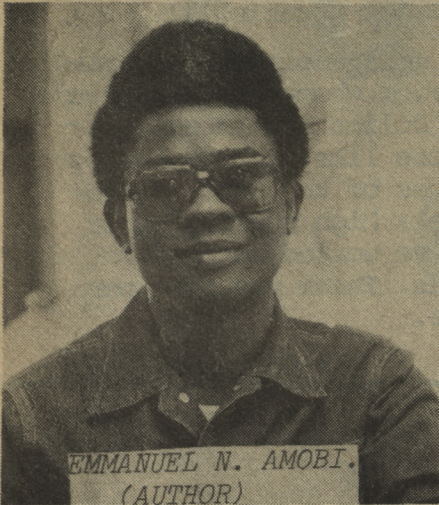


A BALANCE SHEET OF THE BUSINESS SOCIETY



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At this time three years ago what is now one of the most active, and obviously the most effective society in U.P.E.I., the Business Society, had not come into being. What a great insight on the part of the students and faculty members of the Department of Business Administration!

As the number of the enrolments of students started increasing dramatically in the early 70's, the students and the faculty members of the department of Business Administration foresaw the dilemma that the students in the program were going to have in the immediate future. The most important aspects of this dilemma were the large section sizes, limited faculty time available for consultation, and lack of senior seminar courses.

Being the businessmen and businesswomen they are, they knew that something had to be done before the department was overtaken by the above problems.

Hence the 'birth' of the Business Society. At least if we cannot talk to our professors privately, they could address us en masse under proper arrangements. Such was the ugly situation that the Business Society had to serve.

Now one thing is to want to start an organization, another thing is to have the finance for its establishment.

This was the initial problem that the Business Society had to face.

"Businessmen, as we know, make the best out of nothing." This was what was said by one of the pioneer students of this organization. What a courageous statement!

Well, without delving very much into the early part of the Business Society (for records of very early activities were not kept; this was when the Society was at the trial and error stage), I wish to enumerate some of the innumerable contributions of the Business Society to the Business Department in particular, and the university community at large.

The present Executive of the Business Society and the business students class representatives did the best of jobs so far in the history of the Business Society. Thanks be to the able leadership of the Society's president Miss Mary Anne Hutchinson.



MARY ANNE HUTCHISON.
(PRESIDENT OF BUS. SOCIETY)

The following were accomplished in the last two semesters:

The 300 students of the department of Business Administration were very well represented in the department's meetings.

members. This shows a very great success on the part of the Executive and class representatives.

The Society had three very successful parties during this period. Each member of the Society is supposed to pay \$3.00 as registration fees. Well, a simple mathematics will show that this sum of money at their disposal is relatively very small for them to organize such parties. But they did organize them successfully well. At this point I once again thank all the faculty members of the department for making time available to attend all these parties. But for those parties, I would not have known most faculty members of the department, whose present advice is indispensable



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These students were really very active and put across the students' views to the faculty members. Very great thanks to the chairman of the department for making it possible for students to sit in on their meetings. Through the students' input in these meetings, the department made the latest release captioned "Staffing Requirements: 1978-79" in the Department of Business Administration. This documents contains the dilemma of the Business students and the number of faculty members required to meet the present and future needs of the students.

Membership in the Society increased by about 25% in the last two semesters. Now the Society has 300 full-time

for my career so far.

To venture, they say, is to succeed. With nothing at hand, the leaders of the Business Society decided to try one of the most difficult tasks any society can face. This was the ordering of an identity outfit. About 80 Business jackets were ordered and sold at manufacturing prices to the members of the Business Society. How these guys paid the other costs involved still baffles me.

The most important of the achievements of the Business Society so far was the successful organization of a businessman's dinner. About 210 prominent businessmen and students attended this party. At least the Charlottetown community knew from that that ours

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