

Atkinsonian editor quits

Problems surround Atkinson

Elliott Lefko
Jesse May Rowntree has had enough. In reaction to an accusation describing her as being responsible for at least



Jane O'Rourke

95% of the problems surrounding the Atkinson College Student's Association, Rowntree has resigned as editor of Atkinson's student newspaper, the Atkinsonian.

The source of Rowntree's malcontent is Dario Gritti, current president of the ACSA. Gritti, recently the object of impeachment threats by members of the ACSA, issued an eight point complaint against Rowntree.

Gritti claims that Rowntree made it difficult for the York administration to pass the ACSA budget, that she interfered with the dismissal of Jane O'Rourke, previous ACSA secretary, as well

as contributing misinformation about the ACSA Bursary fund; and not informing Atkinson students of the current affairs of the Association.

Regarding the interference in the firing of O'Rourke, Rowntree says, "I think it necessary to say that all indications I have had prior to and since the termination of Mrs. O'Rourke's employment have been that she performed her duties efficiently. She has always maintained an impartiality towards myself and my dealings with the Executive Council."

Rowntree is also equally firm in her denial of the other charges. The budget issue stems from a presentation made by the Atkinson Board Of Publications. The budget was almost twice that of the year before, yet claims Rowntree it was for twice as many issues.

Gritti claims that the budget was too high and that there was not enough advertising to support such an increase.



Jesse May Rowntree

The last main charge against Rowntree is that she did not properly cover the activities of the ACSA. Rowntree stands by her coverage. Gritti however says "where is it?"

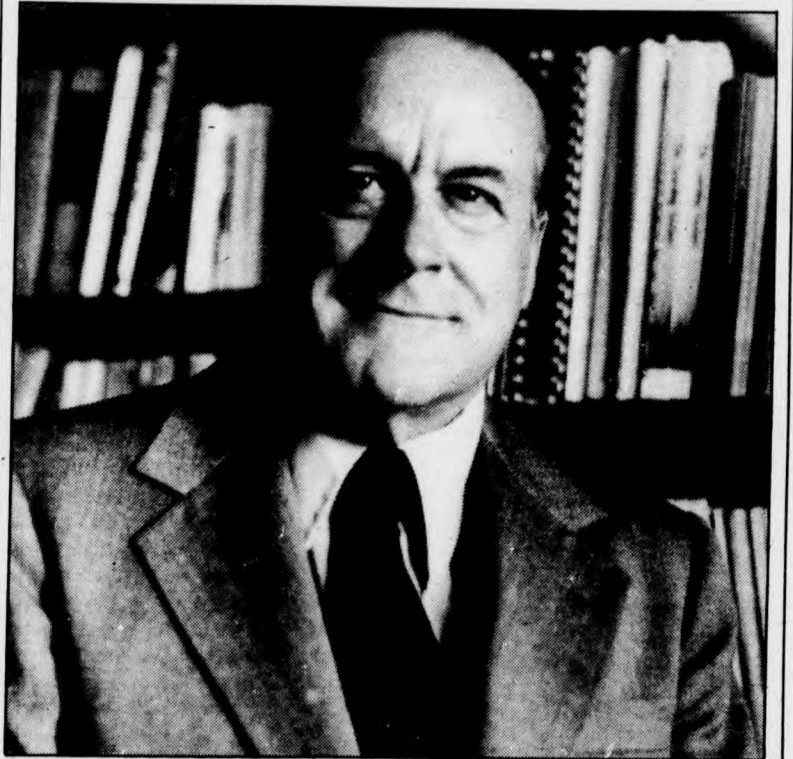
Though sad to leave, Rowntree feels it would be worse to continue under the present conditions. "It's no longer beneficial for me to remain as editor. I didn't take this job for the money. The majority of feedback I get is positive, yet a few people don't like it, and have made things very difficult for me. It's just not fun anymore. It's an irritation."

Gritti feels that it's not necessary for Rowntree to quit. "A lot of this stuff can be worked out," says the current president. "We just need some ground rules."

Rowntree's resignation takes effect after the publication of the next Atkinsonian.

In the Atkinson article two weeks ago, Jane O'Rourke was said to have made certain defamatory remarks against the ACSA. In fact these remarks were only alleged to have been made.

