

VIEW FROM THE TOP

The Engineer's Weekly

At the time this week's page was being written, 10 members from the UPEI Engineering were attending a conference of Atlantic Engineering Societies at U.N.B. The conference will allow member societies to meet with each other as well as with members of the profession itself. Several social events have been planned, along with various committee meetings, and if one of our 10 members has recovered in time, we may be able to have a short report for next week's paper. Fredericton may never be the same.

The Engineering Society, on behalf of the whole university, at this time would like to extend a cordial welcome to the Nigerian students who have recently undertaken studies at UPEI. We hope their stay here will be enjoyable and that along with their studies they make many friends.

The UPEI Engineering Faculty has a new member. Recent graduate Andrew Steeves - Civil Engineering degree and Masters in Environmental Engineering from U.N.B. - has taken the plunge into teaching and now will spread his vast knowledge throughout the Depths of Duffy. Andy joins fellow U.N.B. graduate Don MacEwen and veteran Baird Judson in moulding our minds as we wander down that path towards Tech. We welcome you, Andy, and wish you the best of luck.

Didja know that Herbert Hoover, former President of the U.S. of A. was a mining engineer?

On Monday, Oct. 16th, the Engineers, along with the Home Economics girls, held a Pub at the Bam. Although the attendance record was not broken, those who came enjoyed themselves. If we are going to keep putting on Pubs at the Bam we will need your support.

The students around the campus may have noticed some new sweaters being worn by the Engineers. If you have not yet ordered or paid for your sweater, please contact your class rep

as soon as possible.

Successful Weekend

At 3:30 P.M. on Thurs. October 19 the delegation of ten Engineers from UPEI arrived at Keddy's Motor Inn, Fredericton, N.B., for the second annual Atlantic Student Engineers Congress Convention. The conference was hosted by U.N.B. Engineers who had everything completely organized at the motel. We soon settled in and met the bulk of the other delegates at the pre-banquet cocktail hour. The opening banquet went smoothly with ample supplies of good food, good wine and short speeches by the guests. The rest of the evening was spent socializing, finding the Cosmos Disco and singing bilingual versions of the "Engineer's Song". (We are, we are.....)

When most of us woke up in the morning(!) we all gathered for a general meeting. The rest of the morning was occupied with lectures by three guest speakers. The theme of the conference was "Resources" which became quite obvious as

Professor Wilson began his lecture. Both Prof. Wilson and the next speaker, Mr. Williams from DREE, stressed the importance in utilizing our own Maritime resources. It seems the present system of exporting our resources to be manufactured, then buying back the finished products at a much increased price should be abolished before our economy completely collapses. The solution appears to be in establishing small local industries to cut down the intermediate costs and the rising unemployment. The final speaker of the morning spoke on the advantages of glue laminated arches and the establishment of a company in the Maritimes to manufacture them. During the afternoon we toured the famed Head Hall, home of the U.N.B. Engineers and of the best survey engineering department in the world.

Enough of intellectual doings. It was off to a couple of wild parties at U.N.B. for some swimming and discos for the rest. (Although some just were too tired to party - Craig???) Since

the lectures began Saturday morning at 9:00 and most had only gone to bed at SIX, were only able to concentrate on the Bugs Bunny Special as a substitute for the first morning lecture. Although not all made it to all lectures, we were represented at every one. All lectures were very well presented and informative, especially the six workshops on Saturday afternoon. Some of the topics included: Planning and Construction, Bio-Engineering, Recycling Solid Wastes and The Environment.

After supper and a short nap (well needed) we were ready to party again. It was the last night of the conference and we intended to make it a night to remember!! We headed off to U.N.B. again for a party at the Social Club, but we got wind of a better time at the men's residence and away we went. We landed in the middle of a full-fledged toga party (with Ole). Throughout the course of the evening all our male delegates gradually donned their own togas!!

The final morning of the conference was dedicated to recommendations and resolutions that the Congress should take into consideration for future years and conventions. The agenda of the national convention to be held at Dalhousie January 3 to 6 was presented and discussed. We hope to be able to send our share of delegates to represent UPEI.

We would like to thank everyone who made our trip possible: Prof. Ali for re-scheduling his Math. exam; Profs. Judson, Steeves and MacEwen for full support and cooperation and the whole Engineering Society, who supported our delegation. It was a satisfying and informative weekend and as our president Bob Coles remarked, "a real power-hitter of a trip!"

- Names of delegates:
- 3rd year - Bob Coles
Paul Taylor
Doug Dickieson
David Travers
 - 2nd year - Craig Walker
Claire Robertson
Jim Coady
Gerry Stewart
 - 1st year - Harold French
Mike Cairns

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