



Lakehead Receives \$1.3 Million from Living Legacy Trust

by Marla Tomlinson

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-- Dr. Reino Pulkki, Dean, Faculty of Forestry and the Forest Environment

In August, the Executive Director of the Living Legacy Trust, Karan Aquino, presented Dr. Reino Pulkki (Forestry and the Forest Environment) and Dr. Michael Yuan (Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Tourism) with two cheques totalling over \$1.3 million. "The Faculty of Forestry and the Forest Environment has been awarded \$933,170 to study how Intensive Forest Management (IFM) affects sustainable forest management and forest health," said Aquino. "Living Legacy Trust has committed an additional \$452,490 to the Akervall Centre for Outdoor Recreation for the development of a Comprehensive Recreation Planning Framework to examine how IFM will impact recreation in the region."

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Agreement Signed

On September 5th an agreement was signed between Lakehead University's Paleo-DNA Laboratory and Vita-Tech Laboratories Canada Inc., which will allow vital services to be shared by both labs.

Under this agreement, the Paleo-DNA Laboratory will provide ancient DNA, and genealogy (family tree) testing services for Vita-Tech. In return, the Paleo-DNA Laboratory has the ability to accept and refer to Vita-Tech paternity testing cases that require a laboratory to be ISO 9002 registered or accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks (AABB).

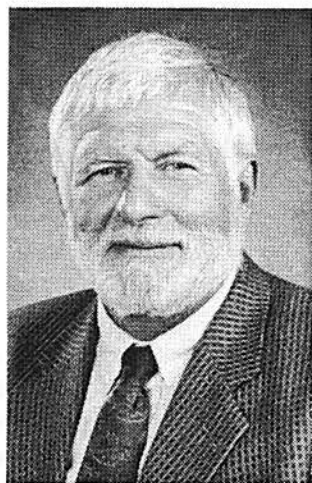
"This is an agreement that will be symbiotic for both laboratories," says Dr. El Molto, Academic Director of the Paleo-DNA Laboratory. "It has the potential to capture larger markets for both laboratories by avoiding a duplication of resources and at the same time market both Canadian biotech companies."

For more information about the multiplicity of research projects and forensic, paternity and molecular services being conducted at the Paleo-DNA Laboratory visit www.ancientdna.com or call (807) 343-8877 or toll free 1-866-DNA-LABS.

News Releases

You can find out the latest news about Lakehead University by reading media releases posted online at:

http://www.lakeheadu.ca/~eventswww/media_cur.html



by
Dr. Frederick F. Gilbert
President

From the President's Desk

As the fall semester gets underway, there are lots of things happening besides the new students and new faculty on campus. For example, we are exploring the possibility of building new residences in time for next fall's double cohort influx. Even with the conversion of space in the Avila Centre to 25 new residence rooms, we had a waiting list that could not be filled this year. The RPF we put out allows the private sector to propose design and build solutions.

If it appears to you that construction has slowed down on ATAC, it had a bit so that we could retain the option of adding a sixth floor for the Medical School. This, combined with an adjacent six-storey addition, appears to be the best solution to quickly accommodate the needs of the School. A temporary roof has been put in place to allow construction to proceed both on the interior and exterior of the building. With that in place the pace will quicken.

The Lakehead Project Development Officer for the Medical School, Dorothy Wright, has taken up her position in the temporary quarters assigned to the Dean and his staff in the Braun Building. Interviews for the Lakehead Campus Dean will take place soon.

Enrolment should meet our budget target this year and as we market the university for next year following the recommendations of the Western Management Consultants' report, look for an exciting new image for Lakehead. The students, faculty and staff who participated in this important exercise are enthusiastic about what will be happening over the next few months.

LUSU's new President, Glendon Tremblay, has some wonderful ideas to foster an understanding of Lakehead's history and build esprit de corps in the student body. I hope the entire

Lakehead community embraces the initiatives that he will foster over this coming academic year.

Welcome to all of you who are new to Lakehead. This is a wonderful institution as you will certainly discover. It has been a great experience informing people throughout Canada, and especially in southern Ontario, about all the fine things going on here as I raise funds for ATAC. This fall a new strategic planning exercise will get underway. The current plan has served us well but it is time to reconsider its objectives and look forward another five years. Details regarding the process will be forthcoming but if you were part of the previous exercise and have any suggestions regarding what you liked or disliked about the process, please let me know.

