

McKinnie replaces Davis

The new year at UNB sees the Student Union Building under the guidance of new management, Kevin McKinnie. He was chosen interim manager when Gary Davis resigned over a salary dispute and was later made full director. Since then the position of Manager has been dispensed with and all the duties allotted to this position have been turned over to a Director and Night Director (who is on duty Tues. - Thurs. from 5 to 2 a.m.). The Director is responsible exclusively to the Board of Directors of the SUB.

In an interview with the Bruns, McKinnie said that he aims "to improve facilities if at all possible" and to "keep rival factions operating harmoniously". He added that



this building belongs to the students and shall be run in their best interests.

AN ACTIVE SUMMER FOR STRAX

Dr. Norman Strax, former UNB physics professor, has spent a busy summer in his role as leader of the Canadian Students for a Democratic Society here in Fredericton.

It is the aim of Dr. Strax, along with the other members of CSDS, to diminish their activities on the campus and to concentrate more on the working people in this area. He feels that these people have a much more urgent need than do the university students, and that CSDS can show them that there are ways to oppose those who "oppress" them.

In this light, CSDS began the summer by assisting the workers at the Hartt Boot and Shoe factory in this city in their strike for high wages. Although the strike was not particularly successful, Strax is of the opinion that "it gave the working people a chance to see what CSDS actually was, aside from a group of student radicals."

Later on in the summer a much larger issue arose - that of the young people of Fredericton vs the police in Officer's Square. When the curfew was enforced, and the police began removing the youths at 10 p.m., several of these young people went to CSDS and asked for their assistance in making a decision as to what to do. The series of demonstrations which followed would appear to have been more successful, as CSDS led the youths in a number of passive resistance demonstrations. This attracted a great deal of publicity and was, in part, a cause of the curfew being extended until 12 p.m. "It was at this point", said one CSDS member, "that we realized that the high school kids are more willing to do things than university students."

Dr. Strax was suspended

from the UNB faculty last year as a result of a demonstration in which he took part protesting the introduction of the ID card. He was then served an injunction which forbade him to come on campus (this injunction has just recently been dropped). It was this series of incidents that led to the censure of the university by the Canadian Association of University Teachers last spring. This was not lifted until July 18, when

Washington, D.C. (CUP-LNS) - The Nixon Administration has announced it will escalate the war on marijuana, using a combination of increased manpower, improved technology and increasing economic pressure on Mexico to clean up trade in the mind-expanding drug.

In a recently announced campaign entitled 'Operation Intercept', the U.S. government declared it will launch the nation's "largest search and seizure operation by civil authorities."

Their strategy involves a two-pronged attack: increased and improved inspection methods in the U.S. and pressure on Mexico to give eradication and control of marijuana a high priority.

Some of the methods to be used are:

- use of pursuit planes and some motor boats.

- a strengthened border patrol equipped with observation planes.

- strengthening of the bureau of customs and the bureau of narcotics.

- development by the National Aeronautics and Space Agency of a remote sensor device capable of detecting marijuana from the air.

Once the marijuana has been discovered by the Mexican government, the U.S. would supply their neighbour with a chemical called benzydiethyl amino benzoate, a nausea producing substance which spoils the plant for smoking.

U.S. officials claim the main burden for stopping the flow of marijuana lies with Mexico, and a study group working on 'Operation Intercept' has suggested that the U.S. declare Tijuana off-limits to military personnel as an "inducement" for Mexico to join the operation.

"The effect on the local will be substantial," the group stated, and added the U.S. should put other border towns, under the same restrictions if co-operation is not forthcoming from Mexico.

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