

F'ton's newest publisher issues first in series

The autobiography and diary of a Nova Scotia temperance inspector will appear in early November as the first of new series of books to be published by Acadiensis Press of Fredericton.

Four Years with the Demon Rum gives the inside story of prohibition in Canada as experienced by Clifford Rose, a temperance inspector for the town of New Glasgow from 1925 to 1929. It provides, in the words of the introduction, an unusual look at "the inner workings of prohibition and local politics" and records, in personal terms, a growing disillusionment and cynicism with the social reform movement.

Rose's story also documents other aspects of the life of the period. "In his portrayal of his daily activities", reads the introduction, "Rose frequently reminds the reader of the grim destitution faced by so many Canadians before the beginning of the welfare state, and he provides useful information on the social gospel, the Maritime Rights Movement, labour organization, the Ku

Klux Klan, the status of Blacks and women and other topics of social significance."

All of these elements are woven together in an entertaining yarn of detective work and political intrigue."

The manuscripts of the autobiography was discovered in a collection of papers at Acadia University by Dr. E.R. Forbes of the University of New Brunswick's History Department, who, with St. Francis Xavier historian A.A. MacKenzie, wrote the introduction to the book. Rose's son Lincoln provided Acadiensis Press with the diary. The manuscripts were edited for publication by Professors Forbes and MacKenzie.

The book is being published in hardcover and paperback editions and will sell at \$11.95 and \$4.95, respectively (\$10 and \$4 for Acadiensis subscribers).

Acadiensis Press is associated with the Department of History at UNB. *Acadiensis: Journal of the History of the Atlantic Region* was established by the department in 1971 under the editorship of Dr.

P.A. Buckner "to provide an outlet for ...research and to recover the past of the Atlantic region." The activities of the Acadiensis organization expanded recently to include a series of source books in Atlantic regional history, of which *Four Years with the Demon Rum* is the first. Professors Buckner and Forbes are the general editors of the series.

E.R. Forbes is the author of *The Maritime Rights Movement 1919-1927: A Study in Canadian Regionalism*, published by McGill-Queen's University Press last year as well as a number of articles, book chapters, papers and addresses on topics in Maritime history. He is currently working on a pamphlet on "Maritime Regionalism," and is writing, in cooperation with Dr. D.A. Muise of Carleton University, a history of the Maritime provinces after Confederation for Macmillan Press.

A.A. (Tony) MacKenzie is Atlantic Provinces historian at St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish. He is the author of *The Irish in Cape Breton*, published last year by Formac Publishing Company, and has written numerous articles and papers on farmer-labour movements, harvest excursions, and other topics in regional social history.

Cynic-at-large

By NANCY KEMPTON
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There is a dark and evil force descending upon the students of UNB in numbers too great to ignore. It is permeating every branch of society, monopolizing entire facets of our being, commanding and warping our behavior. It is a horde of many that run in separate packs. It flashes its threatening red hot grin and breathes smoke into the atmosphere. I speak of the dreaded and awesome cigarette.

So powerful is it that it has caused those caught in its senseless spell to become possessed, obsessed, ludicrous. The victims no longer dread this force but worship it, are irrevocably tied to it and dragged along like a puppet. They become brainwashed unto experiencing pleasure when sucking on the end of a paper cylinder, stuffed with brown crumbs, with a sponge poked into one end.

It monopolizes the use of a hand, thwarting creative effort in art. The cigarette has come to replace the pen or pencil as the most commonly held object by students.

It has likewise damaged the growth of oral abilities. Speech become choppy—each thought vocalized between the space of two drags. Conversations follow a slower pace. Those wishing to avoid a direct response staff their answer behind a deep, luxuriant inhale and contemplative exhale of smoke rings. Important points made by your opponent in an argument can be effectively blanked out by sporadic coughing seizures.

The victim slowly begins to tarnish like a not so new brand-new car. Lungs blacken, causing excessive aging of fitness capabilities. Fingers stain, teeth yellow. Distinctive burn holes leave their mark on the most expensive pieces of clothing. A more distinctive odor pervades the breath.