Finally, as noted elsewhere in this edition of the *Agora*, this publication will be going online. What that means is considerable savings in production costs and thus the ability to generate news about the university more frequently. I hope everyone adjusts to the change easily, and remember – a hard copy can always be downloaded if wanted.

The Canadian Institute of International Affairs invites you to attend a

Public Lecture by

Dr. John Hilliker

Head, Historical Division

Dept. of Foreign Affairs

and International Trade

"Pirouette or Revolution?"

Trudeau's early Foreign Policy revisited"

Thursday, September 26th

at 8 p.m. in RB 1023

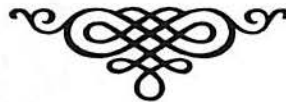
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Both projects will operate with the cooperation of Bowater Forest Products Inc. and other partners on the new Legacy Forest research site, a 400,000 hectare area in the southern half of the Dog River-Matawin Forest. This is an area of Crown Land under license to Bowater Forest Products Inc.

The Legacy Forest is adjacent to and east of Quetico Provincial Park, a protected area with no forest industry activity. The combined area will be a "living field research laboratory" that will help researchers understand and measure how intensive forestry operations impact forest ecosystems at the "landscape level." These operations include a wide variety of silvicultural practices, such as planting, thinning, fertilization, harvesting, and genetic improvement, to increase the capability of the forest to produce fiber.

"The Legacy Forest projects were funded through its science-related programs in forestry and ecology, which were established to fund strategic data collection and research that increase our understanding of intensive forest management, while at the same time supporting an ecological approach to resource management," said Aquino. "The projects will attract further researchers and projects, manage information, and ensure that knowledge is transferred to all stakeholders. Broad acceptance of intensive forest management practices will only result if it can be demonstrated that biodiversity, forest health, and non-timber forest values such as recreation, can be maintained or enhanced in the process." "The Legacy Forest Project will place the Lakehead University Forestry and Outdoor Recreation programs at the forefront of research in landscape ecology and management, and the impacts of intensive forest management and silviculture on all aspects of forest

sustainability," said Dr. Reino Pulkki, Dean of the Faculty of Forestry and the Forest Environment. "We plan to be a leader in forest management model development incorporating state-of-the-art forest management planning methods. These two grants from the Living Legacy Trust will go a long way towards helping us achieve this goal."



Changes in Communications

Agora Online

Starting in October, Lakehead will cease production of the *Agora* newsletter for faculty and staff and instead produce a one-page tip sheet alerting readers to the Lakehead stories they can find online at

www.lakeheadu.ca/~publications/agora/

The change is part of an overall move to make better use of the Internet in communicating with the Lakehead University community.

The new publication, called *Agora Online*, will be distributed September through June and will come out in the middle of the month. (Deadline for submissions will be the first of every month.)

Office Move

The Office of Communications has moved to a new location in the Avila Centre -- Suite 133 (next to the chapel).

Telephone and fax numbers for staff members Nancy Angus, Frances Harding and Marla Tomlinson remain the same.

Sony Partnership enhances Teaching and Learning

Lakehead University and Sony of Canada Ltd. have formed a partnership that will enhance teaching and learning processes through the development of smart classrooms and a distributed learning model termed "e-education" in Lakehead's new Advanced Technology and Academic Centre (ATAC).

The new alliance will enable Lakehead and Sony to explore the most effective model to unite the student, faculty and technology in order to support new learning opportunities at Lakehead.

The new smart classrooms will house Sony's data projection equipment, audio enhancement, videoconferencing, Web casting and Web storage technology in a system that can be easily managed by the educator. With Sony's equipment and support services, Lakehead is equipped with the tools to maximize technology in the teaching and learning environment. The e-Education model for ATAC will also serve to enhance the delivery of information to students on and off campus.

"Sony fully supports the adoption of new and emerging technologies by schools and classrooms," said Anil Sethi, Senior Vice-President, Sony of Canada Ltd. "In providing Lakehead with access to more information and resources, Sony hopes to enhance students' learning experience and help them achieve more in their academic career."

