

CYSF nominations lag; deadline extended

By MANNY MASONGSONG

Due to a poor turnout, the Council of the York Student Federation has extended CYSF nominations until tomorrow afternoon. At the same time, names of declared candidates running in the February 2 elections were released.

Rob Macrae, a CYSF representative on the senate, is one of the official candidates for the presidency. He said his candidacy was motivated by the need for a better social atmosphere at York and for more student participation in the running of their courses.

"There's never been any reason to take pride in being a York student," he said. "Student life at York is dull and little is going on outside classes. We'll bring in more bands and put on more concerts, because I feel that it is one opportunity for students to get together."

With Jeff Otis, his running mate, Macrae was responsible for the success of the Winters college November programme when three big bands were brought to York.

About York's academic problems, he said, "The real academic issue is the role of the

student in determining what kind of education he wants. The situation we now have will be little changed if the board of governors disappear tomorrow.

The York Young Socialists also announced their participation in CYSF elections. Bryan Belfont, a Vanier college student, is running for the presidency, with Terry Fobert trying for the vice-presidency. Norm Faria and Tony DeFelice are the party's candidates for college rep positions.

The Young Socialists' platform concerns the destinies of university graduates and the hiring of

university faculty in Canada. This is discussed in The Young Socialist, the official publication of the nationwide organization, where it says:

"University graduates are now destined for positions in which they sell their labour power, and a greater number of students are now drawn from the ranks of the working class."

It went on to say that "only 15 per cent of new faculty hired at Canadian universities are trained in this country. The rate of unemployment of university graduates is rising as a whole."

A rumour is circulating that Mike Fletcher, McLaughlin college rep on CYSF, is also running for the presidency. Fletcher, unfortunately, was not available at press time to comment.

Next week, all official CYSF candidates will be speaking at forums at 1 pm in the common rooms of the following colleges: Founders college, Tuesday; Vanier college, Wednesday; and Winters college, Thursday.

At the present time CYSF, Room N108 Ross Building, is still waiting for more nominations.

Army colonel says Israel is homeland

By DAVID CHUD

An Israeli army colonel told a gathering of 200 that Israel is the "one country in the world where Jews have their destiny in their own hands," at a forum on the plight of Soviet Jews Tuesday night.

Colonel Ya-Akov Kaplan spoke at the meeting sponsored by the Action Committee for Soviet Jewry.

Mark Shapiro, a spokesman for the committee explained that the group is not anti-communist.

"We are not against the Soviet Union just because it is the Soviet Union. We are worried about the problems of Jews in the USSR. We want Jews to have the rights of other minorities and we want those who desire to leave to be allowed to do so."

Shapiro explained that the committee's demands conform to the Soviet constitution and also to international law.

Col. Kaplan, admonished young Jews in the west who have taken stands against Israel and contended.

"I don't have to make up revolutionary reasons for supporting the State of Israel."

Kaplan, who is a former major in the Polish army, contended that Israel is the only place that Soviet Jews can move to for a just and free life.

"We will not give up our battle until our brethren in Russia have their freedom," he said.

The meeting was shown a film called, Before Our Eyes, which briefly outlined the historical position of Jews in the Soviet Union, and was then addressed by poet Irving Layton and lawyer Joe Pomerant.

Shapiro described the program of his committee as two-fold. The first is to send a telegram to the Soviet ambassador in Ottawa. The telegram may be signed at the committee's table in front of the post office in the central square. The second goal of the committee is to raise the level of awareness about the Soviet situation in Toronto.

There will be another forum on the same topic tonight at 8 pm in Lecture Hall 2 room I.

Speakers will include J.B. Salsberg, former MPP and member of the Communist Party of Canada; Stuart Rosenberg, Rabbi at the Beth Tzedec synagogue; and Jerry Rosenfeld, recently returned from the Soviet Union.



Singer Pauline Julien, outspoken Quebec independentist who was recently arrested under the War Measures Act, waves here to a crowd at Glendon College where she was given a standing ovation during a performance Friday night. See page 13.

U Vic won't renew 14 faculty contracts

VICTORIA (CUP) — Unorthodox faculty are being forced out of the University of Victoria, contends the campus newspaper, the Martlet.

Fourteen teachers have been refused either tenure or renewed contracts by the administration.

The Martlet states that "it seems more than coincidental that most of the faculty members being forced out this year are in one way or another nonconformists."

The paper says that a

technicality is being used by the board of governors in its dispute with the faculty association to deny at least four lecturers their jobs, "despite their good reputations as teachers." It names philosophy teacher Toby Graff, French lecturer Neil Thompson, and English lecturers George Forbes and Shelia Hoggis.

The Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT) has decided to investigate the situation.

U of T students delay strike vote over parity issue

Students at the University of Toronto voted yesterday to postpone a strike vote until Monday after the Arts and Science faculty council defeated a move to set up a parity committee.

Instead, about 400 students at the meeting voted to continue a "parity festival" of music and speakers set up in the main hall of the Sydney Smith building by student members of the faculty council and the Students' Administrative Council.

Most arts and science students at the university pass through the main hall of the building on their

way to classes.

Students will vote again on Monday to strike or to hold a sit-in in the Sydney Smith building.

Yesterday's meeting was called after the faculty council defeated a move to set up a committee on restructuring the council to give students equal representation.

Students now make up about 5 per cent of the council.

The report of the Commission on University Government released last spring recommended that students be given equal representation in the governing of the university.

Writes Globe article

Dean of Atkinson attacks nationalists

By SHELLI HUNTER

Atkinson college dean Harry Crowe has charged that nationalism in Quebec "is a sub-set of fascism, and in English Canada, a sub-set of Marxism."

Crowe made the accusations in an article in the Globe magazine Saturday.

Nationalism "began with anti-Americanism and has led to the panacea of the Waffle anti-party group ...," he said in the article.

"The Waffle group is to English Canada what separatism is to Quebec. Both want the whole tribe to return to the wigwams."

When contacted by EXCALIBUR to comment further, Crowe said he is suspicious of self-contained philosophies.

"We had one from Hitler ... Waffle nationalism and the Marxist version of socialism ceases to become a set of ideas and becomes a gospel."

Crowe said he had no negative feelings towards Canadian nationalism but he was "unhappy about the association of nationalism and socialism in a single political doctrine."

He stated he is "not opposed to the development of a national characteristic" but is "leery of the association of nationalism with any political ideology. In Canada it is now Marxist."

Bob Holden, student chairman of the Atkinson committee examining

Americanization, when asked by EXCALIBUR to comment on Crowe's article, said it was "too strong."

"The Waffle group's anti-American stand is not the one that has to be taken by Canada and in that sense dean Crowe was right, but his language is too strong."

Holden feels the Waffle group's stand is helpful, however, because its extreme position causes moderates to stand up and take a look at the Canadian situation.

Holden feels the Waffle group is not moderate enough. "We shouldn't be anti anything, we should be pro-Canadian."

Crowe insists that nationalists are not radicals but conservatives and the Waffle's Marxist slogans are simply a cover dressing for nationalism.

He said he is apprehensive about American influence on the Canadian economy. He suggested that "devices have to be employed to increase control of the economy by Ottawa."

Holden insists that foreign capital is necessary for the maintenance of the Canadian economy but greater control should be employed.

A number of the members in Holden's group are on the Committee for an Independent Canada. They feel that we must work within the system to effect changes within the existing political set-up.