## **Board Approves Capital Budget**

A capital budget of just over \$12 million for the fiscal year 1974-75 was approved by UBC's Board of Governors at its meeting on March 5.

The budget includes provisions to complete financing of a number of major campus buildings now in various stages of advanced planning.

It virtually completes the building program launched three years ago on the recommendation of the President's Committee on Academic Building Needs.

The provincial government's capital grant to UBC for 1974-75, announced by Premier David Barrett in his recent budget speech, amounts to \$8 million, an increase of \$2 million over the 1973-74 grant.

The remaining \$4 million-plus in UBC's capital budget will come from student contributions and other anticipated donations for a new swimming pool; contributions to fund campaigns for new facilities for the Faculties of Agricultural Sciences and Commerce and Business Administration and the

Departments of Civil and Mechanical Engineering; from funds carried forward from the current year's capital grant; and from donations to earlier fund campaigns.

Among the projects included in the new budget are a north wing for the Biological Sciences Building on the southeast corner of Main Mall and University Boulevard.

The new wing, which will cost a total of \$2,875,000, will provide new or improved accommodation for the Departments of Botany and Zoology and the interdepartmental Biology Program, and for the Institutes of Oceanography and Animal Resource Ecology. It will also include office space for the Dean of Science (now housed in a former army hut), and a new electron miscroscopy laboratory.

The budget also includes \$524,851 to complete financing of a new Anthropology and Sociology Complex on the former Fort Camp Residence site. In its final form the complex will consist of three

renovated former permanent women's residences and an addition to tie them together.

The complex will provide offices and research facilities for some members of the Anthropology and Sociology faculty and graduate students, seminar rooms for undergraduate honors and major students, and a Resources Centre for the department.

The Anthropology and Sociology Complex is adjacent to the Museum of Anthropology now under construction on the Fort Camp site. Approximately \$1 million was allocated to the complex in the current 1973-74 capital budget.

The new budget also includes \$1,790,000 to complete financing of the \$3.3-million Civil and Mechanical Engineering Building, which is to be built immediately south of the departments' joint laboratory building at Main Mall and Stores Road.

The new building will be a low structure

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## Residence Charges Increased

New residence fees and room-and-board charges for single students have been approved by UBC's Board of Governors.

The increased rates will apply to 1974 Summer Session students living in the Place Vanier Residence and to single Winter Session students occupying the Place Vanier, Totem Park and Walter H. Gage Residences from Sept. 1, 1974.

Approved by the Board of Governors was an increase of approximately 7.2 per cent in the room portion of rates charged to students living in UBC's three single residence complexes — the Walter H. Gage, Totem Park and Place Vanier Residences.

In Place Vanier and Totem Park, where board is provided, an additional increase has been provided, yielding total room-and-board increases of approximately 10.75 per cent.

Students will pay the following annual residence fees in 1974-75, based on a 218-day Winter Session (1973-74 rates in brackets):

WALTER H. GAGE RESIDENCE: \$597.32 (\$556).

PLACE VANIER AND TOTEM PARK RESI-DENCES: senior single room — \$1,061.66 (\$957); single room — \$983.18 (\$883); double room — \$941.76 (\$846).

Daily rates for students living in residence during the 1974 Summer Session have been increased by approximately the same percentage as for Winter Session students. Summer Session students living in single rooms will pay \$5.53 per day in 1974 compared to \$5.00 in 1973, while students living in double rooms will pay \$5.29 per day in 1974 compared to \$4.78 in 1973.

The 1974-75 rate increase for single-student residences was not unexpected. Last year, when the Uni-

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WAS IT an "anti-trek" designed to encourage the idea of moving UBC's School of Architecture to a downtown Vancouver location? Was it a tribute to Prof. Henry Elder, who retires June 30 after 12 years as head of the Architecture School? Or was it just a publicity stunt to advertise the Vancouver Art Gal-

lery show, which continues until March 30, of the work of the UBC School over the past 28 years? Only the students of UBC's Architecture School knew for sure as they set out from the Frederic Lasserre Building March 6 on their march to downtown Vancouver. Picture by Jim Banham.

## **Committee Finishes Job**

UBC's Senate approved the discharge on Feb. 20 of its ad hoc Committee on Student Membership in Faculties after passing a series of general recommendations for student representation at the departmental level.

