

# forestry competition

An interesting display of talents that are quickly eroding away into history was given here over the weekend. The skillful mastery of a woodsman over his instruments as a form of competition and entertainment is fascinating considering that due to rapid technological change, these skills are being replaced by a tree skidder - a combination truck-tractor-dozer machine that strips wooded area with great ease - which tends to place the woodsmen's talents on an only nostalgic milieu.

College Field, normally crawling with exuberant football and athletic sports activities, last Saturday felt, smelled and appeared as a well-disordered, secluded logging camp. Axe-throwing, chain saw cutting race and the dextrous use of cross-cut saws did nothing to detract from the "Woodsy" atmosphere attempted by the Forestry Association on their club.

From a distance, the competition appeared well-ordered, well-run and keen with mannish competition was definitely a success.

Yet those competing from other universities such as University of Maine, and MacDonald College were highly critical of the lack of detailed planning within

the event. In the wood-chopping contest, the crews were faced with two varieties of wood; one which would break off in chips, the other rather dry and normally breaking off in splinters. Several competitors complained and protested the two varieties of wood.

Protesting was a problem as an easily identifiable steward for the event was hard to find, and UNB organizers themselves were unsure just who was responsible for what.

It is to the credit of UNB woodsmen who were reported as being concerned about the lack of organization, and continually attempted to aid other crews with this complaint.

But it is not a credit to the Forestry Association of the university to stage an event that lacks the fine detailed planning needed for such a large event.

No university can maintain a favourable opinion of this campus or Forestry Faculty if our events are not well-planned and run.

The hoopla and beer bashes of Forestry Week will in no way cover up for the disappointment carried home by the keen woodsmen from other campuses.

# BACKFEEDBACKFEE

In your most recent issue, you had a summary of the latest S.U.B. Board of Directors meeting and your man there might have been a little more precise in his reporting. He referred to a drawing by Miss Cameron, and then quoted a statement attributed to me, the inference being that my comment referred to her drawing. I am sure he had no ill intent, but in garbling the facts, he caused me some concern and I expect Miss Cameron is wondering just who I am, to appear to be making smart-ass criticism of her work.

For the record, the S.U.B. Board has been talking for weeks, perhaps even months, about having something of interest painted on the concrete wall outside the building. Kevin McKinney advertised a contest asking for submissions, and brought to the meeting two such offerings. In the discussion that followed, one suggestion was that he advertise again, with a view to more entries, while other suggestions were to set up a Committee, or review the matter next meeting. In some small exasperation, I said that we had been kicking this about for too long, that the snow would be five feet deep by next meeting and let us get on with putting something or anything, of any color on the wall. It was then I commented that if anyone asked what abortion is this, we would immediately invite alternate suggestions for next year.

It was only at that point, after the Board agreed to make such a move, that consideration was given to the two drawings, and that of Miss Cameron's selected.

I do not wish to belabor the point, and perhaps it is a mat-

ter of little interest, but casual reporting like this, and quoting out of context or sequence, may bring embarrassment to people. I have thoroughly enjoyed being connected with Kevin and the students on the S.U.B. Board, but they will be better off without me if other students take last week's story at face value and assume I sit on the Board making clever comments on students' work.

Sincerely,

D. G. Sedgewick  
Assistant Comptroller

The article appearing in the Brunswickan Issue of October 30, 1970 head "Wha-Happened to NB" was excellent as was the "Le Dain Report Nixed by U.N. Imperialism." Both exhibited not only as intense analytical ability of the authors but also are indicative of the increasing quality of the Brunswickan itself.

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# canada sells the media

Canadians generally are becoming more painfully aware of their national identity. As a result it becomes more galling day by day to see foreign ownership invading and inroading our business, cultural and economic life.

In fact we in New Brunswick can even relish our own industrial monopolizing oil and gas Baron-K.C. Irving because he too is just a front for the world's largest oil company, Standard Oil of New Jersey through its subsidiary company Standard Oil of California. Even K.C. operates on American dollars.

This fact has never been legally certified but that knowledge is much akin to the Bible - you may not believe it or prove it but you can't ignore it.

The worst case of rushing American influence is our print media which as the two articles on pages 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, point out; depend and ultimately exist on the whims of the American print empire of Henry Luce III.

Time magazine it seems accounts for the life of our supposedly national magazine such as MacLean's and Saturday Night through its monopoly of the advertising dollars. The advertising crumbs fall into the laps of Canadian Publishers if Time so deems that they should fall in that direction.

This month members of the Canadian parliament are faced with a decision: whether or not to allow Time Magazine and Reader's Digest to keep its lucrative postage and mailing positions. Surprising enough the groups most interested in Time keeping that position is the Canadian publishers. The whole disgrating

details are found in the articles reprinted on this paper.

The one committee who has chance to beat the Time Lobby, is Senator Keith Davey's Senate Committee on the Mass Media. Speculation is that his report may bow to the pressure of Canada strongest lobby force, the Canadian publishers and a strong Liberal cabinet minister, Bud Drury are that force.

We feel strongly about the obvious lack of Canadianism within our commercial print media and strongly urge that a strong series of letters of protest are sent to local MP's and the government in hopes that the slick lobby groups can be stopped.

It is a crucial time as this nation goes through the agonizing trauma of an identity realization.

As this time, it is no longer morally right for anyone less than Canadians concerned for her welfare to be interpreting our news.

The last magazine to be allowed this monopoly coverage is Time Magazine or any of its Canadian advertising allies.

Support the Last Post from Montreal as it has gone National in scope identity. It has the awareness needed during our identity crisis.

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