

NEW PRESIDENT OF U.P.E.I. ANNOUNCED ON MONDAY

The next president of the University of Prince Edward Island has finally been chosen after months of postponement. The Board of Governors approved the appointment of Dr. Peter P.M. Meincke Monday, Sept. 12. The appointment was made upon the recommendation of the Search-for-the-President Committee made up of members from both the Senate and the Board of Governors. The two students on the Committee were Charles DesRoches and Mike McKenna.



DR. MEINCKE

At a press conference Tuesday, Dr. Meincke said that he planned to start a major drive on scholarship funds when he takes office in June of 1978. He felt this was needed to help compensate for the increasing cost of attending universities.

an enrollment of one-two thousand. UPEI is the best size for a university.

Dr. Meincke, a Winnipeg native where he was born in 1936, received a B.Sc. in Engineering Physics at Queens University. He continued his student academic career up to 1963 when he earned his doctorate in low temperature physics at the University of Toronto.

INCREASE IN FEES

Dr. Meincke blamed the increasing fees on the decreasing enrollment at universities. He believes the decreasing enrollment reflects the kind of person now registering at universities. High schools pressuring students to go to university caused the peak registration figures of a few years ago, he explained. Students no longer see a university degree as an instant job. Those who were after jobs have now gone into other areas of study such as community colleges. Students are now more interested in self-betterment.

VICE-PROVOST

The President-Designate has been a Vice-Provost in charge of seven professional faculties at the University of Toronto for four years and an associate Dean at Erindale College in Mississauga. At the moment, he is a professor of Physics at University of Toronto as well as being on the staff of Erindale College and of the Centre for Culture and Technology.

Dr. Meincke also expressed concern about keeping in touch with the Island community. It is his opinion that universities must be more closely linked with their surrounding communities than they are now. "UPEI is doing a better job at this than most," he said.

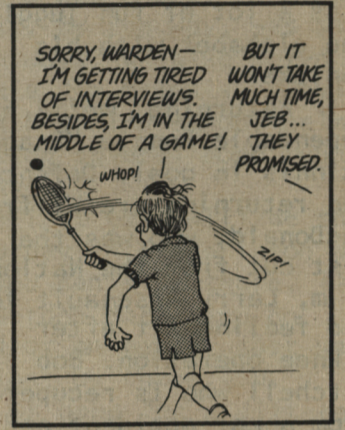
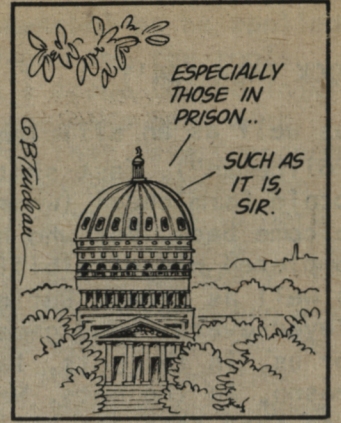
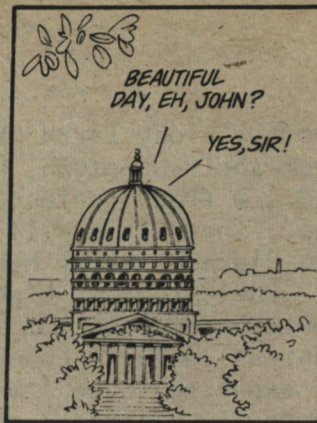
NOTED PHYSICIST

During his career as an academecian, Dr. Meincke has authored or co-authored more than thirty articles in the field of Physics.

COLLAGE HELPFUL

When asked whether he thought a veterinarian college would change this, Dr. Meincke said it would not. It would, instead, help the university by giving it a professional school. He also explained that a vet. school would not be so big as to change dramatically the size of the university.

This facet of UPEI was attributed to its size. Dr. Meincke said that the character of a university changes dramatically between



ALL THE CANDIDATES W

Dr. Peter P.M. Meincke, the next president of UPEI, was only one of six presidential candidates. These six were picked from approximately one hundred applicants. One of the other five was Dr. James F.V. Millar, an arch-

aeologist from the University of Saskatchewan. Although he was one of the three "finalists" for the job, he was the first cut of these. The Search Committee expressed doubt whether a person with a strong personality such as Dr. Millar's would be accept-

AFS EXPLAINED

Last spring students at UPEI voted in favour of becoming members of the Atlantic Federation of Students (AFS). Consequently \$1.00 of the \$46.00 Student Union fee goes directly to the Federation.

student population of the region it must have the full support of the students it represents.

AFS is an organization of post-secondary institutions in the Atlantic region whose primary purpose is to improve the quality of education for all students. Membership is comprised of all students. Membership is comprised of all students at institutions who, through a referendum, have voted to become members.

Though AFS is going through a stage of re-organization and growth, tremendous work is being done on all aspects of student life.

While AFS does have a full-time staff-person who acts as co-ordinator and, when required, field worker and an executive elected by the membership, the responsibility for the overall access lies with each student on each campus. This is of primary importance for if the federation is to be expected to represent the

Major interests of the federation include student aid, tuition increases, employment opportunities and cutbacks of all types.

By uniting efforts, students will be able to effectively work together to produce an educational system which will best complement their needs.

