

# Damage Reports Appalling In Sunday S.U. Meeting

The purpose of this article is to give you an idea of what went on at the Student Union meeting Sunday evening.

The first thing that came up of interest is that the campus police had 15 coats ordered last year. They were heavy parkas and expensive. When they arrived President "Woozy" MacDonald sent back ten of the jackets and ordered 10 lighter ones, giving us five for football and hockey games and ten for events taking place indoors. The saving was approximately \$25 per jacket.

Oktoberfest is coming up and the Council has decided that it will be held Oct 30, 31 and Nov. 1. They are presently looking for a chairperson so if you are interested drop down to the Student Union office and let them know.

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ken a new medical insurance plan. It's called the Zurich plan and has been used in years past. Their reasons for reverting to the former policy are substantial. First of all, Whereas Blue Cross charges one dollar per prescription with Zurich it is free. Not only that, there is more complete coverage in things like accidental dental costs, crutches, wheelchairs, etc. In order to get your prescription student I.D. cards must be shown at any of the ten or so stores that will have that will have a list of the students covered by the plan. If you can not make it to one of these drug stores get a receipt and take it the Student Union office. They will see to it that you get reimbursed. And if you are already covered by another medical plan, go to the office before Oct. 10 and you will

get your \$8 back.

This year the cafeteria is being run independently of the Student Union by Nan Younker. Her rent for the facilities is nil. The reason this is that the cafeteria has consistently run at a loss and the Executive felt it could not charge rent for a losing operation. The Council did not object to the decision as such but felt that they should have been contacted before it was made. Since few Council members left their addresses in April as they were requested to do, it was rather difficult to contact them and so it was agreed that the Execs had acted rightly but that a better system should be set up for the future.

It was decided that no organization outside Student Union nor Committee within would be allowed to sponsor Social events. The single exception was that each class (Senior, Junior, Sophomore, and Freshmen) should sponsor one Pig during the year.

There was a report on damages to the Barn the past year so long that to attempt to list them all would turn this already over-long article into a yearbook. Some examples: the cigarette machine was robbed three times; chairs were wrecked, stolen, and slashed by knives, lights were ripped of the ceiling, urinal piping torn out, etc.

In total there was \$3000 worth. You could bring in a pretty good band with that money so let's bring it to a stop. If you see someone wrecking our building call the Campus Police and, if necessary, point out the guy. If you are afraid of losing a friend let me tell you, there are people on campus who would make much more worthwhile friends.

The Student Union is looking for an Electoral Officer and three Council members - one Education and two Science reps. Further information is available at the Student Union Office.

It was suggested that the S.U. join the Atlantic Federation of Students. However the motion was postponed in order to give the Council more time to study the benefits of paying a \$75 membership fee. Joining the organization would enable us to have more clout when pushing for greater Student Aid as well as provide more communication and co-operation among Atlantic Student Unions.

The Evaluation Committee is looking for two students to work with Bob O'Rourke, head of the Faculty Association, on an anti-calendar. An anti-calendar is a summary of the views of the last years students on courses to aid in choosing courses. They

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## Maintenance Workers Negotiate Contract

Since July 1st, maintenance workers have been without a contract. In the negotiations since, all issues have been decided, or nearly so, with the single exception of a most crucial issue - wages.

At present the workers have a wage scale varying from \$4700 to \$8300 a year. Very few workers are making more than \$6000. Hence, the workers are striving for a substantial increase (at the express wishes of the union,

we have not named any negotiating figures). Management's offers have not approached the level of the union's minimum requests. As a result, negotiations, as of this writing, are at a most crucial point. Wednesday at 9:00a.m. a negotiation meeting will be held, and the same day a Union meeting to discuss management's offers will take place.

One stumbling block is negotiations have been the

form in which raises are to be. Management is pushing for across the board percentage wage increases, while Union desires are for equal dollar increases for workers. As a hypothetical example, if a wage increase averaging 10% is settled on, then according to management, a worker earning \$8000 would then earn \$8800; a worker drawing \$5000 would make \$5500. Union demands would have each employee obtaining equal increases;

using the above examples with a different percentage, \$8650, and \$5650, respectively. (Incidentally, when faced with a similar proposal last spring by the Faculty Association, in their negotiations, the University flatly refused to consider it and eventually the Association backed down).

A new twist was added to the dispute recently. Management has been demanding huge amounts of overtime from workers, in an obvious attempt to get all necessary work done in the event of a strike decision. Friday, Sept. 12, one worker refused to work Sat. & Sun., in the day, and Monday evenings as ordered, having already worked three evenings that week. Consequently, he was suspended for three days.

With these tactics being used by the administration, expect new developments in the dispute by the next edition of the Cadre.

-THERE ARE A FEW POINTS WE FIND UNCLEAR IN THE CONTRACT...-

