

Insecticides....help or hazard ?

UNB will host a conference on the long-distance drift of sprayed insecticides at the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel, Feb. 12-14.

More than 100 chemists, meteorologists, engineers, ecologists and foresters from Canada and the U.S. are expected for the meeting, which forms part of the investigations conducted by the New Brunswick Task Force on Long-Distance Drift of Forest Insecticide.

The task force was formed in September, 1978, with the aims of reviewing the state of the art in spray drift, identifying gaps in knowledge, and recommending

research, so that hazards to public health and ecological systems may be assessed and regulated.

This conference will deal specifically with current knowledge of insecticide transport beyond the target block, the chemistry of aerosols in flight and or residues soon after impact, and the ecological effects of drift. A follow-up workshop on questions of public health is planned for later in 1979.

Leader of the task force and chairman of the conference is I. William Varty of the UNB biology department. Section chairman for spray transport is J.J. C. Picot of

UNB chemical engineering, and section chairmen for chemistry are Peter J. Silk and Charles Wiesner, both of the N.B. Research and Productivity Council.

Forest Protection Ltd. and the provincial department of natural resources are sponsoring the conference. The session will focus on the forest protection problem in eastern Canada (use of

chemical insecticides to reduce damage by spruce budworm); but this review of the drift problem also has implications for other forest and agricultural situations.

Carni '79 ends tomorrow

By BRENDA LEVISON

As Winter Carnival '79 enters into its final days join in on the celebrations for the "Southern Comforts" weekend wind-up.

Have some fun and crazy times during the snow games all afternoon today, between the SUB and Residence Administration Building. See the UNB Sport Parachute Club take another demonstration jump near the Aitken Center too.

For another friendly competition, build a snow sculpture anywhere on campus. Be sure to mark your entry!

To keep everyone in Southern spirits the social club has a happy hour from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. featuring the popular Scarlet

We are glad to have the eight piece band "Canadian Conspiracy" join us for the Midsummer's Night Dream Ball tonight, Friday, February 9 from 8:30 p.m. - 1:00 a.m., in Lady Dunn Hall. To help alleviate line ups at the bar a host of waiters and waitresses will be on hand to serve a variety of beverages.

Saturday will see a Parade In Paradise throughout the streets of Fredericton. Leaving the Chapman Field Parking Lot at 1:30 p.m. the parade will proceed down University Ave., go down Charlotte and Church Streets, up Queen and Smythe Streets, across Kings College Road and back to campus where it will disband.

At 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 10, the snow sculptures will be judged by Dr. Anderson, Dean

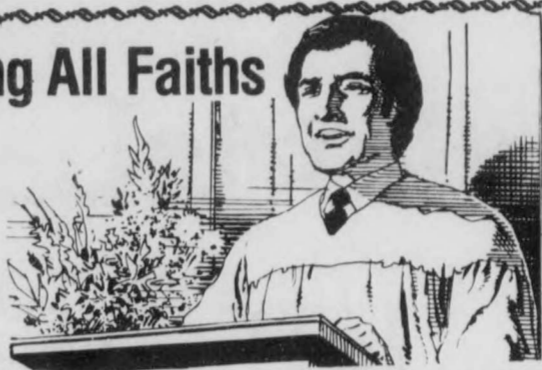
Barry Thompson, and former SRC president Steve Berube. Prizes for best sculptures and parade entries will be awarded during the Bayou Bash at 3:00 p.m. at the STUD that same day.

It wouldn't be a UNB carnival without a gigantic pub-spectacular to polish off the week's events. ExtravaEndza is sure to be the perfect wrap up featuring "Charity Brown", "Pierre Senecal" and "Janus", in the SUB from 8:30 p.m. - 1:00 a.m., Saturday, February 10.

Finally, not to be missed is the weekend-long Maritime Parachute Competition on Neil's Field across the river. Starting at noon today, and 10:00 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, the skydivers will jump until dusk or bad weather.

During this time of bitter cold weather take a break away and enjoy "Southern Comforts."

Serving All Faiths



I KNOW A LOT OF RELIGIOUS PEOPLE WHO ARE HYPOCRITES. WHY SHOULD I LISTEN TO THEM?

First of all, there is a difference in the world between being religious and being Christian. Religion is man reaching up to God and subsequently being very concerned with rules, with outward appearances and with the behavior of himself and others. Christianity is God reaching down to man. Christians do not believe that they are not sinners, but that there is forgiveness for their sins through the belief that Christ took their place on the cross and that he lives today. Not all ministers preach this nor do all church members believe it when it is preached. Our belief in the deity of Christ isn't real unless the fruit of the Spirit of God dwelling within us is there. "So every sound tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears evil fruit." (Matthew 7:17)

ARE PEOPLE REALLY SINFUL? According to the Bible we are! Otherwise why was it necessary for God to be crucified in order to satisfy the divine demand for perfect justice? We aren't aware of the degree of our sinfulness because we compare ourselves with each other instead of looking to Christ. Jesus put us in our place when he said, "Judge not, that you be not judged. . . Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye." (Matthew 7:1, 3) We dare not compare ourselves with each other. For the moment we see someone doing something we managed to resist, we often fall into the greater sin of pride! "Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall." Proverbs 16:18. St. Paul, who spent years in the service of the Lord, considered himself of the worst of sinners. The closer we come to God the more we are going to recognize His perfection and our lack of it. As King David said, "Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from all my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me." (Psalm 51: 2, 3).

