

# Brunswickan

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## take a good look

Ho hum, here goes.  
It's early September once again.

Time for a lot of people to come to university for the first time.

Time for every upperclassman to become expert on the problems that first-year students have in adjusting to university life.

We admit we're not experts on the problems, but feel that this advice must be put in a proper perspective as regards its source.

We suggest that new students not take anything here very seriously - at least not until they have had a good long look and done some mental calculations of their own.

A good question to ask oneself might be: "Do I really want to be like and think like any of these people?"

## chiefs, Gleaner veto homos, drugs

There exists today only a relatively small percentage of the general public that has any kind of genuine knowledge about drugs. Probably even fewer are unbiased about the use and place of drugs in modern society.

The real victim of the public's misinformed, irrational and anti-drug state of mind is the drug user. The recent resolution of the Canadian Association of Police Chiefs in favour of keeping marijuana under provisions of the Narcotics Act is even more distressing than public misunderstanding.

This resolution is unconstructive, unimaginative and a dangerous retention of the status quo.

The fact that marijuana is not a narcotic and thus should be considered under a separate act seems almost irrelevant when one realizes that the resolution was passed unanimously to suppress a suggestion "to study a possible amendment to the law."

This type of conservatism has no place in a modern, progressive society.

The Daily Gleaner's Saturday, Sept. 7, headline read: TOUGH DRUG LAWS URGED. This would indicate that the editors expected mass reader approval of the Police Chiefs' resolution. This suggests more depressing evidence of public conservatism.

This is made even more apparent when it is known that the Chiefs' resolution also opposed any easing of the laws regarding homosexuality because they believe "it would lead to depravity, blackmail, robbery and murder." This leaves no room for consideration of the homosexual as a mentally ill individual in need of psychiatric help.

The Daily Gleaner would never have a headline such as POLICE TOUGHEN UP ON HOMOS although homosexuality was given equal emphasis in the resolution.

Thus the mass media continue to kindle the flame of misunderstanding in the public's mind by reflecting only the attitude the public is most comfortable with. This is a crime in itself.

-R.F.B.



yes sir  
mister frosh  
leader sir  
I AM happy.

Stolen from the Orientation Committee Office

## the Frosh as Nigger

## end the initiation

This year's orientation program is really much the same as last year's.

Too bad.

Many students have commented on the good work that the committee did. Most complaints were about the sudden and pointless one-shot return

to initiation, when the orientation kits were being sold.

Last year's program introduced a large departure from the traditional initiation in the direction of "orientation." The idea is basically to help the new

students, tell them anything they want to know instead of hassling them.

One could reasonably have expected the committee in charge to eliminate all initiation from this year's master plan for orientation. Surely it is a must for next year.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

I am now entering my freshman year at U.N.B. Having arrived in Fredericton a week before Orientation Week, I had an opportunity to acquaint myself with the campus and with some of my fellow students. I was scared stiff at first, but soon I felt comfortable in my new surroundings. Then came Orientation Week and the distribution of Orientation Kits. I had read that the purpose of orientation was to let me make friends and to help me adjust from the close supervision of high school to the freedom of university. So far, Orientation Week has done

neither for me. At the distribution of Orientation Kits, freshmen met in an atmosphere of chaos and were treated as slave children.

To me, Orientation is not fulfilling its most important goals.

I found it much easier to make my first adaptation to university in peaceful conditions than I did in the conditions presented at the distribution of the kits.

For what they are worth, these are my opinions.

Dave Ewing  
Arts

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