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Idylls of the King

There likewise I beheld Excalibur
Before him at his crowning borne, the sword
That rose from out the bosom of the lake,
And Arthur row'd across and took it—rich
With jewels, elfin Urim, on the hilt
Bewildering hand and eye—the blade so bright
That men are blinded by it—on one side,
Graven in the oldest tongue of all this world
'Take me,' But turn the blade and ye shall see,
And written in the speech ye speak yourself,
'Cast me away!' And sad was Arthur's face
Taking it, but old Merlin counselled him,
'Take Thou and strike! The time to cast away
Is yet far-off.' So this great brand the king
Took, and by this will beat this foemen down!

Tennyson

NO YORK AID

On Monday, Dr. Murray G. Ross, the President of York University, explained that starting next year, all aid to university students and aid programmes would be "the function of the provincial government." Education Minister, William Davies' much criticized Student Award Programme will apparently be all-encompassing.

While there has been no offi-

cial cancellation of York aid programmes for '67-68 it appears now that in-course awards, scholarships and residence bursaries will disappear.

As yet, no residence bursary applications have been accepted, and they may yet be cancelled for this year. Mr. Parks, Vice-President of Finance, said that no decision on its continuance this year has been made.

Elections

Elections will be held for the offices of President, Vice-President in Charge of Communications, Treasurer, and two members from Vanier College.

Nominations will open Monday, Oct. 3 at 10:00 am and close Friday, Oct. 7 at 5:00 pm. Official Campaigning will begin Monday, Oct. 10 and will end Thursday, Oct. 13 at 5:00 pm. The election will be held on Friday, Oct. 14, and the polls will open at 10:00 am and close at 4:00 pm. Polling Booths will be set up in both Founders and Vanier Colleges.

Only students in at least the second year of their courses may run for the offices of President, Vice-President and Treasurer. Only students from Founders College may run, nominate and vote for the two members to be elected from Founders College and only students from Vanier College may run, nominate or vote for the two members to be elected from Vanier College.

When voting, students are required to present some form of identification, preferably their A.T.L. cards.

The importance of the Student Representative Council to the future of student government on York Campus can not be stressed too greatly. Therefore, student participation in all facets of the election is of paramount importance.

Anita Levine

Rex Lingwood, C.R.O.



Our Gal Miss United Appeal

Last Sunday Paula Ingham, 17, of Founders College was crowned Miss United Appeal in ceremonies at Massey Hall.

Paula is a freshman student who wants to travel and work in External Affairs after university.

She is taking history, political science, and Russian. Paula is in the York University Choir and is head of swimming at Beverly Hills Motor Hotel. She has spent the

past summers as a lifeguard.

Miss Ingham was one of 110 contestants and was chosen out of 12 finalists at the Sunday night finals.

Her victory means that she will be attending various fund raising functions around Toronto as well as kicking off an Argo football game during the six-week United Appeal.

We congratulate Miss Ingham, a girl with lots of appeal.

Gary Woodhill

No Hidden Rise In Residence Fees

Alarm over alleged "hidden costs" in Founders residence fees has subsided after a more accurate investigation by the Founders College Student Council. Contrary to initial rumours, only the bed-making service has been reduced but other services have been added at no additional cost to the student. Many thought that the rates had risen to the tune of a \$48 service cutback. However "the actual rise in fees amount to a mere \$3 for residence students for a year," says Howard Nemvin, Founders' President.

Concern was not wasted however. The houses have, as a result, examined the general value of resident service offered for \$815. York fees rank amongst the highest in Canada yet essential services such as telephone and intercom systems have not been provided as they are in other universities; the phones are both scarce and inaccessible. Despite recent installations of shower curtains and shop racks, the residence council together with the dons has approached the administration with a list of priority, MAJOR improvements.

Book Store Protest

"Outrageous Prices!" That is one of the beefs of a group of students who on Tuesday went into action against the bookstore.

Their first action was to write up a petition and circulate it among the students. They also called for a complete boycott of the bookstore and hoped to organize a student co-operative.

Later, on the same day with the help of Lynn McKee, editor of Fountain, the concerned students met with the Vice-President in charge of finance and Jack Allan, manager of the bookstore. After a long three hour meeting, the students said the matter was a lot more complicated than at first thought. The Fountain intends to publish a full report.

The main points to come out of the meeting were that the administration has not given the bookstore enough space to operate, that there are a lot of complicated trade and distribution problems involved, and that the bookstore is losing money even with current prices.

The students said that they have some fourth-year economic students looking into the matter.

Fred Nix