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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

January 24, 1961

Sir:

At the present time, New Brunswick is in the process of investigating its most controversial Legislative Act, the liquor act. Various briefs have been submitted to the Commission and both the "wets" and "drys" have argued their points. During the course of events, university students have been subjected to some criticism with respect to their drinking habits.

(A representative of one group stated that 80% of university students drink. I do not know whether their statistics are valid or not, but I am curious as to how their figures were acquired. No one queried me as to my drinking habits, and I wonder how many students have been polled.)

It is certainly no secret that some students on this campus drink, as do students in other universities, and no doubt they will continue to do so in the future. The students are a very integral part of this city and will be affected by any legislation that affects the city; therefore it is only right that they should be represented at this inquiry which will eventually influence their mode of living.

I suggest that, when the Commission sits in Fredericton on January 31 the university should present a brief, through the SRC preferably, which would advocate a more realistic system of liquor distribution.

David L. Myles

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Dear Mr. Editor:

My nephew Jamie sends me your lovely paper every week. I do so love to read all about you young people. I like to think that you students are learning to respect our traditions and go to church every Sunday.

But, beware of the Demon Rum that ruined my poor Uncle William. Poor Uncle Willy never earned a cent in his life, but was continually in an alcoholic daze, from which he only recovered long enough to die. May his poor sinful soul rest in peace.

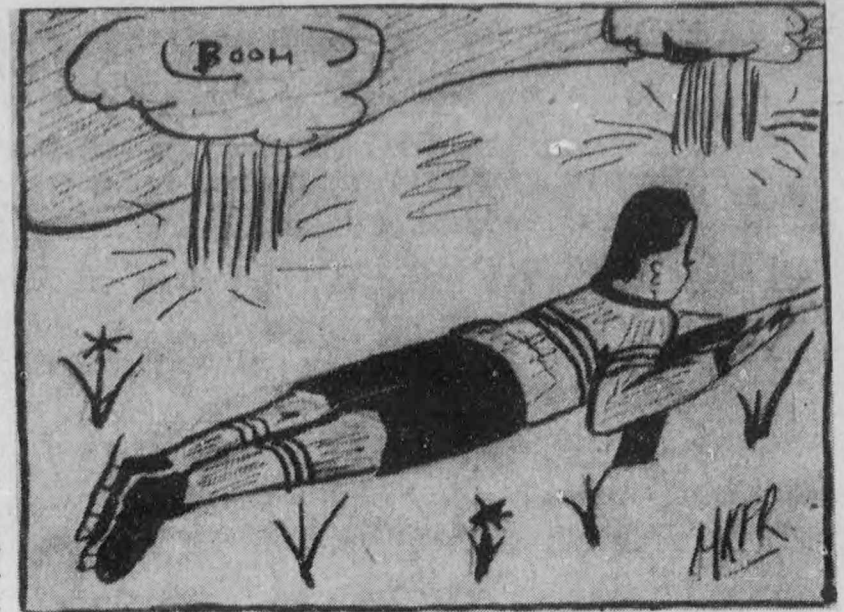
So, young men and women of UNB take heed from the story of my unfortunate Uncle William. When the time comes to stand up and be counted in this new liquor inquiry (I don't know why people can't leave well enough alone) — Vote prohibition — Be dry, young people, be dry and never forget the Demon Rum that ruined my poor Uncle William.

I'll close by saying that it's a shame the people in New Brunswick can't be good.

I remain,
 yours,
 Miss Tattie Fishby,
 Corresponding Secretary,
 WCTU
 Lower Chuckgap Junction,
 King's County, N.B.

Mac,

I'm a married man and I got eight kids. These are hard times with a lot of unemployment. For years I've been savin' to send my kids to UNB — and my business is cab driving and other things. Now, would you deprive my eight



We . . . The Civilized

by PAM KEIRSTEAD

In opposition to the attitude of smugness which Canadians have over their superior and cultured civilization is the example of fighting in hockey. It may seem like an old and warm subject for argument, but as long as the fighting persists, there will, I hope, be argument against it. (Argument seems pointless unless it has an underlying motive of reform.)

Towards the end of the Christmas holidays, the Fredericton Capitals and the Saint John Oilers got into a wild and uncontrollable scramble, which ended only when a police officer intervened between an enraged army fan, who in the heat of the broil was violently waving a stolen hockey stick, and an equally vicious player, who was trying to scale the boards so that he could carry on his assault at closer range. It was a superlative display of actions becoming an advanced civilization like ours, especially when the horrified but fascinated crowd howled for blood in their atavistic manner!

Hockey can be a terrifically exciting and fast game. At the same time it can be extremely dangerous and can become more like war than sport. When this happens it is time to re-examine our society's values. Do we justify men beating each other over the head, going emotionally berserk in a hockey game, and at the same time condemn this action, with apathetic benevolence, in international disputes? This seems to be exactly what we do.

We justify fighting in professional sport by the expression, "The fans love a good fight." That is, the justification of this wrong is its monetary gain. This is the nasty truth, we all accept it, together these facts are a significant reflection on our society.

