

# Debating president forced out by Rapoport faction

by Paul Perlove

Mel Lubek is no longer president of the Debating Society. In a Wednesday meeting of the Society, Mr. Lubek called for a vote of confidence, failed by a sizeable margin to get it, and promptly issued his resignation from the Society both as president and as a member.

During the meeting, reasons were offered by individual members for their dissatisfaction with Mr. Lubek as president. Members felt that Mr. Lubek had let his personal feelings towards Harry Lipskar, former president of the Debating Society, override his good judgment.

As one member of the society put it: "Mel, for the month past you have done a conscientious job as president. However it seems that you were out to get Lipskar and consequently the Society received a lot of bad, unnecessary publicity."

An open letter to Excalibur October 6, written by Mel Lubek

## Century II resurrected!

by Kandy Biggs

Century II has returned, but without concrete financial backing.

"Our final budget has not yet been prepared but we will stretch it as far as we possibly can in order to give the yearbook people enough to turn out this year's publication," said Mel Freedman, President of Founders Student Council.

Presumably the financing of the yearbook comes from SRC. But with the establishment of this council still under debate the college councils may have to provide the financial backing this year.

Last year the total yearbook budget was \$8500 divided evenly from three sources, college councils, sales, and advertising.

It is hoped that a similar budget will be met again this year. But until financial backing is confirmed publishers contract cannot be signed.

Sandy McCulloch, (F III) and Shauna Melnyk (F III) are heading up the yearbook as co-editors.

This year's edition will not be co-ordinated with Glendon College.

"Upon approaching interested members of Glendon we realized that Glendon was economically unprepared to support a York University Yearbook. It would be impossible to expect the other three colleges to assume the financial responsibility of Glendon representation in the yearbook," said Miss McCulloch.

about Mr. Lipskar and the Debating Society debt, was cited as an example of this bad publicity.

Other members felt the major grievance against Mr. Lubek was of the Society. Mike Cole (VI) said attendance at meetings was very poor, "No one really knew when the meetings were called for."

Mr. Lubek felt differently. "I firmly believe that it was Larry Rapoport (V II) who is directly responsible for getting rid of me, as punishment for my attack on the Vanier Constitution. This is a result of his personal vendetta against me. I issue this statement as a formal charge."

He added: "I find it strange that Mr. Rapoport, the chairman of the Vanier Council, should so deliberately attempt to destroy a college body. If anything happens to the Society, it should be the responsibility of Larry Rapoport. In fact, this could backfire and politically crucify him."

Answering Mr. Lubek's charges, Mr. Rapoport said: "It was obviously much more than my say-so that caused the non-confidence vote. I didn't call the meeting."

"Mr. Lubek called the meeting, and he called for a vote of confidence. The members of the society were dissatisfied with state of affairs and voted against Lubek."

What will happen to the Debating Society now? Mr. Lubek predicted the "same people who showed up in such an unprecedented number to vote me down today, will come out once more to vote in a new president and then they won't show up anymore."

Mr. Lubek added he did not look with sorrow on his withdrawal from the Debating Society. "Now I will have more time to concentrate on the problems with the Vanier council, and in particular, Larry Rapoport."



Larry Rapoport, Vanier chairman "...could be politically crucified."



photo: Jeff Solway

When York had this to offer at the slave auction, why did Glendon make more money? (Excalibur staff party, 8:30 tonight, at Anita's).

## Vanier approves constitution

by Paul Perlove

The Vanier Constitution achieved its objective of student approval Monday, much to the dismay of its chief opponent Mel Lubek.

Mr. Lubek (V II) along with a recently assembled group known as SAVE (Students Against Vanier Errors) paraded in and about the Vanier Common Room during the plebiscite on the constitution, instructing the students to vote against it.

The constitution was passed by a 82-57 vote.

"The fact that we obtained 46% of the vote shows we have amassed a large following and that there is much dissatisfaction with the constitution and more particularly the Vanier Council," said Mr. Lubek.

"SAVE is not concerned with just the constitution, Mr. Lubek said, but mostly with 'the irresponsibility of a council that is not concerned with student problems.'"

Mr. Lubek said the attack on the constitution by SAVE is just the first step in their master plan to reform the Vanier Council.

Asked whether he thought his lobbying in the common room was fair, Mr. Lubek replied: "It's just as fair as Rapoport's way

of lobbying--by saying that since Lubek is against the constitution, vote yes."

Larry Rapoport (V II), Chairman of Vanier Council was irked, to say the least, by Mr. Lubek and his troops. "Lubek's only interest is to disrupt the council. His criticisms are not in the least bit constructive."

"Before the plebiscite he had ample opportunity to present his views to council and to the students."

"As far as I'm concerned Lubek's only aim is to cause trouble for council because of a long standing animosity toward me and the council," Mr. Rapoport added.

Mr. Lubek said his group found 16 faults with the constitution ranging from the absence of someone to check the treasurer's books, to the manner in which committee members are chosen by the council.

In Mr. Rapoport's view, the new constitution will not change the lives of the student in any way.

"The constitution will set a pattern for operational procedure. It provides the guide lines within which the council will now operate."

## Founders Student Challenges YSA

by Anne Wright

Gary Greenberg (FI) is out to undersell YSA.

Mr. Greenberg, a mature student, had verbally contracted an order with the York Student Agencies, three weeks ago, for 17 dozen York sweat shirts.

Upon delivery last week, the merchandise was found to be in faulty condition. The ink was still wet and the sweat shirts not fit for sale. According to

Don Smith and Jerry Zeidel, of YSA, this was sufficient reason for breaking the contract.

Said Mr. Smith, "Gary Greenberg himself broke the contract by supplying faulty goods. We didn't want to chance having the order repaired and so cancelled the order."

Mr. Greenberg, however, claims that YSA is not acting in a business-like fashion. He feels

"they deserve to be taught a lesson." Consequently he has applied for a sales office on campus and intends to sell jackets and scarves as well as sweat shirts. Of the 17 dozen rejected by YSA he says he has already sold approximately 5 dozen at \$1.50 each, to individual students. This is less than half the price charged by YSA. He is, in his own words, "definitely out to give YSA a run

for their money."

However, Mr. Greenberg's proposition may violate the ruling in Foundations (p. 32) which states the use of the name Founders or York for advertising or commercial use must be approved by the Vice President in charge of Administration.