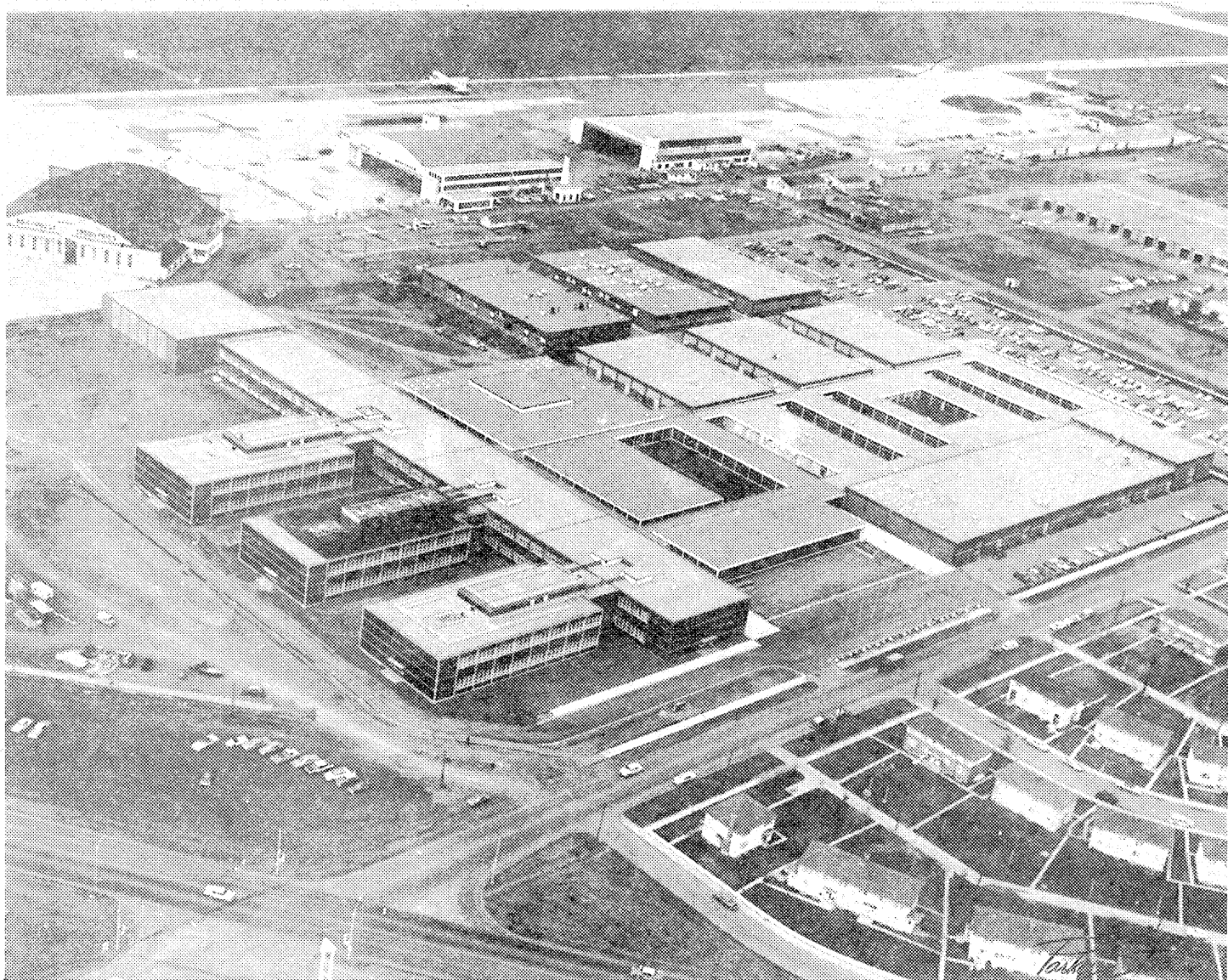


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NEWSPAPER'S WELCOME TO THE FROSH

The newspaper staff would like to welcome back all the seniors, but especially the frosh. We sincerely hope this will be a memorable and achieving year for both Frosh and seniors alike.

