



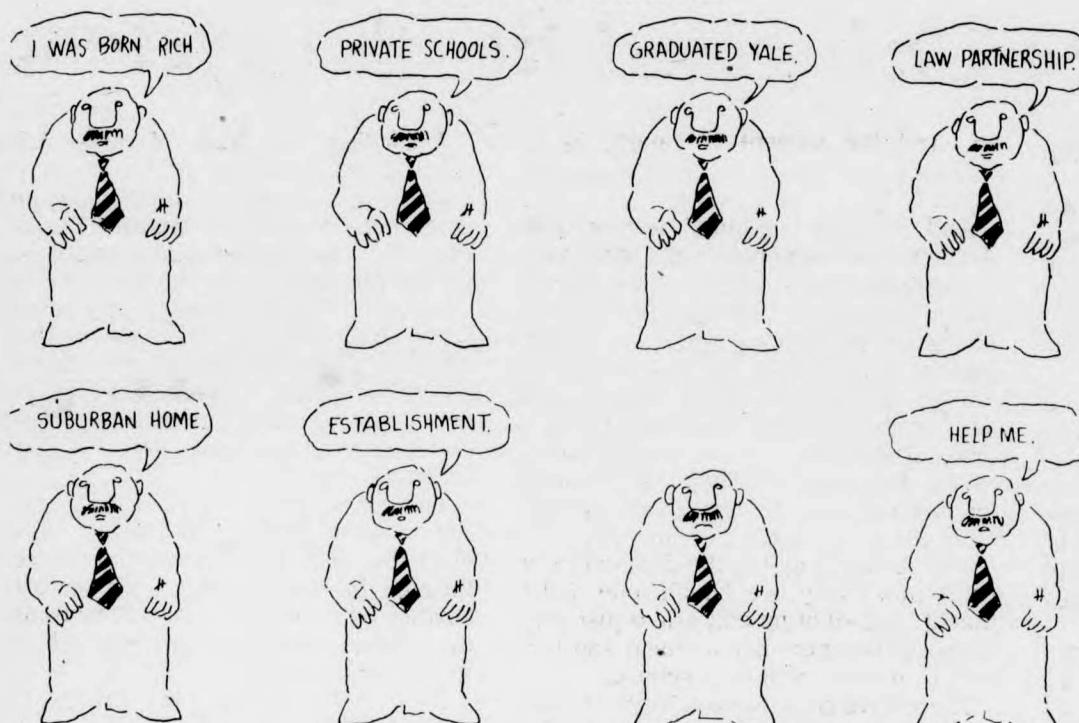
COMIX!



"The Liberal" by Robert Brandreth



"Last time I wasn't interested I was called a frigid bitch. This time I was a bourgeois individualist."



Letters to the Editor

Is York anti-culture?

Have you, by chance, had the delightful experience of walking past the decorated construction fence just west of Burton auditorium? If so, you will have observed a small set of interesting art works, a couple of which seem to have involved hours of painstaking work. Well, dear people, this experience will never be as pleasant for upon that ugly fence you can see the definition of this "great university".

I refer especially to one, now, lonely, empty panel stripped of its former beauty — an involved, three-dimensional, multicoloured painting, carefully cleaved from the fence by some sick, sadistic art "connoisseur". Not only has this rancorous intellect stolen beauty from the many people it was designed to please, but has stolen part of the artist's life.

A question to the non-people at this university: What, may I ask, is the purpose of art if art theft be some twisted sort of art appreciation? Surely, York university is no "Great Canadian Dream Machine" for within its almighty perimeter one can see all the

vicious realities of Canadian life — a definite anti-culture.

If you open your eyes you might hope not to see corruption yet, if there is nothing to see, is there no corruption?

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Security much appreciated

Dear Sir:

We are writing this letter in appreciation of the concern shown by two members of the York Security Force towards a non-member of the university. Often security guards encounter an adverse reaction to their activities on the part of the students. We would like to point out the good vibes that were sent out by some of the security people.

In December a youth arrived from Winnipeg with very little money, in order to solve a personal family hassle. He wandered onto the campus late at night to find a place to sleep. A security guard found him sleeping in one of the JCR's but was unable to leave the youth there. He brought the man up to the

York Student Clinic to see if we could accommodate him for a night. But the (now two) security men didn't leave until they, at first, humanly listened to his story and then had given him some money.

We would like to emphasize the kindness and the sincerity with which the two officers acted, which is sometimes hidden beneath the security forces' exterior uniform. We hope that this incident is a model for their total effort at this university.

Gitta Sturmwind
Bill Johnson

Amex appeals for readers

The question of humanitarian and political asylum for American draft resisters and military deserters is of concern to all of your readers and especially to those who really are either deserters or dodgers. There are a couple of other approaches to the questions that are also important: amnesty and repatriation.

The subject is complex and of direct concern to all those who wish to see an end to the present American foreign policy, for which

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the code word must be domination and the effect of which is destruction: of countries, cultures and all that is of human value — including human life.

I wish to alert your readers and especially those of them who are draft resisters or deserters from American foreign policy, of the special issue of Amex-Canada magazine now available, which deals with these questions in depth.

Reading the informational special issue on the questions will afford anyone who cares to do so, the unusual opportunity of participating in an intensive international discussion, formulation of policy and plan for action. This discussion will take place in print in the subsequent issue of Amex, the main purpose of it being to give as large a number of draft dodgers, deserters, other exiles from American militarism and any others interested, a chance to reclaim the definition of these issues from the likes of senators Taft and McGovern, Congressmen Koch or President Nixon.

Dee Knight, Gen. Ed.
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