

## MicMac Maliseet Courses Axed

by MARIBETH MACNUTT

Tim Thomas, executive coordinator of the Native Friendship Centre in Fredericton said Wednesday that despite STU's cancellation of this year's Mic Mac Maliseet language program, there is no lack of interest on the part of potential students.

There are no courses offered at UNB in either of the languages. Yet while STU lists MicMac and Maliseet in this year's calendar, they are not being taught.

Paul Morrissey, Director of Native Studies at STU said that the courses are not being offered because "this is a transitional year. However", he added,

"they will be available in 1987-88."

Mr. Thomas indicated that he offered to give the courses himself, "but the response from STU was that they could not provide the funds at this time."

"I am concerned not only about the future of the courses,

but of both languages", he emphasised. "The young people are interested, but they lose it when they move away from the reservations. And all kinds of people want to take the course, both native and non-native alike."

Mr. Thomas stressed that he

wanted the course taught for credit. "I will not teach it as a non-academic discipline. It has got to be an accredited course."

A recent Atlantic Insight article stated that of 30,000 MicMacs, only about 5000 speak the language regularly.

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## Respected Engineer Dies at 94

by MARIBETH MACNUTT

A. Foster Baird, a well known University of New Brunswick faculty member, died Friday September 12, at the age of 94.

Among numerous positions Dr. Baird had held were being the first Dean of applied science in 1927, and president of UNB in 1947-48.

Dr. Baird was influential in the establishment of CFNB, which was Fredericton's first radio station. Following the Second World War he was commanding officer of the naval training centre on campus.

In 1940 the university awarded Dr. Baird an honorary doctor of science degree. Upon retirement in 1951 he was made professor emeritus of engineering.

In 1982 the engineering

faculty library and reading rooms were named after himself and Earl O. Turner, another distinguished university professor. At the official library opening Dr. Baird said "Dr. Turner and I were primarily teachers."

He added that teaching was like passing a torch in a relay and said "who can tell what might happen in this reading room in years to come, what spark of knowledge might start a flame of progress?"

## "Only Foolhardy Experiment with Crack"

by MARK STEVENS

With the danger that "crack" may now be available on campus, Carol Green, the UNB Health Services Coordinator, stressed that students would be foolhardy to experiment with the drug.

"I hope that the students herewould be intelligent enough to realize the consequences", she said.

Yet even though drug abuse among high school and college students has been in decline since 1980, "crack" threatens to reverse this trend because it is cheap and easily available.

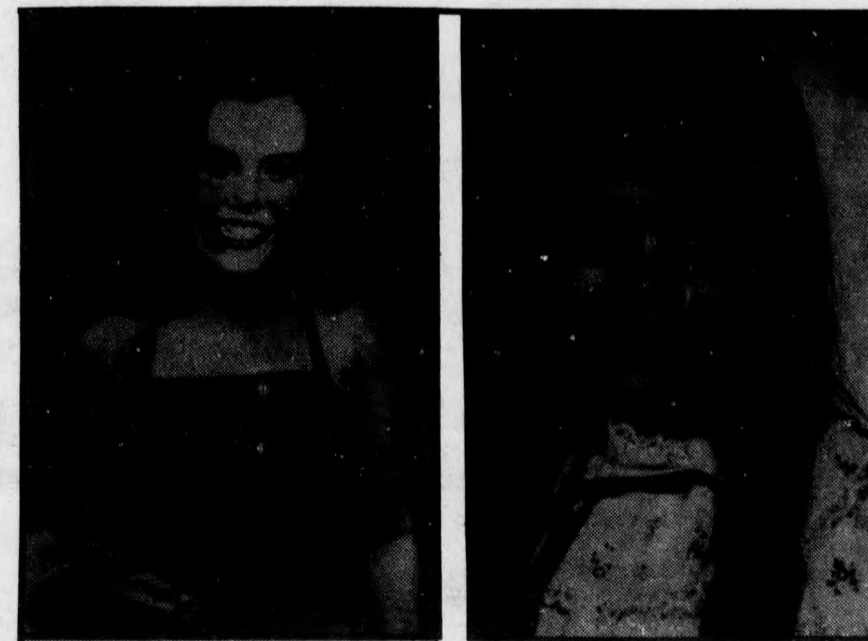
"On the streets of New York City, you can buy a little pebble of "crack" - enough for one or two highs - for five or seven dollars, said John S. Gustafson, deputy director of New York's Division of Substance Services. "What's really frightening is that price is well within the reach of many kids".

In the United States, the "crack" problem has reached epidemic proportions, particularly on the east and west coasts. Earlier this year an article appearing in the "Lancet", a British medical journal warned that "emergency rooms, mental health clinics and psychiatric hospitals will need to prepare for an un-

precedented influx of (crack) addicts."

So far the Maritimes have remained relatively unscathed. But following the much publicized "bust" during a

routine customs search on August 30, Fredericton Police Inspector Sheldon Geldart said that the department is very concerned and will monitor the situation.



## HAVE YOU SEEN THIS GIRL?

Her name is NICOLE MORIN weekly in The Brunswickan. and she has been missing since July 30, 1985 from Etobicoke, Ontario. We will be working in partnership with Earl Stapleton, of Childfind New Brunswick. The sketch (left) is a police artist's impression of NICOLE at the time of her disappearance. If you have any information concerning the whereabouts of NICOLE, please contact Earl at Childfind, 459-7520. This is the first in a series of photographs to be published