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Western Gazette Leading Paper

WINNIPEG—The *Western Gazette* of the University of Western Ontario has won the Southam Trophy for the fifth time.

The award was announced here during the 21st annual conference of Canadian University Press, held Dec. 29-31.

The Southam Trophy, presented to CUP in 1948, goes "to the English-language paper achieving highest general excellence among all papers publishing twice weekly or more."

Seven Beaten

Seven other papers, including *The Brunswickan*, competed for the trophy. The papers were judged on the basis of their first three issues after Nov. 5. The papers were not told which issues would count until after they appeared.

Other awards made during the convention included:

The Bracken Trophy, to *The McGill Daily*, for the best editorials among all CUP papers. Editors submitted their own selection of editorials in this competition.

The Jacques Bureau Trophy, to *The McMaster Silhouette*, for the best paper publishing less than twice weekly, and

Le Droit Trophy, to *Le Quartier Latin* of the University of Montreal, for the best French-language paper.

Dull Writing

In the competition for the Southam Trophy, *The Brunswickan* was praised for the amount of material carried in the very limited space available. However, the paper was guilty of dull writing, sloppy make-up, poor headlines, a lack of feature stories and reprinting, albeit with credit, an editorial from another paper.

The judgment was handed down by L. N. Smith, managing editor, *St. Catharines*, Ont., *Standard*; F. W. Doyle, managing editor, *Halifax*, N.S., *Chronicle-Herald*, and Hugh P. Buchanan, publisher, *Lethbridge*, Alta., *Herald*.

CUP To Test Full-time Prexy

WINNIPEG—The Canadian University Press is to experiment with a full-time president.

The organization, a loose federation of 22 student newspapers, made the move at its 21st annual conference here Dec. 29-31.

In the past, the president has been a full-time student and a part-time president. During the conference, a number of editors, particularly those of the bigger papers, said that the job was too demanding to be carried out well by a student. As a result, CUP's news services were suffering.

Despite the objections of many editors of smaller papers, the conference passed a motion calling for a trial run with a full-time head. The experiment will run from Sept. 1 to December 31 and will be reviewed at the next CUP convention, which is scheduled for Quebec City.

New President

The man chosen to fill the post of president for 1959 is Doug Parkinson, former editor of *The McMaster Silhouette*. He succeeds John Gray of the University of Toronto.

While most editors agree with the principle of having a full-time paid prexy, some were against taking the step because of the cost involved. As a compromise, the bigger papers, particularly *The McGill Daily* and *The Varsity* of the University of Toronto, offered a plan whereby the president would be financed on a voluntary basis for the trial period. No paper would lose CUP's services by not contributing beyond the present annual membership fee of \$20.

In addition, CUP, will in future have the free use of office facilities at the Ottawa headquarters of the National Federation of Canadian University Students. The accepted offer was made here by Mortimer Bistrisky, NFCUS president.

ROYAL LIFE SAVING

All students who are interested in a Royal Life Saving Instructional Course are requested to attend an organizational meeting to be held in the Trophy Room of the Gymnasium, Tuesday evening, January 13th, at 7:15.



By Dave Folster

The Campus Beat

THESE CHANGING TIMES: As well as being a day of recovery, stuffed turkey and unbroken resolutions, New Year's is also the occasion for football's annual Bowl games. On this date the gridiron game has a final romp before locking up for another season, as well as serving as a reminder to the fan of the heroics he has seen throughout the past season. If this is true, then New Year's Day must have brought to the UNB football fan, many fine memories, indeed.

Unfortunately, it may also have brought to mind the thoroughly confusing situation which arose at the end of the regular season's play. This, of course, was the chaos which was climaxed by the disastrous meeting of the N.B. representatives, the Saint John Wanderers, and the Nova Scotia champs, the X-men of St. Francis Xavier. It was regrettable, disappointing and simple bad publicity that such an ending should be written to an otherwise very successful New Brunswick Football League and Intercollegiate League season. How did it occur? Well, as they say on television, it happened this way:

Were Definite From Start

Long before the season began, UNB authorities announced that they were definitely not interested in a post-schedule playoff for the New Brunswick Football League title. Thus, there should not have been any question about the Red Bombers playing for Maritime intermediate honors. Over in Sackville, however, the people of the institution which rests in that village (I don't recall the name), took a different and somewhat bewildering stand: If their magnificent Mounties defeated the dastardly Red Bombers in the final meeting of the two teams, then they would be proud to represent our fair province. If, by any chance, however, Lady Fortune were to deal their Garnet and Gold warriors a foul blow, and the UNB'ers did drop their team, then they would call it a season. Of course, that wouldn't happen, and the Mounties were told to pack their bags for the trip to Antigonish.

