

LETTERS

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It is also important that we recognize the significant role played by members of the community who assist the Security Department and the police.

Without the assistance of the college resident in this case, Security would not have been able to apprehend the suspect.

Safety and security on campus is a partnership between members of the community and those who have responsibility for enforcing the laws and regulations.

York Security and Parking appreciates the ongoing support of the community.

Thank you for the opportunity to set the record straight.

—Michael O'Neill

Director

On Behalf of Members of Security & Parking Services

Anti-free trade group questioned

Editor,
All I can say in response to the newly formed coalition against Free Trade, is that you are an extremely biased group bent on using scare tactics on people who are still reviewing the trade deal. People are getting involved Mr. Cleveland, those people who are tired of hearing from groups that claim Canada will automatically become politically annexed by the capitalist United States.

After reading the deal, this Canadian has found the agreement not that scary. I find it extremely difficult to like these people that underestimate Canada as being a competitive country. When Mr. Cleveland's touring group goes around the University, why doesn't he bring another group, those for the agreement. If they did this, they would make their presentation truly democratic by giving two sides of the argument. By giving a comparison, they would have more credibility to their argument.

The only way to make a decision on the agreement is to read the agreement and then decide. I admit everything in the deal is not amazing, but it can be economically beneficial. If the Prime Minister needed a mandate for the deal, then everytime a government makes a treaty or piece of legislation that seems foreign to the public, then there would have been an election every year since Confederation.

I also find it offensive for this group to insinuate that the Conservatives are using dictatorial methods of ramming through a deal. Clearly, they have made a treaty that they are legally allowed to carry out. Please read the deal.

Stephen Reid,

Winters College Council

NDP "Natural allies of slavery"

Editor:

York's new coalition against free trade (*Excal*, Feb. 4) is simply another player in the comedy of hidden motives and selective blindness known as the protectionist movement.

The coalition claims support from the Council of Canadians (COC), a group of nationalistic socialists (isn't that what Hitler called himself?) dedicated to combating freedom and protecting the inefficiency that presently mars much of Canadian industry.

Anti-free traders, such as our new coalition, claim to want to protect Canada. Well, let's examine what they'd like to protect us from.

With free trade, Canadian producers would be given unrestricted access to a market of 270 million consumers and would have incentive to become more competitive both domestically and internationally

(after all, competition is the essence of business). In addition, Canadian consumers would be able to purchase a wider variety of higher quality, lower priced goods.

While this is the reality of what protectionism "protects" Canadians from, it is only part of what protectionists wish to prevent.

The real motive of this movement is to protect the income of those whose work has little free market value. For instance, union members, whose artificially high wages are made possible by trade barriers against foreign products, lobby against free trade claiming that it would cause unemployment. Wrong. It would only bring their wages down to market value. Likewise, employees of the CBC and other "cultural interests" whose products are subsidized by Ottawa, due to a lack of demand, claim that free trade would jeopardize Canada's culture. Wrong again. It simply sounds better to repeat this ominous claim than to say that "free trade may force 'The Beachcombers' off the air."

No matter what these various anti-free trade groups claim to be fighting against, they are really united in a fight against economic freedom. When people are given the right to trade goods and services with whomever they wish, they will, inevitably, realize the advantage of economic freedom. It follows, then, that they will want freedom in every facet of their lives. This is in direct conflict with the interests of coercive labour unions and advocates of Big Government (such as the CLC, the NDP and the COC).

Undoubtedly, the new coalition's search for sympathetic groups on York's campus will lead to an alliance with the Communists, International Socialists and NDP (the natural allies of slavery).

Fortunately, for those who would prefer freedom and prosperity, a coalition also exists which favours free trade. Liberty Coalition, despite having to align itself with Canada's spineless PM, firmly believes in both the economic and philosophical necessities of free trade.

Sincerely,

Greg Hopper

Torontonians winter "wimps"

Editor,

Re: Your editorial of Feb. 4/88. Of course Torontonians are wimps; we plain and simply refuse to put up with the inhumane weather conditions of Toronto. They are completely subhuman or at the least only suitable for persons of prairie descent or worse. I tend to approach weather on a class basis. It seems totally unjust that some areas of the globe receive better weather conditions than other equally deserving regions. After the revolution weather conditions will be nationalized and redistributed equally. Naturally, we will still need a place to send undesirables; Winnipeg being just as cold as any place else will do just fine thank you, for our climactically wrong people.

Garry Marr,

Future Vancourverite

EXCALIBUR STAFF MEETING

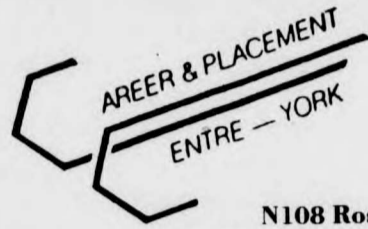
Thursday, February 11
4:00 PM sharp
in the News Room
Attendance is MANDATORY

"PLEASE PARDON OUR DUST"

During extensive renovations at the Career & Placement Centre, the following services will be available as usual:

- * Intake Information Sessions
- * On-Call Individual Counselling
- * Career Planning Weekend
- * Vocational Testing Interpretation Day
- * Job Search Weekend
- * Resume Critique Service
- * On-Campus Recruiting & Interview Training
- * Graduate Students Career Services
- * Employment Information & Resources

Hours will be 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, or as posted.



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Thanks for your patience and cooperation. We shall resume our usual hours and all our services as soon as possible.

John T. Harries
Director

TUITION FEES INCOME TAX CERTIFICATE

Tuition Fees Income Tax Certificates will be mailed to students the week of February 15, 1988. For information concerning deduction entitlement as well as other aspects of Income Tax requirements, consult Revenue Canada's "Income Tax and the Student" pamphlet or information contained in the "Guide to the Income Tax Return."

As these certificates will be computer-produced and mailed, individual requests prior to that date will not be processed. Personal pickup is not possible. Please ensure that York University has your current address, including the correct postal code.

Enquiries with regard to Tuition Fees Income Tax Certificates will be accepted only after March 4, 1988 and should be directed to the Student Accounts Office, Suite B, East Office Building; office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, or by telephone: 736-5111.

Student Accounts Office
Suite B, East Office Building
February 11, 1988

please

- * Observe the "no smoking" signs!
- * Show patience with those trying to stop smoking!

On February 22, 1988 York University enters Phase I of a two-phase policy to create a smoke-free environment. You are asked to refrain from smoking in certain areas on campus.

It must be recognized by smokers and non-smokers alike that many smokers find it difficult to stop smoking. Nicotine dependency and the influence of stress mean that many smokers must try several times to quit before they finally succeed. Quitting smoking is not a single event; it's a process.

If someone is smoking in a nonsmoking area and it causes you distress, the best initial approach would be a direct, courteous reminder that it is a nonsmoking area and a request to refrain from smoking. If initial approaches fail, one of the following steps should be taken.

Students

Students can bring the issue to the attention of the person in charge or, failing that, to the Complaints Centre which will work in cooperation with the Presidential Committee.

Employees

Employees (academic or nonacademic) can bring the issue to the attention of the supervisor or manager of the area or the Peer Support Group or, if need be, in writing to the Presidential Committee, S907 Ross.

Congratulations to...

Polly Taylor, winner of the logo competition!

