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The People's Bookstore has repeatedly turned into the Administrative Board better and better sales records. Oliver feels that it is nearly time for council to consider phasing out this agency type of bookstore, and to opt for a co-operative bookstore. Meanwhile, scores of students bring their books to the store to sell, often using their cash to buy other books on sale there.

## People's Bookstore Going Well

## Oliver Recommends Co-Op Bookstore

In a report submitted to the Students Representative Council regarding the People's Bookstore in the Student Union Building, John Oliver (Manager) sharply criticized the "administrative bookstore" and proposed that a co-operative bookstore be established.

The report, brought before

the SRC on Sunday, Nov. 23, pointed out that the "admin bookstore" made a profit of \$46,000 last year, from \$25,000 in the previous year.

As an alternative Oliver proposed that a co-op store be set up. He said that such a store could operate with an average mark-up of 6% on books, considerably less than the 20-40% presently being charged.

According to Oliver, shares in the new venture could be sold at \$2 for one year and \$20 for a life membership. The store would then be owned by

the shareholders and staffed by volunteer members.

He cited Carleton University as an example of practical application of a plan similar to his.

Regarding the People's Bookstore which he now operates, Oliver noted that sales have been surprisingly good and are expected to improve after Christmas, when students will have a chance to bring in books from home.

On the basis of this report it was decided that Oliver be granted an extension until February 16, 1970, at which time his project will again come up for review.

## Fail-Credits Proposed

## Senate May Abolish Arts Supplementals

Students in the Faculty of Arts may no longer have the opportunity to write supplemental examinations, if the University Senate accepts a proposal offered at the Senate meeting Tuesday.

The proposal, meant to replace the present credit system in Arts (Outlined in the calendar, page 95) with a fail-credit system.

supplementals if the mark is lower.

But the proposal does allow for exceptional circumstances: "In special circumstances, particularly where a student's record has been largely satisfactory, the Dean may recommend to the Senate Committee on Student Standings and Promotions that an exception to these regulations be made."

This is how it would work: Students would be required to earn twenty credits. If they get a failing grade of 45% on a course must repeat the course. Formerly, any student who scored 35% or more could write a supplemental examination for a pass-fail grade. Under the new plan, this would disappear. This would have the effect in some cases of simply lowering the pass mark to 45%, with no recourse to

## Has Book Published

Dr. C.A. Woodward, associate professor of political science at UNB, has had his book published by Brown University Press, with the aid of a \$2,000 grant from The Social Science Research Council of Canada.

Copies of the book, "The Growth of the Party System in Ceylon", will be in the university bookstore soon.

## SRC Executive Fails To Suspend Bruns

Members of the SRC executive attempted to suppress publication of the Brunswickan indefinitely in a surprise campaign launched yesterday afternoon.

Comptroller Brian Sullivan told Editor Ian Ferguson that the move was prompted by alleged slow billing of advertisers by the Brunswickan.

He said that financial considerations necessitated

the suspension, despite the fact that he expressed willingness to pay for the production cost of the student newspaper provided it not reach the campus.

Sullivan telephoned Ferguson, working with the Brunswickan in Woodstock, as the Brunswickan was nearing final stages before going to press. At the same time leaflets were distributed on campus claiming that the Brunswickan was no more.

After legal consultation it was determined that Sullivan could not legally undertake such a move, and the Brunswickan went to press as usual.

Several days previously SRC had expressed satisfaction with Ferguson's handling of the budget, since expenditures were well below the allowable limit. At no time previously had SRC executives expressed displeasure with billing practices.

Executive members of the SRC had been aware for some time that the Brunswickan had been researching an article on the SRC.

There will be an important meeting of the Brunswickan staff this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. (which should come as no surprise to anyone).

## Winnipeg, Waterloo, Glendon Consider Direct Democracy

WINNIPEG (CUP) - Athenian democracy may soon live again at the University of Winnipeg.

Student vice-president John Campbell suggested this week student council abolish itself in favor of a bi-weekly meeting of the entire student body. A quorum would consist of those present.

Day-to-day activities of student administration would be carried out by a seven-man executive committee elected

at large.

The proposal, still to be considered by the council, has been called "utopian" by other council members.

The University of Winnipeg isn't the only campus considering major changes in student governing structure.

York University's Glendon campus has been without a council for more than a month. Students there are pressing for parity on the

senate and department committees.

If they get parity a student "plenum" would meet regularly to discuss student problems and co-ordinate action.

And the University of Waterloo council is also considering replacing itself with a student plenum. Seeking a more democratic and involving structure for policy-making, the council may abolish all but its strictly service organization.