"Lakehead University and Sony see a tremendous future in the development of this comprehensive teaching model, which will serve as a guideline for many others to follow," says Bob Angell, Director of the Communications Technology Resource Centre.

-- Marla Tomlinson

New Masters Program in Public Health

by Mark Kwabia

This fall, Lakehead University will offer a new interdisciplinary masters degree program in public health.

It is a unique program in that it gives students the option of studying within one of two streams -- health studies or a specialization in nursing.

The program will be geared to issues of public health in northern, rural and remote communities, and many of the courses will be delivered online using the distance education and online learning capabilities of Lakehead University and Contact North.

The new Masters in Public Health (MPH) program is being delivered through the Faculty of Professional Schools and will draw on the expertise of individuals working in the School of Nursing, the School of Social Work, the School of Kinesiology, and the Departments of Psychology, Sociology, Economics, Biology, and Women's Studies.

"Public Health in its entirety does not only deal with diseases, although there is the tendency to see it as such," says Interim Dean of Professional Schools Dr. Ian Newhouse. "It is a wide area, which is comprised of the promotion of health, prolonging of life, and identifying health needs."

The new program will provide tremendous opportunities for graduate students to develop skills in public health related research that are especially relevant to Northwestern Ontario.

Public health workers are generally concerned with a broad set of issues affecting personal and environmental health, including the development of municipal, provincial and federal health



Professor Pat Sevean (above) is one of the instructors in the School of Nursing. She, along with three other colleagues who participated in the proposal development, believe that the program will have a "broad appeal" and will meet the needs of managers, nursing professionals, dieticians, and others interested in opportunities for graduate study.

programs; pollution control; programs and policies related to chronic and infectious diseases; the development of a smoke-free society; and continuing education to enhance the professional development of public health.

Dr. Bill Montelpare, Lakehead's Acting Dean of Graduate Studies, says the program will provide individuals working in the field of public health with technical skill enhancement, critical enquiry and a research focus that is central to typical daily duties. Such opportunities, he says, will be attractive to residents of Northwestern Ontario as well as individuals living across Canada.

Dr. Lorne McDougall, Past Director of the School of Nursing, says the approval of the MPH program with a specialization in nursing is the realization of a long-standing goal of the School of Nursing to have a graduate program for nurses in Northwestern Ontario.

Students will be accepted into the program in September 2002, on a full-time or part-time basis.

For more information contact Dr. John Jamieson at (807) 343-8738 or visit: <http://www.lakeheadu.ca/~calendar/>

Mark Kwabia is one of several Lakehead students taking part in SPARK, a student writing program sponsored by The Chronicle-Journal.

Welcome New Faculty and Staff

FACULTY

Dr. Aicheng Chen, Assistant Professor, Chemistry

Debra Grant, Lecturer, Nursing

Philippe Gregoire, Assistant Professor, Business Administration

Ruth Hagglund, Lecturer, Nursing

Dr. Leonard Hutchison, Assistant Professor, Forestry and the Forest Environment

Dr. Baoqiang Liao, Assistant Professor, Chemical Engineering

Dr. Mary Lindsay, Assistant Professor, Education

Dr. Apichart Linhananta, Assistant Professor, Physics

Professor Sayed Naqi, Lecturer, Business Administration

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Dr. Ghada Mohamed, Lecturer, Economics

Kirsten Oinonen, Lecturer, Psychology

Dr. Michael Pungente, Assistant Professor, Chemistry

Dr. Todd A. Randall, Assistant Professor, Geography

Dr. Heidi Schraft, Assistant Professor, Biology, and Canada Research Chair

Dr. Kam Yu, Assistant Professor, Economics

STAFF

Roma Brown, Technician/Administrative Assistant, Paleo-DNA Lab

Maureen Bould, Shelves, Library

Rob Chivers-Wilson, Security Communications Officer

Mathew Clark, Forest Watershed Ecology Technician, Forestry and the Forest Environment

Kimberly Ferris, Coordinator, Community & Professional Development in Health Sciences North

Lynda Kitzan, Learning Strategist/Assistive Technologist, Learning Assistance Centre

