

University to take over co-op management by Xmas

By JEAN MURCH

By Christmas the university expects to manage, as well as own, the student Co-op apartments on Montgomery Street.

Prof. Ed Maher, member of the UNB Board of Governors said that the Co-op first approached the university with the proposal last August. He stated that a formal proposal by the New Brunswick Residence Co-operative Ltd. is expected shortly, and the university will accept, once common grounds are established.

University management will not immediately effect the residents of the buildings, one of which is for single and the other for married students.

Maher, who is also a member of the Co-op Board of Directors, said he did not think the university would change rent or operation "for the current year."

However, he hinted that some changes may be expected by September. He said the university may make structural changes in the long run. He mentioned in particular problems with the layout of the buildings.

"I suspect the store will disappear," he said. The Co-op store, handy for all the building resident, is closing soon. Mr. Neal McNally, store manager said the store was "always losing money", he added, "I think the prices will have to rise to keep it going."

NBRC's general manager, Mike Robertson said the co-op will

continue to run the other three buildings it operates in town. He said these co-operatives, located on Aberdeen and Union streets, were "very successful".

He said the Montgomery St. apartments were a "burden of the co-op". The large number of people involved made it difficult to run the

buildings on a co-op basis. "It was a matter of biting off more than we could chew."

Although some married residents are worried that the day-care centre, located in the singles building, will close under university management. Maher said he could "see no reason why it can't be carried on".

Director of the centre, Ms. Manjula Goel said that university takeover may mean greater direction from the parents. She said a new management committee will have to be formed, but she thinks the parents are sufficiently interested to co-operate.

Student loan offenders may be prosecuted

By LORNA PITCHER

If you applied for a student loan this year and tried to cover up some source of income in your family, you may be prosecuted.

Mrs. Evelyn Briggs, Provincial Director of Student Aid, said "we're cracking the whip this year" to cut down on abuses of the Aid program. One reform is that parents must send in the T1 income tax form this year, instead of the T4 as in former years. From these, Mrs. Briggs said, the Department has "gained a wealth of information."

In some cases a mother, for example, has been working for several years and her income has not been reported. We're now able to better eliminate these cases." She said people have been complaining for years about cases of abuse they personally knew of, but until now it was impossible to crack down.

The parental contribution has been lowered somewhat, which Mrs. Briggs indicated seems to be "a good break" for those parents in the 5 to 10 thousand dollar income bareket. She also said the Student Savings table will be used again, but the figure reached can be appealed.

This year so far, 7,120 applications have been processed

by a Department Staff which includes four assessment clerks and about 8clerktypists, as well as the year-round staff. The number of applications is down 500 from the same time last year.

The Provincial Government sends a copy of the Need Assessment Report on each loan to Ottawa for statistics purposes, another new detail this year.

Mrs. Briggs will be making a tour of the more isolated campuses in the province as a resource person, later this fall, to inform students on how their loans are assessed, in an effort to clear up the "Big Machine" image of the Student Aid Department.

Next year she would like to see representatives of the Student Aid Department placed in the regional offices of the Department of Youth to further dispel that image, and perhaps have Zenith phones installed in the central offices so students preparing their applications can phone in and get instant advice, aid, and information.

Mrs. Briggs said, in conclusion, that there have been extremely few hassles from students about their individual assessments this year, which she attributes to "a great staff and the new outlook students seem to have, somehow more realistic and serious."

Library services to expand September 30

By CHARLES MCALLISTER

On Sundays, starting Sept. 30, all library floors will be open from 2:30 p.m. to 12:00, with lending services available in that period. Other library times are Mon. to Thurs from 8:30 to 12:00 midnight; Friday - 8:30 to 11:00 p.m., and on Sat. 8:30 to 5:30.

The basement study hall is open Mon. through Sat. from 8:30 to 1:00 a.m., and on Sundays 1:00 to 1:00.

There has been a few inquires as to why the library is not open on

Saturday nights. University librarian, G.E. Gunn stated that the student demand for Sat. nights was not great enough to warrant opening the floors of the library.

Dr. Gunn added that hours for Department libraries are decided by the individual departments, and that the T.C. library is now part of the UNB system.

For more information on how to use the library, tours are still being given by the reference department. Copies of the Student's Library Handbook, a guide to using the library, is also available.



The Co-op buildings on Montgomery Street are soon to be taken over by the University. The food store, located in one of the buildings, will probably disappear but the day care centre will likely continue.

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