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## MEET THE FRESHETTE QUEEN

Shiela Hutchinson is pictured above being crowned UNB's Freshette Queen for 1961-1962. Shiela, a pretty brunette, hails originally from Hudson, Quebec, and more recently from Paris, France. Placing the crown is Hope Hyslop, last year's Freshette Queen, while Ross Webster, Sophomore Class President, looks on.

## From the President

(Ed. Note — The following remarks are excerpts from President Mackay's welcoming speech addressed to the faculty and Upperclassmen on Friday, Sept. 22, in the gym.)

### Fellow members of the University of New Brunswick:

This is a September when I am particularly anxious to meet with the faculty and those students who have been a part of our university community in other years. It enables me to welcome you back to your campus — and this I do most warmly and sincerely. Also, it provides an opportunity to tell you something of changes that have taken place during the summer and of possible developments that could occur in this, our 174th academic year.

Neville House was opened as a residence for the summer session and it, together with the recently completed Neill House, now forms part of the men's residence quadrangle. Another residence in the town has been added to the University's accommodation for women. The men's dining-hall was completed within the past week. This newest of our buildings is to have its official opening on October 5th at the time of the autumn Convocation. It is to be named McConnell Hall in appreciation of a man, who, while having no interests in New Brunswick nor associations with its University, nevertheless has devoted much of his time and money to the needs of young Canadians and their education.

It was anticipated that this year's student body would reach a figure approaching 1,950. Entrance requirements were raised and no new applications for admittance have been considered since September 1st. It was thought that such action would mean fewer new students but a report from the Registrar's office indicates that to date the number has reached 750, and at the close of registration on Thursday afternoon 1098 former students had checked in at the Rink. This year we shall have 94 new graduate students. This figure is more than the total of 85 of a year ago and should mean that the faculty of graduate studies will number 130.

In view of these figures (and knowing that some upper classmen make it a point of honour not to appear at the time set aside for registration) it now looks as if we may have a student body which will be very close to the 2,000 mark. This is why we are so anxious to proceed with residence construction, and why it may become necessary for us to review our whole pattern of admissions and also consider the possibility of limiting enrolment. U. N. B. is the only provincial university in Canada in which 50% of its students come from outside the province. In each of the past ten years our student body has become less provincial and more cosmopolitan. I am convinced that this has been a good and beneficial thing. However, the fact remains that we are a provincial university, and if sufficient funds are not provided by this province and by the federal government and other agencies, then we will have no alternative but to restrict the numbers of students coming from other areas and at the same time curtail our plans for the future.

This year Chancellor Lord Beaverbrook is bringing to the campus a number of most distinguished visitors. Next week Sir John Rothenstein, Director of the Tate Gallery in London, and the week following Mr. A. J. P. Taylor, historian of Oxford University, will be our guests and will deliver lectures to students and faculty. At Convocation on October 5th we shall have the opportunity to hear Mr. V. K. Krishna-Menon, Minister of Defence for India and leader of that country's delegation in the United Nations.

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## SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS UNIV. CHARGES NFCUS "LUXURY"

MONTREAL (CUP) — Sir George Williams University, charging that NFCUS is a "luxury for the few" announced its decision to withdraw from the Federation last week.

The move was a surprise to officials of the National Federation of Canadian University Students, despite the fact the Students' Undergraduate Society said it had had its membership under study for several months.

The decision was arrived upon late last month after a committee appointed in June submitted its final report. The committee consisted of the current SUS president, Daniel Coates; past president, Leon Graub; and Minister of External Affairs, Richard Robinson.

Bruce Rawson, NFCUS president, said in Edmonton that he considered it "an extremely disappointing decision."

"I deeply regret that NFCUS officers were not given an opportunity of making a representation to the committee. We were not even consulted," he said.

Mr. Rawson called on Sir George officials to reconsider attending the Congress in Kingston at the end of the month.

In the report submitted to the SUS, the following conclusions were made:

"a) too few students benefit from our association with NFCUS.

"b) NFCUS does not compare to most National Unions of Students; it is not a cohesive and unified body with one voice.

"c) NFCUS does not accept its fair share of responsibilities on the international scene.

"d) the organization is bureaucratic. Rules are created without proper notification.

"e) Mandates are forgotten by the National Executive, even though this appears to be their primary function.

"f) As long as education is not considered a federal matter... little can be done nationally.

"g) For an institution our size we cannot afford to benefit for example, by the Russian tour, even though we are contributing to its costs."

"Therefore," concludes the report, "NFCUS costs too much for the services it renders. It is a luxury for the few."

A Federation official said that over the past ten years, Sir George Williams University had paid an average fee of \$459. Last year's day enrolment was approximately 1,700.

The Georgian, the campus paper, reports that the main reasons for leaving is believed to be the cost. This year, the paper said, the student governments (day division and night division) are pressed for money and are planning an austerity year in so far as extra-curricular activities are concerned. An increase in the student fees, now believed to be the lowest in the country, is hoped for next year.

Mr. Rawson described the decision as "inopportune and coming at a moment when students are facing grave, complex problems in education, and national and international affairs."

## SIR GEORGE QUILTS STUDENT FEDERATION

MONTREAL, September 19 (CUP) — The President of the Students' Undergraduate Society of Sir George Williams University charged today that the National Federation of Canadian University Students could not be reformed from within.

Stating that this was one of the reasons for withdrawing from the Federation, Daniel Coates asserted that internal change would be resisted on the grounds that "generally, change is opposed."

He said that his university was attempting to form a strong provincial organization. "The main need," he said, "is at the provincial level." He forecast that in time 10 provincially-organized federations would merge into one, yet each would remain strong as a provincial organization.

"The impetus must come from a university that is going out and forming a provincial organization on its own," he said. "We would not be heard with NFCUS," he claimed, "but we are being heard now."

When asked if reports were true that the SUS had a large debt from last year's activities, Mr. Coates said that the books had not yet been closed. "I can say," he added, "that the financial state is not clear."

He admitted that a Sir George student had unofficially and unsuccessfully attempted to negotiate a \$3,000 loan with McGill University last year.

Mr. Coates said that eventually, his proposed federation would be another form of the present national federation. "We felt a pressing need for liaison between the provincial government and the provincial universities. As an end, we look to a strong federation on a provincial level."

He charged NFCUS with being able only to make "weak stands" or representations on national and international matters. They are not playing a full role, he said.

### STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Applications are now being received for position on the Campus Police Force. All those interested, including former CP's, are requested to send all pertinent data, (address, telephone number, etc.) to the Chief of Campus Police, Campus Mail.

### LECTURES CANCELLED

Sir John Rothenstein, Director of Tate Gallery, London, England, will address students and faculty in Memorial Hall, tomorrow at 11:30.

For More News On Sir George's Withdrawal See Inside Pages...

## RED BOMBERS OUTHUSTLED IN FIRST OUTING...

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