

University Professor award highlights convocation

By JOHN MCGUIRE

Three hundred and twenty-seven UNB students were awarded degrees ranging from Bachelors to Phd status, as the Fall Convocation was held at the Lady Beaverbrook Rink on Wednesday afternoon. The honorary rank of Professor Emeritus was bestowed on William S. MacNutt (in History), Florence T. Snodgrass (in Psychology) and Eric E. Wheatley (in Mechanical Engineering). The honorary rank of University Professor, never conferred before by UNB, was awarded to W.C. Desmond Pacey, now vice-president of this university.

Honorary doctorates were given to six people representing different areas of society, ranging from the Hon. Madame Jeanne Sauve, now

the Minister of the Environment in the federal cabinet, to Captain Medford Matthews of Wilson's Beach, Campobello Island, a fisherman and innovator whose original techniques for improving the Atlantic fishery have been aids in the development of both the New Brunswick fishery and the Canadian fishing industry as a whole.

Both were awarded the degree "Doctor of Science", as was G. Everett Chalmers, M.D., who is well-known in New Brunswick for his political as well as medical activities (he is a minister without portfolio in the present provincial government, and two years ago, following a long career in medicine, laid the cornerstone for the new Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital on Regent Street.

Beverley F. Macaulay, who until

his recent retirement was the vice-president (administration) of UNB and is now a member of the Fredericton Board of Trade and the United Appeal Campaign, as well as serving as Sidesman for Christ Church Cathedral, received the same distinction.

Also, the degree of "Doctor of Laws" was conferred on Chester L. Mahan, one of the original directors of the Fredericton United Appeal, a Sidesman of Christ Church Cathedral for over twenty years, and until his retirement last month, comptroller and secretary of the UNB Board of Governors.

Dr. Roy Daniells, University Professor of English Literature and Language at the University of British Columbia, was awarded the degree "Doctor of Letters". The former head of the UBC English Department for 17 years, Daniells holds honorary degrees from four Canadian universities besides this one. Now chairman of the Governor General's Literary Committee and a Companion of the Order of Canada, he gave the convocation address on Wednesday.

In his speech, Dr. Daniells, who was termed the "chief summoner" of Canadian literature by University Orator T.J. Condon, spoke on the importance of what he termed "Dispassionate intellectual inquiry" in contemporary society. He referred to the importance of this calm consideration of the facts in "unpredictable" scientific developments and in the emotion-charged worlds of the humanities and social sciences, particularly within the university framework. He declared that the sense of Canadian identity (as separate from the United States) that we feel today is the result of this "dispassionate, critical inquiry" into the state of affairs in Canada, as opposed to emotional declarations of sovereignty. Concluding,

Dr. Daniells stated that while the old-time virtues of honesty and kindness were once sufficient, today they are not - that more than instinct, impulse and improvisation are required to provide solutions for Canada today. He appealed to students, society and government to take this rational approach to life.

UNB President John M. Anderson, in his opening remarks, welcomed the guests, who included Lieutenant-Governor Robichaud, Premier Hatfield, the Most Reverend Arthur J. Gilbert, Bishop of Saint John, Monseigneur Duffie, and the mayors of

Fredericton and Saint John. This was the twenty-second fall convocation at UNB and the President expected it would be the last to be held in the Lady Beaverbrook Rink, as the Aitken University Centre beside Marshall D'Avray Hall is expected to be ready by next year. He offered the new Centre and the new Athletic Centre under construction in Saint John as examples of UNB's desire to serve society, both through these buildings - which are to serve the surrounding communities concerned as well as the University - and through graduates like the 327 on Wednesday.



Convocation speaker Dr. Roy Daniells stressed the importance of "dispassionate intellectual inquiry" in contemporary society. Daniells, an English professor at the University of British Columbia was awarded the Doctor of Letters degree.

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Tuesday, 22 October

7:00 p.m.

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Education to form society?

By BARRY HARBINSON

Betty Atkinson - Secretary, Mike Martin - Treasurer, Ken McDowell

On September 26, a number of students in the Department of Education met to discuss the formation of a society which would promote the interests of all education students. A committee was established to draw up a constitution for the society which was to be submitted to the SRC and the education students at another general meeting. Tentative plans were also discussed concerning an Education Social to create interest in the student body to this new society.

At the second general meeting the constitution was ratified and an executive committee elected. Although all the offices were filled by acclamation, it was an energetic group that was nominated. Mike Gunter - President, Gina Widawski - Vice-president,

Program Co-ordinator. A council was also set up with representatives from each year to advise and assist the executive. The SRC representative for Education is also to sit on this council.

The objective of this society is to promote unity among Education students on the UNB (Fredericton) campus. To carry out programs that could broaden the overall educational background of its members and to work with faculty on behalf of its members for improvement of the Education Faculty. Like all societies it is also supposed to enhance the social environment of its members. It is hoped that this society will get the support of the Education students and will be successful in all its endeavors.

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