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SRC BRIEF ON PHYSICAL HEALTH

I The Female Students in Residence are served by an eight-bed infirmary in Lady Dunn Hall staffed by a nurse on 24 hour call. The nurse's responsibilities consist of first aid treatment; minor diagnostic tests; counselling service; make doctor's appointments; accompany students to O.P.D. and administer individually prescribed medication. This service is entirely voluntary; the student has to take the initiative and either contact the nurse herself or have a friend do so for her. Mrs. MacKenzie reported that from October, 1963 - October, 1964, 209 students out of a possible 239 contact her. This was the initial visit only. Since there is no doctor assigned to the university, the nurse has no standing orders and therefore cannot give any medications without a written order. The infirmary provides convalescence care up to approximately 8 - 10 days and emergency cases have to go directly to the hospital.

II Male Students in Residence — The male infirmary is a ten-bed infirmary which will serve all male students in residence. The completion date is set for the end of November. When completed the infirmary will have a professional nurse on call 24 hours a day. As well as the

infirmary, she will run a "sort of" first aid station at the same location. Until this service is established, Mr. Scott hopes that a room can be made in one of the residences for a 2 hour sick parade every day. The nurse will visit those students who are too sick to get out of bed and make all arrangements necessary for this student to obtain care. As with the female infirmary, this will be an entirely voluntary health service.

III Off-Campus Students — Except for first aid services offered by infirmaries on campus, off-campus students have to look after themselves in regard to physical health care. They receive coverage from the Maritime Hospital Services Association as do all other registered students; but if they want medical service they have to seek it through the hospital or the doctor of their choice.

Miss MacLachan is Assistant to the Dean of Women and works with the students in town. She is hoping to show the need for a counselling service for these students.

IV Here are the results of a **Physical Health Survey** conducted at UNB this October, 1965.

- Sex: Male 165 Female 92
1. Are You:
 - A) In Residence 170
 - B) Boarding or Rooming in Town 57
 - C) Living at Home 30
 2. How many times have you contacted a doctor for illness or injury during the University year 1964-65?
 - 0 113 1 88 2-3 39 4-5 12 6-10 5
 3. Did you have difficulty obtaining medical assistance for the above year?
 - Yes 38 No 106
 - No Trouble 113
 - If Yes — in which of the following areas did you have difficulty?
 1. Through loss of time (i.e. Classes)
 - In keeping appointment 20
 2. In making an immediate appointment (within 1-2 days) 20
 3. Other 8
 4. What type of illness or injury did you have (1964-65)?
 1. Flu 39
 2. Broken Limbs 7
 3. Minor Surgery 12
 4. Infection in ears, throat 37
 5. Sprained joints 31
 6. Burns Nil
 7. Other 63

This survey was based on a random sampling of 300 students of 3rd, 4th and 5th years, UNB. 257 of the 300 forms were returned.

Here are some of the complaints that students cited on the survey:

...A lack of interest or concern for the students by the medical personnel in Fredericton. It is very difficult to obtain service from them

...The doctors are unwilling to come to the residences

...unconcerned attitude of physicians

...Distance to doctor and hospital

...We need a University doctor that you can find when you need him

...Have to go and see doctor rather than doctor coming to see you

...Roommate was sick, tried to get a doctor and could not get one to come to residence. The roommate was sufficiently sick to warrant house call...

Results:

The survey showed that 38 of the 144 students who required the service of a physi-

cian had difficulty obtaining this service i.e. 26.4% (approx)

This survey represented only 7.7% of the total enrollment at the University of New Brunswick, and only 3rd, 4th and 5th year students were contacted.

There appears to be general dissatisfaction with the type of service given and the method by which this service has to be obtained by the student. Students are complaining about this type of service, and require a better system.

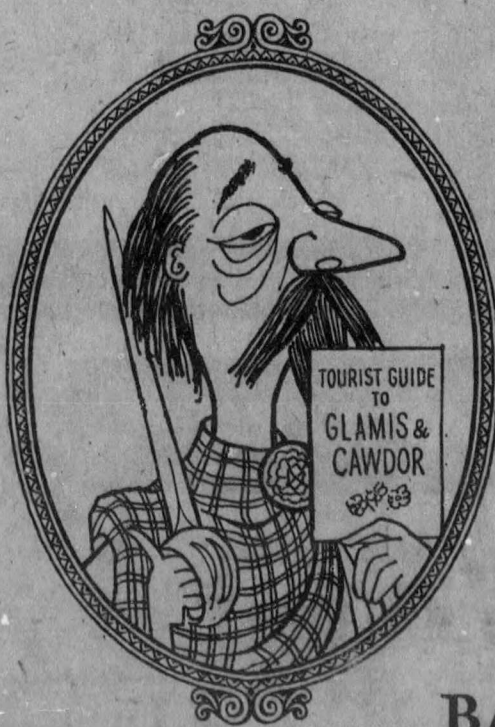
In 1964, Loyola College of Montreal conducted a general health survey. Here is an example of what other universities have done:

McMaster University
 Number of Students ... 3,000
 Staff: 1 Doctor
 1 Nurse

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Whatever became of:

Mac Beth,
CLASS OF '407



A natural leader for the underground Scottish Nationalist Army, Mac startled the college by riding to classes on a Shetland pony. Unfortunately, the pony passed but Mac failed his year. Nevertheless, his scholarly thesis "The Claymore And Its Application to Tank Warfare" is still talked about wherever military minds gather. Convivial evenings at the Mac Beth's often got a bit out of hand with Mac looking daggers at his wife while she washed her hands of the whole affair. After a party for his boss was spoiled by a gate-crasher named Banquo, they gave up the ghost entirely. Mac Beth finally suffered a sharp stroke in a quarrel with a Mr. Macduff over a real estate deal involving Birnam Wood. Characteristically, his final words were: "Lay off, Macduff".

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