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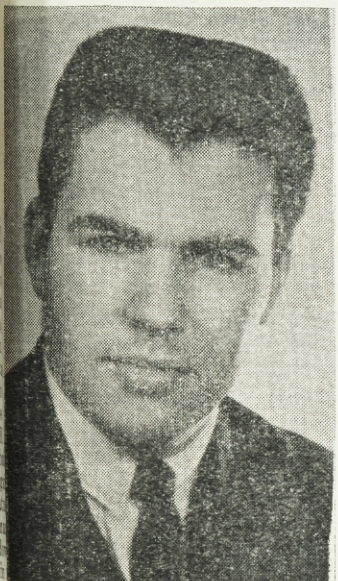
## NEW EDITOR APPOINTED

Senior arts student Tom McMillan is the new editor of the Red and White. Mr. McMillan succeeds Richard Martin, who

had been serving as interim editor since the resignation of Larry Don Elyslyn last year.

In support of his application for the editorship, Mr. McMillan told the Students' Council, "It is my objective to publish a college newspaper that is better than any published in recent years at St. Dunstan's, second to none in the Maritimes, and a credit to St. Dunstan's University." Mr. McMillan's application was accepted by a vote of 9-1 over the only other applicant, Mr. Martin, who was represented at the Council meeting by Mr. Tim McGrath.

Mr. McMillan has had three years' experience with the Red and White. He is past Chairman of the Canadian Union of Students at St. Dunstan's, has been on the Students' Council for the past two years, is President of the SDU Debating Society, and has been an active member of the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada.



TOM McMILLAN

## St. Dunstan's Students Stage March for Peace

On Tuesday, October 4, 125 St. Dunstan's University Students braved the cold weather and staged a peace march, from the campus to the St. Dunstan's Basilica in Charlottetown.

The chief organizer of the march, Gerry Matthews from Montreal, stated that it was a demonstration for peace in all the world. "It was not a protest against the war in Viet Nam; Christ's idea goes far deeper than the ending of war in Viet Nam. Christ has given to all men a method to achieve peace among countries, societies, families, as well as among individuals. This is what the short walk into Charlottetown meant to each marcher."

Mr. Matthews stated that the walk was uneventful; a few sang; a few joked; and a few laughed. "But," he said, "I am sure that each one that marched felt an inner feeling of peace, a realization that we had the courage to utter our convictions."

Though many misinterpreted the march as a protest against the war in Viet Nam, and though many students stayed away from the demonstration as a result, it is generally agreed that the students of St. Dunstan's responded well to the pleas of Pope Paul to pray for peace in the world.

## Dalhousie Quits WUSC

HALIFAX (CUP) — Amid charges that World University Service of Canada is "ingrown" and "financially irresponsible," Dalhousie University students dropped their WUSC ties Monday night (Oct. 3).

The withdrawal, to be for a one-year trial period, came after a debate in which Dalhousie students' council president John Young said his university has attempted to introduce reform measures at recent national WUSC conferences, but all efforts have been frustrated.

He said the pullout was made necessary by "irresponsible" financial dealings of the national WUSC office in Toronto.

WUSC is ingrown, he charged, and spends most of its money on "housekeeping".

Council spent more than two hours debating the motion before backing it 8-3 with 6 abstentions.

Dalhousie WUSC chairman Brendon Yazer opposed the motion, saying it would be a "negative move" to withdraw. He asked council to send a delegate to this week's national assembly in Windsor on "one last attempt" to bring about reform, wanted to tell the community that we want peace in the world."

# S. D. U. Students' Union Faces Financial Crisis



GERRY PRAUGHT



CHARLEY McMILLAN

## PRAUGHT ANNOUNCES AUSTERITY PROGRAM

By WINSTON MacGREGOR

The St. Dunstan's University Students' Union is facing a financial crisis. This is the conclusion reached by the Students' Union Executive after a detailed study of last year's finances. Over-spending in all departments, coupled with deficit budgeting, has left this year's executive with over \$6,000.00 in unpaid bills.

The only alternative for the Union, according to SDUSU treasurer Gerry Praught, is a crash austerity program. This means nothing less than a cut in expenditures for all departments, providing a decrease of approximately \$3,500 to be made available to student organizations.

Mr. Praught stated, in an interview with Red and White reporters, that the present budget will have to be determined by the fees collected less the difference of the deficit, leaving the total amount available at about \$8,500. Nevertheless, he pointed out, when compared to the budget of three years ago, it is 20% higher.

Apart from deficit financing on the part of past administration, most organizations, principally the Yearbook, the Red and White and the Debating Society, have overspent their budgets regularly. Says Mr. Praught, these organizations were never informed they were

## UNIVERSITY LAUNCHES INVESTIGATION

So serious is the present situation that the Board of Governors of the University has launched an investigation into the operations of the Students' Union. This, according to University officials, is because St. Dunstan's has offered financial security for the construction of the Student Union Coffee Shop, built in 1964 at an estimated cost of \$82,000.

Student Union President Charley McMillan stated that the austerity program being launched by the executive will entail a constructive reassessment of all organizations to eliminate overspending without commensurate returns. This means, he said, the council is primarily concerned with the students getting the greatest possible returns for their money.

