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U. N. B. DELEGATES ATTEND AND APPROVE N. F. C. U. S. CONFERENCE

**Robinson Made
Vice-President**
(By GEORGE ROBINSON)

The N. F. C. U. S. (National Federation Canadian University Students) Conference held during Christmas holidays was a most encouraging success. This was the feeling amongst U. N. B. delegates Ed. Bastedo and George Robinson whom the S. R. C. had named in pre-exam session to attend the four day conference at Hart House.

The N. F. C. U. S. incidentally, is a Federation of the Canadian universities that looks after student affairs on a national basis. It is run by students—for students!

This organization was on the shelf during the war and this year's conference was aimed at setting it back on its feet.

In pre-war days the N. F. C. U. S. played an important role in student affairs. It accomplished many things including:

- (1) Organisation of C. U. P.
- (2) Arranging special student rates with concerns such as Samuel French press.
- (3) Arranging national and international student tours, debates, etc.

The four day session at University of Toronto's Hart House was by no means a four-day smoker. The delegates attending from colleges coast to coast (N. S. to B. C.) had sacrificed their Christmas holidays and indicated the first day that they meant business. From the out-set it was obvious that primarily the N. F. C. U. S. must have a permanent office and part-time manager.

Details of this were a large order but were worked out and Don. Selden who is alumni field secretary at McMaster University was finally chosen to do the job.

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Dramatic Society To Present "Dear Ruth"

"Dear Ruth", an amusing three act play which enjoyed a lengthy performance on the New York stage, will be this year's feature production of the U. N. B. Dramatic Society. This was made known last Sunday when that organization held a business meeting in the Arts Building.

That well-known comedy is to be presented in the Normal School Auditorium during the last week of March, and will run for two nights. Casting for the play will take place soon after the first of February.

Further plans of the society include two one act plays to be put on in the Memorial Hall in about three weeks. These are "The Valiant", a suspense filled drama, and a domestic comedy by Noel Coward, "Fumed Oak". Bob Forsythe was named production manager for these plays.

A new project of the society is the sponsoring of a play in which all the actors will be faculty members. This novel production will be staged in the Normal School about the middle of next month. Selections by the Glee Club will round out the night's entertainment.

It was decided that another radio play will be presented this term in the CFNB "Journal of the Air" series. Bob Lawrence will again supervise this production.

Plans were discussed for the forthcoming contest for original plays written by students. More details (Continued on Page Seven)

CAMP TAKES CAMPUS STAND

Dalton Camp opened the new business of Wednesday night's S. R. C. meeting with a bang by making a motion-suggestion that U. N. B. should contract no more basketball games with professional or semi-professional teams. Basketball Manager Bob MacGowan was on his feet at once to explain what happened at Christmas in Maine when a scheduled game with the Bangor Mohawks was cancelled—the auction which had brought on Camp's motion.

U. N. B. to Play Mohawks.

A stormy debate followed which resolved itself into arguments between Camp and MacGowan as to whether the Mohawks are professionals (who Bob declares are not), whether the game was cancelled because of a poor gate receipt prospect, and even with the Mohawks in a spirit of revenge, for profit, or for the sport alone. Finally, a motion was defeated that U. N. B. should not play the game scheduled with the Bangor team.

Alumni's Murray Reports.

Jack Murray, newly appointed Alumni Field Secretary, spoke to the Council concerning the proposed Risk Memorial Building. It is not known as yet if the Alumni Association will take part in the plans which are still in embryo of the Fredericton Exhibition and the City Chamber of Commerce committees.

Discuss Conventions.

George Robinson made a short report concerning the N. F. C. U. S. holiday convention at Toronto and Dalton Camp gave his impressions of the Veteran's Convention held in Montreal.

John Gandy moved and it was passed that the preliminary budget meeting for this term should be held on Friday night, January 17.

Post-Grade Get No Levies.

The "camp" was split over another argument arousing issue concerning post-graduate students and student levies with Eric Teed opposing Camp this time. It was finally decided by motion that post-graduate students at U. N. B. could get student's passes without paying the customary student's levy of fourteen dollars. It was pointed out that their tuition amounted to only five dollars and it would seem rather out of proportion for them to pay almost three times as much for student activities.

VETS GO FORMAL NEXT WEEK

The U. N. B. Veteran's Club has announced the social event of the season, the annual Veteran's Ball will be held on Friday, the twenty-fourth of January, in the Beaverbrook gymnasium.

Last year, the Vet's Ball was the dance of year, under the astute direction of chairman Bill Smith. Nearly four hundred couples attended the dance which was advertised by radio P. A. system, and circulars. The dance committee this year is under Murray Beely; and the vets avow that this year's Ball will be bigger and better than ever.

Although details are not yet final, the vets plan to engage Bruce Holders orchestra from Saint John for the occasion. Larry Moffard will again be in charge of the decorations. George Cross, Vet's Club president, has called a meeting this week and final plans will then be made for the big show.

AIRCRAFT ARRIVES FOR FLYING CLUB

FACULTY FOSTERS FIVE YEAR COURSE

Following the study that has been given by all Faculties on the Five Year Programme for Engineers and Foresters entering their first year next September, an interim report was submitted and discussed at length. Final consideration of this programme will be given by Faculty between now and its next meeting, February 10th, when it will be confirmed and brought before Senate for ratification at the February Meeting.

It was pointed out that students who did not achieve the appropriate standing on the Christmas examinations should be urged to discuss the matter with their instructors and that the latter, when requested, review the papers with them. Heads of Departments were asked to conduct special interviews with students whose Christmas examinations appeared to warrant special investigation.

