Ryerson students ban magazine

TORONTO (CUP)—Like It Is magazine, an independent monthly campus publication, has been banned from Ryerson Polytechnical Institute by the students' union because it threatens the financial base of Ryerson publications.

The Ryerson students' union (SURPI) board of directors voted to ban the magazine at its regular monthly meeting September 6 because it competes for the same advertising dollars sought by the student handbook, the student-owned newspaper, the eyeopener, and other publications.

"Advertising is very difficult to get for anyone who is in publishing these days," said student president Mary Zeldin. "The ban was the only way we could see to cut our advertising losses to the magazine."

Gary Price, publisher of Like It Is, told the board last week he would seek legal advice and if possible sue SURPI for the ban, which he called "ridiculous" and an infringement on students' "right to read."

The magazine has been attacked by several groups during its five-year history, Price said, including the Ontario Federation of Students (OFS), the National Union of Students (NUS), Canadian University Press (CUP) and several other student unions on individual campuses.

Although the eyeopener has tried to have the magazine banned for several years, this year's editor, Kerry Knoll, says the banning "is good for the eyeopener, but sets a bad precedent. Since we're an independent paper supporting freedom of the press, it

doesn't make sense to ban other things."

Knoll said he supported the ban when it was first discussed several weeks ago, but has since changed his mind. He estimated the loss in advertising dollars is not large and "it's just part of competition."

In a letter to the eyeopener, CUP president Maureen McEvoy outlined CUP's objections to the distribution of Like It Is on campus and supported the students' union decision to ban the magazine.

"Like It Is—and other similar publications—erode the advertising revenue base of the campus paper because they carry ads directed at students that would otherwise appear in the campus paper. Most campus papers are supported by a combination of advertising and student fees. It is reasonable to say, therefore, that if the advertising market is well developed the dependency on student fees lessens.

"Campus papers, like any other publication, are seeing a never ending chain of higher production cost. Establishing, and protecting, the advertising market will considerably ease the economic crunch.

"As to the argument that campus bans infringe on freedoms of the press—in no way are we denying such publicaltions the right to exist and to say whatever they wish. We strongly object, however, to magazines which are essentially carried on the backs of students, the profits returning, not to the students at all, but to the publishers.

"In addition, students have the right, not the privilege, to have access to a publication that claims to represent their interests. If Like It Is is a viable magazine it can be sold on newstands just like Macleans, Chatelaine and others," McEvoy said.

MxEvoy said the magazine has been successfully removed from several other

college and university campuses.

Price claimed Like It Is does not compete with the eyeopener or other Ryerson publications because it mainly handles full-colour advertising not found in campus publications.

But both **Like It Is** and Ryerson publications share some advertisers, notably the lucrative beer accounts.

Price said he will fight the ban any way he can and is positive the magazine will be appearing on campus again.

"We'll think of some trick. We always do," he said.

The next issue of the magazine will be published in early October. Price said he will be speaking to Ryerson's administration about the ban. The administration allows the students' union to decide which printed material aimed at students can be distributed on campus.

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Students press for representation

WINNIPEG (CUP)—The University of Manitoba Students Union (UMSU) has called for changes to the University of Manitoba Act and the senate and board of governors bylaws to increase and clarify student representation on these governing bodies.

The UMSU council approved a proposal prepared by president Debra Slade at a meeting September 11.

One proposed UMSU amendment to the provincial University of Manitoba Act is an increase in student representation on the board of governors (BOG) to four full members. The members would be the UMSU president, a student senator selected by the senate and two students chosen by the UMSU council.

Presently, student representation on the BOG consists of three full members; the UMSU president, a student senator and another student chosen by the provincial government from a list of three names submitted by the UMSU council. In addition,

there is a non-voting assessor member chosen by the government from the UMSU list.

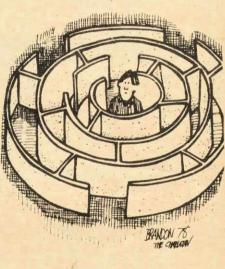
UMSU is also requesting representation on the senate of members from St. John's, St. Paul's, and University College. Presently, students in the colleges have no representative other than their faculty reps. Adding these new members would require changes to the act and the senate handbook.

One change not requiring amendment of the act is a proposal that the BOG discuss matters of the University Grants Commission and the annual budget in public. In the past, such matters have been dispatched in closed session.

Slade's report stated, "By taking these budgetary concerns to the public, the public will be better informed about problems and issues confronting our institution. The board must be accountable to the public and this accountability can only be achieved through an open environment where the public can partici-

pate and respond to the financial issues that arise."

The process of having the UMSU proposal approved by the Joint Senate-Board Committee to Review the University of Manitoba Act, the Senate, the BOG and the provincial government may take several years, said Slade.



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