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The University of New Brunswick Drama Society presented its first public performance of the year last Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in Teachers' College. The plays and players are: *Voices of the People* by Robertson Davies (Upper left) with Barbara Douglass, Fredericton; David Fisher, Truro; May Ann Keith, Moncton; and John Coolen, Saint John; *The Lady of Larkspur Lotion*, (Upper Right) by Tennessee Williams, with Bob Hawkes, Coal Creek; Beth Cattley, Fredericton, and Ingrid Legere, Fredericton; *Sorry Wrong Number* by Lucille Fletcher (Lower left) with John Mansfield, Fredericton; *Maker of Dreams* by Oliphant Down (Lower right) with Stephen Fay, England, May Ann Keith and Iain Barr, Oban, Scotland. Prof. A. J. Shaw directed the *Voices of the People* and *Sorry Wrong Number*; The *Maker of Dreams* is under the direction of Elsworth Briggs, Plaster Rock while Alda Mair, Tide Head, directed *The Lady of Larkspur Lotion*.

Enjoyable Evening of Entertainment

Nightly Audiences of One Hundred People Is Disgrace To University Of This Size

Drama is at a low ebb at the University of New Brunswick. This is not to say that we have no competent director, for we have a good faculty director and several promising student directors; nor is it to say that we have no actors, set designers, lighting and make-up experts, for we have all or these and they are all energetic and enthusiastic. But drama is at a low ebb in the sense that there is no audience, no widespread interest in the form among the students. Houses of less than a hundred people, when we have a thousand students on the campus, are a disgrace to the university and a great discouragement to the actors and directors.

If the students were really keen, they would get out and sell tickets to the townspeople. A few days before, the Fredericton High School had filled its large auditorium for two one-act plays by its students. How did they achieve what we failed to achieve? Simply by going from door to door selling tickets. Is this considered beneath the dignity of university students, or are we simply lazy? Let's wake up, U.N.B. We shall never become a great university until we display more spirit than this.

But to the plays themselves. It is difficult to judge them fairly, for the vitality they, to some extent, lacked might well have been forthcoming in response to a large and appreciative audience. No one can play his best to a handful of people. In the circumstances, the casts did very well, and provided an enjoyable evening of entertainment. The plays were well selected to give balance and variety, the sets were ingenious and attractive, and the actors were in most cases well adapted to their parts.

In *The Voice of the People*, I was most impressed by the performance of May Anne Keith as Myrtle. She was at times rather difficult to hear, but in all other respects she was most satisfying; she spoke her lines as if she meant them, she assumed appropriate poses, and she had a good command of facial expression and bodily gesture. David Fisher, Barbara Douglas, and John Coolen were competent if a trifle wooden; they never quite assumed their dramatic roles. The whole play was too slow and restrained for a light comedy of manners.

The Lady of Larkspur Lotion had much more gusto, but it was marred by Robert Hawkes' misinterpretation of the role of The Writer. Hawkes was far too intense and serious; the role demanded a lighter, more fluid, more inebriated performance. The Writer should have been both literally and figuratively "well-oiled", to contrast with the stiff, angular respectability of Mrs. Wire, whom Ingrid Legere played to perfection. Beth Cattley was almost as good as Mrs. Hardwicke-Moore, but she too might have been a little more sleazy, a little more obviously a woman of easy virtue, a trifle more coarsely sensual.

Sorry, Wrong Number was the highlight of the evening. Joan Mansfield as Mrs. Stevenson was almost unbearably convincing. Her portrayal of a neurotic woman was so fine that for the only time that evening one forgot that one was in a theatre and really lived the situation with her. The set, too, was a triumph of ingenuity.

The final play, *The Maker of Dreams*, was a pleasant bit of whimsy, though a little overly sweet at times. May Anne Keith scored her second success here — I hope we shall see a lot of her

NEW COUNCIL TAKES OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY

Monte Carlo Comes To Fredericton

Friday night is the opportunity of your life. Look what happened to Grace Kelly when she went to Monte Carlo. Although we can not guarantee that Princes and Princesses will be present, we can assure you one of the finest evenings of gambling east of Los Vegas.