Discharge of the committee came after Senate debated the question of student representation in Faculties on six separate occasions over a period of more than a year.

Previous Senate debates led to approval of recommendations which will result in the election of 196 students as full voting members of UBC's 12 Faculties.

In the course of the debates Senate approved guidelines governing student representation as well as regulations on such questions as who shall conduct elections and who is eligible for election.

In its final report to Senate on Feb. 20 dealing with student representation in departments, the committee said a large number of departments and Schools had provided the committee with information concerning present and proposed practices for involving students in appropriate departmental affairs.

The information revealed a very wide range of variation amongst departments as to administrative arrangements and many have what appear to be highly satisfactory arrangements for student involvement, the committee's report said.

Departments expressed a general concern that arbitrary decisions not be made which would require a change in existing satisfactory arrangements.

Senate approved three recommendations from the committee.

The first of these called for departments to develop arrangements for student representation in conformity with the principles approved by Senate on Jan. 17, 1973, where satisfactory arrangements do not now exist.

In January, 1973, Senate agreed to provide for student representation, with full voting privileges, at Faculty meetings, meetings of Faculty committees, and meetings of committees of divisions, departments, Schools and teaching Institutes.

Also approved was a recommendation that, although student opinion would be sought, student

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## letters on campus planning

What follows is a selection of letters from readers commenting on an article by Dr. Robert Collier, of UBC's School of Community and Regional Planning, which appeared in the Feb. 13 edition of UBC Reports. The article dealt with proposals currently under study by a President's Committee to Consider Campus Transportation and Circulation Study Reports. In particular, the article detailed proposals for changes in traffic circulation and parking on the northwest campus. Additional letters will be published in future campus editions of UBC Reports.

#### PEDESTRIAN ZONE

I should like to strongly support the concept of turning the (northwest campus) area into a more effective pedestrian zone: the nuisance of vehicular traffic in this area through the day (and evening), and the inconsiderateness of most drivers, far outweighs the convenience of a few minutes' time upon arrival and departure.

So far as the specific proposals outlined in Dr. Collier's article go, I assume that expert judgment will resolve them satisfactorily once a conceptual guideline is fixed. The following unexpert thoughts occurred to me upon reading the proposals.

The proposed Anthrosoc, buildings and School of Social Work constitute a work area separated by a major thoroughfare from the rest of campus: hence, it would seem useful to maintain some staff parking in this area. In addition to that on the access road, perhaps the east end of F lot could be retained, whilst still eliminating that portion of this lot that impinges directly in front of the new Museum.

International House and (in future) the Museum constitute major points of contact between University and public. In the interest of the public, it might be worthwhile retaining in this area the parking spaces represented by the small, relatively unobtrusive lot by International House. This, and a substantial portion of the Museum lot could, so far as I can see, be made 'Visitor-only' parking. Visitors often have a notably difficult time finding parking on campus, and cannot be expected to abandon private transport as easily as regular commuters.

The Faculty Club, Graduate Centre, International House and Frederic Wood Theatre often host public functions. Hence, it seems reasonable to maintain auto access to these buildings. To this end, perhaps at least half of Crescent Road roadway should be retained, to form part of a circular driveway around these buildings. The limited amount of parking in the area seems less necessary. An exception is the few spaces at the flagpole: it seems to be a favorite casual-tourist viewpoint, and it seems reasonable to retain these spaces, again, perhaps, for visitors only.

The idea for an overpass over Marine Drive seems useful. I wonder if additional access to the Museum area from the direction of the Asian Centre and the majo parking area represented by Fraser River lot could not be made by going under the road from somewhere near International House. On the north side one should be able to come out at grade without steps.

> Michael Church, Assistant Professor, Geography.

the University's Winter Session. J.A. Banham,

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#### NARROW APPROACH

I have read with interest Dr. Collier's summary of the plans for the development of the northwest campus. Clearly, the committee charged with planning for the area is facing a difficult task; one made even more difficult by the April 1, 1975, deadline for the completion of the Museum. The entire project appears to point out the critical need for a comprehensive development plan for the area.

