

UNB student prez survives

FREDERICTON (CUP)—Student councils traditionally eat their members but in this city at least one student executive has managed to stave off the attack for a little while.

At the University of New Brunswick, controversial student council president John Bosnitch faced a second impeachment attempt from his council, while Mark Slipp, student vice-president external at St. Thomas University on the same campus, fell to the waiting councillors.

Only six council members during a marathon five-hour meeting voted to impeach Bosnitch. Four were opposed and two abstained. A two-thirds majority is needed for impeachment. Slipp, however, was booted out after 11 council members gave him the shove, three supported him and none abstained.

UNB law representative Tim Norris asked council members to consider Bosnitch's dereliction of duty a threat to the university's democracy.

"Bosnitch has destroyed democracy on this campus. This council is almost a farce," he said.

Bosnitch dismissed Norris' criticism that he swayed councillors' opinions with his oratory skills.

"I cast one vote... if you [council] don't vote in favour of what I propose, I can't pass the motion. At the end of this meeting if I'm impeached, you'll say I convinced you to vote for the impeachment," he said.

Slipp was also criticized for not fulfilling his duties outlined in St. Thomas' constitution and bylaws. Council member Colin McKay, who moved that Slipp be impeached, said Slipp failed to call a fall election properly and inform people vying for council positions of the council's rules.

Slipp countered McKay's allegations by admitting he had neglected his "complete duties" but had been honest with council.

After the impeachment motion passed, Slipp thanked council for

allowing him to have the position.

"I'm surprised a motion like this didn't come sooner than it did," he said.

The saga will continue when Bosnitch runs for his third consecutive term as president later this month.

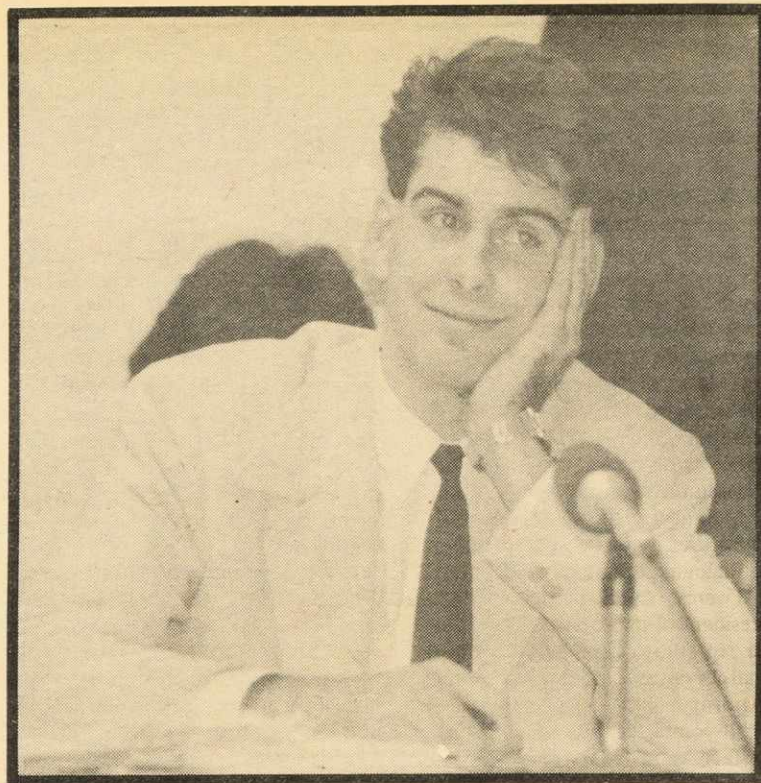
Meanwhile, at the University of Winnipeg, the student council asked their vice-president academic to resign but later backed down.

"I really don't understand what reasons prompted [the request]," said vice-president Grace-Edward Galabusi. "It certainly surprised me."

Council president Gaylen Van Dusen said Galabusi failed to attend meetings and appointments.

Countered Galabusi: "It just so happens the few appointments I missed are the ones people complained about. Out of a million, I missed no sizeable percentage."

He added: "If they neglect my defence, then I might just lay down my arms." □



Peace speech deemed 'inappropriate'

Dalhousie professor

Toronto (1978-78). He was also co-editor of the *International Journal* for 25 years.

He has published more than a dozen books and articles on Canadian Foreign Policy.

"It's a reward for a life's work and he is still at it," says Stairs. These are the kind of awards that bring prestige to the university. "I don't know whether Dalhousie deserves all the credit," says Stairs.

"I think it's great that corporations like Molson are giving awards for social science and humanities work. Professor Eayrs is very deserving of this award. He really influenced a generation of students of international relations at Dalhousie," says a former student of Eayrs. □

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gion, Richardson said he had spoken to Bishop Bent of the Moravian Church and the Bishop had mentioned nothing about the kind of harassment alleged by the Coalition.

Richardson, who had been in Nicaragua as a representative of the Anglican Church of Canada, went on to speak about the elections. He said he visited 32 polling stations on election day and saw "no disruption or irregularities". "A Harvard professor told me the election was 'as fair as Canada or the US and the best in Central America'."

The non-participation of the main opposition parties in the vote had been disappointing to Richardson, but he noted "this didn't make the election unfair." He hoped the evidence he had brought back from his visit would prove more convincing than the "nonsense" in the Coalition's pamphlets. □

VANCOUVER (CUP)—Helen Caldicott was not allowed to give a peace speech on Remembrance Day at the University of British Columbia booking office staff considered it inappropriate, said the student council programme director.

"We thought it would be very fitting to have Helen Caldicott speak about stopping nuclear madness on Nov. 11," Bruce Paisley said.

He said when he first requested the War Memorial gym for Caldicott on Nov. 11, he was told the speech would have to be interrupted by Remembrance Day ceremonies always held there that day. Bookings people later told him this type of speaker is not fitting for the gym on that day.

"I couldn't believe that this went down," Paisley said. "Caldicott is a very highly regarded speaker about nuclear issues."

Caldicott is the speaker in the academy award winning documentary *If You Love This Planet*, and the founder of the U.S. chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility.

Gary Marchant, UBC Students for Peace and Mutual Disarmament member, thinks it is absurd that a peace activist's speech was not allowed in the gym.

"That's the whole point of Remembrance Day—to remember how horrible war was and to prevent it in the future. Nothing that we'd do in the gym on Remembrance Day would be disrespectful to war veterans."

Holding a speech on the long weekend would have been more convenient for people attending from outside Vancouver, said Paisley. Caldicott ended up being scheduled to speak at the University of Alberta Nov. 11 and will be at UBC Nov. 26, he said.

Justin Marples, a booking office employee, said the speech may have interfered with intramural events scheduled for that day.

Marples claimed he has no idea why Paisley said someone told him the booking date was unfitting, adding the department takes no stand on the issue. □

