

# UNB OUT FOR 20 MINUTES



Left to Right—G. E. Crombie, N. Ower, Dr. H. H. Burness, Richard C. Hale, J. E. Saunders.

## Council Cannot Decide; Out Once, In Next Time

For an explosive 20 minutes the University had withdrawn from the National Federation of Canadian University Students. This was the result of a motion at the weekly SRC meeting that deleted in total UNB's spring contribution of \$230 to the National Body. There was some confusion following this move and a number of council members expressed the opinion that they "did not understand the motion". It was pointed out that although a number of representatives apparently had no idea of what they were voting on, the motion legally would stand as read in the minutes.

## Budgets Slashed; Social Loses \$92

The main business of the meeting was, however, to find some way to reduce the reported \$500 deficit of the SRC. The finance committee had a meeting the Monday evening before and their recommendations were brought to the attention of the council. In answer to questions concerning the \$600.00 grant paid to the Winter Carnival and which is to be returned, treasurer McKenzie replied that he could not depend on money that was not immediately available. Three of the more important recommendations of the finance committee concerned cuts in the Brunswickan, Yearbook and Social Committee. The Brunswickan lost some \$250, the yearbook was cut from \$2425. to \$2325. and the social committee budget dropped from \$960.00 to \$68.00. One budget, that of the Debating society was tabled to the next meeting. The finance committee had recommended that their bid for \$100.00 be deleted altogether. This money was to pay for a trip to the McGill Winter Carnival to take part in their International Debating Competition. If the Finance committee's recommendations are accepted in toto, the SRC will be left with a .20 surplus. Another budget that was also to suffer complete deletion was of \$25. in support of the NFCUS Regional conference to be held here at the end of the week. It was not entirely clear to many of those there exactly why the finance committee would recommend the passing of a \$230.00 budget for the federation and then cut one for \$25 which would support something tangible on the campus. In any event the \$25 was passed after considerable haggling.

The question was raised as to whether UNB had discarded NFCUS, when the SRC withdrew financial support. Local NFCUS Chairman, Bill Griffin quickly replied that such a move implied dropping the federation. He added that in his opinion, this was not the opportune time for such action. He claimed that the forthcoming NFCUS Regional Conference would afford council members a chance to see how the body really worked.

Treasurer of the Student government organ, James B. McKenzie, told the council members that they were obliged "by honour" to remain in the federation. He said that since the SRC had voted in the fall to remain in NFCUS, there could be no question of reconsidering. He called upon the council to ratify their position. This reasoning was hotly contested by both council members and spectators. Mr. MacKenzie was reminded that the SRC was the sole governing body in this matter and that any motion passed by that council could be rendered obsolete by a counter motion of the same body. Questions were raised as to the ultimate use of the national student body, and keen interest was shown by those present in the way their money was spent. It was the opinion of many present that NFCUS was not making good use of the money allocated them. President of the Council, Dick Hale told the representatives that of the \$16,000 budget collected annually from Canadian Universities by the federation, only \$2,000 was spent on "projects". The rest went to pay salaries and to cover administrative expenses.

Discussion was closed by chairman James B. Mackenzie and a new motion was introduced that would return UNB to the fold. It was passed. The vote was 13-11.

## To Pursue Studies Two Years In U.K.

Two University of New Brunswick engineering students will spend the next two years in the United Kingdom where they will pursue their studies under Athlone Fellowships.

Dr. E. O. Turner, dean of engineering and chairman of the Athlone Selection Committee at UNB announced here yesterday that the fellowships had been awarded to William N. Ower, Toronto, and Richard C. Hale, Saint John.

The selection committee which interviewed candidates included Dr. H. H. Burness, adviser to the Athlone fellowship committee, London, Eng.; G. E. Crombie, counsellor, United Kingdom high commissioner's office, Ottawa; and J. E. Saunders, UK trade commissioner, Halifax.

Mr. Ower, a fifth year mechanical engineering student who attended Danforth Technical School, Toronto, and the Naval Preparatory School in Esquimaut, B.C., will study steam and gas turbines at the University of Birmingham.

Mr. Hale, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hale, Saint John, and who graduated from Saint John High School in 1951, will spend one year at the London School of Economics and one year in industry in the United Kingdom. He is this year's president of the Student's Representative Council and is a Beaverbrook scholar. He has been active with the student newspaper, The Brunswickan, and with the debating society.

## CIC MEETING

The first meeting of the new year was held in the Chem. Hut at 7:30, January 23. Dr. A. M. Aiken from Chalk River, Ontario, spoke to the members on the subject, "Atomic Energy and the Chemistry Industry".

Dr. Aiken stressed the economic factor of atomic energy projects and elaborated on how Canadian Chemists might share the burden with the Mechanical Engineers, etc. Canada, he says, is especially fortunate to have the raw materials necessary for greater development, while other countries, for example the United Kingdom are lacking in these.

It seems that plans are being made for expansion, and in ten years we can expect not less than 10, and not more than 15 atomic power projects.

The bi-weekly meetings of the C.I.C. will continue as in the last semester. Announcements will be posted on the major bulletin boards.

