

A Proposal

Every Spring at UNB a significant percentage of the Freshmen who arrived nine months before are notified that they have failed their year. Many fail because they can't adjust quickly enough to the new teaching conditions and new responsibilities at the university. They feel lost and confused in the huge lecture classes. The tutorial system in use in the big departments — English, Math, History, Physics — does not prevent high failure rates.

Many seniors have at one time or another been asked to act as or suggest private tutors for Freshmen. Organized on this basis, private tutoring is going on now, sometimes at high rates.

The SRC should organize small voluntary tutorial classes in freshman subjects, taught by qualified seniors or grad students and supervised by a joint student faculty committee. Freshmen would pay a fee for each class attended directly to the student tutor.

Senior students applying for these "tutorships" would be selected by the joint student-faculty committee. The job would give them extra money from the fees charged, teaching experience, and a helpful review of the basics in their own subjects.

Freshmen would benefit from receiving extra help (albeit unskilled) from fellow students who are themselves fresh from the mills and retain a student attitude towards examinations. The student tutors might lack "breadth of vision" and "wide scholarship", but they would know enough to get the frosh through the exams — the first duty of a successful student.

Because frosh would pay for each class, poor tutors would rapidly lose their students and go out of business. No one would be committed to expensive lectures. Successful tutors might be permitted to raise their fees.

The plan would offer instruction to frosh which was more widely available, cheaper, more organized and possibly even better than the present haphazard system.

N. J. A.

To Solve A Problem

In the 1965-66 council executive recommendations to the incoming council, past president Ken Carty came out with thirty-five proposals covering everything from students rights to athletics.

Buried in this maze of recommendations was a reference to student housing. Mr. Carty and his outgoing executive echoed our opinion on the housing problem as they strongly encouraged the 66-67 Council to take immediate action in looking into it.

Campus politics have been in a limbo over the past month as Carnival festivities and Council elections and changeover have resulted in very little new business being brought to Council.

On Sunday evening the new Council officially took office and we feel that one of the first things that should be on their minds is a thorough investigation into the housing situation in Fredericton, present and future.

We may appear to have been labouring the subject over the past few weeks but we feel that we have been doing just the opposite — future student housing is a subject that requires even more publicity.

There are going to be ten thousand students on this campus in five years.

The population of Fredericton today is just over twenty thousand persons while there are roughly three thousand bed searchers.

We know that the student population is going to more than double — naturally we can assume that the population of Fredericton will not double in five years.

As it is now the city is having a problem handling the present student population.

The problem is obvious and it is up to us to do some solving.
R. R. B.

Brunswickan

The Brunswickan is the UNB student newspaper, and is paid for by the students of the University in Fredericton. It is read, however, by students of Teachers College and St. Thomas as well, who steal it from our stands as they go to classes. The SRC pays for it, but they don't mind. Meanwhile, we grind this thing out every week, just for laughs.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

His Pet Peeve

I would like to use your column to comment on what seems to be one of the biggest hoaxes ever pulled at UNB, namely Radio UNB.

When Radio UNB was first proposed a few years back it was going to provide good music and other good programming to provide a rest from the programming then offered by Radio Atlantic. On the basis of this proposed programming, considerable quantities of equipment have been obtained as gifts and with the students' money.

Now, what type of programming do we get? Most of it seems to be the loudest, trashiest music on the hit parade, or even what probably wasn't good enough to make the grade. It seems that any time, day or night, turning on the speaker brings in only noise.

This music (using the term loosely) is suited to adolescents and pre-teens, not to persons who will soon be assuming positions of responsibility and who will be setting the tastes for the next generation.

It is no wonder there is an 'animal' complex about so many UNB students — there is no influence available, only the incessant din of low-quality noise.

Thank you for the space to air my pet peeve.
Yours truly,
Ian L. McQueen

More Thank Yous

Editor:
On behalf of the U.N.B.-S.T.U. Winter Carnival Committee, I would like to ex-

press our sincere appreciation for the assistance we received from you and your staff. Your support was most encouraging and contributed greatly to the success of this years Carnival.

Stan Rust
Publicity Chairman
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Winter Carnival

WHA?

Editor:

SEPA, which is altogether too ambitious in its aims, will probably fail miserably in making any converts from the Union for the Apathetic Promotion of Energetic Societies (U-APES), which at present claims the largest non-active membership of any non-organization on campus.

A spokesman for the group was heard to complain: "They should do something." The remark was reminiscent of his stand on another recent issue: "Why didn't the society I belong to do something?"

However, it would be encouraging to see a new group such as SEPA succeed in promoting more actively an ideal which has already gained widespread verbal approval. But I doubt that anything will come of it. You know how apathetic students are.

Member of U-APES

P. S. It is U-APES policy not to sign letters.

Former Devil Stars

Sports Editor:

Thought you might be interested in knowing that one of your former hockey stars is currently playing at our school.

Darrell LeBlanc, right wing-er de luxe, is second on the

club and in the WCIAA in goal scoring with a seasons total of 9 in eight conference games.

Darrell is a member of the top line on the team; a line that counted 21 scoring points in one game against the University of Alberta (Calgary) Dinosaurs.

The Moncton native has been an integral part of the Golden Bears' success to date. The team has won 7 of 8 contests and will almost assuredly represent the West in the national championships at Sudbury.

LeBlanc has been used on the power play, taken a regular turn and occasionally kills off penalties.

Darrell, a graduate student, is a hard worker and has contributed greatly to team morale.

Richard Vivone
Gateway Sports Staff

Wong For a Tyme

Editor:

I would likete know which time zone UNB happens to fall under, and in particular the variations within its boundaries.

Who needs the fourth dimension? On this campus one can turn back time just by walking from the Student Centre to the Bookstore!

Why can't time be the same?

Tyme Wong
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