

M.U.L.F. Conference



Carrie McMillan, Honorable L. G. DesBrisay, Minister of Finance and Industry, Peter Scheult, Don Proudfoot, Colin Westman.

M.U.L.F. Brought Into World

At a convention in Moncton last fall delegates decided to form a Maritime University Liberal Federation. It will closely resemble western and central organizations which also act as subsidiaries of the national Federation.

It is hoped that this will enable the universities to organize "think conferences" on academic problems such as Canadian unity, and to bring in nationally prominent speakers to address Maritime Universities.

At the Moncton Conference Professor I.L. Campbell of Mount Allison spoke in favour of Atlantic Union. He mentioned many social and political advantages, including correlation of education standards and increased bargaining power.

N.B. Finance Minister DesBrisay outlined the economic advantages of the union proposed recently by Premier Robichaud.

David Muir of St. Francis Xavier will serve as MULF's president this year, with Peter Scheult of U.N.B. as vice-president.

Solicitor General MacNaught added the necessary words for liberalism, saying "we are dealing with two cultures which really exist. We are fortunate in having a Liberal Party with policies which go in accordance with Goth."

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Cabinet Reorganization

One of the more unnoticed changes in Ottawa since the Pearson Government assumed office was the creation of a super-cabinet. This was brought about by the proliferation of cabinet portfolios, about 25 at this time. Perhaps the super-cabinet is not the answer. At best it is only a temporary expedient and I should like to suggest a better and more permanent solution, reorganization of the government departments at the top level of administration. For example there are really seven basic divisions of governmental departments, administrative, judicial and legal, financial, economic, national resources, defense, and external affairs. As an example of one of these divisions I shall use National Resources. Under it would come the present Departments of Fisheries, Forestry, Agriculture, Labour, National Health and Welfare, Mines and Technical Surveys, and the National Resources. It would not be wise, nor possible to combine these into one department. They could each be placed under the direction of a junior Minister responsible to a Senior Minister for National Resources.

Applying the above example to the other six basic divisions would greatly streamline the present arrangement and make the departmental administration, and the Cabinet much more efficient and effective.

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The Secretary of State for External Affairs
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Dear Mr. Proudfoot:

Thank you for your letter of March 5th inviting me to be the Honorary President of the University of New Brunswick Liberal Club for the academic year 1964-65.

I am indeed honoured to accept this position and wish to thank you and the members of the UNB Liberal Club for your words of support.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Paul Martin
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Campus Politics

Why Should Students Involve...?

BY JAN RAE

Why should students involve themselves in politics? The idea of a college education is to provide the student with the ability to think; to consider, to reason, to reflect, and to decide issues for himself. This education of the intellect should not be restricted to academic endeavours; it is equally important that the student learn the fundamentals of political orientation.

Activity in political clubs is the ideal way to initiate or pursue political interest during university years. No previous knowledge is necessary for participation—the ultimate aim of each club is to learn. Support of a particular party at the club level does not brand the student in later life. No commitments are made and membership is fluid. Yet here one may identify with the political party which most nearly upholds his personal opinions. Members have common goals which lead to much conviviality. (=fun).

In later years politics may be relegated to voting reasons only. Business and other commitments may make active political participation negligible. Now, at University, prominent politicians, Cabinet Ministers, and Educators are more than anxious to speak to prospective party adherents. We have an unparalleled opportunity to take advantage of the enthusiasm of the nation's leaders. We need only show an interest.

If you wish to go on in politics, either professionally or semi-professionally, political involvement at the university level is an invaluable aid. Practical applications of theoretical ideas is a necessary and vital experience. Here again political clubs are the answer.

An indication of interest in political affairs may be expressed during the Model Parliament Campaign and sessions. If you can actively contribute, do so if not, at least VOTE on January 27.

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