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U.S. profs discouraged from Canada

By ROB ROWLAND

American professors and graduate students are now discouraged from coming to Canada, said a Columbia University official of New York.

Florence Brand, academic placement officer at Columbia said Monday, the lack of opportunities with the new scene at Canadian

universities has resulted in placement officials in the United States advising professors and recent graduates against coming to Canada.

"It's changed over the last three years," Brand said. "Whereas four years ago we actually had people from Canadian universities come down to Columbia to recruit, we

never see them anymore. And often we are turned down when we send a folder out in answer to a vacancy in a monthly bulletin."

"I only placed one person in Canada from Columbia last year," she said, "and that was because the person was married to a Canadian, an academic who would also take up a position at the university."

"Also, during the summer, the University of British Columbia advertised for a professor in East Asian Studies. We sent off several folders and got them back almost by return mail."

Brand said that she was rather surprised that Americans were still getting positions at Canadian universities.

"I remember York because they mentioned the flag incident on the NBC news in New York one night," she said. "It was a rather chauvinistic piece at the end of the news, a sort of now they've got problems with their students too, story."

Statement by the board

At a closed meeting Tuesday, the board of governors voted to accept the nomination of Windsor law dean Walter Tarnopolsky as academic affairs vice-president.

In what was reported to be a heated meeting, the board condemned Excalibur's erroneous charges of anti-semitism against Tarnopolsky in last week's issue. See below.

Statement by the chairman of the board of governors

The Board of Governors of York University, at its meeting on Tuesday, October 12th, 1971, unanimously accepted the recommendation of the President that Professor Walter S. Tarnopolsky, Dean of the Faculty of Law, University of Windsor, be appointed Vice-President Academic Affairs of York University, effective July 1, 1972.

In accepting President Slater's recommendation the Board has carefully examined and categorically rejected the irresponsible aspersions made against Professor Tarnopolsky in the October 7th issue of Excalibur. The Board is grateful to the many groups and individuals who have volunteered statements establishing conclusively that the charges of anti-semitism made against Professor Tarnopolsky are utterly without basis in fact. Professor Tarnopolsky's faculty colleagues at both Osgoode and Windsor, his students, and leading members of the Toronto and Windsor legal and Jewish communities have testified as to his complete innocence of any such actions and assert that his distinguished reputation in the fields of human and civil rights is fully deserved.

The allegation that Professor Tarnopolsky has shown bias in favor of Americans in his appointments to the Windsor law faculty is similarly refuted by the record, which shows that of seventeen appointments made by him during his tenure as Dean, only one has been an American.

On behalf of the York University community the Board wishes to apologize to Professor Tarnopolsky for any damage or embarrassment caused him by what has been inexcusably irresponsible journalism.

Dr. Robert M. MacIntosh

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Charges made against Tarnopolsky false-ed.

By ANDY MICHALSKI

Last week, Excalibur erroneously charged vice-presidential nominee Walter Tarnopolsky with anti-semitism.

With the universal uproar that followed and the deluge of new facts (see page 7), it is this reporter's opinion that the statements were absolutely false. It is also this reporter's opinion that the decision to report these statements without more information was a severe error in professional judgement.

Excalibur's charges were based on documented evidence that indicated that the Windsor law dean and his faculty treated Jews differently from non-Jews. After looking at aggregate figures for the University of Windsor, there is absolutely no evidence or insinuation that such is the case. The irreparable damage done to Tarnopolsky and the Windsor law school is beyond words. And we offer our most humble apologies.

Excalibur gave credence to these indications by the existence of private correspondence between ex-Windsor professor Sy Langer and professor Hugh Silverman (Q.C.). In these letters, Silverman charged that anti-semitism was rampant at the school.

After private interviews on Monday with Windsor's students and professors (including Hugh Silverman), it is this reporter's opinion that Silverman's charges are based on hearsay about anti-semitism and on a severe personality clash within Windsor's law faculty.

Last month, York president David Slater announced to the senate of the impending appointment. This came as a surprise to Excalibur and the Council of the York Student Federation. Neither knew anything of the appointment or of the ad hoc presidential committee to select the vice-president. The committee, chaired by professor John Yolton, contained nine faculty and one graduate student. After the committee suggested six names, Slater picked Tarnopolsky.

It is the opinion of this reporter that the lack of undergraduate student participation in the vice-presidential selection inevitably led to suspicion and confusion.

Excalibur has requested aid in tracking down recipients of last week's papers so that they might also receive this one.

Sir George board suspends constitution

MONTREAL (CUPI) — The Sir George Williams University board of governors has suspended indefinitely the student association's constitution.

The board placed the association under its trusteeship when told by four student faculty associations and the student ombudsman that the association had reached a point "where it cannot function." The central student association lacked a president and three of its vice-presidents.

The principal of SGWU, John O'Brien appointed three students, a chartered accountant and a lawyer to sit on a board of trustees. They

have a mandate to hold a referendum on whether students want an association.

If the students vote the central student association out of existence, the board of governors has promised to make appropriate arrangements

to operate the faculty associations and clubs.

With a history of militancy when organized by their student association, SGWU students now pay \$15 annual fee to the student association.

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