

upcoming

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Scottish Country Dancing: Party night starts at 8:00 p.m. in Marshall d'Avray Hall, Room 143. Everyone is welcome.

Join in the crowd. Start your holiday with a big get down. African Students Union invites you to join the real people in the PUB in the SUB, Room 26. 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. Satisfaction guaranteed! Members \$1.00; non-members \$2.00.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

MSS General meeting will be held in Tilley Hall, 102 at 1 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend. A movie entitled "The Oliver's Story" will be shown immediately after the general meeting. Admission free.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

African Students' Union General Election. Room 103 SUB, at 2 p.m. Candidates required for the posts of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Public Relations Officer and Director of Socials. Nomination forms available. Call Rem Ogunkeye 455-0275 for details.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

The International Students Office invites you to attend an evening of coffee and conversation at 7:30 p.m. in Apartment 2 of Bridges House. Mr. Peter Ringrose, Director of Public Legal Information Services, will lead the discussion on such issues as landlord and tenant agreements in Fredericton, your rights under Canadian law regarding driving violations, etc. and he will answer your questions on any legal concerns. Everyone is welcome.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Anglican Eucharist (Communion Service), Edwin Jacob Chapel, Old Arts Building, 12:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 1

General Meeting - Forest Engineering Student Association (FESA) in F309 at 7 p.m. Guest speaker from Koehring Canada Ltd. will show slides and film. Everyone is welcome. Camera Club Meeting: Memorial Hall at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

Health Science Society: presents Dr. R. Mowbray, Associate Dean for Administration and Student Affairs from Memorial University of Newfoundland Medical School. Dr. Mowbray will be speaking about admissions and application procedures, and will entertain all questions regarding medicine in the Maritimes today. All interested are welcome at 8 p.m. in Room 103 of the SUB. Refreshments will be served.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9

"Your Own Boss-Starting and Managing Your Own Small Business" is a seven-week course being offered by the NB Craft School and Centre, Fredericton, beginning at 7 p.m. For information call 453-2305 or 488-2673.

More from MEC

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cake (uranium oxide) were split when a truck carrying it in metal drums collided with three horses on a deserted Colorado road and overturned, rupturing the containers and spewing the contents a foot deep across the road. (4) And what of the hundred or more million tons of radioactive tailings stored above ground which have "leaked into rivers used for drinking water or have simply blown away." (5)

Maritimers, Dr. Yaffe, do not have to be told that a nuclear power plant is not a nuclear bomb. But Maritimers do know what both have in common: the capability of spreading radioactive products into the biosphere where they will accumulate forever at ever increasing levels, because radioactivity doesn't just "go away."

Maritimers also know the fourth fact which has been amply demonstrated. You can use the spent fuel of a nuclear power plant, including the Candu reactor, to make atomic bombs. But despite the overwhelming evidence that this is true, the nuclear industry has been exposed as guilty of concealing, distorting, and misrepresenting, and covering up this fact along with so many others.

The correspondence between Dr. Gordon Edwards and Premier Hatfield of New Brunswick as published in Southern New Brunswick Nuclear News for January 1982 is eloquent in the extreme. Mr. C.A. Mawson, formerly of Atomic Energy of Canada Limited, made a public statement in Halifax in 1975 that "Candu reactors do not produce any high level radioactive wastes."

This was clearly a deliberate attempt to mislead the public. Mr. Mawson knew that although Candu reactors may not produce high level liquid waste they do produce high level solid waste. (6)

Even Dr. Yaffe admits the fifth fact, although he uses very cloudy language, namely -- that the problem of waste disposal has not been solved. We know, however, that some of the best scientists in the world have been working on that problem for thirty years, or, as Dr. Yaffe puts it, "laboratories are working on methods to store nuclear waste which are safer than methods used to store chemicals for the last fifty years."

We certainly hope so, especially if Dr. Yaffe is thinking of the Love Canal, because he is going to have to store his "chemicals" for hundreds of millions of years.

