

## Senate motion will ask power to make decision on new pres

A move in the senate today may assert independence and power of the senate over the board of governors at York, setting

precedence for an eventual disappearance of the board.

Professor Howard Adelman will ask the senate to pass a request that the appointment of the new university president be "subject to the prior concurrence of a majority of the senate."

If approved, it will mean the board of governors' choice for president will be invalid until the senate, which is dominated by faculty members, approves of the board's choice.

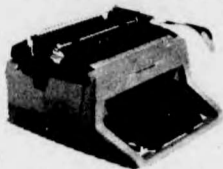
In effect, the motion will be an assertion of the governing power of the senate, the highest academic body in the university, over the board, a financial management and advisory body, which has made all principal decisions in the past.

It is expected Adelman's motion will be passed by the senate members, and will be forwarded to the board-senate executive committee for negotiation.

The board may approve the senate motion, in the hopes that faculty members will settle for only offering approval-disapproval of the board's selection for president, rather than insist on actually voting for a particular individual.

By asserting it's right to make the final approval of a president, the senate will be creating a precedent for its right to make important final decisions in matters other than purely academic fields, which are of direct importance to the whole university.

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## Canada Briefs

### Ryerson design students on strike

Students in interior design at Ryerson Polytechnic Institute struck last Thursday in protest against an inadequate program which they claim fails to leave them competent to become "practising professionals." In a letter to the chairman of the department students said the course was "out of touch with design as an original and creative process." The students said they had "spoken in a concerned manner for at least a year to the staff as well as the department head," and had received little response but gratitude for complaining. As of Tuesday night the department had brought in an interior design expert from Montreal who has offered to serve as a resource person for the school next year. In a conference with the students the as yet unnamed instructor told the students that his experience with English and U.S. design schools has taught him that if the students want to change a course in their school they will have to blow the place up. The inability of English speaking schools to adapt to new and creative ideas in interior design leaves the students unable to keep pace with students from the more creative European schools.

### Loyola sets up reform commission

MONTREAL — In the wake of mass student and faculty resignations from the senate and a referendum approving a student strike, the board of trustees at Loyola College announced Friday that it was setting up a commission to examine the entire academic structure of the college. Trouble has been building at Loyola since early summer, when the administration refused to rehire physicist S. A. Santhanum. The senate recommended his rehiring but the board of trustees refused and earlier this month categorically denied a Canadian Association of University Teachers offer to arbitrate in the affair. On Oct. 8 three students and seven faculty senators resigned from the senate, charging that since 43 per cent of its members were appointed by the all-Jesuit board of trustees, it was unrepresentative. The senate later upheld the trustee's decision not to re-open the Santhanum case. Loyola students voted Oct. 14 by a bare majority to hold a three-day boycott of classes, over what the students charged was an unrepresentative senate. In response to this the board will set up a commission on the college's academic structure, with composition and terms of reference to be decided by all elements of the Loyola campus.

### Charges laid against SFU strikers

BURNABY — Simon Fraser University administration Tuesday brought civil charges against three professors and 11 students involved in the strike of the university's department of political science, sociology, and anthropology. The administration has also applied for a court injunction barring all picketing and disrupting lectures. A further injunction against distributing of literature by picketing students may soon be sought by SFU admin president Kenneth Strand. The civil charges brought against the 14 strikers are for loss of revenue (because the administration has been forced to reimburse students who decided to withdraw as a result of the strike), unspecified damages, and trespassing. The trespassing charges grew out of an administration decree that striking professors and students are no longer a part of the university. The injunction would specifically seek to put an end to the picketing of the "mini-courses" which the administration has set up to replace the missing PSA lectures. "Mini-courses" in archaeology and economics were prevented from meeting by PSA pickets Oct. 17 and 20. Without these lectures, the administration policy of ignoring the strike would be difficult to maintain. Jim Harding, one of the students charged, is scheduled to appear at the Year of the Barricade conference to be held at Glendon College this weekend.

### Student charged with letter theft

WATERLOO — University of Waterloo administration president Howard Petch has personally charged a student with the theft and possession of a letter from his files. Petch accused Cyril Levitt, a member of the Waterloo's Radical Student Movement, of stealing a letter from Philip Pollock, research director of the senate special committee on science policy, containing peripheral references to expected increases in research funds because of U.S. weapons research. Levitt read the letter to over 300 students, Sept. 25, as they gathered to hear explanations from Petch about the Order On Campus report calling for stern disciplinary action against nearly all student disruption. Shortly before Levitt's reading Petch told the group that the university was involved only in peaceful research. Levitt appeared in court Monday to have a date set for a meeting which will decide on the trial date. Levitt told reporters he intends to plead innocent to both charges.

### McGill censors its admin paper

MONTREAL — Administrators at McGill University have forced their own newspaper to drop an issue devoted to former McGill political science lecturer Stanley Gray, who was fired last year for his political activities on that campus. A 28-page issue of the McGill Reporter, an administration-financed paper established as a counterweight to the student-run McGill Daily, was scheduled to appear on Friday. It included an interview with Gray, a chronology of the events leading up to his dismissal, essays on civil disobedience and academic discontent, and comments on the future of McGill from graduates and faculty members. This is the second time the Reporter has come to odds with McGill's administration over the Gray fiasco. The first trouble occurred when the paper criticized the administration for its failure to disclose information concerning the dismissal proceedings.