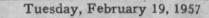
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The Rest Is Ou

In a small University town students often fall into a rut; too often ideas are repetitive and thought tends to become channeled and stale. Earlier this week the students had an opportunity to see professional theatre. The Canadian Players gave perform-ances of Hamlet and Peer Gynt in the High School Auditorium. These were not only entertaining in themselves, they provided intellectual stimulation. A stimulation which we sometimes tend to avoid; and in doing so dismiss one of the obligations of University students both to themselves and to the community. It is this stimulation, the opportunity to derive new ideas, that we must not ilarily, I felt that your remarks a brief discussion of its salient they meet. I don't wish to deslose

The Canadian Players are on a theatrical mission. In the variaby run amuck" required exactly, U.N.B. gets for its \$500. detail. Let me just say that we Maritimes they are introducing many people to the professional substantiation, while I thought theatre. By doing this they are opening the eyes of many to some- it rather inaccurate to see "a thing new, something that few people realised existed. The Players strong, active and imaginative have given the Maritimes an opportunity to appreciate theatre.

What, then, should be the result of this? We, as University way for a university to benefit students, must try to continue the movement that has been started from NFCUS. I still, incidentally, by the Canadian Players. Surely we must try to understand the am unable to see the relevance of awareness of a stage performance; the personal contact between the actors and the audience; the ability to share in the emotional referendum that "apparently it crises of characters who have been built around our own personalities. These are the aspects of the theatre which we must try to share

We should continue to further the ideologies of the Canadian Players, and to try to introduce Canadian theatre to Canada. This week's performances have opened the eyes and hearts of many people, we should not allow them to ciose again. let us not wait until the Players come to Fredericton again, in a year's time. It is up to us to bring the theatre to the Maritimes, we must follow their lead.

Their visit can do all who went to see them a great deal of good. We must not forget the example they have set us. The Maritimes will accept theatre if they are given the opportunity. The Canadian Players cannot complete the task, that is up to us. S.F.J.F.

Letter to the Editor

Editor's Note: It is not the policy of the Brunswickan to publish of tuition fees. long letters. We make an exception with the following letter, because we feel that it answers some pertinent questions about NFCUS.

Mr.. J. Barry Toole, Editor in Chief, The Brunswickan, University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, N.B. Dear Mr. Editor,

issue of the 1st of February. I am pleased to accept your apology, but would prefer to excuse you from what you are pleased to call "this enterprise" on the grounds that my original comment was not seriously meant. I may add, however, that all I meant to imply was that non-monetary compensations of

NFCUS. It was precisely my point that your remarks on the NFCUS Local Committee' as the ONLY your comment of a successful didn't work".

I fully recognize, of course, the great importance of a strong U.N.B. Committee and I readily admit that I am in no position to judge the local situation. I am only-perhaps to labour the point-concerned to point out that to call for competent local Committee is one thing; but that to throw in gratuitous and derogatory remarks about the national organisation is quite another. If, too, the students of U.N.B. are unaware of the existance of NFCUS, then the fault is neither yours nor mine. You were kind enough to publish my long reply to your article on the the NFCUS Life Plan; there has been this exchange of letters; and there was I am sure very good reason why you could not publish the travel material I sent scheme: The Conference agreed guarantee a place on the tour. you last year, the press release also to continue with this scheme on the Christmas meeting of the National Executive and my recent letter on travel.

that the importance of the Natheir cost most certainly can!

The last National Conference 4. Travel: I am sure from your National budget had no relevance Canadian students. I don't pro-

practice. It is unnecessary to

opening the debate, Mr. A. H. Students for the untiring work they have done in this regard, and I would think that the work life in Scotland. in which they have persevered If there be any student at the bear fruit". (Hansard, Vol. 100,

year at any one of the appropriate universities without payment

3. Seminar: In addition to deciding to alter its own character

in order to spend more time on seminar discussion, the Confertional Conference (and here pre- ence expressed a keen desire sumably we may include the greatly to increase week-end ex-Atlantic Regional Conference changes and seminars. This is, of which is being held shortly) and course, a costly ambition and the of International representation is initial arrangements have been Thank you for your letter common ground between us and made for the approach to a numwhich I have just seen in your requires, therefore, little further ber of Foundations. The success discussion. I would, however, or otherwise of the approach is remark that the returns are as sti., unknown. If, however, it tangible as anything in the aca- does fail it will not be from lack demic community should be and of effort or energy; if it succeeds that if they themselves cannot the results will again benefit the be measured in dollars and cents students of U.N.B. as much as the students elsewhere.