No sane, logical mind capable of adding two and two and making four is going to compare the risk of dying as a result of a nuclear power plant emergency to the risk of dying by lightning, hurricanes, meteorites, and traffic accidents. They are simply not things of the same dimension, of the same scale. An accident in a coal mine, deplorable though it is, occurs only at one time and in one place. A nuclear accident involves the entire future of all life on this entire planet. Its effects are long term effects. And that's the fact of the matter.

If Dr. Yaffe did, as alleged, make these comparisons, then it is clear that he has been reading the notorious summary of the Rasmussen Report of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The table of "comparative risks" appeared in Canada in a brochure entitled "Nuclear Reactor Safety" presented to the Royal Commission on Electric Power Planning by Atomic Energy of Canada Limited.

This table was discredited when Dr. Pon, vice-president of AECL, appeared before the Royal Commission and admitted that he had not applied these American statistics to the Candu reactor. (7)

This is what Frank Von Hippel wrote about this comparison table in an article called "Looking Back at the Rasmussen Report," (Bulletin of Atomic Scientists, February 1977):

"The numbers shown include only those fatalities which would occur within a few weeks of the accident; they do not include the hundreds of delayed deaths from radiation-induced cancers projected in the Rasmussen Report for each early death from a reactor accident. Thus, for example, we can find in the body of the report 7,000 cancer deaths predicted as occurring with the same probability as the ten short-term fatalities shown in the summary figures. Obviously the long term consequences of a reactor accident that caused 10 early fatalities would be considerably greater than the likely long term consequences of a meteor impact which caused 10 early fatalities. To equate these two events as the Rasmussen Report did is therefore highly misleading." (8)

Again, if the main report is read, it is found that "in addition to the 7,000 delayed cancer deaths associated with a reactor accident causing 10 early fatalities, a conservative estimate of other consequences would be 4,000 genetic effects, 60,000 thyroid tumors, and massive water contamination." (9)

Officiating unsuccessful

Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to the article in last weeks *Brunswick* intramural news section about the Co-Ed Basketball Tournament held February 6th and 7th. The new system of officiating (namely calling your own fouls) was not successful.

To begin, I must state this is by no means a slanderous letter towards the Stealers, the tournament champs. They played a fine game against us in the finals and won fairly. My bone of contention lies with the officiating.

This may sound inappropriate but for players whose play in this new system was supposed to be more gentlemanly or lady-like, the tempers seemed to fly a little more often than usual. In some games, it got to the point where there was constant bickering between the two teams and sportsmanship as we know it almost disappeared.

In my opinion, they should have at least had regular officiating in the semi-finals and finals. By that stage in the

tournament, the recreational aspect was diminishing and the urge to win became even stronger. Some players complained that you weren't getting up at 10:00 am. on Saturday and Sunday for the fun of it, but that's arguable.

In closing, I'd like to thank Shirley Cleave for putting on the tournament and for providing the juice; it helped get rid of the hangover taste in a person's mouth!

Sincerely,
Stephen Kingston
Manager, Garfields.

Shocked by players

Dear Editor:

Having been associated with inter-mural sports, I am shocked by the attitudes of some of the players. While some of the players respect the decisions of the officials and enjoy the game, others question every call and consider each game as "the game to end all games." Some players have the idea that since they were good athletes in high school they are just as good, if not better now,

and that they hardly ever make a mistake, so when a referee makes a call against them, they get mad and start to incite their team-mates to do likewise.

The players don't seem to realize that the referees officiate their games voluntarily. They take up their spare time so that the inter-murals can be run on schedule. The referee's have taken too much "shit" from the players for too long. The cry-baby players are the

ones that are ruining the league for the rest of us. It is true that refs do make mistakes, (they're only human) but they do the best they can given the circumstances. If

anyone has anymore complaints, please submit them to the Bruns, so that everyone else can see how you feel about our inter-mural system.

B.P.S.