

B&T continued

If you like your music
LIVE AND LOUD... the place to be is

The Attic on King
 Friday & Saturday
Double Cross

Saturday Night
Biker Night at the Attic
 Door proceeds going to the
Ride for Sight
Motorcyclists fighting blindness.

Sunday Night
Next Door Neighbours

The Attic on King
 The Home of Rock 'n Roll



ph. 450-2641

Cold front on campus

Dear Editor:

Professor Yaqzan's abrupt retirement has been met with a chorus of sanctionious approval worthy of a political party, a sect, or a secret society bent upon purging itself of "undesirables." With Professor Yaqzan's "voluntary" removal, the University administration's ham-handed censure of a tenured member of the faculty who dared (foolishly and misguidedly) to express unpalatable beliefs seems vindicated.

Hostage to a herd mentality, victim of an officially sanctioned ideology, Professor Yaqzan has left this university a weakened institution. Henceforth, those who toil in this cloistered grove will feel a chill, which can only be warded off by wrapping oneself in the mantle of political correctness.

Those who are brave enough to risk exposure in UNB's chilly climate will do so out of a profound commitment to the republican view of life, enunciated by Clemenceau, that 'by infringing on the rights of one you infringe on the rights of all'. Having chosen freedom of

expression over ideological obeisance, they will remain true citizens of a democratic republic, our only defense against the totalitarian impulse of modern times.

Ann and Noel Iverson

CFS looks ahead to new year

To the Editor:

The coming of the New Year is a time to reflect on past events, and for CFS, 1993 proved to be a very eventful year.

For those of you who are new to University and College life, CFS-NB (Canadian Federation of Students-New Brunswick) represents you and your concerns with regards to post-secondary education. We lobby the provincial government to ensure that post-secondary education is accessible to everyone and is of high quality. As well, CFS also campaigns and does research to deal with pressing public issues and to raise awareness.

Some of the issues we tackled in 1993 included the provincial government's announcement they were going to cut day care subsidies. We reacted immediately, showing our disapproval of the decision, the timing of the announce-

ment (which was during registration week), and the fact that students had not been previously consulted.

Members of the CFS-NB executive met with several students who were directly affected by this decision. CFS expressed our concerns to the media, Minister of Income Assistance and the Minister of Advanced Education. The direct outcome of the press coverage and meeting with the ministers resulted in a review of the decision on an individual case basis.

A new line of communication has since been opened between the Department of Income Assistance and CFS-NB, as we have been invited to several meetings by the department's finance committee and policy making committee.

Like many political organizations in 1993, CFS took part in the Federal elections. We ran our own "Vote Education" campaign, which served to sensitize both politicians and the public at large on issues dealing with post-secondary education. The highlight of this campaign was a cross-province tour during which I travelled to all the Universities in the province and met most of the candidates in the ridings. This included Bernard Valcourt in Edmundston, who at the time was the Minister in charge of student aid and Doug Young, now a Minister in the new Liberal government. Incidentally, CFS was well quoted by several political candidates including both Liberal and Conservative candidates in Fredericton who mentioned CFS in their election pamphlets. As well, a Liberal candidate in the Saint John area used our policy manual in his election platform.

Although the elections are over, and our "Vote Education" campaign has long since ended, we will continue to make education an issue in 1994 by organizing a session with all the newly elected MPs.

1993 proved to be a monumental year in opening lines of communications with the four New Brunswick University Presidents as I was invited to one of their meetings in November. We discussed several educational issues including the student tuition fee cap, the freeze to university operation grants, and improvement of university-community relations.

As well, we also made presentations to numerous government committees such as the New Brunswick provincial committee on Student loan repayment, the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission, and we have been invited to speak to the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council where Paul Martin will be in attendance.

1993 unfortunately ended on a sour note for students. Behind closed doors the New Brunswick government negotiated a deal with financial institutions, which we feel may be the slippery slope to privatization of loans.

We learned of this mainly through the grapevine but were quick to react when the Minister of Advanced Education would not deny or confirm the rumours that the Provincial government was negotiating the loans program with the banks. We immediately contacted the leaders of the opposition parties who brought the question into the house. Forced to respond, we soon learned that indeed the NB government was closed to ending discussions with the CIBC bank and the Caisse Populaire, who now are responsible for giving out the loans and collecting them as well.

We are concerned that eventually the banks, who care only of making a profit, will have full power in deciding who will get a loan and who will not. We have already met with the Minister and Deputy Minister of Advanced Education and Labour and expressed our concerns. They have "assured" us that these concerns will be addressed in the coming months.

We will continue to fight this and many other issues which affect us all as students.

Jason Morton
 Chair of CFS-NB

BOATHOUSE



CLEARANCE!!

(SELECTED WINTER GOODS)

20, 40, 50% OFF!

ISLAND BEACH COMPANY



REGENT MALL
 FREDERICTON
 450-1477

HURRY - LIMITED QUANTITIES