This Friday at 9 p.m. is the time, and the Boxing room in the Gym is the place for the annual Monte Carlo presented by the Foresters. Admission is a mere 25 cents. For this you obtain \$1000. to fritter away. Foreign exchange rates are the same thing this year, 10 cents for each additional \$1000. All this money may be wisely disposed of at any or all of the following games: Roulette, Electric Roulette, Crown and Anchor, Over and Under, Horse-racing and Rainbow.

Refreshments and music for dancing will also be available. There will be a door prize and a prize for the person who accumulates the most winnings during the evening's play.

Join the crowd and come out to try your luck this Friday at the Monte Carlo.

This evening in the Students' Memorial Centre the Students' Representative Council for the year 1956-57 will take office. At approximately 7:30 p.m. the former Council Members and the Executive will have completed their term as the students' governing body, and will vacate their positions in favour of the incoming representatives.

The meeting will be officially opened by Dick Hale, the retiring president. The minutes of the previous meeting will be read and approved. Thus the last official motion and conclusion of business for the year 1955-56 shall be recorded.

New Prexy Says Thanks . . .

The Editor,
The Brunswickan,

Dear Sir:

I should like to thank you very much for the space that was afforded to all candidates in your pre-election issues of *The Brunswickan*.

I should like to thank the students for electing me as their president of the new student's council. I hope that the new council will carry out your, (the students) wishes and the council can with your help. The council is always ready to listen to the views of anyone and you are especially invited to attend any or all of the council meetings.

Special thanks are extended to the members of my class who aided immeasurably in the campaign. To Dave Lohnes, my campaign manager, and Jim Chalmers and Tom Ernst who spent a great deal of time working on the election, my extra special thanks.

During the coming year I shall do my very best to help make the council one that the students can be proud of.

Yours sincerely,

Jim MacDonald.

Dr. Colin B. Mackay, President of the University of New Brunswick, will address both Councils.

Dick Hale will call upon the Representatives and Executive to retire and with the placing of the Official Gavel in the hand of the incoming President, Jim MacDonald, the installation of the new Council will be completed.

Directly after the adjourning of the meeting by Jim MacDonald, coffee and doughnuts will be served. Movies of U.N.B. and the activities of last year will be shown through the courtesy of J. C. Murray, Alumni Secretary and Director of the Student Centre.

All students are invited to attend the inauguration of the new Students' Representative Council.

C.I.C.

The U.N.B. branch of the Canadian Institute of Chemistry had as its speaker at a recent meeting, Dr. A. A. Noyes, who was visiting here from the University of Rochester, New York, where he is the head of the Department of Chemistry. The subject of his address was "Phosphorus and Fluorescence". Several students at Rochester have been carrying out experiments in the fields of phosphorus and fluorescence and Dr. Noyes discussed their interesting work and the results which they have received.

MACKAY REQUESTS \$20,000 GRANT; STRESSES IMPORTANCE OF UNB TO CITY

Dr. Colin Mackay, UNB president, appeared before council with B. F. Macaulay, business manager, and presented a brief outlining the financial needs of the university.

The UNB president noted that enrolment at the university had increased from 557 in the 1952-53 university year to 1,022 in the current year. He predicted that enrolment will increase to 2,100 plus in the next 10 years on the basis of a survey made by the university. The population at UNB will be tripled by 1974, he added.

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Council was reminded that UNB has been part of the City of Fredericton since the very beginning "of this Loyalist settlement" in 1784. A petition for its establishment was presented by the new settlers to the Governor-in-Council as early as 1785.

"Today, the university is faced with the prospect of increasing numbers of young people anxious to gain admittance to UNB," Dr. Mackay stressed.

"The city and its surrounding areas are enjoying a period of rapid expansion and this will mean greater pressure on the university to provide adequate facilities at the post-high school level. If good work is to be accomplished, then the lecture room and laboratory must not be crowded so that numbers impair effective work," he continued.

"It means that more faculty must be added to ensure we maintain a proper ratio between the number of students and professors," he added.

