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Campus Lyfe, a newspaper that has been publishing in opposition to the Gateway, was given \$200 at last night's council meeting to allow it to expand its operation.

Monday's Students' Council meeting which, according to the by-laws, was called to allow students to ask questions about the budget approved last week, was attended by no one interested in the budget.

Students' Union treasurer, Frans Slatter, said no attempt had been made to publicize the meeting except to inform the editor of the Gateway. He said that he expected something to be mentioned in the paper.

Gateway editor, Bob Beal, said that he had learned of the meeting informally from Slatter last Wednesday, the day before the last Gateway before this meeting.

"Slatter told us about it at the same time as he gave us the amended budget and told us that the budget must run in the Thursday paper", Beal said. "In the confusion of trying to typeset the budget, we forgot about the meeting. Students' Union should have given us advance formal notice of the meeting and of our obligation to print the budget before the meeting took place."

Ralph Watzke, editor of Lyfe, said in a presentation to Council that although Finance Board had recommended a \$200 grant, the paper needed more money. He had originally asked Finance Board for \$200 per issue. Watzke said that Campus Lyfe needs more money to become better organized, to increase circulation, and to increase the size of the paper. Watzke said that the last issue was financed entirely by advertising. He collected \$145 from advertising and the issue cost \$135 to put out. The purpose in creating the new paper, Watzke said "...to put some good journalism in the University." No motion was brought to increase the grant but Engineering rep Howard Christensen, moved to remove the grant entirely. Ag rep, Hans Lung, speaking in favour of this motion said that not enough people show up to put out the Gateway, so how could a new paper hope to succeed. He felt that Lyfe would be a waste of money. The motion not to grant was defeated and Council passed the Finance Board recommendations.

Shoplifters beware. Big brother may be watching you.

Students' Council has urged the University to prosecute anyone caught shoplifting from the SUB Bookstore, regardless of the value of the item involved. In the past anyone caught stealing from the bookstore has merely been made to return the merchandise. No action was ever taken against the persons involved.

This has apparently not been enough to deter thieves. One councillor claimed that 5 per cent of the retail cost in the store goes to pay for stolen merchandise.

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Senate report

U enrollment has levelled off

University enrollment at the University of Alberta and in nearly all Canadian universities has definitely levelled off.

A report delivered Friday to the Senate by Registrar, A. D.

Cairns, disclosed that the full-time student enrollment at the U of A as of October 22 was 18,617. This was an increase of only 194 undergraduates over last year and a decrease of 79 graduate students resulting in a net increase of only 115 students. Two hundred one fewer first year students than last year registered in September. About 19,500 students were expected here this fall, but even so this figure was well below the projected enrollment figures of two years ago.

U of A president Dr. Max Wyman said that the total increase in Canada is only about 2 per cent. "We don't know what these figures mean but we should not panic", he said. "The universities are not empty though he reassured the Senate, "The space need is still great because we never fully

caught up with space requirements during the period of rapid growth." Dr,

Wyman announced however, that a provincial committee

representing the government, Universities Commission, and the three universities are being

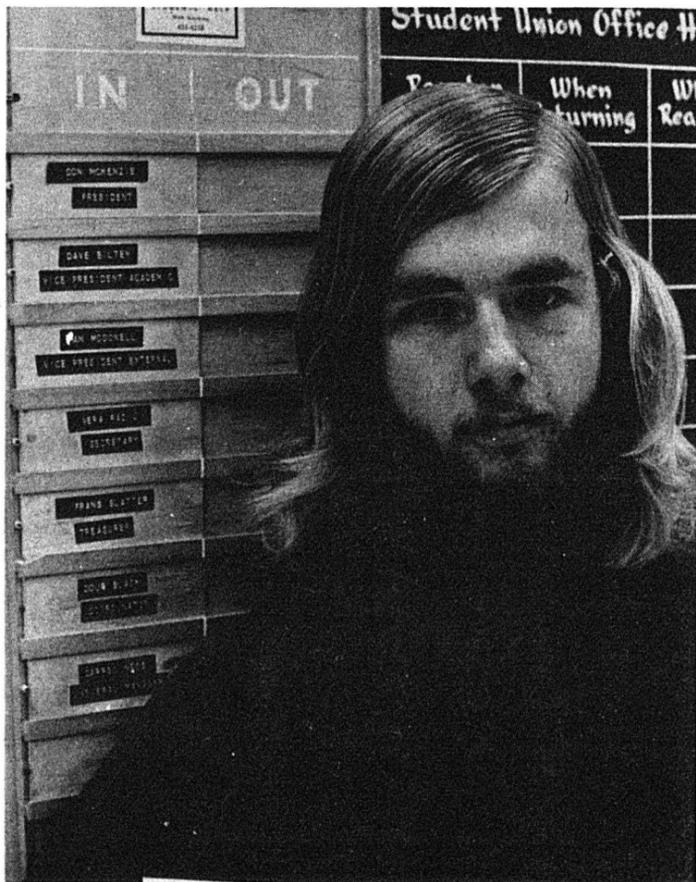
formed to study the question of dropping university enrollments. A national committee is being formed to study the same situation. Dr. Wyman suggested that the present economic situation which has encouraged more students to remain in the labour market and

