

Excalibur

Vol. 9 No. 10

York University Community Newspaper

November 14, 1974

Campus clubs get 24 hour eviction notice from Becker

By BONNIE SANDISON

The administration at York moved quickly this week, as a decision was reached to move the student clubs from their offices in the Ross Building to available space in Winters and McLaughlin colleges.

Half the clubs occupying the space were present at a meeting on Tuesday afternoon, when assistant vice-president John Becker announced the clubs would be reallocated Wednesday morning.

The four clubs present objected to this quick eviction, and it was finally agreed the move would be postponed until today.

All club members are asked to attend a meeting today at 12 noon in N105 to discuss the possibility of

slowing the bureaucratic move down.

The club representatives are protesting the swift action which has taken place, and are displeased with their new locations. The Hellenic Student Club, Ukrainian Canadian Association, Socialist League and the Revolutionary Marxist Group all feel strongly that a central location is important to the continued success of their groups. To be moved to Winters room 030 or McLaughlin room 216, is, as one representative put it, "like moving us to Siberia."

In an interview following the announcement of the move Becker said he could see why the speed of the move might annoy the groups involved, but the rooms are to be

renovated by January 1 and the sooner the work begins, the less pressure will be placed on the technicians.

The rooms are to become the new location for the Career Counselling Centre, now located in the Behavioural Science Building, and the Canada Manpower Centre which is located in the Temporary Office Building.

"It was a fluke," said Becker, "that the clubs happened to get those rooms four years ago. Somehow they have assumed that it is their natural right to be there, and they are not taking into consideration the other student services on campus which may need that central location more than them."

Becker stated that since York is run on a college system it might be expected that the clubs would not only get more support in membership from within a college but also more interest and co-operation.

The notion of moving the clubs is not a new one. Talk of a move began in August of this year. At that time the clubs were being asked to bear the expense, and so much protest arose that the topic was dropped in mid-September.

Now the administration is going to pay for the move, and it appears the clubs have no alternative but to accept the change in location.



Vote yes...or no

OFS researcher Karolyn Kendrick gets mixed reactions as she tells passersby to vote in today's by-election and referendum. Polling booths are scattered across the campus.



Peter Hsu photo.

New York committee to deal with food complaints

By MICHAEL HOLLETT

A committee to deal with complaints about campus food and service was established by the University Food Services Committee on Monday.

Ted Kapusta, Vanier representative on UFSC said, "The complaint committee can police complaints against food services and see that things are corrected."

During the discussion on the establishment of the committee, Joanne Pelletier, YUFA representative said, "I can't believe there is anybody on campus satisfied with campus food."

Ken Travers, candidate for chairman of the committee and Winters representative, described the approach he would use towards food services if elected. "I think the only approach organizations like that understand is the violent approach."

Peter Charness of Stong was elected chairman but Travers said he would also serve on the committee.

The complaint committee was one of five committees the UFSC established. For the first time ever, committee membership will be open to any member of the York community.

The other committees established were finance, scrip, vending and liquor.

In other business the committee discussed the scrip system. Norm Crandles of ancillary services said, "Last year's plan allowed a more liberal usage of scrip. Over \$89,000 in beer was bought at the Buttery."

Crandles said food services need not supply diverse services like a steak house or floor parties this year, where food is bought with scrip.

He said, "We don't have to do these things because we've got your (students) money already. We get it no matter what."

Due to the resignation of Michael Mouritsen as committee chairman last week, a new election had to be held. Peter Jarvis, last year's vice-chairman and the representative for Bethune College was acclaimed.

Lakeshore folds this year

By TED MUMFORD

This spring will see the last crop of teachers graduate from York's Lakeshore Teacher's College and the college's teaching staff will not be offered further employment with York.

As of the date of firing, one teacher is only three months away from full pension, another is a year and a day away, and a third is two years away. Unless they can find other jobs soon, they will be stuck with the drastically reduced "B" pension.

Bill McClure, principal of the college, says such teaching jobs are scarce because there is a surplus of similarly qualified people in the province.

The 22 staff members at Lakeshore received notice a year ago that their services would no longer be required after August 31, 1975, the expiry date of an employment guarantee with the university. The one exception is McClure, who will continue as assistant dean of education at the York campus, a position he has held for the past two years.

