

Progressive Conservatives Set Meeting For Next Tuesday

The UNB Progressive Conservative Club resumes its campus activities with a meeting next Tuesday. At the session, members will discuss a program for the current year, and lay preliminary plans for participation in the annual model parliament.

The Club's executive is "looking forward to a very active season and envisages even greater support than in the past", said a spokesman.

Last year the PC's won a plurality in a campus election and consequently formed a minority government in the model Parliament held in February. However, midway through the session,

a coalition of the Liberal and Christian Atheist parties was formed to defeat the Tories and assume control of the government.

At the meeting next Tuesday, to be held in the Students' Centre Hon. R. Gordon L. Fairweather, QC, the newly-appointed attorney general of the province, will address the members on the pro-

posed Bill of Rights for Canada. He will also take part in informal discussion.

The meeting starts at 7.30 o'clock.

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Stand On Foreign Affairs Defended By Bistrisky

Mortimer Bistrisky, president of the National Federation of Canadian University Students, and Patrick Deigh of Sierra Leone, vice-president of the World University Service, addressed a special meeting of the UNB's Students' Representative Council recently.

Mr. Bistrisky outlined the NFCUS position as the voice of Canadian student opinion, not only in the eyes of government and industry in this country, but also in the eyes of the world.

Defending stands taken at the recent NFCUS conference, Mr. Bistrisky argued that the resolutions concerning Algerian, South African, and American student issues had originated with requests for support from student federations in the countries concerned. A majority of Canadian universities had decided on action and, with NFCUS as a member of the International Student Council, felt entitled to do so.

Heated Argument

A heated question time followed, mainly around the fate of the Algerian students who had lost their scholarships from the French government. NFCUS claimed that they should have a right to an education — but it appears that the East German government had already offered them such. Mr. Bistrisky, in claiming that his organization was in no way anti-Communist, denied that there was any need to find these students education in the west on political grounds. He put forward what he called the "humanitarian grounds" of allowing the Algerians a choice in their country of education.

Few Against

During this year's NFCUS convention, held in Ottawa last month, UNB's delegates, Ron Manzer and Joan Young, were among a very few who opposed five resolutions on international affairs. Representatives of over 20 universities backed the moves.

One of the resolutions called for NFCUS to support a plan to

provide scholarships for those Algerians studying in France who lost financial support for alleged political activity against the French government.

The UNB delegates opposed the five resolutions because they thought a national student organization should not voice opinions on "international affairs which do not concern us in our roles as students." They also claimed that in any case, no stands should be taken without adequate information.

"While we have personal opinions on the matters discussed, we do not feel that a national student organization should take stands on matters which are primarily political and social, and not educational, issues in foreign countries," Mr. Manzer said.

Later UNB's SRC endorsed the actions of the delegates.

Other Questions

In answer to other questions, Mr. Bistrisky said the influence of NFCUS locally depended on the UNB committee. The central office, however, did organize two competitions with cash prizes for photography and short story work. These are open to all students. He said NFCUS also hoped to organize a National Student Day next term in order to acquaint the general public with student life.

Mr. Deigh, in a brief speech, referred to Mr. Bistrisky's remarks on NFCUS becoming involved in affairs in foreign lands, saying that every student problem the world over was of concern to Canadian students, particularly through WUS of Canada.

He added that in the world today, just because something did not affect us directly, it did not mean it was not our business. Events were moving too fast for that. There could be no peace until we considered ourselves one human race with a responsibility to live.

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