Tim Delaney says students have no rights

by Mike Fletcher

Tim Delaney is a first year student in McLaughlin College, and is heavily involved in college politics. Last week, he and fellow council member Dave Coombs engineered a referendum to keep his college out of YSC, despite a large amount of opposition.

He was interviewed by Mike Fletcher. another McLaughlin student, and the highlights of their discussion are presented here.

FLETCHER: Why have you tried to keep McLaughlin out of YSC?

DELANEY: At the moment, YSC is operating on a policy of trying to get students increasingly involved in the politics of the university. In my mind, the ideal structure of the university is that of a corporate system, in which the president and the administration are are just that; the administrators of the colleges.

The faculty are the workers, and the students consumers of that product of the university called knowledge.

In this setup, the consumers have no rights as such to form a consumers union to control the university by force or intimidation.

FLETCHER: But you are not against all forms of central co-ordinating council, is that right?

DELANEY: No. I am only opposed to institutions like the YSC when it tries to affect the administration. I also object to YSC's attempted monopoly of student government.

(There should be two student unions in effect, because there are two different groups on campus; the radicals and the non-radicals.)

(According to Delaney, McLaughlin College did not reject YSC on a basis of the personalities involved. Rather, it was a question of policies he said, although of course policies are decided by the system and the people.)

FLETCHER: Do you believe the college system is worth preserving?

DELANEY: Whether I think so or not has nothing to do with it. It was in the



Wolfe, station manager of Radio York.

contract I signed (apparently referring to tuition paymented) by coming to this university that it would be based on the college system. In defence of that contract, I must support the college system, because not to support it would be in violation of that contract.

FLETCHER: How do you react to Modes and its current problems?

DELANEY: I find Modes helpful and a useful course although it is not run properly. I must persist in saying this because it is very important, but again, I have no right to change the course. If I must take it. I will.

Tim does not rule out criticism however. He believes that one can criticize a course, but cannot institute a violent change. According to him, an alternative to criticism might be a walkout or other types of action.

(Delaney felt that Larry Goldstein's attack of Murray Ross (Excalibur Dec. 12) was not an infringement on the administration or the faculty)

DELANEY: As long as he (Goldstein) did not coerce anybody into effecting his proposed changes or try to misinterpret the views of the majority of York students, he should be allowed to speak.

One important thing about Excalibur is that it claims to speak for the student body when in fact it can only speak for itself.

One good way to straighten up these campus newspapers is to make them pay their own way. Excalibur and 'Mac69' are fascist-supported newspapers, technically speaking.

FLETCHER: Excalibur does pay a large part of its costs through advertising.

DELANEY: Our college alone has been forced to pay something like \$2800. The newspaper should get more advertising, charge higher rates, and sell copies (instead of the present free distribution). They could then say what they wanted and would be entirely independent of YSC or any other influence.

(Delaney feels this free-enterprise system should be applied to all clubs. If they cannot support themselves, then obviously the students don't want them.)

DELANEY: Winter Carnival should make money, but if it has to be subsidized, it again turns into a fascist-supported enterprise

FLETCHER: Do you feel that people at York are sometimes apathetic?

DELANEY: No. I think the only reason York is apathetic is that most people are content with what they've got. YSC is going around creating issues and getting people involved, when there is nothing to dispute.

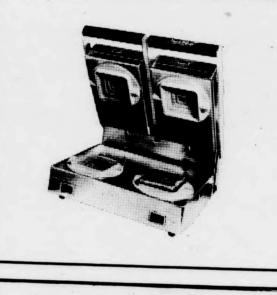
They need no provocation because they have nothing to be provoked about.

There are deeper and more important issues that the average student should be involved in. But these are obscured thanks to YSC.



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Radio York begins soon

The opening date is drawing near for York's own radio station. Equipment has been ordered, and staff is now being trained to use it, says station manager Bob Wolfe.

Wolfe still needs students who are interested in campus communications to be operators and announcers. The station, located in Vanier Tower 002, will soon be the location of feverish activity as consoles, wires, and recorders are fitted in and connected to the speaker system.

Speakers will be located in the Junior Common Rooms of Founders, Vanier, and McLaughlin Colleges, as well as the residence common rooms, through a closed-circuit system.

It is hoped that the station will move into the central plaza next year and expand its operations, but staffers of all interests and ambitions are needed.

All interested should talk to Bob Wolfe in V 302, or call him at 635-7412. And keep an ear open.