IF NO ONE IS PERFECT, THEN HOW CAN ANYONE PREACH? It depends what you are preaching! The Christian message isn't that men can become perfect, but that we have a perfect Father who has devised a way for his righteousness to make up for our pride, unkindness, laziness, etc. As someone wisely put it, spreading the Christian message is "like one beggar telling another beggar where bread is to be found." Knowing this good news and not telling it is just selfishness.

FRANKLY, I DON'T CARE ABOUT MUCH OF ANYTHING. I JUST FEEL DEAD INSIDE. WHAT CAN CHRISTIANITY DO FOR ME?

Do you really want your life to be changed or have you become accustomed to your misery? Jesus said, "Behold I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him. . . ." (Revelation 3:20). How do you know he is there? By your recognition that there must be more to life than what you are experiencing. Christianity is different from many religions in that it is much more than a code imposed upon man. Belief that Christ is God allows God's spirit to literally come inside you. Imagine that you have a headache. You can put two aspirins on your head or you can swallow them. There is that much difference between the two approaches.

Now recognizing the deity of Christ and the meaning of the Cross will probably not bring about an immediate and radical change in how you feel (although it may) but gradually you will realize that there is someone there who cares and understands and that your life is slowly becoming more pleasant. Jesus himself said, "These things have I spoken to you that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full." (John 15:11).

Hot pot

A former marijuana farmer is convinced that he's found a solution to the world energy crisis. He says he's found a process that converts marijuana into coal.

It all started in 1976, when Terrance Mitchell's dope habit got so expensive, he started to grow his own in Minneapolis. Unfortunately, Mitchell says it only gave him "a slight buzz and a headache." So he began experimenting with different ways to store and brick the weed in hopes of improving its potency.

In one case, he tightly wrapped some marijuana leaves in aluminum foil and hung them upside-down in a damp area in his basement. Three weeks later, he

found the foil covered with a "blood-red substance". He put the substance in a test-tube and about a month later, he saw "some brown stuff. . . leaking out." After preliminary tests, Mitchell became convinced that he had developed "a form of coal."

Mitchell is now asking the Minnesota Energy Agency for some funds to experiment with the marijuana-based coal. But the bureaucrats aren't exactly excited

about the project. For one thing, they're worried that everyone in town will get stoned when they burn it. (Newsprint)

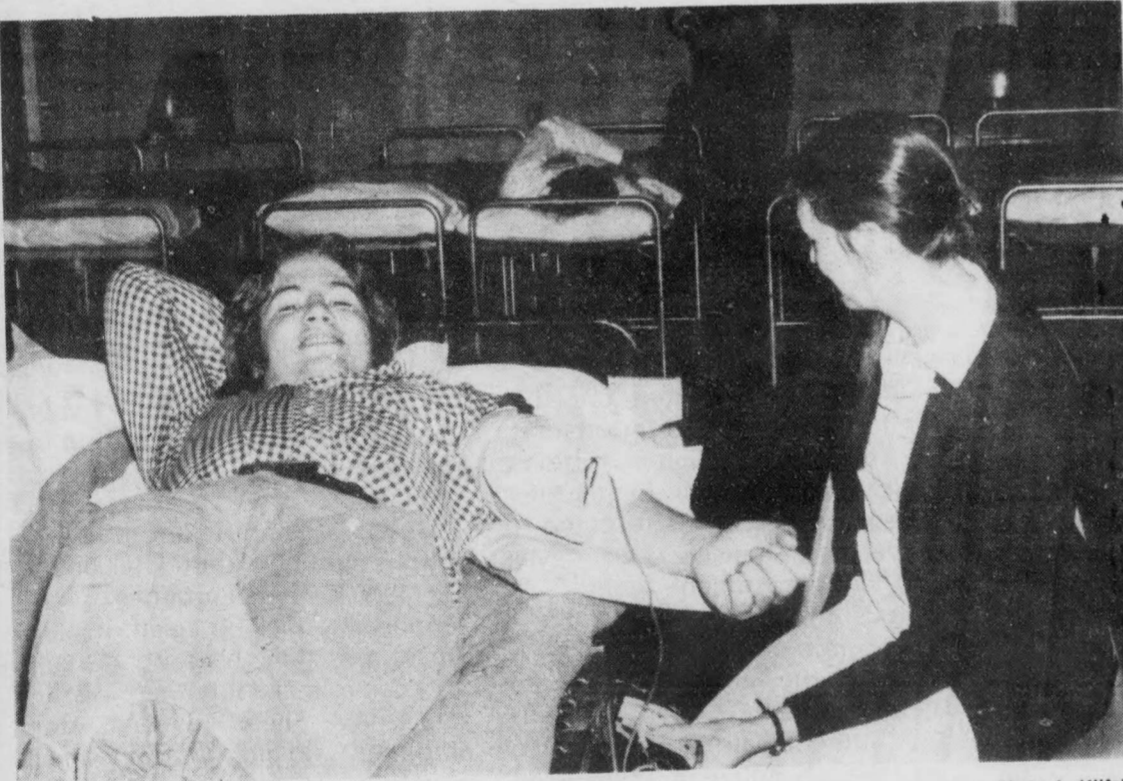


Photo A. Kilfoil

The Canadian Red Cross held a blood donor clinic last week on UNB campus in the SUB Ballroom as part of Winter Carnival events. Pictured above is donor Bob Beatty one of many students who gave blood.