The Nugget is a newspaper published by students of Nait. It belongs to you, the students of Nait. The Nugget staff is not, as many of you are thinking, limited to a certain group or a "clique" of students. We welcome any one who can give us suggestions or assistance of any kind in publishing the paper.

Putting out a paper requires many people and includes many types of jobs. There are reporters, proof readers, artists, photographers, columnists, typists, and others essential to a newspaper staff. If you are interested in any angle let us know, we can probably use you.

Dennis Pozniak



Principal's Welcome

One of the enjoyable tasks confronting an Institute Principal is to welcome new students. We hope you will soon feel that you belong here, and that you are part of the Institute. We believe that although this establishment is large, by any standard, it still retains an atmosphere that preserves the individuality of each student. At the same time, we expect a unified institute spirit, and we hope you will help us to continue and expand those things which will, with the passage of time, become traditions.

Your Institute Government was formed late last year; they need all the support you can give them. This will be a decisive year for your clubs and organizations. Make sure they function properly - this is your responsibility.

There is one additional point I wish to leave with you — please don't forget the major reason for your being at the institute. You have a course of studies before you that will require your immediate attention. Unfortunately we find that the students experiencing difficulty with examinations usually fail to settle down to the work before them in time. Starting with the first day of lectures, be prepared for 2-hours home work per night, and remember you must continue to devote this portion of your day for home study if you are to succeed. To gain the most for your two years at the Institute, please work hard and play hard.

W. A. B. SAUNDERS

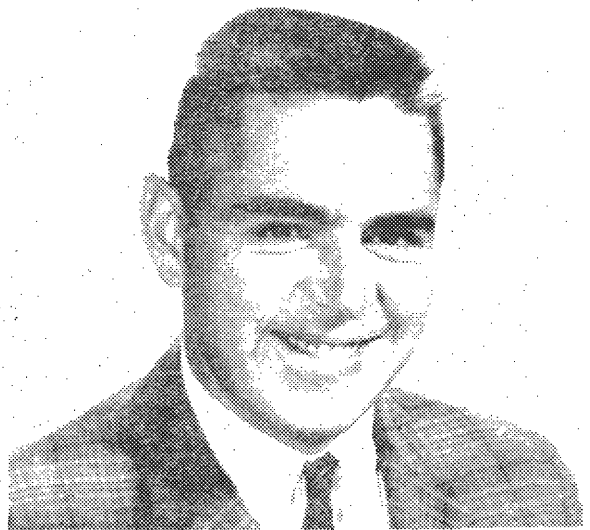
An Open Letter to the Students of N.A.I.T.

This is quite frankly an appeal, not for funds (no need) but for a bit of yourself.

During year 1 at N.A.I.T. certain students made a contribution to the Institute and to each of you by starting THE NUGGET on its way. Their achievement is modest and in this day of superlatives and spectaculars has inevitably been lightly regarded. Nevertheless it represents a part of themselves not bartered or sold but given.

It has been said of President Kennedy that "he made America feel young again". You are and I challenge you to prove your vigor. Resolve now to read your paper carefully, consider how you could help to improve it, use its pages to express yourself, and volunteer your energies to increase its quality.

C. E. NICKEL



Message from Co-ordinator Students Services

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all students, frosh and seniors alike, to what I hope will be a happy, exciting and useful year.

N.A.I.T. is a new school and consequently all of us, staff and students alike, face many wonderful challenges and opportunities. In the area of extra-curricular activities, last year was our year of planning and I hope this year will be our year of action and participation. I include the word participation as I feel if any of our plans are to be successful, we must have enthusiastic participation and not apathetic half-hearted responses as were shown by many of our students last year when faced with the challenge of initiating new activities.

Areas we need action and participation in are; Students' Association, Departmental Clubs, Special Interest Clubs, Newspaper and year book, Intramural Athletics, and of course, our inter-school athletic program which needs fans and players alike.

In closing, I feel it necessary to especially mention the departmental clubs which I feel are the core of our whole extra-curricular program. These organizations represent the competitive unit in the intramural athletic program, represent your group to students council, are a vital cog in planning and carrying out our social program, and serve to enhance your academic program by fostering activities which further your professional growth, interest and an esprit de corps so necessary in any professional or occupational group.

