

Men in residence would like better treatment

BY DERWIN GOWAN

On November 1, 1973, UNB took over the Montgomery Street Co-ops. There are rumours that the singles co-op will be made into a women's residence. Some people think that this is an opportunity to have a co-ed residence. Also, some people believe that more money should be spent on the present men's residences, and that some residences are getting more from their residence fees than others.

"I thought that it was a good opportunity for a co-ed residence," said Dan MacPherson, President of Neill House, adding that it worked out well at summer school, and that the co-ops are presently co-ed.

He said that some of the men's residences are in need of "substantial improvements". He added that the \$200 per year house improvement fund was not enough.

"As it stands now, it's like a bare house," he said, referring to Neill House. He says his house needs carpeting in the halls, and a new paint job.

MacPherson feels that the girls at the Dunn and Tibbits are getting more for their money, and that some of the money going into the co-ops should be re-directed into improving some of the present residences.

He added that ill will was created when the Beaverbrook Foundation paid a large sum of money for the renovation of Lady Beaverbrook Residence, given primarily because of the name of the house.

"We'll switch our name to LBR to get some money too," he affirmed.

One other suggestion that he had was to change one of the men's residences into a women's residence, and to move some of the evicted persons to the proposed co-ed residence.

John Meagher, executive assistant to President John Anderson, said that any decision as to what type of residence the Co-ops should be made into should depend on statistics as to how many men and

women apply for residence, and as to how many are presently on the waiting list.

He said that no one was subsidizing anyone, and that the money used to upgrade LBR was a grant from the Beaverbrook Foundation, and they had no choice as to how it was to be spent.

He also said that it will take a lot of money to upgrade the co-op, as "It's a God damned mess."

I.B. Ward, Dean and Provost of Men's Residences, said that the reason he hasn't requested that the co-op be made into a men's residence is that no more men's residences are needed, although he believes that if the building is made into a women's residence, there will be a greater demand placed on the men's residences, due to the men evicted from the co-ops.

He said that the reason why he hasn't given much consideration to a co-ed residence is that no one has requested one, or has brought the matter to him.

He said that in mid-summer, there were about 250 over-applications for residence, and that by September, this figure was cut to about 80. He stated that after 2 weeks or so into September, there is next to no waiting list.

He added that a mixed residence at the co-op "would probably be a viable situation. Ward says that the Senate Board Committee disagrees with him on this point, as they said they don't believe New Brunswick parents are willing to accept the idea of co-ed residences.

Referring to the recent renovations to LBR, he said that the university would have liked to have seen the grant split between all of the residences, but that this was beyond their control, and that the only other alternative was to refuse the grant. However, when told about complaints by people from Neill and Neville houses that money should be spent in their houses, he affirmed, "That is really true," and that these houses were badly in need of renovations.

He also made a reply to the

rumor that LBR is to be taken over by graduate students, Law Students, etc. He said there is "nothing in the wind at the moment," and that, although this has been proposed in the past, "We don't want it to become a law student house."

Dean of Women's Residences, Joy Kidd, when asked whether or not the university would be able to fill the co-ops, said "I think we'll get lots of applications," if they were to be made into a women's residence, and "It's a bit early to say."

She said that, by the first of September, there was about 150 girls on the waiting list to get into residence. She said that by the end of December, this number was reduced to about 30.

Frank Wilson, Dean of Students, said that no decision has been made as to what type of residence to co-op should be.

However, he said that enrollment of women is growing at a faster rate than the men's which has leveled off. He also said that men are more willing to take downtown accommodations than are women. He attributed this to some

facet of human nature.

With respect to a co-ed residence, he said, "The committee is looking at that," as well as all other possibilities.

However, he said, "Preference seems to be for separate residences," among students, and people in general.

When asked to comment on the ill will towards LBR, Wilson replied that when Neill House and Neville House were new, the people in LBR probably felt the same way as do the people in Neill and Neville now. Also, he said the renovations should be done to other houses next time, to bring them up to the standards of the LBR.

