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Loan Plan Meets Indifference From Most University Students

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It's good business, even though it's wrong, but not worth the bother. This is the consensus of student opinion according to a Gateway opinion survey regarding the new federal student loan scheme. Under the plan students can borrow up to \$5,000 in five years, repayable at 5 1/4 per cent interest beginning six months after graduation. But some enterprising student could easily re-invest the money rather than use it for his education, the House of Commons was told last week. Several students interviewed felt the returns would be negligible for the trouble involved. Estimates on the net profit such a transaction would bring, ranged from \$150 to \$800. Two frosh pointed out it is impossible to get the loan for investment unless the applicant lies about his financial need. Dennis Frayne, arts 3, carried the argument further. "The signed application, if accepted, is a legal contract. To use the loan for another purpose is comparable to a criminal offence," he said. Frayne suggested a brokerage

house or the RCMP investigate each application before a loan is granted. "It's good economics to borrow the money and re-invest it. That way the original \$1,000 can be stretched and the need to borrow more money reduced," said Richard Bailey, sci 1. "The accusation of obtaining the loan under false pretences is invalidated." John Roberts, eng 4, agreed with Bailey. "If the investment profit is used for the same purpose as the loan is intended, then it's smart economics. But there should be an organization to ensure the funds are not mis-used."

"The practice is unlawful but circumstances leave it open to misuse," said Bob McIvor, eng 1. He felt anyone fit to go to university is generally of sufficiently high moral character not to do it. "It's an indication of a sick society when no forces are gathered to control such a practice," said Jim Miller, arts 2. An unidentified graduate student stated his opinion more strongly. "That such manoeuvres on the part of university students are possible, shows the inefficiency, the gross stupidity, the paucity of intelligence, and the dormant condition of the present government."

Two-Thirds Medical Applicants Rejected

Shortage of facilities at the U of A this year resulted in only one out of every three applicants to the medical school being accepted. Dr. W. C. MacKenzie, dean of medicine, said a total of 105 students was accepted in medicine this year. He said facilities are becoming inadequate in the province and there should be a medical school for each one million residents. The population of Alberta is 1,427,000.

"It takes six or seven years for a medical school to be transferred from the drawing board to reality," Dr. MacKenzie said. "We should be planning one now." The dean added the federal government should share with provinces costs of renovations and erection of new medical school facilities. He suggested a 50-50 share. Dr. MacKenzie said two years from now, when the 1964 freshmen will begin their clinical studies the university facilities will be very strained. Dr. MacKenzie said nearly all the qualified applicants from Alberta were accepted this year and most of those rejected were from other provinces.

MP Accused Of Academic Interference, Objects To Russian Professor At Regina

REGINA (CUP)—Students' Council at the University of Saskatchewan, Regina campus, has accused a Conservative MP of attempting to interfere with the university's academic freedom. In a statement released Thursday, Sept. 24, the Regina council took issue with Kenneth More, MP for Regina City, for calling on the federal government to give assurances that a Russian professor lecturing at the Regina campus would not spread communist ideology. Mr. More told the House of Commons Tuesday, Sept. 22 he had received several letters from Saskatchewan parents who were perplexed to learn that A. B. Nicolaev of Moscow State University will teach economics at the Regina campus this year. He asked the government to explain the purpose of the Russian professor's visit to Regina and requested that steps be taken to protect the national security. The Regina council statement said education is a provincial matter and

the House of Commons is therefore no place for questions concerning the staff of a provincial university. **INTERNAL MATTER** "The appointment of a professor to the University of Saskatchewan is an internal matter and any interference in this process is an infringement on academic freedom," it said. Dr. W. A. Riddell, Principal of the Regina campus, said Professor Nicolaev's lectures would be concerned with planning in a non-market economy and not with Soviet ideology. Commenting on Mr. More's statements in the Commons he said, "the purpose of education is to develop critical and analytical intelligence and it's automatic that a university must be a place where students may gain the capacity to criticize and analyze all points of view." Exposure of students only to "approved" doctrine is a characteristic of totalitarian societies, he said. **MORE REPLIES** In answer to the Regina council statement, Mr. More said in Ottawa Thursday his purpose had not been to question the appointment of Prof. Nicolaev but to find out whether his visit was part of a reciprocal arrangement between the Russian and

Canadian governments. He said that if a Russian professor is to spend a year lecturing in Canada, a Canadian professor should in turn be lecturing in a Russian University. "This shouldn't be a one-way street," he said. The Regina council said it believes that a man who has lectured at Oxford, Cambridge and Moscow State University will be a credit to the university. Prof. Nicolaev will be the first Russian professor to lecture in a Canadian university. Stanley Haidasz, parliamentary secretary to External Affairs Minister Paul Martin told Mr. More in the Commons that the Russian professor's visit had been approved by the government as part of a cultural exchange program between Canada and the Soviet Union. He said there was no reason to deny Professor Nicolaev a visa. The Regina council statement concluded, "In an age when Canada is trying to promote international understanding and peace such reactionary fears about people from foreign countries which go as far as questioning their freedom are most unfortunate and regrettable."

The situation here is just as serious as in the rest of Canada, where prospective doctors are turned away in droves for lack of medical facilities. Montreal's McGill University medical faculty accepted 123 first-year applicants out of 1,336, although many were from the United States. The University of Toronto rejected 250 of its 375 qualified applicants, while at the University of Western Ontario 60 out of 400 applicants were admitted. A spokesman for the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta said Monday the major shortage was not of doctors but of Canadian medical graduates. "We should be producing our own doctors instead of importing them," he said, suggesting the only way to do so is to "build more medical schools." He added in Alberta an ideal ratio of one doctor for every 10,000 residents would require 140 graduates a year from the University of Alberta. About 100 doctors graduate each year from the University.

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