

# Tuition fee jumps to \$1035

**Greg Saville**

The euphoric "here we go again" feeling, common to roller coaster rides, is what most students will experience as a result of Monday's Board of Governors meeting where the cost of tuition once again took a hike.

Unfortunately, the feeling will not be as pleasant when students

reach \$119 deeper into their pockets for tuition next year.

York's BOG rubberstamped the expected province-wide 10 per cent increase and in addition tacked on an additional supplementary fee, bringing York undergraduate cost to \$1,035.

This compares with an expected fee of \$915 at University of

Toronto, \$900 at Waterloo, \$938 at Queen's and \$990 at Brock.

In a letter to *Excalibur*, Ontario Federation of Students Chairperson elect Barb Taylor condemned the increase. "Since when do huge increases in tuition encourage potential students to come to York, and stay?"

President of the Council of the

York Student Federation and student BOG representative Malcom Montgomery said yesterday he discussed the possibility of using funds from the university resident's discretionary fund for assistance to students applying to the Ontario Student Assistance Program.

According to the Canadian

University Press, "the government's rationale for tuition fee increases is that there is widespread public support for the belief that students should pay 15 per cent of their educational costs."

There have been four tuition increases in Ontario in the past five years.

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## Trudeau holds court

**Michael Monastyrsky**

"Let's get the damn thing and then let's have the arguments."

Last Thursday, Pierre Trudeau constantly repeated this theme before a capacity audience at Osgoode Hall.

"For 54 years," he declared, "Canadians have failed to show that they act as a nation."

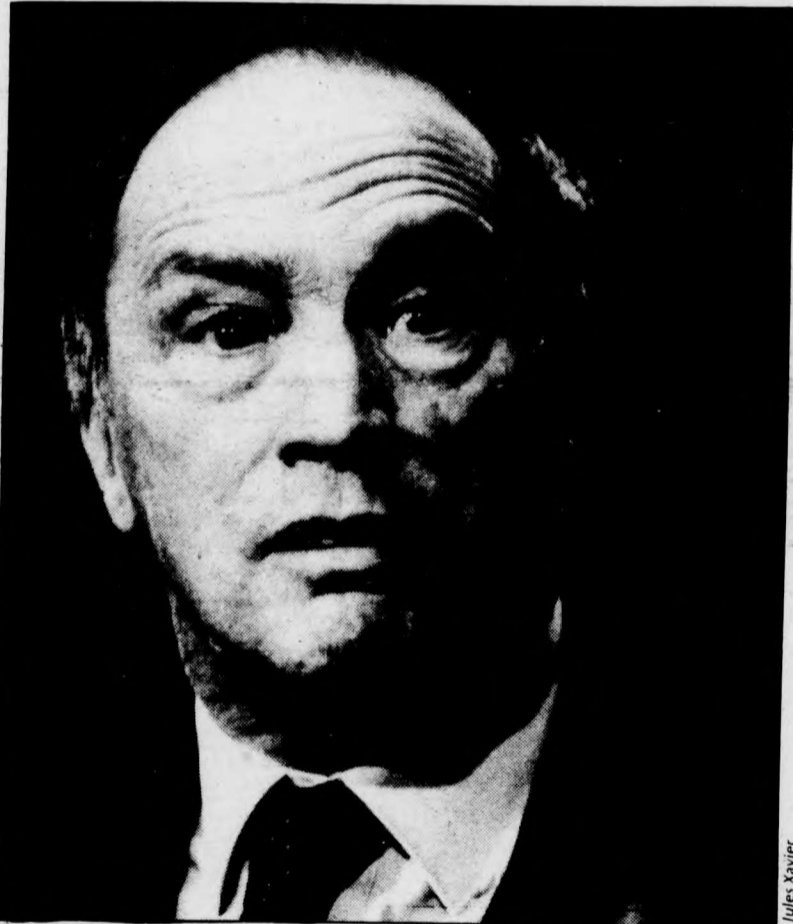
His short opening statement on the constitution was followed by a long question and answer period during which he used this theme to defend his refusal to impose bilingualism on Ontario.

Responding to emotional statements from two francophones, Trudeau said he would not force bilingualism on Ontario because he needs William Davis' support for his constitutional package.

"I am a political realist and it is as simple as that." He also stated that Richard Hatfield's "Acadians have all that they want."

The Prime Minister blamed the provincial governments for Canada's constitutional difficulties and dismissed the belief that the provinces must unanimously agree before the constitution can be brought to Canada. Do you believe in unanimity?" he asked.

