

Fund launches Atlantic campaign

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Third Century Fund organizers recently launched the Atlantic phase of the campaign and in March will begin the National Sub-campaign. They are hoping to raise both one million and five million dollars in contributions respectively. Dr. John Meagher, chairman of the campaign management committee, is optimistic about these two such campaigns. "If good planning or having first class volunteers means anything," he said, "we should do well."

The other four phases of the Third Century Campaign, the advance gifts, the students, the faculty/staff, and the alumni were begun last year. By January \$2,624,872 had been donated or pledged, a little short of the hoped for \$3,000,000 goal. Meagher noted that the advance gift part of the campaign is doing "better than expected." He also felt that the Alumni responded very nicely and the faculty/staff reasonably well. The UNBSJ student's effort was

"superb" he said, however, the contribution of the Fredericton campus students was much lower than he would have liked. Thus far Fredericton students contributed not much more than \$3,000, in sharp contrast to the \$100,000 which Saint John students have donated or pledged. At the Saint John campus students voted to pay an extra 10 dollars in student fees each year until they graduate, which will go to the Third Century Fund.

When asked why there was such a discrepancy between St. John and Fredericton students' participation, Meagher replied that he really didn't know. He suggested, however, that since the students so desperately want a Student Union Building, which can be paid for through Third Century funding, they can see more clearly the benefits of participation. In actuality, Meagher noted, the Third Century Fund will benefit Fredericton students more than St. John students' contributions to Third Century will help pay for such things as renovations to



the SUB's Blue Lounge, which as Meagher pointed out, will not mean anything to faculty or staff - only students.

Except for UNBSJ no university in Canada has been suc-

cessful in generating a lot of student participation in their fund-raising ventures. Perhaps this results because some students feel they already contribute enough through tuition fees. Meagher said he understood why a student would have that attitude, however, it is not "big money" but "big participation" that he wants from students. "It is important that they should want to be part of the action. The participation from students would generate interest from the public," he said.

Last year less than \$200,000.

was donated to UNB Fredericton. Without the Third Century Fund much equipment and renovations not absolutely essential to operating a university would not be acquired. For example, the departments of chemistry, physics and biology recently acquired a \$290,000 nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) instrument, of which \$150,000 was funded through Third Century. Without this Fund the departments would have had to settle for a \$140,000 NMR spectro-meter-one that would have become outdated quickly.

SRC discusses 3 R's

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Referendum, resignation and recognition were the key words of this week's Student Representative Council meeting. John Bosnitch, president of the Student Union, began the meeting by informing the SRC that the N.B. Coalition of Students will hold its first formal meeting on February 12, 13, and 14. At this meeting a final formal constitution will be passed and a formal membership list will be created. Bosnitch stated that at a meeting held last weekend with the other universities, UNB's SRC had to threaten to withdraw permanently from the coalition in order to ensure that a constitution was passed this year.

Referendum

The SRC discussed the possibility of having a referendum to give the \$54,000 that was left over when the SUB mortgage was paid to the Third Century Fund. This money then would be returned to the students indirectly by the Third Century Fund using the money for SUB renovations. When UNB goes on its national campaign they can say that the students of UNB gave at least \$54,000 even though the money was returned via the Third Century Fund to SUB renovations.

Bosnitch, who is also chairman of the student campaign of the Fund, said at the meeting he is looking for anyone, including the presidential candidates who ran against him, to participate in this worthy endeavour. Bosnitch also extended an invitation to Gerard Finnan, the past chairman of the Fund, to

become deputy chairman of the campaign.

The SRC also discussed briefly the possibility of taking another page of the Brunswickan besides the SRC information page and using it to advertise the Fund.

Recognition

Discussion on the recognition of the Student Party and Cause/SP by the SRC took a considerable amount of time at the meeting. The debate centered on the question as to what recognition of a club by the SRC means. According to Bosnitch, recognition means the "Student Union recognizes it is an organization with Student Union members". Many councillors disagreed with this narrow view of what recognition means. They believed that recognition of an organization must be a selective process and not one in which the only factor is that it is made up of students. It was argued that if the SRC uses this guideline for recognition, the SRC could only rubber-stamp the approval because any club regardless of

what they stand for would be recognized by the SRC. The discussion concluded with the SRC voting against "Resolved that when the SRC recognizes an organization they are supporting the way in which that organization conducts its affairs," which would imply that Bosnitch's view of recognition is the one held by the SRC.

Resignation

Liz Lynch resigned as rep-at-large on the SRC. Darrell Stephenson (Law Rep) resigned his post of Justice on the secretariat. The reason for his resignation was the hostile element in the secretariat towards him.

An election report was presented to the SRC. The biggest change proposed was the "elimination of polls at dining halls" and students would only vote in their own faculty building or at the SUB. It was this recommendation that provoked the most controversy. The SRC approved the report in principle.

Hemlock Club looks at war

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Approximately thirty students and professors from various faculties attended the third meeting of the Philosophy Department's "Hemlock Club" Tuesday evening in Tilley 28.

The focal point of the evening besides the ritual drinking of the new and much improved hemlock, was the presentation of T.V. Ontario's docudrama entitled "Killing and Dying". This sobering presentation was

highlighted by footage from the Chinese-Japanese conflict of the 1930's, World War II and the war in Vietnam. The audience was confronted with death and destruction on a grand scale and then challenged to try and justify the ravages of war. In the docudrama, military historian Josiah Banting and General Maxwell Taylor, who was the former chairman of the U.S. Chiefs of Staff, express their

MPHEC ups assistance by 12.1%

The Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission (MPHEC) recently issued its report *Financial Plan 1983-84*. The report contains the Commission's 1983-84 financial assistance recommendations for Maritime post-secondary institutions as well as forecasts for 1984-85 and 1985-86.

The MPHEC is recommending an increase in operating assistance of 12.1% for maintaining on-going activities. The Commission has also recommended that Maritime provincial governments provide an additional 1.8% for programme expansion at several institutions and 0.75% for equalizing the assistance levels of Nova Scotia institutions currently receiving low levels of support. As in prior years the Commission's recommendations for 1983-84 assume that institutions will increase tuition fees at a rate similar to the increase in general operating assistance and that government student aid budgets will have to be adjusted accordingly.

The Financial Plan 1983-84 also presents the Commission's recommended

capital projects for the upcoming three year period. In its capital assistance recommendations, the MPHEC continues to emphasize regional projects and projects which provide a more effective use of existing facilities.

In presenting its recommendations the MPHEC urges the governments to adopt a stable approach to funding post-secondary education. Stability in funding is considered essential by the Commission in order to enable institutions to cope with significant enrollment increases and changing technologies. The Commission also stresses the importance of recognizing the low rate of growth in post-secondary funding in recent years during this current period of expenditure restraint.

The Commission's financial assistance recommendations have been submitted to the Council of Maritime Premiers and the provincial governments for consideration. The Commission expects a response to its recommendations from the Council of Maritime Premiers within the next two months.