

# Closure Tentative; May Work Out Well Claims Dean Bailey

## KENNEDY ALSO PULITZER-PRIZE WINNING AUTHOR

The story circulating the campus that the library stacks would be closed to students in the evenings was confirmed by Doctor Bailey, Dean of Arts. In an interview with Doctor Bailey on Friday afternoon, it was revealed that this step on the part of the university authorities came as a measure to cut down the ever increasing amount of book thefts in the library. Dr. Bailey also pointed out that this preventive measure was merely a temporary one, and various systems would be tried in an effort to remedy the situation.

The question of the closing of the university library stacks was also raised at the last SRC meeting, and acting president Bill Ray said that he would ap-

proach President Mackay on behalf of the SRC. President Mackay gave the same reason as Doctor Bailey for the early closing of the stacks. Doctor Mackay also pointed out that the University of New Brunswick was the only university in Canada that still used the system of open stacks. The Brunswickan was given to understand that the SRC and the university authorities were still attempting a system satisfactory to both parties.

In the interview with Doctor Bailey, it was pointed out to the Brunswickan that a number of systems used in other libraries would be tried at the University of New Brunswick. The first of these is to be a system of stack runners. This is a very popular

system and employed in many other Canadian universities. It was pointed out that this would be done in the nature of an experiment, and that such a system would not necessarily be permanent.

The exact number of books missing was not disclosed since as was pointed out, a search for the books takes a considerable amount of time. Doctor Bailey also pointed out that a search for the books would be expensive to the university, since additional library personnel would have to be engaged. The unfortunate part of the book thefts is also that some of the books may have been old editions that are difficult to replace, and in

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FREDERICTON—A Pulitzer-Prize winner author and hero of the Second World War arrived in Fredericton Monday to accept an honorary degree from New Brunswick's provincial university.

The Honourable John F. Kennedy, United States Senator from Massachusetts, who receives the Doctor of Laws degree at the University of New Brunswick's Convocation here Tuesday, received the coveted award for his book *Profiles in Courage* — the "outstanding work in the field of biography" in 1956.

The book, which has been on the best-seller list for over a year, was written during Senator Kennedy's prolonged convalescence following an operation in 1954, and it deals with the courage of elected government representatives who pit their own best judgement against the wishes of their own colleagues, their constituents, or the weight of public opinion.

*Profiles in Courage* received high commendation from a wide variety of reviewers, and also received the Notable Book Award of the American Library Association, the Christopher Book Award for 1956, the Book Award of the Secondary Education Board, and other literary honours.

Of the book, one prominent critic said: "In these days, any study of political independence and courage is to be welcomed. But that a United States Senator, a young man of independent means with a gallant and thoughtful background, should have produced this study is as remarkable as it is helpful. It is a splendid flag that Senator Kennedy has nailed to his mast. May he keep it there."

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