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STUDENT UNION BUILDING HEARING DATE OCTOBER 21 7:30 BAILEY HALL AUDITORIUM

The Student Union Building Committee, a subcommittee of the Students Representative Council, has announced that it will begin hearings on the SUB this week. Hearings are to be held at each of the University, St. Thomas, and Teachers College.

The purpose of the hearings, said acting committee chairman Dick Oland, is to give members of the student body the chance to present "oral or written briefs" with recommendations for revisions to the plans.

"This will give everyone interested an opportunity to explain the adjustments they think we should make," he said. "All feasible changes will be made. All suggestions will be considered."

Plans are on display in the Student Centre. This hearing is for UNB students only. One hearing each will be held later, limited to STU and TC students respectively.

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had brought the matter to the attention of Dr. Mackay, Mr. Dick was informed that the university facilities would not be available for the planned rally demonstration.

Demonstrations

Some members of the club went to the airport and later to a meeting of the New Brunswick Liberal Association where Prime Minister Pearson was speaking and carried out a series of demonstrations. Mr. Dick later told newsmen that Mackay had asked him to cancel the rally and airport pickets under pressure from Premier Louis J. Robichaud. Premier Robichaud denied that he had applied any pressure on the UNB head.

"There is absolutely nothing in it," Premier Robichaud said. Mr. McBrine said that he was aware of the planned demonstration because "there is a Liberal Club on campus." "And I am equally sure that it was I who brought the PC Club's plans to the attention of the president," Mr. McBrine said.

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burst into an issue of J. Robichaud acknowledging the importance of the need to meet the Prime

ier was asked whether he answered 'yes', then said: "I told him I disap-

s denials) the Premier after meeting with the support for the demonstra-

Like other citizens we are affected. These are limited to other citizens.

Clearly this rally could not do so.

The University has imposed a further limitation. We may not, without their express permission, exercise these rights on University property. This constitutes a veto over our political activities. At no time was it claimed that this was a University-endorsed rally. Clearly, even had bus transportation been provided and had the students met on University property, this would not have meant a University endorsement of the picketing.

We protest the University's restriction of our political activity. We object even more strongly to Premier Robichaud's unjustified interference in our affairs. And we deplore the fact that such important incursions into our rights have been occasioned by such an obviously minor event.

ference was presumably to the intention of the rally's organizers that those planning to picket meet on university property prior to leaving for the airport. Mr. Dick decided to cancel the provision of bus transportation and disassociated the PC Club from official sponsorship of the demonstration.

The pickets, however, did appear at the airport and later heckled speakers, including the Prime Minister, at Saturday's Liberal Convention. One of

that "crowd-control" could be adequately provided. Mr. Pond informed the RCMP that the demonstration was organized by Mr. Dick and the campus Progressive Conservative Club. He also told Mr. Dick of the RCMP call.

Major Canadian newspapers carried front-page reports of the affair. They referred to the existence of a "Pester-Lester" organization at UNB and linked the PC's and Christian Atheists to its "membership."

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