## Plans Underway for Conference

Miss Carol Anne Power, CUS Chairman at SDU, announced today that over fifty delegates will be attending the Association of Atlantic Students Conference to be held at St. Dunstan's October 21, 22 and 23. The delegates will represent virtually all the students' Unions in the Atlantic Provinces, and will convene to discuss problems and solutions of mutual concern to the students' Unions.

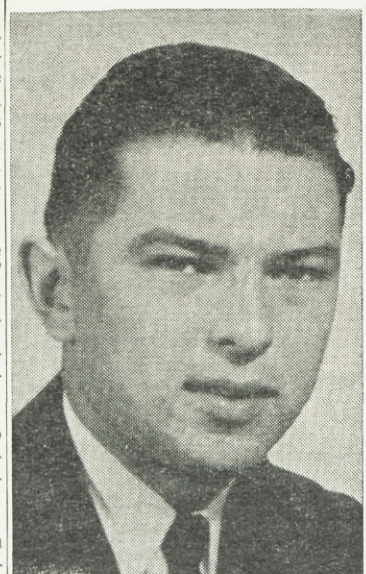
The AAS is the regional branch of the Canadian Union

of Students, which has a membership of more than 40 institutions of higher learning across Canada. The regional association holds student conferences twice annually, but this is the first time that St. Dunstan's has played host.

Most of the plenary sessions for the conference will be held in Library I. The delegates will eat in the College cafeteria and it is understood that the Senior Class is sponsoring a class party at which the delegates will be special guests.

## Charlottetown Student Elected Frosh President

Bill LeClair from Charlottetown is the new Freshman Class President. Mr. LeClair was elected President by a 59% majority over two other candidates in the class election held in the Library October 3. The following is an account of the election as given by staff reporter Karen Kavana, herself a member of the Freshman Class.



BILL LECLAIR

Freshman class elections are important. It is the first effort of the class at the University. All members should be enthusiastic. The thirty day waiting period before the election pro-

vided by the constitution of the SDUSU should have given the upper-classes enough time to organize and build-up enough class spirit among the Freshman Class. Nevertheless, my major criticism is the fact that few people really knew anything about the candidates running for office.

At the election rally sponsored by the Students' Union the night prior to the voting, the five candidates spoke at which time two of the candidates declined their nomination.

Mr. Jim Carney, the first speaker, emphasized the importance of the election, since the Class of '70 was the largest in the history of St. Dunstan's. He stated that the candidates should not spend their time making meaningless promises. With an unbiased plea, he urged the voters to vote for the man and not to be influenced by where he lives (on or off campus). He stated that he would do his best if elected. The speech was well presented, and his sincerity was obvious.

Miss Carolyn Duffy spoke after Mr. Carney, and declined her nomination, stating only that she felt a man on campus was needed for the job.

Mr. John Keaveney also declined his nomination. In a short speech, he said many of the students were misinformed as to the duties of the presidency. He declined his nomination, he said, to give a man on campus a chance.

Mr. Bill LeClair, in a prepared speech, gave a well organized summary of the duties of the presidency. He too agreed that the emphasis should be on the man, not on where he lived. He insisted, however, that he felt his living off campus would not be an obstacle to his doing a good job as president.

The last speaker, Mr. Russ MacDonald, spoke on the importance of having the student body behind the president, since it was on them that the blame would fall in the event of mistakes.

So, on that auspicious occasion, with 216 out of the 285 Freshmen voting, including 129 students from Charlottetown, Bill LeClair was elected with a comfortable majority. Everyone wishes him the best of luck, but the general consensus is that he will be at a distinct disadvantage in not being a resident student.

## Enough Money Available Says Student Union Pres.

"If the societies are willing to cut back as much as possible, there will be enough money to go around so as not to restrict the operations of any society." This is the statement made by Student Union President Charley McMillan at last week's Student Council meeting. If the financial problems can be settled, it will be a lot easier to undertake some things that the students really want, he said, and at the same time easing the transition period when the new executive takes over.

Union Treasurer Gerald Praught added that "criticism should not rest totally with last year's administration, nor at any particular individual." The trouble started, he said, when the Union was incorporated and the proper channels of operation were not established immediately. Both Mr. Praught and Mr. McMillan were optimistic that, under the direction of Union Moderator Joseph Revell, the proper facilities will be set up to accommodate the corporation.

## LATE NEWS BULLETINS

The fate of the Canadian Union of Students at St. Dunstan's will be decided by a student referendum expected to be held in the next few weeks. A call for the referendum was the result of a heated debate at the semi-annual meeting of the Students' Union Wednesday night. The decision to hold a referendum was an amendment to a motion which called for the complete withdrawal of St. Dunstan's from CUS.

It was learned this morning from reliable sources that Dominic Macri, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Coffee Shop, has submitted his resignation to the SDUSU executive.

Brian Dornan, Senior Commerce student from Montreal, was recommended by the Board of Governors for the position of Coffee Shop Manager. The recommendation came after a lengthy meeting of the Board Tuesday night, when Mr. Dornan's application for the position was considered along with the application of John O'Connor, Junior Arts student from New York.