

World University Service recruits 12 UNB students

By MARGOT BREWER

An informal afternoon seminar, which took place on Saturday afternoon in the Faculty Club, was successful for the World University Service of Canada's UNB branch. Twelve persons representing both faculty and students from UNB and STU attended the seminar to discuss the topic, "Canada's Role in Development of Third World Countries."

Professor Jorge Hidalgo talked about his home land, Argentina and the reaction, in his opinion, that natives of foreign lands hold towards foreign organizers and helpers.

"There must be a special approach to problems in Third World countries for it is very

important that the natives do not feel that they are being robbed of their identity. Foreigners who do this are usually not very successful in the implementation of new programs," Professor Hidalgo said.

He went on to say that the most effective members of foreign aid groups are often those who "live and work with the people".

"Real solutions to many Third World country problems must come from within the people of the country themselves. By integrating into the society and working with the people, one gains trust, respect and eventually, results in the area they are trying to develop," he added.

Maria Wawer a UNB student, presented a film and talk on her

travels to India last summer, where she travelled under the auspices of WUS International at their annual seminar. At this year's seminar, which is to be held in the Caribbean, UNB is to be represented by second year Arts student Viki Weatherby.

Professor Constantine Passaris, a faculty member in the Economics department and a number of WUSC's National Assembly, outlined the aims and goals of WUSC and gave a short history of the organization.

The four hour seminar concluded with the election of a new executive whose main function will be the promotion and development of UNB's WUSC branch until September of this year. Immediate concerns are the raising of funds for Chilean students living in exile in Canada and preparations for the arrival of Indian exchange students who will be in Fredericton toward the end of February.

The new executive are Margot Brewer, second year Arts President; Viki Weatherby

Secretary, and Ursula Wawer, first year Science - Treasurer.

Roger Roy, General Secretary of WUS Canada was in Fredericton last week. He met with UNB WUSC members to discuss new projects that are being initiated by the National Committee. A Handicraft Project will be underway soon, and it is hoped to be as big a success as the Treasure Van Bazaar which was sponsored by WUSC several years ago.

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I took the language entrance exam (amidst about 150 other trembling foreigners) and to my genuine surprise I passed it. Choosing courses was puzzling, but classes are amazing; nobody cares if you go to class or get anything out of it. If you want a certificate (sort of credit) from the prof. then you usually have to write a paper; if you do nothing you're not flunked you just get nothing. The courses are in lecture and seminar form and the student can choose. I went to a lecture (they all last one and one-half hours, once a week) at the very beginning of the semester; when the professor had finished reading his lecture, the sound of loud rumble or tapping made me jump a mile: it was the students knocking on the desks as a form of

applause or approval. If they haven't liked the lecture, then they hiss or stamp their feet. Some of the students were very friendly, but most of them kept to their groups. It was mostly up to the foreigner to always make the effort to get to know people.

The university cafeteria, called the "Mensa" is worth mentioning. Any day you wanted to eat there, you had to buy a 60 cent ticket from a machine that entitled you to a hot lunch. The catch was that the tickets usually ran out by 11 a.m., so you literally had to be the early bird catching your lunch ticket. There was never any choice of menu. You ate what you got, which was usually a soup, meat, potatoes (usually boiled) and salad or vegetables plus sometimes fruit or yogurt for dessert. Drink machines offered soft drinks, coffee and (what else but...) beer. Your only other choice was a 40 cent ticket which entitled you to a thick soup.

The University of Freiburg has a Department for Foreigners and it is this department that accepts or rejects your application, so all your business is done with them. They offered good excursions to places like Berlin and Nurnberg, besides short excursions to the surrounding places of interest. They footed seventy percent of the bus and accommodation bill, which was a pleasant surprise, and definitely a deal to take advantage of.

Freiburg itself is a beautiful town of about 180,000. The old part makes up the centre of town with its huge old cathedral (if you're energetic you can climb the hundreds of spiraling steps to the top of the tower), the marketplace and the cobblestone streets. You never really get sick of walking around as some of it, for me, is the epitome of "Europe". There was always something going on at the theatre and although I'm no culture-freak, a touch of it now and then was really interesting.

Boredom from the damp, grey, snowless winter mingled with curiosity sometimes drove me to the movies, which were all dubbed into German. Seeing the black nanny in "Gone with the Wind" or cowboys and indians speaking German was always good for a chuckle, besides being a very enjoyable way of improving one's German.

The winter semester ended in mid-February and we had a vacation until mid-April. That's when I really felt spoiled, skiing in the Alps or sunbathing in Nice when all my friends were here struggling through exams! But that is certainly the time to use the opportunity of seeing more of Europe.

The summer semester, which lasted until mid-July was a great improvement on the bleak winter-semester. Maybe it was just the better weather, or maybe I was

just used to everything but everyone seemed more pleasant and friendly. Many of the other foreigners felt this improvement as well, so I certainly wasn't the only one who hadn't been completely happy. When the semester ended, I was even sorry to have to leave, although the warmth and friendliness of Canadians was really something to look forward to.

God, I could go on and on with little stories, most of them interesting only for me. I could think of a hundred things that might help anyone planning to travel, study or work over there. Sure, just because you're "in Europe" (ding! ding! applause! crash! crash! bang!) it doesn't mean that every day or every minute will be fantastic, especially if you're there for a longish period, but the experience makes every second worth it! Contrary to what people think, it is not necessarily more expensive to study over there; there's little to lose really, and lots to gain. I can't say I came back completely fluent in German, but it most certainly improved a good deal. Maybe I'm so smug because I got all my third year credits from over there, accepted here with no hassle. Even if I hadn't, I'd have no regrets - even if it wasn't all "fantastic" - some "fantastic" was enough for me!

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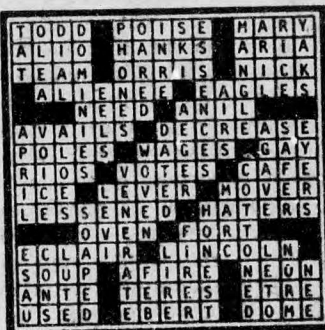
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Saturday

February 9th 1974

2:00 pm.

Anyone interested in putting in a float,

contact Gary Tower

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Students to get James Bay lecture

By CINDY LEEMING

A lecture on the James Bay Power Project will be given sometime around the middle of February. According to Valerie Jaeger, chairman of the SRC Guest Lecture Committee, two prominent lawyers and the president of the Quebec Indian Association will be on hand to discuss the legal and technological problems involved in the building of this power project.

The committee is hoping to bring in speakers from the New Brunswick Indian's Association and also from Alcan. The two speakers from Alcan will hopefully be hosting an "Under Attack" type of evening. This is an open forum for questions and discussion.

Two visiting lecturers will be on campus on Thursday, January 31st. Brigadier Denis O'Flaherty will speak to the History 3190 class on Commando Operations in the Second World War. Tilley 303, 4:30 p.m. Also, The Reverend Dr. E. M. Baird will speak on The Calvinist Tradition, a lecture in the series on "Religion in the Maritimes". East Lounge, Tibbitts Hall, 7:30 p.m.