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Judo classes anybody?

Dear Sir:

The intent of this letter is to inform you of an extraordinary event which, it would appear, occurs regularly within the confines of that squat edifice located at the entrance of the campus, otherwise known as the Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium.

While wandering through the Gym, I happened to arrive at the West Gym wherein I perceived a group of people engaged in basketball practice, under the direction of what appeared to be a coach of some description or other. My arrival coincided with a demonstration by the coach of some of the finer aspects of

Pavlovian conditioning, to wit, the art of delivering an elbow to the jaw of an opponent with force causing not inconsiderable pain and greater reticence on the part of the opponent to crowd said player on further occasion.

Not satisfied with his most able performance as demonstrator, or perhaps realizing that he was dealing with university students, the coach proposed a philosophical justification.

"Nice guys don't do that. But nice guys don't win ball games. Nice guys finish last. It's the nice guy who, after losing a ball game goes home and complains about how rotten the other guys were."

Satisfied that his changes had inculcated this lesson, the coach proceeded with shooting practice.

I felt that you, Mr. Editor would wish to be assured that the traditional sportsman's ethic (it's not whether you win or lose but how you play the game) was still being vigorously pursued at UNB. Rest assured that your attendance at basketball practice

would probably be welcomed and you could see for yourself the state of our athletics. Moreover, at future practices one might have the opportunity to observe some of the more delicate arts such as garroting, spearing etc.

by

C.M. MacMillan

Plankton who?

Dear Mr. Jonah:

With regard to the Brunswickan, Issue number 8, dated November 13, 1970, while perusing through the paper I noticed an article on page 18 entitled, "Give Plankton a Chance". Question: Who is Plankton, and why was not a dissertation presented as to why I should give him a chance? If in fact I am to give him a chance, I, and I am sure the majority of students on campus, would be interested in more relevant details as to the whereabouts, habits, and religion of the aforementioned Mr. Plankton.

It is to be hoped that in a future issue of the Brunswickan a more detailed explanation will be given in your news articles, and that editorial comment be omitted from these reports.

Sincerely yours,  
Thomas R. Staples, P.G.

## Free the political prisoners!

On Monday the Gleaner reported that Jocelyne Despatie had been arrested under the War Measures Act and charged with seditious conspiracy. Despatie had worked as a receptionist in the office of Premier Bourassa until the date of her original arrest. She now faces a possible 14 year sentence if convicted by the Quebec courts.

This brings the total of political prisoners charged under the War Measures Act in Quebec to 25. All have been charged with FLQ affiliation or support under the Criminal Code. Possible sentences under the combined charges average 20 years.

Sedition is not a new charge to Quebec courts. In 1969 over six leaders of the nationalists movement were arrested on this charge - and none convicted. Despite this lack of success the first time round the government is trying again.

Michel Chartrand, for example, was acquitted of sedition charges in 1969 only to find himself back in jail under the same charge in 1970. Michel Chartrand is the head of the Montreal Council of the Confederation of National Trade Unions, a socialist whose only "crime" is advocating independence for Quebec.

The government has not succeeded in connecting any of the 25 with the kidnappings and assassination of the FLQ. Instead it has used the climate of political hysteria to launch an all-out attack on the entire leadership of the nationalist movement in Quebec. And we join Spain, Greece and the Soviet Union in the practice of political imprisonment.

Opposition is growing to the Trudeau government's dictatorial measures. The New Brunswick NDP has called for the release of the political prisoners. The UNB Students Representative Council has condemned the War Measures Act and all other politically repressive legislation. The Canadian Civil Liberties Association has demanded the return of civil rights.

In conjunction with the dozens of demonstrations against the government's acts in Canada, the United States and Europe we have seen two demonstrations in Fredericton, in addition to two teach-ins and many speeches and articles in the student press.

The hysteria generated by the government around Laporte's assassination is disappearing.

The growing movement against the War Measures Act must rally to the defense of the political prisoners. We demand that all charges be dropped and the 25 political prisoners be released.

Political repression is the mark of a dictatorship, not a free democratic society.

### Fredericton Young Socialists

arias at this stage in the academic year, but at the same time he is already proposing a general outline to follow when distributing honorarias at the beginning of the next academic year. Briefly, on outline, it forms a triangular structure with six levels. The SRC president, vice-president, comptroller, and financial chairman fill the top level. On the second level are the chief executive of the major campus organizations, with the department heads, executive officers of major organizations, lesser executive officers of major organizations and finally the masses of workers and emblems in these organizations falling into line below them. It was when the SRC decided to bestow honoraria on the third level (dept. Heads) that complications began to arise.

David Jonah, chief editor of the BRUNS is using the argument that students with experience are necessary to train staff, as his main reason for requesting honorarias for the two individuals on his

staff that fall into the category of department heads-i.e. Linda Beaton (production manager) and Peter Collum (managing editor). Also he wishes to emphasize the fact that the BRUNS is operating under different and much more demanding conditions than in the past. In addition there is the substantial hindrance caused by the breakdown of publication last spring which meant that things had to be started up again from scratch.

There has been a new process introduced to the BRUNS staff whereby a heavy amount of the production that was previously done by professionals is now done by the students. It means that the copy is set up before taken to Woodstock go to press. Jonah is eager for student participation to a much greater degree than has been seen in the past. He wishes for more competition in the

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## a question of priority

by Pepita Ferrari

Here comes money with all its hassles. How simple life would be if it did not involve constant financing. Or would it? Even the SRC of UNB cannot escape its clutches. But this is not the issue. Before entering the monetary crises that has arisen this year regarding the endowment of honorarias, perhaps it would be advisable to explain the term "honoraria". It is simply a financial gift associated with various responsible leadership roles in the student body. It is given with the purpose of helping to compensate for the massive amounts of time and work that such roles involve.

But why the sudden fuss about honorarias? It's not hitting the campus for the first time. It could all be due to the fact that the SRC is no longer faced with the \$600 (or so) question, but the \$5,500 question. Who exactly should be receiving the money and how does that individual qualify more so than the chief executive of some other major campus organization? Perhaps it would be wise to pass on a few words concerning the matter, from four of the Big Men On Campus.

At the top we have Stephen MacFarlane the SRC President for UNB this year. In all honesty he thinks all honorarias should be cancelled and in their places salaries should be introduced. These people receiving

honorarias are, in fact, providing cheap labour. MacFarlane feels, that there, in addition, has been a great discrepancy between "a responsible position and "a responsible individual." Any kind of remuneration should accompany the latter and not the former. At the same time he believes that these responsible individuals should not receive compensation necessarily. He also mentioned the fact that he would feel quite justified in placing the director of the Drama Society on the same level as the manager of RUNB or the editor-in-chief of the Bruns. Meanwhile everyone considers the only ones worthy of honorarias the chief executive playing administrative roles. Not everyone is so avidly interested in the news media, according to MacFarlane. Why can't a creat-

ive role receive as much prestige as an administrative one?

Then we come upon Jim Muir, somewhat apprehensively clutching the SRC money bags. As UNB SRC comptroller he probably occupies the most awkward position in this financial upset. He could keep everyone quite happy for a certain length of time by freely tossing around wads of ten dollar bills. Unlike the fairy tales in which this is carried on successfully, Jim's generosity would soon leave him in a sad way. The fact which he must face is that the SRC did initially make a mistake by handing such high honorarias to persons in secondary positions to Jonah and Dicks. There has simply been too high a standard set. Fortunately he is sensitive to the grossness of cutting down Collum's and Beaton's honor-

**SRC honorarias-a \$5,500 question.**

**Muir proposes general outline for future**