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Concern over Federation of Youth finances

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As we are all by now doubtless aware, 1985 is the International Year of the Youth, the theme of which "Participation, Development and Peace." Accordingly, the Federation of Youth was established in June of 1984 with the intention of initiating youth projects, thereby providing employment for students. Last summer, for example, twenty jobs were provided throughout the province compiling a survey on the opinions of New Brunswick's youth on various topics. This

information will be the basis for a comprehensive Youth Guide and the drafting of position papers on pressing issues.

Students have also worked for the Federation on a voluntary basis and John Bosnitch, outgoing UNB-F Student Union President and President

of New Brunswick's Federation of Youth, is "anxious to receive anyone willing to volunteer to help the aim of making 1985 a

year that has a permanent effect on the status of youth, both here and around the world." As well, in the future the Federation hopes to com-

mitt its financial resources to informing the youth of New Brunswick of their rights and protecting those rights.

According to the press released provided by Bosnitch,

"New Brunswick has received commendations for having the most organized province-wide

youth from the regional coordinators of the Secretary of State of Canada." Not everyone appears to see the Federation in such a positive

light; particularly with regard to the financial aspect of the organization. Apparently the Federation of Youth has some outstanding debts and there

are those who are anxious to know the extent of the debts and when they will be paid.

A Canada Summer Works Program project began in June and terminated on September

the Federation and a maximum of \$17,000.00. However, Kim Norris, Director of the SUB has spoken with

Pierre Gautreau, Project Officer of CEIC and he will not release funds to the Federation

until he processes the documentation of monies spent. This documentation was, according to Gautreau, long overdue. Gautreau said \$8,000.00 of these funds is ow-

debt was due on October 1st, 1984. He has as yet to receive payment. On the 28th of November, Mark Slipp, Vice-President Finance of the Federation, spoke with Norris and told him that he would "try to find out from Bosnitch what is going on," regarding the debt.

Another debt of an undetermined amount is outstanding to Elm City Leasing Ltd., according to Alvin Morehouse,

uncertain as to how much money is owed to Elm City and that SUB Holdings has never sent an invoice to the Federation of Youth. Bosnitch also stated that "no money is being

withheld...that the money is coming in three installments and at least one has been received." Concerning the \$3,000 debt to the Student Union Bosnitch first stated that they "Have not received an invoice" then later stated that he was "not sure there is a \$3,000

"The Federation also owes \$3,000 to the Student Union...due on November 15, 1984."

debt." He subsequently said that "if there is an outstanding bill it is either being processed or is already paid."

Bosnitch wanted to make it clear that the "Federation of Youth is not in financial difficulty of any type" and that

the Federation has been pledged more financial support than any other Provincial Youth Federation in Canada." He also stated that "private companies are being solicited for funding for permanent organization (of the Federation)" while in his press release he stated that "the New Brunswick Federation of Youth has been pledged support by the Canadian

Secretary of State, private sponsors and other government departments." Bosnitch told the *Brunswickan* that the Secretary of State has pledged

Slipp told Norris he'd "try to find out from Bosnitch what is going on," regarding \$6000 borrowed from SUB Holdings.

\$8 million nationwide for 1985 (IYY) and in view of this and other pledged funding to the New Brunswick Federation of Youth, the Executive of the Federation "will continue to actively prepare for major youth events."

CSL to be taken to court

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At press time the *Brunswickan* learned that Travel Place is going take court action against CSL.

All that is known at this time is that CSL will be sued for \$63,000 for what may be a breach of contract with regards to Travel Place obtaining office space in the SUB.

More details in next week's issue.

"I don't understand Americans. They need oil but then get upset when it washes up on their beaches."

-George Carlin

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7, 1984, under the umbrella of Canada Employment and Immigration (CEIC). According to one source the CEIC still owes a minimum of \$8,000 to

The Federation of Youth borrowed \$6,000.00 from SUB Holdings Inc. during the summer and Norris states that it is his understanding that this an employee of the firm. The car was leased from July to

November by the Federation. Morehouse confirmed that some money was paid in November on the account but was unsure as to the amount. Norris said that he was told by

Slipp that he would receive \$2000 of the \$6,000 owed to SUB Holdings on the 28th of November and feels that the

\$2,000 went to Elm City instead.

The Federation also owes \$3,000 to the Student Union. Apparently the note for the loan was signed by Slipp. This amount was due on November 15, 1984.

When the *Brunswickan* approached Bosnitch concerning the debts he stated that he was

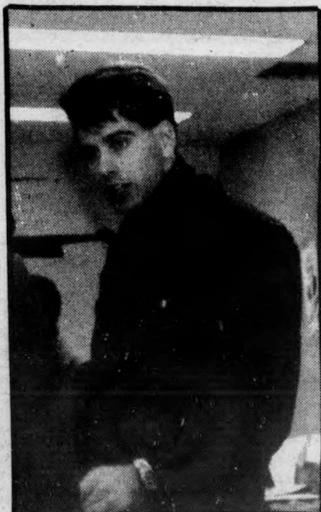


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ed to the Royal Bank and when CEIC allots the final disbursement it will be by cheque payable to both the Royal Bank and the Federation.