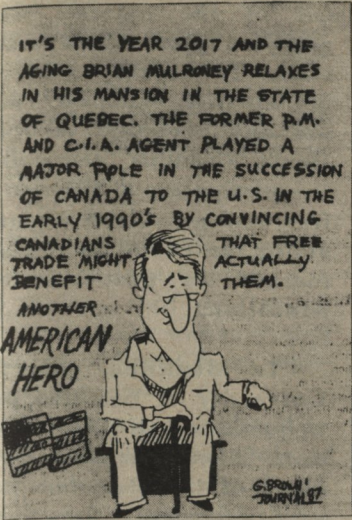


AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES MOVING INTO CANADA



by Lynn Marchildon

TORONTO (CUP)

Free Trade might encourage more American universities to set up satellite campuses in Canadian cities according to Ontario's minister of industry, trade and technology Monte Kwinter.

While Kwinter said the increasing number of American institutions offering degree programs in Canada is something to watch, he said he hopes the high tuition of the programs will continue to act as a deterrent.

"Where we do have the

control is that our universities are all state-financed," said Kwinter, adding that Ontario's student assistance program also helps to defray the cost of a Canadian university education, but not a foreign one.

Kwinter spoke at the University of Toronto to outline the Ontario government's opposition to the recently signed free trade pact.

The minister said an economic union between Canada and the U.S. won't work because the cultures are so similar and Canada is already dominated by the States. He pointed out that 42 per cent of all Canadian industry is already American-owned, and 95 per cent of all prime television shows, music and films are American.

"We have a severe problem and we have to be extra vigilant to make sure that we don't get swept away by it," Kwinter said. "There's very little to differentiate us if we want to maintain that Canadian identity."

A graduate of Syracuse University and of the Massachusetts Institute of Tech-

nology, Kwinter said he knows the American way of life but said "there is a quality of life in Canada that people cherish."

He said the free trade pact does not give Canadians any more of an economic advantage than they already have, while it gives the United States a coveted continental energy policy.

"What we have done is given them the right to proportional access to our energy," said Kwinter, adding Canadian oil producers will no longer be able to charge different prices to domestic and industrial consumers.

Kwinter said there is a common misconception that an iron curtain lies across the border to the United States and if Canadians could only raise it, 250 million more people will buy their products.

"At this point in time 80 per cent of all trade of goods and services between Canada and the United States is duty-free," said Kwinter,

adding the number of tariff items decreases with each round of GATT (General Agreement on Tariff and Trade) talks.

"Anything that reduces tariffs and barriers is good," he said. "But it's got to be done in a way that allows

some time for adjustment."

The Ontario government passed a resolution January 7 intended to send the federal government a clear message of disapproval of the free trade deal signed five days earlier, said Kwinter.

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With the end of the Winter Carnival Hockey Tournament, the Intramural Hockey Schedule is back to normal. On Monday Marian will play Blanchard and the Arts will play the Engineers. Tuesday has the Vets squaring off against Business and the Rulers defending Blanchard. On Wednesday Marian takes

on the Soccer Team and on Thursday the Engineers will play the Vets while the Rulers face the Arts. Each night the first game is scheduled for 7:15 with the second match to follow at 8:30.

In the Gym on Monday the Vets will play the Mayflowers at 10:30 in Mens' Basketball. At the same time on Wednesday Blanchard will play Marian.

Womens' Basketball has the scene on tuesday with two games on the agenda. At 9:30, the Vets will play Bernardine and at 10:30 the Day Students will square off against Blanchard.

On Thursday this week, the Co-Ed Volleyball program will be in the Gym at 9:30 as Blanchard will face the second year Vets. Later on at 10:30, the Bernardine-Marian team will attempt to defend Business.

It is very important for everyone to watch for athletic posters and bulletins. Come out and get involved.



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