Some years ago the University adopted a campus master plan. Implementation of this plan, however, seems to concentrate more on erecting physical structures and providing roadways rather than planning for the needs of a community of people. Needless to say, the development of the campus is made more difficult by the uncertainty of capital funding from one year to the next. Under the existing University planning framework, each project appears to be developed largely in a vacuum. Plans are developed by "users" of the building and all too frequently ignore the relationships between the users of surrounding buildings and the buildings themselves.

Until very recently, this seems to have been the situation with respect to the northwest corner of the campus. Exciting plans have been developed for several buildings (the Asian Centre, the Museum, and Anthropology and Sociology), but the overall planning has not considered the amenities required by the people who will use the area. The name of the committee itself ("Campus Transportation and Circulation") suggests to me a rather narrow approach to planning for the area. What seems to have been absent up to now is planning on a larger scale which would include provision of facilities for visitors and others, including food and information services and washrooms. From my viewpoint as an interested observer with limited planning experience, the proposal as outlined in Dr. Collier's article appears to pose several as yet unresolved problems. As I see them, these problems may be summarized as follows:

 Adequate Provision of Visitors' Amenities — I have referred above to the lack of planning for visitors. From the most recent projections, it would appear that the area will become a magnet attracting thousands of visitors each month. Our past experience indicates that the north end of the campus already includes two major attractions for campus visitors, Totem Pole Park and the Nitobe Gardens. The addition of the projects under development will add substantially to the volume of visitors to the area. While interim solutions have been considered, some policies must be developed immediately to cope with the needs of these visitors. It will be difficult to finalize traffic and circulation plans until this question is resolved. It seems strange that neither the University planners nor the planning consultants have foreseen the requirements of visitors to this area and made recommendations to meet them. We are now in a position of having to make hasty decisions to provide facilities in time for the opening of the Museum.

2. Provision of Increased Parking - With the present shortage of parking at the north end of the campus, it seems hard to understand the consultants' thinking in recommending removal of approximately 230 spaces. As I recall the consultants' plans for the area, the creation. of a pedestrian walkway along Crescent Road and Main Mall was tied in with the future provision of a large area of underground parking on the campus, and the assumption that in the short term the spaces lost would be replaced elsewhere. To date, the University has not appeared to accept the need for parking structures. Replacement of the lost spaces on the north end of the campus seems uncertain. I have recently written to the Traffic and Parking Committee in response to their

#### CRITICAL PROBLEM

The bringing of cars onto this campus is an immediately critical problem. . . . To my way of thinking there is no alternative to immediate steps to curtail and eventually ban the parking of private vehicles on this campus (except for urgent business, emergencies and to aid the handicapped). Those 10,000 cars you mention are not only a major source of pollution and land desecration but compound the traffic problems of already-overburdened city arteries.

Some 15,000 to 20,000 people attend this campus daily. It is the one identifiable concentration of people on the peninsula . . . and is ideally suited to access by mass transportation systems, i.e., at present, the bus. Hydro is slowly improving its services to this campus. If their transit management had a little more intelligence and initiative, sufficiently good services could be provided that both Hydro (in the financial sense) and UBC (in the environmental sense) would benefit.

Park and ride is not a possibility - those 10,000 cars would just become somebody else's headache.

You raise one very ugly suggestion - that of building high rises for cars . . . and turning them over to the oil companies. This will not harmonize with the environment, geographic or intellectual (I may be wrong on the latter point). If you want tennis courts, put them on the ground, not on top of a high-rise for bloody cars. At least give some attention to the hitting of the ball over the edge!

I would like to say that I was an undergraduate at the University of Sydney (Australia). This University began in the last century and virtually no consideration has ever been given to the parking of cars. The University is much bigger people-wise than UBC and the ground is virtually covered with buildings, foot-paths and lawns. Very few cars fit on campus. Despite its being in the middle of a large and stinking city it is a kind of oasis that this place could well emulate. But I share your pessimism. The maladministration here is exemplified by the recent cutting-up of the lawn in front of the Winter Sports Centre for the parking of more cars - a small gesture of contempt toward those who try not to be crass. There will be bigger insults.

Finally, on the matter of getting around campus. Why not walk? A few covered walk-ways might be in order as protection against our unspeakable weather, but the human is blessed with legs for self-propulsion. Exercise may kill a few, but the surviving Canadians would be less flabby.

