



The usual victim in any bureaucratic hassle. Photo by H. Kitz

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## Study suppressed by Becker, Small Metro-run daycare wanted, report says

An administration task force on daycare issued a draft report on Monday recommending that Metro run any new daycare centre at York.

The report (printed on Page 8 and 9) states that Metro would administer a daycare service for low income families and parents would not help run the service. York would operate its own coop alongside. Both York and Metro would pay for the new centre at a cost of \$275,000.

The report was compiled by student services director John Becker, his aide Stuart Keeley and campus planning director Doug Anderson. It makes no other major recommendations and describes the York-Metro idea as a "feasible alternative."

Daycare spokesmen said they were not consulted in the making of the report. Becker said that he knew the daycare personnel were concerned but later said "their con-

tributions or rebuttals could become a possible part of the report."

The 20-page report outlines the history of York's daycare facilities and recognizes the demand for the service. But it questions whether this demand is just for convenience when other daycare facilities are available in the Metro area.

It states that the centre could be used by the psychology department and education faculty but says "the academic significance of the facility is less nebulous than the 'service' aspect."

Vice president Bill Small who handled the report said "We're trying to get the facts to the right people and get action on this thing."

When Becker and Small refused to give Excalibur a copy of the report, Excalibur got one from an individual connected with the daycare center.

York daycare sources said they were dismayed at the secrecy of the entire study. Parent coordinator of the centre, Elody Scholz said that "this kind of thing needs to be aired in the open."

President David Slater ordered Small in November to come up with a report to help the senate's academic planning committee set its budget priorities. The task force was to also look into getting provincial and federal winter works programs to help pay capital and operating costs. This, the report didn't do.

There are 44 children in the centre now in Graduate Residence 3 although 100 were on the waiting list in September. The coop charges \$55 a month and Metro help is available.

Anderson refused to face a photographer on Tuesday saying "call me the shy retiring type."



John Becker



Stuart Keeley



Bill Small

## Security and York break off talks

Negotiations between the campus cops and the York administration broke off yesterday with no contract settlement in sight.

Canadian Guards Association vice-president at York, Paul Brewer said York's offer was still nowhere near what they wanted — parity with the University of Toronto.

The guards plan to meet Sunday to either accept York's latest offer or to ask Department of Labour negotiator H.R. Illings to issue a "no board" report paving the way for a walk-out in 14 days.

Personnel director Don Mitchell said that talks were still progressing and that no decision had been reached.

Brewer said that morale on the force was low and that men were losing interest in their jobs. He said it was York policy to hire expolicemen — contrary to what Mitchell told Excalibur last week. The top four security officials and four officers were former policemen.

The 22 guards are asking for parity with U of T's \$7,700 for guards and \$8,100 for senior guards. York now pays \$6,500 and \$6,900 with premium rates for night shifts and holiday work.

Guards have voiced concern that York plans to bring off-campus security forces in case of a walk-out. The Central Library uses a Pinkerton guard two weeks a month and charges that a Philips' Security man was seen walking around campus and taking down estimates.

Brewer said that U of T paid the same as York last year even though U of T's security had special constable status with power of arrest.

He said that Illings is now clarifying the main differences in the two sides for possible "no board report" to the Department of Labour.

## Year-round U rejected

Reliable sources say the Commission on Post-Secondary Education chaired by Doug Wright has rejected the idea of year-round universities and the full integration of extension students into university life although they do feel that the concept of full-time students is on the way out. The sources also said that the commission was deeply concerned about political activism at the University of Toronto last year.

## Glendon strike on

By MARILYN SMITH

Glendon resident students, led by students in the French Caucus, are refusing to pay the second instalment of their residence fees. The strike action coincides with the release of a Glendon residence report now in president David Slater's hands.

Students are protesting high residence fees of \$1,200 this year with a scheduled hike to \$1,300 next year. The Glendon residence council has demanded improvements in the residences to bring them up to the standard of facilities provided in York's residences. They have not organized around the fees issue. The French students have said fee reduction, not improvements, is their primary goal.

Principal Albert Tucker's committee of students and faculty compiled the residence report. They want a retroactive fee structure for Glendon that would make Glendon residence rates \$100 less than those at the main campus. The committee says the lower operational costs for Glendon, because of low and no mortgage payments, makes this a justified demand.

All residences at York now operate on a pooled fee structure. Glendon was to provide a \$56,000 subsidy for the newer highly mortgaged residences on the main campus. Instead, the 30 percent vacancy rate at Glendon this year is forcing York to give Glendon \$20,000.

Glendon could operate at a reduced fee level taking into account only the costs at Glendon, the report states.



GOT A QUESTION?

Information York staffers Barb Kirsh and Gary Miller offer directions to Winters' student Pearl Ann Vani in the Central Square. The post is open every weekday

from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and is manned by the psychological service and graduate students. If you've got a query, just phone 635-3580. Photo by Tim Clark