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And this is what we got for Sound Off...

Mugwump By ED WERTHMANN Journal

A week of classes has gone by, and already I hear some people complain. Upperclass students bitch about work-loads, i.e. essays, labs, etc. Frosh are running around campus with star-dust in their eyes... not really knowing what to expect; let alone know what is really expected of them from the profs, administration, et al.

All I can say is, well, you'll have to stick it out if you feel that receiving a college education is important. However, if you feel college is more than an "education", then you just might have the right idea.

I am now entering my second year here at UNB, and I personally feel the whole "education within the classrooms" is a pile of crap. College is a socialization process, and that is what makes it all worth-while. Where else can one go to meet so many people, observe different cultures, exchange ideas, theories, bull shit and so on?

So cheer up everyone! All is not lost. I think you (especially frosh) will find that most people agree that more than half your "education" happens out-side the classroom walls. (You might find some profs and admin people who agree, too.)

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Have a very happy birthday, Gene.

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I wonder how many of you students out there have seen the display of the proposed SUB expansion in the front foyer of the Student building. It does look rather impressive.

No doubt that very soon a referendum will be held to find out if UNBers want to even think about this issue. For what's worth, I'm all for it.

It appears that those who attend UNB are not really hurting for finances. I say this because last year, the students here did not rally in support of the Université de Moncton student's protest against the provincial government's stand on the Student Aid issue. So it just goes without saying that UNB students have all the money they could possibly want.

Anyone can walk through the SUB and see how lousy the set-up is. Whoever designed the building must have been stoned out of their skulls. There is no longer any room to expand any particular organization that works within the SUB. The Social Club is cramped, the SRC offices are filled, and working at the Bruns on Wednesday night is like working in a sardine can. (But I must admit, it does bring people close to one another.)

Anyway, I hope that you, reader, will give serious thought to the question of SUB expansion before you vote on that referendum... whenever our dear SRC decide to hold one.

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I must make mention of what I said in last week's Mugwump about registration and housing. If you haven't thrown out last week's issue yet, you might see that my comment was somewhat derogatory. I confess, registration went rather smoothly—in fact, a lot better than in recent years. Granted, some may have had a hard time, and to them, my condolences. But all in all, things did go well.

Housing went quite well, too. No real crisis. Only a few emergency beds were used, and as far as I know, everyone has a place to cozy up to.

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And what do you think of the new Brunswickan? I realize some things haven't changed drastically, but changes will be implemented as time goes on. There will be a new typestyle, perhaps a few new columns, etc. Hope you like the changes, anyway.

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I SAW IT FIRST DEPT: Here, dear reader, is a choice tidbit of info. The other day, I went down to the St. Dunstan's Rectory to say good-bye to one who is well known around the campus. Monte Peters, of Campus Ministry Team fame, is gone on sabbatical in Britain. I wish I could have gotten a photograph of what I saw. There he was, donning a clerical collar! Now that's unusual!

Anyway, I'm sure many of you who know Monte will join me in wishing him all the best, and look forward when he returns next September.