was the first I had attended. I editorials that you are second to (almost) any graduate in the pre- thought the spirit which informed none in your appreciation for sent Canadian empoyment situ- it wholly excellent and I am told the need to promote amicable ation could earn more in public by others more experienced than and extensive international relaor private enterprise than working spirit of its predecessor it was tions. In addition to its formal for NFCUS. It is obvious that myself that compared with the programme of representation until now I have preferred the unbelieivable. At all events there abroad the NFCUS, through its emerged from the Conference a Travel Department, attempts to rational and well-ordered pro- arrange for a large number of gram which, when realised, will Canadian students to travel redound to the benefit of all widely, but cheaply, and in a way which will at one and the same to the main burden of your argu- pose to describe this program in time enable them to learn much ment, and this was one of the full detail-I have already pre- of the countries they visit and to reasons for which I thought you vailed too much on your space convey something of their own guilty of loose thinking. Sim- and your reader's patience-but country to the foreign students on "minor activities which in- features will, I think, show what, cribe this year's programme in 1. Scholarship campaign: In have for example arranged a tour making this project the top which will last for 64 days in priority the conference was in Europe and which will cost a this at least continuing previous mere \$840.00. This will include the cost of trans-Atlantic air recry (again!) the existing situ- travel and all accommodation, ation or to chronicle past effort. food, and entertainment in Suffice it to say that the effort Europe. The tour will have two is still being made and to report unique features which are of a that as recently as the 24th of special value to student travellers. January a full day debate was It will include a visit to Berlin staged in the House of Commons and discussions there with East on this subject and partly at least and West German students. It on the instigation of NFCUS. In will also include a stay in the West of Scotland as guests of the Hollingworth (York-Centre) had Students' Representative Council this to say; "I should like also of The University of Glasgow; to compliment the National Fed- the latter feature will enable eration of Canadian University Canadian students to learn a great deal of student government and other aspects of university

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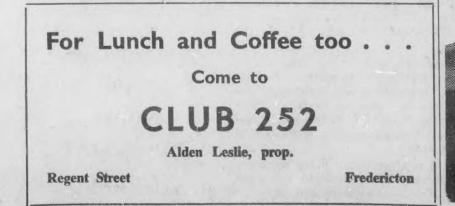
Active Participation

For the first time in a decade the Brunswickan is publishing party platforms. This is a direct result of the regrowth of political parties on the campus. The work of a few students has resulted in an amazing increase in number of students who find themselves willing to commit themselves to one political party before they leave University.

Although the numbers show a great increase over past years they are still not very large when compared with those in universities of similar sizes throughout the country. Too many people seem to be afraid to commit themselves while undergraduates. This is a phenomenon which seems peculiar to our country. In many countries of the world students have an influence over the government, in most the youth has a very important part in the formulation of policies. This does not happen in Canada; and it can be attributed to the fact that active political participation in Universities is low.

On Friday the elections to the Model Parliament, which is scheduled for March 1st and 2nd, are to take place. As yet the party organizations are small, there is still room for more students in each of the parties. Now is the time to learn what happens in an election and how a party is run. This is a perfect opportunity to take an active interest in politics. It is almost essential in a democratic country that we do take an active part, there are few better places to learn than the university. Now we have the opporuntity, there can be few excuses for not taking it.

S.F.J.F.



This said, there still remains the question of what exactly the students of U.N.B. get from the membership of NFUS. I gather



Canadian universities.

Interregionai , Scholarship 2 and directed the National Executive to make a critical ex- if we seem to be at cross pur-

Even as it is, however, it offers of Students by the promotion of though the deadline is quickly international conferences, and in fied may spend the next academic

IS HUI No. 13, page 598). It is obvious his money's worth from NFCUS that the fruit will be as much and who thinks that this might available to the students of be one way of making good his U.N.B.as to the students of other loss then, provided he writes to me within seven days of the publication of this letter, we will

I am sorry to have written at such length and I am sorry, too, amination of it in order that it poses. I am sure that you will may be improved and expanded. fully agree that a National Union a valuable student service and al- intercourse, student travel, and approaching any U.N.B. student the making of intelligent com-who wishes and is otherwise quali. ment on higher education, can (Continued on page 3)

