

# NFCUS SCHEME STUMBLES

Any new student who tries out his NFCUS card is in for a disappointment and also a bit of perplexity. The shops just will not recognize it.

On making rounds of the stores in the city which honored the cards last spring, it was found that the managers have not been approached to renew their contracts. Apparently those that were signed last term were experimental ones, to expire on May 15th. designed to let the merchants see what effect their participation

in the NFCUS discount programme would have. When the contract expired the cards were invalid as means of getting a 10% discount. No new contracts have been signed as yet, and some of the managers interviewed are wondering if they will be asked to participate in the scheme again.

However, there is more to the question than the renewal of the contracts. The Fredericton Retail Merchants have objected to the discount programme, reprimanding those businessmen who

subscribed to it last term. One shop in particular had three strong grievances to air. The anticipated increase in college trade had not materialized in actual practice, and sales records over the period showed no noticeable increase over those in comparable periods when the scheme was not in effect. In addition friction was caused by the scheme, the retail merchants objected to the fact that only certain stores were asked. The final difficulty was common to all the shops: students had not been asked to show

their cards discreetly, and so avoid embarrassing situations. One student had demanded the discount verbally when the displaying of the card was all that was necessary. The item he was buying was on sale at half price and on which no further discount was given. After some discussion he was given a further 10% discount, much to the amazement and annoyance of an old and valuable customer of the store in question. He was naturally irate at having to pay full price for years when a stranger to the

shop could get a substantial discount. This was one of several embarrassing and unpleasant occurrences to which the manager made reference. He felt dissatisfied with the NFCUS scheme and the way it was being run.

Therefore we must ask whether the new contracts are to be signed for the new year and if the indiscreet use of cards will be smoothed out. If this is to be done it must be done soon, for it is possibly the most valuable work that NFCUS has accomplished.



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## WUSC GATHERING IN MONTREAL

Gathered at the University of Montreal, eighty-five delegates, guests, and observers representing twenty-five universities and colleges from across Canada were welcomed to the Eleventh National W.U.S.C. Assembly by Monsigneur I. Lussier, Rector of the University. Monsigneur Lussier in welcoming the group referred to W.U.S.C. as a "University Organization of greatest significance which played a notable role in Canada." He expressed "complete confidence and great faith in W.U.S.C."

The highlight of the opening day was the speech of John Morgan, W.U.S.C. National Canadian Chairman. In his remarks, he emphasized that "the search for knowledge has survived all the barriers of our modern age of conflict" and must bridge the "difference and difficulties of language, colour, creed, politics and history." The best way to overcome these obstacles is to "exchange freely our ideas and our insight on equal terms" with our many diverse associates.

Professor Morgan went on to mention Canada's growing position in the world. "We in Canada have grown from Colony to Nation and all those whose National Consciousness now stirs them to search for better, look to Canada with respect and with envy." "I ask myself this question—as the people of the world look at our attempts in Canada to create a national unity without uniformity, to create diversity without division, do we not have a responsibility to contribute from that experience to the needs of others?"

After the general opening, the assembly was divided into committees to study various problems. The most debated topic of the conference was of particular importance to the Maritime Provinces. Until the present conference, the National (administrative) Committee, which decides on issues of policy and administration, consisted entirely of representatives from the central zone. As a result of this year's assembly, representatives of the Atlantic and Western Provinces have been incorporated in the National Committee. Henceforth, the Maritimes and the West will be represented on the Committee. Professor Hugh Whalen of U.N.B. and Prof. Paton of the University of Saskatchewan are the members for the present year.

This is a great stride toward the decentralization which both Eastern and Western members feel will give more unity, so necessary for a nation wide organization of this kind. The Committee was directed by the assembly to thoroughly investigate this matter of decentralization and to present recommendations to next year's National Assembly which it is hoped, will make national unity even more of a reality.

## THREE TO BE HONORED AT CONVOCATION

At the annual autumn convocation to be held on Thursday, October 18, the University of New Brunswick will bestow honorary Doctor of Laws degrees on three outstanding men, representing the world of art, finance and the militia. The three to be recognized are: William George Constable, curator of paintings at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts; Hugh Mackay, prominent Canadian financier and a member of the U.N.B. Senate; and Major General John M. Rockingham, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., general officer commanding First Canadian Infantry Division.

The Right Honourable Lord Beaverbrook, P.C., Chancellor of the University, will confer the honorary degrees. The convocation which begins at three p.m. will be presided over by Dr. Colin B. Mackay, President of U.N.B. Mr. Constable in addition to receiving the degree will deliver the convocation address.

## FILM SOCIETY OPENS WITH 'MAJOR BARBARA'

At 8:30 this Sunday evening in Memorial Hall, The U.N.B. Film Society gets underway with the showing of Bernard Shaw's "Major Barbara" starring Wendy Miller, Rex Harrison, Robert Morley and Robert Newton.

This is a brilliantly witty film directed by Gabriel Pascal with (Continued on Page 6)

## NFCUS MEETS TOO

Monday ushered in the Twentieth National Annual N.F.C.U.S. Conference being sponsored this year by Sir George Williams College. Present at the opening were approximately one hundred delegates from all across Canada as well as many observers from the British West Indies and the United States.

Monday night Dr. Paul Anderson of the National Council of the Y.M.C.A.'s and Dr. H. F. Hall, Principal of the host college spoke to the delegates at the opening banquet. Dr. Hall stated at the opening: "In view of the large population increase in the world, there has been a corresponding demand for the services of institutions of higher learning and of institutions of professional learning." He went on to suggest solutions.

The most important meeting was scheduled for yesterday at the Plenary when formal voting will take place on recommendations submitted by various universities from across the country.

## BUSY ADDER

The first meeting of the Business Administration Club was held on Tuesday the 9th of October in the Student Centre.

Business discussed included proposed trips to St. Stephen and Milltown. Dennis Matheson will look after the sale of class rings and pins. Tentative plans were made to hold a smoker on Fri-

## MOUNT 'A' TRAIN HOPES REALIZED

At the first meeting of the S.R.C., held in the Student Centre on Wednesday Oct. 10th, the president of the Business Administration Club obtained the support and backing of the council to enable them to send a train to Mount A. for the Football and Soccer games on the 26th of October. The club executive announced that the tickets would go on sale in the very near future.

## PEP RALLY TONIGHT

It was decided at the S.R.C. meeting on Wednesday night that there will be a pre-game pep rally tonight so the vocal support for the Football team on Saturday will spur them to their greatest heights. The Rally will take place this evening, and will give the students their first opportunity to hear the U.N.B. band under its new director Mr. Trytholl.

Also in attendance will be our Football team and our highly esteemed group of cheer-leaders. The team is to be introduced and the cheer-leaders are to lead the assembled throng in the College yells. The Rally is expected to end with a parade.

day November 16th.

The president, George Forrester, stressed the importance of all Business Administration Freshmen taking an interest in the club. Jim MacKenzie asked that all members give their opinions on any programme ideas that they might have.

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This sight is all too familiar to many of us, it is the daily student centre pile up. Unfortunately we are unable to show Stan Cook and his band of helpers, their work is deserving of pictorial recognition.