

Efforts to improve status of women

By SUSAN FORESTELL

Affirmative action is a program endorsed by the government of New Brunswick for the purpose of improving the occupational status of women in the civil service.

A report on affirmative ac-

tion prepared by the Women's the status of women within the civil service, the government hopes to set an example for other employer's in the province.

Directorate was released in July 1986. Although the program

is concerned primarily with Dr. Gillian Thompson, advisor to the president on matters concerning the status of women at UNB believes that a similar program at UNB would solve the problem of too few women on the faculty. In an

address delivered at a tea to mark the anniversary of Mary K. Tibbits' entrance to the university, Dr. Thompson noted that there has been "a significant improvement over recent decades in the numbers and percentages of women

students at UNB and a very important improvement in the numbers and percentages of women undergraduates in non-traditional fields." Unfortunately, Dr. Thompson explained, there is a serious shortage of women faculty members. She also expressed concern for the lack of equal pay for equal work policies among university staff, and the absence of day care facilities within the university.

However, in an interview on Tuesday, Dr. Thompson emphasized that although these problems remain unsolved, the university administration takes them very seriously and is looking for ways to improve them.

And according to Ellen King, head of the Women's Directorate, the will to see the need for change and to actively try to bring about positive change is half the battle. Ms. King believes that education is a good starting point in working toward equality. At the annual meeting of the New Brunswick School Trustees Association Ms. King made several suggestions including the development of a non sexist curriculum, the encouragement of girls to continue the study of math and science, mentoring programs where young girls would have the opportunity to meet successful women in a variety of occupations, and the inclusion of women's history in courses.

Ms. King asserts that the Department of Education is making great progress in analysing their curriculum and developing a non-sexist approach.

MacNutt Memorial Lecture

George Rawlyk, one of the foremost historians on the Maritime provinces, will present the seventh annual W. Stewart MacNutt Memorial Lecture at the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton.

His address, entitled Fundamentalism, Modernism and the Maritime Baptists in the 1920s and 1930s, will be given on Tuesday, Nov. 4 at 8 p.m. in Tilley Hall, Rm. 102. It will be followed by a reception in the University Club.

Dr. Rawlyk is a history professor at Queen's University. Known as one of the most creative scholars in the field of Canadian history today, he has

almost single-handedly reawakened interest in the last two centuries of Maritime evangelical religion, especially Baptist groups.

In the MacNutt Lecture, Dr. Maritimes. In particular, he will examine the rise of fundamentalism and antimodernism in the United Baptist denomination, in relation to other similar movements in North America.

Dr. Rawlyk is a prodigious author. One of his best known books is *Ravished by the Spirit: Rivals, Maritime Baptists and Henry Alline*. In this 1984 publication he shed new light on Maritime religion by showing, for example, that Baptists

have had a liberating effect on the role of women in religion. In another book, *A People Highly Favored of God*, published in 1972 with Gordon Stewart, he explained the religious reasons behind the Maritime provinces' failure to join the American Revolution.

Born in Thurord, On., Dr Rawlyk received BA and MA degrees from MacMaster

University and is a Rhodes scholar. He holds a PHD from the University of Rochester. Dr. Rawlyk was a scholar-in-residence at Harvard University in 1981-82 and 1985-86. Before joining the Department

of History at Queen's in 1966, he taught at the University of Maine, Mount Allison University and Dalhousie University.

Dr. Rawlyk is an executive member of the Champlain Society and serves on the editorial committee of the Baptist Heritage Society at Acadia University. He is also on the editorial board of *Acadiensis*, a journal of the history of the Atlantic region published by the Department of History at UNB.

in developing the study of Atlantic Canada history. The lecture is funded in part by the Associate Alumni of UNB.

No inquest

By TIM PORTER
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There will be no inquest into the death of Peter Joseph Hogan, whose body was found on a sidewalk near Aitken House in the early morning hours of Sept. 13.

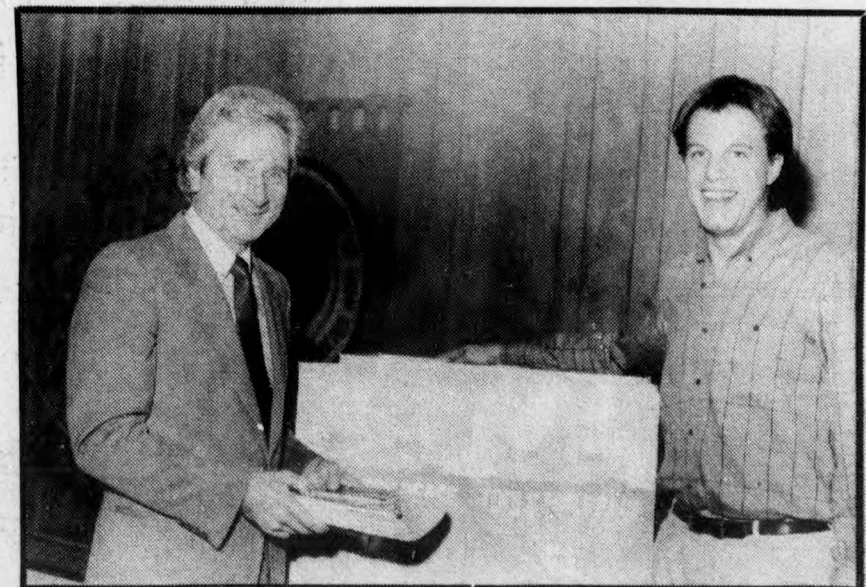
Coroner Peter Dickens said there was no purpose in investigating the death of Hogan, who fell from a third story window on the residence.

