

# Senate clears calendar dates, poli- sci problems

Honourable John Diefenbaker will be the convocation speaker at graduation ceremonies held in May at the University. The Senate were informed of Mr. Diefenbaker's decision at the meeting held Thursday, Feb. 17th. The Senior Class had invited the former Prime Minister of Canada as their convocation speaker during the fall semester. Mr. Diefenbaker shall receive an honorary degree by the University.

Proposed calendar changes were accepted by Senate. During the '77-'78 Academic year, for the first semester, supplemental examinations will

take place from the 6th to the 8th of September, while Junior and Senior registration will be on Thursday Sept. 8th. Sophomore and Freshman students shall register on the Ninth with Part-time students registering that evening. In other years, registration took place approximately two days earlier. In the second semester Juniors and Seniors will register on Wed. Jan 4th., in the morning while the Freshmen and Sophomores shall register in the afternoon: and part-time students register the same evening. This is the first time the University has endeavoured to have all students register for the semester in the same day.

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The Academic Planning Committee submitted its third report before Senate. The English Dept. has made several changes in its program for next year. Two new courses have been added to the English Dept., topics in literature, and literature of Atlantic Canada. The literature of Atlantic Canada has been offered as a seminar under special studies for several years. UPEI was the first institution to offer this course but now it is offered in several Atlantic Universities. The Dept. is interested in offering several Canadian options and there appears to be a good market for

them. English 231 (topics in literature) had been passed by the Academic Planning Committee to be included under special studies, and that the regulations pertaining to special studies apply with the exception that the course be made available to Sophomore students. Previously only Senior student of high Academic standing who were majoring in English were allowed to take special studies. The motion made by the Academic Committee was defeated on the grounds that the course which had been assigned as a 200 course would be numbered a 400 level course if it was labeled under special studies; also that this action would be self-defeating in that sophomore students would be discouraged to take a 400 level course. The motion was passed by Senate that the course, English 231 (Topics in Literature) be accepted as originally proposed by the English Dept. An amendment was approved that the part making the course come under special studies be deleted from the motion. The amended motion was then passed.

English 241 (Intro. to Modern Literature), and 251 (Man The Measure: Literature from 1600 to 1832) and 261 (Medieval and Elizabethan Literature) respectively were all passed as proposed. 241 would be offered each semester while 251, and 261 would be offered in the fall and Spring semesters respectively. Course numbers 110, 250, and 280 represent a modification and expansion of content from former English courses 201, 202. English courses 332, (Mod-

ern British Literature) and English 311 were both approved. Both these are a combination of two other courses.

The English Dept. wish to make it a requirement that all courses leading to a major in English must be at least 60%. This has not been passed as yet by the Academic Planning Committee, but it is possible that all other Departments in the Arts Faculty may also pass a motion with the consensus.

An unusual incident was brought to the attention of Senate by Chairman of the Political Science Dept., Fred Von Dreger. In Political Science Course 361, he thought that the marks that had been awarded in the course had been in most cases to high' the class average being 89%. The Professor re-read the exams after the chairman's request, and the marks became an average 11 points lower than the original marks after the re-read. Both the Prof. concerned and the Chairman deemed that the latter marks reflected more accurately the student's efforts in the course.

Also the Prof. had not read all the exams himself, as he had an assistant grade some of the papers. Senate passed the motion that the chairman of a Dept. may within one month request reconsideration of evaluation of grades, where they consider the mark to be inappropriate. The reassigned grades will be put on the student's transcript as passed by Senate. After the re-read three students received a higher mark in the course than had been recorded previously.

The next Senate meeting will be Thursday, the 24th at 3 PM in the board room of the Kelly Building.

## LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"Yes, I know you made an 'A' on your final—but you just look like a 'C' student."

## Personnel Board

5 Students are needed to serve on the Personnel Board. The term of service will be from March 31, 1977 until March 30, 1978.

Applicant forms are available in the Student Union Office, Basement of Memorial Hall.

The Deadline for applying is March 18/77.

The job description is below.

### PERSONNEL BOARD

1. The Council shall appoint the Personnel Board in March. The term of all members is to run from March 31 to March 30 of the following year.

2. The Personnel Board shall be responsible for the recruiting and selection of all non-elected personnel, student volunteer personnel and all salaried personnel employed by the UPEISU

Committee Boards and all committees on which the

UPEISU shall appoint members and thus be represented, and all staff, student, or otherwise, which shall be employed by the UPEISU. The Personnel Board shall administer salaries and honoraria given to the above and to all the elected personnel. No other person, board or committee shall have any authority to appoint or hire UPEISU or volunteer personnel without obtaining prior approval at a meeting of the Personnel Board. The Personnel Board shall also provide such services to any suborganization of the UPEISU which wishes to make use of this service if the organization is not included in the above.

3. The Personnel Board is in all cases subject to Council approval.

Only the Personnel Board may hire or fire Personnel.

## \* FILMS \*

- 1 Acupuncture Anethesia
- 2 Wu Shu, Chinese Martial Arts
- 3 Acrobatics

Saturday February 26, 1977 1:30 p.m.

at  
The Confederation Centre

Admission: 50¢ for Students  
1.00 non-Students

Tickets Available: Room 205 Blanchard  
Room 316 Marion  
Student Union Office or at the door  
from 1 p.m. Saturday

**The Chinese Students Association**