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Government loans total \$6½ million

How would you like to have six and a half million dollars to hand out to over nine thousand students?

The department of Youth & Welfare - Student Aid Division is doing just that.

So far this year the Student Aid Division has over four thousand applications processed and there are thousands more waiting.

With less than a thousand dollars for each student, the Student Aid division has to be careful how it passes out the money. Contrary to popular student opinion, the amount of the loan is not determined randomly, but is carefully calculated for the individual. The parents income, the number of children in the family, their ages and your summer income all influence the amount of the loan.

The whole system is extremely complicated and nearly every case is unique. A father earning ten thousand dollars a year is not considered the same as a man and wife each earning five thousand dollars a year. Part of the wife's earnings have to go for things that she would not normally have to buy if her husband was making ten thousand dollars a year and she was not working. The student loan people deduct twenty-five percent of her salary. The total salary for the two of them is then calculated to be seventy-five hundred instead of ten thousand. If the couple also had two children besides the one applying for the loan, this is also taken into consideration. The ages of the children are very important though. The older the child, the more money allowed for it since it costs

more to keep a fourteen year old than a one year old. All this and much more is used in considering the loan application.

Considering the large number of applications the Student Aid division does not consider any appeals on loans until October. The vast majority of appeals are the student's fault. They tend to forget they have brothers and sisters, bed-ridden mothers or a lately deceased father. If this information is not supplied the loan cannot be completed or it may be lowered. Any information concerning the family unit is help-

ful when applying for a loan.

Common law marriages, residence status and child-parent conflict are but a few of the problems that have to be dealt with with special consideration. Their problems have no set policy and are always dealt with individually and discretely.

"No student will be denied a loan if he or she can make a case why they deserve a loan", said an official of the Student Aid Division. Most students do not do this. A great deal of thought and care should be used when applying for or appealing a loan.

Action Corps needs you!

The Company of Young Canadians announced recently that it is hiring a person to work with the UNB based Action Corps for the upcoming year. Actions Corps is primarily a student group which tutors at a nearby Indian reserve and the New Brunswick Central Reformatory.

Officials of Actions Corps told the Brunswickan last week that plans for the future of the group include the expansion of its tutoring service and an entry into the field of community service.

The person that the CYC is looking for will be used to solidify relations Action Corps, the reserve and the reformatory. He is to engage people who are directly or indirectly (though their children) involved with Action Corps programs, in the decision-making process of Action Corps; to research and establish contacts in other areas of social concern in and around the city of Fredericton, and to report on the feasibility of Action Corps starting programs in these areas. Action Corps officials noted that some work has already been done in this regard.

The successful applicant must have experience in organizing or related work with low income people and some univer-

sity experience will be an asset. He (or she) will be between the ages of 18 and 25 and will be a Canadian citizen or else have landed immigrant status.

The hiring for this newly created job will be done jointly by the CYC and the Action Corps. The successful applicant will be hired on a three month trial basis at a salary of \$270 a month (\$370 if the applicant is married and has one or more dependents in addition to his wife).

At the end of the trial period, several fringe benefits will be added. For more information on this project, contact Miss Mary Ingersoll, 313 Albert Street in Fredericton. Completed forms must be received by September 15.

Faculty advisors

UNB - Got a problem, frosh?

Well, if it concerns courses and the like, then talk to your faculty advisor.

According to this year's orientation program, this year's frosh were introduced to their advisors yesterday. All in all there are about 100 of them this year, over 25 are in the Arts department alone.

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