



Books break often? Bull

By RICK FOWLER

A letter to the Editor in the January 13th issue of the Brunswickan shows that at least one person has experienced difficulty with a book bought at the UNB bookstore. The text in question was a copy of *Educational Administration in Canada* and it fell apart.

Marjorie Logue, manager of the UNB bookstore, says that such problems are infrequent. She states that the publishers do

not intend any malice, any defects were accidental. She says that the publishers are quite willing to replace defective books.

Mrs. Logue said that the worst case of this was a problem with an order of Engineering books about two or three years ago. Bad glue was unintentionally used in about twenty of the books. But the company replaced the books when it learned of the problem.

According to Logue only two other people have complained of their books falling apart, and these were promptly taken care of.

Shrinks stink?

An expert on the subject of psychiatric testimony in the courtroom says that psychiatrists should not be allowed to testify in criminal trials because their testimony is "highly unreliable, highly inaccurate," and often does more harm than good.

Dr. Jay Ziskin, a psychologist and former lawyer spoke at the second annual National Homicide Symposium at Cal State, Los Angeles last week and stated bluntly, "Psychiatrists should not be permitted to testify in court with regard to the mental condition of a defendant." He said the diagnosis is "more likely to be wrong than right," and the odds are even worse when the psychiatrists try to ascertain the defendant's mental condition prior to the crime.

Ziskin charged that expert witnesses on ballistics and fingerprints have had to prove that their methods work before being permitted to testify. And he said that if psychiatrists were subjected to the same standards they would not be allowed in the courtroom. (Starship)



hopes that students won't be embarrassed or hesitant to use the line.

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Phone-in line still there!

By JOHN HAMILTON

Are you over twelve? If so, the phone-in line at Student Health Services may be for you. Sharon Dunphy, Student Health Education Co-ordinator and organizer

of the phone-in line, said that the line exists to answer any general questions about birth control, sex-related diseases, or sexual matters of any kind.

The line, which was started a little over two weeks ago, is manned by student volunteers,

all who have participated in a training workshop. They are

capable of giving excellent medical information and advice, and have a number of resource materials available to look up facts they don't know.

The line is in operation between 7 and 9 p.m. on

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday nights and, according to Dunphy,

several calls have been received so far. She acknowledged that it will take some time before word

of the line has spread, but even 1 call a night is good, and the prevention of one pregnancy makes the line worthwhile.

The volunteers seem to enjoy the work and are all students. Everything said is confidential and no names are required. Although similar in some ways to

other local services like CHIMO and the Rape Crisis Centre, Dunphy feels that students are more comfortable talking with others their own age. She added that the service will be continued if student response is good, and

Skiing your way to happiness

Well its this time of the year again when all skiers come out of the woodwork in full force. Its National Ski Week. This week is allotted for the sole purpose of promoting the sport of skiing (cross country and downhill) and encouraging people to venture out and try a pair of skies. One of the best ways to participate is to submit this week an entry form for the upcoming Maritime Marathon Ski Tour.

If by any chance you were reading last week's article it was stated that the entry deadline was Jan 20/78. This was a misprint as the actual deadline was Jan 26/78 but entries will be accepted until the 500 skier limit has been reached, so go ahead and register.

This week I shall cover lengthly one of the most important topics in X.C. skiing. Waxing. Is it the ultimate mystery of cross country skiing? No, even though you see seasoned skiers with his/her 10 different waxes and klisters it is a very basic procedure which dictates what wax is applied, how much and when. There are two methods of waxing one can choose from: a) the two wax

system; b) the more refined but elaborate colour coded system.

The two wax system is often associated with JACKRABBIT although there are other manufacturers with similiar waxes. With the two wax system there are two waxes (no kidding!): one being for dry snow conditions and the other for wet conditions.

(The way to recognize wet snow from dry snow is by using a gloved hand and gently compressing a handfull of snow, releasing it and observing the results. If it breaks up into powder it's dry snow and if it remains clumped it's wet snow.)

The multi-wax system involves many different waxes for different temperatures. This array of waxes can be bewildering to the novice if not just plain disgusting. The whole trick is to estimate the temp of the snow you will be skiing in and finding appropriate wax to do the job.

Generally speaking skiers tend to start out from the two wax system and with a year or two of experience gradually convert to the multi-wax system.

HOW TO PUT WAX ON

With your basic wax kit included should be a cork (put wax on) and a scraper (take wax off).

The overall rule for applying wax is to just spread thin layers on the running surface and smooth the wax out using a cork. Wood base skies, wax the entire running surface with the appropriate wax. (temp will indicate what to use). While with fiberglass base skies only the middle section of the ski (under the foot) need be applied with the remainder of the running surface (tips and tails). If you feel that backslipping is occurring not because of poor technique but rather because of the wax, try applying the next softer wax underneath the foot. Also if the exact opposite happens the skies sticking like glue to the snow try first scraping excess amounts of

wax from the ski. If this fails

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