A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

It has been said that, generally speaking, people welcome change as long as they don't have to change themselves. This was probably true to a greater extent in past decades than it is now, when advancements in technology bring about so many changes in our way of life. There can be no doubt that metrication will be a fact of life. Already there are many evidences of it's coming, especially in the packaging business and in the medical field. Fortunately it is not a conversion that has to take place in all sectors at the same instant, but is a transaction that can occur gradually over a number of years. In this day of mobility of people, international trading and big business, it is in the national interest to have common measurement systems that are world wide at least as far as the great manufacturing and trading nations are concerned. One of the chief advantages to the individual is that he can easily convert from one size of unit to another size by a decimal system. It gets away from having to multiply or divide by 12, or 16 or many other numbers when converting lengths, areas, weights, quantities, etc. If 90% of the world's population is already using the metric system or in the process of changing to it, we cannot afford to stay off the band wagon. The difficulty for the individual is not in learning the new S.I. system but in unlearning the inch-pound system. The Instruction and Planning section of Colleges and Universities Affairs have published Booklets 1 to 5 of "The Metric Convertor." Number 6 is ready for publication and number 7 is over half written. There are four copies of each of the first five booklets in the L.R.C. If you wish to obtain more information about the metric system and what others are doing about it you will find these booklets interesting reading as well as being informative.

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Barbara Wiszowaty
P.T. Cashier
Accounts Receivable

Irene Hitchcock
AV Distribution Supvr.
L R C

John Kilbury
Librarian
L R C

Dianne Porter
Instructor
Dental Assisting
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joy Goodbrandson a member of Staff Services got engaged on October 30, 1973. Wedding bells won't be ringing for another year though — so far. Congratulations, Joy!!

Condolences to Mary Beattie of Practical Nursing on the loss of her mother on October 2, 1973.

The College was saddened to hear of the sudden passing of Albert M. Penner on October 31. Albert had been a clinical chemistry Instructor with the Medical Laboratory Technology course since 1966. He is survived by Mrs. Jeananne Penner and five young children.

Next issue we intend to publish a "For Sale" Column devoted to staff of the College. If you have any item for sale please send full description of item, plus price and residence telephone number to Marg Morris Room C306.

The Staff Services Department would like to extend their best wishes to Mrs. Marilyn Craig and Mrs. Betty Pfau who are leaving the department on December 1st. Good luck girls in your future ventures.

From M.G.E.A. Bulletin - November 15, 1973

NEW CHAIRMAN APPOINTED:

The Association was informed officially today of the appointment of Elliot B. MacDonald as Chairman of the Arbitration Board established to hear the case of both the Departmental Employees' and Civil Service Employees' Agreements. Mr. MacDonald succeeds H.G.H. Smith, Q.C., whose untimely death occurred two weeks ago.

Boos

Boos to the people who keep turning the heat up in staff lounges.

Boos to the people who supply the buns in "C" Building coffee lounges.

Boos to some personnel members who think other personnel members are their own private errand girls/boys.

Booze to the drivers

BRAVOOS

Braavos to the "Devil" - he enjoys the discomforts of a hot house too!

Braavos to the midgets of this world, they are short too.

Braavos to "ROLLER SKATES".

Braavos to the "Breathalyzer"

Two waiters were standing at a table over which a loaded customer had fallen asleep.

"I've already awakened him twice," said one. "Now I'm going to awaken him for the third time."

"Why don't you throw him out?" asked the other waiter.

"The hell I will," said the first waiter. "I got a good thing going for me. Every time I wake him up he pays his bill."

A lot of people already are working a four-day week, though it takes them five or six days to do it.
MORE FREQUENT EDUCATION EQUIVALENCY TESTS ON WAY
To Be Slated About Every Two Months

General Educational Development Tests, to give adults an opportunity to gain high school equivalency standing, will henceforth be held approximately every two months, Acting Education Minister Saul Miller has announced.

The tests have been conducted four times since September 1972 in English composition, social studies, natural sciences, literature and mathematics. They are designed to measure ideas, intellectual skills and learning skills a person has acquired since leaving high school.

Mr. Miller said the fifth series of GED tests will be held December 14 and 15 at 13 centres across the province. The deadline for applications to write the tests is November 30.