Keeping these things in mind, let us all set our sights on a successful year with participation and action being the key words in all student activities.

R. G. MEADUS

Message from Mr. Sanders

The Staff of the Apprenticeship Division extends a warm welcome to First Year and Senior Students and best wishes for a successful course at N.A.I.T. It is our wish, too, that greetings be extended to recently appointed Staff members who will become part of a well-functioning team.

Instruction is our business, and many and varied types of courses are offered to meet the needs of many persons.

Courses are short or long, difficult or easy, according to one's needs. The people coming into each will be treated individually as persons, and respected as adults.

The Division, according to its facilities and Staff, offer instruction to Apprentices, to Technology students, and persons interested in one year or other Vocational courses and to Journeymen interested in further training in their occupational fields. In our planning we purposefully arrange our courses to complement those offered in other schools and are hopeful that what is done here will be of benefit to our community.

Success, as far as our Institute is concerned, will be measured in terms of success of its graduates. We trust that students this year will accept the implied challenge — for their own sakes.

MR. SANDERS

To the Frosh of N.A.I.T.

Welcome to the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology. I can readily appreciate your feeling of anticipation as you look forward to your year at the Institute. We too, of the Students executive, are full of anticipation into the year ahead.

We hope that you will actively participate in the "Frosh Week" programme. Our theme is the "NORTH". We feel this is appropriate because we are the most northern institute of technology in Canada. You no doubt have met our school mascot, "THE OOKPIK". (Eskimo for White Owl.) We know that you will fall in love with "OOKIE" just as the seniors have in the past.

The primary purpose of the Student Association is to broaden the students education. To this end we are entering on a rather ambitious student program which will necessitate active student participation in every facet of the association's work; The Northern Torch, The Nugget, the various councils, etc. I must emphasize once again the importance of student participation. The success of this year's student program is directly proportional to student participation.

As students of the Institute you will probably ponder the question, "What is our role in society?" Life magazine has called us the "take over generation". On our shoulders will rest the responsibility of maintaining our civilization at its present level ever striving to move forward. In the words of the late John F. Kennedy: "Let the cry go forth from this spot that the torch has been passed to a new generation."

Inaugural address 1961.

BILL MILES President NAITSA



Outline of Athletic Activities of N.A.I.T. For 1964 - 65

Next year athletics will be organized from the beginning of the school term. Students of N.A.I.T. will be able to look forward to a variety of athletic activities; this will include indoor as well as outdoor activities. Some of the intermural activities that students will be able to participate in are cross country race, golf tournament, basketball, volleyball, European hand ball, table tennis, and badminton.

There are several sport clubs in N.A.I.T. that will look forward to new members. These clubs are judo, curling, and rifle club; as well as a bowling club that will be started early next year.

There will be several teams next year for men as well as ladies. There will be a basketball team and a volleyball for both men and ladies. Also there will be a hockey team and a European handball team.

It is hoped by the Sports Council that as many as possible will take part in these activities to promote a healthier school spirit.

What's What in Employment?

No doubt, everyone that is enrolled at N.A.I.T. either for the first year or the second year, is interested in the prospects of summer or permanent employment next spring. One of the best sources of employment opportunities is the NES Student Placement Office right on this campus.

"But", you say, "How can a staff of one or two people possibly locate exactly the kind of work each student is seeking?"

The NES Student Placement Officer is not alone in his efforts of locating suitable employment for the Tech Students. Locally he is backed by a force of over forty employment officers, all of whom are constantly on the alert for positions which may be suitable for students. On the national level he is part of a vast organization of over 200 local offices serving every major Canadian centre, and linked by instant Telex communication. These local offices are constantly exchanging employment information and when a vacancy occurs in another locality that calls for a graduate of a School such as N.A.I.T., your Student placement Officer is notified.

How do you take advantage of this service for students?

Arrangements are now being made to register students who wish to avail themselves of this assistance. In most cases, first year students are registered in a semiprofession-

Welcome Girls, To N.A.I.T.

Hope you are all interested in athletics. This is what we have planned for the year.

Intramural — golf, basketball, volleyball, badminton house leagues as well as athletic clubs: judo, curling and hopefully a bowling league.

