TEXT OF TELEGRAM SENT TO N. R. CRUMP, PRES. OF C.P.R., BY JAMES MACDONALD, PRES. OF UNB STUDENTS' REP. COUNCIL:

On behalf of the entire student body at the University of New Brunswick, we do formally protest the dangerous unguarded Railroad crossing on University Ave. We regret that this protest must come as a result of the death of Stanley Cooke, University Staff Member.

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FATALITY—PROTESTS



CAFETERIA MANAGER KILLED WHEN CAR STRUCK BY CPR TRAIN

Stanley Cooke, the Fredericton division manager of Industrial Food Services, was killed instantly last Friday when his car was struck by a train at the University Avenue Crossing.

Mr Cooke was alone in the car at the time of the accident. The car was pushed 130 yards up the tracks before the train finally stopped. The mutilated body was carried 50 yards before it was thrown clear of the engine, it is still unknown whether the force of impact threw the body from the car or if Mr. Cooke (Continued on Page 4)

MACKAY DEMANDS ACTION

N. R. Crump, President,

Canadian Pacific Railway Co.,

Students incensed at apparent indifference of Canadian Pacific Railway Company to repeated calls for safeguards against loss of life at level crossings adjacent to university campus. University authorities join them in demanding immediate effective action to correct intolerable conditions responsible for tragic loss of life here yesterday.

COLIN B. MACKAY President University of New Brunswick

C.P.R. train at the University Avenue crossing, the Students of silently along the streets, the only at 9:30 this morning because at first tempted to smile and there was no signal at the University through the streets of Fredericton in protest sound heard was the voice from the students, but when to those responsible for the poor facilities at railway crossings the sound car with statments like: the sound car with statments like: versity Avenue Crossing." The they heard the announcements over the loud speaker and saw "We are UNB students protestwordlessly out Albert Street, down Regent, along Queen and up ing the lack of railway signals through the streets and over the the orderly group parading York to the Railway Station.

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EDITORIAL

Stanley Cooke, popular manager of the Students' Centre Cafeteria, was struck and killed Friday morning, by a west bound CPR Diesel Express at the University Avenue Crossing. Mere words cannot express the sense of horror and loss that swept the campus, following knowledge of the accident.

Mr. Cooke's death was the direct result of the lax and negligent policy of the Canadian Pacific Railway, regarding crossing signals in Fredericton. For some time now, students at UNB and citizens of the Provincial Capital, have been protesting, both to the CPR and to the City, in an effort to alleviate a situation which virtually makes every CPR crossing in Frederic-

ton a death trap. Such a sorrowful waste of life must not be in vain. The next fatality may be a student, a child or a citizen of Fredericton. Steps must be taken immediately to preclude a similar incident in the future. On Friday morning at 12 o'clock, UNB students staged a spontaneous protest demonstration through the streets of Fredericton. Our message was simple, yet crucially important to one and all of us. "Let's do something about this! Not later . . . now! . . . Why hasn't the CPR done something to make their crossing safe for the people of Fredericton?"

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The University Avenue Crossing where, with signals, a life might have been saved.