The tests give persons over 19 who have been out of school for at least one academic year a means of obtaining high school equivalency or improving their high school standing, qualifying for community college entrance, or gaining necessary qualifications for advancement to better jobs.

Mr. Miller said the change to more frequent testing has been made to increase the convenience and availability of the tests for interested persons, in particular those interested in going on to higher education. The change will also benefit those who need to prove educational qualifications in short order.

"We have also had many complaints from potential applicants that there are not enough opportunities to write the tests."

The dates for 1974 tests will be January 25 and 26, March 29 and 30, June 7 and 8, August 30 and 31 and October 25 and 26.

Mr. Miller said it is expected the numbers of persons writing the tests will drop because of the increased frequency of testing. In the first three series, 3,811 persons wrote the tests. The actual number writing the fourth series held in October has not been computed, but 1,324 persons applied to write.

It is also expected, he continued, that the percentage of applicants passing the tests will decline, if Manitoba's experience compares with other provinces and American states using the tests. Only 206 persons writing the tests have failed to obtain standing, while 3,365 persons obtained Grade 12 equivalency, 172 Grade 11 and 68 Grade 10. The results of the fourth series are not yet available.

"We expect persons who urgently needed qualifications will have already written the tests. With the new schedule, we will now be reaching out at those who have been out of school a longer period of time, or who have more academic ground to make up."

He said the department is considering a broader information program on the GED tests because it appears from the applications for the fourth series that the tests may not be well known in less-settled parts of the province. Of the 1,324 applicants, 983 applied to write at Red River Community College in Winnipeg.

"These figures suggest a disproportionate number of applicants come from the Winnipeg or Portage la Prairie areas. But we also know from past experience that there has been much interest in the tests all over Manitoba."

The tests will be conducted at Red River Community College, Assiniboine Community College in Brandon, Keewatin Community College in The Pas, Hapnot Collegiate in Flin Flon, Gillam School, Lynn Lake School, Swan River Collegiate, Leaf Rapids School, Gimli Composite High School, Duke of Edinburgh School in Churchill, Garden Valley Collegiate in Winkler, R.B. Parker Collegiate in Thompson and Dauphin Collegiate.

Applicants to write the tests must be Manitoba residents for at least 6 months be 19 years of age or over and out of school for one full academic year. An applicant must also have been out of school long enough for the class of which he or she was last a member to have graduated from Grade 12.

"STALEMATE" : A husband who forgets an important anniversary date.
The equivalency standing provided by the tests is accepted by community colleges, Brandon University and the University of Winnipeg, provided the candidate has certain other prerequisites required for certain courses.

Applications forms are available at the testing centres or through the Department of Education, 1181 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg R3C 0V8. The fee for all five tests is four dollars, payable at the time of application.

Mr. F. Yadao has now assumed the responsibility for the College's input in the administration of the G.E.D. program. This function was performed previously by Mr. W. Jeffries who will no longer have the responsibility for it.

PARKING

Did you know that there are over thirty staff members waiting on the waiting list for parking plugs? Power was turned on last week and for those of us who have a stall it is nice indeed to come out to a car with a warm engine that can supply heat in a matter of minutes.

Have you ever considered forming a car pool with one of your associates? Think of the benefits as well as the savings on gas alone. For instance, every second or third week depending on the number of people in the car pool you could be picked up at your door with a warm car. If you don't have a second car for the little woman your car could be left at home for her during the off weeks. The fact that you form a car pool does not necessarily mean that you lose your parking stall - arrangements will be made for you to reclaim it in the Spring.

We are extremely interested in seeing that all staff members driving cars have access to a parking stall with plug. Budgetary restrictions do not permit further expansion of the present staff parking areas and so it remains for us to do the best we can with what we have now.

For those who can form car pools please get in touch with Margaret Morris at local 308 and she will make arrangements for your stall to be used by someone on the waiting list during the cold weather. Thank you for your consideration.

R. N.

DIRECTOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL

If you have any matter you would like discussed at the DAC, please contact your representative as listed below:

Administration: G.L. Talbot (Chairman)  
W.H. Grant, S.L. Ursel, D. Williamson  
R.H. Newman, J. Green

Faculty: J. McMillan, J.L. Bechert, (absent - D. Dales)  
I. Karasick, A. Good, J. Mackay

Department Heads: L. Rodkin, N. McIvor,  
L. Fletcher, P. Hunt

Faculty Association: B. Harvey

Students: A. Giesbrecht, (absent - W. Moore)

Mr. Talbot welcomed Mrs. Peggy Hunt as a new member to the DAC who replaces Peter Elvers.

