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UNB Gets Public Relations Man



Dave Pickard

Recently Dr. Colin B. MacKay announced the appointment of Dave Pickard as the new public relations director for the university. Mr. Pickard was born in Fredericton and attended Fredericton High School and Rothesay Collegiate. He received his college education at UNB in the class of '34, during which time he played hockey and football.

A varied and interesting career in the newspaper and broadcasting fields followed his university training. Early in this career he was city editor of the St. John Evening Times-Globe, as well as the Maritime correspondent for Time, Life and Fortune magazines.

Just prior to World War II he was a special broadcaster for the CBC. During the war he served with the RCAF as a pilot in the coastal command.

Following the war he went to Minnesota where he became Sunday editor of the Albert Lea, Evening Tribune. His most recent position was as the editor for Fairchild Publications Incorporated in the Minneapolis area.

Mr. Pickard's position at UNB is to handle all publicity for the university. This covers all news releases pertaining to UNB for use in the newspapers and on radio. He will also act as aide-de-camp for all visiting VIP's to the campus.

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by JOANNE ROWLEY

M.P. Gives Views On Capital Punishment

by PAT SHAW

"Being an abolitionist is like having a baby. It's very hard to be a little bit pregnant and very hard to be a little bit abolitionist."

The above words were spoken by Frank McGee the distinguished MP for York Scarborough, who visited the UNB Progressive Conservative Club last week. Mr. McGee, an ex-buyer for Simpson-Sears, said that his interest in the controversial capital punishment question began when he served on two successive murder juries a few years ago. After doing much research in the subject, he introduced his bill during the last session of the House of Commons only to have it defeated.

Statistics Prove

Armed with statistics, he used reason, not emotion, to prove that capital punishment was wrong and obsolete. First he showed us that it was not a unique deterrent; if one is going to commit a crime the threat of death will not stop him. Then why do we continue with this barbaric custom? Mr. McGee feels that an inner desire for revenge — a personal factor which does not belong in our laws must be the answer.

Self Defence

In his opinion the only justifiable occasion for taking life is in self-defence. Hanging is "public calculated killing". It has "a degenerating and demoralizing effect on all directly or indirectly associated with it".

But more important than this is the possibility of error, forever lurking in our law courts. Fortunately very few of these cases have come to light in modern

Canada, although some, like the well-known Coffin case, are still in doubt. Human judgment is not infallible — "There have been, and will be mistakes made as long as human beings are human beings".

Two Sides

The other side to this story is just as serious. Many murder juries are reluctant to condemn a man to death through a first degree verdict even when his guilt has been proven beyond doubt. Therefore, a murderer can again be given a chance to menace society after serving a lesser term in prison. It is much more difficult to sign away a man's life than his freedom.

In a discussion following his talk, Mr. McGee showed us that to keep these men away from society would cost no more than an insane asylum or an old folks home. They could do hard labour to help with their upkeep.

Three Aspects

Many other points were argued during this time including the religious, moral and emotional aspects. Mr. McGee left us with this thought: hanging is wrong and unnecessary. The evening proved to be a very interesting one from both the political and non-political points of view.

LOST

Gold watch at the Lady Beaverbrook Rink two weeks ago. Finder please contact Bob Richardson, Windsor Apartments.

Don't Forget the Fall Formal Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium Friday

BLOOD CLINIC RESULTS

The University of New Brunswick Blood Donor Clinic ended on Wednesday night with 52.3% of the students giving blood. Although this is 15% higher than last fall's clinic and 35% higher than the clinic in the spring, the Pre-Med Club felt it was still too low. They were particularly disappointed in the professors who for some reason did not think it important enough to give their blood; their percentage was 6%.

The highest percentage came from the Maggie Jean who had 100%. This established a Residence competition record. Aitken House followed with 97%, then the L.B.R. with 83%, and Jones House with 81%.

For the Gaiety Trophy Aitken House led with 75.5% having had a 48% average in the spring. Because of their 26% in the spring, the Maggie Jean average dropped to 63%. The L.B.R. also had 63% and the Jones House with 59.5%.

In faculty competition Forestry topped the list with 77%. This is a new record for any faculty at U.N.B. The other faculty donations were Physical Education 72%, Science 69%, Business Administration 64%, Arts 55%, Engineering 44%, Law 16%, Post-Grad and Professors 16%.

There were 939 registered blood donors and 814 bottles of blood. The final average was 52.3% which is what counts in the Corpuscule Cup competition. Last year's winner of the Cup was Mount Allison with 81.5%.



ROGER CATTLEY

The versatile and comical Roger Cattley appears as one of the leads in 'Doctor in the House'. Cattley is one of the two students who attempt to 'humanize' an innocent freshman student at an English Medical school.



MARY ELLEN STEEVES

Another lead actor in the production of the year is the beautiful and talented Mary Ellen Steeves. Directed by Joyce Campion, the light comedy promises a lot of laughs.

There will be a Doctor in the House at Memorial Hall Saturday night. Last minute rehearsals for the UNB Drama Society's first production of the year are in full swing, and expectations are for a capacity audience on opening night, Saturday, Nov. 19th. The show will continue Monday and Tuesday nights, Nov. 21 and 22, with curtain time on all three nights at 8.15 p.m.

This hilarious English farce presents the more interesting details of the college education of three students at St. Swithins Medical School. When Simon Sparrow (played by David Likely) arrives at this institution, slightly wet behind the ears, but eager to pursue a brilliant scholastic career, two of the other students, Tony Grimsdyke (Roger Cattley) and John Evans (Roger Smith) attempt, in their own words, to "humanize" the poor fellow.

Wine and Women

Persuaded that he should major in wine and women, Simon's life becomes increasingly more complicated and the result is very good comedy. The other characters who help to confuse the situation are played by Wendy Tidmarsh, Prof. Alvin Shaw, Mary Ellen Steeves, Joyce Campion, Sande Kilburn and Bob Ferguson.

Joyce Campion, director of the play, is pleased with the efforts of her hard working cast, and promises lots of laughs for the audience. She stressed the fact that although the movie version is very well known, it is quite different from the play itself and should not spoil anyone's enjoyment of the UNB production.

New Cocktail

Miss Campion also revealed that during the play the audience will be given an excellent opportunity to view the concoction of a radically new cocktail unfamiliar to UNB students. She has generously offered to give out the formula to all interested persons after the show.

George Cassar is in charge of the ticket sales. Tickets themselves may be obtained from any member of the Drama Society. The students are urged to get their tickets early to avoid the disappointment of not being able to see the most entertaining production of the season.

Expensive Weekend

Student Disciplinary Committee Chairman, Bob Soward, issued the names of two students convicted for their actions on October 29 during the football game against Mount Allison at Sackville.

John Ostrander, Forestry (2) was charged and convicted of: "Conduct unbecoming a student, drunkenness and making a public display." Ostrander was slap-

ped with a \$25 fine, had his SRC pass removed until January 31, 1961, and was suspended for two weeks.

Mike Rouse, Forestry (4) was convicted of a charge of "Conduct unbecoming a student, drunk and disorderly." Rouse's SRC pass was removed until January 31, 1961 and a fine of \$20. was imposed.