PREVIOUS CONTRIBUTIONS

Dr. Mackay informed the council that during the 1920's the City of Fredericton came to the university's aid on two separate occasions. In 1923 a sum of \$25,000 was voted to the Memorial Building Fund. In 1926, \$25,000 was given to the university for the \$500,000 Endowment Fund.

Council was informed that a number of smaller Canadian universities receive annual operation grants from the cities in which they are located. The City of London, Ont., makes an annual grant to the University of Western Ontario, on the general basis of \$1 per capita.

Dr. Mackay noted that the mayor of London is ex-officio a member of the Board of Governors of the university.

"I am of the opinion that such an arrangement is sound, and with your approval will place before the members of the University Senate the suggestion that the Mayor of Fredericton join them as an ex-officio member of the governing body of UNB," Dr. Mackay stated.

"It is our hope that the City of Fredericton will be prepared once more to embark on a policy set by City Councils of 30 years ago, and that you will join with other Canadian cities in extending assistance to 'your' university. I am convinced that this will be a most beneficial arrangement for all concerned."

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National Federation To Stay At U.N.B. Wins By Majority

NFCUS, by a majority of 260 votes, out of 640 cast, will remain at UNB for the year 1955-1956. This vote was the result of a student referendum held in conjunction with the SRC elections. In an interview with the chairman of the local NFCUS Committee, Mr. Bill Griffin, he expressed his pleasure at the outcome of the referendum. He added: "The majority of 451

to 190 showed an unexpected support of the federation and buoyed up by the students' interest, we look forward to a strong committee for the coming year on this campus. The recently implemented Student Discount Service at U.N.B. will be greatly expanded next year, especially if students utilize it during the remainder of this term; and NFCUS is planning a new life insurance scheme which should be put into effect on a national scale. The Committee also is looking forward to an interesting Cultural Plan which will enable students to visit neighbouring camps in order to exchange ideas on matters of interest to all college students. Debates will be included in this plan."

P.C.'s Meet In Ottawa

On February 24, 25, and 26 the National Convention of the Progressive Conservative Student Federation was held in the Chateau Laurier Hotel, Ottawa. Some fifty representatives of 19 Universities across Canada were present. UNB was represented by James Kennedy and Elsworth Briggs.

The conference got under way on Friday evening with most of the delegates dining with M.P.'s from their respective areas. The Maritime delegation, consisting of some 14 representatives, dined in the parliamentary restaurant with Mr. George Nolan, Mr. Tom Bell and Mr. Gage Montgomery, all of whom are Maritime Conservative M.P.'s. After dinner registration of delegates and a general reception was held at the hotel.

Saturday morning the business sessions opened with a panel discussion on "For Canadian Unity, A National Policy". Participants were Mr. Diefenbaker, Mrs. George Hees, Mrs. Walter Dymdale, Mr. Tom Bell (Saint John, President Young P.C.'s of Canada) and Mr. Donald Hemming. Following the discussion, the meeting was thrown open to

questions from the floor in an attempt to clarify any obscurities with regard to the statements of policy which had just been made. The meeting adjourned for luncheon at 1 p.m., at which the Honourable George Drew spoke.

In the afternoon resolutions regarding the development of Canada's natural resources, the revision of our immigration policy and the questions of the All-Canada pipeline, Federal scholarships for University Students, and the effects of the Saint Lawrence Seaway on various sections of Canada. Resolutions which will go to National Party H.Q. were passed with regard to some of them. Saturday evening an entertainment and dance was sponsored by Carleton College of Ottawa.

Sunday afternoon saw the election of the executive. The Presidency went to Peter McDermald of Dalhousie University with Ted Rogers of Toronto as Executive Vice-President and Ken Mounroe of King's College Maritime Vice-President.

The convention was the largest (Continued On Page Five)

in the years to come — and was a most bewitching Pierrette. Stephen Fay played the role of Pierrot with deft self-assurance and easy grace, and Iain Barr was his usual suave and charming self as The Manufacturer. The set and costumes were most effective.

All in all, the evening was a great success in every respect except the size of the audience.

Desmond Pacey.