> Peter Vaughan, Assistant Professor, Physiology.

### LET'S PUT

Two new PLANS for vehicle and pedestrian traffic on the northwest campus were revealed in R.W. Collier's Feb. 13 UBC Reports article. This article began with a quotation (presumably from an unemployed planner): "What this campus needs is better planning." Well, in my opinion, what this campus needs is less planning. Let me outline my feelings on PLANS in general, and on the various PLANS, present and proposed, for traffic at

What is a PLAN? PLANS are something dreamed by tables. (Downtown is probably downtown Montreal, Toronto or Seattle, but occasionally Vancouver). PLANS are designed principally to look well when printed sans serif on the heavy vellum pages of reports. PLANS contain maps replete with arrows (in primary colors) showing traffic flows the way ornithologists' maps show birdmigration patterns. Above all, PLANS create order out of scruffy, man-made chaos. Everything in a PLAN has a niche: people go here; cars go there; here we walk; there we ride; here we park; there we don't.

But is this not a Good Thing, you ask? Why should I not wish the "quality of my life" improved by logical PLANS which create an overall order in at least one small segment of my existence?

Because it is precisely the little idiosyncracies of daily life that make it all worthwhile. I am not willing to submit to endless little annoyances in order to conform to a master PLAN that looks great on paper but which stinks when it is raining. Let me be specific. . .

Signs. Signs are supposed to be informative. This is

the most that one need ask of a sign. UBC, however, has a sign system that is uninformative. In simple language the signs (printed vertically, yet!!) are unreadable.~ Engineers with their cans of red spray-paint are better at signs than the experts who did their inventive worst for UBC. In addition, the unreadable signs are color-coded (remember those arrows) to a PLAN so complex that no one has been known to figure it out.

PEOPLE BEFO

University Boulevard. Some years ago the final hundred yards of University Boulevard were closed to private traffic. Drivers approaching the Biological Sciences parking lot from the Boulevard must detour around three sides of a large rectangle in order to conform with this particular PLAN. At the same time several small, but useful, parking areas around the Physics and Chemistry Buildings were eliminated. Hitchhiking from the convenient stop in front of Wesbrook Hospital was done away with. Students now plod through the rain to the big intersection where stopping to pick up a rider is a hazardous undertaking. Small things. People things. Important things.

The "Walking Campus" Myth. Dr. Collier talks of the "attempts to create a walking campus in the face of the average Canadian's attachment to his personal automobile." The alternative implied by this snide remark seems to be hordes of students rushing to their cars to drive from Buchanan to Angus between classes.

But this misses the point. During the period that most students are on campus (Mr. Barrett notwithstanding), walking is seldom a pleasant experience. One's best hope is to get from car to class and back as quickly as possible. And, of course, the central core is not vehicle-free. Deproposal to increase the parking fees in the next session. My suggestion was to substantially increase the rates for parking on campus and to use new revenues to develop improved parking, especially multi-level parking. The impact of increases in parking fees could be minimized if payment could be made in instalments, rather than in one lump sum. In the case of faculty and staff this could easily be accomplished through monthly payroll deductions. This does not preclude the development of greatly improved public transit services, but in the foreseeable future it seems likely that the private vehicle will continue to be the major mode of travel to the campus.

