

## Williamson Replaces Barnett As Campus Security Chief

Charles F. Williamson has replaced James Barnett as chief of the UNB Security Service. During the summer months, Barnett, who acted as chief for the past two years, was offered alternate employment on the Buildings and Grounds Services Commission. He played a major role in many of the disputes that arose between radical students and the UNB administration last year.

The man who has succeeded him is 43 years of age. Williamson served for two years with the navy during World War II and then attended the Canadian Veterans Training School in Pictou, N.S. Since then he has accumulated 22 years experience with the RCMP, 14 of which were actual police experience. The remainder consisted of work in the police administration field.

In an interview with the Bruns, Williamson made clear the function of the Security Service: "We're not the UNB Security Police Force, we're the UNB Security Service. Our main function of course, as a security service, is to protect and to see that the buildings and property at UNB are safeguarded. The area that we get into is in checking buildings for steam pressure, leaks that can cause damage and things of this nature; this is one of our main functions."

The only other change planned for the Security staff at present is a new uniform.

The future will see them in greyish-brown instead of the standard light blue that has been the case in the past. Williamson said that he picked this color because it was the only color that the budget could afford to put all the men in uniform. However, it is not meant to have a police-type connotation. It is to serve the purpose of identifying the officers and at the same time giving them work clothes able to withstand the rough service that comes with checking tunnels, valves and air conditioning units.

So the coming year will see a new face at the top as well as new image given to the Security Police.



Charles F. Williamson

## Housing Crisis Brings Free School Atmosphere

Two years ago it became apparent that private accommodation in Fredericton was not expanding fast enough to supplement the University Residences as student accommodation as the university grew. An idea began for a student co-operative housing system which would enable students to both own and live in their dwellings. In this way students would have a large and efficient form of housing and any profit would be re-invested into the co-operative for expenses and improvements.

In June 1967 the New Brunswick Residence Co-Operative was organized under the Co-Operative Associations Act of the province of New Brunswick. Its membership includes students, faculty and staff of the entire Fredericton campus. Under this act each member must be a shareholder and has one vote, regardless of how many \$5.00 shares he holds. Each shareholder is entitled to participate in general meetings, is represented on the Board of Directors and is eligible to live in the co-operative's housing projects. At that time the fifteen members of the Board of Directors originated a plan for a building for married students. The original cost was only \$1,000,000, but this estimate was rejected by the Central Mortgage and housing

corporation. The reason given by them was that the project was not worth that much. The second project, worth 2.7 million dollars, was accepted and is at present still under construction.

This second project, located on Montgomery Street, is presently five weeks behind schedule on its September completion date. This is due to many problems, some stemming from the fact that it was a "rush job" and errors and problems are bound to arise on a job of this nature. During the summer there were several strikes and work slowdown which caused unanticipated delays. Delays also resulted from delivery problems of certain equipment and a lack of skilled labor in the Fredericton area. It is now expected that the co-op will not be completed until sometime in October.

To compensate for the delay alternate accommodation has been arranged for those students who were accepted as members. The Oromocto Housing Corporation has provided apartments for married students, while the other 100 students have been placed in the Windsor Hotel, the Forest Ranger Station and in several private boarding houses.

According to Dave Lambert, General Manager of the New Brunswick Residence Co-operative Ltd., one of the

main objectives of the co-operative "is that of constant education and it is hoped that in the years to come the Co-Op will develop into a sort of 'free school', perhaps along the lines of Rochdale College in Toronto. During this first year of operation it is expected that a limited number of course seminars will be given, including such things as 'Child Psychology' and 'Home Economics' for the females. The Co-Op will be the testing ground for 'student power' as exemplified by student responsibility".

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