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A Pat on the Back . . .

Elections come and elections go and now we have a new Student Representative Council. They are an enthusiastic body filled with the fires of the knowledge that they shall mould destiny for 1954-1955 at UNB.

They have been elected as representatives of the Student Body of the University of New Brunswick. They were elected because voters felt that these candidates were suited for the duties bestowed upon them.

The enthusiasm of winning a contest and coming out victorious in a race based purely on personal merits is at its highest pitch this moment. It is something new, some sort of honor to be singled out for a position on the SRC.

Let not that enthusiasm become boredom; let not that flush of success become a flash in the pan.

Govern well, and vote well in your coming year. Attend all meetings. Have the courage of your own convictions. Speak up for your class and your class alone in the council. Do not sit like complacent parasites in the council chamber.

Your votes came from people who wish you to make your decisions known.

They have purchased a share in the council when they voted for you. Don't throw their money away. Don't give them second-hand merchandise for their hard-earned votes.

To Mr. Don Fowler we extend our heartiest felicitations for winning a hard-fought campaign. The behind-the-scenes activities of the supporters were perhaps the best example of what students can do when they get interested in campus affairs. We hope that these members of the student body will take a further interest in campus affairs from now on, especially since their weight behind the various candidates has been felt in the final balloting.

A Slap in the Face . . .

Every day the Brunswickan editorial staff becomes more and more aware that the University of New Brunswick has the best interpreters in the history of the British Empire. These interpreters pore over every inch of copy, translating it word for word, reading between the lines and bringing out the most preposterous meanings for every sentence. They shall go to the top of their profession, the very day that they graduate.

These interpreters are unique in their profession. They do not translate Latin to German, or Hebrew to French, or Spanish to Russian. Oh no! Something even more complicated than that. They translate English to English.

A clear example of this attitude prevalent on the campus was shown in the Election Forum last week. One of the candidates had a timid soul planted in the crowd. That soul was primed to ask one of the worthy opponents "Do you maintain the Brunswickan's attitude against the AAA?" The fact that the timid soul asked the question of the wrong candidate is of little importance. The students present understood the overall problem and it evoked little more than a mild snicker.

The basic issue, however, does bear some back lashing from the Brunswickan because the statement that the Brunswickan maintains an attitude against the AAA is the ultimate in stupidity and misinterpretation. The Brunswickan does not maintain an attitude against the AAA.

The Brunswickan does maintain a stand against the misuse of student funds. That misuse occurred this year in the AAA. If the Ladies' Society had proposed a strangle-hold budget we would have cracked down on them. As it is now, the budget has been satisfactorily balanced and we like to think that we had some part in keeping the SRC out of debt.

And you may rest assured, that if we find a discrepancy in future budgets we shall do everything in our power to kill the desires of such wayward executives and their advisors. It is a simple matter of economics and fairness. If the budget doesn't balance something has to be cut. If executives and advisors get carried away with budget demands they will be cut off at the knees as well.

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A Look About . . .

Last week UNB students witnessed one of the most hotly contested elections in recent years. Three stalwart members of the student body were running for the position of President on the Students' Representative Council. Collegians were propagandized with posters, stuffed fish and mimeographed letters all imploring them to vote for such and such a candidate because he was impartial to everything except being a nice guy. Platforms were shaky and vague, some insisting that no one could promise anything and others promising everything from free movies to better campus economy. It was great fun and everyone was excited about the large amount of excitement. Small groups of students hastened about the campus tacking up signs and stringing banners between trees and building. Lectures were late in starting because of political discussions, involving the merits of the candidates.

This is not to be a pat-on-the-back for the newly elected council. Let us see what they do first. This is a pat on the back of the students who turned out in such great numbers to vote. Can it be that student apathy is waning? Can it be that UNB students are once again beginning to take an active interest in the affairs of the campus? Let us hope so.

Seventy-seven per cent of the student body showed up at the polls to vote for SRC candidates last Thursday. This is believed to be the highest percentage in the last ten years. Congratulations are in order for everyone. You have elected Mr. Don Fowler as your president next year, now give him your wholehearted support and back up that faith you placed in him by voting for him.