Miriam Lappala, Admissions Officer, Office of Admissions and Recruitment

Brandi LaRochelle, Admissions Officer, Admissions and Recruitment

Patricia Lundstrom, Coordinator, Continuing Professional Development, Health Sciences North

Sheila Noyes, Special Needs/Academic Skills Advisor, Learning Assistance Centre

Michael Pawlowski, Acting Vice-President, Administration and Finance

Sean Verescak, Security Communications Officer

Dorothy Wright, Project Development Officer, Northern Ontario Medical School

Campus News

Maintenance Choice

Brian Baraskewich says the annual Maintenance Choice Golf Tournament organized by his co-workers in Physical Plant was a resounding success again this summer, attracting more than 50 participants and raising over \$500 for scholarships and bursaries. He extends a special 'Thank You' to Aramark for providing the meal and to all the generous donors who provided prizes (coordinated by Karen Anderson). To date, the Tournament has raised over \$5,000 for Lakehead University.

Translating Adversity into Triumph

Dr. Jane Crossman (Kinesiology) was featured in the May 24, 2002 issue of the *National Post* in a story written by Lakehead graduate Michael Friscolanti (BA'99) about the effects of adversity on the performance of an athletic team.

The story was published during the hockey play-offs when head coach of the Maple Leafs, Pat Quinn, temporarily stepped down due to a health concern.

Friscolanti writes: *"Since the inception of sport, or at least sports writing, people have been titillated by tales of athletes translating adversity -- such as the loss of a coach -- into triumph. Consequently,*

while Mr. Quinn's illness is causing an obvious strain on his players, it could also end up being the motivating factor necessary to carry the Leafs into the Stanley Cup final."

He then goes on to quote Crossman as saying, *"It's situation-specific," said Jane Crossman, a Lakehead University professor who studies the sociological dimensions of sport. "In other words, some teams may rise to the occasion and some teams may falter."* Crossman was later quoted: *"The focus in your mind should be on the plays and the things you've practised."*

In Memoriam

Dr. Raul Ruiperez

Dr. Raul Ruiperez, a Professor Emeritus of Sociology who taught at Lakehead from 1975 to 1997, passed away on June 21, 2002 leaving behind his wife and daughter. At a memorial service held on campus, Professor Emeritus of Psychology Bill Melnyk said, "Like many scholars his greatest contribution was in influencing the minds of his students -- to challenge them. He will be missed, and fondly remembered, by the Lakehead community."

Dr. George Merrill

Dr. George Merrill, Professor Emeritus of English, passed away on May 30, 2002. Born in Haverhill, Massachusetts, he completed an undergraduate degree at Boston University and a PhD at the University of Birmingham in England. In 1963, he joined the faculty at Lakehead, retiring in 1997. For many years, Merrill participated in Convocation ceremonies, leading the academic procession and carrying the ceremonial mace. Merrill took pride in his four children and was active in the community, volunteering much of his time as a member of the Cambrian Players Theatre Group, and as president of the Port Arthur Continental Little League.



