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## Your Editor Speaks . . .

### LET'S DANCE

Lets have a dance! Now, that's a reasonable request. Or is it? Can we, as students of the University of New Brunswick sensibly ask for a dance. I would suggest that we can not — and for this reason; We can't organize one. This failure to organize is not entirely our fault, in that there are no adequate facilities available. However, the absence of facilities has been common knowledge for some time. Nothing has been done about it in the past, and conceivably nothing will be done about it in the future if we continue to ignore it. Now, I am not suggesting that dances be forced on the students; nor do I imply that the responsibility for these affairs be foisted on unwilling students. I am merely stating there is a definite need for activity of this kind at UNB.

Everyone knows that the university has the usual brace of extra-curricular organizations. These are commendable in as far as they go. But the mere fact is that some students are just not interested in societies; its unfortunate but true. As lamentable as it may be, the university has no right to ignore this interest bloc. Nor has it a right to disregard those students who work hard in societies and naturally look for a little relaxation. Attending the movies week after week can become rather burdensome.

Periodically the cry for dances is raised. In most cases, the cry, once invoked, dies. An inquiry into the merits of holding dances on the campus would seem to be pertinent at this time. First, as to facilities. Admittedly, they are of not the best, but they can be had. For example, Memorial Hall. The building is old; its interior is rough and forboding, (possibly influenced by the Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings). But it is a floor and it has a roof. Surely what more qualification can be necessary. Beggars can't be choosers, to quote a much over-used axiom.

Until such time as someone sees fit to provide us with suitable conditions, let's make use of what we have. In other words, show the authorities that a need does exist, and steps may be made to remedy the situation. In addition, Memorial Hall, or any other recreational housing available can be made attractive with a little work.

Perhaps you say that these rooms would be too small; that the turnout would exceed available space. What with the interest shown in this sort of enterprise, I somehow doubt that such a statement can truthfully be made.

Now cost. Cost could be borne in a variety of ways. To begin with, the student could pay to get in. After all, your student pass can't possibly accrue here. There was no thought of dances when they were sold this year. Secondly, the Students council could finance them. Whether this is, or is not, feasible can only be learned from the Treasurer. The dances could be managed by the various societies on the campus, in turn. It would turn out that each club would have to do it but once a year.

The Students Council should be strongly urged to shoulder the direction of a plan like this. In adopting it, they would serve two important functions. The council would be providing the student with something that is painfully absent and they would be bringing the work of the SRC within the grasp of a great portion of our students. In doing so, the work of student government would be simply and decisively illustrated.

You are always welcome at the

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SAINT JOHN — AND — FREDERICTON

## Letters to the Editor

The Editor  
The Brunswickan  
U.N.B.

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Winter Carnival, I would like to take issue with the writer of the column, "In My Opinion" on a few points pertaining to the Winter Carnival Organization.

Primarily, the Carnival Committee has been set up and operating for a year as a campus organization under its own constitution and budget. Last year's committee is still intact with the exception of a few vacancies which have already been filled. It is for this reason that the student body has not been advised. All members of the committee have been awake for some time as the structure of our organization was finalized last year.

Secondly, we are still in the planning stage as the Carnival is a little more than three months away. In order to have any organization at all one cannot have an efficient committee operate with more than fifteen members. Thus further student aid has not been solicited as yet. However, and we do wish to give her credit for trying to arouse a lacking student interest, there will be ample time for those who wish to help in the carnival to do so, I am certain that publicity for the carnival will not lack, but is it not too early to advertise for an event taking place next February?

Last year's experience has shown that only a few willing individuals are prepared to work on such a project, and thus to date only a few have been advised. However, please do not think that we do not want help this year. In fact we want all we can get, but let's give the executive committee time to plan for the event and see how many people are needed. Everybody interested please watch the "Brunswickan" for further announcements and keep in contact with your faculty society.

In conclusion we would like to advise your writer that in future she confine her remarks to those things she knows something about.

Yours sincerely,  
William Ray,  
Chairman, UNB Winter Carnival.

## Story Misleading

The Editor,  
The Brunswickan,  
University of New Brunswick.  
Dear Sir:

I feel that your report on the NFCUS insurance scheme in the last issue is most misleading insofar as it deals with the merits of term insurance. You state that underwriters seldom recommend term insurance for college students and then go on to say that they suggest it primarily for someone who may be subject to heavy debts for a limited period of time (such as a partner). But it seems to me that a more appropriate example of the latter is a college student who is borrowing money to make possible his college education. This is clearly the period during which he is least able to afford money for insurance premiums but he ought to have sufficient insurance to cover his debts in case of death and thus protect his parents or guardians. Since term insurance is the cheapest form of insurance it would seem to be the logical choice. It is true that a straight life or annuity policy taken out after graduation will have a higher annual premium than the same policy taken out on entering college. But by this time the student will presumably have a full time job and the relative burden of the premium will be

much less than during his college years in spite of its larger absolute size. And, of course, a higher annual premium does not mean more expensive insurance since the premiums will be paid for fewer years.

No doubt underwriters seldom recommend term insurance for college students. In fact, they very seldom recommend it for anyone. Insurance agents normally derive their sole income from a commission on the premiums of policies they sell. Consequently, the lower the premium the less the commission to the agent. The companies further discourage the sale of term insurance by granting the agent a lower rate of commission on term premiums than on those from the more expensive policies. There are some cynical people who suggest that there is some connection between the type of insurance recommended by the agents and the commissions they receive.

I am not, of course, expressing any opinions about the merits of the NFCUS plan itself.

Yours sincerely,  
Edward D. Maher.

## Football Song

Parlez-Vous  
Oh here's a team from Sackville Town  
UNB  
Oh here's a team from Sackville Town  
UNB  
Oh here's a team from Sackville Town  
UNB  
And this is the day we'll haul them  
down  
Rinky Dinky U.N.B.

UNB will be hard to beat,  
The garnet and the gold will have to  
retreat.

We're going to roll up a mighty score  
The same as we did before the war.

Old Mt. A. will be easy meat  
We'll rush them bloody well off their  
feet.

Old Mt. A. will leave in tears,  
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