- 3. Creation of a Pedestrian Mall The idea of creating a pedestrian campus is a very attractive one. Unfortunately, we have not been able to achieve an effective separation of pedestrians and vehicles because of the need for service and emergency vehicles to use pedestrian walkways. Perhaps it would be possible to create a major pedestrian walkway on the Main Mall and Crescent Road area that would not be violated by vehicles except for emergenciés. This would necessitate the creation of "service alleys" to each of the major buildings in the area. These could also be used by handicapped persons. If the Main Mall-Crescent Road area is to be truly a pedestrian mall, it seems to me that the roadways may ultimately have to be raised to the grass level and some kind of landscaping done to prevent access by non-emergency traffic.
- 4. Creation of a Pedestrian Overpass With respect to the proposed overpass, it would appear that the concept should be given further study. What seems to have been lost is the fact that during the period when Fort Camp was operating there were approximately 600 students crossing Marine Drive during the lunch period. This figure is approximately the same as that projected by the consultants for peak student crossings. While the Fort Camp crossing was not ideal it did not necessitate an overpass. It would appear that if an overpass is necessary it should be constructed in the area of West Mall and Marine Drive. This appears to be where the majority of pedestrian traffic (i.e., visitors) is likely to be concentrated. Perhaps it would be best to make the entire stretch of Marine Drive into a restricted speed zone with street-level pedestrian crosswalks as required. This would seem to me to be the logical starting point rather than building a pedestrian overpass which may
- 5. Consideration of Cecil Green Park and the School of Social Work While Cecil Green Park and the School of Social Work are not included in the area to be developed co-operatively by the University and Parks Board, their proximity to the area would seem to indicate that they should be considered for planning purposes. From the discussions to date I am not certain that this has been done.
- I hope that the foregoing comments will be taken constructively. It is all too easy to be critical without posing any solutions. It would seem, however, that as an institution of higher learning, in the case of campus planning, we may be accused of ignoring many of the very principles we espouse.

Byron H. Hender, Financial Aid Officer.

## RE PLANS

livery trucks, mail trucks, Physical Plant's enormous fleet
— they are all there. Pedestrians, fulled by propaganda
about the "walking campus," take their lives in their hands
every time they step off a curb in the "vehicle-free zone."

Peripheral Parking and the PLAN. PLANS revel in large parking lots far removed from the centres of activity. Small parking areas are an affront to PLANS. Eliminate 13 spaces by the flagpole; purge eight spaces in front of the Freddy Wood; remove these tag-ends of disorder!!

This is the grand culmination of the PLANS-versus-PEOPLE philosophy. PLANS ignore the fact that those eight spaces are convenient to people who arrive early enough to get one. They are convenient to people whose activities take them on and off campus during the day. They are convenient on quiet Sunday mornings when cluttered desks wait to be cleared.

And, most important, they are convenient in the rain. And rain, Mr. Collier, is a fact of life at UBC. A fact of life much more important to the little person than the grand order created by your precious PLANS.

I have noticed recently that cement walks have sprouted all over campus in belated recognition of the observable fact that, in the rain, the driest distance between two points is a straight line. Let's be realistic about cars as well. Let's open the roads, reinstate the little places: eight here, three there. Let's make PEOPLE over PLANS our motto. And for God's sake, get rid of those stupid signs before I get a permanent crick in my neck.

Richard Spratley, Research Administration.



## PREMIER BARRETT has another conversation with JACK WEBSTER



The subject of B.C.'s public universities came up once again when Premier David Barrett was a guest on CJOR broadcaster Jack Webster's open-line radio show on March 6. The Premier previously appeared on Mr. Webster's program on Feb. 12, the day after his budget speech, in which he urged the universities to seek new ways to maximize the use of their facilities, to develop "bold, imaginative and thoughtful programs," and to make their services more available to the public. Dr. Robert Clark, director of UBC's Office of Academic Planning, appeared on Mr. Webster's program on Feb. 15 to respond to the Premier's Feb. 12 remarks. What follows is an edited version of the discussion between Premier Barrett and Mr. Webster on March 6.

WEBSTER: Political interference in universities. Since I last interviewed you, sir, I have spoken to (Dr. Robert Clark, of the Office of Academic Planning) at UBC, I've spoken to the academic vice-president at Simon Fraser University. They are very concerned indeed... Stuart Jamieson (professor of Economics at UBC) told me the other day he's absolutely stunned by your action in starving them of enough money even to give the professors in the faculty the minimum wage increase.

PREMIER BARRETT: Well, it's my understanding that the professors in the faculty are organizing, just as the BCTF has an organization, just as plumbers and other people have an organization. Our purpose as a government is to ensure that the universities are open to the greatest number of people on a reasonable basis that is possible.

WEBSTER: They reject your quarter system.

PREMIER BARRETT: They reject the quarter system and I don't know if they reject it entirely, but I...

**WEBSTER:** They don't accept your Ford Foundation research authority.

PREMIER BARRETT: ... I quoted from a Saturday Review and I'm going to dig up the source. I was quite sure it was the Ford Foundation, but I'll dig up the source and bring it back. But I'm suggesting that with the 11 per cent increase in faculty, we can use the facilities 25 per cent more. That was the source that I quoted.