After store hours, victims can be spotted weeping beside a cigarette machine with an out-of-order sign, rummaging through their wardrobe and wildly shaking pants upside down in a mad search for coin, pawing through ashtrays for specks of unsmoked tobacco on the butts, ordering pounds of unwanted pizza on the phone just to get a side order of smokes delivered.

There is an observable smoking ritual aligned with social class. Consider the living three-piece suit who flicks his gold plated Dunhill light into a crisp flame for the woman with the seductive droop to her extra long Virginia Slims.

Consider the pinball pro who stands as if he just dismounted from a fat horse. He removes a smoke from the wrinkled pack, darts it between his teeth, ignites a match and passes it across the end of his Export extra-nicotine special all in less than one second.

Consider the patron of the Arms on a Friday night who fumbles for the opening to the pack, grabs a cigarette too sloppily and crushes it, tries again and manages to weave it into his gaping mouth. Then he strikes half the pack of matches before igniting one, only to stare at the flame in fascination as it burns down to his fingers.

Caught in the spell of such an overwhelming force, one is driven to absurd behavior. Seeing the idiocy in such actions, a few have attempted to escape its evil realm. Yet this task involves great courage and fortitude—either that or an extreme lack of money and an abundance of tranquilizers. However, I have successfully achieved such liberation and am now experiencing new happiness. The only unfortunate side effect of quitting is that I am allowed out of my padded cell only once a week to play with my Tonka Toys.

Wheelchair's political quiz

Answers to Last Week's Questions

1. Pierre Lapointe was kidnapped by the FLQ on October 10, and murdered October 17.
2. The four candidates who are running mates for US elections are: John Anderson and Patrick Lucey (Independant); James Carter and Walter Mondale (Democrat); Edward Clark and David Koeh (Libertarian); Ronald Reagan and George Bush (Republican).
3. The four main parties in the last Federal election were: Liberals (Pierre Trudeau); Progressive Conservatives (Joe Clark); New Democratic Party (Ed Broadbent); and Social Credit (Fabien Roy).
4. Margaret Thatcher leads the Conservative Party.
5. Hugh John Fleming is known because he was the Premier of New Brunswick before Louis J. Robichaud.

This Week's Questions

1. What important event happen October 28
2. The US election date and US Hostage taking have something in common. Name it.
3. How many Provincial ridings are there in New Brunswick? How many federal ridings are there in New Brunswick?
4. Who is Roch Lasalle?
5. Name the two Presidential candidates for the SRC.

Answers to be provided in this issue.

ANSWERS

1. The Federal Budget brought down October 28.
2. On November 4, 1979 the US Embassy was seized. So hopefully, November 4, 1980 the hostages will be alive and probably held captive for one year. Also on November 4, 1980 the US elections will take place.
3. There are 58 provincial ridings and 10 federal ridings in New Brunswick.
4. Roch Lasalle is the only MP from Quebec not to be a Liberal. He is a Progressive Conservative from Joliette.
5. Eugene Chown and Kevin Ratchiff.

Wallot to speak

One of Quebec's most renowned historians, Prof. Jean-Pierre Wallot of the Universite de Montreal, will speak at UNB Monday, at 8 p.m. in Room 139 of Carleton Hall.

Prof. Wallot will speak on "The Economy of Lower Canada", a subject on which he has engaged in heated controversy with other noted scholars. At issue are the origins and quality of 19th century French Canadian nationalism.

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Prof. Wallot has published more than twenty books and articles since the mid 1960's. The best know are *Un Quebec qui Bougeait: trame socio-politique au tournant du XIXe siecle* and *Patronage et Pouvoir au Bas-C Canada*. Little of his work is available in English, however, and his lecture will therefore be a unique opportunity for many listeners to appreciate his point of view.

A graduate of the Universite de Montreal, where he is now associate dean of arts and science, Prof. Wallot has also taught at the University of Toronto and Concordia. His visit is sponsored by the UNB History Club and supported by the Students' Representative Council.