Excalibur Meets Friday at 1 P.M.



The late Dean Harry Crowe.

Searching for a dean

Elliott Lefko

A Search Committee has been chosen to find a new Dean of Atkinson College to replace the late Harry Crowe.

The eight member committee which held it's first meeting on Monday, is comprised of three full-time Atkinson faculty members, one student, one member of the Atkinson College support staff, two non-Atkinson faculty members, and Dean Andrew Effrat, selected by the President to be chairman of the Committee.

The Search Committee's function will be to search for and

assemble a list of candidates for the position of Dean. Consideration for the job which spans a five-year term, are being confined to potential candidates within the university.

At present the acting dean is Ron Bordessa. According to an informed source connected with the Search Committee, the potential candidates include Bordessa, Victor McKenna, Chairman of Atkinson Administration Studies, Professor Matt Ahern, and senate Chairman Howard Adelman.

The deadline for nominations is Dec. 7.

Moderate Reverend suggests immoderate changes

years, and his group are religious by nature. Interestingly though Campbell sees his organization as similar to and yet different from Jerry Falwell and his group, the Moral Majority, who are fighting to make America beautiful once more.

During his talk the Reverend swings through a myriad of subjects. Someone up in the back wants to know about homosexuals in the classroom and where they stand with Renaissance. With a broad smile and his ebullient manner Reverend Ken points out that the classroom serves children who were (obviously) produced by heterosexuals and that heterosexuals should have authority in the classrooms. He then pointed out that, based on a study, homosexuality is an aquired characteristic.

Moving on to the next question, an eager participant wants to know why the group has no tolerance. Obviously disturbed by the accusation, Reverend Ken cites the disgust Renaissance felt over the bathhouse raids. He explains that his group is opposed to censorship in principle. Speaking personally, the Reverend explained that he is

opposed to "sexual fascism" which he believes should not be forced upon general society.



Reverend Ken making a point.

Another member of the tiny audience, maybe thirty counting this reporter and his photographer, draws some parallels between the Moral Majority and Renaissance. With that gee shucks expression, Campbell points to his group as hard to pigeonhole. Later he will state that he was aware that sensationalism was going to greet the group before it was started but that he was willing to stick with it until a liberal spirit emerged. Reverend Ken, who calls Jerry Falwell a friend, expresses astonishment that

society is hostile to the leader of the Moral Majority. "Fallwell is a Baptist preacher who stands for

the rights of unborn children. Why did society applaud the efforts of another Baptist preacher, Martin Luther King, and not Fallwell," asks Campbell.

Before he is finished, Reverend Ken suggests that government should reward socially positive attitudes and actions. And he claims that the best guarantee of human rights is a society where there exists the supremacy of god or another human being.

After the talk, in an exclusive interview, Reverend Ken smiles that broad unreadable smile and points out that he enjoys the

rough and tumble aspect of this sort of thing, though he says that he would rather have spoken in the informal atmosphere of the bearpit. The Reverend calls his organization a voice for the moderate and silent majority. He cites the group's motto, "To rouse the church to lead the nation to find its soul."

When asked about the inclusion of god in the Constitution, Reverend Ken smiles once more and describes this concept as being a civilizing principle. He sees the inclusion of god as fundamental to the recognition of human rights. Campbell says that it is better to have a state where supremacy lies with god rather than with the state. Asked about pluralism, the Reverend calls his idea on the inclusion of god, global and points to several religions where this concept his held.

Reverend Ken stops the interview to relate the opinion that a pluralistic society must have alternatives and should have no groups imposing their views. He is a surprising man.

Election Information

There are two eligibility categories for this year's elections. For the CYSF election, voters must belong to CYSF affiliated colleges or member groups, including Winters, Atkinson from Monday, November 16 to Wednesday, November 18. Voting will take place everyday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The same hours apply for the main poll on Thursday, November 19. On that day there will be two polls set up in

Complexes I and II. Polling will also take place at the Administrative Studies Building, Osgoode, Glendon, Atkinson and Central Square.

Stong, McLaughlin, Founders, Vanier, G.S.A. or E.S.A.

BOG voting is open to any student member of the York community.

Voters will be asked to produce their 1981/82 sessional validation cards for both elections.

