

# Metro student union discussed

By Paul Bourque  
The student council presidents of York, University of Toronto and Ryerson, met at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute Friday to discuss the formation of a Toronto area student union.

Council of York Student Federation president Mike Fletcher called the meeting in response to the

collapse of the Ontario Union of Students and the ineffectiveness of the Ontario Student Council Presidents' conferences. The three presidents recognized the need for some form of student organization.

During the informal discussion, two main points of the tri-block organization emerged. The first was the need for a political information

officer to act as a watchdog at Queen's Park on legislation relevant to universities.

A co-op printing organization was the second point discussed. This would involve setting up presses to publish university papers and periodicals at rates that would cost the individual student less than is now charged by private printing companies.

The hiring of a political information officer raised some discussion as to who would pay such a person and how. U of T president, Bob Spencer, who was in touch with minister of university affairs John White, said the Ontario government might come forward with \$10,000 provided they approved the appointee.

Mike Fletcher pointed out that this was not as ominous as it sounded as the function of such an officer would be to provide information and not opinions. Should the offer prove to be a mere election ploy by the government, a charge of 10 - 15 cents per student could offer an alternative source of funds. Or each university could pay a membership of \$500 or \$1,000 depending on whether it was classified a small or large university.

All were in agreement on the need for a metro-wide student organization and information and press services. Fletcher expressed the general feeling, "go ahead on one or two service items" and see what develops. Speculation as to the role of metro high schools drew a sceptical response from Ryerson president Mike Walton. He questioned their ability to contribute funds or information that would be useful to Ryerson.

Definite proposals were made to approach Seneca, Centennial, Hunter and Sheridan community colleges. Both MacMaster and Western showed an interest in joining the union.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Nuclear blast

Controversy increased over the Canikin nuclear test when crew members of a U.S. coast guard cutters were fined \$15 each for giving a message of support to the Canadian Greenpeace mission. In Toronto a protest demonstration was planned by the Vietnamese Mobilization Committee and the Young Socialists of University of Toronto. Only 15 people showed up at Sydney Smith Building on St. George. They proceeded to the U.S. consulate on University Avenue. Police outnumbered demonstrators. Seven hundred students attended a peaceful protest at the border crossing in Champlain, New York. They were from Loyola, Sir George Williams universities and Macdonald and John Abbott Colleges. Last Wednesday 10,000 Vancouver area high school students abandoned classes to voice opposition to the test. In the face of such protests, the nuclear test was postponed indefinitely.

### Women's Liberation within NDP

Women from North Metro Waffle, parent of the newly-formed York Waffle group, are organizing a conscience-raising women's liberation group within the New Democratic Party. "We hope to influence political action on issues relating to women by functioning as a resource group within the party", said Carolyn Higgins at last Thursday's meeting. To this end, the group emphasizes the development of women as spokespeople and the education of both men and women to the meaning of women's liberation. The original idea of organizing the group began last July, but the pending provincial election overshadowed organization efforts. Plans are now underway for work and discussion priorities to be undertaken after the provincial election on Oct. 21.

### Students on Texpack picket lines

The New Democratic Party's Waffle are organizing York students to man the picket lines at Texpack's new Rexdale plant. Cars will stop at Keele Street for any students who are interested on Friday. Texpack moved from its strike-bound Brantford plant after workers refused to cross the picket lines.

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## WORKSHOPS

Stringband, bluegrass and Ragtime Workshop in Dining Hall

- host: Michael Cooney
- Sweet Evening Breeze
- South Happiness Street, Society Skiffle Band
- D'arcy Wickham and John Lacey

Student Art Gallery in Founders JCR

- art displays
- body painting
- wood carving
- spinning and weaving
- beading

Health Foods in Lower Hall

- display and free samples

Creative Drama and Sensitivity in Intermedia

- with Christine Knight, dynamic dramatist from Hamilton, Ont.

1:00 Photography display and seminar in photography room

Collage in Lower Hall

- a chance to do it yourself!

1:30 Novelty and Comical Songs

- South Happiness Street, Society Skiffle Band

Winemaking in Upper Classrooms

Ceramics in Music Room

- with David Long, professional potter from the potter's guild

2:00 Unusual Instruments Workshop in Dining Hall

- Michael Cooney
- Eric and Marty Nagler

Yoga in Intermedia

Tie-dye and batik in Upper Classrooms

2:30 Macrame in Upper Classrooms

Bridge in Card Room

3:00 Guitar and Banjo Styles in Dining Hall

- Michael Cooney
- Eric Nagler

- D'arcy Wickham and John Lacey
- Mark Sukenig
- Bob Naider

including:

- Miracle 5-minute blues guitar course
- Miracle 7-minute fingerpicking guitar course

— Bottleneck slide guitar

Gambling Seminar in Upper Classrooms

3:30 Modern Songwriting in Music Room

- Tannis
- Magic Music
- Herb Feuerstein
- D'arcy Wickham and John Lacey

Creative Dance in Intermedia

4:00 The Folk Process (Dining Hall)

- Michael Cooney

Poetry in Upper Classrooms

bring along your own poetry as well!

Judo in Upper Classrooms

4:30 Vocal Styles in Dining Hall

- Tannis
- D'arcy Wickham and John Lacey
- Eric and Marty Nagler
- Magic Music

5:30 Pot-luck Dinner in JCR

6:00 Films in Intermedia

7:00 Square Dancing in Dining Hall

- with Sweet Evening Breeze

## 9:00 BLUES CONCERT

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