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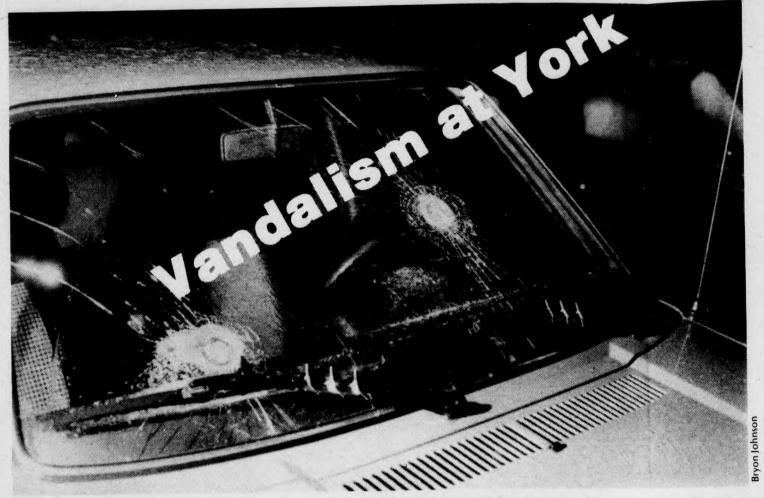
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Getting Smashed



Erina Ingrassia

•Shortly after midnight on November 8, I. Desormeaux was returning to his car in Parking Lot B when he spotted two youths attempting to break into a parked car. When Desormeaux tried to get their attention, the youths panicked and screeched out of the parking lot into the night. Desormeaux quickly notified both the police and York security whose further investigation into this incident revealed severe damage amounting to \$700. The youths had attempted to break into a total of five cars, three of which had their front windshields shattered. The other two both had their right front windows smashed. Two eight-track tape recorders were stolen. Because it was dark and rainy, Desormeaux couldn't provide police with a precise description or licence plate number of the getaway car. However, he

believes the two youths ran towards a 1969 two-door Oldsmobile or Buick. Two nights later, a similar thing occured in the same parking lot, leaving two cars broken

into and badly damaged. •The disastrous night of September 20 went on record for more incidents of vandalism than any night to date. It all began at Bethune College's Tap 'n Keg, when the lead singer of the rock ensemble Teenage Head throught he'd enhance his act by throwing a microphone through a window. This action prompted two similar responses by audience members in which two other windows were broken with beer bottles. Within the next ten minutes a window was smashed in the Stong Junior Common Room in the same manner. In the early hours of the morning, just after the pubs had closed, two beer bottles thrown out of the 7th floor of Vanier

College shattered on the ground and injured two people unlucky enough to be two arrests were made by police. Those total damage done that night was \$1,500.

These are only a few examples of destructive incidents that have taken place on campus this year. Reports from York's security office also list signs demolished, doors kicked in, parking booths damaged, elevator phones ripped out, and fire alarms falsely sounded.

Last year the university spent close to \$100,000 to repair vandalized property--

passing by. An ambulance was called and involved were not members of the York community. The estimated figure of the Teenage Head has been presented with a bill for \$500 to cover the cost of replacing the three panes of glass in Bethune

> George Dunn, "the parking security attendant isn't the one paying for the damage. He's not the one who's being ripped off." As of this year, bills for damaged

be quoted.

property are being handed to individuals or colleges linked to vandalism. If

citizen of another country in Canada

expressly for the purpose of studying and

returning to his native country. To be a

foreign student requires application

months in advance to get the necessary

Canadian government and York Univer-

the highest cost for damage ever recorded

on the York campus in one year. Accord-

ing to George Dunn, director of Safety and

Security, the replacement of damaged

signs alone cost \$5,000. Damage last year

included everything from discharged fire

extinguishers to burnt carpets to kicked-in

According to Dunn, the vandalism on

campus this year has been more violent

than in the past. The recent parking lot

Both Dunn and John Becker, Assistant

Vice-President for Student Affairs, believe

that well over 50 per cent of the incidences

of vandalism reported by security officers

are directly related to alcohol. On the

infamous night of September 20, there

were twelve reports of vandalism, eleven

Becker also points to the involvement of

off-campus people in vandalism. "It is

clear that the university is getting a bad

reputation off campus since many of these

incidents involved non-members of the

university and under-age youths. The

residences are involved too. Men from off-campus come to them purposely to

'cruise' and to get drunk. They proceed to

make a nuisance of themselves, pull fire alarms, empty fire extinguishers and

Becker believes pub control must be

maintained to a much higher standard to

curb the growing destruction. In the past.

pubs have been requested to maintain

"sign-in" books, check ID, and limit their

Becker recently sent out a letter to all pub managers in which he re-emphasized

the regulation that bartenders who serve

liquor to anyone under the legal drinking

age, or continue to serve liquor to

someone who is intoxicated, are liable for

us to realize, is that it seems that an

increasing number of people who visit this

campus think that anything goes and they

can drink to excess without repercus-

Excalibur spoke to a few pub managers

concerning this matter but all refused to

"You can be sure of one thing," replies

Who pays for the damage?