that young people with different sets of values who do not choose to go to university are responsible for plummeting university enrollments, evening and part-time students, however. This is evidenced by the increase of 334 part-time and evening-credit students over last year. The figures are 4,476 compared with 4,241 students. Arts, Education, and Engineering showed the greatest drops in enrollment. Arts had a decrease of 225 students, Education 267, and Engineering 131 students. Science and Business and Commerce showed the biggest gains of 223 and 171 students.

Won't come back

Token radical walks out of Council

SC feels loss



Here is a rare breed of man, a man with the courage of his convictions, Barry McLaren. Rather than misrepresent the Arts students who had elected him, Barry decided to resign rather than try to fulfill his role from, what he felt to be, a negative position in council

Arts rep, Barry McLaren, resigned from Students' Council last night, but the resignation was promptly refused by his fellow councillors.

McLaren read his resignation speech and then left the St. Stephen's auditorium, where the meeting was being held.

Despite such sarcastic comments as, "Barry come back," "Well, there goes council right down the tube," and "I move we nominate a new radical," it was apparent that there was a feeling of loss among councillors.

President Don McKenzie moved to accept McLaren's resignation and call a by election for a new arts rep.

There were two groups opposed to McKenzie's motion.

One, expressed by law rep Gerry Riskin, was that arts students had elected McLaren and therefore should suffer the consequences of his decision to resign. Riskin felt that there should be no by election and that the arts students should get by with one rep until the spring elections.

The other view, expressed by med rep Dave Shragge was that McLaren had contributed a great deal to council, and that his resignation should not be accepted.

McKenzie's motion was voted on in two parts. The part accepting McLaren's resignation was defeated—this invalidated the second part of the motion.

Riskin then moved "to ask

Mr. McLaren to re-consider his resignation in that notwithstanding his frustration, he has acted and should continue to act, as a well-needed catalyst on council."

"I would like him to know that even though I often disagree with him, I have always appreciated his views," said Riskin.

"I wish I could be as good a rep. of my constituents as he is of his," said Shragge.

McKenzie felt that Council was being somewhat arrogant by refusing McLaren's resignation. "I appreciate his desire to resign," he said.

Council voted in favor of the motion to ask for McLaren's re-consideration.

by Bob Blair

McLaren's statement to Students' Council is as follows:

This is to state my decision that as of the end of the Students' Council meeting of November twenty-second, nineteen seventy-one, I shall no longer consider myself a member of that body.

The reasons behind my decision to leave are varied, and based on my frustration with both myself and the Students' Council.

I feel that I personally have failed in presenting effectively a point of view, and an orientation, that I consider to be valid and necessary to the functioning of this union. I have been increasingly placed in a position where the only manner in which I can function is a negative and

non-constructive one. I can no longer continue this way.

Secondly, I feel that the Council has failed both itself and its constituents. It has certainly not carried on in a consistent or effective manner. The student as an individual with rational goals and desires has been subverted to the smooth and indifferent management of a "corporate entity". The council has become the ratifier and clearing house for decisions made by a callous and high pressure executive elite. As a "parlement" of student opinion the Council, and in particular the majority of its members has chosen to sit silently or to adopt vacillatory and ineffective positions.