

# Students say yes to pub in SUB



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There will be a pub in the new student union building — if the audience at Thursday night's Head Hall debate has anything to say.

UNB philosophy prof Neil MacGill debated temperance — union leader Reverend Dr. Berry of Toronto, MacGill being for a pub in the SUB and Dr. Berry against it.

Most of the debate and the question period centered on alcohol rather than the pub but the resolution was passed by an overwhelming majority.

MacGill began by saying he was all for drinking among university students. He said there was no problem with drunken students at the British university he attended.

"Unlike this, there is a serious problem with drunken UNB students, for instance business administration students hurling missiles and shouting their cheer at the windows of Liberation 130 and an STU student being badly scalded by a pail of hot water thrown at him by a drunken forester. "I do approve of moderate drinking but I don't condone heavy drinking. At the wedding feast of Cana, Jesus produced about six jars of wine, each about 30 gallons.

"In more particular terms, about 1000 quarts of wine. I don't tolerate this deplorable practice."

MacGill went on to say that complete abstinence is no solution, because the enforcement of this condition would lead to much trouble in our world today.

"Alcohol does have a position social role to play in bringing people together, to understand each other better," he said.

"Therefore a licenced pub would bring about much better relations between our demon-

strating students and the faculty," he dramatically concluded.

Dr. Berry charged into the fray denouncing the consumption of alcoholic beverages by anyone, especially kids between 13 and 15. He stunned the audience by saying they were all brainwashed into thinking it's good, that it's a status symbol to drink.

"I think this is really a sign of immaturity. Primitive people have relied on alcoholic beverages. Any society that relies on narcotic beverages is immature," he said.

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He tried to make the point that laws were made to be broken.

"If you want to stop all murders, repeal all laws against it," he said. "If you put regulations on liquor people will drink more."

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He also attacked the liquor and beer manufacturers. "The brewers are not sorry for you poor and lonely students who can't have a good time without drinking. Their only concern is with money," he said. He pointed out that the breweries started a big advertising campaign 30 years ago to increase alcohol sales. "They reasoned they had to train the people to drink. The best people to train were the youth because they are at the most suggestible age. Furthermore, older people tend to copy youth," he said. "Putting a bar on a university campus would be just as bad as opening a brothel or a casino." He concluded by saying that liquor takes so much money from students' pockets, it is absurd that students, who are continually griping about insufficient bursaries and grants, can afford to drink.

## Co-op begins work on project

The New Brunswick Residence Co-operative began planning for its new Montgomery Street project at a general meeting of co-op members Wednesday night.

The meeting appointed chairmen and members to several important committees which will begin immediately working on various aspects of the new projects.

The Montgomery Street project scheduled for completion next September, consists of two seven-storey buildings, one with room for 200 single students and one with 103 married-student apartments. There are facilities in both buildings for educational projects which the co-op might undertake.

The apartment building also has a day-nursery for married students' children.

At the same meeting, Kevin McKinney, arts 3, was elected president of the co-op's board of directors. He replaced Lawson Hunter, law 2, who will remain a member of the board.

Hunter, who is credited as being the moving spirit behind the co-op here, is also chairman of the programs and facilities committee for the Montgomery Street project and acting chairman of the finance committee.

Places in the co-op are open to students, faculty and staff from Fredericton's three institutions. Fees will be similar to those of campus residences.

Both McKinney and Hunter expressed enthusiasm concerning the new project. Hunter stressed that although the new complex is owned by the university it will be managed and operated by the co-op.

He was optimistic about the future of co-ops in the Maritimes. "We already have three houses successfully operating here and interest is increasing all the time," he said.

"It is being demonstrated that students can run their own lives and be responsible for

their own environment. Co-op residences should develop all through the Maritimes as they have across the rest of Canada."

A single-student residence for the University de Moncton is in the planning stages. Mount Allison students are working on a married-student residence and Memorial plans a \$5.3-million-dollar project.

Students from Acadia and UNBSJ have also expressed interest in co-operative residences.

The meeting also elected a new board of directors and passed a motion putting the surplus from the last fiscal

year (ending in August) into this year's budget.

There was a controversy over board elections. Members of the executive proposed splitting the ballot and electing three married students to the board separately and leaving the other three positions open to single students.

Several members objected, saying they thought the whole board should be elected together. They felt that married students shouldn't be established as a separate part of the co-op. They were overruled and the ballot was split for board elections.

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