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MARCH ON QUEEN'S PARK

TORONTO (CUP) — University of Toronto students has marched on Queen's Park (home of the Ontario government) to present a brief to Premier Robarts urging him to act wisely in the upcoming federal-provincial conference. The brief reads:

"Whereas, We the students of the University of Toronto are deeply concerned with the future of Canada, particularly at this critical point in our history, and;

"Whereas: We recognize the importance of the existence of 'le fait Canadien français' in Canada today as the Canadian Union of Students already has done;

"We hope that: The Ontario government in the coming federal - provincial fiscal conference, firstly, will think of the welfare of Canada and secondly, will maintain an understanding and flexible attitude towards the problems which will confront the conference."

Richard Pope, U of T French committee chairman said: "We want to make our views known at this grave moment in Canada's history. This conference is particularly dangerous in the light of statements by Premier Bennett (of B. C.) that the best attitude is not to listen to the demands of Quebec — not even give them a hearing."

Students from York University, McMaster University and the Ryerson Institute took part in the march to present the brief.

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Last Friday night the annual Christmas Social was held at Bridges House with special guests Mrs. N. L. MacKenzie and Santa Claus. Mrs. Kenzie is the wife of a former President of the University of New Brunswick, and is pictured above on the lap of the Jolly Gentleman, who is pro-

viding her something SPECIAL for Christmas.

In the course of the evening, Santa Claus made his traditional appearance with presents for all: these included toy drums and toilet bowl plungers.

The seasonal spirit was augmented by the Christmas dec-

orations.

Dr. T. J. Condon and his wife hosted an open house that greatly enhanced the success of the evening. The Social, attended by more than one hundred bodies, proved to be an excellent evening for all concerned.

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ANTONOMY FOR PROFS

CALGARY (CUP) — The Academic Association of the University of Alberta, Calgary, have unanimously asked for complete academic and administrative autonomy for their campus, by April 1, 1964.

U of A, Calgary is presently directly associated with the U of A, Edmonton. Both universities are under the direction of one board of governors in Edmonton.

Last week, the staff at Calgary said in their resolution that staff morale and community spirit, are adversely affected when major policy-making for their university is centered in Edmonton.

They added that the need for communication by long-distance travel and telephone is wasteful of public funds and expends teaching and research time; and that these things were not in the best interest of higher education in Alberta.

FREE? Love

LONDON (CUP) — Free love is essentially good, if all other things are equal, Dr. Harold Johnson told a Student Christian Movement (SCM) meeting.

According to Dr. Johnson, associate professor of philosophy, anyone can produce a tight argument for pre-marital sex, if all other things are equal. If an ethical position is assumed, discipline concerned with the introduction of a rational control over sexual appetites must be accepted.

He said of free love that the intimacy mellows one's outlook on life in general and may permit more friendly and human relations with other people.

AM - CAN RELATIONS CONFERENCE AT RICKER

HOULTON, Mass. (Staff) — The campus of Ricker College was the setting for the first Intercollegiate Conference on American - Canadian relations this past weekend. Organized under the Ricker International Affairs Club, the conference was highlighted by the speakers Edmund S. Muskie, junior senator for the State of Maine, and the Hon. Hugh J. Fleming M.P., former Premier of New Brunswick.

GUEST SPEAKERS

The session opened on Friday evening with the two guest speakers expressing their views on pertinent U. S.-Canadian questions. Senator Muskie, who had flown directly

from Washington to attend the conference, opened his remarks by wishing those who were responsible for inaugurating the conference his best wishes for its success. He expressed the idea that the delegates should pursue a friendly objective atmosphere to discuss our mutual problems.

PASSAMAQUODDY, A MAIN ISSUE

On this question which was felt by delegates in informal sessions to be a major issue at the conference table, the Senator stressed one of his major hopes was that the Canadian government would see fit to ratify their project and push

forward toward mutual cooperation. The entire St. John River system should be tied in with this project as the benefits to be derived would stretch to fields far beyond hydro-electric power. In summing up his remarks, Senator Muskie stated "that boundaries of history should not influence the decision of today, we should be trying to undertake more common ventures".

ECONOMICS AND CULTURE

Economic interests of trade, defence, and fishing rights were presented by the Senator and then discussed — the American viewpoint. Discussion of this type would do

much to improve mutual feelings in these areas on both sides of the border.

Culture was one other of the topics that must be touched upon. He hoped Americans would in the future become interested in the true Canadian culture and way of life. This, he felt, was one issue in which Maine and New Brunswick should continue to be leaders, that is, in forwarding the Canadian - American cultural relations.

INTERNATIONAL

The Hon. Hugh John Fleming in his address tended to support Sen. Muskie's points

in International relations. The former N. B. Premier stressed

the fact that the New Brunswick-Maine relationship was probably the strongest of any adjoining area along the border. It is up to the people of these areas to aid in forwarding relationships in other parts of the country.

In concluding, Mr. Fleming voiced the opinion that frequent consultations of the U. N. B.-Ricker nature would do much to further Canadian-American relations.

The student discussions touched upon many aspects of International Affairs.