

# B.Y.O.P.

by Ann Shin

TORONTO (CUP) — You just might end up doing the dishes for your supper at McDonald's this week.

The Green Party wants Canadians to bring their own plates, mugs and cutlery to their neighborhood fast food outlet November 25.

## “Polystyrene: the symbol of the fast-food industry.”

In what's being billed as the first national Excess Packaging Protest, the group asks that customers demand to be served on their own reusable plates rather than in the standard disposable packages.

“McDonald's is the most guilty although not the only one to blame. It is the highest profile fast food restaurant and it still uses polystyrene, the symbol of the fast food industry,” said Green Party official Frank de Jong.

Ozone-destroying CFCs are a by-product in the manufacture of polystyrene, used for foam packaging. It releases a carcinogen, styrene oxide, into the atmosphere when incinerated. And packaging makes up 50 per cent of all garbage by volume.

But Peter Beresford, vice-president of McDonald's Restaurants of Canada, said polystyrene

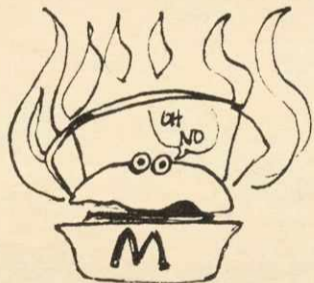
is fine. “Polystyrene is the best packaging available. It is safe, sanitary and provides the highest quality packaging.”

Beresford said his company has a 3R formula: reduce, recycle, and reuse. He said there is a policy for recycling shipping containers, for reducing the size of paper packages, and that a polystyrene recycling program was launched in 450 U.S. restaurants last month.

McDonald's also promised to stop using CFCs by February 1989, but has instead replaced a compound, CFC-12, with an only slightly different CFC-22.

According to de Jong, the real problems aren't being addressed. He proposes McDonald's eliminate all disposable packaging and instead issue hard plastic reusable containers or plate/trays. McDonald's should offer discount incentives to customers who use them.

Although most “eat-ins” will be staged at McDonald's restaurants across Canada, other fast food joints will be targeted as well. In Smiths Falls, Ontario, people will be protesting at Burger King, while in Kitchener, wash stands will be set up along a fast food restaurant strip.



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Hit the hood, win a prize.

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## Phi Delta Thetas trash helpless Lada

by Sandy MacKay

Last Friday, a number of youths were seen attempting to beat a car to smithereens.

Police were not called because it was a group of Phi Delta Theta pledges trying to raise money for house renovations as part of their initiation. (Rumours circulated through the SUB that the affair was being held by the Frustration and Aggression Training Branch

of the Psychology Department.)

The five pledges brought this Lada onto the boulevard on University Avenue and sold sledgehammer swings at the car for \$2. The honour of smashing the windshield was sold to a rich vandal for \$10.

As well as having a smashing time, the pledges raised \$100. They also fixed a sign to the partly demolished car after the fun was over urging students not to drink and drive.

Fraternity members were disappointed by the turnout. “There must be no spirit at Dal,” said one brother. “SMU (Saint Mary's University) made \$1000!”

“They should be using a crowbar to wreck that car,” said one onlooker, who asked to remain nameless. “They've been going at that bumper for half an hour, and they still haven't gotten it off. Hell, I'm 'just a woman' and I could've wrecked that car faster than those crazy men.”

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