

Student off-campus bookstore to fold

By Dave Cooper

Student Services Unlimited, the privately owned student bookstore that was started up with such promise by Jack Seaton and Michael Garfin, two York students, is now on the verge of bankruptcy, according to Seaton.

SSU has gone through a long history of troubles since it expanded from a highschool book-exchange, into a full scale university bookstore last summer.

They had hoped at one time to set up shop on campus, but this proved impossible when they couldn't get the space required to run such a large operation.

Early in August of 1968 they moved from their Bathurst St. location to a point more accessible to the York Campus, immediately to the south at Finch and Keele.

Last year's YSC endorsed the operation for one year, and gave them permission to use the coun-

cil's name in their advertisement.

John Adams, former council president, said at the time that SSU had a good idea going, and that there was a need for a used book exchange.

However, the council made no financial arrangement with SSU.

In October-November of last year the troubles started to mount up. Many students who had brought books to SSU in the summer had not yet received any money for them.

Seaton explained at the time that they were submerged by the paper work involved in processing the massive numbers of books brought to them, but they would clear up the accounts as soon as possible.

However, Seaton said the main reason for the failure was that SSU misjudged their market. Expected volume of sales failed to materialize, and with their tight profit margin this was fatal.

Early in February, SSU told students who still had books on deposit to collect them before March as they were "phasing themselves out" of the textbook business. To date few students have complied.

"This leaves the fate of some books left on consignment with the company uncertain," said Seaton.

In response to the February letter one York student later interviewed by Excalibur, had gone to try and pick up her books.

Of the over 20 books she had not received payment for (she had been mailed cheques for three which were sold), 12 could not be found on the shelves.

She spent two hours herself searching unaided through the stock and partly as a result of a mixup in account numbers, neither she nor the sales people — who finally offered assistance could find the missing books.

"But no one will lose more than those students who organized SSU", said Seaton, "Our debts are substantial, to say the least."

York appoints Sir George's ex-principal

The former principal of Sir George Williams University, Dr. Robert Cannon Rae, has been appointed the director of continuing education at York.

The appointment is effective July 1. Rae has already joined the staff as a research associate until assuming his job as director of continuing education.

The centre offers non-degree courses to people who wish to continue their education through university-level programmes.

Rae resigned from the principalship of Sir George Dec. 12. Rae said he resigned for academic reasons.

Cross Canada Campus

Erstwhile occupiers win at Windsor

WINDSOR

Students occupying a University of Windsor building for 10 days went home peacefully last Thursday night, claiming victory over administration president J.F. Leddy.

The occupatin, sparked by the dismissal of theology professor William Kelly, involved some 150 students using Kelly's case to press student power demands on the administration.

Thursday, Leddy brought the tedious vigil to an end with an apparently satisfactory response to the occupiers' demands.

- he refused to grant absolute parity on university committees, but promised to recommend 25 per cent student representation to a special committee on university government.

- he responded to demands for openness in the university by noting that senate meetings have been open for some time and promised to suggest to the board of governors that it consider opening its meetings.

- he said no reprisals would be taken against the occupiers.
- he pledged to accept any recommendation the faculty association makes to resolve the Kelly affair.

Leddy's statement, worked out during negotiations with representatives of the occupation forces, came 24 hours after the student body backed the occupation demands by referendum.

The student demands included: full parity on all university committees, an offer of reinstatement to Kelly, open meetings of all university committees, and amnesty for the occupiers.

Get elected on a ping pong platform

EDMONTON

Student council elections have always been complicated — they usually hinge on campaign promises for larger dances and more carnivals.

But, at the University of Alberta, the alphabet becomes all important.

That is rapidly shaping up as the only way to differentiate candidates for student president here — all 19 of them.

Last year, Marilyn Pilkington won by acclamation. This year, 19 people want to replace her.

One candidate is running on a "faith, hope and charity" campaign, while another wants better quality ping pong balls in the games room.

Cops oust UNB protesters

FREDERICTON

Liberation 130, a small office at the University of New Brunswick, occupied last fall for 49 days by students protesting the suspension of Dr. Norman Strax, was liberated again for five hours last Monday night.

And again, it was cleared of its occupants by city police.

The office, room 130 of the physics building and once Strax's office, was seized by 11 militant students at 7:30 p.m. They nailed the door shut behind them and said they would stay until the UNB administration accepted three demands set by the Canadian Association of University Teachers last week.

At midnight, 20 Fredericton police came to the campus and gave the occupiers 15 minutes to leave or face arrest. They left.

The CAUT demands, if accepted, would forestall a threatened censure of UNB. They include: due process for Strax, lifting of a court order barring him from the campus and payment by the university of his legal fees incurred fighting the university's action.

The students who occupied Monday night said they wanted to ensure that everyone on campus was aware of the CAUT threat.

Strax was suspended after leading a campus protest against the use of IDcards at UNB. The students who occupied Liberation 130 for seven weeks in the fall were finally evicted by police and were arrested, but charges against them were later dropped.

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the advertising burab.



Lapinette, illustrating her short hop technique.

One day our lapyary friend was busy making a short hop across campus when she espied a truck transporting copious quantities of carrot cupcakes.

but such culinary consummations call for capital.



Lapinette, demonstrating her desire for carrotic cupcakitude.

and capital, kiddies, means like banks.

funny we should mention that.



little lappy, showing a propensity for pecuniosity and velocity simultaneously.

now lappy was short of cash. this isn't surprising, because we would be hard put to advertise this way if she weren't.

So she romped over to the Campus Bank, which was nearby, natch, and garnered a few pfennigs therefrom.



the drawback...

and she still had time to catch the cupcake vendor and blow the lot before he was out of sight.

so we have a happy lappy.

but one problem.

at this rate we'll soon have the fattest rabbit in town.

why not hop over?

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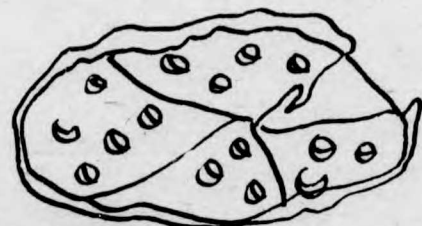
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