Now, if that means paying the faculty more, paying them for overtime, we are prepared to do that. But I cannot accept a university system that has not altered in the last umpteen years while society has changed dramatically. There are industrial workers, there are housewives, there are native Indian people who need practical approaches to that university. I've spoken on this when I was in opposition so it shouldn't come as a surprise. . .

WEBSTER: UBC tells me they're using the facilities to the fullest. Simon Fraser tells me that almost anyone can get a degree on a part-time basis and that all the things you want are already there.

PREMIER BARRETT: That is not correct, because I heard part of the Simon Fraser broadcast and when you asked the question about, are all the courses offered in the summer that are available in the winter, the answer was "no".

**WEBSTER:** But they can't get — they can only get 2,300 (students), which is only half the winter enrolment, to attend in summer.

PREMIER BARRETT: They can't get students if they don't offer the year-round courses, can they? And if they hire the staff to give year-round courses, then the students will come. My point is this. Some of the most prominent universities in the world are able to provide year-round equal opportunity of education on the quarter system. They are able to provide, from 8:00 to 12:00 every day, the same courses; from 1:00 to 5:00, the same courses; and from 7:30 in the evening to 10:30

in the evening, the same courses that are accredited. People can adjust their work schedules. People can adjust their own problems and come to the university. The university can move itself, in terms of programs, out to the community. If they are prepared to do that, I am telling you that this government is prepared to finance it to the full cost of those kind of programs.

WEBSTER: But right at the moment they haven't even got enough money in the kitty to pay the minimum wage increases for the year starting July 1. There isn't enough money in the kitty.

PREMIER BARRETT: If they come to the government and say, "We're moving in this direction and this direction and this direction," the money will be in the kitty.

WEBSTER: Now the teachers got all kinds of money this year. The professors want between 15 and 17 per cent and there isn't the money in the budget even to give them 8 per cent.

PREMIER BARRETT: Look, there is a common redneck feeling out there, contributed to by some unnamed radio broadcasters, that the university professors aren't working hard enough; that the universities aren't producing enough. And I wouldn't want to name any names ... but the fact is that the universities have not explained themselves to the public and vice versa. Now, I'm saying, now the challenge is to the university. We are not anti-intellectual. We want the universities to be relevant to the total community. If they come to us . . . WEBSTER: Mr. Barrett, you've said that a dozen times. Are you prepared on the basis of salaries negotiated by a union for the universities, to give the universities the money - I'm acting on behalf of these poor underprivileged university professors - to give the universities the money to pay the salary increases negotiated?

PREMIER BARRETT: Well, of course. If the clerical staff, for example, that have been treated paternalistically for years, had a proper representation, as every other working person has, then of course they'd be in a position to bargain. And I don't see anything, you know, when I read in the paper that the clerical staff are unorganized and the university professors are going to get organized, I'm suggesting that there's a real world of toughness out there for other people, and why shouldn't it be that way for the universities? They should be in a position to justify and fight for what they want. But that still is a separate issue from what I'm talking about in terms of making those universities relevant.

WEBSTER: . . . a simple question, Mr. Barrett, . . . If they negotiate a salary increase this year, plus the rising costs and the 5 per cent increased enrolment, are you prepared to meet the cost in operating grants to the universities, of a salary increase that's been negotiated?

PREMIER BARRETT: The universities will have to come back to us and tell us what their costs are and what their programs are, and I have said, and I say again, that we will meet the costs of new programs. And if they're faced with new costs because of negotiations, yes, we will meet those as well. But I'm telling you that that is action that is within the university area. We do not want to interfere with the universities. But I am laying down the kind of things that we feel, on behalf of the people of this province.

WEBSTER: They'll be very pleased to hear that ... If they negotiate wage increases and come back to you and can explain it, even with no program improvements at the moment, you'll pay the increases.

PREMIER BARRETT: Yes. But we'll want a reason why. We'll want an explanation of why, and we'll want an explanation of the procedure, but we will pay on that basis. But the challenge still goes out to the universities... Look, what the universities must understand is that we've come out of 20 years of scrapping with the universities. I am not anti-university.

WEBSTER: They think you are.