The Council which Mr. Fowler is to head is one with a clean financial slate. There is no red ink on the SRC books for the first time in five years. This is the finest tribute that can be paid to an outgoing council. It is a tribute to the clear thinking and excellent management which governed SRC movements this year. There were many times when difficulties seemed insurmountable but the "stresses and strains" of such situations always served to reinforce the good judgement of the council members and the results were always satisfactory. Three members of that Council were re-elected while nineteen initiates will appear in the SRC chambers this evening. Good luck to the new members and many thanks to the outgoing for a job well done.

A HARVARD IN THE MARITIMES

"We need a Harvard in the Maritimes." That, in effect, was the theme of an address delivered recently at Dalhousie University by Dr. Sidney Smith, president of the University of Toronto. The idea was not a new one; those interested in raising the standards of higher education in the Maritime Provinces for many years have been advocating some sort of consolidation of the present institutions as a partial solution to the problem. The huge difficulty to the setting up of one single university for the Maritimes—or even for each province—is the inevitable unwillingness for each school to lose its identity—and perhaps its very existence. Dr. Smith compared the Maritimes to the New England States as a "source of brains" and deplored the fact that we have no universities comparable to Harvard and Brown. He was concerned largely with the obvious financial limitations imposed upon each university and college in the area, where there are so many competing for such a relatively small study body. Federal grants are distributed on the basis of total student population. The whole amount designated for the Maritimes is obviously much smaller than that for other areas of Canada, but in addition, that amount must be divided among 22 different colleges and universities in the Atlantic area. Since the major universities offer, largely, similar courses, the facilities are duplicated many times, but financial difficulties seldom permit first-rate departments especially in post graduate work in any of the Maritime universities.

Suggestions have been made to overcome this difficulty and yet to provide an affiliation of Maritime universities, whereby it is proposed to have one central degree-granting institution, probably in Halifax, while the present Acadia, St. F. X., and the others would become colleges within the larger organization, specializing in some particular department or departments: Acadia, would, perhaps, become a school of Home Economics, and Science. Under such a system, the Maritime Universities could be more than undergrad schools; they could take their places in the rapidly advancing fields of psychology, scientific research, as well as the classics and humanities.

This suggestion, however, has many loopholes. For example, with the various faculties located in different towns, the possibility of a liberal education would be curtailed considerably.

These are only a few of the problems which confront Maritime educationalists: complete centralization of universities, a modified affiliation, OR STATUS QUIT? Somewhere along the road toward centralization we think the answer will be found.

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The announcement as the scholarships, which faculty at the provincial period of four years.

Four scholarships, valued \$600 each, will be awarded first time this Fall, and scholarships will be awarded year.

Students awarded the ships will receive \$600 year, \$500 the second year, the third year and \$400 the year; or a total of \$1,900.

Funds for the scholarship derived from the interest University Endowment Funded thirty years ago by Sir George Foster "to aid taining the institution which head of the educational province."

The scholarship will be on the basis of academic tions and need. The will be chosen by the Scholarship Committee, chairmanship of Professor Love, head of the Department of Education.

Sir George Foster, after the scholarships are named graduate of UNB and a Canadian statesman received his B.A. in 1868 at his university as pro Classics from 1873-1878, Carleton county, Sir George sent King's County in of Commons in Ottawa 1896, he was the York representative in Ottawa.

In 1885 he served as of Marine and Fisheries and he was Minister of for the domain in 1888 appointed to the Senate in 1921. After the First Sir George represented Paris at the Versailles Conference in 1919 and in 19 chairman of the Canadian League of Nations at G died in Ottawa in 1931. Sir George's interest in university of New Brunswick led him to inaugurate ment fun in 1924.

LIFE EXECUTIVE

Don Pyne, President Senior Class, has announced nominations for the Life Executive close March 20. The Life Executive consists of the following: Honorary Life President, Honorary Life Vice (must be a Co-ed), Honorary Life Secretary, Honorary Life Treasurer. The nominations for tions must be in writing be handed to Don Pyne fore March 20. Election held on Wednesday, Ma

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