ATAC ~ Future of the North Capital Campaign Update

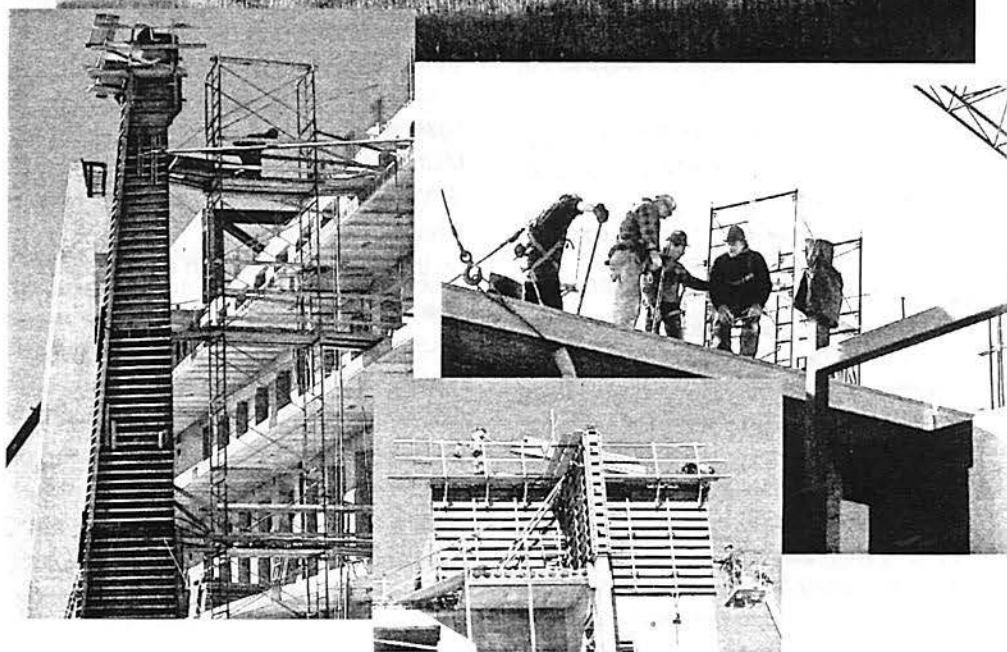
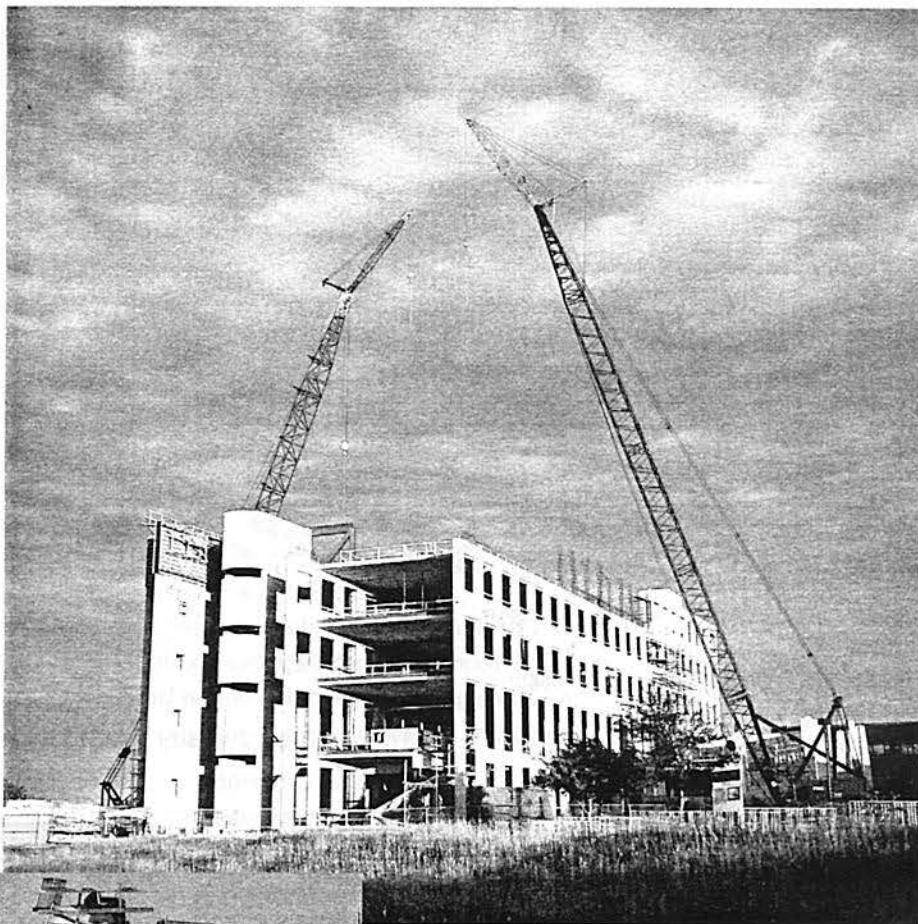
by Jennifer Willianen, Development Researcher and Writer

Backed by a large group of volunteer ambassadors (see listing on page 7), the ATAC ~ Future of the North Capital Campaign is on track and moving forward.

With gifts secured from members of the Board of Governors and the Foundation Board, as well as several local and national corporations and foundations, the Campaign is nearing a full public launch. This launch will occur after a few more key gifts from government and industry partners are confirmed. At such time, we will begin celebrating and recognizing our ATAC donors in a more public manner. Look for exciting announcements in the near future via the Communications Bulletin.

