

POPLARS DISPUTE RESOLVED

Court Rules In

Favour of University



POPLARS TO STAY

A judgement filed in the New Brunswick Supreme Court last week ended the "Lombardy Poplar" dispute which came to a head last year about this time. The judgement prevents the city from extending Beaverbrook St. to the Forest Hill Road. This extension would have meant the destruction of the 180-year-old Lombardy Poplars, which guard the approaches to the campus behind the Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium. It would also have created a serious traffic hazard immediately in front of the MacClaren gates, as cars entering and leaving the campus would have to cross the path of the city's proposed

truck route in addition to the railroad tracks.

The case was decided on the basis of a deed, granted to the city of Fredericton in 1953 by the University, which was not approved by the Lieutenant - Governor - In-Council. According to the UNB act of 1952, this approval is the first condition in any sale or disposal of University land.

The city has in fact used over half the land granted on this deed, in extending Beaverbrook St. to University Ave. and in constructing the new Forest Hill Railway Crossing. The UNB Senate was assured by Mayor Walker that this new crossing

would so improve conditions that it would be unnecessary to extend Beaverbrook St. in front of the University gates.

So, for a short time, the poplars seemed safe; but, contrary to the Mayor's "verbal representations"; excavation was begun parallel to the railway tracks behind Buchanan Field. The poplars were in the direct path of this excavation and had to be cut down. This action aroused the more aesthetically minded students to action and eventually led to the editorials in the *Brunswickian* and a protest movement with its own folk song (entitled "The Lombardy Poplars")

The University quickly recovered from the city's surprise attack and filed an injunction dated Sept. 15, 1965, which stopped the preparatory work.

It was too late, however, for some of the slender guardians. The victory was not without casualties. Yet even now, down behind the Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium, there still stands a line of graceful Lombardy Poplars.

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The Voice of UNB

Hunter To Head AAS

Mr. Lawson Hunter, a senior science student and president of the U.N.B. Student Representative Council has been elected president of the Association of Atlantic Students at its annual meeting in Halifax.



Lawson Hunter

The AAS is the Maritime Provinces arm of the Canadian Union of Students and represents some 15,000 to 16,000 university students in twelve Atlantic Canadian Universities.

In his address to the university representatives of AAS, Hunter stressed the importance of greater coordina-

tion and more extensive communication among the Atlantic universities. He mentioned a possible Atlantic newsletter which might serve this purpose.

Hunter said that the first priority of AAS was to hire a permanent field secretary who would give the Association greater continuity and perspective.

A number of other objectives for AAS in the coming year were proposed by Hunter.

Since, according to Hunter, the Atlantic area is the only truly bilingual region within the Canadian Union of Students, he stressed that AAS should take advantage of this situation and become the leaders in studying biculturalism and bilingualism among Canadian university students.

Hunter also stressed that AAS should make a concerted drive for increased membership with Acadia, Memorial, and Mount Saint Vincent College being strongly urged to join. He also suggested that AAS look seriously into the possibility of gaining new members from such non-university but post-secondary institutions as Nova Scotia Tech., Teachers College and the New Brunswick Techni-

cal Institutes.

Hunter emphasized that education in the Maritimes was the Association's primary concern and that this included the whole spectrum; from high school to university including curricula and administration.

The new president concluded by saying he had great hopes for the success of AAS in the coming year and said that he felt AAS would be of ever increasing value to the Atlantic students in the future.

Yearbooks Late Again

The University yearbook, *Up The Hill*, will not be available until "the end of October", according to this year's executive.

Last year's editor, John Short, relayed a message to the Students Representative Council that there was a plant shutdown at the printer's, in Winnipeg.

The report was confirmed by SRC President Lawson Hunter, and this year's yearbook editor, Kathie Sullivan. The date of arrival, accord-

Students In Bed Trouble

WATERLOO (CUP) — Accommodation at University of Waterloo's new student village is at such a premium that some students may have to sleep on mattresses without beds.

Until beds arrive, students will have to make do this fall with the mattresses, said H. C. Vinnicombe, warden at the multi-million-dollar complex.

Demand for rooms has been so great they have been allotted on the basis of application dates. The last to be accepted was dated Jan. 28, the warden said.

The student village, consisting of 26 residences, will house close to 1,300 this year. A third phase under construction is to be completed next year.

ing to these sources, is October 30.

Last year the yearbook was three months late.

The yearbook will be distributed out of the SRC office as it was in 1965.

Hire A Leader

The Students Representative Council is considering hiring a professional administrator to coordinate student affairs. The first studies of this possibility are now beginning under the leadership of Finance Chairman Wayne Beach.

Other Universities have hired administrators to assure continuity on a longer term than the eight month college year.

An administrator would be expected to handle such matters as bookkeeping, advertising, entertainment, coordination of social events, and general Student Council administrative work now done by students.

The aim is to establish a more efficient office. The feasibility study will reveal whether the appointment would be practical from a financial, as well as functional standpoint.

If the Students Representative Council is incorporated in the near future, and if the Council plans to operate the new Student Centre, some professional assistance will be needed.

The committee will present its report this fall.