

Tight money the cause?

Curious drop in continuing education classes

Enrolment in courses offered by York's Centre for Continuing Education has declined substantially this year, and centre employees are at a loss to find an explanation.

Formerly popular courses have appealed to only a handful of persons, and courses such as Management Principles and Practices (333) have been cancelled due to non-enrolment.

"We can't really understand why, because the management programs last year did well" said Cindy Wilson, public relations officer for the centre.

"It may be because of the economic situation; continuing education is something people would cut out before things like milk and bread. But then many courses are paid for by companies, so that can't be the only reason."

Several community colleges have begun offering similar programs, and Wilson thinks "they're giving us

some stiff competition".

"Somebody says, Humber's course is \$40 and yours is \$120 — why? Mind you, I think we have really professional people, and that our courses really are better. Maybe it's a trend thing".

The Centre for Continuing Education offers a variety of courses under the E.G.O. (Education and Growth Opportunities) programme designed to help people in their search for "growth opportunities and challenge" in life, as well as courses in business management and organizational development.

All courses are offered to York full-time staff and faculty at a 50 per

cent discount, with alumni members receiving a 20 per cent reduction in the enrolment fee. Students do not get any discount because said Wilson, "we don't get many

students."

Wilson indicated that management courses are geared toward persons who wish to upgrade themselves and get some business experience

without going through an MBA course. "This offers the same sort of thing, but is non-degree," she said.

Courses start this week and next, and there are still several openings.

Rally protests daycare changes

By DALE RITCH

Five hundred people rallied in front of Queen's Park last Saturday to protest the Tory government's proposed changes in daycare legislation.

These changes, popularly known as the Birch proposals, would serve to cut the staff to children ratios

from 30 to 50 per cent, and include serious alterations in the regulations governing staff qualifications, food standards and fire regulations.

The assembled parents, children, and daycare workers gave strident support to a series of speakers and then marched to City Hall.

The most popular speaker of the

afternoon was NDP leader Steven Lewis, who described the proposals as "legislation against the public" which "profundly degraded the whole concept of daycare."

The action was organized by the Daycare Reform Action Alliance, an ad hoc group of concerned parents and daycare workers.

Birds juiced by cherries

SASKATOON (CUP) Drunken parrots have outsmarted the telephone company's computer in Atlanta, Georgia.

Disruptions in phone service at the Hyatt Regency Hotel have been blamed on four Mexican Yellow Parrots who are fed liquor-soaked cherries by patrons at the hotel bar.

Ticket agents at the hotel first noticed that lines were frequently going dead whenever one of the birds shrieked. Technicians who were called in confirmed that the cry of the birds was on the same frequency as that used to tell a computer to disconnect the phone line.

Noise-cancelling microphones have now been installed to correct the problem, and bar customers continue to sauce-up the parrots.

Beautyqueen loses a king

KUALA LUMPUR (CUP) The king of Malaysia has bowed to feminist groups' demands and agreed to postpone becoming a bigamist indefinitely.

Sultan Abdul Halim Shah had arranged to take a 19-year-old winner of a recent beauty contest for his second wife, when his prime minister prevailed upon him to defer the date of the wedding, apparently concerned with the militant women's opposition to his plans.

Victoria fuse stamped out by stroller

VICTORIA (CUP) A pedestrian who noticed a burning fuse and stubbed it out, thinking it was a firecracker left by mischievous children, unknowingly defused one irate motorist's scheme to claim revenge on a towing company with his home-made bomb.

The motorist had wrapped several sticks of dynamite with 30 feet of fuse in an attempt to "get even" after his car was towed from city streets at least four times one day. He lit the bomb close to the cash booth of the towing company's parking lot, and ran off.

Police say the bomb, which was disassembled by the Armed Forces bomb disposal unit, "would have been capable of killing or seriously injuring anyone nearby."

Some people can't do anything right.

You could go to Monte Carlo to see it. Or Germany. Or Italy. Or only 50 miles from Toronto.

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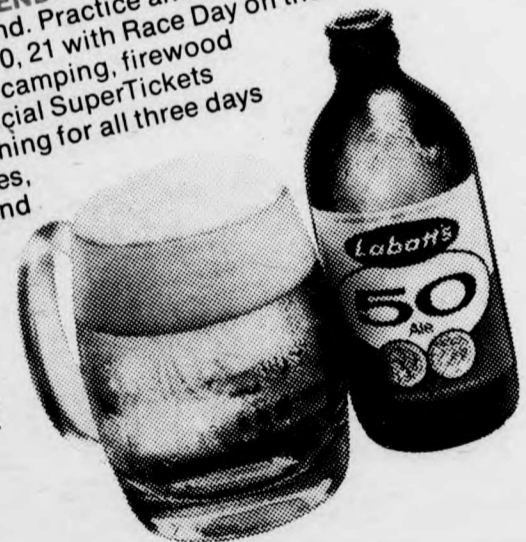
THE RACE Grand Prix is the absolute ultimate in car racing. This is the one they write novels about, the one they make movies about. It happens only once a year in countries around the world, and it's happening in Canada at Mosport, September 20, 21, 22.

THE DRIVERS The best drivers in the world will be here, including former World Champions: Graham Hill, Emerson Fittipaldi and Denny Hulme. Other top international drivers include Mario Andretti, Niki Lauda, Ronnie Peterson and Jody Scheckter.

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