

# Club Welcomes Newcomers

by Fred McKim

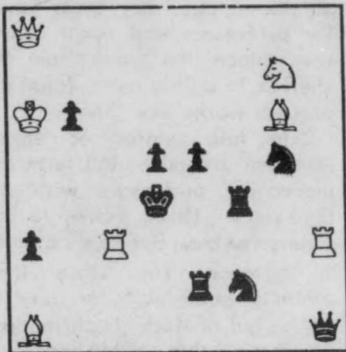
For all newcomers to UNB/STU, the chess club meets every Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. in Room 26 of the AUB. With a membership of 25, the club hosts at least two

major tournaments a year as well as several smaller tournaments. The UNB Ches Team is the current holder of the Player's Trophy, which toes to the winners of the Atlantic Intercollegiate Champion-

ship held every February. The chess club welcomes beginners and experienced players alike every Tuesday night.

Recently two members of the club have had tournament successes. On Labour Day weekend Tom Gibson, a fourth year English-History major, won the Saint John Open with a score of four wins and a draw. At the same time Robert Hamilton won

his second consecutive Atlantic Junior Chess Championship with a perfect six-win, zero-loss score. Robert attends Fredericton High School and will qualify for the Canadian Junior Championship this Christmas. Robert and Tom next get to test their skills in the Atlantic Championship this



Thanksgiving in Dartmouth. (Last year they both tied for first place). Chess Problem White mates in two. (solution next week)

# Capital punishment myths said untrue

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Eight "myths" supporting capital punishment are not true, according to Harmon Wray, a staff minister of Southern Prison Ministry and an instructor in prison ministry at Vanderbilt University in Nashville.

Wray spoke against the death penalty to about 20 people at Nashville's Catholic Center. His talk was sponsored by the diocesan adult education office.

He discussed the eight "myths".

1) The death penalty is a deterrent: He said 75 per cent of all murders are acts of passion involving family members or close acquaintances and 25 per cent are committed by people who do not expect to get caught, based on death row testimony. Wray said the homicide rate is slightly higher in states with the death penalty than in those without it.

2) The death penalty is administered equitably: Wray said most death row inmates are black or poor. Half of those on death row are black and 90 per cent have court-appointed attorneys, he said.

3) Only the guilty are executed: Wray said this is not the case and mentioned two Florida men who spent 12 years on death row and were spared execution only because the state law was ruled unconstitutional; both were eventually found to be innocent.

## Neighborhood Radio

In an effort to give ordinary people more access to radio, the Swedish government has begun a two year experiment called "Neighborhood Radio". The program allows local groups to air their own shows -- without worrying about censorship.

As long as a group has at least five members and approximately \$600 dollars a year to make tapes and help pay for a radio transmitter, it can get a slot on the local radio stations to discuss just about anything. In Stockholm, for example, a homosexual liberation organization uses language that one government official calls "a step beyond the norm."

And what if the gay lib group manages to go too far? "Given the liberality of Sweden's pornography laws," he said, "I'm not sure they can." (Newscrip)

4) There is no alternative to the death penalty: "Life sentences and imprisonment without parole are existing alternatives, Wray said.

5) Execution is cheaper than incarceration: "Because of legal appeals and maintaining security on death row, it actually costs more to have the death penalty than not to have it", Wray said. e said Arkansas saved \$1.5 million when it commuted 15 death sentences to life imprisonment in 1971.

6) The Bible supports the death penalty: Wray said the Old Testament supports the death penalty for murder, but also for

offenses such as adultery and working on the Sabbath.

7) Electrocuting is quick and humane: Wray said it took three jolts of 25,000 volts of electricity over six minutes to kill John Spenkelink, the first man executed against his will in the United States in more than 10 years.

8) Execution is something the state alone is responsible for: "In a democracy we all have responsibility for what the state does," Wray said.

Wray said Tennessee could face execution in about a year when all appeals are exhausted for those now on death row.

# Ways to get high

Everyone needs to get high, says a clinical training specialist, even former alcoholics. In fact, according to Jeffrey Shore of Chicago's Grant Alcoholic Institute, humans have sought ways of feeling high -- which Shore defines as taking time out from daily routines -- throughout history.

However, recovered alcoholics face a problem, because they must

find new ways of getting high once they stop drinking. Shore suggests that former alcoholics become involved in physical activity such as jogging or bicycling. That way, he says, they'll get the feeling of taking time out without using drugs. Shore also thinks yoga and meditation are good ways for former alcoholics to get high. (Newscrip)

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## COLLEGE HILL VIDEO WORKSHOP



by Colleen J. Hutchinson

It appears the executive of CHVW have resettled in Fredericton enough to start the fall season. For openers, our first meeting will take place Tuesday night, at 7 o'clock in room 104 of the SUB (up by Campus Info.). It's open to all interested persons, old and new members alike.

So, if you're a potential camera operator, director, producer, writer, or just curious about what we do, try and make it. There should be some talk about getting a sports or music production together as soon as possible. Hope to see you there.

# Pitcher dislikes ad

Bill Lee, pitcher for the Montreal Expos, has some very different ideas than a lot of professional athletes.

In an interview to be published in the October issue of Penthouse, Lee says he'll pass up those lucrative commercial endorsements -- because he thinks that "advertising is bad for the planet."

Actually, Lee tried his hand at one ad. Evidently, he decided that a plug for a stereo system was okay for the planet. But he ended up batching the commercial, anyway. He was asked to listen to the stereo and then just explain what he liked about it. After listening for about a half-hour, Lee decided he didn't like much, and the advertisers were unable to salvage anything from the recording session. (Newscrip)

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