An autopsy report revealed that Hogan had been drinking at the time of death, however Dickens would not reveal the blood alcohol level saying Hogan had just lost his balance while sitting on a window ledge.

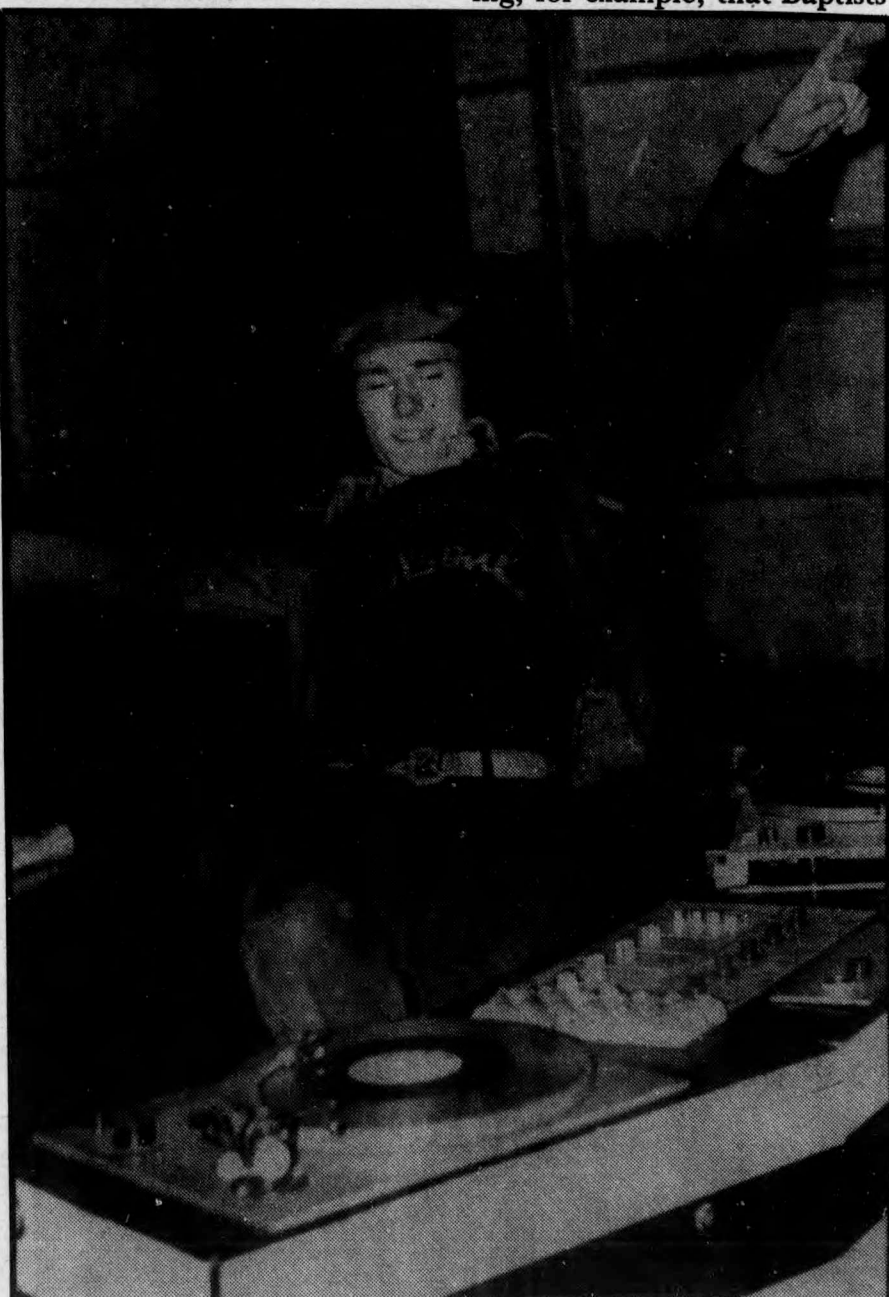
Deputy Sheriff Russel Kelly had said last week that an inquest would be held, however Dickens as coroner has final say on whether an investigation is held.

Donations for peace

University President James Downey (left) made the university's first donation to the Tools for Peace campaign launched on Oct. 20. Students, faculty and staff are being asked to donate pencils, notebooks and blankets to war-torn Nicaragua. Boxes bearing the colorful blue and yellow Tools for Peace poster have been placed around the campus to collect the materials. CUSO co-operant Richard Donald (right), on leave from Nicaragua, was in Fredericton last week to promote the annual initiative which sent \$1.60 million in much-needed goods to Nicaragua last year.



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