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Thompson upset by allegations

By TIMOTHY LETHBRIDGE Brunswickan Staff

Dean of Students Barry ual harassment.

identifying the particular case clear things up.

"There have been cases over the years," said Thompson, but he did not recognize the details as presented in the let-Thompson was, "More than ter to the editor. He said he upset," by allegations in last had discussed the situation week's Brunswickan that he with other members of the adhad not acted on a case of sex- ministration, and had decided to maintain a stance of "no He said he had no way of comment" for now. He admitted that for years

being complained about. He he has been asked to do a job added he wished the person that is, "more than humanly involved would contact him to possible," to do properly. The Dean of Students is required to

fulfill two separate functions which place him in a conflict of interest position. He must both act as an ombudsman when students come to him with complaints about services, faculty or administration; but he must also be a part of that administration making decisions affecting students.

Thompson stated ideally the position should be divided into two separate positions. He envisions a dean performing the administration tasks of the present Dean of Students, and has tried to reach a comthe rest of the time.

Thompson said the demands issue to understand both sides. system. Where there was a conflict he

another person acting as an promise he added. But in some ombudsman for one third of his cases his conflict of interest time, and as a professor would have prevented him teaching and doing research from reaching such a compromise.

In such cases said Thompof the present office are too son, his office was bypassed great, but declined to say and the problems were dealt which opposition he would with by the university prefer if the position was split. secretary. This has happened He said he has tried hard in the in cases of appeals by students past to take the time on an to decisions in the residence

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Forestry complex land purchased

by GORDON LOANE **Brunswickan Staff**

The New Brunswick government has purchased 80 acres of land from the University of New Brunswick for the proposed Maritimes Forestry Complex.

Natural Resources Minister J.W. Bird, UNB President Dr. James Downey and other ofdepartment, forest ranger to announce its contribution

school and the university were in attendance at a recent ceremony where the purchase agreement was signed.

Natural resources minister Bird said the UNB land purchase was a first step in making the complex a reality. But Bird called on the federal government to announce its contribution to the complex. The federal government is expected to contribute 55 per cent of the total cost of the ficials of the natural resources structure. Ottawa is expected

soon. But the Natural Resources Minister invited the federal government "to join the provincial government, the univeristy and the forest ranger school with a firm committment."

The Regent Street facility will eventually house the New **Brunswick Natural Resources** Dept, the Maritime Forest Ranger School, laboratory facilities for the university's faculty of forestry and the Maritime Forest Research Centre and a fedral government

research facility.

various parties for nearly a forestry research at the univerdecade. Bird predicted the sity. complex will provide ;funding in forestry research.

Meanwhile, UNB President tion in the Forestry Complex. and experimental purposes".

The agreement also called Bird said the Forestry Com- for a 250,000 dollar contribuplex has been discussed by tion for the next ten years to

Natural Resources minister for the university that will en- Bird said the agreement also sure "almost triple the activity" provides "for the consolidation of more than 7,000 acres of prime New Brunswick woodlot Dr. James Downey said the land, to be owned by UNB, but three million dollars obtained to also be jointly available for from the government for the access and use by the Forestry land will be used to support Complex participants to serve and maintain UNB's contribu- their educational, scientific



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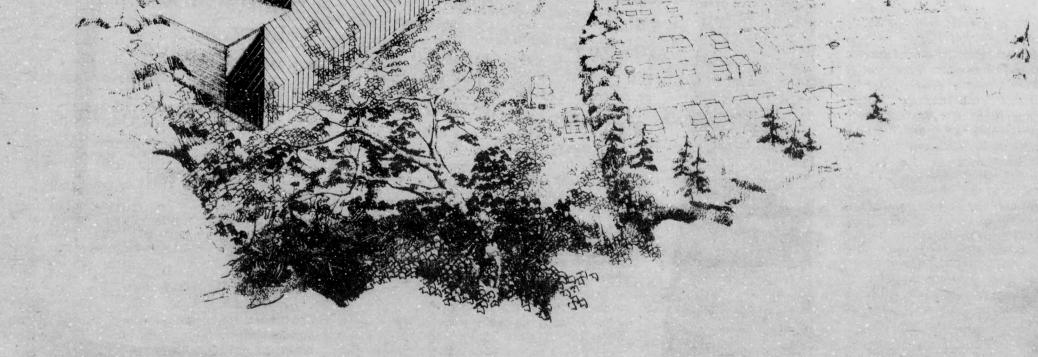
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Artist's concept of the Maritimes Forestry Resources Complex to be built on Regent Street