

Excalibur

Everything secret degenerates; nothing is safe that does not show it can bear discussion and publicity — Lord Acton

Atkinson pacifiers — let's call a spade a spade

Come on, Harry Crowe, let's call a spade a spade.

Those 30-40 Atkinson students, the "further advanced" ones, that you have recruited as ushers, aren't really, are they? Let's be blunt, Harry, as you usually are, and call them by their right name — bodyguards.

You told us that the ushers would be used as pacifiers only in the event of a

disruption. Did you consider that by acting in this way — and not very quietly, as you claimed, considering the well-planned way you and your Ministry of Love cohorts chose to tell YSM they might be beaten up if they came (through an EXCALIBUR reporter) — you might be responsible for starting any conflict?

And why wasn't the vice-president of

the Atkinson student council, Mrs. Pearl Chud, invited to that planning meeting on Monday night?

Was it because she is a woman and therefore, as she was told by a male councillor, out of her area in discussing physical clashes? Or was it because she has been an outspoken critic of the way Atkinson has been mismanaged, financially and academically?

The real clincher in this fiasco is that the YSM was not considering any excursion into the Atkinson community. YSM correctly felt that the students there are perfectly competent to fight for their own rights. However, if some members do decide to visit you tonight, it will be because you have provoked them.

Harry, what's your game?

It's not all right, Jack

What was the matter, Jack Saywell and Phil Givens? Couldn't you stand the flak last Thursday when some of the people got fed up and started asking questions about their environment that you two and the other opinion-makers and decision-makers in our society don't particularly want to confront because it means a severe questioning of what you are doing and who you are really serving?

We agree; the York Student Movement didn't play your game when they disrupted the teach-in. But we suppose it didn't ever occur to you that the

flaws, lies and plain bullshit that they found in your nauseous game witty "concerned" speeches followed by irrelevant non-abrasive questions followed by nothing was too much.

Of course not. When the people took over the floor you left.

What YSM did should be noted carefully. Almost every student who was there will now be a little less apprehensive about confronting "leading intellectuals" in similar situations.

Or to use Atkinson dean Harry Crowe's terminology, these York apprentices will be more critical of the works of their masters.

Some people are upset that the YSM used the tactics they did at the Winters' teach-in. The shouting and the guerrilla theatre were considered unnecessary.

To probably misuse an analogy, before you can find out how good, or bad, an egg is to eat, you have to crack its shell. Sometimes, the shell is pretty thick and you have to hit a little harder.

This was the case last Thursday.

Public rumors from The Ministry of Love reveal that the administration is attempting to cover over the incident by saying that YSM received no support from students at the teach-in.

Considering that over 50 people stayed for over two hours to discuss with YSM members what had happened and why, that "rumor" just doesn't pan out.

Who benefits from OHSIP?

With the introduction of medicare in Ontario only two weeks away, there is a real challenge to trade unionists to speak out loud and clear for a plan that will meet the real health needs of workers and their families.

As pointed out by United Electrical National President C. S. Jackson, in a recent wire to Premier John Robarts, OHSIP as it presently stands doubly robs the province's citizens by misusing federal funds collected for medicare and failure to provide a full range of health services on a non-profit basis.

Both Jackson and UE's Hamilton Legislative Committee Chairman J. E. R. Brown recently appeared on TV pointing to the glaring inadequacies of OHSIP as the legislation is now framed.)

There can be no doubt that, unless an aroused trade union movement can exert sufficient pressure to change its mind, Ontario citizens will be stuck with a plan which:

— pays only 90 per cent of the Ontario Medical Association schedule of fees;

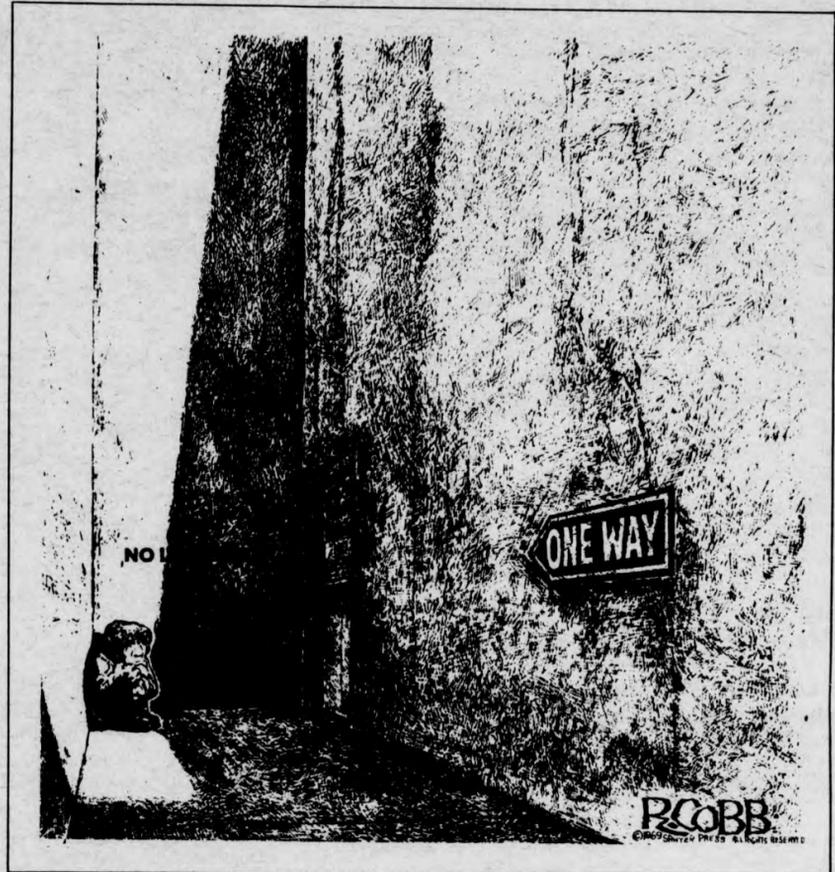
— charges inflated premiums, despite the fact that Ottawa will be paying about 50 per cent of the cost of OHSIP.

On the bases of the government's own figures, UE's research department estimates that OHSIP premium rates will be almost double the actual cost.

The Ontario government says the average cost of medicare to the province will be \$2.93 a month for each person covered. The single person monthly OHSIP premium rate is \$5.95.

Workers have a right to ask: What is the Ontario government planning to do with the \$165-million surplus these excessive premiums will produce in a single year?

— The UE News



Are you infected with male chauvinist ideas?

(You may be if you can't solve this riddle from the OLD MOLE)

A father and his son were riding in a car. They got into an accident and the father was killed. The son was rushed to the hospital in an ambulance and taken to the operating room. The doctor walked in, looked at the patient, and said: "I can't operate — that's my son."

All facts are true — the father and son in the car are real, not spiritual father and son. The doctor is telling the truth. How can this be?

(Answer below)

(The doctor was a woman)

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York radicals are getting into high gear

By BOB WALTERS

At Winters' Thursday Teach-In "The City" I witnessed, as a freshman, my first exposure to the careful manipulation and fire-kindling tactics of the "Chosen Few".

After the speakers were teased, taunted, insulted and even on one occasion physically manhandled we were left with a fiasco requiring only a spark of physical counter-aggression to incite violence.

I am sure our hard core army of professional agitators and subversives were disappointed in that we did not make the weekend headlines with something like "YORK STUDENTS RIOT OVER MP'S SPEECH".

At any rate, this fall it is obvious our friends are not wasting any time getting into gear on our campus.

To my capitalist confreres in crime I say "Let the buyer beware."