

Finger crushed in accident

By JOHN HAMILTON
Staff Writer

A crushed finger for one Beaver Foods employee resulted from an accident which occurred at McConnell Hall Monday, said Phil Bonin, director of the company in Fredericton.

Dispelling the rumor that the man had several fingers or even an entire hand severed in the incident, Bonin said employee Floyd Kennedy had his finger crushed by a heavy rack of rollers which slipped and fell on his hand.

Kennedy was cleaning under the rack at the time. The rollers lead into the dishwashing machine, and transfer trays of dirty dishes along them, conveyor-belt style.

Bonin said Kennedy did not realize how serious his injury was, for he was prepared to return to work immediately. Upon hospital examination, a cut nerve was discovered, so Kennedy will wear a cast for four weeks.

Bonin said the man will be compensated and that a work order has been put through to cut the roller assembly into two smaller pieces. He said that separately, the racks will be lighter and consequently, harder to drop.

Kennedy was unavailable for comment.



John Mullen points to the roller assembly which fell on Beaver Foods employee Floyd Kennedy's finger last week and crushed it.

Bryant resigns

Gord Bryant has resigned as chief of Campus Police, effective Jan. 24.

In a letter to SRC president Perry Thorbourne, Bryant lists "financial considerations" as the deciding factor in his move to resign. It is also said he will no longer be in Fredericton as of Feb. 1.

The letter also recommends Mike MacInnis to replace Kevin Van Buskirk as assistant Campus Police chief. Van Buskirk will assume Bryant's duties when the resignation becomes effective.

Most Maritimers oppose cutbacks

A study of public attitudes toward post-secondary education in the Maritime region has found that close to 80 per cent of Maritimers are opposed to cutting back on the public funds allotted to education.

The findings of the study prepared by Dr. Andrew S. Hughes of the Atlantic Institute of Education for the Association of Atlantic Universities was designed to determine whether the public is satisfied with the types of post-secondary training centres in the province, funding and programs offered.

To gather information for the report, a survey was done in July and August of 1979 with a response rate of 88.7 per cent.

The report found that government funding of post-secondary education "is ranked behind public schooling, health and medical care, and job creation programs, but on a par with regional development and consumer protection in importance."

It concluded that publicly supported universities are considered to benefit society and that only 10.7 per cent of those surveyed were unhappy with the region's institutions.

When the report delved into specifics "almost everyone was able to offer an opinion on how important a function ought to be," but a "considerable proportion" (about 50 per cent of some segments of the population) "was unable to judge how well a given function is being carried out."

"This seems to indicate a widespread lack of information about precisely what colleges and universities do and how well they do it the report said.

Film price to rise

What's the soaring price of silver mean to you? Well, for starters, more expensive film, silverware and even dental fillings.

It's made things so confusing for makers of film manufactured with silver, that they're backing out of the market completely. That's the reaction of the GAF company - which says it's discontinuing some of its specialty line films, until it can figure out a new pricing policy. Eastman Kodak is still making film - but some types have increased by more than 35 per cent in only four months.



Date Dione (right) a guest speaker at the Coffeehouse held at STU Wednesday night during Indian Awareness Week, chats with Beatrice Francis (left) and Ernest Benedict (center).



Anthony Ward (right) shows John D. Rockefeller a moose call, one of the many items on sale at the Craft Show at STU during Indian Awareness Week.