

# UNB Drama Society Plans New Season

This week the UNB Drama Society is both welcoming freshmen to the campus and planning out its '69-'70 season. Plans for the coming year centre on three areas.

First is the Dominion Drama Festival workshop which will be held on campus in the fall. This workshop, given by professionals who are brought in for the six-week period, will be a basic course dealing with both acting and stage technique, and possibly will include the actual productions of one or more one-act plays.

Also in the realm of one-act plays, the Drama Society is presently considering various scripts for the provincial one-act play festival, which is usually held early in the new year. Entering this competition for the first time last year, the Society feels that the experience gained indicates that such a venture should be repeated this academic year. For those who are not able to spend the time required to mount the major production, these plays offer a less time-consuming opportunity to enjoy dramatic work.

For the provincial

competition of the Dominion Drama Festival, a competition the Drama Society has lost only once in the past seven years, the Society president, Anne McLeod, is considering an original play being written by Professor Kent Thompson, as well as Tennessee William's "Streetcar Named Desire" or "Summer and Smoke". This production will get under way following the fall workshop, shortly after rehearsals being for the one-act plays.

Miss McLeod wishes to emphasize to the new students that no experience is required from those who wish to become actively engaged in drama. The Society is looking for actors, directors, set designers, set builders, lighting and sound men, make-up and properties people, costume designers, publicity people, and anyone else who feels that he or she would like to work in Drama.

The time and place of the first meeting is Monday, Sept. 15 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the SUB. New students are invited to attend this meeting and look over the facilities of the Drama Society.

## Jim Dineen:

made these known to anybody? I haven't heard these before.

Bruns: At Sir George Williams University the library is now open eighteen hours a day. What are the chances of the students taking over the library, with staff support?

Dineen: You must be thinking of primarily graduate students.

Bruns: Primarily, but undergraduates too.

Dineen: Well, alright, I'm not going to argue the point with you. Yesterday was a holiday, that all people are entitled to and that most people take. I know students may wish to study, but how many were inconvenienced because they didn't think to get a book on Friday? Now, I don't know. I say I'm not going to argue the point with you because it's entirely new to me. But you said something about students running the library, and I'm not sure whether you meant with the assistance of the librarians, whether they'd work with the librarians, or the librarians would work with them, I don't know which you mean.

Bruns: I mean the librarians would work for them. They run other things, why not the library?

Dineen: I don't think I can give you a very satisfactory answer to that. There are a lot of practical difficulties to this thing. Many of the activities which the students are very successful in running are of a term or seasonal nature, the various sports, and the various campus events and so on. A new group takes over the year after; but something like the

library is run on a continual basis.

Bruns: What about the SUB?

Dineen: It seems to me that there are some rather significant differences between a student union building and a library. A library has a tremendous capital investment in its contents and the condition of the building itself. You have a beautiful student union building, but the service which it provides is not one which is directly provided by the students, you have the cafeterias, various dining and coffee shops and so on.

Bruns: Can't the library be run on the same basis, under a student board?

Dineen: I really don't have a good answer to that. Has anyone approached the librarian? Has anyone bothered to get information about other university libraries? Is there any evidence anywhere that this sort of arrangement you suggest would be a good one?

Bruns: Do students have more say or less say in the university?

Dineen: Well, it depends on what you mean by say. I think that the students should be consulted on the widest possible basis. I think that their views should be taken into account wherever possible within the framework of the university's financial capabilities. For example there are sorts of things that could be thought up that the university just couldn't finance at all. There are things which could be brought up that academic experience would prove to be imprudent, you know? To be facetious you

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couldn't take a young undergraduate and expect him to perform well in a class of graduate students. I think the university is the corporate body which bears the legal responsibility to carry on the work, but in so doing it seems to me that students should be very widely consulted. They're new, they've fresh approaches, some of them are workable, some of them aren't.

Bruns: Will there be an administration paper?

Dineen: They'll call it the University Gazette, which will be a document which will try to give all the news about what's going on at the university.

McBrine: Our own gazette will try to deal with the meetings of the board of governors, the senate and their committees and report back to the academic community. The gazette will be trying to do this and then your university bulletin, which won't be called that, it will be called something else, will go further.

Dineen: What's this UNB Bulletin? You mean the faculty bulletin.

McBrine: That's right, the faculty bulletin. The old faculty bulletin will be changed, it's title, it's scope. It will retain somewhat the same character in so far as it attempts to be an information service to the total academic community.

Bruns: This will come directly under the publication's board?

McBrine: No, this will come directly from the information office.

## Crippled CUS Emerges From Lakehead Congress

PORT ARTHUR (CUP) - Financially crippled and riven internally by attacks from both radicals and moderates, the Canadian Union of Students staggered out of its 33rd annual congress facing the very real possibility of dissolution by Christmas.

When the final plenary session of the congress broke off at 6 a.m. Wednesday (September 3), more than a third of the items on the order paper still remained to be debated and passed; but the meeting could not go on in face of the increasingly bitter antagonisms raised as radicals insisted the structure of CUS rather than moderate programs held the key to rebuilding the union.

With only 39,500 students in the union, CUS finance commissions predicted the organization would go "belly-up by Christmas" if critical referendums at

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The decision to elect Martin Loney's successor at mid-year will also allow CUS members to evaluate the actions of the secretariat in view of events during the next four months. Carleton University and the University of Toronto did not favor CUS.

The precarious state of the union's finances lead to one change in CUS operations: selection of a president-elect, traditionally one of the duties of the fall congress, was postponed until Christmas, when the union will hold another legislative meeting.

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