SPEAKERS' BUREAU

The Task Force composed of L. Fletcher, R. Newman, and W. Moore, investigating the need of setting up a Speakers' Bureau, presented a proposal to the DAC members. It was recommended in the proposal that a survey be sent to all

"DESPAIR" : is what you have to get out of "de trunk" when you get "de flat".
SPEAKERS' BUREAU (Cont'd)

Instructional staff to evaluate whether or not such a Bureau would be of benefit to the College. The survey would include such questions as name, education, area of study, affiliations with other Universities, clubs, associations or committees, areas of study research and interests, major publications and the area or precise topics on which the speaker would be willing to speak.

As far as the market for the service was concerned it was decided that there were many alternatives such as:

- Travelling information van
- Student Association information booth (proposed)
- Counselling Offices
- Direct mail to Service clubs
- Day Calendar
- Public Service Announcements Radio Stations
- Newspaper Advertisements (provided budget allowed this)

Ray Newman was instructed to carry out the survey as recommended.

It was also suggested that a Speakers' Bureau would add to our Public Relations.

CREST OR LOGO

It was decided by the DAC members to have a contest open to students and staff to design a crest or logo for the College. A Task Force was set up to study the matter re type of prize, etc.

STUDENT REPRESENTATION

The Student Council is presently composed of 15 members with each sitting on approximately five committees. It was thus decided to have two non-Student Council members and three members to sit in on the DAC meetings.

ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES CONVENTION - QUEBEC

The purpose of the ACCC, which is composed of approximately 400 delegates, is to bring together students, faculty, the public and trustees to evaluate study systems of various Colleges.

Mr. Talbot and Irene Karasick, who attended the Convention, found it both interesting and helpful. Examples were brought up of the various teaching methods in Colleges across Canada e.g. individualized learning, mobile learning, the making of crafts and ceramics where the finished products are sold.

The next ACCC will be held in Winnipeg at the end of November, 1974, with Mr. Talbot and Irene Karasick to serve on the Board of Directors, with Mr. Talbot as Program Chairman for this convention. Representation of staff from Red River Community will be determined at a later date.

PURCHASING

The question was raised as to who has the authority to decide whether a particular piece of equipment is necessary for a particular department in the College. Mr. Talbot was the final signing authority for the College, however, the Purchasing Agent could question suggested purchases according to the Purchasing Act, under which he operates.

PROGRESS REPORT - TASK FORCE

Re the instructor evaluation discussed at last DAC meeting, a survey of approximately 411 students, faculty and other Colleges is being taken.

Cutie calls her new boy friend "Pilgrim." Every time he calls on her he makes progress.
NOISE IN BUFFALO PLACE

Ray Newman is to investigate whether anything can be done to decrease the sound level of the student radio in the Buffalo Place.

TRAILER INFORMATION SERVICE

A trailer advertising Red River Community College will be located throughout the city in various shopping centres. In the trailer the Extension Services staff, who will undergo a thorough training program, will inform the public of all courses offered at Red River Community College. A Manpower Counsellor will also be on hand.

The first trailer is to be set up in the Polo Park Shopping Centre sometime in January '74.

I WANT A WORKER

Who likes his job.
Who knows his job.
Who keeps himself physically fit.
Who wants to do a day's work for a day's pay.
Who wants to get ahead.
Who is always on the job unless excused.
Who is cheerful - - not sullen.
Who works safely -- with due consideration for himself and his fellow workers.
Who gets a bang out of a job well done.
Who tries to avoid waste and cut costs.
Who looks for a better way to do the job.
Who tells the truth; who is sincere.
Who gripes little and looks forward.
Who keeps a spirit of team work.
Who asks questions when he needs help.
Who is willing to face his personal problems squarely.
Who tries to put himself in my place now and then.
Who feels that his job is a privilege - - not a right.

I WOULD GIVE A WORKER LIKE THAT

MY BEST!

YOU WOULD TOO!

