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Outrage over Itwaru decision continues

By JAMES FLAGAL

In a repeat of last week's events, hundreds of students gathered in the East Bear Pit last Thursday to protest the Sociology Department's decision not to hire Professor Arnold Itwaru for a tenured position. After two hours of speeches by both graduate and undergraduate students, the protestors stormed the Dean of Arts offices, and were once again led to the Senate Chamber where they continued their heated debate with the university administration.

Decorated with banners reading "student voices go unheard," protestors crowded around the East Bear Pit at about 1:00 pm to begin the demonstration which was receiving media attention from across Toronto. "It is a policy of this university to hire part-time teachers and pay them substantially less than what tenured professors get," said Walter Persaud, a Sociology PhD candidate and one of the first stu-dents to speak. "It seems very strange that the department does not hire Dr. Itwaru who is a York graduate. If this university won't recognize this degree, who will," Persaud asked the crowd.

"We're not going to wait until the school ends," said Persaud. "It's a common tactic of the administration to implement such decisions at the end of the school year when students have a lot of work and no time to pay attention to such things . . . We will set our own timetable," he told the cheering protestors.

At about 3:00 pm, the Chairperson of the Senate, Professor Michael Stevenson, came to the Bear Pit to accept a formal petition from the protestors. He told the crowd that he

is very concerned about the allegations and he will take the petition into consideration. Paul Dutka, chair of the Student Senate Caucus, said that the Senate Executive Committee decided at a meeting on Thursday to make an inquiry into the Itwaru case.

Afterwards, the crowd took the elevators up to the ninth floor of the Ross Building and stormed the offices of the Dean of Arts. The crowd was then directed to the Senate Chambers where the debate continued.

In the Senate Chambers, Rudolph told the jeering crowd that the Sociology department followed their procedures for tenured appointments "scrupulously." He said that graduate students were consulted, and were invited to participate in the process. Protestors continued to accuse Rudolph of ignoring student demands.

In an interview with Excalibur the next day, Rudolph said that there were really two issues involved in the protest: the lack of racial minorities in tenured positions at York, and the decision not to hire Professor Itwaru.

Rudolph believes that the lack of representation of racial minorities at York can be dealt with through a systematic approach similar to the one which the university took for the hiring of women faculty. As part of the York University Faculty Association's (YUSA) collective agreement, "every department must work out an affirmative action programme that will promote and encourage the hiring of women," he said.

The second issue, said Rudolph, is that the department based its decision by weighting each candidate's qualifications with the needs of the department. Each department has a five-year plan which is determined by members of the department. The plan sets a list of priorities of the fields of study for which it most needs professors. Feminist sociology was very high on the list when the Department was making its decision, Rudolph explains; Itwaru's specialty was simply not a very high priority at the time.

But Rudolph points out that there is still a possibility that Itwaru can gain a tenured position. Under the CUEW (Canadian University Educational Workers) collective agreement signed in late October, provision is made for the hiring of six part-time faculty to tenured positions, as long as they fulfill certain criteria of length and intensity of employment with the university. Once the candidates meet these qualifications, the procedures for picking tenured faculty is then used again.

Yet Rudolph believes that Itwaru's chances at a tenure-streamed position this time around may be better, since the department will now prioritize his specialty even higher. He also said that teaching was taken into account, and that there are provisions for undergraduate input, but that did not happen because sociology students do not have an undergraduate organization this year.

Nominations for the six tenure positions must be in the Vice-President's Office of Academic Affairs by the end of March.



OUR CUP RUNNETH OVER: The hockey Yeomen display the Queen's Cup. From left to right Dave Andreoli, Lou Kiriakou, "the" Brimmer, Chris Morgis, Brian Small, Bill Maguire and Darren Gani. Friday at Varsity Arena they face Calgary; game time is 7:30. This weekend the Yeomen will be going for their second CIAU title in four years.

Yeomen win OUAA title

By "HOWIE" MARR and JAMES HOGGETT

Four in a row and still counting. The York hockey Yeomen defeated the Western Mustangs Saturday night, before a packed crowd at the Ice Palace, to capture their fourth straight OUAA title.

The Yeomen, urged on by a vocal, partisan crowd, defeated the Western Mustangs by a 5-1 count. The Yeomen now move on to the CIAU championship tournament, to be held at Varsity Arena this weekend. York will open the tournament against the Calgary Dinosaurs on Friday at 7:30

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As for the Mustangs, they mave have lost the OUAA title, but they remain alive in the pursuit for the Canadian championship. As OUAA finalists, both Western and York automatically advanced to the CIAU's. The Mustangs will play Atlantic champions UPEI. As a result, York could face Western one more time for the Canadian championship. Prior to the OUAA title match, York and Western had squared off in the central divisional final to determine home ice.

The Yeomen victory over Western was their fourth over the Mustangs this season, but it was their first by more than one goal. In the first period Western thoroughly dominated York. It was the play of goalie Mark Applewhaite, player of the game, that kept things close. Western fired 16 shots at Applewhaite, but managed only one goal. Western's Scott Tottle was able to beat Applewhaite through the legs after he managed a clean breakaway from the York defence.

But York was able to tie the game up on their only real opportunity in the first. Bob Crocock picked up a loose puck, as Greg Rolston tied up a Western defenceman, and fired it by Goalie Mike James. After the game, York coach Graham Wise admitted, "we were lucky to get out of the first tied at one."

Rolston gave York the lead early in the second as he blasted a rebound into an open net to make it 2-1. York continued to gain momentum as an injured James was replaced in the Western goal by Steve Titus.

But the turning point in the game occurred after Tottle was stopped by

Applewhaite on yet another breakaway. Seconds later the Yeomen came right back with a rush of their own that saw Duane Smith score his second of the night. Smith has become a playoff hero for the Yeomen, scoring five times in the playoffs after netting only three goals during the regular season. He credits new linemates Rolston and Brian Gray for his success. "Brian's the best centre in the league," said Smith. "Speed is my asset and he uses it."

Smith's second goal gave the Yeomen an insurmountable 4-1 lead heading into the third. Rolston put the icing on the cake with his second of the night with two minutes left in the game. Rolston's scoring feats can easily go unnoticed because he accomplishes them with such regularity. It was his third OUAA title but, "it doesn't getting any worse," according to Rolston. "Hopefully we will do better in the CIAU's. We'll have to play our best game of the year to beat Calgary." As for Western, Rolston says he wouldn't mind playing them one more time for the national championship.

Female student abducted

By DEBORAH DUNDAS

Last Friday evening a female residence student was abducted at knifepoint near the BB parking lot by an unidentified man.

The incident occurred when the student was walking between the Stedman Lecture Halls and the Farquarson Life Sciences building towards her residence. The assailant stepped out from behind some bushes, forced her, at knifepoint, into his waiting vehicle and drove off campus. When the driver came to a stop at the traffic lights at Keele and Steeles, the student managed to open the door and escape. She returned to her room, and Security and Metro Police were notified.

The male assailant is described as white aprox. 5'7"-5'7" in height, in his late 30s, with a stocky build, dark eyes, prominent cheek bones, and straight black hair. He was not well groomed, and had no accent. He was wearing dark pants and a dark coat at the time of the abduction.

The car is described as being a large-sized, older, North American

model, dark green in colour. There is an unidentified object hanging from the rear-view mirror.

Should you have any information or if you think you have seen the assailant or vehicle described, please contact York Security at 3333 or the Metro Police 31 Division at 967-2276.

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