

Mysterious ailment linked to liquor

Vandals cause up to \$30,000 damage yearly

By MAXINE KOPEL
An estimated \$25,000 to \$30,000 is spent yearly to repair vandalized university property, York security officers disclosed Friday, following the destruction of a washroom door next to the Absinthe pub in Winters College last Friday.

John Newton, a maintenance worker, said that the 130 pound door was probably wrenched from its frame by two or three people using a crowbar. The exact cause of the damage is still unknown. The door will cost approximately \$300 to repair. The incident is one in a number

of destructive incidents taking place on campus this year. Fiberglass tiles are being replaced with pegboard to prevent further injury to a corridor ceiling in Winters College.

"The kids jump up and and put their fists through the tile," Newton remarked.

Each tile costs about \$2.00 and at least 160 tiles are needed to complete the repair job. So far this year, the tiles have been replaced twice.

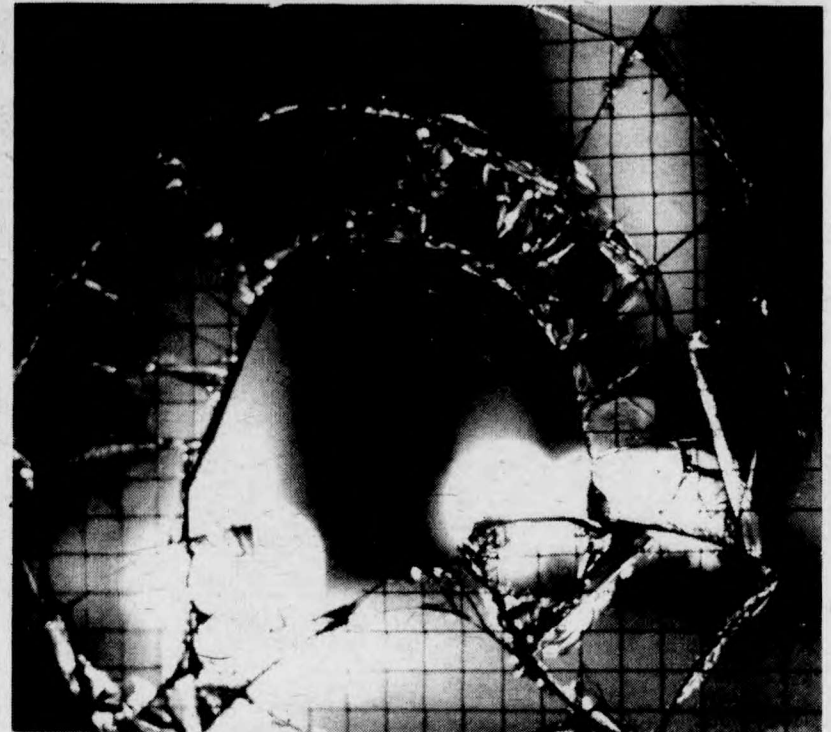
Windows and doors are often victimized. Thieves break the glass on the door, open it from the inside and walk in. Three winters ago, all the windows at the bus stop next to the ice rink were broken.

Carpets are burned, cushions are stolen, chairs are knifed and once in Founders College, an elevator was set on fire.

The majority of malicious incidents occur between Friday and Sunday, when the drinking rate is at its highest, said Newton.

York students are not always responsible for the damage however; many non-students have been known to create disturbances and property damage.

The most vulnerable spots on campus appear to be the college



Damage like this would never occur at Osgoode

coffee shops, although some damage has occurred outside the shops. Stong College has the highest rate of vandalism, said Newton.

While very few vandals are caught, once they are, they or their parents are held responsible for the repair costs.

The single exception to the high level of vandalism is Osgoode Hall, where, said Newton, students are more mature and there is very little damage.

Vandalism is self-defeating, said Newton, because costs for repairs eventually wind up coming out of student fees.

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Profs are denied tenure

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meeting that the "grandfather clause" of the 1969 senate resolution on tenure and promotion may be the reason for the high number of negative recommendations at the senate level this year.

According to that resolution, a professor at York must apply for tenure within six years of his appointment. However, faculty members appointed any time before 1969 were permitted to delay their applications for tenure until 1974-75.

"It's possible, and even probable, that the 'pre-69rs', whose cases for tenure were weak, delayed their applications until last year," Endler said.

Thus, last year's applications for tenure and promotion may have been loaded with "poor" professors.

Earnest Lilianstein is a sociology

professor at York, whose case for tenure was given a negative recommendation by senate and is currently being reviewed by president Macdonald.

He said this week that the senate tenure promotion report reflects the death of York's commitment to teaching.

"Prior to 1969," he said, "York had a reputation as a teaching institution and so it attracted professors who were teachers. But, in order to achieve, national and international success, York has had to emphasize scholarship rather than teaching, in its professors."

Fifteen of the 23 professors given negative recommendations by the senate tenure and promotion committee were originally appointed prior to 1969.

Lilianstein is not now exploring outside avenues through which to appeal his case.

"After a point, that sort of thing becomes boring," he said. "And there's a good chance the president will react favourably to my case."

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