I WANT A BOSS

Who had something to do with hiring me and who wants me to work for him.
Who helps me when I am new to get acquainted with my job.
Who explains to me just what my job is - - just what I am expected to do.
Who tells me frequently how I'm getting along -- what I do well and what I don't do well -- who shows me how to do better.
Who not only thinks of me for what I am but also for what I may become.
Who takes a personal interest in me and my problems.
Who listens to my ideas for making the job easier and better.
Who has something to do with my pay and does it when the time comes.
Who stands up for me when I am right.

I WOULD DO MY BEST FOR A BOSS LIKE THAT!

YOU WOULD TOO!

Here's to home - the place where you are treated best and grumble most.
TO: Principals
Canadian Community Colleges

FROM: Director of Awards

Canadian Community Colleges


On behalf of the Nuffield Foundation, for which the Association of Universities and Colleges acts as administrative agency in Canada, I am pleased to announce a programme of Travel Grants designed to assist teachers in Canadian Community Colleges who wish to obtain further training in their respective fields in the United Kingdom.

I am enclosing copies of the Notice of Award which I should appreciate having brought to the attention of those on your staff who may be interested. Additional copies are available on request. I am also enclosing a sample application form but interested persons should get in touch with me for further information and a set of application forms.

Please note that the closing date for receipt of completed applications in this office is January 1st.

Guy P. d'Auray
Encl.

THE NUFFIELD FOUNDATION TRAVEL GRANTS
FOR TEACHERS IN CANADIAN COMMUNITY COLLEGES
(Administered in Canada by the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada)

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

PURPOSE
The Nuffield Foundation offers a limited number of Travel Grants designed for teachers in Canadian Community Colleges who wish to obtain further training in their respective fields in the United Kingdom.

ELIGIBILITY
Although preference will be given to Canadian citizens, who are over 30, applicants who have resided in Canada a minimum of four years prior to the closing date of the competition will also be considered. Persons who have previously held this award are not normally eligible.

All applications must be supported by the Executive Head, or other appropriate officer, of the candidate's institution. Only those whose pay will continue in full during the tenure of the Travel Grant can be considered and during the tenure of the award candidates may not receive remuneration for any other work or hold a second award.

Candidates for a Travel Grant must have either obtained a first university degree or have attained the standard recognized for teachers of technical subjects. They must also have had not less than three years of teaching experience on the staff of a Community College.

On the completion of his Travel Grant, the grantee will be required to submit a report to the Foundation, to his Department and to the AUCC for the Nuffield Foundation Canadian Policy Committee on his work during his Travel Grant.

TENURE
Not less than three months and not more than six months.

DOCTOR (to plump patient): "Your diet will be very simple. If it tastes good, spit it out."
THE NUFFIELD FOUNDATION TRAVEL GRANTS
Continued.

VALUE
The value of this award includes return economy air fare, at low
season rates regardless of the actual time of travel, for grantee
and for his wife, provided she accompanies him for not less than
two months, plus a living allowance of £100 per month or £125 per
month when accompanied by wife.

NOTE:
The sums are not designed to be sufficient to cover all the Grantee's
expenses. Applicants must be prepared to make a contribution to
the study visit.

FURTHER
INFORMATION
To request application forms, or submit applications, address:
The Director of Awards
Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada
151 Slater Street
Ottawa, K1P 5N1, Ontario.

Completed application in quadruplicate must be received at the above address
NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 1.


BETTER BELIEVE IT!
"All of us are living in the middle of a dark wood - a bright technicolored forest -
of words, words, words. It is a forest in which the wind is never still: there is
not a tree in the forest that is not, for every moment of its life and our lives,
persuading or ordering or seducing or overawing us into buying this, believing that,
voting for the other."

"We are subject to unlimited sensations in our age. We become unresponsive to vibrant
lines, television and advertising. It would take a pile driver to get response
out of our nerves. It is easy in this century to live on the surface all the time."

COMMENT --
THINK ABOUT IT......

May you have enough happiness to keep you sweet; enough trials to keep you strong;

enough sorrow to keep you human; enough hope to keep you happy; enough failure to keep

you humble; enough success to keep you eager; enough friends to give you comfort;

enough faith and courage in yourself, your business, and your country to banish
depression; enough wealth to meet your needs; enough determination to make each day a
betGe: day than yesterday.

May the hinges of friendship never grow rusty. May our house always be too small
to hold all our friends.

DOCTOR: "I don't like the looks of your husband."

WIFE: "I don't either, Doc, but he is good to the children."