PREMIER BARRETT: Well, I believe that the universities don't understand that for the average person out there, the university is irrelevant. The university should be a vital, exciting part of the community, and it isn't. And that's what I want.

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## **Campus Parking Fees Increased**

UBC's Board of Governors has approved an increase in annual campus parking fees.

The increase was recommended by the 15-member Traffic and Parking Committee, which includes representatives of the faculty and employed staff and five students.

The new parking fees, which will be effective on Sept. 1, 1974, are as follows, with existing rates in brackets:

Faculty and staff — \$30 (\$22.50); students parking in preferred lots on central campus — \$20 (\$15); students parking in regular lots — \$6 (\$5); reserved parking under Music Building — \$133 (\$100); motorcycle parking — \$3 (\$2).

Hourly parking rates for visitors will also be increased to 25 cents per hour up to a total of \$1.50 in any one day. Present rates are 10 cents for the first hour, 15 cents for the second hour, and 25 cents for each additional hour up to \$1.50 a day.

Parking meter charges in some areas, chiefly in the northwest section of the campus, will also be increased from 10 to 15 cents per hour.

A proposal to increase campus parking rates was accepted by the Traffic and Parking committee in January. The committee delayed forwarding the recommendation to the Board of Governors for one month to allow members of the University community to express their views on the proposed increases.

The committee received a total of five letters. Three writers objected to the increase on the grounds that campus parking fees are too high already, and one writer suggested an even greater increase than that proposed by the committee.

The fifth letter, from the Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 116, which represents about 1,200 members of UBC's employed staff, said that the proposed percentage increase for employed staff was too great.

In response to the letters the Traffic and Parking Committee has approved a proposal to change the status of Parking Lot B immediately to the south of the H.R. MacMillan Building. Beginning Sept. 1, any member of the University community — faculty, staff or student — may pay the \$6 student fee and obtain a general parking sticker entitling him or her to park in Lot B. At present the lot is designated for student parking only.

Individuals who choose to park in Lot B will be able to take advantage of the campus shuttle bus system which operates from 7:30 to 9:30 each morning from south campus parking lots to the Bookstore on the central campus.

The increased parking fees will meet an anticipated deficit of more than \$71,000 in the 1974-75 operating budget of UBC's Traffic and Security Department, which is responsible for campus traffic control and assistance and building security.

## **UBC's Gas Bill Up**

President Walter H. Gage has again reminded the UBC community of the need to reduce heat and power consumption wherever feasible.

Last November the President asked faculty, staff and students to co-operate in reducing the University's total consumption of electrical power and heating fuel. He pointed out that the University's total energy bill then was running to more than \$1 million annually, and that substantial savings could be realized by reducing room temperatures and eliminating wastage of electrical power.

The need for action is even more important now, he said, because of the University's difficult

financial position and because of a massive increase in B.C. Hydro rates for natural gas.

Hydro's new rate schedule increases UBC's annual gas bill by \$189,107. This is an increase of nearly 70 per cent.

In his earlier call for co-operation, the President asked that room lights, electric typewriters and office machines, fans, electrical heaters and other appliances be switched off when not actually in use. Although this obviously does not affect the University's natural-gas bill directly, continued economy in the use of electricity will reduce the total costs of energy consumption.

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versity increased residence rates following two months of discussions between Administration officials and representatives of residence students, the Board of Governors warned that additional increases for single students might be necessary in the years ahead

The increased rates are designed to offset increased food, labor and maintenance costs and to enable the University to meet payments to Central Mortgage and Housing Corp., which lends money for residence construction.

The proposed rate increases for single-student residences were discussed during the 1973-74 academic year and set on the recommendation of a new Joint Residences Committee, which includes student representatives from all UBC residences.

Mr. Leslie Rohringer, UBC's Director of Residences, said the student representatives held public meetings in each single residence to explain the need

for the rate increases and to answer questions by resident students.

Mr. Rohringer said there would be no rent increase for married-student accommodation in Acadia Park and Acadia Camp beyond what was approved by the Board of Governors in 1973.

The Board agreed last year that there would be no increase in rentals for married students living in Acadia Park so long as they remained in their present accommodation. Rental rates for new Acadia Park tenants or those who changed their accommodation were increased by 6.5 per cent in 1973.

