

interest. Loans of this kind should be made in McGill chiefly to promising students in the third and fourth years, but these cases are always personal and no rigid rules for administering the fund should be laid down. Each case must be dealt with on its merits and the fund would be under the management of a careful loan fund committee. The university student without adequate ways and means is always unfairly handicapped. The Committee, therefore, recommends that a fund for this purpose be set aside in McGill. Possibly each student to whom a serious loan is made should take out a policy of life insurance to save the University against loss in case of fatality, possibly, too, some scheme of student group insurance might be devised to protect the fund in these cases. (x)

The Library

The Library is the Arts students' workshop and its careful and effective administration is, therefore, a matter of cardinal importance to the Arts Faculty. The task of selecting books for a University library at the present time is exceedingly onerous and difficult. The publication of books is now largely controlled by publishing companies who publish books that entertain rather than instruct the public. Many priceless books are doubtless never published at all and some which are published are smothered in the mass of publications of a superficial kind. Ruskin divides books into two classes, "books for all time" and "books for a day", and only the first class should be purchased for a University library. The Committee, therefore, feels that the whole weight of University knowledge and experience should be brought to bear on the selection of books for the University library and, therefore, recommends that the Library Committee be replenished by a larger number of members chosen from the Faculty of Arts and Science. The Library Committee should be one of the most active and interested of all administrative bodies in the University and all University departments of study should be required to take a careful interest each year in the books selected in their several subjects. An extended report on the Redpath