

# UPEI'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT



## IS THIS MAN SANTA CLAUS IN DISGUISE?

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I SAW Santa Claus barge into Alumni Gymnasium late December 13th just as approximately 150 students were tackling exams in political science and psychology. Except for his rubber boots he was dressed completely in red, and his flowing white beard dangled well below his shoulders. His appearance, combined with his shouts of "Ho, ho, merry Christmas", allowed no mistaking his identity.

The merry old gentleman squeezed by two surprised professors at the gymnasium door and began to march in the aisles between the examination tables. As he did so, he reached into a bag he carried and then began to toss candies among the seated students. Undaunted by the looks of surprise and amusement that he was drawing, Santa piped up, "Merry Christmas, here's some candy for you. I hope I don't hit any of you with it." With a flick of his wrist he sent more goodies showering among the students.

After several moments of such antics Santa turned and headed to the back of the gym again. He moved along smartly for a man of his bulk and roundness, and not once did he trip over his rubber boots. At his destination he confronted a political science professor. "Now where is that exam?" he queried. The Professor, having recovered from his surprise, rewarded Santa with the object of his search. Clutching the test paper in his hand, Santa strutted again toward the front of the gym.

When he could go no further, Santa took a seat in the front row. After lowering himself into a chair he proceeded to pull off his hat and remove his jacket. Next, in what must have been the quickest shave in recorded history, he shed his beard. Having placed all these items on the table beside him, he picked up a pen and began to scan the examination questions. Moments later he began to write.

All through the gym not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse, as the students again began to work on their exams. In the middle of the gym was the editor of the SUN, and though he too had an exam in front of him, his thoughts were momentarily still on Santa. "It's funny," he thought, "but from this angle the partly disrobed Santa looks awfully familiar. In fact, he looks a heck of a lot like Phillip Brown, the Howie Meeker of intramural hockey. Phillip and Santa, though, couldn't possibly be the same person.

Phillip was, after all, only a young guy and Santa had been around for years and years. The resemblance must be a coincidence." The editor's brow was knotted in puzzlement, but then he shrugged his shoulders, and began to return his mind to his exam. As he did so he felt his foot nudge something on the floor. Looking under the table he saw a piece of candy perched several inches from the tips of his toes. He smiled and then he too began to write.

## PRESIDENT IN INDIA REPRESENTING CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES



President Meincke

From Topics

University President Dr. Peter Meincke is currently visiting India to attend the Association of Commonwealth Universities biennial Council Meeting. Dr. Meincke was named by the Association

of Universities and Colleges of Canada as one of four members to represent member Universities of Canada on the Council for 1979-80.

The Council Meeting will be held from January 21 to February 4, in the sub-continent, and cities to be visited will include Bombay, Madras, Agra, Calcutta and Delhi, as well as several other centres throughout India.



## Iranian students under attack

OTTAWA (CUP)—Iranian students studying in Canada and the U.S. have been under increasing attack, apparently in retaliation for the action of Tehran students who kidnapped 60 Americans November 5.

Immigration minister Ron Atkey said November 13 that a preliminary investigation into Iranian students studying in Canada found that most have legal visas.

Atkey said he ordered the check into the legal status of Iranians attending Canadian universities shortly after the

hostage-taking incident took place.

In the U.S., president Jimmy Carter has already ordered the deportation of all Iranians in the country without legal authorization.

When the deposed Shah of Iran first entered a New York hospital, Iranian students in both countries held protests, but since the hostage incident the only protests have been by outraged U.S. citizens. American students at several institutions have burned the Ayatollah Khomeini in effigy and Iranian students still in the U.S. have

been attacked by angry people.

American hostility does have its humorous aspects though. In Nevada, a brothel operator announced that Iranian students will not be admitted to his house of ill-repute until the hostages are freed.

Brothel operator Joe Conforte said he was fed up with the hypocrisy of Iranian students who support Khomeini but also support his business. Now to get in they must denounce Khomeini and also the shooting of prostitutes in Iran by religious councils.