There was no increase in rental rates in 1973 for students occupying converted army huts in Acadia Camp.

Accommodation provided by the University for students in 21 suites on President's Row will be subject to a rent increase after March 31 in accordance with a policy adopted by the Board in June, 1973.

Student rates in 18 President's Row suites will increase after March 31 from \$125 to \$133 per month and in the remaining three suites from \$135 to \$144

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badly needed classrooms, research laboratories, shops and offices for the two departments, and will enable them to vacate their present inadequate hut space.

It will also include offices for the Dean of Applied Science and the Engineering Undergraduate Society and a permanent showcase for the Wally Wagon, the award-winning urban vehicle designed two years ago by UBC Engineers.

Included in the new capital budget is an allocation of \$925,000 as the University's contribution to a new Aquatic Facility, to be sited between the existing Empire Pool and the Student Union Building.

The need for a covered pool of Olympic competition standard has become increasingly pressing in recent years. The project was approved only after it was determined that covering the present Empire Pool would cost almost as much as building a new facility.

The new pool will be capable of being divided into three areas and will be used for instruction, competi-

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tion and recreational swimming by students, staff and the general public.

The University's contribution will be matched by the student body, which is now contributing about \$100,000 a year to the construction fund through a \$5 annual levy.

The remaining \$900,000 will be sought in gifts and grants from outside sources. Total cost of the facility, according to current estimates, is \$2,750,000.

The new capital budget also includes \$900,000 for a processing centre to relieve intolerable working conditions in the Main Library; \$800,000 to complete financing of the \$1.4-million first stage of a new animal care facility; and \$640,000 for purchase of the B.C. Hydro substation, which reduces the University's power costs.

Other items include \$600,000 for major renovations and modifications to existing buildings; \$732,076 to complete repayment of a loan to finance construction of the General Services Administration Building; \$195,000 for additional facilities for the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences; \$189,950 for further development of the UBC Botanical Garden; and a number of smaller projects to improve general campus services.

#### LECTURES SET

A leader of a new group of regional planners who believes that land should be developed to meet ecological rather than economic principles will give two public lectures this week.

Prof. Ian McHarg, chairman of the Department of Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning at the University of Pennsylvania, speaks at 8:00 p.m. tonight (Wednesday, March 13) in the Old Auditorium on "A Theory of Man-Environment."

At 12:30 p.m. tomorrow in Lecture Hall No. 2 of the Instructional Resources Centre Prof. McHarg will speak on "A Case Study in Ecological Planning." He is at UBC as a Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professor.

Studies currently under way to discover more information about the cultural development of West Coast Indians, by relating artifacts to the sources of materials of which they were made, will be discussed by Prof. R.R. Haering, head of UBC's Department of Physics, in a lecture to the Vancouver Institute on Saturday (March 16).

The lecture, entitled "Physics and Archeology," the last in the Institute's spring series, will be held in Lecture Hall No. 2 of the Instructional Resources Centre, starting at 8:15 p.m.

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representation would not be permitted at meetings of Faculty or Faculty committees when the following matters were dealt with: budget, salaries and other financial business; scholarships and other student awards; adjudication of marks and academic standing; and appointments, promotion and tenure.

The second recommendation approved on Feb. 20 called for establishment of a mechanism for students and faculty to appeal the manner in which departments are providing for student representation.

In the first instance, the committee suggested that appeals should go to the dean of the Faculty concerned, who might wish to handle them himself or set up a student-faculty liaison committee in the Faculty to recommend solutions.

"If (appeals) are not resolved at the Faculty level," the committee said in its report, "there should be an opportunity ultimately for appeal to Senate, although we would hope that the necessity for such appeals would be rare."

The third recommendation approved by Senate suggested arrangements for student representation in small, medium-sized and large departments.

In small departments, the committee said, "it may be sufficient to hold periodic department meetings with student representatives to deal with matters such as curriculum and course and teaching evaluations."

In medium-sized departments students should also be represented on departmental committees concerned with matters not excluded by Senate, the report said.

Similar arrangements would apply in large departments, the report said, "but it may also be desirable to have a standing student-faculty liaison committee which would deal with problems as they arise and make recommendations to the department and the head."