

EDITORIALS

Maybe you should run

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Our student councils in the past have had their problems. And there is a good reason why.

Tim Delaney is a councillor in McLaughlin Council, and he has quite a bit to say for himself. But as a councillor he is also saying it for you, as are all the other student councillors at York. Councillors are elected to think and speak for you.

What Tim Delaney has to say for himself is a load of garbage. And that's what he has to say for you.

Take a look:

"In this setup (York) the consumers (students) have no rights as such to form a consumers union to control the university by force or intimidation . . . There are other methods, the most effective of which is economic boycott."

Talk about intimidation. Have you ever received notices of non-payment of fees, the economic boycott that Mr. Delaney refers to?

And he goes on.

"It (the college system) was in the contract I signed by coming to this university. In defence of this contract I must support the college system . . ."

There is no mention of the college system as a means of reducing alienation, of closer contact with professors, or of a greater chance for a learning experience in Mr. Delaney's comments. And he is saying this on your behalf.

And then you wonder why things like Modes happen.

In fact, he says the same thing about Modes. "I paid for it (Modes) in the contract, and so I have to accept Modes of Reasoning."

As for campus newspapers such as Excalibur and Mac 69, which allow any student who wishes to express himself freely, they are "fascist supported" according to Mr. Delaney.

Mr. Delaney also goes on to say that the "free enterprise" system should also apply to clubs. "If they can't support themselves, then obviously the students don't want them."

How many students in the Vanier pottery group don't want pottery, and how many could afford the large cost of such a group of individuals? This is where student councils can play a helpful role.

Mr. Delaney, incidentally, "prides himself on being a rational being". (see story, Page 4 this issue.)

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Maybe you should run for office.

If you don't, the Delaneys at York will be acclaimed as our leaders.

Did you know:

That when York grows up, the campus will be four miles from any major mass transportation route, and will have 45,000 students.

We will need parking spaces for 16,000 cars, although it is unlikely the road system in the area can accommodate more than 10,000 cars.

The university is meant to be a commuter university, but is located in the most inaccessible place in all Toronto, according to Metro planner Eli Comay.

We thought you would like to know that, as you wait for the Keele bus.

A York Prayer

PLEASE GOD . . .

Please God, give us more Pritchards. We were waiting for them for five long years. We desperately need them. There wouldn't be any student solidarity without them. Campus radicals tried so vainly to unify the satisfied mass of students — without success.

But that situation has changed now. Students suddenly start wondering. York, Canada's most liberal university, finally lifted its mystical veil — the Pritchards emerged. Students are presented with a real issue, the bread and butter of any student rebellion.

Don't despair Berkley, Columbia, Waterloo, Moncton. York comes to rescue. We are of age now. The myth is dead. Instant university did not work. We student radicals were right after all. York's liberal concepts, our trade mark for the Ontario Government, are pure myths. Now we won't be forgotten anymore, because York will prove to be an obedient child after all. Finally, we will get all the government grants we want.

Please senators, do approve Pritchard's motion — our image is at stake. Mockery and mediocrity do breed aware students. Please God . . . give us more Pritchards.

This prayer can be read aloud in the new chapel, as library books float down from Heaven.

A student suggests modifications

After the dismal failure of the Modes of Reasoning course and the subsequent admission by the faculty and administration involved in its planning, the former should have gained some insight into student dissatisfaction with certain aspects of the educational system at York. Although I am only a first year student, may I offer a few suggestions for next year to the holy (?) heads above?

1. The body deciding the fate of the new course should be comprised of at least 25% third or fourth year students in Arts who have taken some form of this course previously.

2. Written sampling opinions should be taken from not only present students but also staff now teaching the Modes course to aid the above mentioned body.

3. The use of television should be discarded and finances directed towards hiring as much additional faculty as possible to effectively teach this much-maligned but well-meaning course.

Stan Meyers (M1)

Pritchard out of order

The following is a copy of a letter I sent to Dr. Pritchard regarding his senate motion concerning Mr. Larry Goldstein.

With regard to your motion, I would like to draw your attention to page 6 of the Report of the Senate Committee on Tenure and Promotions dated October 24, 1968, which was approved by the Senate at its special meeting held November 12, 1968. Under Section E, Procedures for the Dismissal of Tenured Faculty Members, Paragraph 2, the Report states:

"Gross misconduct does not include non-conforming conduct, such as conduct properly characterized as the exercise of freedom of speech, association, or belief, or non-conforming personal behaviour."

It would appear that you are asking the Senate to approve two standards for freedom of speech at this University: one for tenured faculty and one for students, which students will exercise at their peril.

With specific regard to the last paragraph of your motion, the Board

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of Governors and the President have recently approved, the Report of the Board-Student-Senate Committee established to study Section 13 (2) (c) of the York University Act, 1965. As you will notice from the report, the President's authority under this section has now been delegated, in this case to the York University Committee which is in the process of being formed. Should Senate approve your motion, the President would be unable to act on the recommendation unless he chooses to now reject the Report which he and the Board have so recently approved, and which was

prepared after many months of consideration. Since this is probably not your intention, perhaps your recommendation might be more properly made to the York University Committee and could be taken up at its first meeting.
Norm Gibson
Student Rep.
Winters Council

Rent-a-what?

I drove to the campus today, a thing I don't often do. In getting there I came to understand something interestingly new to me about

people and universities.

The stop sign at the entrance that I used looked the same as all the others, so I stopped and as I lowered the window I said to the guard that I was going into Winters. He didn't hear me and said something like "what" or "where". I then turned off the radio, in case it was the cause. I'm certain I tried harder as I said it again, and I know I smiled.

This didn't seem to get heard either so I said it again and then added the reason, as I thought it might help me. The guard heard and then asked me, "You're not going to park?" By

now I would have agreed to anything just to get inside so I said something like no.

I thought as I left the car and walked to the building — what if it were you? I thought of Orwell, of Osbourne and of the conversations of Pinter, and of stupidity. I don't think that I look undesirable or irresponsible. I'm getting a little grey, a first line supervisor at one of Canada's largest corporations and all I wanted to do was pick up my daughter.

My car had needed some repair and I had borrowed hers for the day. It had a student parking sticker on the front window and I had even had it washed, which made the glass easier to see through and the sticker easier to read.

I understand from your newspaper that these gentlemen are known as "rent-a-cops" and my only comment is that the administration should "rent-an-improvement".

John L. Martin.

Eggheads unaware

All students agree that Dr. Pritchard's position is "indefensible" but perhaps we can try to understand it. My own view is that "egghead scientists" (a very select and nebulous group which by no means includes all scientists or even a large number of them) are probably less aware than most of the latest freedoms won by the people, and are, in general, quite ignorant of the issues uppermost in the minds of college activists anywhere. The thing they are concerned with is their work, and they're insanely jealous of any interfering forces.

Therefore, when Mr. Goldstein made certain suggestions and expressed an attitude that Dr. Pritchard considered detrimental to the course of research at York, he evoked, perhaps, a somewhat irrational response from the professor. And although this doesn't excuse Dr. Pritchard's undemocratic act, we may not condemn him so severely when we realize that, unfortunately, all people don't see the world the way we do.

Joel Kurtz (VIII)

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