

No clear proposal

The variety store in the Student Union Building will not be run by students hands until, at least, the 1985-86 school year, when the one-year provisional lease granted by the Administration runs out. This has varying ramifications for the students of UNB.

The decision whether or not to renew the lease on the store, and as well the other businesses in the SUB, should have been in the hands of the SUB Board of Directors. The SUB Board has nine students among its eleven members, a good indication of democracy, seeing that students ostensibly are to be allowed to run their own building, an edifice they paid one-half a million dollars for in 1969. The truth is however, that the Board of Governors can, and did, override the powers of the SUB Board. In a press release dated March 23, 1984, the BOG, citing "an acknowledged crisis in the workings of the SUB Board," decided to renew all the leases on SUB businesses for a one-year term. Said renewed leases will expire on July 31, 1985.

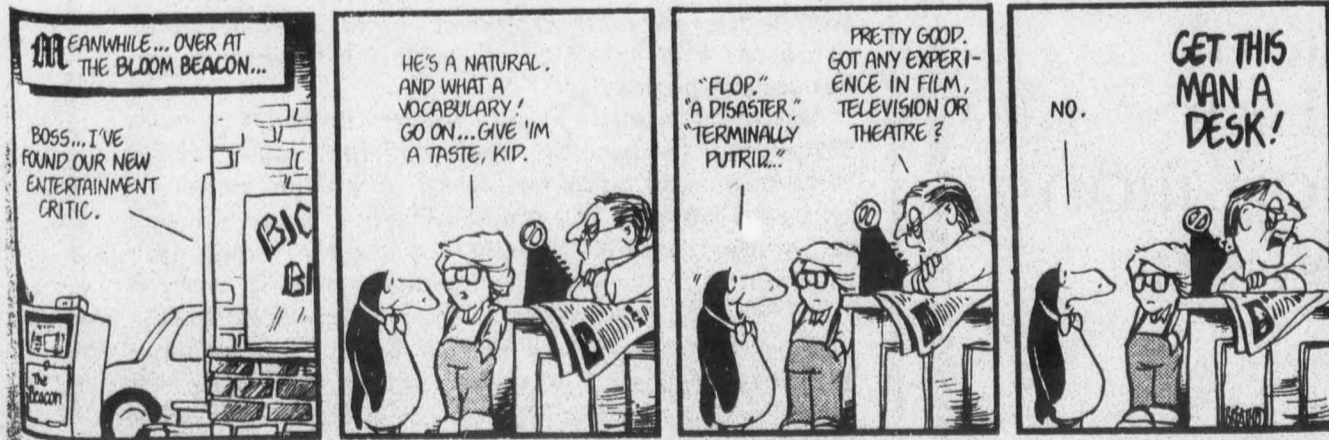
To be sure, there were legitimate concerns as to whether a student-run variety store could work. The people of Campus Services Limited attempted to show they could handle a large staff by adding extra shifts and employees at the Copy Centre/Book Exchange. They have a manager and six employees. The employees share fifteen work shifts and great frustration when they do not get paid on time, a distressingly frequent occurrence. If CSL wants to run something like the Smoke Shoppe, with a large inventory, seventy-six hours of operation per week (vs. thirty-two and a half at the Copy Centre, and a larger staff, they must prove they can handle something as basic to business as paying its staff for the hours they work.

Perhaps the biggest mistake John Bosnitch and CSL made was in not submitting a clear proposal for the store's operation to the SUB Board. All the board received were assurances that Student Unions all across the country were running similar enterprises and the above-mentioned attempts to prove their managerial worth. A lease cannot be granted on thin air alone.

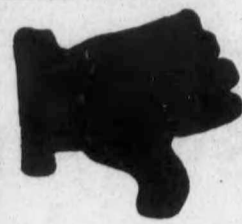
However, the Board of Governors should have confidence in the SUB Board. There are nine responsible students on that board who do not deserve to be slapped with such a questioning of their integrity.

With some realistic planning and steps made to gain the Board of Governors' confidence, we can someday have "Students Serving Students" in a SUB variety store boasting reduced prices.

That will be the day.



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mugwump journal

By DAVID MAZEROLLE

I'm the new Editor-in-chief of this rag, the only paper which asks the question, Will John Bosnitch and the Administration ever fall in love and find true happiness? I will alternate weeks of filling this column, known inelegantly as the Mugwump Journal, with the new Managing Editor, Timothy Lethbridge.

A mugwump, so I'm told, is a "fence-sitter," and we will endeavour to objectively write on that which concerns, amuses or irritates us. **Caveat emptor**, however: my journalistic mentor is the Doctor of Gonzo Journalism himself, Hunter S. Thompson.

Let me tell you some more about myself. I'm a third year Arts student, working toward an English degree. (If ya don't teach, whattaya gonna do with it?) My career ambitions lie in the direction of journalism. My politics lie left of centre. My Bonnie lies over the ocean. My hair is by Craig, "the best who's not in the business." My tailoring is by Sally Ann in association with Zeller's.

We've lined up some new editors and staff for the coming year. Besides wunderkind Tim Lethbridge (former SRC Vice-President and Chairman, former Senator, member of the Administrative Board of the Student Union) as Managing Editor, we've collected a number of faces, some fresh to the **Brun**s some jaded, but still to simple to be totally cynical.

New on the scene is Calum Johnston as News Editor, a raw recruit with guts, tenacity, a nose for big stories, and a large Cerebus the Aardvark Comics collection.

Bill Traer, alias Nick the Greek, returns for another triumphant year as Sports Editor. Nick at the helm will, as always, ensure a section of consistent quality in coverage of all major sporting events affecting UNB people.

Political Perspectives author, the diminutive dynamo of the UNB Rugby club, Richard Hutchins, will become Features Editor. Expect lots of "Rugby Pictorials" from this man.

David Hayward moves to the Offset room as, guess what, Offset Editor and Dwayne MacLaughlin (Leatherman) will be our new Business Manager.

Lisa Burke, late of the Yearbook, takes over as Photo Editor. Lots of luck is wished Lisa's way because of the time-consuming nature of her post.

This leaves the position of Entertainment Editor open. The line forms on the left... Anyone out there interested in movies, theatre, music and/or the fine arts is invited, nay beseeched, to apply. The pay's no good but the friends are free.

I will leave you with this, the last Mugwump of the 1983-84 school year, with dissension at the Yearbook, including an ever-expanding list of photo editors, and a boomerang of a co-editor (she just keeps coming back). I will leave you with an increase in the liquor service charge from 8 to 18%. I will leave you with a SUB convenience store that charges .60 cents for Campbell's vegetable, a store that was from student's hands "untimely ripp'd" Join us in the fall, won't you? It's informative provocative, it's read by nearly 7000 people a week...it's the **BRUNSWICKAN**.

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