In amateur hockey, however, fighting continues mainly because it is not strictly prohibited. This is the fault either of insufficiently strict rules or of insufficiently strict rule enforcement, or possibly of both. I have been assured that here in the Maritimes the fault lies in poor officiating. Mr. Pete Kelly, UNB's Director of Athletics, said of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association rules that, "the rules are all right if they are properly enforced; unfortunately they are not enforced."

UNB Red Devils play under the CAHA rules with the following two modifications: 1) it is illegal to deliberately board check; 2) fighting results in an automatic match penalty. Last year the team tried the Olympic rules but the players seem to prefer their modified CAHA rules. There are fewer restrictions and fewer whistles, so it is argued, although one member of the Red Devils admitted that when, two teams trained in the International rules, play, the result is a fast and wide open game.

I am personally in favour of the International rules and think that the Maritime universities should retry them with close refereeing, that the coaches should bring pressure on the referees to carry out proper penalization of the rules as they are presently, and that the CAHA rules themselves should incorporate the two modifications which the Maritime Intercollegiate League already include in their rules.

If these suggestions were adopted, fighting in hockey, in amateur sport at least could be controlled to a minimum, and thus an example by amateurs could be set for the professional hockey madmen whose emotions are controlled by the box office. If Canadians are civilized, they should indicate this by enjoying and indulging in sport and not in demoralizing petty wars. If we are unable and do not wish to control our rage over a hockey game, how can we expect to keep the international war, for example, merely a cold one?

WINTER CARNIVAL PROGRAMS NOW ON SALE AT STUDENT CENTRE

kids of a college education (and UNB of eight tuition fees)?

My view of the liquor question is simple — leave the laws just the way they are.

Yours with hope,
 Sam.

P.S. 24 hour delivery,
 PHONE GR 5-4421.

Dear Sir:

I am a UNB student. I am very interested in the health-giv-

ing powers of alcoholic beverages. I hereby suggest that the liquor laws be changed to permit beer, at least, to be served in the Student Centre. I also suggest, if this occurs, that the name "Student Centre" be changed to a more appropriate one, such as "Colin B.'s Tavern" or "The UNB Pub."

Sincerely,
 A Forester.

Ask Federal Gov't for Student Aid

OTTAWA (CUP) — Jan. 22 —NFCUS will present a brief to the federal government in February asking for a remedy to the financial obstacles which prevent many students from attending university.

President Bruce Rawson told delegates to the NFCUS Ontario Regional Conference here last weekend of plans to ask for federal assistance in providing 10,000 bursaries of \$600. each.

There is a "disproportion between occupation groups in society, and the representation at university," he said. "The top 15 percent contribute 50 per cent of our students; the bottom 20 per cent contribute only five per cent."

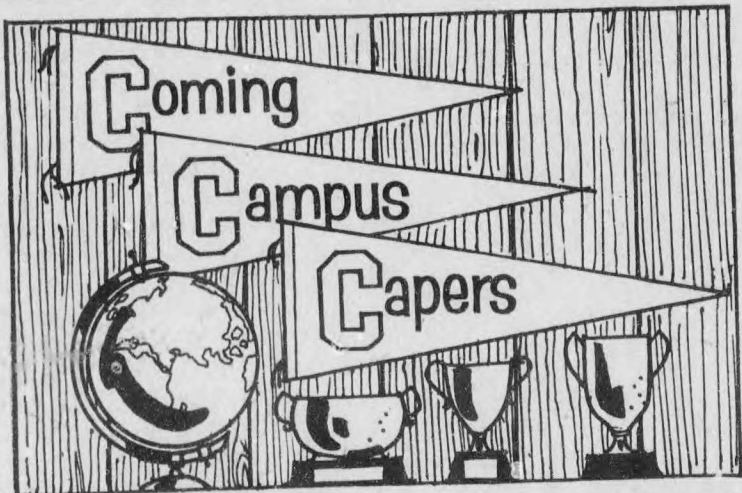
He said that it was the belief of NFCUS "that the federal government can, within the framework of our constitution, assist

in removing the financial obstacles to a university education. To this end we suggest the establishment of a national bursary system."

There is a great need, he said, to assure students from low-income families, that if they launch a university career, financial assistance will be available through university if needed. The bursaries would be used to put qualified students into university if they were not now able to attend because of financial need, Rawson told the delegates.

Using statistics compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, the National Conference of Universities and Colleges, and independent students, President Rawson presented the financial background for a year at university.

The average cost to attend for
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TODAY
HOCKEY GAME: UNB vs. SDU,
 Lady Beaverbrook Rink.
ENGINEER'S BALL: Lord Beaverbrook Hotel, 9:30—music by Jimmy Foster's Orchestra.

SATURDAY
FASHION SHOW and DINNER:
 Lord Beaverbrook Hotel, 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY
UNB CANTERBURY CLUB: 8:15,
 New Cathedral Hall.

MONDAY
IVCF: All purpose Room, 7:30 p.m.

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