The next phase of the Campaign is the "Family Campaign" where faculty and staff will be given the opportunity to join the growing list of corporations, foundations and individuals who have chosen ATAC among their charitable priorities this year. Watch for your annual Philanthropy Fund package in early October.

The Annual Alumni Fund drive is also set to begin this fall. This year, the Alumni Association Board of Directors has made ATAC their number one fundraising priority with a pledge to raise \$500,000 for the project. "The Alumni Association feels that it is important to support the expansion of our university," says Lakehead University Alumni Association President Mark Tilbury, HBComm '94. "It is our hope that alumni, far and wide, will give generously to this project that will ensure Lakehead University has the capacity for continued growth."



Volunteer Support is helping Lakehead Reach Goals

Volunteers are making a huge difference at Lakehead University. In fact, over 50 volunteers are working in conjunction with the Office of the President, the Office of Development and the Office of Alumni Relations to advance the mission of the university. The following individuals are at the heart of many alumni and development programs; please join us in recognizing them:

ATAC ~ Future of the North Capital Campaign Volunteers

*** ATAC Campaign Cabinet Member**

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- John Richardson, Chair*
- George Davies*
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- Gord McLean
- Andrea Mannila
- LaRea Moody
- Maureen Praire
- Robert Reukl
- Pat Sevean
- Lynn Stokluk
- Diane Thompson
- Toby Turner



Volunteers (l-r) Dave McGowan, Al Law, Chris Maurik and Ivan Cocks (in front), give Alumni Relations staff members, Lauren Rigatto (Alumni Officer) and Jennifer McKee (Alumni Assistant), a helping hand at the 2002 Alumni Golf Tournament.

Call for Nominations for Honorary Degrees

The Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees invites all members of the Lakehead community to submit nominations for honorary degrees to be awarded at the Convocation in May 2003. Please provide as complete information as possible about the person being nominated plus a brief rationale for the nomination. All nominations will be considered by the Committee, which will then make its recommendations to the Senate. Send the nominations to Dr. Jane Crossman, Chair, Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees, c/o the School of Kinesiology. Please note that the nominations must be received on or before September 20, 2002, to be placed on the agenda for the September meeting of the committee.

Change Agents

Dr. Fentey Scott (Education) was a guest speaker at a two-day training workshop for educational administrators put on by the Caribbean Society for Educational Administration St. Vincent and the Grenadines (CARSEA SVG) titled: "Enhancing Leadership and School Management in a Climate of Change."

In an article published in *The News*, the President of the organization, Dr. Veronica Marks, was quoted as saying, "The job description of an educational administrator has expanded to a point where today's school leader is expected to perform in the role of 'Chief Learning Officer' with the ultimate responsibility for the success or failure of the enterprise." In reality, she said, schools must now change fundamentally and leaders must be both change agents and change managers. The workshop Scott facilitated was so successful that he has been invited to return at a future date.

Banana Split

Dr. Ronald Harpelle (History) and local filmmaker Kelly Saxberg have just completed "Banana Split," a one-hour documentary film on Canada's favourite tropical fruit. The film looks at globalization by offering a social analysis of the banana. The film was made with support from CIDA, the IDRC and the Canadian Independent Film and Video Fund. It will premier on Canadian Learning Television this fall and has been accepted for showing in Ottawa's "One World Film Festival" and Vancouver's "Amnesty International Film Festival." Harpelle produced and co-directed the film which was shot in Canada, the United States, Honduras and France. In addition to the film, Harpelle has also been awarded a grant from the IDRC to produce an educational package on International Development. The package is an extension of the film project and will be distributed by Oxfam, the IDRC and the International Network for the Improvement of Banana and Plantain. Although a historian by profession, Harpelle has a background in Development Economics and has worked on several film projects over the years.

Weather Watch

Dr. David Kemp (Geography) accepted an award of merit given to Lakehead University staff to recognize their contribution to Environment Canada's Volunteer Weather Observer Network. Says Kemp: "Measurements of temperature, rainfall and snowfall were collected at a site next to the Oliver Road entrance to the university, and had to be taken twice per day -- morning and evening -- every day of the year, holidays, Christmas and New Year's Day included."

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