

## Controversial problems—what problems?

Controversial university problems were discussed at 20 Annual Alumni Leadership Conference held last Sunday at the Faculty club. Despite a small turnout, feedback was greater than expected from the twenty people who attended. According to SRC

By LINDA HALSEY

Vice President Internal, Blair Moffat: "It was refreshing to discuss relevant university topics to persons other than SRC members, who did not show up."

A general review of the campus medias was the first topic for discussion at the conference, with the possibility of CHSR expanding off-campus as the main area of concern. The majority felt something "had to be done" about the station to increase its quality and amount of listeners. Moffat said that CHSR spends approximately \$11,500.00 of the SRC's money and "Students are just not getting the proper return for it." It was suggested that an expansion of

CHSR would be an alternative to spending money on repairing residence sound systems that carry the station. In addition, off campus students and the rest of Fredericton would be brought into touch with the University.

Promoting the awareness of student year books at registration was a possible solution to the problem of low sales. SRC President Steve Benibe said the main problem lay in the fact that, "yearbooks are promoted too late and by the time students get interested, they are put at the bottom of a usually long waiting list." He added that "something will be done about it," in the future.

The student residence system was also discussed at the conference. Both the allocation of rooms to freshmen and the lack of co-educational residences were topics of concern.

Each year, a long waiting list accumulates the number of students who are unable to enter residence; many of whom are first year students. According to one

SRC representative: "there are alot of lonely first year students who cannot orient themselves because they are off campus." He recommended that each first year student should be guaranteed a room in residence.

The possibility of more co-educational residences was discussed with the emphasis on the facts that most students approve of mixed loving conditions, and Murray House is operating successfully. The major problem however, lies in the fact that most

students are eager to see more co-educational housing at UNB, but are unwilling to commit their own residence for the transformation. President Berube stated, "the co-ed system is a reality we're going to have to aboutface." He added that without assistance from residences, "we may have to take the bull by the horns." As a final topic the draft study on the future of the University was discussed at length on Sunday conference. V.P. Blair Moffat referred to the study as "a paper

of agreeables." Which had something in it to please every body, but never really said anything.

As a result of the conference a list of recommendations will be drawn up and sent to various member of the administration. Last years Leadership Conference resulted in recommendations which helped UNB to receive new lighting on campus, and the opening of Murray House; UNB's first co-educational residence.

## Late directories again?

By LINDA HALSEY

"The problem of our consistently late student directories may be solved next year," said comptroller, Geoff Worrell at the SRC meeting held last Monday.

According to Worrell the problem lies with the printer, (H.W. Wilsons Printing Co. - St. Johns) and not with the SRC. This year, the computed names and addresses of all students was completed and ready for printing on October seventeenth. They were then delivered to the printers, who promised to complete their job within a few days. Two weeks later, ad managers Jim Doherty

and Chris Graham were informed by the printers that their advertisements were too light and would have to be re-done. Consequently, the ads were driven back from St. John, darkened and again returned to the printers. The SRC are now awaiting the delivery of the directories.

Worrell said, "the printers say they'll be finished this week but we have no way of knowing." Student directories were expected to be distributed by November 1, 1978; However the Comptroller said he does not expect students will receive theirs until after the Christmas break.

"This is not fair to the Students," he said. "Many don't care about directories or have changed addresses after Christmas."

Worrell said he would like to see the student directory distributed on time in future years and recommended that a penalty clause be drawn up in all future contracts between the UNB

Student Union and the printing Company. This clause would enforce a daily penalty or charge for anytime overdue past the said completion date.

## Just a book burning

By KATHRYN WAKELING

The Fredericton Fire Department has officially released its report concerning last Wednesday's fire in the Psychology Departments lounge, in Kierstead Hall. In a telephone interview, Captain Maston of the Fredericton Fire Department reported that the fire was of an accidental nature, probably caused by a cigarette or ash tray falling over. Damage was mainly confined to the lounge's south wall in which a bookcase was burned as well as a few wooden chairs used for classrooms, and a large dividing door. He added that there was some heat damage done to the ceiling and walls as well as some water damage to the rug.

There are presently no exact cost estimations the actual costs of repairs to the lounge due to the fact that not everything damaged has been replaced or repaired. What was involved, according to Physical plant Manager Donald Barrett, included thorough washing and repainting jobs along with

carpet cleaning and replacement. Barrett said "The problem is that in order to replace one section, the whole carpet will need to be put down for the entire room." Along the same lines, the light fixtures and lamp shades were melted by the fire. Its not sure if these can be replaced, if not new shades will need to be purchased.

A dividing door (which Barrett says is worth \$3,000 alone) may not be able to be repaired and as a result a new door will have to be purchased. On top of all these costs lies the labor and cleaning up process as well the initial repairs.

The costs of the fire's damage will be carried by the university, said Eric Garland, Assistant Vice President (Administration). The university does have fire insurance which is deductible for fire costs of a certain size. This means damages running over twenty-five thousand dollars. Since this is a relatively small fire the university will pay the damage costs.

## Four new Cabinet Ministers

By CLAIRE FRIPP

On Tuesday afternoon, Premier Richard Hatfield announced his new cabinet for the first session of the 49th legislature. Instead of a major cabinet shuffle as expected, Hatfield told reporters that he decided against changes so there would be experienced ministers in the next session of the legislature. He added that the four new

cabinet ministers that were appointed to seats left open, by resignation or defeat at the polls would provide the new ideas.

The four newly-elected members sworn in Tuesday during the Legislature Building are, J.W. (Bud) Bird of Fredericton South, Minister for Natural Resources; Mrs. Mabel DeWare of Moncton, Minister for Labour; Jean Gauvin of Shippegan-les-Isles; Fisheries; and Eric L. Kipping of Saint John South.

Minister of Environment.

Premier Hatfield in a speech after the ceremonies, highlighted the reforms of the last eight years, but added that there must be a shift in favour of the individual rather than Government. He stated that a small majority is no excuse for poor or inactive Government and that there was an obligation to carry on implementing policies consistent with the provinces needs.

## Transferring Degree Programmes

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