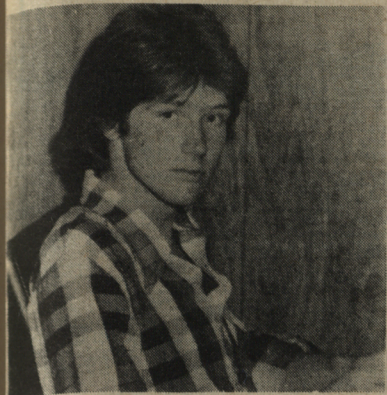


STATE OF THE STUDENT UNION ADDRESS



By Kevin Walker
Student Union President

As the UPEI Student Union heads into the eighties many questions need to be asked. The first being: Is the Student Union properly representing the students?

To this question I would answer yea! In this past year President Peter Meincke and I presented a draft of recommendations for changes to the Student Loans Program in the Maritimes. The report was well received and hopefully changes will come about. The Student Union at UPEI has decided to work with the administration in order to have more pressure on government in attempting change in governmental policy towards students (i.e. finances). It is very important that this relationship should be

fostered by both parties for mutual advantages.

The political activities of the Student Union are essential because this can help to keep fees down.

Are all Student Union activities needed?

This question is vital in considering two bodies - "The Sun" and C.I.M.N.

The Sun is by far the most expensive of Student Union sub-committees. But it would seem that it is very vital to offering students a view of activities and interests of students on campus.

Some ideas are being considered in the area of finances for the paper. We are considering a financial drive for the paper among the faculty and staff, who receive the paper for free, and the community at large.

Hopefully, through increased advertising revenues and some outside fundings, the cost to the Student Union will be less.

The other communications network on campus is CIMN. Many students feel CIMN is not serving the students fully.

Due to licensing regulations we can only broadcast over the

direct campus area. This means that 1000 day students do not even hear the radio station at all. As well, due to technical problems the station cannot be heard on some parts of the campus.

The station has fallen into a state of technical disrepair and only the spending of several thousand dollars could bring it back to an efficient running order.

There are three alternatives available to us:
(1) To discontinue operations at the station and liquidate all it's assets.
(2) To discontinue operations at CIMN for a period of two years and then hopefully monies would be available to properly repair the station.
(3) Repair the station and continue business as usual.

For update sake, activities at the S.U. went fairly well first semester. Our Comptroller, Robin Clow, has resigned because he is leaving school. This is unfortunate because he was doing an excellent job.

Elections will be held in the latter part of February. Now it is time for prospective candidates to make up their minds.

We started the laborious job of renovating the S.U. constitution and have made it half way through. Hopefully it will be completed this year.

We have had a problem trying to get students to comment on activities and proposals by the Student Union. This is one reason why I wrote this report. I would greatly appreciate some input from students on our activities. If any students would like to comment or offer suggestions feel free to contact myself or the other executive members at The Barn.

Thank you.

SOPHOMORES

ATTENTION SOPHOMORES

There will be a class meeting on Monday, February 4, 1980 at 2:00 P.M. in the Panther Lounge.

Please be there!!!

PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood will be in Bernadine Hall Day Students Lounge on Tuesday, Feb. 5, 1980 at 6:00 P.M. Everyone is welcome to attend.

LIBERALS ON TOP AT UPEI

By John Cairns
As a first step in its coverage of the 1980 federal election, The SUN conducted a poll on campus on Wednesday, January 23. Two hundred and twelve students were questioned in two locations, the residence cafeteria and the Student Union Building. In response to the question "After the federal election of February 18, 1980, which political party would you prefer to see govern Canada?", the UPEI students produced results remarkably similar to the findings of recent national Gallop Polls. 107 students chose the Liberals, 67 preferred the Progressive Conservatives, and the remaining 38 favored the New Democrats. This converts to 50 per cent for the Liberals, 31 per cent for the Conservatives, and 19 per cent for the N.D.P. The most recent

Gallop Poll showed the Liberals with 49 per cent of decided voters, the P.C.'s with 28 per cent, and the N.D.P. holding most of the remainder.

The majority of the students polled were Prince Edward Islanders, and they represented each of the province's four federal ridings. The results may foretell hard times on February 18 for both Island Conservatives and the Joe Clark government.

LIBERALS-50%

P.C.'S-31%

NDP-19%



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