We all know what transpired on that glorious, sun-splashed afternoon in November. On that shining date, our heroes, many playing the finest game of their brief careers, rose to defeat, those self-delegated titans of N.B. football. This naturally led to the chaos that followed, since now, neither of the top two teams in the league was interested in going any further. Consequently, the third-best team in the N.B. league, a team which hadn't played any football for a full three weeks, was called upon to vie with St. FX for the Maritime title.

Why Did U.N.B. Say 'No'?

Why did UNB not wish to pursue the intermediate title? The reasons are simple: We are trying to promote the college brand of ball and the college league, NOT intermediate football. We simply play teams like Moncton and Saint John for the sake of giving these squads competition and games with another twelve besides themselves.

Here in the Maritimes the foundation already exists for a very fine Intercollegiate Football League. This framework is the loop inaugurated this past year with teams from Acadia, St. Dunstan's, St. Thomas, St. Mary's and the squad from Sackville, as well as ourselves. The greatness of this loop rests, however, on universities such as Dalhousie and St. Francis Xavier. Their introduction to this league would be the beginning of what someday could become one of Canada's great football leagues. Until they join, football in the Maritimes can not reach its potential. Unfortunately, at the present time, the football authorities at these colleges prefer to look back at the financial success of the intermediate league they now play in, rather than ahead to the possible greatness of the proposed college loop. They apparently cannot see that college games produce even keener rivalries and, if you want, bigger gates than such as exist, for example, between St. FX and Shearwater.

A Vision of the Future

Football, in the Maritimes has come a long way in the last five years, but its best years undoubtedly lie in the future. Someday, the Tigers of Dalhousie and the X-men of St. Francis Xavier WILL become part of the college league. Someday fans will crowd into Halifax on a late November week-end to watch the final to a tremendous football season. (Halifax will have been chosen because of its somewhat warmer climate.) In the morning they will watch a gala parade, then in the afternoon they will file into perhaps a re-built Wanderers' Grounds to watch that annual Maritime football classic, the Lobster Bowl, a play-off between the two top college teams in the Maritimes.

Before this day arrives, however, the two afore-mentioned teams must comply with the rules of the Maritime Intercollegiate Football League. Dalhousie, for instance, must no longer allow players of over four years college competition, such as their five- and six-year medical school veterans, to play. St. FX must drop from their squad all players carrying more than one conditional course.

When this day finally comes, Maritime universities will have a start toward achieving football maturity.

UNB Should Pay Top SRC Officials

The work load of the top officials on UNB's Students' Representative Council has increased markedly in the past few years. And with the prospect of a fast expanding enrolment during at least the next decade, the students shall require even more time and talent for those individuals willing to shoulder the responsibility of office.

There is no question about it. A student has to sacrifice something, time from either his studies or social life, if he accepts any of a number of key positions.

Yet UNB remains one of the few major Canadian universities where the students' president receives no pay for his services. The secretary also, in effect, works out of the goodness of her heart.

True, the students have seen fit to reward their treasurer. He receives the princely sum of \$50. But after all, he is responsible for administering a budget of about \$25,000.

How long can we expect these three key offices to attract self-sacrificing people of ability?

How long before the jobs become mere stepping-stones for place-seekers whose only distinguishing characteristic is a lust for power?

Some students see a day in the near future when their council will have to pay for a permanent secretary-treasurer. At Dalhousie University — with an enrolment about the same as UNB's — the step has already been taken.

According to Ron Manzer, president of the SRC, UNB does not yet need a permanent secretary-treasurer, though establishment of such a position would give student affairs a continuity they now lack.

Probably the major reason we do not require a permanent official is that our student officials are doing their work unusually well.

As a means of promoting continued good government, *The Brunswickan* suggests that the council vote to reward its president with an annual grant equal to the cost of his tuition. In addition, a smaller, but generous, stipend should be set aside for the secretary, and the grant to the treasurer should be increased.

These sums would not be great enough to make the positions professional, and this is a good thing, for SRC officials should never forget that their first obligation is to their studies.

But even if their grants do not meet the standards of the provincial minimum wage law, they would be an indication that the students of UNB are willing to recognize and reward financially those people who do so much on their behalf.

Furthermore, as more practical of our readers will quickly realize, the grants would give the students a measure of control over their chief representatives. By not voting to supply the required funds until the end of the school year, the council would be in a strong position to demand that the services of the three top officials be up to par.

DRAMA - CARNIVAL CLASH

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produced on the campus, before the festival held in Saint John from March 10 to 14.

Accepted For Festival

Since there is to be no preliminary adjudication, the 'moon hit' also has been accepted for the

festival. "A View From The Bridge" will not be shown until March.

Originally the latter was to be played at the end of this month. This will allow for more time to work on the play, and also enable a fresh presentation in Saint John.

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