

# Sound Off

## Mugwump Journal

By Rick Fisher

Taking place next weekend is a conference which I think deserves special mention. There are good conferences and there are bad ones and this one looks like it's really together.

It is called the Atlantic Area Conference of University Student Unions and invitations have been sent to all and most have indicated that they will be here.

The head organizer is Warren McKenzie and I think so far he has done an excellent job. He has managed to get three out of four provinces represented for student aid by government officials who are knowledgeable on their student aid programs.

He has also managed to get Bill Reddin to come and talk on organizational design. Bill used to be a business faculty member and left to do consulting work for several well known companies, and is most knowledgeable on organizational design. When National Union of Students heard about it they were only too pleased to offer to send two representatives. Their representation in Atlantic area is almost negligible and this offer should be taken with a grain of salt.

Ontario Federation of Students is also trying to send two members to help us with our problems, but their provincial meeting is on the same weekend and if they aren't able to come their presence will be missed.

Opening address by Dr. John Anderson, workshops and a final plenary on Sunday morning wrap up the conference before the delegates head back home.

All in all I think it's a pretty good conference. The best part is that UNB is taking the initiative to host it. Hopefully that will mean good leadership for our student union for a few years to come.

This elderly lady went into the corner store to pick out a few miniature tomatoes. She found the vegetable counter and looked over produce finally deciding to buy three.

She carried the tomatoes to the clerk who weighed, bagged, and priced them at 75 cents and gave the tomatoes back to her. "Seventy-five," she cried, "you know where you can shove them." "I'm sorry ma'am," the clerk replied, "I already have a 95 cent cucumber up there."

Watched Tremendous Team Canada Tuesday night. What a game that was. It has been a long time since I've seen a game that was that good.

While Team Canada and the Russians tied at 3-3 the officials lost 63-5 and it wasn't even close. I thought New Brunswick has had hockey referees but the ones on T.V. couldn't take their jobs away.

Despite the fact that it was rough, so far there are no incidents like the last series. It will do the WHA and international hockey the world of good.

I have come to the conclusion that Johnny Easaw shouldn't be a hockey commentator, and neither should Foster Hewitt for that matter. Howie Meeker was classic Howie at his most exuberant. I couldn't figure out whether he had too much champagne, couldn't find the men's room by the press box, or had found some really fine weed, cause he just couldn't control himself, he was going crazy.

Game Two will be playing while this is being printed but I'm hoping for a Team Canada victory.

Ah yes, the Egg Marketing Board. The best idea I heard for that monopoly was that it should sell rotten eggs for \$2.50 a dozen for riots, parades, and Argo football games.

If you think for one moment that the Board is good for you forget it. That Board is a bad idea gone rotten. It was created solely to protect the producers of eggs and there are no consumer representatives on the Board to protect our interests.

The following statement doesn't surprise me in the least. The Ontario Egg Marketing Board applied to the Ontario legislature to raise the price of eggs by 3 cents a dozen and the legislature refused the raise, saying it wasn't a good time to raise prices from a public opinion standpoint. The head of the OEMB then said that public opinion has no effect on the market place. Coming from the head person of a monopoly that is a little hard to digest. It would scramble any of my eggs if he was never heard from again.

I guess that most of the students who are back now have found a place to stay. There are some, myself included, who don't start to look until the last day of August. I was lucky and managed to find a nice one bedroom but many others aren't or won't be so lucky.

With the singles co-op closed to guys, they are out looking for a place to stay. I lived up there a few years ago and I think it was unreasonable to expect that it would be completed in the summer months but it was.

The proctors rooms seem to be very nice. One proctor Vicki Weatherby, had an eskimo carving donated to her room and she didn't even appreciate it.

I hope it's a good week for you. The Rugby team won both games including a fine win by the first team. Two rugby games this weekend one right after the football game. The football team also impressed me, especially that new quarterback Cripotos, who I thought had alot of class. Hope they open with a win against the mounties from Swamp.

## Senate committees need you

Dear Students,

Each year as classes begin, many other activities begin on campus. One of the activities which concerns us all very much, but which is often taken for granted is the activity involved in the direct functioning of the academic side of the university. Over our years here we all have had more than one complaint about the way things are run at UNB. Few people chose to do anything constructive about their complaints, and even fewer know how to do anything constructive.

The mechanism does exist however. It exists through the functioning of the Academic Senate and the various senate committees which serve the many area of activity of the university. These committees cover all facets of the university and attempt to determine policy and decide on issues which affect UNB.

Membership on these committees is open to students, and in the past students have made many valuable contributions to determining the future of the university. Too many committees exist to give a detailed run down of the functions of all the committees, but a few examples might be helpful. A library committee exists to determine policy for the library and to help to determine goals and

programs. The admissions committee decides the admission policy for the university. The scholarship committee raises funds for scholarships, determines criteria for awards and makes the actual awards. A creative arts committee brings special guest artists to perform on campus. Other committees include academic and campus planning committee, budget committee, book store committee, honorary degrees committee, athletics committee, time table committee, curriculum committee, and committees on summer school and extension services, student services, and a committee on audio-visual services. Many other committees also exist.

From now until next Friday I will be working on providing student representation on these committees. If you are at all interested on working on any specific committee or on finding out more about the committees, please contact me. I am more than willing to discuss this. No qualifications are necessary, other than the fact that you are interested in helping. Most committees would not involve more than a few hours time each month, and it would be a good way to learn more about the functioning of the university. It would be an enjoyable experience, one that involves both helping yourself and the university.

Many students will be back at UNB who were on committees last year, so there may not be room on all committees for new people. Nevertheless, many committees will have room for new student members. For more information please contact me at 453-4903 or Room 314, Aitken House, or anyone of the other student Senators. Please be sure to do so if you are interested before Friday, Sept. 27, as at that time the committees will be constituted for 1974-75.

### Frosh Squad receives thanks

To the Editor:

We would like to thank the Frosh Squad for a really great week. You put a lot of work into it and we feel that we got a lot out of it. It's fantastic to feel at home so fast!

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Yours truly,

Brian Forbes  
Student Senator

P.S. Thanks to Jill and Barb too.

## Ford

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political office.

People who had been found guilty by a law the moral legitimacy of which had been questioned by many were being forced to pay at least some penalty while one formerly very powerful person was being allowed to go free without even being required to have his innocence contested. Many questioned the fairness of either event.

The argument of mental and physical anguish to the ex-president led to the appearance powerful men deserve more consideration than the thousands of Americans who had been forced to live outside their country rather than risk joining the ranks of the 45,000 Americans who had given their lives in an unpopular war by January, 1973.

We contend Ford's first loyalty should have been to the political stability of a nation which he has the responsibility of leading and restoration of public confidence in a system of which he is a party rather than involving himself with the affairs of one citizen. This, we contend, constituted a jeopardization of national-and world-stability.



Photo by Steve Patriquen

There was a great deal of response to orientation activities this year; and apparently the frosh appreciated it.