canadian constitutional debate. Archibald McCallister Byers,

BCom'41, BSF'46 (MF, Duke), July 1983 in Comox. He was a selfemployed consulting forester and a member of the Comox-Strathcona Regional District's Economic Development Commission until his retirement in 1982. He is survived by his wife Helga, daughter Alison and son David, and predeceased by his first wife, Caroline L. Johnson

Freda Clarke, BA'31, July 1983. Fred Elley, BSc'27, August 1983 in San Diego. He was born in Fernie, B.C. and was active in the Outdoors Club at UBC. He worked for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. in New York from 1932 to 1970. He is survived by his wife Anne, daughter Rose-Marie, a son and a granddaughter. William John Schubert Fraser, BASc'32, March 1983 in Ottawa. He is survived by his wife,

Catherine E. Fraser. Arthur Halleran, BEd-S'59, October 1981 in Summerland, B.C. He taught for many years in various parts of B.C., and was actively involved in Summerland community affairs. He is survived by his wife Bess, son Arthur, daughters Fraces and Kathleen, and their families.

Faith F. Hodgson, BA'36, March 1983 in Victoria

Dr. Frederick B. Johnston, BA'27, MA'28, August 1983.

Isabel Gray McMillan, BA'16 (BA Washington), August 1983 in Vancouver. A member of the first graduating class of UBC, she was also president of the first Women's Undergraduate Society, the last survivor of the class of 1916, and an active participant in the Great Trek in 1922. Miss McMillan was a teacher with the Vancouver School Board, and headed the home economics department at Kitsilano Junior and Senior High School until her retirement. She donated generously to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind for the establishment of a scholarship for blind students at UBC. She was predeceased by her sister Mariorie Cameron Orr and brother Dr. John A. MacMillan, BA'28. She is survived by her brother-in-law Oscar Orr, sisterin-law Beatrice MacMillan and several nieces and nephews Evelyn C. Maguire, BASc'37, 1982 in Vancouver Philip L. Malkin, BCom'52, June

Philip L. Markin, December 1983 in Vancouver.

Michael C. Manning, BCom'59,
May 1983 in Victoria.

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Edith I. Martin, BA'25, April

Alvin Jackson Narod, BASc

(Civil)'44, March 1983 in Vancouver. He was chairman and chief executive officer of B.C. Place in Vancouver at the time of his death, and was formerly head of Narod Construction Ltd. Among his company's accomplishments was the George Massey Tunnel. He is survived by his wife Eileen, son Jeffrey, and

daughters Wendy, Alison and

Alice Neil, MA'32, July 1983. She was a long-time supporter of the arts at UBC, and for more than 20 years represented the University Chapter of the IODE on UBC's Fine Arts Committee, helping to establish the Fine Arts Gallery and the Fine Arts Foundation. Funds she raised still provide annual scholarships and assistance to the gallery.

Dr. Verner Robert Nelson, BSc'65, PhD'69, August 1983 in Montreal. He is survived by his wife Marian and his daughters Krista and Meryl. Gordon Paton, BA'51, BEd'53, MEd'63, June 1983 in Burnaby. Former superintendent of schools with the Coquitlam school district, he is survived by his wife Jane and two daughters Dr. Albert E. (Ab) Richards, BSA'23, DSc'49, MA (Wisc.), PhD (Cornell), September 1983 in Saanich. Dr. Richards, then president of the Students' Council, was one of the primary movers behind the Great Trek of 1922 and served as general chairman of the Trek. He worked for the federal department of agriculture for more than 30 years, serving with distinction before his retirement in 1962. Mervyn Morton Smith, BA'34, September 1983. He is survived by his wife Margaret M. Smith, BA'34, BEd-E'54, daughter Joan M. Cerny, BMus'71 and her

Robert Sterling, BA'77, February 1983. A band councillor and

education co-ordinator with the Nicola Valley Area Council near Kamloops, he was the first native student in the valley to graduate from high school, the first home school co-ordinator in B.C. and a UBC psychology graduate. A \$1,000 scholarship for native students from the Nicola Valley has been established in his honor. Winifred M. Stewart, BA'36. DPHN'47, July 1983 in Vancouver.

T. M. C. "Tommy" Taylor, BA'26 (PhD Toronto), August 1983 in Victoria. He was formerly head of UBC's Department of Biology and Botany and director of the UBC Botanical Gardens. He was widely known as one of Canada's leading experts on ferns and roses, and maintained an active interest in his discipline after his retirement in 1968.

W. J. Turner, BASc'53, March 1983, in Vancouver Earl J. Vance, LLB'32, September 1983 in Vancouver. He was president of the UBC Alma Mater Society in 1932. He was called to the bar in 1936, and was named a judge in 1965. He is survived by his daughter, Sally A. Williams. Captain John C. Veitch, BCom'58, December 1982 in Ottawa. Dr. Neil L. Wilson, BA'47, September 1983.

George Wilson, BA'41, July 1983 in Surrey. A long-time Surrey resident and former school teacher, he is survived by his brother Andrew and sister-in-law Anita of Surrey and nephew Ed Wilson of Penticton.

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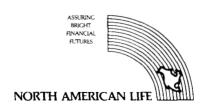
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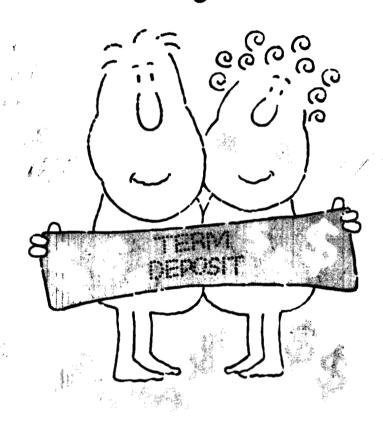
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