Inter-School — basketball, volleyball, curling and badminton teams

If you have any other special interests please come and see me, in the Executive offices E133E or leave a note in the Student association mailbox.

BETTY WHITTLE

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Frosh Week Activities

Monday

Attention Frosh: the seniors want to get to know you so see your seniors for the time and place of the meeting. After the meeting make sure that you see your school seniors in your faculty for tours. The seniors have a club party planned for the frosh so be sure to ask them where and when.

Tuesday

At 8 a.m. the bookstore will be open for your convenience and use. At 1 o'clock there will be a mass meeting in the gymnasium to meet the NAIT Council. Following the meeting there will be a Sock Hop featuring the Night-hawks. At 4 o'clock buses will leave for Victoria Park for the gigantic Barbecue Hootenany starring Hans Steimer, the Patmacs and the Hermits.

Wednesday

Wednesday will be Bohemian day. This is the chance for each club to win the most prized possession of the institute, the beloved Bohemian Cup awarded to the club coming up with the beatest poem and the best all around general enthusiasm.

Friday

All Frosh must dress in a northern costume such as mountaineers, gold panners, etc. All Frosh on this day are initiated to become full time members under the Nait regime. At 8:30 there will be a large double bandstand dance featuring the Outer Limits and the fabulous Chief tones. Food and refreshments will be served in the cafeteria.

What's What in Employment?

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al occupation related to their course of study and summer employment is sought for them in these occupations.

Many students who are now in their second year were registered last school term as outlined above, and this year will be graduating in their particular technology. If they should be graduating from a terminal course qualifying them for continuing employment, they will be registered in the profession for which they are training and employers will be contacted to obtain permanent positions for these students. Several employers will come to the campus to interview graduating students. Therefore it is important that reregistration of students enrolled in terminal courses be completed at the earliest possible date. Further announcements will be made shortly.

The prospects for employment at the end of the new school year are reasonably good. Employers are becoming more fully aware of the high calibre of N.A.I.T. students and the courses they are taking. Many students proved their value to employers during the past summer and we owe them a debt of gratitude for having established the good reputation that N.A.I.T. students now enjoy. The NES Student Placement Office with the support of the entire national Employment Service is determined to do everything possible to assist our Students in obtaining employment for which they are best suited.

In closing, the NES Students Placement Office wishes each of you success in the new school term and we anticipate meeting you at some time in the near future.

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The Spiritual Dimension

I am delighted to be given the opportunity to write in your paper. It is a distinct privilege to serve as one of three religious representatives at the N.A.I.T. To begin, we shall introduce the men who worked along with the Coordinator of Counseling Services, Mr. Gary Meadus.

The Roman Catholic Church was served by the Rev. Father Kryszewski, who was available each Tuesday and Thursday noon from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 in E 132A.

Meet the Rev. Terry Anderson, United Church University Chaplain, one of the Protestant representatives, who was in the office every Friday from 11:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. Your writer, the Lutheran University Chaplain, the Rev. Herb Keil was available at the office every Wednesday noon.

Was this program helpful?

This question must be asked. A number of students did seek out the various Chaplains of their choice during the session. Interesting and useful periods were spent with students. Students with problems and difficulties were given time and understanding. An effective beginning was made. However, it was only a beginning. Too much time was consumed by your counsellors in waiting; waiting for that person who did not come. Thus at the end of the year, we extend a cordial invitation for the next year. Seek out your religious advisor; he will be pleased to meet with you, and assist where possible.

What form should the spiritual Dimension take?

Counsellors, of course are interested in meeting students during the counseling hours. However, are there not a number of other ways of making that Spiritual Dimension a vital one? What about some forums, or dialogues with representatives of religious groups leading discussions? Does that spiritual dimension have any right to speak out on current issues? What about morality at the school? What are the purposes of any religious discussion?

In order to find out What form that Spiritual Dimension should take there must be more discussions about spiritual values. These are some of the possibilities that exist as we try to project into next year. If you have a vital concern for your religious faith, for that spiritual dimension why not see your counsellor early next fall.

The counselling services will continue to be available to students . . . We hope that more students will come. This is our invitation . . . belated . . . but for returnees . . . our kind invitation, come and visit your Spiritual Counsellor.

HERBERT J. KEIL