

Radio York now reality

"York will have a radio station by the end of this month." And it better, because it already has a station manager, Bob Wolfe (VI).

Along with a group of interested people, he has studied the feasibility of having one on campus, and feels the problems can be solved.

"We can set it up on a glorified P.A. system working out of the Vanier Residence basement. Then later, maybe next year, it can be expanded. But this year's operation will primarily iron out any bugs, and see how the idea is accepted by the students."

Working with Wolfe are Larry Anklewicz (VIII) as program director, Jamie Crookston (FI) as chief announcer, Scott McMaster (FII) as news director, and Jim Turnbull (VI) as chief technician.

The station results from the work of Vanier and Founders Councils. Instead of setting up two separate college outlets, it was decided to combine personnel and money.

The York Student Council has promised some financial assistance, and McLaughlin has shown interest. Winters College appears to be broke at present, and thus not able to participate.

Working in consultation with a group of experts and technicians,

Wolfe feels that the station can reach most of the students on campus.

"The programming will be well mixed, centering on the lunch period when most students will be near the speakers. These will be set up in the common rooms of the three colleges taking part, as well as any other rooms where people gather, and the present noise level won't be too high."

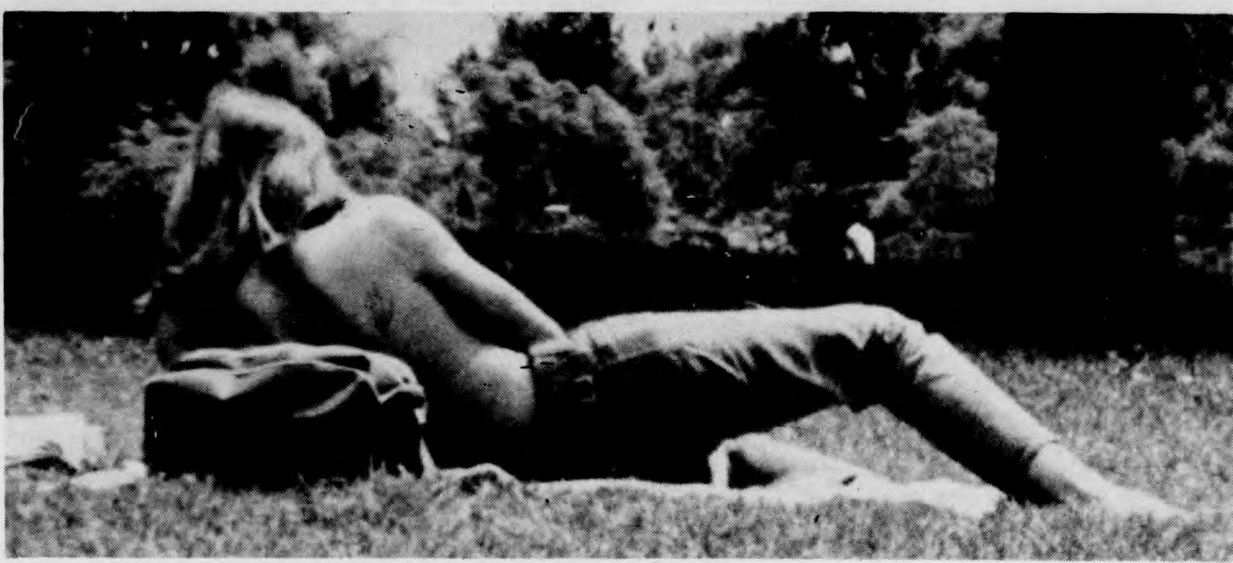
The station will be carrying contemporary music and events, and will try to focus on issues important to the university community. The staff will be making use of tapes submitted from everywhere, and are most interested in airing the views of the students.

The station is trying to become something unique, not modelled directly after any other radio station. But they are working in co-operation with Varsity Radio at the U of T and CJRT at Ryerson in the initial stages.

At an organizational meeting last week, over 50 students indicated interest, but it is hoped that more will come out once the operation starts.

"Experience isn't nearly as necessary as enthusiasm," according to McMaster.

So keep an ear open. Radio York is coming.



Goody! Province gets grants here early

The cheques covering the grant portions of the student awards began arriving here on Jan. 8, one week ahead of schedule, according to Dennis Carson, Student Awards officer at York.

Last December, the Department of University Affairs claimed they had personnel working overtime for weeks to ensure poor students their cheques as soon as possible this year.

The Department has had to process over 55,000 applications and hopes to give out over \$22 million in grants. Total loans will

amount to \$24 million.

Delays in distribution are credited to the extra paper-work required by the Department, but these seem to have been cleared.

As of Jan. 14, approximately 95% of the grant cheques had arrived at the accounts office, and the remaining cheques are arriving daily. If a particular student's grant has not arrived by the second installment deadline, (Jan. 21) the Student Awards office will dip into an emergency loan fund and lend him his fee money until the grant does come through.

Carson said students with a really high financial need were to receive their loan as well as a portion of their grant during the first term. There were so many of these needy students that the Department of University Affairs was unable to process all their applications. Thus, these students often didn't receive their grants, and have been forced to wait until now.

But they're all caught up now, so if you're expecting a grant, you can pick it up in the accounts office in the temporary office building.

Great grape gripe ferments

by Anita Levine

The York Student Council may jump on the grape boycott bandwagon.

A motion requesting Versafood to stop buying California grapes for sale at York will be introduced by YSC member Marshall Green at next Tuesday's council meeting.

The people who have been circulating anti-grape petitions in each college will reinforce the motion by presenting their petitions to YSC the same night.

If the motion passes, YSC will advise Versafood not to buy any more grapes. But if Versafood ignores YSC's wishes, the petitions and the motion will be handed over to the Food Services Committee, which has the final authority over Versafood.

The petitions will be in circulation till tomorrow afternoon.

Apparently several people have refused to sign, preferring to do their thing by not buying grapes from Versafood. But Lyba Spring, one of the York boycott organizers, says that's not the point.

"Versafood buys their grapes in bulk from various outlets," Mrs. Spring told Excalibur. "Once the grape-growers have that money in their hands, they don't care whether Versafood sells the grapes or not."

"By persuading Versafood and other large catering services to stop buying grapes, we reduce the demand for them in Toronto,

and the grape growers lose their profits."

"If you support the grape workers, it's more effective to sign the petition and get the grapes removed from campus entirely," she said.

The purpose of the continental grape boycott is to support California table grape workers who have been on strike for collective bargaining rights since 1965.

If you really care about the boycott, you've probably signed the petition and given up eating grapes, too. But it's okay to drink California wine. The wine workers are unionized. It's only the table grape pickers who aren't.

Ottawa saves super surplus

Down there Ottawa way, there's a crowd of people. Nice fellows, but never shy when it comes to putting out your cash to keep them in office.

So in November, they sat down and started talking. "What could be better," they said, "than to come out at the end of the month with a surplus?"

And that's what they did.

In November, the Federal government spent \$860.2 million. But, no slackers they, they brought in \$893.7 million. So, by rough Ottawa-style calculation, they cleared \$33.5 million.

And they don't have to pay taxes on any of it.

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Man dies during York biz seminar

A 45-year-old executive suffered a heart attack Tuesday during a seminar in the new humanities building. Mr. P. Bodo, a corporate accountant with Pillsbury of Canada Ltd. of Toronto was pronounced dead upon arrival at hospital.

The day-long seminar entitled 'Management of Time', was held by the Division of Executive Development and conducted by Prof. Michael Moore of the University of Michigan.