

UNB Referendum

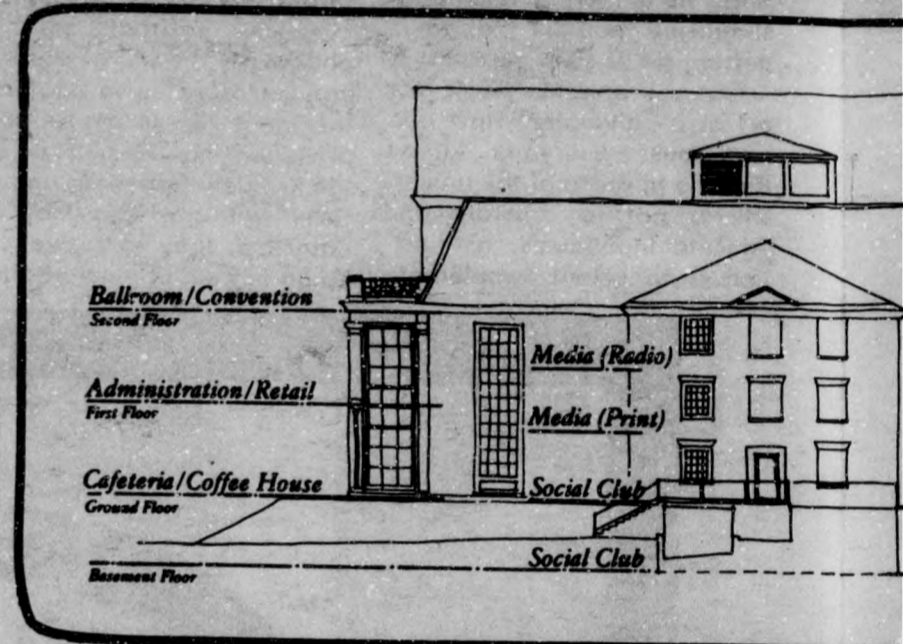
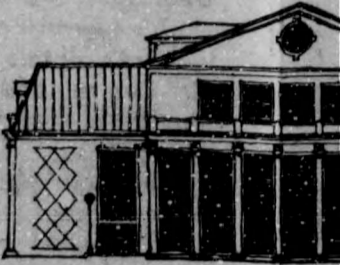
The uniqueness of the Student Union Building lies in the fact that the initial cost of 2 million dollars for constructing the SUB was shared between the Students of the University of New Brunswick, St. Thomas University and the former Teachers' College and a matching contribution of one half the cost was paid by the University of New Brunswick.

This year (1981), the students' half of the construction cost will be paid off, which means that the \$15 per student paid as part of the student fees from both UNB and STU will no longer be needed for this purpose.

The Student Union Building, as it presently stands, was opened in 1969. The need to examine the SUB has been a recurring process since this date and is a natural result of the evolution of the campus. The dynamics of an academic body, fluctuations in student population, and the change in student needs have applied constant pressure on the Student Union Building facilities.

This situation has resulted in the SUB Board of Directors looking again at the possibility of renovation. The SUB Board of Directors retained an architectural firm to examine a deteriorating decor,

unsatisfactory layout and spatial organization, some security problems with the later hours of some student facilities, and to propose corrective measures. Following this request the consultants then compiled program infor-



BALLROOM CONVENTION LEVEL

The Ballroom space on the second floor is to be increased in area by removal of the stage function as a fixed unit and opting for portable stage facilities. The reception function will then occupy the resulting space as and when required. Should the reception area not be required on occasion the space will serve as an expanded Ballroom area. Access to the Ballroom/Reception area will be directly related to the Foyer and the stairwells. The existing Meeting Room (203) will be subdivided by folding partitions to provide new meeting rooms to offer the option of large or smaller facilities. In addition Room 208, more commonly known as the "Woodshed", will

become the new Council Chambers for both UNB and STU.

ADMINISTRATION LEVEL

Student Administration Offices

Both improved access by the student body, and increased space are the two main objectives for the renovation and reorganization of the Student Administration Offices. Relocating these facilities to the First Floor directly opposite the South Entry would provide an ideal location for information, yearbook and ticket sales, etc. The need for meeting space within the office area would be met by utilizing one of the existing rooms. The perimeter wall would provide natural light for the office areas. Implicit in the design of these areas

and for the First Floor in general would be the retention of as many existing partitions as practicable.

Retail Space

The retail services are to be consolidated into one general area with a shared sense of purpose (i.e. arcade, shopping village, etc.). Pedestrian access is fundamental to these spaces and it is proposed that they be located on the northwest side of a main traffic corridor dissecting the Main Building from the South Entry to the lounge area. An arterial corridor on the North Wing will service shops on both sides.

