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night in Moncton following the showing of a film on the CBC French network.

The NFB-produced film, entitled "l'Acadie, l'Acadie", concerns events in the New Brunswick city in 1968-69. At that time there were demonstrations for more French language instruction as well as conflicts between English and French.

The airing of the film, reportedly despite the attempts of Moncton Mayor Leonard Jones to stop it, resulted in a march of about 200-300 students to the home of Dr. Savoie, Université de Moncton Presi-

The second group of about 12-15 students, according to a Canadian Press wire story, marched to the home of the Mayor, shouting "We want French". Police dispersed the groups without making any arrests. The mayor has yet to respond to the protest actions.

Now — the real marking system!

by Ken MacDougali

Does your "report card" confuse you? You're not alone. This article is dedicated to the translation and clarification of

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those hazy little letters. First, there are ten

That's the easy part. Now, for the complications.

This lettering system only applies officially to the Faculty of Arts and Science (although other faculties probably use it as well).

There are no standard numerical equivalents. These equivalents are worked out at the discretion of the individual professor. The professors are free to use their own determining factors in regulating the number of marks they give in each category.

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