

# N.B. Liberals choose Higgins as head

Two ballots were all that was required by the seventeen hundred and thirty-eight delegates of the New Brunswick Liberal Party to elect their leader at the Fredericton Coliseum on Oct. 16th.

Robert J. Higgins, the thirty-seven year old ex-minister of Municipal Affairs in the Robichaud government received 986 votes on the second ballot while the runner-up John Bryden, former deputy minister of Justice, polled 683.

Pandemonium broke loose in the building when the results were announced and some of Mr. Higgins' elated supporters carried him on their shoulders to the podium where he later gave his acceptance speech.

Three candidates were left by the wayside after the first ballot. Thirty-two year old Maurice Harquail and H.H. Williamson, fifty-five, were dropped as a result of not being able to poll the required one hundred votes on the first ballot. The former received only twenty-one votes, while Mr. Williamson polled 89.

Norbert Theriault, once minister of Health and Welfare of the province, withdrew from balloting after this round. The forty-nine year old Acadian leader had managed to poll

but a disappointing 289 votes and he prevented his eventually being dropped from the race by withdrawing from it. John Bryden totalled 575 on this ballot and Robert Higgins 757.

The Convention opened Friday afternoon at the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel where the hundreds of delegates and observers registered. A "hot seat" was held in the ballroom with the candidates answering in both French and English. The delegates had an opportunity to mingle during the latter part of the evening at the many receptions which were held in various sections of the hotel.

On Saturday, the convention got underway shortly after one-thirty with the candidates giving their last speech before the balloting. An estimated four thousand people were in attendance and they either observed or participated in the many demonstrations which were put on by fervent supporters of the delegates, Mr. Theriault, Mr. Bryden and Mr. Higgins had bands to complement their following.

The party also elected its new executive for the upcoming year. Norbert Theriault (Baie St. Anne) was voted in as President, Cy Spear (Moncton) as first vice-president,

Alie LeBonthilieu (Caroquette) as second vice-president and Andrew McCain (Florenceville) as Treasurer.



LIBERAL LEADER BOB HIGGINS

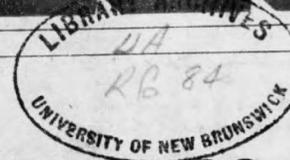
Photo by Ken Tai

# BRUNSWICKAN

VOL: 105 ISSUE 8

OCTOBER 22, 1971

FREE



## Board of Governors considers new co-op

On Wednesday afternoon the Board of Governors was presented with a new housing project by Co-op official Rick Fox. Though the outcome of that meeting is uncertain the problem it attempts to solve is crucial. Without adequate low rent housing UNB will suffer in terms of enrolment and those already here will

suffer financially.

In making the presentation Fox stressed that should the University be presented with a better project he would be more than happy to aid it in anymanner possible. He said that current housing projects such as the one developing on Graham Av. failed to meet the needs of the average student due to high cost.

Yesterday's meeting con-

sisted of about 30 people, most of whom were members of the Board of Governors. Mayor Bird (Fredericton) and Mayor Lockhart (Saint John) were also present.

At the conclusion of the meeting Prof. E. C. Garland Academic and Campus Planning Director was contacted by the Bruns. He would give no comment as to the outcome but did say that he and others had been studying the proposals closely.

Also contacted by the Bruns President Dineen would give no comment on results. He did say relating to Rick Fox

that, "he is a damn good salesman. I'm not saying he sold us anything but he's a good salesman." He did say that there was a vote taken. Results would be announced on Friday 29th. Up until that time he and others would be engaged in going over minutes and generally getting everything together.

Printed below is the text of the proposals submitted to the Board of Governor's by Mr. Fox.

Today, as members of the University of New Brunswick Board of Governors, you will be presented with the details

of the new Co-op housing project. This project has been developed by Eastern Management Limited a Nova Scotia-Montreal firm and members of the Co-op, with many meetings being held with Co-op members and University officials.

What must be emphasized is that all of the details have not been worked out and the project is flexible to changes in any aspect required by the University.

The need for housing has not been accepted by the Governors of the University, how-

Continued on page 6

## N.B. NDP splits into two factions

FREDERICTON - Two groups claim the leadership of the New Brunswick New Democratic Party after events in Fredericton on Saturday. Patrick Callaghan won the party leadership defeating incumbent J. Albert Richardson by a margin of 63 to 2.

Mr. Richardson's supporters did not attend the gathering in Fredericton. They are waiting for a ruling from the party's Federal Council to determine the status of the meeting held in Saint John on Sept. 25th. The Federal Council is scheduled to meet in Ottawa on Nov. 12. Mr. Richardson claims that Saturday's meeting was not a valid convention.

Some other officers elected or acclaimed at the Saturday meeting were Alaister-Robertson of Fredericton, president;

and Peter Gibson of Saint John treasurer. Mr. Gibson was the incumbent treasurer.

The meeting called for the formation of a department of co-operatives to promote co-operative enterprises. A resolution concerning trade unions called for a cost of living escalator clause in labor contracts, reduction of the work week without reduction in pay and full support for "trade unions as the most important form of mass organization of working class people."

A provincial council meeting held prior to the convention decided to hold a special convention in Chatham on Nov. 25. It is not known if the group supporting Mr. Callaghan and Mr. Robertson will attend this convention.

## AB sets guidelines to get into UNB

The Admissions Board sets the "guidelines for admission and readmission into UNB," stated D.C. Blue, chairman of this Board. Its function is to decide the entrance requirements of students entering the university, make recommendations to the Senate about admission, and consider the appeals of persons not accepted.

The committee is comprised of a chairman; secretary, Mrs. Hadley; two students, Bob Poore and Peter MacDonald; a representative from each faculty; two representatives from the Board of Governors; two members of the Senate; and principal of TC, Dr. Stuart.

The occupant of the position of secretary is decided by

the committee. Of the reps from each faculty, Arts has two because it is the largest. Also, since Business Administration is not represented directly, the two Arts reps serve to do this. The principal of TC is in the committee's constitution for the purpose of comparing our admissions policy with theirs.

Bob Poore said the Admissions Board was important "because enrollment is going down instead of up." He said that all meetings are confidential and since "special cases deserve individual attention", they can't be discussed outside the committee.

Poore stated that the times the students on the board go

against the committee are ones involving the fighting of entrance for certain students. These students may have been delayed in obtaining their university education or they may have had to take a year off. He said that this could be due to "sickness, family problems and they were out working". In cases such as these he said that their readmission "must be justified with extenuating circumstances."

Poore said that the future plans of the committee were to try and come up with athletic scholarships. There are several in favor of this but the only problem is that a new finance

Continued on page 6