Says Becker, "What is important for all of

prosecution under the law.

number of guests to two per student.

harass female residents.

of which were linked to heavy drinking.

occurences support this observation.

elevator doors

damages are severe, or involve theft of university property, the person caught will be charged and taken to court concurrently with any penalty the university may wish to impose But when vandals can't be identified the

university must pay, which burdens the university's already tight budget.

Due to lack of funds in the budget this year, the number of full-time security guards cannot be increased. To make up for a lack in paid manpower, a student security project, a joint effort between the university and CYSF, was launched in early October of this year. It was hoped that the full-time security staff, combined with the student security, would improve security methods and curb the percentage of vandalism somewhat. However, this hasn't happened. Despite the increase in security, statistics continue to show persistent damage and stolen property.

Although pubs have been advised to increase their control, if the vandalism continues at its present rate, Becker claims he will consider telling the pubs to shorten



Whether incidents of vandalism are the result of pranks, malice or drunkenness, the outcome is the same. Vandalism, many fail to realize, is a self-defeating act. The costs of damaged property must be met by the university budget. If this year's costs resulting from damaged property exceed last year's, or even stay the same, we can look forward to an increase in parking fees, tuition fees or both.

W5 stirs up foreign scare on campus

Controversy ranging from letters to lawsuits has sprung up as the result of a report on the CTV program W5 aired on September 30th. Called "The Campus Giveaway," it told us that we are giving away university educations to a growing number of foreign opportunists, most of them wealthy citizens of Hong Kong, whose country refuses to deal with the problem of educating its massive population of young people at home.

The program cited the case of Barbara Allan, a woman who had applied to study in the School of Pharmacy at U of T, and, despite a 79.5 per cent average, has been turned down. "When Barbara saw the Pharmacy class," we are told by W5 reporter Helen Hutchinson, "she could not believe it. Although only 165 of 1,000 applicants qualify, students from overseas make up ten to thirty per cent of the class." We are shown at the same time a sea of faces, almost entirely Chinese.

In additional scenes, we are told that there are 100,000 foreign students in Canada, most of them from Hong Kong. We are shown a Chinese theatre presentation in a classroom, and told it attracted "a full house, but not one Canadian student attended." We are shown first-year medical students registering - more Chinese - and we hear from four university students, who say there are "a lot" of foreign students, and that "we think it's a little more than it

If the program's intention was to stir up a reaction, it has certainly succeeded. Most of it has come from people who work with international students who

campus giveaway.

According to Ted Rathe, member of the International Students organization and Master of Founders College, "Right from the start the program was provocat-

she (Allan) had a 79.5 average. Tough bananas! She should have had 80."

W5 has received an onslaught of correspondence, 60 per cent of which is apparently in agreement with the show, based on the facts presented. But as far as

the CBIE is concerned, the point is that

The main problem lies in the definition

of a foreign student. A foreign student is

not a landed immigrant, or a Canadian

citizen, or just anybody seen on a

Candian campus who isn't white. He is a

these are not the facts.



ive racism. The whole thing was incredible. They used the Chinese students in almost every case. It's not the foreign students, it's the Chinese."

"The sad thing is the damage has been done. Unfortunately it was what a vast number of Canadians wanted to hear. So visa, granted only in the student's native country and only when the student has been accepted into a Canadian university. There are exchange programs set up between Canada and other countries in Europe and the Commonwealth. Kenyan civil servants come to Canada to study business administration and economics at the post-graduate level, as part of a program offered by the

> There are also scholarships available from the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and the Canada Council, which usually cover tuition, travel and support for a year. Without a scholarship, students in some provinces pay a "Differential fee" which can amount to twice what a Canadian would pay. Because a foreign student cannot work, he must prove that he has the financial wherewithal to live in Canada. In the event of an emergency, ie a coup in the student's country, immigration authorities may, in individual cases, grant a work permit for the remainder of the year, after which the student is sent home, unless he is a refugee. On the other hand, a landed immigrant can work, can receive student loans and pays

> the same tuition as a Canadian student. An unofficial figure, from a study to be released in January, gives the number of foreign students at York as 842, or about 3.6 per cent of the student population. A study released by the CBIE says there are

55,000 foreign students in Canada, of which 20,000 are studying at the university level. This figure is radically different from the W5 estimate.

Despite what they reported, there are no foreign students registered in the Pharmacy School at U of T. There are not "more than 400" foreign students in medical schools in Canada, but 85, of which just two are at the U of T. And you can't just run out of the country and run back in as a landed immigrant to get into programs with restricted enrolment, the Immigration Departments point system wouldn't allow it.

In fact, despite the W5 allegations, it is not as easy as it was. Gone are the days when you could shuffle off to Buffalo and come back legally landed, or come to Canada on a visitor's visa, and then apply here to go to school.

Elizabeth Patterson, director of the Foreign Students Association at U of T has been compiling a file on the correspondence with W5, recording letters sent by the CBIE, and the Association of Colleges and Universities in Canada, formally objecting to the program, and pointing out the factual errors. The Chinese students, who feel they have been most hurt, have filed notice of suit, charging W5 with incitement to racism. W5, although they offer "no comment" about the suit, say they are still 100 per cent behind their program, and their statement that Canada's foreign student policy is depriving young Canadians of their right

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