The college, founded in 1959 as a provincial Teacher's College, joined York in a 1971 agreement between

then York president David Slater and the ministry of education. The agreement also stated that Lakeshore's teaching staff would be guaranteed four year's employment with York, and that the college would be fully integrated into the university. Lakeshore has never achieved the promised integration.

The faculty of education decision to close the college means the end of the one year, "consecutive" programme for university graduates which now involves 165 students. This programme permitted students with B.A.'s to get B.Ed's after one additional year of study.

The York campus will continue to offer the concurrent programme in which prospective teachers take their degree and teaching programme simultaneously. York graduates desiring the consecutive programme will have to go elsewhere.

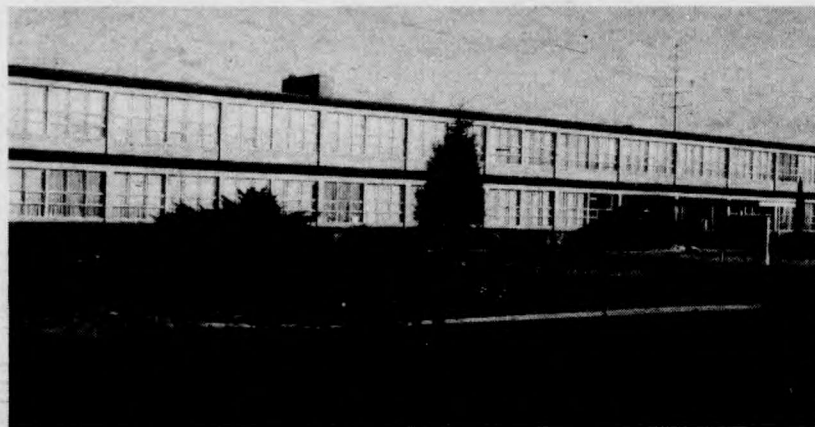
Bill Condlin, chairman of the College's Teachers Association, and McClure both believe that the consecutive programme should not disappear from the York curriculum. "For a programme such as this to go to waste is a real shame for education," says Condlin.

Prickly plague attacks England

ENGLAND (CUP/ENS) — May a plague of Himalayan porcupines ravish your forests!

No, that's not a soccerer's hex, it's an uncomfortable fact to government scientists here who are battling the hungry critters.

The animals, collectively called a prickle of porcupines, are apparently descended from a pair who escaped from a zoo five years ago and found the British climate to their taste.



Lakeshore Teacher's College: last graduate crop.

C.T. Squassero photo

Ottawa may cut back post-secondary funds

By DOUG TINDAL

The federal government may be planning to cut back its level of support to universities and community colleges, according to a Toronto Star report on a November 6 speech by secretary of state Hugh Faulkner.

Faulkner told the association of Universities and Colleges of Canada at their annual meeting in Ottawa that while he "did not want to dispute the fact that post-secondary education provides benefits to society at large, nevertheless I wonder these benefits alone are sufficient to justify the present distribution of federal support."

He added that the government is concerned it may be funding universities at the expense of lower levels of education.

The federal government presently supplies Ontario with 50 per cent of the money the province contributes to the cost of post-secondary education.

Bill Farr, York vice president in charge of finance, told Excalibur there will be no immediate effect, since the latest federal-provincial tax treaty commits Ottawa to up to a 15 per cent increase in university grants for the 1975-76 year of operation. After that the treaty will be renegotiated and the federal government may decide to decrease its support.

"This is clearly a position Faulkner is trying out, to see what

kind of response he gets," said Farr. The federal government is not currently involved in the funding of lower levels of education.

Deadly orange

CUPI — Agent Orange is being sold out by the American Air Force.

Agent Orange is a highly toxic herbicide used to defoliate millions of acres in Vietnam. More than 50 per cent of the mixture, soon to be placed on the commercial market by the air force, is made up of the compound 2,4,5-T.

Environmentalists are protesting the sale, noting that Missouri soil contaminated by 2,4,5-T has made one human ill, and killed 54 horses and countless birds, rodents, dogs and cats.

INSIDE

- Nursing home p. 2
- Budget blues p. 3
- Under Attack p. 8,9
- Forum p. 10
- Amnesty p. 11
- John Mitchell p. 12