## ARTS UNION

The executive of the newly-formed Arts Union held their second meeting on Thursday afternoon in the Students' Centre. A prepared constitution for the organization was brought for their consideration and this will be brought before a general meeting of the Union for ratification sometime in the future. Other tentative plans concerning distinctive Arts ties, crests and the like were discussed and it was decided to look into the possibilities of a supper meeting sometime in March to consolidate plans and to acquaint students with the meaning and purpose of such a society. The Arts Union was formed to take the place of the long since defunct Arts Society and it is hoped that this new venture will prove useful and advantageous to Arts Students.

## Assumption Essex

Windsor, Ontario—CUP—An historic agreement was signed here Tuesday when the board of Governors of Assumption University and the Board of Directors of Essex College affixed their signatures and seals to a document setting out the terms of affiliation of Essex College with the University. Essex college is thereby established as a school of Science, legally financially and administratively independent of the University. This affiliation is the culmination of nearly two years of negotiations. Being a non-denominational college, Essex is entitled to receive provincial government grants and has already accepted a cheque for \$200,000 issued by the Minister of Education of the Province of Ontario.

## Beaverbrook List Announced In U.K.

LONDON (Reuters) — The Beaverbrook Foundations Wednesday night announced five awards which they will offer for one year from September, 1956, tenable at the University of New Brunswick, and worth a total of \$8,500 plus expenses.

The statement detailed the awards as: "Four fellowships in forestry which are open to graduates in forestry of universities in the United Kingdom. The value of the awards is \$1,500, plus travelling expenses to and from the university."

"One post doctoral fellowship in chemistry, which is open to British subjects who are suitably qualified graduates of universities in the United Kingdom. The value of the fellowship is \$2,500, plus travelling expenses."

## Employment Service

A representative of the National Employment Service has offered to visit the campus every Thursday, starting February 2nd from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. to discuss permanent and summer employment opportunities for UNB students.

The representative will be equipped with lists of specific job opportunities in Canada, and students in search of employment are urged to meet the representative in the conference room of the student centre. This service, which has kindly been offered the University by the National Employment Office, will supplement the activities of the University Placement Office.

## WUSC Scholarship

This coming summer the WUSC Seminar is to be held in Europe and the local WUSC Committee is offering a scholarship to a UNB student to participate in this seminar. Having read the posters, students who are thinking of applying have asked me how I profited from participation in last summer's seminar in Japan.

Meeting students, Asian students particularly, was the most valuable part of the seminar for me. In the many days that I spent with them I was able to learn about their problems as university students, the problems that their nations face, and in a more personal way their hopes for the future.

The political and social consciousness of the Asian students was extremely strong; their intellectual calibre, great; and their cultural interests, sincere and intense. With them as my companions for seven weeks the seminar was naturally stimulating—and sometimes embarrassing! I am listing four questions to show you the type of question we constantly discussed: "Do you really think that a western type of democracy is good for Asia or do you think that a communist system of government would enable the Asian nations to become industrialized faster?"; "Please explain why Canadian immigration policy discriminates against us Asians?"; "What does the doctrine of the Trinity mean to you?"; "Who is your favourite composer?"

Of course I tried to answer these questions. And in turn I asked many too. In this way we attempted quite successfully to interpret East to West and West to East.

It was to Anita of Pakistan that I said one evening, "As individuals we are gaining much from this seminar. We are exchanging ideas, problems. We are studying Japan. Yes, we'll be less parochial in our outlook now. But how are our experiences to be made meaningful to students and other people at home?"

That day we had visited Hiroshima City. We had seen the Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission, the A-Bomb Memorial, the Peace Park, and the A-Bomb Museum with its replica of the destroyed city and its charred uniforms and pictures of victims. I think that all of us were lost in silent thoughts that day. We realized the necessity for mutual understanding that day better than ever before perhaps. It was motivated by this that I had asked Anita the question.

Her reply was typically Anita—short, pointed, and practical, "We're individuals, yes. But don't forget a nation is made up of individuals. And each time we tell one person of our experiences perhaps we will be helping to break down stupid prejudices. We must not think it is ever futile."

Her words have remained with me because they were spoken with such sincerity and conviction. I remember, too, the island where we had this discussion. We were sitting on a flight of steps that led down to the ocean. The water was lapping at the bottom steps. The sun had just gone down, but the sunken temple of Miyajima was yet visible in the distance.

I would suggest that you investigate the possibilities of applying for the WUSC Scholarship. I think that you would find it one of the most important experiences—one of the most worthwhile experiences—you could possibly have.

(Signed)—R. E. HAWKES

## Hodge Podge

Any students who wish to contribute pictures to be used in the Yearbook hodge-podge are asked to put them in the box provided for this purpose upstairs in the Students' Centre. We want to add that please do not include any negatives. To be sure of publication it is necessary to have them as soon as possible.

## POLICE

President Hale told the council of a recommendation to raise the wages of the Campus Police, 75 cents per hour for the chief, .70 for the assistant-chief and .65 for the constables. This was duly passed and is to be sent to the administration for consideration. Bill Baker was chosen to fill the newly-established position of assistant police chief. He was one of two applicants for the job.

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