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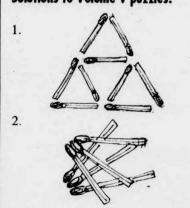
No stranger to suds, I have reason to frequent many of the local (and distant) brewing dispenseries, adorned with varieties of cathode ray tubes displaying myriad athletic activities, and indeed, one may readily view quaint memorabilia associated with these or similar athletic exertions. The Sports Pub. the Riddler rarely has to pay for his own drinks, however, and through the use of a series of Pub-Posers, wins brewskies from friendly pub frequentors (innocent rubes, suckers, fresh meat). In the vastness of my good fortune (not to mention a nasty hangover), I shall offer you these puzzles, that you, too, may scam and swindle form those who wallow foolishly in naivity. May the brew flow freely, and your head swell and throb mightily...

- 1. Place a \$5.00 bill flat on the table. Turn an empty beer bottle upside down so that it's mouth rests on the centre of the note. Bet someone that you can remove the bill without tipping over the bottle or allowing anything to touch the bottle other than the note or the table.
- 2. Take two loonies and a nickel and arrange them as shown below. Now bet someone that you can get the right-hand looney into the middle position without moving the nickel or touching the left-hand looney.

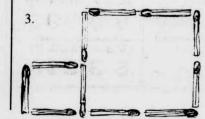


3. Bet someone that you can hold a dinner napkin in two corners and, without letting go, tie it in a knot. Try these, and upon utter failure, tune in to The Riddler next week for intoxicating inspiration.

#### Solutions to Volume V puzzles:



I didn't say they all had to rest on a flat surface!



### **CUEW's links** with the York community helped in talks

Dear Editor.

As your Nov. 6 article "Strike Averted" makes clear, CUEW dodged a bullet when we reached a tentative agreement with York University. Mobilization among our own members and the links we built throughout the York community allowed CUEW's negotiating team both to fight off the concessions management demanded, and to make some gains. Most notably, we successfully defended the conversion program, under which 24 long-service high-intensity part-timers have been "converted" to full time, tenure stream faculty positions since 1987.

It disturbed me, therefore, to see Paula O'Reilly, York University's chief negotiator, in the same November 6 article, say that "it's cer-

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no guarantees that appointments will be available." On the contrary, there is no such understanding.

CUEW did compromise on the terms of the conversion program: for 1991-92, there is no guaranteed minimum of six appointments, and no maximum of \$21,000 from the fund per appointment, but all the money in the fund (\$130,000) must be allocated. There may be fewer than six appointments this year, but appointments there must be. The only circumstances which would allow the University not to hire would be where no qualified candidates in the conversion pool came forward. The past four years of experience shows us that this will not be the case.

One can only read Ms. O'Reilly's comments as an indication that the upper levels of the administration (not tainly an understanding that there are departments who yearly clamour for

the full-time appointments of longservice part-timers) remain serious about ending the program. If true, that same battle will be fought again in next year's negotiations.

> Sincerely, Margaret J. Watson

### Who makes York's parking regulations anyway?

Dear Editor,

An open letter from a parent Re: Parking and traffic violation \$75 for "Parking on Hashmarks." Parking was hard to find and he had an appointment to keep:

I BELIEVE PARKING FINES ARE EXORBITANT AND UNREA-SONABLE!

Question:

I recognize the fines are posted in the Traffic Regulations but are not really noticed by the students until the day they are in alleged violation. I would like to raise the question as to how the amount of the fines are arrived at and how they compare with other universities and the local Municipality.

I also see that the parking ticketing system is computerized. Are the revenues produced by traffic violations so high as to justify such a sophisticated system?

How many other students find the parking fines exorbitant?

> From a parent of a student, Ray Woodend

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