Chairman of the Board-Senate Residence Committee, Dr. Arnold McAllister, said "No, not really," when asked whether or not a decision was made as to what should be done with the Co-ops, except that the married Co-op is to be continued as is presently run.

He said that architects have been asked to make estimates as to how much it would cost to convert the other Co-op into a women's residence.

He said that finding accomoda-

tions for women was the "Biggest, single undecided problem at the moment," as women tend, when refused acceptance to residence, to go to other universities where they can get into residence. Men, on the other hand, tend to seek other residence in downtown Fredericton.

When asked about a co-ed residence, he replied, "It was one of the possibilities," and that the idea has been "neither accepted or rejected." He said that the Co-op presently has the capacity to hold about 240 people, and that, presently, there are about 160 persons living there, but that this number varies rapidly.

He said that when the alterations are finished, which will include a kitchen, dining room, and common rooms, and other things which "turn a residence to a home," the new residence should provide accommodations for about 200 people. He said that these renovations should cost between two and three hundred thousand dollars.

Housing Survey

Incorrect data being put on forms

By JEAN MURCH

The off-campus housing survey mailed out with the exam results are beginning to filter in to the Accommodations Office. However, many forms are being filled in incorrectly.

Accommodations Officer Mr. H. E. Stewart said in a telephone interview with The Brunswickan that students are failing to fill in both their present rental rates and their local addresses. She said that many people are giving their

permanent home address rather than their Fredericton residence. The survey is being conducted to determine the type of off-campus housing that is now available to students, and to establish what students actually require or desire in housing.

Survey questionnaires can be obtained from: the SRC Office, room 126, office wing of the Student Union Building; Dean of Students Office, Memorial Student Centre; or the Accommodations Office, room 8, MacLaggan Hall.

Drama Club needs help

By GEOFF RHODENIZER

There is a definite tradition set by the UNB Drama Society for excellence. It is the general apathy of the students which retards the growth of Drama at UNB. Walter Learning, the director of Theatre New Brunswick was once a student at UNB and he belonged to the Drama Society. If he can make it you can, if you have the inspiration. It's not too late to apply your talents for the Drama Society, people are need in set

direction, props and acting.

The people to see are Ed Mullaly or Alvin Shaw, the two most prominent professors engaged in the Drama Society.

The UNB Drama Society needs you to continue the excellence of production UNB is known for.

There is time for you to fire up and help the Drama Society. The Society is putting on one more play this year, Bertolt Brecht's "Mother Courage".



The Montgomery Street Co-op has been taken over by UNB and is undergoing renovations which could cost between two and three hundred thousand dollars.

Photo by Ron Ward

WUSC to hold informal seminar

By MARGOT BREWER

The Steering Committee of the World University Service of Canada's UNB branch will be holding an afternoon seminar on Saturday, January 19. The theme for the conference will be "Social and Economic Aspects of International Development" and speakers will be on hand to discuss this topic.

WUSC organizers also plan to outline and discuss WUSC's aims and goals. Maria Wawer, who attended a conference in India last summer under the sponsorship of WUSC, will be presenting a film on her experiences there. There will be a general election during the meeting to determine an executive slate of officers.

The informal seminar will take place in the Faculty Club on

January 19 starting at one o'clock until five o'clock. Persons who would like to sign up early for the conference may do so at the SUB

Information Desk. Information pertaining to WUSC and membership applications will also be available to interested persons.

Engineers

Ont. women get job equality

WINDSOR (CUP) — There is a shortage of women engineers, but women who are in engineering are very much appreciated for their work, the findings of a questionnaire sent out by the University of Windsor's committee on women in engineering showed.

The questionnaire, sent out to all companies in Ontario employing engineers revealed that only 'one or two' companies discriminate against women when hiring engineers. The findings also show that women in engineering receive

the same pay as men for the same work.

However, according to the committee, women find it hard to identify with women engineers. To counteract this the committee hopes to get women engineers to give talks and seminars.

The committee is composed of four people, two women, the Dean of Women and the director of Residences, and two men, the Head of Electrical Engineering and the Head of Mechanical Engineering.