It was agreed that—bona fide University students who present proof of the necessity of absence on account of illness or other cause beyond their control at the time of December examination will be allowed to either (1) sit a special examination on the work of the first term or (2) accept a rating on year's work on the results of the final examination in May, subject to the decision of the department concerned. 2. Seniors with failures on first term courses will be allowed to sit a supplemental examination on such courses at the time of the regular examinations in May. 3. All other undergraduate students in the above category (2) will be required to sit supplementals at the time of the regular September supplemental examinations.

It was announced that the University Employment Committee would convene on Tuesday, January (Continued on Page Seven)

Laws Regarding Operation Outlined

The good news was announced to the U. N. B. Flying Club, on January 13 at a meeting in the Forestry building, that very soon students will be able to see the RED Ace Aircraft with the BLACK letters CFEHO soaring above the Fredericton roofs. The aircraft for the club has finally arrived at the airport. Operations are expected to begin on January 16. An important announcement was also made that a dance, sponsored by the Flying Club, would take place in the Beaverbrook Gymnasium on January 18.

The plane will be in operation all day Saturday and Sunday and in the afternoons of the week days. Lessons in flying of one-half hour each will be started for beginners.

Agreement with Mr. Sturgeon has been made for use of the airport at Barker's Point.

Some laws, which must be followed were outlined by the president. These were:

1. That a staff of pilots should be appointed within the Flying Club and that their decisions be final.
2. That an authorization from some instructor must be obtained by a person before flying.
3. That beginners classes should be operated on "first come, first served" basis, and flying lessons consist of one-half hour each.
4. That no pilot who had been away from flying for six months, should take anyone up with him until six hours practice had been exercised by him.
5. That the laws of the Flying Club must be followed by all members and infidelity in this respect would be governed by depriving the person of his license, or by impeding those working for their license.

"It is hoped that Dr. Gregg will be a passenger on the plane on her first (Continued on Page Seven)

Second National Conference of Student Veterans Held

The second annual National Conference of Student Veterans, held in the cold, draughty ballroom of the McGill Union in Montreal, was attended by three delegates from the University of New Brunswick, Ken Mosher, Dave Munn and Dalton Camp. Nearly every university of size in Canada, with the exception of the University of Saskatchewan and Queens, were represented among the seventy-two delegates attending the three day session.

Quoted From Office.

Immediately the student veterans went into their first closed session, the University of Alberta delegate moved a motion of non-confidence in the chair. The motion was strongly supported by Toronto University, University of British Columbia, Western University of Montreal, St. Francis Xavier, and the University of New Brunswick.

Speaking to the motion, the U. N. B. delegate quoted passages from the president's circular letters, in which, it was claimed, the president had abused his office, misrepresented the veterans to the government, and the government to the veterans. Mr. Starkey had used careless, prejudiced falsehoods, using the stu-

dent veteran's organization to suit his own political ends.

In a secret ballot, the temporary chairman, who succeeded Starkey when the President left the chair to reply to the charges, announced that the motion had been carried by a strong majority. The acting chairman, John Schlerbeck, a 37 year old Naval veteran from Macdonald College, was later elected the new President.

Panel Discussions.

The conference was then broken up into three panels—finance, housing and employment. A U. N. B. delegate sat permanently on each panel. From these smaller discussion groups, questions of policy were determined, each university had the opportunity to forward its own proposals, and resolutions were adopted to be voted on in the general session.

Compromise and Moderation.

There were three divisions in thought, and as the conference progressed, conflicting opinions were blunted by compromises which majority groups favored. A small minority, led by Mr. Starkey who remained at the conference as a delegate, sought to revive the 20-40 cm-

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Two Members of Brunswickan Staff Attended Conference

Representatives of sixteen Canadian university newspapers from Antigonish to Vancouver converged on Toronto on Dec. 21 for the annual three day conference of the Canadian University Press. Charlotte VanDine, associate editor, and Don Baird, exchange editor of the "Brunswickan" attended the meetings of this organization which promotes the exchange of news and ideas among university publications.

Under the chairmanship of Jack Ferry, editor-in-chief of the University of British Columbia's "Ubyssy" which was executive paper, reports on the year's work of news-bureaus, finance and wire services were received and discussed. The wire news service was reorganized in an effort to give satisfactory service to weekly papers as well as the dailies, which need a more comprehensive coverage. Membership in the CUP will cost 25¢ for the Brunswickan next year, this to include travel expenses of a conference delegate.

In elections for 1947, the University of Western Ontario "Gazette" was made President and Secretary. The invitation of McMaster University "Sithouet" to hold next year's conference in London was accepted.

At the conference banquet Mr. Gillis Purcell, general manager of the Canadian Press and Honorary President of CUP, awarded the Bracken Trophy for best paper of the year to the "Varsity", daily paper at the University of Toronto. The "Mantoban" and "Ubyssy" of the universities of Manitoba and British Columbia were named for second and third places. Mr. Purcell, the chief judge in the contest, accepted the position as honorary president again for 1947. Mr. Farquarson, editor of the Toronto "Globe Mail" was another contest judge, was also present at the banquet.

A supper-dance for the delegates was held by the "Varsity" which was host, and featured Mart Kenny's orchestra. The conference was conducted on a tour of the modern plant of the "Globe and Mail" by the editor. Members of the "Globe and Mail" staff discussed critically with the delegates the composition and makeup of the university papers, offering helpful advice which was eagerly received.

Our representatives returned home on Christmas Day with much information and understanding of the work of other papers.