Trudeau added however, that unanimity might have been achieved in Victoria in 1971 had it not been for a "lone province"



Trudeau aghast at Osgoode

(Quebec) that wanted "total control of social policy." He went on to argue that the other

provinces have since followed Quebec's lead and have asked for more power. "What was good for

Quebec in 1971 became good for everyone in '74, '75, '76," he remarked.

Trudeau continued, arguing that the constitution must be brought home before Canada can solve "the twenty-year-old question of what Quebec wants, the ten-year-old question of what the West wants and the five-year-old question of what Newfoundland wants."

Shortly after Trudeau had made this statement a student from Newfoundland confronted him about the central government's ability to deal with the needs of minorities. As an example, the student said Newfoundlanders "are interested in a slower pace of development."

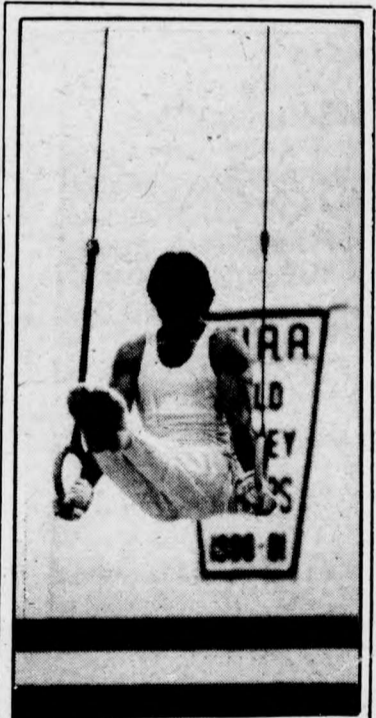
Trudeau replied that this type of thinking is destroying Canada. Speaking about off-shore resources he argued, "I can't say your government will administrate it all that wisely if it is given to you. You are saying Canadians won't be fair and wise and because you're only a couple hundred thousand you won't be able to convince the rest of Canada to do the right thing."

The Prime Minister proposed that Newfoundland be given one hundred per cent of the revenues from off-shore development until it became a "have province". However, he also said for the time

being, "the question is what does the constitution say? Does the constitution say that the off-shore belongs to all Canadians or to one province?"

Trudeau believes by considering his constitutional proposals the House of Commons is determining whether there is "such a thing as Canadian common good." He added, "when there is a conflict in interest the national interest must prevail over the regional interest."

A sign reading, "Bring it home, Pierre" greeted Trudeau when he entered the Moot Court Room. Before he left, the John White Society, which had arranged his visit, awarded the Prime Minister Osgoode Hall t-shirts for his children and a box in which to store the repatriated constitution.



Byron Johnson

### York wins for 11th straight year

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## Petition helps superintendent

**Mervyn Norton**

A petition circulated among tenants of the graduate residence at 6 Assiniboine has helped to get superintendant Bob Cripps rehired, although not with York University.

On February 7, the day after he was required to vacate his York position, Cripps began a new job as building superintendent with a large private company he had worked for previously. According to Cripps, he was rehired on the strength of his previous record with the company and a copy of the petition to York Housing Service signed by over 150 student tenants at 6 Assiniboine Road.

"The company managers said they hadn't seen such a demonstration of tenant support for a superintendent in all their

previous years of operation," a smiling Cripps recounted.

Cripps said he is considering court action against York University to clear his employment record.

Although Cripps said he requested written, detailed reasons for his release, his termination notice stated only "due to unsatisfactory performance."

Jane Corbett, Residence Manager for Housing Services, denies having received such a request and told *Excalibur* the reasons for dismissal were discussed with Cripps.

## Educators' arrest protested

**Jonathan Mann**

In the wake of the February 10 arrest of the rector and directors of the University of El Salvador by government security forces, a York group is participating in an appeal to have them released.

According to Spokesman Eduardo Canal, the York University Ad Hoc Committee for Solidarity with the People of El Salvador is making "an urgent appeal" to campus organizations to send telegrams to President Jose Napoleon Duarte to demand the release of the group.

"We feel that this is an outrageous attack on the university," Canal said. "In addition to closing it, they have arrested the (rector) and directors.

"The main point is that they are in danger. Some of them are known publicly as members of the FDR."

FDR is the Spanish acronym for the Democratic Revolutionary Front. Last year, Antonio Ulloa, the newly appointed rector of the University and a known member of the FDR, was assassinated.

Telegrams, according to Canal, should be addressed to Napoleón Duarte, Casa de Gobierno, San Salvador, El Salvador. He asks that copies of the telegrams be sent to Canadian Minister of External Affairs Marc MacGuigan as well.

"The idea is not to antagonize them, but to let them know that there is concern in Canada," Canal explained.

Copies should also be sent to Bethune Master Griff Cunningham, to help coordinate support for the release of the directors.